

# SOPHOMORE CAGE STAR KILLED; CO-CAPT'S FATHER DIES LATER

Mike Schaffer is dead. The sophomore basketball star from the College died Saturday night, less than an hour after being run over by a car in the aftermath of a street corner argument.

Solomon Blatt, father of basketball co-captain Alex Blatt, died of a heart attack induced by the killing. Before he died, though, he gave evidence which led the police to arrest Edward Weisman, 19.

Weisman is being held on a homicide charge which could result in an indictment for anything from manslaughter to first-degree murder.

Both Mr. Blatt and Schaffer were buried yesterday following services at the same funeral parlor in the Bronx.

Most of Mike's neighborhood turned out for his funeral. Presi-

dent Buell G. Gallagher; Mike's teammates; his coach, Dave Polansky; and some officials from the College were also there.

A middle-aged woman at Schaffer's funeral summed it up this way: "The poor kids. They're stunned. Death is so new to them."

After Mr. Blatt's funeral, the team returned to the College. At 4 PM they reassembled in Wingate.

"This isn't a house of worship or a temple," Coach Polansky told them, "but each of you can pray in his own way." A moment of prayer was held for Schaffer. Then a minute for Mr. Blatt.

Afterwards the team voted to postpone tomorrow's contest against  
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### Hop . . .

The First Annual Holiday Hop, sponsored by Evening Session Student Government and the SAB, will be held Friday at 7:30 PM in the Grand Ballroom. Food and refreshments will be served and Christmas carols will be sung in the lounges. Admission to the Hop will be a toy or a donation to the Children's Christmas Fund of the College.

### Lecture Learning Held Best Method By Physics Profs.

By MARC BRODY

The College has small recitation sections for reasons "not as glorious as you think," Professor Harry Lustig (Physics) told a surprised audience here Thursday.

In a debate with Bob Atkins before the Physics Society, he said that the recitation class originated to "test rather than teach." A New York State Law required a mark for each student for every hour of class-time, he explained.

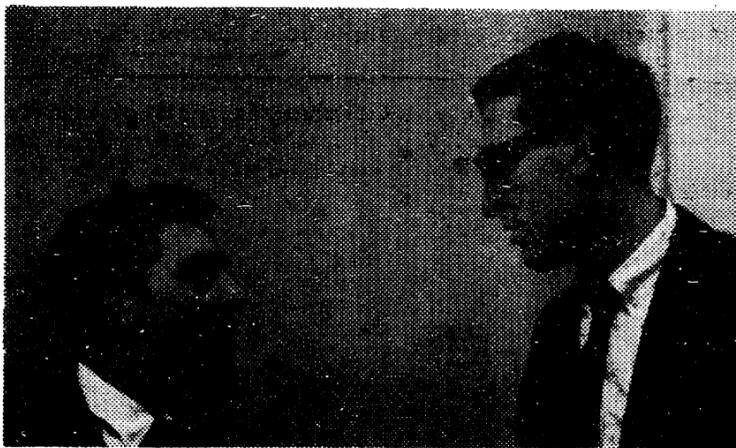
Although he thought nothing is added to "garbage courses" by either lectures or reading the text ("you can get a 'B' by merely being there"), Prof. Lustig felt that "plenty of lectures," supplemented by individual conferences with teachers, would be the most preferable and successful method of teaching.

Bob Atkins, speaking in favor of recitation classes, asserted that the lecture system in many instances served only to repeat the information found in the textbook. Referring to Physics 7 (an introductory course in physics), he explained that the Theory of Physics, around which the lectures are centered, was understandable from reading the text, but that the Theory of Application of these theories to problems was not.

Atkins offered as evidence of  
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## Rosenberg Elected New SG President All Referenda Pass: SG To Reorganize

By STEVE ABEL



After learning of his Presidential victory, a solemn Bob Rosenberg listens sympathetically to Alan Blume, who has just been defeated by Larry Steinhauer in his race for SG Treasurer.

### Pepsi Bottles And Dancers Outnumber The Candidates

Pepsi bottles outnumbered people, and the gyrating dancers were all female, at 9 PM Friday. Of the thirty odd students who had wandered into the Election Eve Dance in Bittenweiser Lounge, at least twenty must have been there as a result of having gotten lost while taking a short cut, approximately five were campus journalists, and there was not one candidate in the vicinity.

Ten minutes later, Alan Blume entered resplendent in a light gray suit with vest and brandishing an 8-inch cigar between his front teeth. He became an innovator as he glided into a cha cha with a shapely blond. The lone heterosexual couple, however, in no way fazed the female dancers whose ranks had rapidly swelled to ten.

Then, very slowly, the first

council candidates joined the festivities, all of them aware that soon only twenty four of their number would have cause to celebrate. Spotting SG aspirants proved to be almost as simple as pointing out the numerous IFC members who poured into the room now that their own elections were completed.

Conspicuous by their absences were the presidential hopefuls Howard Simon, Bob Rosenberg, Bob Levine, and Barry Smith. According to rumor, both Simon and his running-mate Gerard Pessis were studying in the library, while Rosenberg was at the ZBT house taking part in Pledge Night.

For all the frolicking that the  
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Bob Rosenberg scored an impressive victory in the race for Student Government President, beating his closest rival by over 300 votes.

Better than 2,300 students voted in what may be the last December election. Three referenda providing for the reorganization of Student Government and yearly May elections were approved overwhelmingly.

Rosenberg's New Perspective slate (NP) captured sixteen Council seats while Simon's Competency slate (C) won eight. No independents were elected.

In the vice-Presidential contest, Danny Katkin (NP) defeated incumbent Girard Pessis (C), 1074-829.

#### Win Narrowly

The Competency slate won major victories by capturing the two remaining executive offices. John Zippert (C) and Larry Steinhauer (C) became Secretary and Treasurer, respectively, by narrow margins.

Zippert defeated San Shapiro (NP), 975-844. Steinhauer edged former SG President Alan Blume, 1,018-948. Blume has requested a recount.

In the presidential race Rosenberg received 1,030 votes, Simon 695, Bob Levine 165, and Barry Smith 141.

#### Most Controversial

The most controversial reorganization referendum, which would have SG executives serve a full year in office passed 1,017-629.

Another, providing for three vice-presidents with specific areas of concern passed 1,375-483. The third, which changes representation on Student Council was approved 1,264-497.

Students took away SG's power to use students fees to give out

honors and awards by a vote of 1,225-654.

In a three-part referendum on the Student Activities Board, part B received the most "yes" votes—801. The SAB will, therefore, continue to exist while hearings are held to determine its fate.

The last referendum, which asks President Gallagher to take "the proper steps" to restore big-time basketball at the College, was passed 1,501-225.

#### Student Council

In the Student Council elections the senior class brought in Terry Vann (NP), Douglas Meyer (NP), Michael Gross (NP), Ronald Goldberg (NP), Myron Bassman (NP), and Lucy Ehrlich (C).

The Class of '65 elected Steve Marcus (NP), Stan Lowenthal (NP), Bruce Kreiger (NP), Jay Fortgang (NP), Joel Cooper (NP), and Jim Baltaxe (C) to SC seats.

Joel Glassman (NP), Paul Hirsch (C), Mark Landis (C), Charles Miller (NP), Mike Tickin (C), and Bob Voigt (NP), were elected to Council by the sophomore class.

Elected by the Class of '67 were Nikki Landsman (C), Lynda Lubar (C), Jerry Ostroff (NP), Laura Schecter (NP), Eileen Steinberg (NP), and Zelda Steinberg (C).

In elections for class office, the class of '65 elected Isabel Cooper (C), President; Eleanor Nagler, Vice-President; Marsha Alpert (NP), Secretary; and Judy Stein (NP), Treasurer. Elected to Class Council were Max Varon, Howard Price and Barbara Orenstein.

Running unopposed, and elected, in the class of '67 were Lelia Hans, President; and Deborah Kosiner, Vice-President.

# Stu Katz Elected IFC President

Stu Katz was elected President of the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC) by a one vote majority Friday night.

Katz, a member of Sigma Pi Alpha, served previously as Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary.

The post of Vice-President will be filled by Dave Klein, Chancellor of Tau Epsilon Phi. Mickey Halpern, current President of ZBT, won the election for Treasurer.

