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LAVENDER BALL TEAM DIVIDES FINAL GAMES TO USHER OUT SEASON

Defeat Clarkson, 7-2 on Friday— Shut Out Following Day by St. Lawrence—Malter Allows Lorries Two Hits— Rating for Season .500

The curtain was lowered on a moderately successful baseball season when the College ball nine pulled into New York yesterday morning after a two day jaunt in the upstate regions. The Lavender team stopped off from its travelling long enough to play two ball games, defeating Clarkson Tech on Friday, and losing to St. Lawrence the following afternoon.

When the Parkermen bowed to the Lorries, they wound up their second successive .500 campaign. Eight games out of sixteen is the final rating of the Lavender ball forces, the exact record of last year's diamond team.

The game against St. Lawrence was a tough one for Malter to lose. He held his Canton opponents to two hits, only to see the game thrown away by miscrable support behind him. The College team made six hits throughout the contest, but they were widely enough scattered to create no particular damage.

Bracker Winning Pitcher

The day before, the College nine defeated Clarkson, 7-2 in a game played at Potsdam, N. Y. The Lavender, although out-hit, seven to six, won out on some wretched fielding by their opponents.

In the first frame, the Engineers made five consecutive errors, and five College runs came across the plate. The College added one more in the third inning, and another in the fifth, to complete their scoring. Dave Bracker, meanwhile, was pitching a steady brand of ball up to the seventh inning, when he weakened slightly, and Tenzer was sent in to finish up the game. Bracker was credited with the victory.

The scores by innings:
C.C.N.Y. 5 0 1 0 1 0 0 0—7
Clarkson 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 0—2
Batteries—Bracker, Tenzer, and Schwartz; Pfeiffer, Deitrich, and Rohrburg.
C.C.N.Y. 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0
St. Lawrence 0 0 1 2 0 0 0 0—3
Batteries—Malter and Schwartz; O'Brien and Killen.

Briefs

The shutout at the hands of St. Lawrence was the fourth one suffered this year by the Lavender. Providence, Rutgers, and Fordham previously whitewashed the College ball forces.

Hal Malter bears the distinction of being the only College twirler to have gone for the full nine innings without any relief. He did it against Manhattan and also against St. Lawrence.

The varsity scored 115 runs throughout the year against 91 for their opponents. Their high score for the year was in the first game, against Cathedral, when they scored 29 runs.

FORMER JUNIOR ADVISORS AWARDED CHARMS BY '31

In appreciation of the work done by Sandy Rothbart '29 and Jack B. Rosenberg '29 as Junior Advisors of the '31 class, the Class Council has awarded each a gold charm.

Rothbart who is president of the A. A. and Rosenberg, editor of the Microcosm have also received the S. C. insignia for their prominence in extra-curricular activities.

A. A. HOLDS ELECTION TOMORROW AT NOON

Bernie Bienstock and Sam Heistein Are Candidates for the Presidency

Election of officers of the Athletic Association will be held tomorrow in the Student Concourse. In all, fourteen men have announced their intention of running for office, submitting their applications to Sandy Rothbart '29, chairman of the A. A. Elections Committee.

Two men have cast their hats into the ring for the presidency of the A. A. They are Bernie Bienstock '30 and Sam Heistein '30. Bienstock is captain-elect of the football team, and a member of Senior Lock and Key and of Soph Skull. Heistein is captain-elect of the wrestling team, a member of the football team, and of Senior Lock and Key.

Aaron Dorsky '30 and Phil Delfin '31 will run uncontested for the offices of vice-president and treasurer, respectively. Dorsky was chairman of several dance committees, and served on various class committees. Delfin is the present assistant treasurer of the A. A., associate editor of The Campus, a member of the Microcosm and Lavender Handbook staffs, and Junior Advisor of the '33 class. He was also chairman of several class committees.

The secretaryship has attracted four candidates, Abraham H. Raskin '31, Woody Liscombe '31, Jesse Sobel '31, and Leo Bradspies '31. Raskin is associate editor of The Campus, organizations editor of the '29 and '30 Microcosm, assistant-manager of the cross-country team, and chairman of the Student Council Elections Committee. He is also on the Press Bureau, and has served on several class committees. Liscombe is a member of the track and field team, and has played in Jayvee football. Sobel is on the water polo, lacrosse, and football teams. Bradspies has been a Student Councillor for the past few terms, and is Junior advisor of the freshman class.

For the office of assistant-treasurer

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DEBATERS ELECT CAPTAIN IN CAMPUS OFFICE TODAY

Election of next term's debating captain will take place today in the Campus office at 12 o'clock, according to an announcement by George Bronz '29.

Members of the team remaining next term and eligible for captaincy are Martin Whyman '31, Julius Rosenberg '31 and Theodore Leskes '32.

MERCURY CONFIRMS COTTON AS EDITOR FOR COMING TERM

Granich Unofficially Names Successor to Editorship of Humor Magazine

L. G. ENDS LONG SERVICE

Much Hailed Academic Number Climaxes Hectic Term's Activity

Bert Cotton '30, late last Friday, was unofficially designated as editor-in-chief of next term's Mercury by Louis Granich '29, retiring executive. He has yet to be confirmed at the next meeting of the Mercury Association.

