

Shankar, Indian Master Musician, Lectures 170 at Opening Session

By JONNY NEUMANN

Pandit Ravi Shankar, India's master of the classical sitar, sat cross-legged on a raised platform in Aronow Auditorium yesterday. In a room filled with incense, he initiated what promises to be the College's oasis of learning for aficionados of Eastern culture.

A group of 40 registered and 130 auditing students of classical Indian music gathered to hear the first session of Professor Shankar's course, Introduction to Oriental Music.

This is Prof. Shankar's first attempt at a course of this nature, although he has taught informally at UCLA. Prof. Elise Barnett (Music), primarily responsible for bringing Prof. Shankar to the College after having met him during a sojourn in India, helped him to prepare the course and compile the eight-book 23-article bibliography.

The class greeted Prof. Shankar's entrance with a round of applause, as he was introduced by Pro-

fessor Fritz Jahoda (Chmn., Music). One student said: "From the moment Shankar entered, and sat cross-legged on the dais, we learned something."

He started the course by chanting a Hindu prayer, "Guru Vandana," and continued by lecturing on the background of Hindu mythology and religion.

When he taught the Hindu musical scale, and the names of the notes, the class participated, at his direction, by singing and clapping to the rhythm, as Prof. Shankar played the tambura.

The course, listed in the Bulletin as Music 135, is designed for music majors and non-music majors alike, and can be audited by coming to the class early and receiving permission from a member of the music faculty, who will be at the door of Aronow.

Prof. Shankar is also teaching a graduate course this term.



Ravi Shankar chants a Hindu prayer as students watch in awe. The world renowned Indian musician is teaching his course here for the first time in America. 170 students attended his opening class yesterday afternoon in Aronow Auditorium.

OPHOTOS by Daniel Weisman

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CITY COLLEGE

SG to Debate Withdrawal From NSA

Janis Gade, a recently returned delegate to the National Student Association (NSA) convention held in College Park, Maryland, plans to ask Student Council to hold a referendum asking the student body to withdraw from NSA.

Miss Gade, Educational Affairs Vice President, will ask for the referendum at tomorrow's Council meeting because NSA "isn't really any help to the students at all."

The NSA convention was divided into work shops and seminars designed for an interchange

There were no ideas or programs developed at the convention, she added.

Cary Crumholtz, former NSA coordinator, agrees with the returning delegation that the College should withdraw from NSA but only on the grounds that SG "is not sufficiently open to new ideas to gain anything from association with NSA." He further believes that the delegation was "one type of person" and didn't gain anything from the ideas expressed at the convention such as a student union, a tutorial assistant program and the concept of experimental education.

Crumholtz, a member of the Student Involvement Slate (SI) which was overwhelming defeat-

ed in last May's elections, stated that if SG withdraws, the NSA programs here at the College could be carried out by people acting as individuals who are in contact with NSA; people such as the former SI candidates.

Ellen Turkish, a member of Council '68, and the only SI representative, is opposed to holding a referendum on NSA at the moment. The College has received a great number of things from the NSA conventions such as the present program for course and teacher evaluation according to Miss Turkish. Physics 5 and 6, an inter-disciplinary science course for liberal arts student, affectionately called "Physics for Poets," was also an outgrowth of NSA.

Miss Turkish also said that since "only this year's delegation didn't find the convention to their liking, and previous delegations

in the past had, NSA deserves at least another year of experimentation before the College decides to withdraw."

"Since most of the Council is relatively new and everyone else is a running mate of Miss Gade and the rest of the delegation, Council would probably accept the recommendation for another referendum within six months," said Miss Turkish.

In theory, SG can immediately

withdraw from NSA by refusing to allocate funds for the NSA dues. SG will not do this, according to Miss Gade since "it would go against the wishes of the students as expressed in the May referendum where the student body expressed support for NSA."

Effect Minimal

If the College withdraws from NSA, the effect on the student body would be minimal as it could still benefit from NSA services indirectly.



Ellen Turkish
Opposes Withdrawal Motion

of ideas on educational campus and community affairs, between its 300-plus member colleges.

Miss Gade said that her principal objection to the convention's performance was a resolution concerning black power which was passed. The resolution, said Miss Gade, said the Negro has nothing to lose from the destruction of present society. She added that the tone of the resolution was "progress is blocked for the Negro unless he resorts to violence."

Honey Weiss, Community Affairs Vice President and present NSA Coordinator, also attended the convention and said she was "disillusioned." Miss Weiss stated that she had "gone to the convention with the students' money in the hope of bringing back ideas for new programs."