The new recording Secretary will be Enid Levinson of Phi Tau Alpha, and Bruce Krieger of Alpha Epsilon Phi will fill the post of Corresponding Secretary.

## Fraternities To Fight Tuition Vows New IFC President

The newly-elected President of the Interfraternity Council (IFC), Stu Katz plans to bring fraternities into the affairs of the College on a much wider basis next semester. He feels that "problems like

tuition and the over-enrollment crisis affect fraternity members at least as much as they do other students, and perhaps more."

Katz will attempt to bring the fraternities of IFC into the anti-tuition fight next term. A study group on the enrollment crisis has already been formed. "We are trying to prepare ourselves for a tidal wave of freshmen," Katz said.

"The only way to really understand the fraternity spirit is to join a fraternity," Katz asserted. He isn't sure of all the reasons for the unfavorable image which he says many students have of fraternities, but it is an image he would like to see dispelled.

Katz would like to see a co-ordinated pledge campaign of the IFC's of all the colleges in the City University, aimed at seniors in the high schools which normally send many students to the College.

In 1962 Katz worked on a project on "Youth and the Integrated Community," a project involved with the segregation problem in New York. The poor response of students to participation in this project is an example of the apathy that Katz feels is a major problem at the College.

While he would not say that fraternity members are generally less apathetic than other students, Katz feels that the service projects many fraternities sponsor help make fraternity men aware of them and involve them in the problems of the community.

"The business of a fraternity is friendship," Katz said. "Members accept each other as individuals, not for their backgrounds or beliefs. The emphasis is on building lifelong friendships and mature people."

There is a sense of responsibility in fraternity membership, Katz asserts. "While other groups on campus receive funds and help from the administration, each fraternity is a group unto itself," he explained. "IFC co-ordinates the fraternities, and gives them things which they can't easily supply for themselves, such as organized participation in schoolwide projects,



Stu Katz  
To Dispell Bad Image

like the anti-tuition fight."

Close contact and help from older fraternity "brothers" contribute greatly to a student's college experience, according to Katz. Older "brothers" can give younger ones the benefit of their experience and knowledge. Most fraternities have tutoring programs, he added.

Diversity of people within a fraternity helps broaden a student's perspectives, Katz asserted. "Contrary to popular opinion, fraternities accept anyone who shows his willingness to participate in fraternity affairs, and demonstrates his feeling of the 'fraternal spirit,'" he said. All fraternities are required to accept members regardless of race or religion.

"There is a fraternity which has something to offer every student," Katz explained in relation to the diversity among fraternities themselves. His own fraternity, Sigma Pi Alpha, is a small, non hazing fraternity.

As President of IFC, Katz feels he is presiding over the "largest organization on campus," meaning the IFC and its member fraternities.

### Garcon . . .

Waiter and waitress services will be provided in the snack bar this Thursday from 12-2 PM by Jaffe '67 and Sis Lasak '67. The tips received will be donated to House Plan's Christmas Party for underprivileged children.

### Jobs In Europe . . .

Jobs in Europe will be available for approved students in Engineering, Architecture, Natural Sciences, Economics and Business Administration. Jobs last anywhere from eight weeks to six months.

For additional information contact Simha Salpefer in Room 151 Finley, between 2 and 6 PM, or evenings at LO 8-3039. Registration ends the first week of January.

## Independence Held Necessary For Survival Of Puerto Rico

By DAVE GORDON

"Independence must come within the next few years if Puerto Rico is to survive as a nation." Juan Mari Bras, chairman of the MPI, Puerto Rico's Movement for Independence, told about 25 people at a meeting of the College's Progressive Labor Club Thursday.

Referring to Puerto Rico as "an anachronism in the Caribbean," Mr. Mari Bras pointed out that all the other Caribbean nations have "achieved formal independence, although they have not achieved national liberation."

Mr. Mari Bras asserted that Puerto Rico has been a nation since the beginning of the 19th century. He defined a nation as a "clearly defined population, speaking a common language, and inhabiting an area with clear geographic boundaries." It is this concept of nationhood which Mr. Mari Bras feels is being destroyed by Puerto Rico's present status.

United States economic and cultural penetration of Puerto Rico is the reason for the breakdown of Puerto Rican "national character," Mr. Mari Bras says. He feels that neither statehood nor the present Commonwealth status can arrest this breakdown.

Mr. Mari Bras characterized the United States' offer of statehood as a sham. "The United States has never offered statehood to any territory until its national character has completely disappeared," he said. "There were practically no Hawaiians left in Hawaii by the time it became a state," he continued. "The offer of statehood is a way of blunting the independence struggle," he asserted.

### No Parallels

As for the present Commonwealth status, Mr. Mari Bras sees no parallel between Puerto Rico and the countries of the British Commonwealth. "Puerto Rico had more independence under Spanish rule than it does now," he asserted. The only answer he sees is independence and ultimately "national liberation," including the expropriation of property now owned by American concerns.

Asserting that 78% of the in-

vestment in Puerto Rico is owned by Americans, Mr. Mari Bras said that "a radical program is the only one that will give Puerto Rico true independence." In response to a question from the floor as to whether this would alienate the more conservative elements, Mr. Mari Bras said that when his movement had avoided radical programs to avoid alienating the conservatives they were against independence. "Now they are formulating programs of independence as an answer to the MPI program," he said.

### Nationalize Industry

In response to another question involving the MPI program, Mr. Mari Bras said "we must nationalize foreign investments in Puerto Rico and turn them back to the Puerto Rican people." The Puerto Rican people would by and large support such a program Mr. Mari Bras feels, because "they will inevitably gain class consciousness as a result of the exploitation to which they are being subjected."

Mr. Mari Bras asserted that the United States "would not give up its interests in Puerto Rico because of the economic and military gains which it makes at the expense of the Puerto Rican people."

"American military bases in Puerto Rico represent a grave threat," he said, "and a full scale bombing of these bases could cause Puerto Rico to physically disappear."

Asserting that Americans make up to 28% on investments in Puerto Rico, Mr. Mari Bras went on to say that this is at the expense of 14% unemployment among Puerto Ricans, and "real income" that is about a third of that for Americans doing the same work.

Destruction of a nationality is a crime against humanity which Americans can not allow to happen," Mr. Mari Bras concluded.

## Southern Education Same As Northern?

By FRED ARIAS

Negroes in Northern schools are not getting any better an education than Negroes in Southern schools, according to a study by Dr. Kenneth Clark and Dr. Lawrence Plotkin of the College's Psychology Department.

The report, based on a survey of the records of 1,278 Negro students in integrated colleges, shows that the students, many of whom were attending the Ivy League Colleges, received average grades. Thirty-one per cent get grades of B-minus or more, and just less than ten per cent graduate with honors. About one per cent are elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

The authors also found that students from Southern High Schools,



Dr. Kenneth Clark  
Co-authors Study

which are generally segregated, on the average had higher grades at interracial colleges than students from Northern high schools.

They concluded that the report "either reflects a general inferiority of education in these Northern high schools, or greater motivation in the Southern students, or more selectivity in the intellectual potential of those students from Southern high schools who are able to meet the minimal requirements to Northern interracial colleges."

Drs. Clark and Plotkin concluded that high school intelligence tests and college aptitude examinations "cannot be used as a basis for predicting the academic success of the Negro students in general, in the same way that they are used to predict the college success of more privileged white students."

### CLASSIFIED

LOST in or near Room 148 Finley, 1 pair of earrings with green stone, Friday, December 6. Sentimental value. Catherine Stone, Philosophy Dept. 221 Wagner.

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## EXTENSION OF CONCORD BALANCE \$27

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## Lustig, Atkins Debate

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this alleged deficiency the 41% average on quizzes in his Physics Class. Atkins felt that an increase in the number of recitation sections, which deal with Application of Theory, would help to remedy this situation.

In defense of lectures Professor Lustig declared that an approach different from the text's was always used by the lecturer, "because he always thinks he could have written a better book. Referring to the recitation periods, in which the students are sent to the board to answer problems from the text, he questioned what "the fumbling of one student at the board" could teach the other members of the class.

Who would be satisfied to stand before twenty students, five times a day for twenty years, and say "repeat after me: La plume de ma tante, La plume de matante," said Professor Lustig hypothetically of French teachers. He felt that an increase in the use of lectures would give the professors time to study more, contribute directly to students by devising better courses and texts, advise them in career choices, and do research.

