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Committee Acts To Stamp Out Race Pejudice

Group Moves to Organize Campaign to Hire Negro Instructors

LABOR PROFFERS AID

Two Unions, N.S.L., S.L.I.D., Pledge Aid to Summer Forum Committee

The Provisional Committee Against Discriminating Practices in the City Colleges, which is now organizing a campaign to force the hiring of negroes as instructors in the College, has already received the support of many fraternal, civic, church, political and labor organizations in Harlem, John A. Weaver, secretary of the committee announced Monday.

The committee was set up late in July by the Summer Forum, a campus club, conducted jointly during the Summer session by the National Student League and the Student League for Industrial Democracy. "Its purpose," Weaver explained, "is to fight the long-standing tradition which has barred negroes from employment in City College. The committee has developed from a purely student undertaking to a city-wide movement. Chances for success seem very favorable, but I am inclined to believe that the campaign will be a long and hard one."

Discrimination Investigated

Last term the Student Council and the Society for Student Liberties elected a joint committee to investigate Negro discrimination at the College, after Welford Wilson, negro track star, had been "jim-crowded" by a Philadelphia hotel, the Normandie, where he went with the team to take part in the Penn relays. The findings of the Student Council-Society for Student Liberties committee have been turned over to the Provisional Committee, Weaver said.

Support of the campaign has been obtained from John Haynes Holmes of the Community Church, Professor E. Franklin Frazier, chairman of the Sociology Department of Howard University, Reverend William Lloyd Innes of the St. James Church, Arthur Schomburg, prominent negro historian, the Brotherhood of

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Cornel Wilde '35 Has Leading Role In Broadway Comedy At Lyceum

"Moon Over Mulberry Street," which has been cavorting at the Lyceum Theatre since September 5, has as its romantic lead Cornel Wilde '35, former amateur actor and captain of the College fencing team. Wilde, who tried out for the part of Walters in the Dramatic Society's production of "The Last Mile" a year ago and was rejected, plays the role of Filippo Morello, a young Italian lawyer who becomes the heart-throb of a Park Avenue debutante thus giving the home folks from Mulberry Street and the cash audience two hours of suspended animation.

Through the influence of Olga Druce, a member of the cast, whom he met in Budapest, Wilde was engaged to appear in "Moon Over Mulberry Street." Previously he had studied at the Theodora Irvine School in New York and was later a featured player at the Budapest New

Alumni Articles to Feature Clonian Quarterly Review

Preparations are being made for the publication of a new quarterly review of the Clonian, topical magazine of the College, which will be composed entirely of contributions by prominent alumni, according to the editors, Albert Sussman '37 and Martin Blum '36. The review will be in addition to the three regular issues and will appear in December.

The first regular Clonian will appear in two weeks, and will contain a general survey of fascist and reactionary tendencies of college administrators, and a student symposium on negro discrimination.

N.S.L., S.L.I.D. Back Strikers

Leftist Groups Expected to Picket Today in Support Of WPA Workmen

A joint picket-line composed of members of the N. S. L. and S. L. I. D., in support of union workmen striking on WPA projects at the College, is expected here today at 12 noon.

At the same time it was learned that members of various building trades have also formulated plans for a demonstration today near the College grounds. Efforts have been made to procure Norman Thomas as principal speaker.

Picketing of the College's WPA projects has been in effect since August 1, but the strike has not met with universal support among the workers, and WPA officials refuse to acknowledge any crippling effect on construction jobs now going on.

Seek Union Wage

As on other Federal projects of this sort, the strike is occasioned by skilled workers demanding prevailing wages, that is, their union wage-rates, instead of the security wage paid by the WPA. Under the latter system, the electrical workers, for example, whose union scale is \$1.60 per hour, receive \$93.50 per month for 120 hours of work, which amounts to only \$78 per hour.

Joint action by the N.S.L. and S.L.I.D. in this matter is in accordance with the united front policy agreed upon last term.

Out, Damned Spot!

Editorial

To the freshman who this term enters our halls for the first time, The Campus has this word—

Do not enroll in the R.O.T.C.

If you have already signed up for Military Science, drop the course immediately—you may do so without penalty.