A Milestone:

Architects Receive New Library

By ARTHUR VOLBERT

It's no bigger than a large classroom. It has only four rows of shelves, one large table surrounded by 12 wooden seats with four black leather steel chairs in the front. But architecture students finally have a library of their own.

Last term, student picketed the school to protest the delay in the library's construction.

The addition of an architecture library was one of the key stipulations set down by the National Architectural Accrediting Board for granting accreditation to the department. The Board granted it accreditation July 1.

"Architecture students need re-

ference matter close at hand," according to Professor Joseph Shelley (Architecture). "They can now go from the design studio to the library and get data without having to go clear to the other end of the campus."

The library is located in Room 211 Goethals, the building in which architecture classes are held. Previously much of the material now housed in the Architecture Library was located in Cohen Library. Architecture students also made much use of the Engineering Library in Steinman Hall. However, according to Architect Librarian Robert Kuhner, "the Engineering Library could not completely meet the needs of the architects."

The engineers, he said, "are mainly interested in technical as-

pects, whereas architecture students are also interested in esthetics."

The library contains many books which will interest non-architectural students. Thick volumes such as "The Wonders of Europe" and "Ancient Greece" contain magnificent large color photographs of architectural, artistic and scenic high spots around the world. And a student can easily just go in and browse for all volumes are on open selves.

Students can come to the library Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 5 PM, but they can not yet borrow books.

"The books cannot be circulated because we still don't have a card catalogue," Kuhner said. "We should get the card catalogue in

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College's Only Olympic Titlist Returns as Wrestlers' Coach

Henry Wittenberg, a 1940 graduate of the College, the only Beaver alumnus ever to win an Olympic title, and a charter member of the College's Athletic Hall of Fame, will return to his alma mater this week as coach of the varsity wrestling team.

Wittenberg, who copped the gold medal in the 191-pound



Sapora and Wittenberg as they chatted just prior to last year's Beaver-Yeshiva wrestling match.

wrestling class in the 1948 Olympics, will replace his former coach, Joe Sapora, who was the victim of a heart attack and a serious automobile accident last spring and is recuperating from both. He will be eligible for retirement next year.

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DANIEL WEISMAN
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Good Intentions

The College's new-born Student Government Teacher Handbook is, like its creators, safe, stable, well prepared and full of good intentions — but it misses the mark.

The handbook was born in the midst of confusion and muddled theorizing, but one premise has always seemed unquestionable: the handbook is for the students, designed to help them meet their needs and answer their questions about courses.

No one expected the book to emerge as a perfected work, completely fulfilling its purpose. But at least the direction of the book, and present goals should have been student-oriented.

Joe Korn, SG President, and Janis Gade, Educational Affairs Vice President, went their way, treading carefully around the faculty and making sure that no matter where they go, they will go there slowly.

They sent out a carefully prepared questionnaire to every member of the faculty they could reach this summer. With Herman Berliner (Economics), faculty advisor to the handbook, they spent a great deal of time gathering results, collating, finding a printing shop and getting it out in time for registration.

And they did not really fail. The handbook, as it now stands, is a good partner to the College Bulletin. It can help a student get a good look at many members of the faculty and how they feel about their courses.

But intentions do not make the course. What the questionnaire solicits and the handbook prints is the teacher's conception of what he will make of his course. The larger question would logically appear to be: does he succeed? Only the students can answer that.

Both Korn and Miss Gade have expressed their dissatisfaction with the handbook as it stands. But the changes they would like to see are limited. Miss Gade would like to see more faculty members answering the questionnaire and the number of courses included in the handbook extended. Korn would like to see the questionnaire expanded, revised and clarified in order to collect more and better information.

But the possibility that students might best know the needs and desires of the student body escapes them. If we do something we want "to do it right," Miss Gade said. Doing it right apparently means waiting until a fair and extensive sampling of opinion on courses can be compiled before they will attempt to publish student views. How long will that take? They don't know.

A college handbook's reason for existence is not just to be entertaining or biting — a quarter's worth of laughs. If there is any valid need for it, it is to get to the gut of the course, to show as clearly as possible which courses will help students to learn and grow and which will not. We can unveil, particularly for the entering freshmen, the knowledge of generations of students; generations who have hated and fallen asleep; generations for whom certain teachers and courses have been torture.