"What is more enjoyable," he asked, "than teaching or telling what he [a teacher] has just discovered."

The audience, a large portion of which consisted of members of the Physics Department, then held a general debate of the question.

Dr. Robert I. Wolff (Chmn., Physics) began by pointing out the College's special feature of "concern for the individual student." The professor would have to be "callous and insensitive" if he did not get to know the student with the amount of contact that exists between them under the present system, and "inhumane if he had no concern for the stu-

dent," he declared.

The consensus of the teachers in the room was that the Theory of Application was inseparable from the theory itself; and that an understanding of the theory would lead to facility in problem solving only with practice and hard work outside of class.

Professor Mark W. Zemansky (Physics) maintained that the student "must break his neck over a difficult problem for half an hour" before he could get something out of it. The previous system with a greater emphasis on recitation periods was "spoonfeeding the student all the time," he contended, and was, for that reason, bad. If the student didn't study, the



Bob Atkins  
Addresses Physics Society

teacher would do the work for them, he said.

It was decided by the professors that they might be able to spend more time teaching the technique of problem solving by limiting the demonstrations and equation solving done during lectures, and that the exams could be made a little "less imaginative," to aid the student in Physics courses do better.

## Cruelty To Books Condemned CPCB's Formation Announced

The formation of the Committee for Prevention of Cruelty to Books (CPCB) was announced Friday by Larry Steinhauer, Chairman of Student Council's School Affairs Committee.

The CPCB, Steinhauer explained, will try to solve one of the Cohen Library's major problems: the mutilation and theft by students of the Library's books. He noted that some sort of action had been deemed necessary when the School Affairs Committee learned that two or three complaints about mutilated books were received a week by Library officials, and that approximately two hundred books a year are listed as missing.

The CPCB will try to make the student body aware of the problem, and its members will pledge themselves to patrol the Library and report anybody who mutilates a book.

Noting that over the years books in the psychology and debating sections had been the most mutilated, Steinhauer reported that Library officials feel students who are under pressure to turn in one or two assignments a week are the ones who feel the necessity of removing pages or sections from a book.

Steinhauer added that while the School Affairs Committee was convinced that only a small proportion of the College's students engaged in such practices, it was

felt that "student apathy" was to a great extent responsible for allowing them to continue. He pointed out that it would be nearly impossible for a student to mutilate a book without other students noticing it.

"Any student who has ever gone to the Library and found articles that he wanted cut out should join [CPCB]," Steinhauer declared. He is asking interested students to sign up in Room 151 Finley.

## S'no Kidding

Contrary to persistent rumors, the configuration of snow shown above is definitely not the result of a very highly localized blizzard. Nor is it a snowdrift caused by a midget white tornado.

For a time, in fact, authorities considered the possibility of his being a very short freshman, his progress arrested by a sudden temperature drop in the midst of a north-south run.

The little fellow adorning south campus in reality may be quite simply explained... he's an abandoned ammunition dump

# Abortion Is Social And Human Ill Doctor Tells Clubs Here Thursday

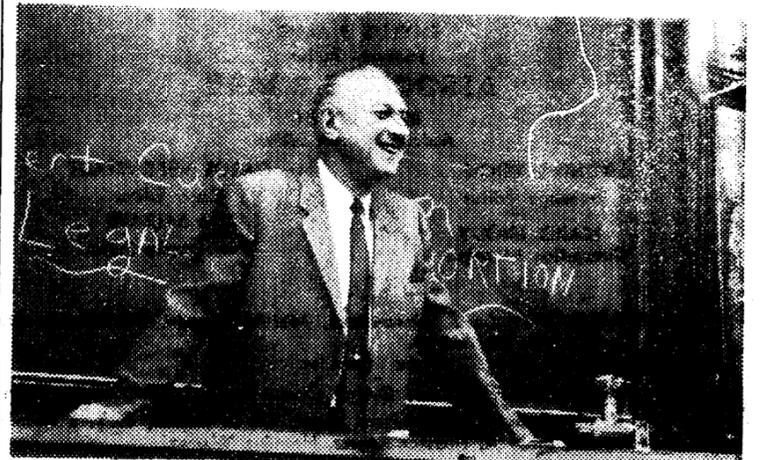
By CAROL HERRNSTADT

"Abortion is a social and a human problem before it is a medical problem," Dr. Robert Cushing, M.D., declared before a coed audience Thursday. Speaking on "Legalized Abortions — Pros and Cons," Dr. Cushing declared "there is no greater instinct for a woman than to have a child." He added, however, that medical and economic reasons may warrant an abortion.

But society ignores these reasons and "abandons the woman in the time of her greatest need" to abortionists, Dr. Cushing said. The laws in most states, including New York, provide for abortion only if the woman's life is in danger. Dr. Cushing declared before members of the Biological and Caduceus Societies that it is "difficult to get hospital authorities to allow therapeutic abortion" because organic diseases which once threatened a pregnant woman's life can now be taken care of.

Defining abortion as a "deliberate interruption of pregnancy by artificially introducing the death of the fetus," Dr. Cushing gave four reasons for the abortion laws. The "rationale is," he declared, "to protect the unborn child; to safeguard the health of women and the morals of the community; and, ironically, to prevent a reduction in population."

In answering these arguments, Dr. Cushing, a member of the Maternal Mortality Committee in New York City, asserted that there are an estimated 2,000,000



Dr. Robert Cushing declares abortions a social and human problem. He spoke here Thursday.

abortions every year in the United States. "Just imagine who takes care of abortions if doctors are busy with the country's 4,000,000 births a year," he observed.

A girl left the room when Dr. Cushing described the abortionist's techniques. He may use a "dirty kitchen with dirty instruments," Dr. Cushing declared. Everything from "rust needles to the peeled sticks from a tree" have been used to induce abortion, he continued.

Even if such an abortion is successful, Dr. Cushing asserted, disease and complications may arise and the result may be "living death" for the woman.

A pregnant woman who goes to her physician seeking an abortion cannot be helped, the doctor explained, because there has been "a clamp down since the war." "Now we say 'I'm sorry' and drive them to the abortionists," he added.

## Anti-Tuition Battle Opens; Fee Argument Declared False

By REBEL OWEN

The College's Alumni Association, in its opening salvo of this year's anti-tuition battle, has declared Governor Nelson Rockefeller's pro-tuition fee argument fallacious.

According to a statement issued today by Max Greenberg, President of the Association, Governor Rockefeller and Speaker of the State Assembly, Joseph Carlino, contend that tuition fees are necessary to expand public higher education facilities.

Speaker Carlino asserts that the State will realize \$22 million as a result of the recently instituted State University tuition fee schedule.

Mr. Greenberg points out that most of this money comes from the State in the first place in the form of Scholar incentive awards and Regents scholarships, and claims that in actuality the State will net only \$6 million. This, he says, is less than six per cent of the State University annual expenditure.

Mr. Greenberg also contends that Governor Rockefeller, in order "to foster the illusion of 'pay-as-you-go' financing," has created "quasi-public agencies" to borrow money for the State University. These agencies have to borrow money at higher interest rates than the State would. Their advantage to the Governor is, according to Mr. Greenberg, that their debts do not show up in the State budget.

Mr. Greenberg states that the Alumni Association is now in the process of organizing a State-wide anti-tuition campaign, saying, "We fully expect to make this issue a relevant one in the 1964 election campaign."

## Virginia Pupils To Tour City; Will Attend Integrated School

Thirty Negro children from Prince Edward County, Virginia, will visit New York City next weekend as guests of a group of students from the College.

The children are guests of the City College Education Society and their faculty advisors, and the trip is being carried out with the help of church, labor, and civic groups, and families residing in Riverdale, and the neighborhood surrounding the College.

Along with all children in the county, the youngsters were

locked out of the Prince Edward public schools by county officials in 1959 as a means of getting around court-ordered desegregation.

Dr. James B. Cooley, the Director of the Prince Edward Free School Association, which is a private school system supported by foundation funds and the National Education Association, will join the children in New York on Saturday.