Cotton assisted in the executive work of Mercury during the past semester in the capacity of associate editor. When interviewed in regard to the announcement, Granich remarked: "Mr. Cotton has absorbed the processes requisite for successfully editing Mercury, with very gratifying rapidity. He was selected as my successor a long time ago because of the undoubtable literary style, sense of humor, and executive ability which he ther displayed. The handicaps resulting from training a raw staff within the space of a year have been minimized by his aptitude at acquiring Mercury traditions. I am glad to recommend as my successor the man who has been indispensable to me as an associate this past term."

At the beginning of the past year, Mercury faced a critical situation. The staff was then composed of two men, Louis Granich, editor, and Max Gitlin, art editor, and the first issue was called the L. G. & M. G. Issue. The gap of last term was bridged by the energetic efforts of Granich as executive and writer, and the excellent work of Gitlin as artist. At least as high a level was maintained by the Mercury this term as during preceding terms. Granich maintains, and the process of constructing a finished staff out of inexperienced men was effected.

The four issues of last term were (Continued on Page 4)

FRESHIES' PANTIES SEARED BY SOPHS AT CARNIVAL

Husky Paddlers Assail Freshies While Cameramen Pop Pictures of Event

With their sins painted in flaunting letters of red and black on their backs and their otherwise nude bodies clothed in remnants of feminine attire, those recalcitrant and obstinate Freshmen who were unfortunate enough to have been invited to the Soph Carnival on Thursday were sorely chastised by the members of the '32 committee.

Coming from inside the locker room where the sophomores had been busily painting and dressing them the Freshmen appeared before their audience of upper classmen, presenting a most ludicrous and grotesque sight. Red and black grease paint, used lavishly over all parts of the anatomy, sans, any idea of color harmony, plus small quantities of feminine unmentionables thrown over strategic places, com-

posed the dress sheltering the bodies of the unlucky Freshmen.

Photographers Usurp Field

As the Frosh left the locker room they were encountered by a gauntlet of Soph paddlers, thru which they were forced to proceed. Paddles varied from twelve to thirty-six inches in length and from two to five inches in width. A resounding pat-a-pat echoed thru the stadium as the paddles fell on the "seats" of the running Freshies.

The Freshmen, followed by the Sophs, who were voraciously and vociferously paddling them in flight, raced all over the field for about five minutes before they were finally assembled near the center of the field, where pictures were taken.

The Carnival then resolved itself into a photographers' paradise. A very complaisant Soph committee grouped the Freshmen into all the convincing positions the cameraman

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COLLEGE TRACKMEN SHADE R. P. I. 69-67 IN TROY DUAL MEET

Schneer's First Place in Running Broad Jump Clinches Lavender Victory

TWO RECORDS SHATTERED

Bullwinkle and Liscombe Better College Records in Mile and Century Run

The Lavender track team wound up a most successful dual season on the cinders when they defeated the R.P.I. forces in a meet held at Troy, N. Y. After the score had seen-sawed throughout the meet, a win by Schneer in the running broad jump gave the College team the edge, 69-67.

Among the nine first places gathered in by the Lavender was a first place by George Bullwinkle in the mile in the time of 4 minutes 35 7-10 seconds, mark exactly 3 3-10 seconds better than the College record. Liscombe also shattered a College record when he sprinted 100 yards in the time of 10 1-10 seconds. The records cannot be accepted as College marks however, as they were not made on the Lewisohn Stadium track.

Liscombe and Bullwinkle were both winners, the colored flash taking the 220 besides his century victory, and Bullwinkle flashing to the fore in the half mile run after his sensational one mile victory. Another double victor was Lester Barkman, who came out in front in both the 120-yard high hurdles and the discus throw.

Schneer made his best leap of the year, 21 feet, 1-2 inch, to remain undefeated in his speciality, while Lambhut topped the 220-yard low hurdles in the fast time of 26 6-10 seconds to finish first. Babor and Fitzgerald finished their usual one, two in the high jump, the winning leap being 5 feet, 10 inches.

Ferguson was a double victor for Rensslear, winning both the javelin and shot put, being followed in the latter event by Segal, College weight man. R. P. I. made a clean sweep in the two mile run, after Tietjen, Lavender hope, was disqualified for crowding a Poly runner.

NINETEEN MEN AVOW COUNCIL CANDIDACY; ELECTION TOMORROW

Most Spirited Election of Years Ends With Balloting at Ten O'clock; Four Men Candidates for Presidency, Binder, Samuels, Cheser and Poliakkoff

A turbulent campaign closes tomorrow at ten when the City College student electorate casts ballots for the major Student Council offices. Preelection campaigns ordinarily excite little interest, but this one has given rise to a host of charges and counter charges; in addition the financial difficulties of the Council have stimulated the entry of candidates hitherto unknown to political circles and have also caused the entry of

COUNCIL APPROVES COMPULSORY UNION

Committee Appointed to Investigate Feasibility of Establishing Universal Fee

Selection of a committee to investigate the possibility of establishing a Compulsory Union fee in the College marked the final official meeting of the Student Council this semester held last Friday. Committee reports on the Dramatic Society fund, Student Council elections and lunch room space also featured the Council's last session.