The task is difficult and the first step must be the proper attitude. Half a loaf is better than none, and, if Korn and Miss Gade had tried to compile a more courageous handbook they probably would have been unable to get a handbook out this term at all. Yet, the prospects for the full loaf forthcoming are disappointing.

The major problem of the handbook is identical to the problem of change at the College. The only changes that are ever instituted quickly, efficiently and decisively are those initiated by the faculty and thought convenient for the students by the administration. As for student involvement in decision-making, it lies buried under the desires, jealousies and propensities of the ruling bureaucracy.

Korn and Miss Gade agitatedly profess their disagreement with the status quo, but they never do anything to shake things up. The Teacher handbook is a clear manifestation of the directions in which their energies lie.

English Classes Invade Knittle

North Campus students seeking refuge from their academic problems in Knittle Lounge yesterday discovered that the musical undercurrent of WCCR had been supplanted by the sound of an English professor.

Because of the overflow of

Architecture...

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a week or so."

But even then, he indicated, circulation would be on a limited basis until things are completely set up.

The odd-looking chairs in the front of the room have a special relevance for architects as they were designed by the famous architect, Marcel Brauer. His design, made in 1925, is thought to be the archetype for all modern tubular steel chairs.

Candidates...

Observation Post will hold a candidates' class in the OP office, Room 336 Finley, at 12:30 PM Thursday.

Not Yet...

Architecture students will not be able to hold classes in the Curry Garage on 133rd St. and Broadway for at least another year, according to Professor Joseph Shelley (Architecture). The College acquired the garage for the Architecture Department last Spring.

The building still needs renovation and approval by the Board of Higher Education.

classes caused by the increased enrollment and the delay in the construction of temporary structures, the College will use the Lounge 40 hours a week for English classes, according to Robert Taylor, special assistant to President Buell G. Gallagher.

The English classes were evicted from Room 016 Harris, continued Taylor, to make room for pre-Baccalaureate classes, on the

order of Dean Eugene Avallone (Campus Planning and Development).

Taylor said the switch is expected to be temporary until Dean Avallone can re-locate the pre-Baccalaureate classes.

Morning classes were held to the accompaniment of WCCR programming yesterday, until students finally managed to disconnect the lounge's speakers.

Both Dr. Gallagher and Dean of Students Willard Blaesser had previously approved the use of Knittle Lounge for classes if necessary.

Wittenberg

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"I'm filling in for Joe until he comes back," the 49 year old Wittenberg said. "I'm succeeding him, not replacing him."

Wittenberg's appointment is effective immediately and the former New York City Police Sergeant will meet his team for the first time this afternoon.

"I'll try to get wrestling where it belongs at City," Wittenberg said Sunday, "but it's going to be a tough job. These kids might resent anyone who tries to take Sapora's place, but I think we'll get along fine."

Wittenberg was captain of the Beaver grapplers in his senior year and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1940. The following June he received his Master of Arts in teacher education from Columbia.

In 1941 he joined New York's Finest and on New Year's Day, 1950 he was promoted to the rank of sergeant.

In order to accept the post of grappling mentor, Wittenberg

was forced to relinquish his position as coach of the Yeshiva College matmen, a spot which he had held for the past ten years.

"I was very happy at Yeshiva," he said, "But the hours are a little better here and of course, this is my alma mater."

But Wittenberg didn't leave the 186th Street school without a coach. Jerry Steinberg, another protege of Sapora's and a 1950 alumnus of the Lavender mat, has already assumed the reigns of the Mini-Mite team.

"He will pick up where I left off," Wittenberg said, "and on nights when he can't make it, I told him that I would show up. But he's one of City's finest wrestlers and an Olympic finalist."

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Baseball...

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six runs off Grippo, and Tom Terlizzi. Four were unearned.

Once again the Beavers were done in by a short lapse in their good play. Outside of one poor inning, the pitchers set down the Dutchmen easily with just one hit.

The diamondmen scored their four runs in the first three innings on seven hits aided by Hofstra fielding blunders. Schiller, Nanes, and Rosenblum all doubled in the first inning to account for the two runs, although their two-baggers were more like misplayed fly balls.

Mazza and Nanes led off the third inning with singles. Bernie Martin then hit one high and deep to the left field fence, Mazza tagged up after the catch, and scored when the throw-in got by the catcher. Nanes wound up at third on the throwing error, and was brought across when Rosenblum executed the suicide squeeze perfectly.

The hitting on the whole left something to be desired as many scoring situations were missed. The batmen's attack will have to be strengthened before the spring, when the team will probably face the same pitchers when the games will count.