The thirty boys and girls are being boarded in the homes of both Negro and white families in Riverdale and the Hamilton Grange area of Manhattan. While in New York, the teen-agers will be taken on a tour of the city's places of interest, including Rockefeller Center, the Empire State Building, and the United Nations.

They will attend the circus at the Coliseum, a children's ballet at Lincoln Center, and, if time permits, a movie. This will be a novelty for them, since Prince Edward County's motion picture theaters have no Negro sections.



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# Letters to the Editor

### SIC

To the Editor:  
The OP issue of Dec. 13 contained a reprehensible and subtly vicious attack on Barry Smith which cannot be ignored. We refer to the physical appearance of his letter to the editor, replete with spelling errors, typographical er-



Barry Smith  
*Viciously Attacked?*

rors and sics. There can be no doubt that this letter was given unusual and discriminatory treatment in order to discredit the candidate. We happen to know that every newspaper first proofreads and corrects every letter it prints, as it must, since many are wrongly spelled, carelessly typed and occasionally ungrammatical. You might have printed Smith's letter in its original form through laziness or carelessness, but the distracting presence of those interpolated sics makes it plain that you acted out of malice. Obviously you meant to imply that since Smith is a poor speller, he must be incapable of exercising the lofty function of SG President. This is absurd and unfair. Instead of openly answering the challenge he raises about the nature of SG, you resort to underhanded and irrelevant nastiness. You ought to apologize, at the very least.

We must add that we do not know Barry Smith personally or in any other way, and are not terribly concerned about the result of his candidacy. What does concern us, as students, is that our school newspaper should sink so low. Remember your own motto: an informed student body, not a biased student body.

Muriel Shiro  
Elizabeth White

### A MISUNDERSTANDING

To the Editor:  
Certain events during the recent Student Government elections should be clarified so as to rectify a false impression that may now exist in the mind of the Student Body. We are referring to Alan Blume's use of publicity in regard to *Tech News'* Endorsement which many have called fraudulent. This event was a misunderstanding between Mr. Blume and his sources. Mr. Blume's actions was never meant to harm or to deceive anyone. Mr. Blume happened to be under the impression that *Tech News* did endorse him; he then proceeded to print material based on that impression. He never intended to deceive anyone; the incident was a misunderstanding and not what it may have been reputed to be.

Bob Rosenberg  
Daniel Katkin

### GREEN HORSES

To the Editor:  
Alas! Honorable and conscientious campus journalists. For almost four years now in City College, I have been searching through our papers for some "good" editorials, informative news stories, smart feature stories. Well! My faithful search was satisfied every now and then, to my great enjoyment and to that of some more sensible students who want something for their money's worth . . .

To attempt journalistic criticism on the quality of our college newspapers, would be somehow unfair. I am biased for high quality, the one that I was used to back in my continent (Europe), and secondly as US correspondent for a political Greek weekly I might demand more than the average City College student would. Thus, let's forget about it.

As a student, however, whose money you are entrusted with in publishing a newspaper, I have all the rights to state my complaints. In the past the two major college newspapers, *Campus* and *OP*, have fought by all means to get more money that would facilitate a larger quantity of issues published. Gentlemen, you have got the money. So far *OP* has put out 12 issues and *Campus* 14 issues. Whether these were the best issues that I ever read in City College I don't know. I almost forgot what a good issue looks like, till I read the last *Campus* issue, No. 14. It was a very decent issue indeed.

Then you came out with a most upsetting editorial that defies all due respect to the student's mental abilities and in the most explicit manner brings forth your ideas of the uses of a college newspapers. *MEOOW* . . .

Nobody has forced you or any other college journalists to publish the newspapers. Even more, the personal labor that you contribute is indeed appreciated by us, your readers. But when you start writing editorials like those of your 12th issue, I start wondering whether it is worth the \$5,000 that S.L. has allocated to you.

College students are the leaders of tomorrow, the educators, the scientists. The concerns of the newspapers, along with those of

the student body, should not stop on the campus fence. When at a period of such ethical, political and social turmoil that endangers the very existence of human race on this Earth, the campus newspapers not only do not take their share in the struggle, but publish instead something like *MEOOW*, I solemnly state, gentlemen, that that's exactly what describes the whole situation: *MEOOW* . . . and green horses.

George Piperopoulos '64  
Greek Exchange Student

### PASSIVITY

To the Editor:  
The public disclosures that the Department of Student Life allowed the FBI to search for "un-Americans" (whatever that means) in its "confidential" files rings ominously in my ears with a kneel announcing the death of City College as a free institution of higher learning whose ideas (un-American for otherwise can be discussed freely.

The function of a university isn't limited to providing the soil and the intellectual climate in which ideas might grow and mature, but must also provide for a marketplace in which the sweet produce of this soil and climate can be exchanged. The validity of an idea can be measured in this marketplace only. If the administration rejects the idea of a controlled economy as "un-American," let it follow a policy of laissez-faire in the intellectual marketplace.

In all fairness, one must absolve the administration from having directly interfered with free expression. (I use the term "absolve" because the administration is now on trial.) But there are only two possible explanations for its' behavior: either it is in sympathy with the purging of students or it is afraid of the consequences which might follow from its denying to give the FBI free access to its files. In either case, the spineless passivity of the administration in this matter indicates that we as students have no protection and that there might be something valid in the cynicism with which many students of the college view civil liberties in our country.

Jose Vadi '66

## Soon dedicated to Mike Schaffer

*Humanity walks from village to village,  
Past the tillage of muscle  
And hungry stomach, interested  
In the confident  
Pride of nature. And we  
Believe a moment in  
Something permanent. But Fall  
Lumbers forward, crinkling  
The earth's openings, and  
Winter boards the windows  
And doors of men. What  
happened to the green?*

*We stop. We lean  
Against an oak semi-stunned  
With hurt, noticing finally  
The firmness of trunk behind.  
We want to believe again —  
And do. And  
Become satisfied. Something  
Study. Lasting. But the  
Wind changes direction . . . dirty  
Clouds lace a thread of fire  
Through its branches — our  
Legs react in time —  
Safe, for now.*

*In the distant rain,  
We watch the cannibal flames  
Devour bark. Our permanent tree  
Dying. Goodbye, Tree of  
Forever, you didn't last long  
But neither will we.  
We'll follow your smoke  
Curling, hesitating upward,  
Becoming part of the sky,  
Soon . . . Soon . . .*

Thomas Tolnay

## Dishing It Out

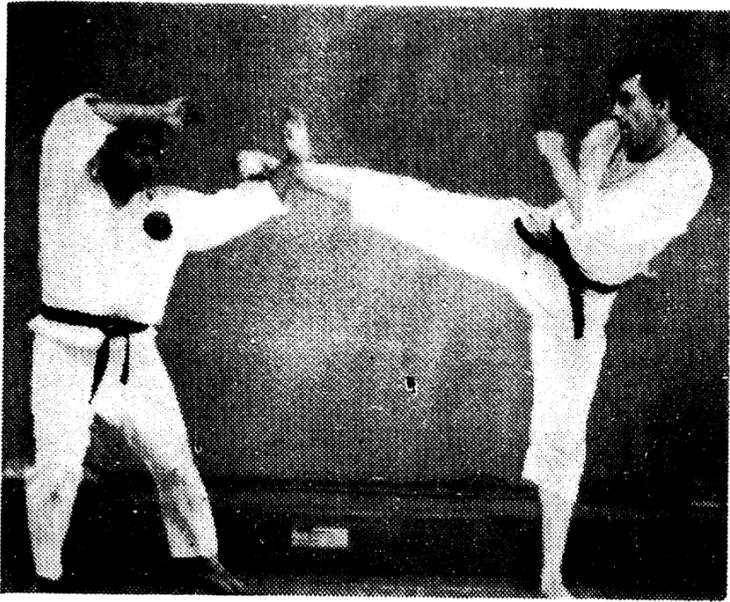


Deans and instructors at the College really dished it out to the students in the snack bar Thursday. As part of the semi-annual drive for the World University Service (WUS), the volunteer faculty drive for offered their services for small donations to the cause.

Deans were available at the special holiday sale price of 35c per order, and instructors might be had (cheap) at only 25c.

However, it was soon discovered that Dean White, shown above, literary not figuratively, spilled the beans a little too often.