The committee on the establishment of a compulsory Union fee consists of: three Student Council members, Sol Cheser '30, Harry Wilner '30, and Benjamin Nelson '31; representatives of the publications in the "U", Abraham Breithart '30 of the Campus, Bert Cotton '30 of the Mercury, and Sylvan Elias '30 of the Lavender; and Charles A. Binder '30.

President Robinson and Dean Redmond have been consulted in regard to the project by the proposers of the motion. The motion itself calls for the institution of a nominal Union fee which must be paid by all students upon registration.

Harry Wilner '30, chairman of the committee to consider the feasibility of appropriating the profits of the recent musical show for a standing fund, announced that the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs would convene tomorrow to confirm or reject the Council's financial plan. Committees of both the Student Council and the Dramatic Society will be present at tomorrow's meeting.

The Lunch Room Committee was delegated by the Council to confer

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men whose main qualification is a genius for political maneuvering that will enable them to cope with the Council's troubles.

A ballot swollen by last minute accessions will greet the student body tomorrow. All undergraduates excluding the Lower Freshmen will vote. Nineteen names are presented on the ballot of men running for the three offices; four are after the presidency, eight the vice-presidency and seven, the secretaryship. To avoid inuendo about partisanship the Election Committee has cast lots to determine the order in which the names of the candidates will appear on the ballot.

At the last meeting of the Council all who had declared their candidacy were pronounced eligible except Bert Cotton who has since been appointed editor of Mercury. The Campus herewith presents the candidates for their respective offices, their qualifications, and their letters.

PRESIDENT

Charles A. Binder, Secretary of S. C., Chairman of Frosh Chapel, Chairman of Frosh-Soph Committee and other offices.

Irving Samuels, Concentrated activity in Dramatic Society, Running on the platform of no-politics.

Solomon M. Cheser Student Council, Rep., has functioned on many committees.

Henry H. C. Poliakkoff.

VICE-PRESIDENT

James Lipsig, Secretary of Junior Class, five terms, committees and athletics.

Herman C. Biegel, President of Junior Class (2), '30 Mike and committee.

Ira Silberstein, Dramatic Society, President.

Moses Richardson, Active Record in Brooklyn Centre, The Campus, Associate and Editorial Boards.

Harry Wilner, Editor of '30

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NUMERALS AND INSIGNIA PRESENTED ATHLETES BY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Two major insignia, eighteen minor insignia, and seventeen class numerals, for lacrosse were awarded at the meeting of the Athletic Association last Friday at 1 p. m.

Mac J. Reiskind '29 and Al Trifon '29, co-captains, were granted major insignia. Minor insignia were awarded to George Clems '32, Abe Cohen '30, Edwin Curtin '30, Bernard Friedman '32, William Halpern '29, Richard Hildebrandt '32, Jacob Hurwitz '30, manager, Abe Inselstein '29, Al Joseph '29, Robert Levine '32, Sam Levine '29, Irving Mishkin '32, Stanley Rapaport '30, John Sablowsky '32, Jack Smokler '30, Rubin Schwartz

'32, Jesse Sobel '31, and Sigmund Weiss '31.

Class numerals were given to Ernest Fleischman '32, Eugene Gilhuly '32, Paul Hoffman '31, assistant manager, Jules Karpas '32, George Koehl '31, Carl Kornreich '30, assistant manager, Abe Marcus '30, Gerard Oak '32, David Perlman '31, Philip Rabenau '32, Richard Marshak '33, Sidney Richman '32, Ed Rogalsky '32, Irving Schiffman '31, Bernard Schoenbaum '33, Ralph Singer '33, and Hyman Miller '31.

The application of Jacob Hurwitz '30 for major insignia for service on the rifle team instead of minor, was accepted at the same meeting.

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Of the People, By the People.

THE PROPOSAL of the Student Council to petition the Board of Trustees for a nominal and compulsory Union fee is a new variation of an old score. That the old score needs a goodly amount of invigorating variation is evidenced by the state of activity finances in the College. The present is the third of the Council's proposals this term for raising money. But the distinction must be made that whereas the Dramatic Society and the twenty-five cent fee plans are aimed at aiding only the Council, the latest project is intended to include the four or five outstanding extra-curricular activities in school.

The Union this term was an abject failure. Six hundred booklets at three dollars each were sold. The share of each of its four activities in the total yield was not at all sufficient to meet the term's expenses. It was only income from other sources and reliance upon past reserve funds which served to tide over these organizations. And the outlook for next term, despite the football season, is not much brighter.

The new plan is not yet definite as to the amount of the fee to be established nor as to the activities to be encompassed within its scope. These are, however, matters to be ironed out in the course of the action. Suffice it to say that if favorably received, the project will be made as all-College in function as is possible.