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Great Oldsters Play on Memories; Lavender Varsity Boots in Present

By JOEL-PHILIPPE DREYFUSS

Alumni games are times for reminiscence, for analysis of future hopes, and for realization that once-great reflexes are still slower than they were the year before.

At these games, legendary athletes of prehistoric times parade onto the field hoping to recapture the taste of their former glory. Fathers nudge their sons excitedly as they recall the moment a particular athlete made his indelible mark on their minds.

The crowd cheers as these men try vainly and applauds in sympathy when they fail.

When it comes to soccer, at the College, there is much to remember. In the years between 1953 and 1960, a great dynasty was created, a dynasty never matched by any other college.

Beaver booters never lost more than once a year. In 1957, they didn't lose at all and were named number one in the nation. In the ensuing years they were always ranked among the top five.



—Photo by Noah David Gurock
One of the New Breed
Mike Dibono

The men who came last Saturday played on some of those great teams. This was the annual alumni-varsity soccer game. Among them were Gabe Schlusser, whose season goal record still stands, Heinz Minerop, who scored five goals in a game and sat out the second half, and Elroy Pereira, who led his team to the 1959 National Collegiate playoffs.

The game took on added significance when it was announced as the last alumni game to be played in Lewisohn Stadium. Many of those present still carried in their sides pieces of gravel from Minny Guggenheim's concert hall.

The standard overflow turnout was present — 23 spectators

at game time. There were nine wives and girlfriends, four non-playing alumni, and 10 watchers.

After a few minutes, it was evident that the unusually thin turnout of alumni could not keep up with the speedy charges of coach Ray Klivecka.

In past years the alumni could rest their players by constant substitution and the score stayed fairly close. Last year they even won, beating the varsity squad 1-0.

This time the youngsters ran, and ran, and the oldsters huffed and puffed. Suddenly the score was 2-0, then 3-0 and it was evident that the New Breed had no respect for age.

It was 4-0 and an embarrassed Klivecka emptied his bench. It was of no value. Another tally was the final insult and the

young men walked off the field with a 5-0 victory.

They seemed to be serving notice that they were building their own empire and that they were not to be awed by the credentials of their opponents.

The applause from the crowd seemed reinforced by the silent collonades which had stood mute witness for years to Lavender soccer greatness and more recently to its mediocrity.

As the watchers drifted out of the arena toward the refreshments, Ivan the groundskeeper climbed his ladder into the fading sky to take down the net.

Two pigeons pecked their way across the penalty area. The extravagant stone columns seemed straighter and seemingly appropriate for the occasion. Their future was dim but they would go in glory.

Spring Fever Plagues Batmen As Hofstra Gains 8-4 Victory

By ALAN SCHNUR

Hempstead, L.I., Sept. 17 — The fall edition of the College's baseball team was supposed to be unveiled today against Hofstra, but there must have been a mixup somewhere, as the same old erratic spring team showed up at the 8-4 loss to the Dutchmen.

LINE SCORE										
Beavers	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	4	11 4
Hofstra	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	x-8	7 4

Batteries: Rizzi, Grippo (6), Terlizzi (7), Collins (8) and Kolenick, Bromberg, Keulin (7) and Wafrock.

Maybe this should have been expected since the weather also seemed to be a continuation of last spring as yesterday's game against St. John's was rained out.

It was evident from the start that the game was an exhibition affair, as the Hofstra team played in sweat suits. Another indication of the unofficial stature of the contest was the four errors and balk committed by each team, as the coaches shook up the lineups to test players at new positions.

Bob Nanes was moved in to shortstop from his customary outfield position, and pitcher Barry Poris started in center

field. Danny Collins, who pitched and played first base for last year's frosh team, found himself in the outfield for the first time since before high school.

The strongest indication of the fall nature of the baseball game was the presence of the Hofstra football team practicing in the background, and the amount of attention in the stands and on the bench being devoted to the N. Y. Giants-St. Louis Cardinals football game being broadcast over the radio.

Ron Rizzi was masterful after giving up two runs in the first inning. Ron relied almost entirely on his curveball in the first frame, until coach Sol Mishkin called catcher Charles Kolenick to the side and told him to mix up the pitches.

With a fastball mixed in with his sharp breaking curve, Ron fanned the next batter to end the inning. He then proceeded to hold the Dutchmen hitless for his remaining four innings, allowing only one ball to be hit out of the infield.