# Itch Not Scratched



Two Green Belt Karate students, Richard Gamaley and Burt Carlson, are shown demonstrating Shonu Karate, oriental art over 2000 years old.

A "Futa Gata Itch" is not something one scratches, according to the three Green Belt Karate students who demonstrated their art in the Finley Grand Ballroom last Thursday.

It is, rather, a ballet-like exercise designed to tone the muscles and to practice the "basic positions" for defense.

The roughly 150 students who had assembled were rapidly convinced that the exercises had not been in vain—slender, petite Tanit Buday stepped up to a 1/2" board and deftly chopped it in half with her hand. She had been a student of Karate for less than a year.

Richard Gamaley and Burt Carlson, who, along with miss Buday, are students at "Imperial Karate Inc.," repeated her feat with two and then with three boards.

Shonu Karate, the type demonstrated, is the oldest form of the ancient oriental art, having been in existence for over 2000 years.

"It is possible for a strong man to break a board by physical strength alone," the audience was told; in Karate, however, the state of mind is most important. "The motion of the hand is not simply a downward chop. When the board is struck, the hand moves upward and away almost immediately."

The customary loud shout which accompanies the Karate chop serves a dual function. "It build up your ego, as far as being more aggressive . . ." and perhaps more practically, "it will shake up your opponent in a fight . . . if it is loud enough."

This last was demonstrated in a "free-sparring match between the two men—a type of practice bout in which each partner actually tries to outguess his opponent, and to score deliberately light body chops or kicks.

The green belt is the second of four successively higher degrees of proficiency which a Karate student can earn . . . they are white belt, green belt, brown belt, and black belt. Within these classifications, there are smaller degrees.

The three were not originally to demonstrate their art. A recent accident to scheduled guest, Mr. Jim Wang, third degree "Black Belt" expert, however, prompted him to select these three "most promising students" as his replacements.

# LETTERS

## EQUITABLE SOLUTION

To the Editor:

The enrollment crises, it is evident, does not only affect the president of our college: it affects us all. Recently we have heard many solutions to this problem. The most significant of these being either an increase in the high school average, or the charging of tuition. Neither of these solutions is fair. The one, renders this school, a school for the "academically elite;" the other, destroys the very principles for which the school was founded.

Let us never forget that this is a city school, and that it was founded to enable those students with the desire, ability and ambition to acquire a college education. To do so, even though they were financially unable. Charging tuition at our "free" college will certainly make room for more entering freshman, but it will do this at the expense of those students who are perhaps better qualified academ-

ically (but not financially), and those other students who are presently enrolled at the college.

I have an equitable solution, a solution which will cause, not a greater increase in enrollment, not an academically elite institution; a solution which will further the ideals of our school, and bolster the principles it is founded on. I suggest we admit, of the academically eligible, only those who are financially unable to attend another institution. Many of the students attending now, and who will be attending in the future can afford the cost of a private college. They will attend this school, and, because their average may be a little higher, they will prevent a less fortunate, but equally eligible student from entering.

Therefore an added criterion for admission should be applied: A student should be both financially as well as academically qualified.

Jeffrey N. Cohen

## Blood . . .

Registration for Blood Donations to the College's Blood Bank will be taken today through Friday outside Knittle Lounge, Shepard, and Room 152 Finley.

## Pepsi . . .

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candidates present did, though, they too might have spent the evening behind a pile of books. Male hopefuls paced the floor nervously smiling and occasionally smacking an unsuspecting opponent on the back in an attempt to appear nonchalant about their political futures. Female candidates released their anxieties by joining in the frenetic dancing.

Five minutes before the election results were scheduled to be announced, the first presidential hopeful made his noisy entrance. Accompanied by his accomplice, Pessis, Simon grabbed a Pepsi and prophetically announced, "I will lose by 210 votes."

Explaining the rationale behind this dire conclusion, the junior who hopes to become a "beatnik history of philosophy professor with a paisley tie" declared, "I will lose because the world is dominated by existential thought and its main premise is the alienation of the intellectual!"

The long-awaited moment of truth arrived at 10 PM. In rushed Barry Domber, Chairman of the Elections Agency, with a roll of important looking papers under his arm. Nonchalant reserve cracked as candidates converged on the harried bearer of good and evil tidings. "Fifteen minutes! Fifteen minutes!" he yelled as he charged into Lewisohn Lounge beating off several overly enthusiastic SG aspirants.

Minutes later the rumble of a drum issued from the gray-suited band and most of the hundred and fifty students pressed toward the microphone. A wave of groans surged forth as Peter Scola gave an astounding announcement — George Piperopolous was going to sing "Never on Sunday" in Greek.

Just as the last notes of the song were crooned, Domber reappeared. Cheers, whistles, and boos rose from the crowd as the list was read. Amid the furor few heard SG Treasurer-elect Larry Steinhauer declare, "On the last school day before I take office, I will shave off my beard on the South Campus lawn."

Even fewer noticed the losers who slipped away as quickly and quietly as possible.

# Air Of Doubts And Discontent Mark SG Election's Aftermath

The outcome of this term's SG elections has left two candidates demanding recounts and many others discontented.

A recount was requested by past SG President Alan Blume, who lost the race for Treasurer to Larry Steinhauer 1018-948. Jay Dankberg, who received 230 votes for Student Council in the Class of '67, also asked for ballots to be retallied. The lowest number of votes received by a Council winner in that class was 247 for Nikki Landsman.

The doubt existing in many minds results primarily from the fact that the New Perspective slate, which swept Council and won two out of four executive posts, had based its campaign largely on opposition to the three SG reorganization referenda which were overwhelmingly passed.

According to outgoing SG President Ira Bloom, a proponent of the referenda, the changes will have to be made. "Passage of a referendum automatically nullifies conflicting By-laws," he noted Friday night. "If the New Perspective slate acts in good faith, it will have to implement the referenda which will go into effect in May," Bloom said.

In regard to campaign procedure Barry Domber, Chairman of the Elections Agency, commented that this semester's electioneering was "marked by many infractions."

Cited specifically by Domber were:

- Putting out publicity claiming false newspaper endorsement,
- "Mudslinging on both sides,"
- Distribution of election publicity in North Campus locker rooms.

He said that the Agency would draw up a list of malpractices and amended procedures, to be placed before Council, "to guard against these and similar infractions."

## Further Doubt

Further doubt was voiced by Irwin Brownstein (Student Life) who commented on the passed referendum which removed from Student Council the power to distribute honor and awards.

He questioned the wording of the item, noting that people who voted "Yes" might have thought this was "an economy measure." The referendum referred to Council's using student fees for this purpose. "The financial insinuation was not a part of the original argument," he emphasized.



SG Pres. Ira Bloom  
Proponent of Referenda

# Country's Students Important Export

"Students are a country's most important export" according to one of the speakers at an international education symposium held in Finley Center last week.

Dean Samuel Colford (Liberal Arts), Dr. Carolyn J. McCann (Student Life) and Gladys Krum, a senior at the College who studied in Japan last year on a Townsend Harris scholarship, spoke at the meeting, that was organized by George Piperopolous, a Greek student here.

Dean Colford, who is the Fulbright advisor for the College's exchange students, started the discussion with a brief history of the exchange program, which permits foreign students to study at American colleges, and American students to study abroad.

He said that the program, begun in 1946, was originally designed to allow European countries to pay off part of their post-war debts by supporting American students at their universities.

In 1961, when this money was used up, the Fulbright-Hayes Act provided for the continuance of the program through the Institute for International Education which acts as a clearing house for American and foreign students. This act also broadened the scope of the program by including Asian African and South American countries as well as the original European members.

Dean Colford also mentioned that while foreign exchange students could come here for undergraduate work, Americans are generally accepted only for graduate study.

The next speaker, Dr. McCann, the College's foreign student advisor, indicated that the main areas of concern for these students were language, housing and social adjustment.

She advised that foreign students coming here have three orientation programs. The first would take place before departure and would acquaint the students with American culture and the possibilities for further financial aid. A second orientation session would take place on arrival in the USA and the last would be organized just before the stu-

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## Beardless Beatnik?



Despite his bohemian appearance, Larry Steinhauer managed to beat his beardless opponent, Alan Blume, in last week's SG elections for Treasurer. Steinhauer isn't going to risk anymore anti-beard vote, however, so he has announced his intention to shed his plumage.