Military Science, which teaches the fine art of killing your fellow man, has no place in the curriculum of an institution of higher learning. With the powers of Europe choosing up sides for a new game of war, it is more important than ever before that students and faculty unite in removing Military Science from its preferred position as an "optional prescription," and in finally driving it from the College.

It is the duty of every college student, on whom superior education places the responsibility of leadership, to oppose militarism, and its encroachment into the field of education.

R.O.T.C. is militarism at the College. It carefully fosters a war spirit in the students, preparing them for the time when the munitions makers will again sound the call to arms.

The student who succumbs to the attraction of a handsome uniform and shiny brass buttons betrays the trust which society has placed in him. The student who refuses to join the R.O.T.C., and who fights for its abolition, is building a much neglected brand of preparedness—the preparedness for peace.

Last term students at the College voted 1644 to 111 for the abolition of the R.O.T.C. Whatever he thinks of the sentiments expressed in this editorial, the freshman cannot lightly disregard such overwhelming unanimity of student opinion.

The Campus shall attempt, throughout the term, to acquaint the new men of the fight that has been waged against the R.O.T.C.; of the false claims that have been made in defense of military training; of the action which by their support and the support of every student and faculty member, will result in eradicating this blood stain from our curriculum.

WPA Starts Work On New Building

During the summer months, work was begun on several important WPA projects around the College, the most important being the library extension. At the same time, the work on the tunnel connecting the Stadium with the rest of the buildings was completed.

President Robinson spent most of the summer working on the library plans with the architect. The president conferred with Mayor LaGuardia and secured the latter's approval for an application for a federal loan and grant to complete the entire building. The application is now in Washington, but as yet there have been no indications as to how soon approval can be expected. If the application is approved, the project can be completed within one year according to specifications.

Money Appropriated

Meanwhile, approval has been secured and money appropriated for excavating on the site of the proposed library extensions. The excavation work was started on August 1, and will be completed within five months, perhaps less, according to Professor Goodrich, librarian.

According to present plans, the library, when completed, will contain a Great Reading Room, built somewhat on the style of the present one, but much larger, extending the entire length of the building. There will also be other reading rooms, seminar rooms and professors' offices. On the side facing the church there will be two stories of cafeterias and also space for storerooms.

Work was started on the concourse.

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Thirlwall Resigns As AFA President

Because he is "completely out of sympathy with the policy of the Association," Mr. John Thirlwall of the English department resigned as president of the Anti-Fascist Association at the College, charging the AFA with passing "important measures without due consideration, thus vitiating its effectiveness." The Executive Council of the AFA countercharges that Mr. Thirlwall was endeavoring to encourage the College administration to attack the Association and its members, and to "injure the organization by making use of tactics pursued by the most notorious reactionaries about the College."

The letter of resignation was sent to Mr. Kenneth Akley, recorder of the College, and secretary of the AFA, and duplicates were also sent to President Frederick B. Robinson and Professor Krowl of the English Department.

Long-Standing Disagreement

Mr. Thirlwall has disagreed with the policy of the AFA for some time, but decided to remain as president until December so as not to arouse adverse comment. However, when a summer meeting of the Association to which he was opposed, was called, he resigned the chair. According to the Executive Council statement, the majority of the AFA held that a summer meeting would be advisable because of the large number of visitors in the summer school, who might be interested in its anti-fascist work.

In regard to Mr. Thirlwall's assertion that only five or six members

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Campus Staff Candidates Report After Chapel Today

Candidates for positions on the editorial boards of The Campus should report to room 307, Main Building, at 1 p.m., immediately after frosh chapel today. No previous experience is necessary for membership on The Campus staff. All candidates are required to attend a special class for six weeks before election to the staff is made.

The class for the candidates will include instruction in writing, headline construction and proof reading. Leonard Beier '36, managing editor, will conduct the class.

Neiman Heads Campus Staff

29th Year of Publication Marked by Transfer To Union Printer

The Campus enters its twenty-ninth year of publication this term under the editorship of Irving H. Neiman '36, and will be put out in the shop of a union printer, Phil Rosen, 1554 Third Avenue.

Neiman revealed as his assistants in editing this, the fifty-seventh volume of The Campus, the following Managing Board: Leonard Beier '36, managing editor; Lawrence R. Knobel '36, news editor; Bernard Freedman '36 and Edward Goldberger '36, copy editors; Ezra Goodman '37, features editor; and Herbert Richek '36, Sports editor.