It is the belief of the Campus that every day session student is well able to pay, in the course of a semester, the nominal sum of one dollar, the fee for which the Council Committee will petition. The legal stricture

which applies to a compulsory fee in a fee institution such as ours, is then the chief problem of the petitioning group.

The authorities and administrators surely realize that extra-curricular activities have become an intrinsic part of educational life. It is obvious that under a condition of financial disturbance the value of extra-curricular activities is impaired. Considering that the nominal fee suggested by the Council is well within student means, it is to be hoped that these governing groups will take action to break the grip of this legal stricture.

A compulsory and nominal Union fee is, in the eyes of the Campus, the only means for warding off the financial bugaboo which is threatening extra-curricular activities. Because of the part that these play in the life of a college today every student should be required to supply financial fuel to the mechanism running them. Perhaps after helping purchase coal the student may pick up a shovel and offer his own energies in accelerating the motion of the machine.

Unscientific Examinations.

PRELUDES AND POSTLUDES to final examinations always evoke somewhat vehement criticism of the custom, and equally spirited defense. The latest of the former at hand is a survey of approximately 7000 examinations, comprising 100,000 questions given in all parts of the United States and Canada, made by Dr. Ben D. Wood, associate professor of collegiate educational research at Columbia, and Prof. Charles C. Weldemann of the University of Nebraska.

The report, unlike The Campus' recent scrutiny, takes for granted a possible and desirable theoretic indicative function for examinations. "The fundamental purpose of examinations," declare the professors, "is to secure accurate and meaningful information about the achievements, capacities and effective interest of individual students. Unless college grades afford accurate measurements of defined achievement, expressed in terms of units which have definite meaning to all competent educators, they will not serve the constructive purposes which constitute the most legitimate excuse for having grades in our educational system at all."

But turning from this theoretic sanction for examinations, the investigators find a startling inadequacy in fact in present examination procedure. "Our survey shows beyond doubt that at least 95 per cent of the examinations cannot possibly yield such measurements; if the examinations in our sample are representative, it seems safe to say that college examinations do not conform to any of the recognized criteria of good examinations—reliability, validity, comparability, etc. A large number of them are of doubtful pedagogical value, and a significant proportion of them are obviously pedagogically unsound." The remainder of the report consists largely in a more detailed enumeration and analysis of the stated shortcomings.

While we believe that the professors have been a bit too sanguine (or gloomy, as the case may be), at the same time it is the fact that even at C.C.N.Y., where conformity to pedagogical standards is a matter of some pride, there exist some of the evils cited. Examinations so difficult to the average that the bell-shaped curve must be used in grading, examinations prepared from semester to semester with little or no standardization with the resulting fluctuation in difficulty, questions which are ambiguous or equivocal, which are extremely superficial or unduly specialized, scoring of exams by fellows and tutors rather than the professor in charge—these are the common memory of students who have attained intactly their senior year.

We previously have emphasized mainly the theoretical and practical duplication of final examinations. Upon the basis of the finding embodied in this survey and from intra-mural experience alike, The Campus reiterates the now historical failure of final examinations in most circumstances and for the majority of students to fulfill any possibly desirable theoretic function.

The Student Council Holds Elections

- ELECTION — Webster's Unabridged—
- (1) Choice; selection.
 - (2) The art of choosing a person to fill an office, or to membership in a society, as by uplift of hands, or viva voce; as the election of a president or mayor. "Corruption in elections is the great enemy of freedom." (J. Adams.)
 - (3) Power of choosing; free will; liberty to choose or act.
 - (4) Discriminating choice; discernment. (Obsolete.)

Gargoyles

Respite, Prospice

A trifle young, I entered here
On my collegiate career;
And now I've done I cannot tell
Whether the years were spended well,
Whether the stuff I've packed my head with
Was worth the patience it was read with,
Whether...

But then, what's o'er is over;
I turn expectant to the clover—
The law's a field I mean to graze in,
To nibble my remaining days in;
The law's my dialectic oats
As 'twas Calhoun's and Rufus Choate's—
A metaphor that signifies
I've hitched my shingle to the skies;
I mean to storm, I mean to thunder
The legal cosmos wholly under,
I've versions pink and sweet and sunny
Of judge's ermine, fame and money....

And—yes, I've pondered on a matey,
A question interesting and weighty.
Whether to turn the blushing groom?
And when to wed? And wed with whom?
And marry body, brains or gelt?
Frankly I say I've always felt
A strange attraction toward the greenbacks—
Yet girls with scrawny legs and lean backs
I'd rather die than take and wed;
And stupid women—strike me dead!...
Will some one tell me quickly whether
The charms may habitate together;
Beauty and brains and cash 'I' the bank?

For favors past I wish to thank
Whatever gods there be. What's due 'em
Some time I'll pay. Right now I sue 'em
For a lucky break on my second draw:
Success with the Ladies and the Law.