To the disappointment of those groups who were negotiating for his services as a "real live beatnik" at various dances and affairs around the College, Steinhauer has promised that "on the last school day before I take office, I will shave off my beard on the South Campus lawn."

# Security Seen As Key In Equal Rights Fight

By JERRY NAGEL

President Gallagher asserted that insecurity is a prime reason for maintenance of inequality and called for changing the source of peoples' security from the dynamo of discrimination to a force for equality.



President Gallagher Storm Castles of Retreat

He spoke at the Brotherhood Dinner of the National Conference of Christian and Jews, last week.

Dr. Gallagher, a member of the National Executive Committee of the NCCJ, structured his address about the "castle," both as a man's home and as a symbolic retreat from the responsibility of granting others equal rights.

Then he discussed ways to storm these "castles of retreat." Communities, he said, are composed of castles which he defined as fortresses of security.

Conformity is the community's main requirement. "The non-conforming neighbor is [deemed] a threat to community security," Dr. Gallagher asserted. "A man's house may be his castle, but," he observed, "if he is judged objectionable, they will storm his citadel."

The newcomer disrupts conformity and if he is sufficiently different, "he had better be ready for verbal brickbats thrown at his children and real ones thrown through his picture window."

"All of this serves to make clear one simple truth. The description of a man's home as his castle is almost completely appropriate." He categorized the housing situation today as "still in the Middle Ages."

"There are many ways to storm these castles," the President declared. "The obvious use of greater power," by the government and the more passive and preferable "altering of community patterns of acceptance."

The community which learns to practice this [latter] precept finds a new sense of security for itself and for everyone in it. Each man's house becomes his castle — but without defenses."

## Corps Applications Highest At College

More students from the College applied to the Peace Corps last week than from any other school in the city, according to Nancy Carter, Chief of Suitability Screening for the Corps.

Mrs. Carter, who said that 250 students had signed up, is a member of the Peace Corps staff that has assisted Director of the Peace Corps Sargent Shriver in last week's membership drive at colleges in New York City.

As the Peace Corps staff prepared to leave, they expressed their appreciation of the College. Mrs. Carter said it had been "an inspiration" to work here, and Lee St. Lawrence, Director of the Peace Corps' Far East division, described the College as "the best school I've ever been to."

In a spontaneous action Friday night, a group of students collected donations to buy a gift for the Peace Corps staff, as an expression of their appreciation for a good job.

The students marched into Room 152 Finley, accompanied by a bagpipe, and presented a basket of delicacies to the Peace Corps representatives present.

Also presented was a jar of mustard to complement a salami that a member of the Peace Corps staff had purchased earlier that night.

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The Senior Class mourns the tragic loss suffered by classmate

**ALEX BLATT**  
and his family.

## Foreign Students...

(Continued from Page 5) dents returned to their own countries, in order to re-orient them to their own culture.

Miss Krum, who returned to the College in the fall, stated that there are "unprecedented opportunities for young people to travel all over the world." She also offered the observation that despite superficial appearances, the Japanese tend not to be cosmopolitan; they prefer their own ancient traditions to those of the West.

Discussing the War, she said that there was more bitterness here than in Japan but added, "What began in infamy ended in an act of shame."

The students at the meeting, which represented the USA, Iran, Greece, Venezuela and Nigeria, seemed to agree with the sentiments of Mr. Piperopolous who is studying under a grant from the Anglo-American Hellenic Association—"We came, we saw, we learned."

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**Swimming . . .**

It is usual that Beavers can swim better than Lions, but the swimming meet between the College's team and Columbia at 4 PM tomorrow, will decide the answer once and for all. The Lavender freshman team beat Bronx Community last week, and the Varsity hopes to make as good a showing.

**Grapplers Blank B'klyn Poly; Miller, Three Sophs Gain Pins**

Wrestling coach Joe Sapora can smile again. The wrestling team won its first match of the season Saturday as it mopped the floor with Brooklyn Poly to the tune of 32-0.

The Beavers had lost their two previous matches and they were a little angry about it. They included three pins in gaining their first win, breaking the string of defeats.

The first Beaver win of the afternoon came in the first bout of the afternoon. Continuing with the string of premiers, it also was the first varsity pin for 123-pounder Ronnie Taylor. Ronnie pinned Brooklyn's Mike Siegel at 2:30 to give the Lavender a quick 5-0 lead and set the tone of the afternoon.

In the following 130-pound match, Beaver Al Siegel didn't pin his opponent, but he did succeed in being just about everything else he won a 6-3 decision over Les Belmont.

Wrestling in his first varsity match of the season in the 137-pound match, Beaver Paul Biederman completely dominated his contest with Hank Piater. After rolling up a 13-0 lead over his Brooklyn opponent, Biederman pinned him at 4:30 to up the Lavender lead to 13-0.

The Lavender's Paul Weiss followed the lead of demolition as he rolled to a 6-3 triumph in the 147-pound contest.

Beaver Mark Miller stepped up in the 157-pound division. Miller was the only Beaver regular undefeated this year. He had won his first two matches, both on pins. With this in mind, when "Kill" Miller stepped on the mat to battle with Stan Strezlecki, the Beaver spectators began chanting for a pin.

They had only to wait two minutes and twenty seconds. Miller applied a vise-like half-nelson on Strezlecki and then slapped his

shoulders on the mat. This was Miller's third straight victory and third straight pin.

In the 167 and the 177 divisions, the Lavender grapplers copped almost identical victories. In 167, Al Leydecker racked up George Syracuse 11-0 while in the 177 pounder, Beaver Al Fein did the same with the score being 10-2. At three points apiece, these two matches brought the lead to 27-0.

The final match saw a rarity. A Lavender heavyweight actually won. Beaver Jack Stein not only beat his bigger and heavier opponent but at 3:30 he captured the fourth pin of the afternoon.



Coach Joe Sapora Smiles Again

Only a sophomore, Stein was the third soph in the lineup. All three of them gained pins, making Coach Sapora a very happy man.

With this strong victory under their belts, the Beavers will travel to Troy, New York, next week to do battle with RPI. The Brooklyn Poly victory might be the tonic to set the Beavers in the winning track again.

**Baby Mermen Sink Bronx C.; Levy Stars In 40-21 Victory**

The College's freshman swimming team happily towed themselves after they triumphed over Bronx Community by a score of 40-21. It was one of the sweetest victories in a long while for the Lavender, especially since a freshman swimming team had not existed for more than four years.

The Beaverling squad is not only young, but it also is quite promising. In the 100-yard free style event, Beaver man Larry Levy turned in a great time of 55.5, which is 1.4 seconds over the College record, set in 1942. Unofficially, Levy has done even better than yesterday's time, and his form is better than that of many other swimmers in recent years.

Levy is expected to break the College's records for both the free and butterfly strokes as he develops.

In the 400-yard freestyle event upper freshman Mark Hertzberg came in first, beating his opponent with a three lap margin in 5:09.7. In the 100-yard back stroke competition Mike Schultzer copped first place in 1:11.2.

**Frosh Team Initiated**

The inauguration of a freshman swimming team has been long awaited. Now, the squad appears in good shape after having given Bronx Community a sound whipping. Beaver Coach Jack Rider was smiling from ear to ear after the event, and with perfect right, since he has had a good deal of difficulty getting his team to win meets.

**Fencers Foil Harvard Here, 15-12; Kao, Martinez Win Decisive Bouts**

By REBEL OWEN

The College's fencers ripped through Harvard Saturday. When Eddie Martinez fenced the parriers' fourteenth winning bout and clinched the match, the Beavers were ahead by five. If it's any consolation to the Crimson, the final score of 15-12 made it seem a bit closer.

Bob Kao, wielding a saber, and Martinez, on foil, both won their three bouts to lead the Lavender effort. Coach Edward Lucia called them "outstanding," declaring, "They carried the entire match on their shoulders."

The final score revealed that the Beaver sabermen had dropped only three of nine bouts to the Crimson. The foil squad also came out ahead, winning five of its bouts. The Crimson did manage a winning percentage in epés, edging by the Beavers with a 5-4 score.