The Campus office has been repaired and painted during the summer. Writing desks now embellish room 412 and line two walls.

Since 1907, the year of its inception at the College, The Campus has led in the movement to secure greater student rights and liberal reforms in the College. The elimination of military training as a prescribed course and the improvement of lunch-room conditions have been major points in the editorial program of The Campus in the past.

Thirty-two issues of The Campus will appear this term, coming out, as a rule, twice a week. A policy of unbiased presentation of news concerning College activities will continue the prime effort and aim of The Campus staffs.

President Spends Hobbyless Summer Truck-gardening and Canoe-scraping

President Frederick B. Robinson broke a precedent of years standing this year by spending a hobbyless and comparatively unadventurous summer vacation at his Adirondack home—that is, unless one wishes to rank the "lowbrow occupations" of truck-gardening, canoe-scraping, and stone-masonry in the same class with Dr. Robinson's former accomplishments and adventures as a sailor, cellist, artist, sculptor, and writer. For, owing to construction work at the College, the president was required to remain in the city for a great part of the summer.

However, during his stay in the Adirondacks, President Robinson had occasion to make a few speeches; one in the Community Hall of Old Forge, N. Y., to children from surrounding camps on ideals and another to the American Legion Convention at Rochester on the Russian note.

Board Receives Reinstatement Applications

United Parents' Association Of Greater New York, Inc., Assists Students

NO ACTION AT ALBANY

Attorneys File Brief With State Commissioner of Education

The Board of Higher Education has received applications for reinstatement from about ten or fifteen of the students who were expelled last year for participation in the anti-fascist riot last October 9. Through a reliable source, it was learned that the action was a result of the intervention of the United Parents Association of Greater New York Public Schools in the case.

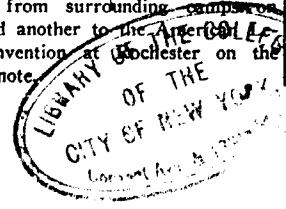
The applications for reinstatement were probably sent to the board under the minority ruling of the Executive Committee of the board, in which it was stated that the faculty would reinstate any student "except for those who might be termed ring-leaders of the disturbances and fomenters of the troubles preceding, during, and after the speech of Edwin Alexander, Jr." The students must further promise, according to the ruling, that they will in the future discountenance such disturbances. Whether the students have done this, or whether they have shown contrition for their acts could not be definitely ascertained. One student, Elmer Scheinberg, was reinstated by the faculty last term after he had fulfilled these conditions.

Appeal to Albany

Meanwhile the attorneys for the students, Osmond K. Fraenkel, Mendel Lurie, and Edward Kuntz filed a brief with Commissioner of Education Frank P. Graves declaring the punishment of the students to have been too severe and asking for a hearing for the students under the provisions of the education laws. All twenty students are concerned in this appeal.

The board has filed an answering brief condemning the disorders of the students and denying that the right to petition the State Commissioner applies to the City College. The point of law in question is that any one considering himself

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A NEW DEAL

The history of faculty-student relations at the College makes morbid reading. It is marked, throughout the term of the present administration, by dissension and conflict, and by a mutual misunderstanding that is unique in its completeness.

The college student today faces the bewildering task of adjusting himself to a chaotic world. He is faced by a vast panorama of injustice—a world rocked by the bloody rhythm of marching men, resounding to the cries of the oppressed. Being a youth, his response is often a frantic, heroic effort in behalf of the unfortunate, to whose aid he plunges with no thought for the consequences.

The faculty of the College, whose tutelage has opened the eyes of the student to this cruel reality, has in the past been a harsh judge of his actions. The professors have not aided the student toward a happy solution of his problems. They have not sought to understand the courses for his actions, nor have they faced the inevitability of Youth's revolt against injustice. They have opposed the student's free expression, and have, by their opposition driven him to more violent efforts for unhampered action.

The student, on the other hand, is not to be regarded entirely with compassion, as one might regard a misunderstood child. He is a young man who has arrived at certain definite convictions as a result of his study and experience, and wishes to put these convictions into practice. With the cocky assurance of youth, he too often demands where he might discuss; and with the inherent mistrust of youth, he regards with suspicion any action which the faculty may take. Consequently many of the faculty men have been alienated and driven into opposition where otherwise they might have seen fit to cooperate more closely with the students.