If the hour of composition were not uncommonly late we should continue lyrically on the same theme. What will become of us in the next several years may not be of universal interest; but it is for us the most interesting subject imaginable. A man's life is after all nothing but a succession of fortuitous happenings and the probability of attaining a fixed goal according to a rigid program is an infinitesimally small fraction, the product of an infinite number of fractions of probability.—And if this appears to you a silly fireside philosophy, you ought to hear the homilies of other seniors who have suddenly awakened to a realization of the Seriousness of It All.

Which reminds us, in the irritating way that trivialities have of intruding upon the grandest speculation, that an essay is still due the President of the A. P. A. (E.D.). It is the last essay we shall write as an undergraduate, and its title is, appropriately enough, "Probability."

Terms, As The Editor Misuses Them
"It is often mithrful to us in our deus ex machina moments to observe the fluctuations in collegiate sentiment...."
Deus ex machina, your editorial eye!

We seniors observe with a lifted eyebrow the frenzied preparations for final exams, and feverish calculations of programs for the next term. We are inured to the whole business; we take it as a matter of courses.

The year's best issue of The Campus will appear this Wednesday. To those cheap skates who will expend five cents for the exam schedule (which is printed, we are told, in today's number) and neglect to purchase Wednesday's issue, we bid a tearless farewell. There is a likelihood that we shall not live to sign Wednesday's column anyway. Tonight is the night of the Campus banquet. Ugh!

MOSS TO STUDY ABROAD

Arnold Moss '27, a member of the College staff for three years, will leave for foreign shores June 19, on the S. S. Minnekahda, to study the art of Melpomene from the European viewpoint. He will spend three and a half months abroad, and upon his return will be made a junior member of one of New York's prominent repertory theatres.

While at the College he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He also wrote for Mercury and was active in Dramatic Society productions.

The Alcove

God Bless 'Em

COME to think of it I haven't written very much about College this semester. The glories of its architecture, the odd associations, the experiences of four years, stories, current events, faculty eccentricities, I have neglected all—and such a fertile field for gossip and narration and description and exposition and argumentation, too. Instead, I've wandered far afield, into the world, as it were,—perhaps in preparation for my own debut—discussing things (and such things!) in an idle and unprofitable manner.

I don't know whether it was the philosophy course I've been exposed to all term or a natural talkativeness or a desire to display my.... well, I suppose you could say what I didn't know. And if you have noticed I'm hardly the cynic that I can assure you I was not so very long ago; in fact from the way I approach things these days someone is liable to call me a transcendental optimist (horrors!) or what I dread above all other possible titles, just a nice little boy. There used to be a girl or two who did think I was the latter; they said as much, and not necessarily to me, and after that I sought better company....

Now here is a situation. I can keep on talking about why I this and that or I can, for the first time, discuss women. Tails.... it's women!

I've always had it in for my colleague a column over for the way he talked about women. That's no way to treat this sacred institution, writing jingles, and very provoking jingles at that, or generalizing facetiously as a result of perhaps a minor experience or perhaps none at all. I'm inclined to believe that it's none at all, because one look at his homely although honest face (really, it merits the use of "countenance") tells more truth than his facile triple syllable rhymes. Sometimes he looks as if he should be afraid of a woman if approached and turn about and run away—that is, when we have intimate discussions in the Campus office. He smother it by breaking out into a violent rendition of "Celeste Aida" or the new German song he's just learned and which he knows in entirety. Poor boy!

Anyway I'm not like that. I admit I did get some knowledge of the "habit" through books of different types, but that isn't all. What I'm sure I know I've learned from actual experience and that's one thing I won't dare generalize on even in a roaring bull session. Usually I make up stories—of a Don Juanish nature—to illustrate my point and conceal my private life. The last is absolutely necessary because you never can tell how far a story will travel and the changes it will undergo. Sometimes, too, I use another man's experience to demonstrate my worldliness. It's safer that way—at least if you don't mention names.

But the women—ah! I admit there's a lot I don't know about them and that's worth knowing, too. Also I don't know what I'd do without them. That is, without knowing a few or being able to see them in public places, the breath of existence. But when I get a noseful of some alluring perfume or face powder that reminds me of bicarbonate of soda (and how I do hate that stuff!) they are something else again. And at the risk of being indelicate I'm sure that some neglect to perform their 'maturnal

Poppies Sell Fast When Put on Sale

Cooperation from the fraternities and other organizations of the College in selling poppies for the benefit of disabled and destitute veterans of the World War was so easily and so quickly forthcoming on Friday, that the first allotment of one thousand flowers was completely exhausted before the day was over.

In addition to this batch, and a similar amount which was distributed in the Evening Session and Brooklyn centers of the College, Professor Holton has ordered an additional thousand poppies to be sold here for the next three days. Societies that wish to aid the cause further may obtain additional supplies of the poppies any time today in room 114.

In the announcements of the poppy sale in Friday's Campus an error was made in the publication of last year's results. The true standings were as follows: First place to the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, second to Theta Delta Chi, with the Douglas Society capturing third honors.

Members of the Officers Club of the R.O.T.C. have done a good share of the work in every sales campaign at the College.

ablutions from the thickness of cosmetic application. And I dislike the woman who sets her face in the morning, lays it over with a veneer of "beauty" and goes about all day with one expression on it. That fact has driven me to brains which so far are always in the possession of other fellows' girls.