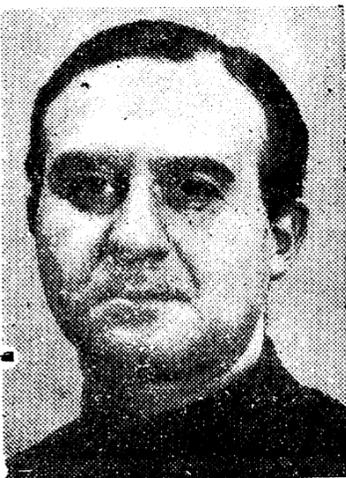
Sabermen Bob Kao and Frank Appice proceeded to defeat their opponents by scores of 5-3 and 5-1, respectively, after Ray Fields had dropped a close decision.

Next came foilmen Martinez and George Weiner who tore into their opponents and won going away by scores of 5-2 and 5-1. Ronnie Wallenfels, a sophomore, dropped his bout to Harvard's Dave Dooley.

On the first round of epés, the Beavers started off poorly, with Stan Lefkowitz losing 2-5. Joe Menschik, who allowed his opponent to get three touches to his one, managed to overhaul him and came out with a final score of 5-3. Beaver Al Darion took his bout with comparatively little trouble, winning 5-2.

The second round of fencing starting with Kao's winning again. Appice lost, and Fields took a close 5-4 bout from Harvard's Jon Kolk. At one point Ray Field's saber went flying out of his hand and spinning on the floor, but not before he had made a touch. Fields was the Lavender sabreman at the 1962 NCAA's who didn't compete last year.

With soph Joe Giovanniello replacing Wallenfels, the foil squad



Prof. Edward Lucia Wins Number Two

won three bouts. Menschik, Darion, and Lefkowitz lost their epés bouts.

Starting on the third round of fencing, the Beavers had 11 wins, the Crimson eight. The Lavender needed only three more winning bouts to clinch the match.

The sabermen picked up two, with Kao taking his third victory. The first man on foil proceeded to lose his bout, leaving the score 13-9. Eddie Martinez then took his third win for the day, and the

Beavers had the fourteen victories needed to win the match.

Professor Lucia was generally satisfied with the team's performance. Commenting on the match, he said, "We were up against a fighting team."

With the defeat of Yale and Harvard, some speculation is probably already starting as to whether there is hope for an undefeated fencing team. Coach Lucia has no such hope. "Impossible" is his comment.

He points out that the parriers are fencing in the big league; and he says he expects them to lose some matches. "You cannot learn anything from a team that you can defeat."

Next week the Beavers are up against Columbia, current NCAA and ECAC champions. Professor Lucia predicts it will be the most difficult match the team will face, but feels it can go either way. He explains his major problem as "sophomoritis," that is, too many sophomores with too little experience.

Harvard couldn't escape the grim statistics in the freshman competition either. Winning two bouts to every one for the Crimson, the Beaver freshmen romped to an eighteen to nine victory.

**Runners Overtaken By Tigers As Zane, Bourne Run 4:19 Mi.**

By MARK BENDER

Everyone knows that Tigers are stronger than Beavers, so it was no surprise when the College's track team was defeated by Princeton Saturday by a score of 96-13.

More important than the loss to Princeton however, was the fact that the Beavers were admitted to the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Track and Field Association (Met IC) over the weekend. Teams competing in the Met IC include NYU, St. John's, Fordham, Manhattan, Seton Hall, Iona, and Fairleigh Dickinson. This represents a big advancement for the Lavender team.

In the Mile event Beavers Lenny Zane and John Borne came in first and second, both with the fantastic times of 4:19.6. For both Zane and Borne the time for the mile was the best of their careers. Zane, who was Beaver athlete of the month in October, broke his own 4:30.8 record, which he set in the 1961 CTC competition.

The mile relay event was one of the most exciting in a long while. The Beavers led the Tigers for three of the four legs, but Princeton anchor man Sam Zeigfried came from "out of nowhere" to win the race in 3:29.9. The Lavender finished in the exceptional time of 3:32 flat.

Lenny Zane was not the only Beaver to run the fastest time of his career. Joel Brody, one of the upcoming Beaver runners came in 3rd in the 1000-yard dash in 2:18.0. This was Brody's swiftest competition to date, beating Lenny Zane's record for the event by 3.8 seconds.



Coach Francisco Castro Loses To Princeton

**Cancellations . . .**

The College's Basketball Team has cancelled its games for the next seven days in observance of the mourning periods of the Blatt and Schaffer families.

Coach Dave Polansky said that he was in wholehearted agreement with this decision which was made solely by the team members.

The Adelphi game scheduled for tomorrow night, and the Bridgeport game scheduled for Saturday, will be rescheduled. The next game that will be played is set for January 4 at Queens College.

Professor Polansky and injured co-captain Ray Camisa spoke at a memorial service held in Wingate Gymnasium yesterday.

**Navy Tops Riflers; Team Fires 1412**

The College's Rifle team dropped a hard fought contest to Annapolis Saturday. The Beaver sharpshooters had their best score of the current season, but yielded to the Middies by a score of 1442-1412.

Lavender Coach Sergeant Terry Mandenhall was pleased with some of the individual tallies, especially those of high scorers Fred Bondzeit and Gerry Miller, who shot 289 and 282, respectively.

The team is steadily improving," said team manager Jerry Uretsky.

**The OP Staff**  
extends its condolences  
to the families of  
**MIKE SCHAFER**  
and  
**SOLOMON BLATT**  
in this, their time  
of deepest sorrow.

# SCHAFFER IS HIT AND RUN VICTIM

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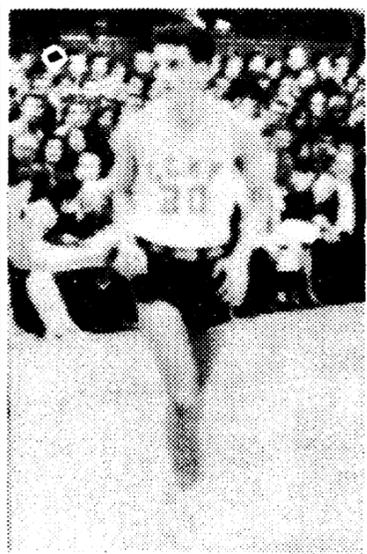
Adelphi and Saturday's against Bridgeport. The cagers will therefore be inactive until January 6 when they play at Queens College. Both postponed games will be made up at a yet undetermined date.

The man charged with killing Schaffer was involved in another incident shortly before. Mr. Blatt had been walking toward his car immediately after the game when Weisman's car side-swiped him and drove off. Mr. Blatt noted the license number and then started home.

But, driving along Convent Ave., he saw his son amidst a crowd and recognized Weisman's 1960 Chevrolet.

According to a police report, Weisman and three friends had been drinking and driving in the area of the College. As the basketball game ended, Weisman had made passes at and been rebuffed by several girls.

Passing the group which included Schaffer, he, or one of his friends, had called out to one of the girls, "Don't I know you from Rockaway?" After this and other remarks, the group took offense. Weisman and his friends got out



MIKE SCHAFFER

of the car. Weisman attempted to start a fight with the group.

It was then that Mr. Blatt drove up. Alex and his father pushed Weisman back into the car. He then turned the car and headed right into the crowd which was crossing

the street at Convent Ave. and 144th St.

Everyone got out of the way except Schaffer. He was caught under the car and dragged some fifty feet.

His girlfriend, Molly Irgang, ran to Mike and cradled his head in her lap.

"It hurts, it hurts so much," Mike told her.

Then he said, "I can't feel my legs any more."

Schaffer died approximately an hour later in the emergency room at Knickerbocker Hospital.

Weisman was picked up at 2:45 AM. After undergoing questioning, he was brought to Manhattan Criminal Court and charged with homicide. He is being held without bail and will be arraigned before a Grand Jury in about two weeks.

Mr. Blatt went to the police station and filed a report on the accident. Minutes after leaving the station he suffered a heart attack. He was pronounced dead at Knickerbocker Hospital.



## Number Twenty

By HARVEY WEINBERG

You're sports editor of *Observation Post*. Over the past three weeks you've watched the College's basketball team win three out of four games. You've seen all the games; talked with the coach and talked with the players. You conclude that this really is a good team — even better than you've tried to make them look.

Your fraternity brother is elected Student Government president. He suggests that you might serve on a committee that will investigate the possibility of bringing "big time" college basketball back to the College.