As a result of this utter lack of sympathy between faculty and student, disciplinary action during the past few years has been cruel, unreasoned—and, consequently, negatory in its

effects. The faculty has attempted to coerce into submission a student body that it has been unable or unwilling to understand.

The position to which Dr. John Roscoe Turner has been appointed becomes, in the light of these conditions, perhaps the most important in the College. By a reasoned administration of his office, Dr. Turner can render the school an incalculable service.

It is impossible to foresee how free a hand Dr. Turner will be given, but nominally he holds jurisdiction over extra-curriculum activities, and the power to "act in all disciplinary matters for the faculties." The two functions are very closely linked, for if extra-curriculum activities are controlled by understanding instead of opposition, the need for and the use of the disciplinary power might be greatly reduced. As the prime representative of the faculty in its relations with the student body, Dr. Turner can, if he sees fit, lead in the establishment of a new spirit of cooperation between faculty and student.

The course is clear. The faculty, lead in this case by Dr. Turner, must see the College student not as a "guttersnipe" to be beaten into line, but as an intelligent youth, who needs its understanding and cooperation. The students, on their part, must drop their attitude of suspicion and mistrust, and be more ready to arbitrate their differences.

In welcoming Dr. Turner to the College, The Campus trusts that his advent heralds a new era in faculty-student relations. It must do so, if even more bitter struggle is to be foretold.

THE HOUSE PLAN

The House Plan, although modified beyond recognition, comes as a promise of an adequate social life for the entire student body of the College.

Still in its embryonic stage, Mortimer Karp's brain child has been enthusiastically received and bids fair to finally achieve its avowed purpose of embracing the entire school.

The House Plan stands up well in contrast to the now decadent fraternity system. For years the school has looked to the fraternities to provide the school with social activities, and for a like number of years the frats have failed to do so. Now they are on the decline, leaving the field open for a plan which may succeed where they failed.

The democratic nature of the House Plan should immediately recommend it to the student body. Where the fraternities demand prohibitive initiation fees, the House Plan's costs are negligible, where the fraternities are exclusive in their membership, the House Plan offers an adequate social life to every student in the College. Although it is not the expressed intention of the House Plan to take the place of the fraternities, it would be well to follow the progress of the houses, with a view to eventually eliminating a system which has long outlived its usefulness.

The renting of a house on Convent Avenue gives assurance that the House Plan is not a temporary shift, but a permanent institution. It deserves the support of every student in the College.

WE BEGIN

The Campus enters its twenty-ninth year with the hope that we may go a step beyond influencing student opinion, and bring about student action.

This year finds The Campus printing at a Union shop. The change has been projected for several terms, but has not been carried into execution until now. Similarly, without wishing to disparage the accomplishments of our predecessors, we hope to bring about definite action on several issues which have been on the agenda of previous editors.

Military Science must be made a pure elective, as the first step toward eliminating it from the College curriculum. There must be a greater harmony between the faculty and the student body. Social life at the College must be given an impetus. The administration of the College, which has failed to meet the vital problems of the student body, and has sought to impose its will by rigid disciplinary rule, must be investigated by the Student Council.

The Campus shall spare no effort in attempting to bring about these reforms.

The Sophist :-

A LETTER AND AN EXPLANATION

Dear Reader:

It is with misgivings that we take The Sophist (known in the old days as Gargoyles) upon our shoulders for the coming semester. Ever since anyone can remember, this column has dealt with the trivia of life in a particularly trivial manner. No matter who the pilot, the subject matter has invariably been the same. There have been odes, villanelles, triolets, rondeaus, ballades, et. al., ad nauseam, to Susie, Clarabelle, the baby elephants in the zoo, an exceptionally hideous gargoyle on the N.E. corner of the Main Building, and the Girl with the Gorgeous Hair I tried to catch up with during rush hour. There have been trite Little Audrey gags, written during the zero hour in Science Survey Triple X.