When the seniors elected some other fellow as the most ardent liver I was sure there was a mistake. But upon reflection I decided he could have it. My ability can remain in the dark until I get ready to write novels—a series of Great American Novels if you please. There will be one novel for each woman, and I may have to print them privately.

10-Yr. Man Still Lauds This Smoke

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 30, 1928

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turned out practically single-handed. While Gitlin was lost to the Mercury at the beginning of this term by graduation, the issues were turned out with the aid of three art men and four editorial writers. Additional alumni contributions were featured, and constituted an expedient used to a large extent this year.

The Mercury opened the year with its Imbecile Number, known as the L. G. & M. Issue. This was accounted the second best issue of the year. This was followed by a Newspaper Number, which featured burlesques of journals, and the Mercury Number, which heralded the advent of Mercury's Fiftieth Anniversary and contained extracts from past issues since 1880. The term was closed with an Old Times Number.

The present semester was inaugurated with a General Number, which featured new contributors, and was succeeded by a Travel Number, then a Publicity Number, which parodied modern advertisements, and an Academic Number, which closed the year's work. Several prominent readers named the last issue as the best Mercury edition of recent years! The issue was considered a complete success, without exceptions.

With the end of the present term, Louis Granich concludes four years of service during which time his polish as a humorist and his energetic industry have been commended by many critics. His editorship of one year was well-rewarded by the presentation of a gold charm by the Mercury Association.

SOPHS RUIN FROSH AT CARNIVAL ORGY

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asked for. The photographers, hailing from the International News Company, and from the periodicals of the city, were kept very busy pointing to the somewhat dazed Frosh the best positions to assume and the most grimacing facial expressions to portray.

Eggs Spatter Sophs

The Frosh were grouped into two divisions and were forced to withstand a barrage of rotten eggs, while competing among themselves in a wheelbarrow race. At this point a fight was begun over the possession of the aforementioned eggs. A host of Freshmen loitering on the field rushed the group of Sophomores guarding the eggs and succeeded in capturing them. Reciprocating, they hurled a barrage upon the heads of the Sophs.

Tiring under the constant oppression they had been forced to submit to and feeling uncomfortable in their abbreviated attire which by this time was smattered with the remains of eggs and the splinters of broken paddles, the Freshmen made a break for the door. They succeeded in reaching safety, some in the locker rooms and others in the alcoves. Here they proceeded to make away with the Soph tables and barricaded their own alcove in preparation for a fight which never materialized, owing to a lack of fighting Sophomores and the lateness of the hour.

After the Carnival had been proclaimed officially over it was found that two men had been spirited away during the confusion of the affair and were being taken down town "for a ride." It later was ascertained that two Frosh, C. Berger and P. Shapiro, had been carted away in an open touring car and dropped at 80th Street and Riverside Drive with only a nickel each for carfare and a sweat shirt to cover their nude upper torsos. After some embarrassed waiting they were picked up in a young woman's car and carried to 138th Street and Broadway, from where they proceeded to run in unseemingly hurried towards the College.

Nominees to Student Council Present Platforms

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Mike, The Campus, S. C. Rep., committees, '29 Mike.

Clement Finkelstein, Head of Varsity Cheer Leaders, Vice-President '30 (2), committees.

Joseph Stockhoff, President '30 (3), Secretary of S. C., Committees, '30 Mike, Frosh Advisor.

Julius Lindenberg, Treasurer '30, Committees.

SECRETARY

Morris A. Herson, President '31, Committees.

Hy Miller, President '31, Junior Adviser of '33, class activities.

Jack London.

A. Harvey Neidorff, Mgr. of Varsity Football Team, Committees, Lavender, Merc Business Staff.

Albert B. Gins.

Frank Brunwasser.

Benjamin N. Nelson, Campus, two and a half years, Secretary '31, Microcosm, S. C. Rep., Manager Freshman Debating, Committees.

Letters of the candidates follow of those that we have received in time for publication:—

In line with my nomination to the Presidency of the Student Council, I feel that it is my duty to place before you my platform and my qualifications for office.

From my point of view it seems that several important changes and modifications must be introduced. A summary of those which I propose to support follows:

1. Establishment of a cooperative Lunch Room, similar in management to the book-store, under a paid manager responsible to the student body.
2. Establishment of a committee for the specific purpose of regulating dates of class and club social affairs in order that no serious conflicts occur.
3. A more efficient inter-club council, but not a meddlesome one.
4. Equal support of all varsity organizations; i.e. Debating Team, Chess Team, Orchestra, etc.
5. Direct connection, in cooperation with the clubs, of all varsity undertakings, such as the Varsity Show, Varsity Boat Ride, etc.
6. A broadening of Frosh-Soph activities with the award of a banner to the winning class.

Some of the extra-curricular activities in which I have engaged follow: Secretary of the Student Council. Representative to the Student Council.