Hofstra's portion of the third inning was typical of Beaver play. After Rizzi walked the lead-off batter, Nanes bobbled a double play ground ball. On the next play, the diamondmen went from bad to great as Steve Mazza fielded a ground ball on the bag at third, fired to Fred Schiller at second, who relayed to Bernie Martin at first to complete the first triple play ever witnessed by coach Mishkin in his many years at the College.

Sophomore pitcher Pat Grippo retired Hofstra in order in the sixth inning, but the roof collapsed in the seventh, as the Dutchmen collected six of their seven hits in the game to score

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Noah's Ark Our Champion Comes Home

By Noah David Gurock

"It's like homecoming for me," the husky oldtimer said as he gazed around the gymnasium, "it's the same gym where I wrestled years ago. Maybe it was a little darker then, but it's still the same."

Henry Wittenberg was doing the talking. He had just been hired as coach of the Beaver varsity grapplers last Thursday and he was surveying the facilities which his charges would be using this season.

The last time Wittenberg wrestled in a Lavender jersey was some 27 years ago, just before his graduation with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1940. But his mat career really began after he left the College. He won an Olympic light-heavyweight gold medal in London in 1948, and four years later came out of a self-imposed retirement to place second in the 191-pound event in the Helsinki Olympics.

The defeat in the Helsinki event was one of only two which Wittenberg suffered in his career, a career which spanned nearly 400 amateur bouts. During this period he won a record eight Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) national championships, numerous Metropolitan AAU titles and two gold medals in the World Maccabiah Games, held every four years in Israel.

In 1959, Wittenberg, who was then in his third year as varsity coach at Yeshiva College, was selected to coach an eight-man AAU contingent which toured the Soviet Union for a series of matches. He remained at Yeshiva until last week when he agreed to return to Convent Avenue and Goethals Hall gymnasium.

He had been hoping to return to his alma mater for many years, but his unflinching respect for Joe Sapora, who taught him the sport in the late 1930's, kept him away.

"Oh sure, I've wanted to come back," Wittenberg said Sunday, "but I would never even think of taking the job unless Sapora would step out."

Sapora has not yet officially stepped down for good. He is on a medical leave of absence following a heart attack last spring and a serious automobile accident during the summer.



—Photo by Noah David Gurock
Joe Sapora, usually a mild-mannered spectator at Beaver wrestling matches, occasionally took exception to an official's decision as he did last year in the match against Wittenberg's Yeshiva Mini-Mites. Sapora lost the argument but the Lavender won the match.

"Dr. (Robert M.) Behrman (Faculty Manager of Athletics) asked me to coach after Joe had the heart attack," Wittenberg said, "I'm just filling in for him until he comes back."

Throughout the years, Sapora the teacher and Wittenberg the student have remained the best of friends. Their annual meetings when the Beavers faced the Yeshiva Mini-Mites were more like personal reunions than wrestling matches. Before last year's dual match began at the Yeshiva gymnasium in Washington Heights, the two stood off on a corner of the mat and talked, while their proteges went through their pre-competition warmups.

When the slaughter was over and the Lavender matmen had registered their annual victory over the Mini-Mites, Sapora and Wittenberg went home together for dinner — a dinner which has also become an annual affair.

Wittenberg was once a policeman, a member of New York's Finest. He served as a patrolman and a detective sergeant before resigning in 1954, following an unfortunate incident when he was passed over for a promotion to lieutenant. During his 13 year stint on the force he was twice decorated for bravery, once for rescuing two kids from a burning building and the other time for catching two armed bandits with his bare hands.

Wittenberg was also honored by New York City Mayor Paul O'Dwyer when he was selected as the first athlete to be named to the U.S. team for the Third World Maccabiah Games in 1950. The previous year he was the guest of honor at the third all-sports night dinner of the College, and received a plaque presented by Jeremiah Mahoney, former New York State Supreme Court Justice and a medal from Nat Fleischer, publisher of Ring Magazine.

And he was received by George VI, King of England, following his 1948 Olympic triumph.

When Wittenberg meets the remnants of last year's Beaver wrestling squad this Thursday noon, it will be as a hometown hero returning home.

Most of the holdovers from last year's squad might remember him as the coach of the Yeshiva squad, while others might recognize his name as one which Sapora may have pointed to as the greatest wrestler in Beaver history. Or from a line in some sports magazine.

But as the opening of the 1967-1968 campaign draws near, most of the new coach's past glory will be forgotten — or at least pushed aside by students at the College as they await the first Lavender victory of the season. For that's all that will count.



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