Saturday you think about the problem. You write an article which you want to print that will survey the issue. But then it's time to travel to school again to watch your team play a game against RPI. You walk into Wingate Gym and you enter another world. All your other problems are forgotten — for a while at least. You say hello to some fellows on the soccer team. You talk with some other sports writers. You discuss the freshman game.

The varsity team comes out to warm up. You already know how they play so you watch the visiting team warm up. You say hello to a few of the players. You exchange a few wisecracks with Alex Blatt — which is getting to be a habit.

They play the National Anthem. You settle down to watch the game. You've played some basketball so you watch — no, you feel — every play as it develops. You feel a little pain when Ira Smolev gets fouled while driving for a layup. You feel that good feeling when Mike Schaffer snaps a 30-foot field goal off his fingertips.

And you feel shock, horror, disgust and grief when your father wakes you at nine o'clock the next morning to show you a newspaper and you read: "Michael Schaffer, 19-year-old City College basketball star, was run down and killed last night, a few minutes after he had led his college to victory over . . ." You can't finish the line. You get out of bed, look out the window and then at the article. It's still there and you really are awake.

You call some other people on OP and then a fraternity brother who is close friends with Mike. An hour later, the validity of that horrible piece of newsprint is confirmed.

You look at the set of notes you took the night before at the game and you see the number 20 almost jumping out of the paper. Mike Schaffer wore number 20. You look at some Polaroid pictures you had taken the night before and you see a blurred number 20 driving in for a layup. You close your eyes and you see number 20. . . .

I talked with Mike Schaffer when the College played against Newark of Rutgers a little over two weeks ago. I apologized for misspelling his name in an article on the Columbia game. He sort of blushed and joked "I'm sorry about the game." (The Beavers had lost in double overtime.) I sat with some of the players and watched the freshman team maul Rutgers. All the fellows were full of jokes and wisecracks. All of them got a little boisterous as they kidded the referees. All, that is, except Mike. He waited for a lull in the noise and then came out with a soft wise-crack that was even funnier than was indicated by the boisterous laughter.

Four days later, the Beavers were playing Brooklyn and for a change I didn't have to cover the game. I sat in the stands with a few of my fraternity brothers, one of whom had spent a couple of hours earlier in the day with Mike, watching the Army-Navy game and had come to the game with him. He called to Mike and Mike responded with a smile and a cheerful remark. The Beavers were lined up in front of us taking their layups. A little boy walked out on the court to say hello to the guys on the team. Some of them asked him to "please sit down." Others tried to explain to him why he should sit down while they took their layups. Mike Schaffer saw the little fellow, took him by the hand and put him in the line of Beavers that were taking layups. The little boy was ecstatic with joy and when Mike suggested that he sit down because the game would soon get under way, the little boy shook hands with Mike and went back to his seat. It was hard to tell who was happier, the little boy or Mike. . . .

You look out the window at the bright blue sky and you ask yourself why did it happen. It doesn't really matter why, but you ask. You ask yourself what's the purpose of living? Why knock yourself out writing for OP? Why study? Why play basketball for the College? Why do anything?

And then you think of a quotation from James Joyce that helped you rationalize a tragedy that shook the world on November 22 of this year. "Better pass boldly into that other world, in the full glory of some passion, than fade and wither dismally with age." And you go on.

One can never really express true feelings about a tragedy such as this. My heartfelt sympathies go out to the Schaffer family and the Blatt family. Mike enjoyed life and he made anyone who ever met him feel the same way. I will never forget him, and I'm sure neither will anyone who ever met him or saw him play basketball. He will live on in the hearts of these people.

## Lavender Hoopsters Rack RPI; Finish Strong For Fourth Victory

Before the events that were to take from it one of its brightest stars, the College's basketball team beat Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute (RPI), Saturday night in Wingate.

Ironically, the team was led to victory by the late Mike Schaffer. Mike's 18 points were high for the game; he also collected 10 rebounds.

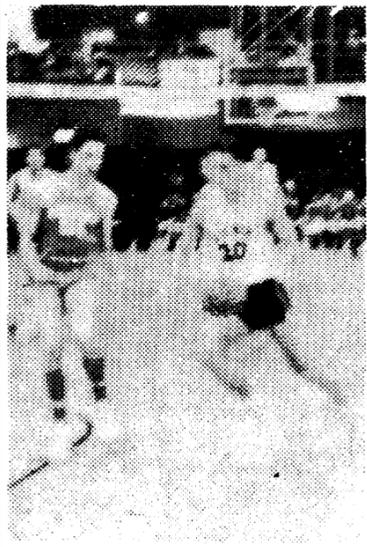
The game followed the same pattern as the previous Lavender victory against Upsala. Its opening was sluggish with the lead seeing-sawing for the first minutes. But at about the ten minute mark, the Beavers put on a spurt that showed them scoring 13 points to 6 for RPI. The halftime score had the Beavers ahead, 26-18.

Near the end of the first half, RPI showed signs of rallying. The Beavers weren't hitting. There was a possibility that the second half might be disaster for the Beavers. But Mike Schaffer quickly put an end to any suspicion as to which team would be victorious. The six-foot-one-inch, 19-year-old sophomore hit five of his first six field goal attempts in the second half all of which were long jumpers. Before he left what was to be his last game, Mike had scored 12 of his teams 27 points in a little under ten minutes.

From there it was easy. The Beavers piled on the points as Coach Dave Poiansky cleared his bench.

Ira Smolev scored 11, while Steve Golden clicked for 9. Golden was very effective in the rebounds department, especially in the first half.

Team leader in rebounds was Alex Blatt. Alex only scored one point all night but collected 15 important rebounds. Actually, Alex appeared to be the target of the RPI defense. They boxed him out all night and the few shots he took from the floor were off their



Mike Schaffer Last Photo

mark. But when he saw that he couldn't score, Alex passed off and set his teammates up for some key baskets.

The Beaver substitutes also played well. Because the varsity has been racking up the opposition early, the Beaver bench has lately seen more action that it might ordinarily.

Alan Zuckerman played a fine hustling game and scored eight points, his high for the season.

Sam Greene played the pivot for his stay in the game and got some amazing rebounds off RPI's 6-5 Brian Dillon. Green is 6-2. Sam also collected five points.

Hank Bromberger also looked sharp for the Beavers. Bromberger hit four out of four foul attempts

and a field goal for six points. His field goal came at the final buzzer. It seems the Beavers have been making it a habit of scoring with one second left. Against Columbia, Ira Smolev scored with one second left to tie the score at the end of regulation play. Alex Blatt hit a half-court set with one second left in the half against Rutgers, and Bromberger hit one with one second left, Saturday.

High man for RPI was their leading scorer, Dick Heck. Heck, who has been averaging over 20 points per game, was held to only ten.

RPI now has a 2-2 record. The Beavers are now 4-1.

The baby Beavers continued their winning ways by knocking off Pace College 75-59. This brought their season's record to five victories in five decisions.

High scorer for the Little Lavender was John Clifton with 23. He was backed up by Mike Pearl with 14 and Sam Dolinsky with 10.

### RPI Ripped

CCNY (74)				RPI (44)			
FG	F	TF	FT	FG	F	TP	FT
Schaffer	8	22	18	Steine	2	0-0	4
Levine	1	1-1	3	Coughlin	2	0-0	4
Blatt	0	1-2	1	Heck	3	4-4	10
Smolev	5	1-2	11	Seibel	2	2-2	6
Golden	4	1-1	9	Mitronard	1	0-0	2
Zuckerman	2	4-5	8	Ruschak	1	0-0	2
Schweid	3	1-2	7	Dillon	2	1-1	5
Greene	1	3-3	5	Tost	1	1-2	3
Sherr	1	0-0	2	Skibo	1	0-0	2
Kissman	0	2-3	2	O'Leary	0	0-0	0
Trell	1	0-0	2	Ames	3	0-0	6
Bromberger	1	4-4	6	Gall's	0	0-1	0
Edwards	0	0-1	0	Pensch	0	0-0	0
Suwara	0	0-1	0	Embskov	0	0-0	0
	27	20-27	74		18	8-10	44

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RPI ..... 9 9 9 17-44  
Attendance: 1,000.