Chairman of Frosh-Soph Committee. Chairman of Freshman Chapsels. Chairman of the 1930 Junior Prom. President, Vice-President, and Secretary of the Feb. '30 Class. Senior Editor of the 1930 Microcosm.

My connections with many phases of Student Council activities has given me the advantage of being able to base my candidacy and my proposals on practical experience.

CHARLES A. BINDER.

I am not going to startle the student body with miraculous statements as to records in extra-curricular activities. I have done my share on various publications, societies and varsity activities, but I do not believe this is an appropriate time to talk of them. I'll tell my little ones about them on a wintry night.

The College has been the scene of inefficient and filthy politics Finance—rotten finance—has run rampant through the halls of a respected institution. Suspension has followed haranguing and matters have come to a very serious point. It seems to me that the time is come for a change in this old bankrupt order. Student needs and management of extra-curricular activities have been sacrificed

to avarice; and money has been of sole concern to the councillors.

I do not claim previous experience in student council management nor have I served in any office under them. I am merely a Senior who has witnessed some three years of very poor financial and political management by the men higher up. I am sickened by the doings of the gentlemen in 308, their promises and their vain efforts. Let us put theory into practice. A constitution was drafted. Let the College choose men who can live up to it.

Casting all other issues aside I present the one of cardinal importance: sound and clean politics. Upon that I pledge myself to the student body, to do the thus far unattainable, to lead the Student Council in a clean, constructive manner.

IRVING SAMUELS '30.

I am placing my name in nomination for the presidency of the Student Council with a full knowledge of the council's problems and faults. The new president must carry on and effectively further the work of the past council. Moreover there are certain flaws of council procedure in executive matters which need remedy. I offer my experience on the last two council as qualifications for these tasks. Work in other fields are extraneous as qualifications. Being allotted a limited space I shall present my views and pledges in outline form.

A. Council procedure

1. Make the various student representatives chairmen of committees, making sure that they are on committees appropriate to their abilities. This has these advantages

- (a) Concentration of responsibility.
- (b) Weekly reports.
- (c) Constant Council direction.
- (d) No spoils system.

B. Council finance.

1. Collecting the compulsory Student Council fee from all engaged in extra-curricular activity.
2. Try to effect a compulsory U at a reduced rate and containing Student Council activity privileges.
3. Try to get a subsidy for council activities from the College budget.

C. Lunch Room.

1. A Co-op lunch-room, trying to get the necessary financial aid from college friends and alumni.
2. To have it managed using the co-op store as model with a student-faculty committee.

D. Clean up the Student Concourse by means of an effective committee.

E. More and better Frosh-Soph activities.

I feel that I have definitely stated my position on the most vital problems facing the student body. It is with these views that I come before the student body asking them to elect me president of the Student Council.

SOL. CHESER.

I write this letter in the capacity of a student of the College who takes a deep interest in the welfare of the entire student body. The materialization of such fraternal considerations at present takes the shape of this formal endorsement of Henry H. C. Poliakov as a candidate for the presidency of the Student Council.

The rigorous administrative demands made by such a high office upon its incumbents are all successfully met and satisfied in the person of Mr. Poliakov by virtue of his constructive vision and efficient practicality, born of years of wide and varied experience and activity in business and social affairs.

Mr. Poliakov is also eminently qualified to occupy the office of president of the Student Council from consideration of his inherent personal worth, or character. Sincerity, frankness, and honesty constitute in the case of Mr. Poliakov not the chimerical ideal so often invoked by politicians, but an actual concretion in existence.

I believe it to be my bounden duty, both to myself and to my fellow students, to avail myself of this opportunity to endorse a man who is liberally endowed, both intellectually and morally, with the qualifications for

the presidency of the Student Council — Henry H. C. Poliakov.

I trust this letter will receive the usual courteous treatment at your hands, and so remain,

ESMOND COLEMAN '30.

The past few years at C. C. N. Y. have witnessed the decline, both in finance and in prestige, of the Student Council. In fact, conditions have reached such a stage that, not so very many days ago, a certain professor might have been heard to remark, — "The Student Council? Why it's a joke."

Need I point out that such a statement may be taken as derogatory not only to the organization in question, but also to the student body as a whole? For, as I see it, the cause of all the condemnation which has been expressed of late, lies, ultimately, with a student body which has failed to give proper thought to the men whom it is placing in office.

I am certain that the frankness of this statement certainly shows that I am not merely a politician seeking office for my own glorification. I am pleading with the student council, not on the basis of record but on the basis of "will-to-do". I am pleading with the student body for their own welfare, and I am pledging myself to remove from the Student Council as far as I possibly can, all trace of the incompetency and farcicalness which has hitherto marked (and marred) its proceedings.

Trusting that this straightforward appeal will be sufficient to carry me into the Vice-Presidency of that Student Council, I am,

IRA M. SILBERSTEIN '30.

In view of the apparent inefficiency and lack of discretion and initiative of this term's council, I think that the best way to explain my candidacy for the vice-presidency of the S. C. is to state briefly what I have done in the past.