There have been imitations, good, mediocre and rotten, of Pepsys, of F.P.A. imitating Pepsys, of a former contributor imitating F.P.A. imitating Pepsys, of everybody imitating everybody else. There have been snivelling elegies on The Thine I Thot A Thold Thiving Intho The Thnotween Wathaws Of The Thity Cowege Of The Cowege Of The Thity Of Noo Yawk Thwimming Pool. There have been loads of rot that were passed on by the Mercury. There have, in short, been everything but half-intelligent, more-or-less mature columns that did not presuppose the reader to be a sub-moronic, taffy-brained jellyfish.

It is undoubtedly true that in the welter of items there have, at one time or another, squirmed in a few decent pieces. But these were the exception, not the case. In the last few years, we do not recall one columnist among the many types that dabbled in Gargoyles, who consistently attempted not to insult the subscriber's (if there be any such) intelligence. These G-columnists, who have variously signed themselves Ovid, em-kay, Joshua, e.g., mc, etc., did not feel it incumbent upon them to break from the

old, moss-eaten tradition that had fettered this column since the days of McKinley. They gave in to custom without even a half-hearted struggle.

Now we, with all due modesty, are going to perform a neat, little revolution. The Sophist is going to have a respectable coming-out party with the best of them. We feel that time and space are too valuable, especially in these hectic days, to be wasted on a lot of trite cliches. If this column cannot make even a pretense to maturity, then it had best be discontinued and the space turned over to the clamoring advertisers. We are going to make The Sophist the headquarters for all contributions, humorous or otherwise, with this one proviso: that they be grown-up. We will print out and out serious material if it has meaning and sincerity, nor will we neglect sensibly funny pieces. Poetry, essays, gags, short-short stories, views on any and all subjects will be considered. Communists, Black Shirts, WPA employees, and even Phi Bets will be treated alike if they come to room 412 with their brainchildren.

Toward this end, we have changed the name of this space from Gargoyles to The Sophist. The Sophists were an ancient sect who antedated Winchell by saying things in a snappy fashion. That is where we resemble each other. The Sophist were also philosophers.

This is frankly an experiment. We don't know if it will work. If it fails, we will not prolong the column's agony but let it die a quick death. There is nothing more embarrassing than a column kicking off three times a week.

Sincerely,

EZRA



Who said there is no chivalry in the modern College? The dean of Gettysburg college left a dance recently only to find his car occupied by a romantic couple. Tipping his hat graciously, the dean proceeded to walk his wife home.

Students of Princeton held a debate on the following topic: Resolved: that the shorter the kiss, the longer the bliss..... The negative side won.

A Cornell professor announced to his class that he had discovered an English theme copied word for word from a book. When he asked the guilty man to see him at the end of the hour, he was confronted by no less than five members of the class.

A prof of civil engineering started to give a quiz not so long ago and noticed that all the pertinent formulae were written on the board by some fore-sighted student. He erased them but the next time he gave a quiz, they were written in red chalk on the windows. He tried to erase those but found to his dismay that they were on the other side of the windows.

—EZRA

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Clubs

One of the most important extra-curricular activities of the College is the many and varied clubs which devote themselves to science, religion, dramatics and all other fields that may be of interest to students entering the College. They all meet on Thursdays, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at which time no classes are scheduled.

Honorary Societies

The Gamma Chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society was organized at the College in 1857. Members are elected on the basis of excellence in scholarship.

Soph Skull, sophomore honorary society, began in 1916. Sophomores who have distinguished themselves in extra-curricular activities are elected every year.

The senior honorary society Lock and Key, replaced the senior Torch and Scroll in 1920. All prominent juniors are eligible for membership at the end of their junior year.

Language Clubs

Among the language clubs are the Classical Club, Le Cercle Jussereand, the French club; the Deutscher Verein, the German club; the Circolo Dante Alighieri, the Italian club; and El Circulo Fuentes, the Spanish club. These all aid the student to familiarize himself with the language as it is spoken. Prominent specialists lecture before these societies, and many activities of interest, such as newspapers, plays, glee-clubs are run by these clubs.

Science Clubs

The Biology Society sponsors field trips and hikes, weekly lectures and readings of scientific papers of interest to the embryo biologists of the College. Social events, such as smokers, are also held. The society is of especial interest to pre-med students as conditions confronting students desiring to enter med schools, local and out-of-town, are discussed.

For students of chemistry there is the Baskerville Chemical Society. The club sponsors lectures by prominent chemists, weekly discussions and interesting experiments. Frequent visits to well-known chemical plants and laboratories are made.

The Math Club is designed for those students who desire an opportunity to make further studies into the more advanced types of mathematical research.

Students who desire to delve more deeply into the field of geology than the course allows, join the Geology Club. Widely varied lectures are held on such subjects as anthropology and mineralogy.

The Physics Club aids students desiring to make research into the new fields of their subject. Prominent faculty members and outsiders give lectures on topics of interest to such students.

Religious Club

The College chapter of the Menorah Society was organized in 1910. Its main purpose is to instruct students in Jewish history and culture. Frequent lectures and debates, occasional social events and plays are held to foster this interest in Jewish life.

The purpose of the Newman Club is to afford Catholic students to better appreciate their faith through lectures, discussions, and social affairs.

Mercury Business Staff Meets Today in Room 410 at 12:15 P.M.

A meeting of the Mercury business staff will be held today at 12:15 p.m. in room 410, office of the publication. Attendance will be mandatory, according to Jacob Siegel, business manager. Students wishing to join either the editorial or business staffs should attend a special meeting at 1:00 p.m. today in the same room.

PRESIDENT



Frederick B. Robinson

To the Freshmen:

I welcome you to the College wholeheartedly. It is a place of hard work, but it is also a home of kindly affection. Your professors will be task-masters and they will be your friends. Get all you can from them of scientific, literary and civic lore and learn the patient methods of scholarly investigation, but above all, lay fast hold upon their friendship. They will meet you more than half way, and while they will be proud of your achievements as students, they will rejoice most in the development of manly, sincere, and generous character.

Four Years 'Most Important'

The four years ahead of you are the most important in the formation of your intellectual and spiritual lives. Make the most of them. You will see men of the world of business and politics pretend to be what they are not, reap where they have not sown and gain wealth or influence by wrongfully hurting others; but here you will have daily evidence of the truth that real strength and abiding happiness are the rewards of inner peace, self-mastery and unselfish service. Here you may learn to distinguish the true from the false, the eternal from the transitory, the good from the tawdry, and to realize that no noble end can be achieved by unworthy means.

This is your Alma Mater; you are her children. She has much to give; take it and be grateful to her and to the Democracy that looks for preservation and enlargement in the enlightenment of free citizens.

Frederick B. Robinson,
President.

Sports

With the new emphasis placed on sports at the College, entering freshmen with athletic aspirations will have ample opportunity to earn College recognition of their prowess. Virtually every sport is represented by a College squad and the great majority of these squads have jayvee teams intended primarily for first year men.

Calls for candidates for the various fall teams will be issued in the near future by the respective coaches. Inasmuch as experience isn't the prime factor in selecting the jayvee outfits, all freshmen, regardless of their former acquaintance with the sport, are urged to turn out in an effort to make the grade in inter-collegiate competition. Football, basketball, baseball and lacrosse are the major teams represented by jayvee squads, while club units are also established for many of the minor sports such as wrestling, fencing, cross country, track, swimming and water-polo.

Football

New Yorkers are expecting a lot, if not too much, from this seasons pigskin combination. The heaviest line ever to grace a Lavender gridiron will emerge into Lewisohn Stadium Field in an attempt to smother its opponent, and make way for a redoubtable backfield.

Benny Friedman's second year at the helm of football at the College should witness a rise in the tide of football fortunes if he is able to accomplish this year what he did last. Suffering a disastrous season in '33, the football squad responded nobly to Friedman's first year of tutelage last fall and scored victories over Brooklyn College, University of Baltimore, Lowell Tech and Drexel.

Outweighed and outmanned the Beavers fell before the onslaught of Providence, Manhattan, and N. Y. U.

The Lavender's outstanding star was Dolph Cooper, brilliant quarterback who was accorded metropolitan recognition when he was chosen all-city quarterback by over a 100,000 fans in the New York Post's contest. Rivals for individual honors on the Lavender eleven were Irv Mauer at end, Gene Berkowitz, scrappy tackle and captain-elect Ted Tolces.