Transferred to the Brooklyn Centre of the College in the very first term of its existence, I was one of the organizers of the Students' Union, and the Associate Editor of the newly-formed periodical. At the end of the first year, I was the recipient of the Minor Insignia although I was not on the Student Council. At the beginning of the third semester, I reorganized completely the publication (which had failed toward the middle of the previous semester) and as its Editor-in-Chief conducted it through its first successful year as a weekly newspaper. In addition to this I was a member of the Student Council, and Secretary of the student-faculty Discipline Committee, not to mention work on Council committees. When I left the Centre to come to the Main, last June, the Council awarded me its Major Insignia.

In my Junior year, I confined my activity to publications, as an Associate Editor of Campus and a member of '29 Microcosm staff. But when a group of fellows approached me on the subject this term, I decided to run for the vice-presidency with the following points in mind:

- 1) a satisfactory adjustment of the lunch room problem;
- 2) financial rehabilitation of the S. C. to insure the safety of extra-curricular activities at the College by means of a small compulsory fee only if absolutely necessary;
- 3) definite decision as to the apparently overlapping spheres of the various organizations;
- 4) establishment of a more representative electoral system;
- 5) a general policy of less talk and more work on the part of the council.

MOSES RICHARDSON '30.

Platforms, to my mind, are only convenient rationalizations for the perfectly human desire to hold office in any political society. Attempts to state definite policies result only too often in the rehashing of platitudes by anxious candidates stirring their bewildered brain to state the same old blah in some new way.

Concerning my candidacy for the vice-presidency of the Council, may I

state briefly that sincere impartiality (supported by past experience qualify me for office.

HARRY WILNER '30.

I. To place the Student Council on a sound financial basis by endeavoring to gain permission for the levying of a "compulsory Student Council fee."

II. To pay closer attention to the various activities engaged in in the Alcoves and to make attempts to introduce such improvements as will make the Alcoves more desirable for student habitation.

III. To establish a lunch room worthy of student patronage, in or near the College.

IV. To bring about a definite attitude towards club activities. This necessarily includes a common ground of understanding between the Council and the I. C. C. and between the Council and unchartered clubs or societies.

V. To reorganize the Council procedure so as to produce facility of manipulation and greater effectiveness.

CLEM FINKELSTEIN.

Allow me to propose as a candidate for the Secretaryship of the Student Council Morris A. Herson. He needs little introduction to the members of the class of 1931, who first became acquainted with him through his editorship of the "Organ of '31." '32 also has had good reason to know him because of his activity on the Sophomore Vigilance and Carnival committees several terms ago.

That the confidence which his class showed in him was not misplaced is proved by the fact that after he had been its secretary for a semester, Feb. '31 elected him president. Undoubtedly, if he had not been satisfactory to those who had voted for him in the first place, he would not again have received their support.

Herson is not what is sometimes referred to as a "big-shot". He does not impress one as being so supremely conscious of his dignity as some who have been successful at the polls—alas!—often are. He takes his duties seriously, not his honors.

As one, therefore who is ready to do his best—as one who has been tried before and not found wanting—as a man with the ability to get things done; Morris A. Herson merits election to the important position of Secretary of the Student Council.

ARTHUR J. MORGAN '31.

In re my candidacy for the Secretaryship of the Student Council permit me to make the following remarks.

Regarding the present activities of the Council the College does not in any manner or degree need to hear what I may have to say.

Suffice it to say I propose to inaugurate reforms which will benefit the prestige, financial stability, work and general activities of the Council as a body to be truly representative of student opinion.

For a change I propose and promise to faithfully place before the student body the work that the council transpires in the form of typewritten minutes.

As for extra-curricular activities I have been quite active; naming a few of them, they are:

Manager Varsity Football. Assistant Manager of Football. Organizer of Boxing Club at College.

U Committee of 1927. Lavender Handbook. Campus Circulation in 1927.

Business Staff of Merc. and Lavender 1927. Dance committees.

Sincerely yours,

A. HARVEY NEIDORFF.

A few years back it was the weekly custom of one Student Councillor, who looked violently askance at the organization in which he was serving, to arise, ask for the floor, and blurt out: "I move that the Student Council be abolished." This queer behavior was repeated many times—(so many in fact that the gentle-

man narrowly escaped removal.)

That student was merely epitomizing the disgust of his constituents with the tactics of the Student Council. And rightly so. The Student Council's inefficiency and mismanagement of affairs has become proverbial in the College. It has caused a feeling of revulsion in the students, and, finally, a malodorous policy of "hands off."

What the above effusion has to do with my candidacy for the position of secretary is simply this—that until this semester I believed firmly in the abolition of the Council, but that after having served one term as '31 councillor, I find that it is not the body that is either fundamentally or objectively unwieldy, but that what is immediately necessary is a vigorous "house-cleaning" that will clear up all the attacks of "hazy dealings" and "shady politics" with which the Council has rightly been charged.

Abolish the Council—and you automatically throttle activities which are dependent on it for their very existence. Maintain the "hands off" policy—and you permit the Council to slide along in the same old way. The sole solution is for the student body to manifest an earnest attitude in tomorrow's election.

BENJAMIN N. NELSON '31

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