Basketball

Basketball has for years been the College's best-paying and best attended sport and the only form of athletic endeavor in which the College could rightfully lay claim to Eastern and at times National top-ranking. Nat Holman, Lavender mentor, and universally regarded as the greatest player the game has ever produced has, during his tenure at the College, compiled a record of wins and losses that is unique in the basketball world.

For some unaccountable reason last season's squad sustained more defeats

than is the usual wont of Holman-coached court machines.

Despite the misfortunes of the team as a whole, notable playing was manifested by several of the players. Sam Winograd last year's captain, Mike Pincus and Sol Kopitko, toweing center, established themselves as players the College could be proud of.

Baseball

Last spring, the College baseball team sustained its worst season in years, when out of nineteen contests it only triumphed in six. The Beavers were at their best against local talent, routing Brooklyn College and pulling a phenomenal upset by trimming L.I.U.'s widely heralded outfit by 4-1.

Sam Winograd, last year's mainstay and captain, will be lost to the team because of graduation. However his place will be filled by many newcomers. Among the new faces that showed up last season, Herb Witkin, flashy third sacker, and Lew Hancles manifested the greatest promise.

Lacrosse

Faced with one of the toughest schedules in the country, Coach Leon "Chief" Miller's lacrosse team won only four matches while losing six. The Beaver stickmen beat the New York Lacrosse Club, Union, Lehigh, and an alumni team. Despite the presence of such all-Americans as Les Rosner, Willie Rosenthal, and Mickey Curran, the Beavers were swamped by Army, Springfield, St. John's of Annapolis, Swarthmore, Steven's institute, and Rutgers.

Although the team will be hard hit by graduation, Coach Miller is hopeful that several recruits from the Jayvee team will develop into varsity material for next season.

Wrestling

Led by Joseph Warren, who was unbeaten in his last two years of team competition, the wrestling team swept through six meets in succession after losing to Columbia, 16-11, for its most successful season in years. The highlights of the season were the defeats to New York U. and Long Island U. N.Y.U. bowled by a 30-0 score, and the Long Islanders were defeated 38-0, only two points short of a perfect tally.

Tennis

Compatible with the record the wrestling team established for itself last season, was the string of victories registered by the College netmen. After sweeping every opponent off their feet during the season by overwhelming scores, the net squad struck a snag in the form of N.Y.U.'s vicious combination and dropped their only contest of the season.

DEAN



Morton D. Gottschall

Fraternities

The bulwark of social activity at the College, the fraternities stand as a guide to entering students and a melting pot of freshmen, combining their backgrounds and uniting their interests. Foremost in their program for the frosh, is an effort to help acclimate the entering student to life at the College.

Governing the various fraternities is the Inter-Fraternity Council, made up of representatives of most of the frats. The council sponsors each term a series of dinners, smokers and dances to promote good-will among the frats and to acquaint members of all the fraternities with each other. It promulgates rules and regulations concerning pledging and rushing. It conducts an information bureau for freshmen during registration week. Reorganized in September 1933, the council has become in the last two years, the moving force behind most fraternity activities. It meets weekly at noon, Thursdays, to determine its policy and that of member frats.

At present there are forty-two fraternities with chapters at the College but most of these are inactive, having few members. The oldest is Delta Alpha which was organized in 1885. The following year Delta Kappa Epsilon, one of the largest of College fraternities was formed. Several of the fraternities at the College are the original chapters of the fraternity, notably Sigma Alpha Mu, which now lays claim to being the largest Jewish fraternity in the United States.

A definite procedure for the selection of members has been adopted. Fraternities "rush" their prospects the first five weeks of the term and all interested students are interviewed. At the end of the sixth week, if the student decides to accept a bid he is pledged.

Publications

Publications at the College are well-known in collegiate circles for their crusading liberal viewpoint, their campaigns for reform and improvement, and their honesty. Most prominent among these earnest periodicals is The Campus, official undergraduate newspaper. From the weekly booklet that it was in 1907 when founded, it has developed into one of the foremost collegiate newspapers in the United States.

The aim of The Campus, a journal of "News and Comment" is to present the College news in as efficient and journalistically proficient a manner as possible. Efforts to improve the organization and subject matter are made constantly. Innovations this term will include a column of news-briefs from other colleges and the institution of a new humor column, "The Sophist," instead of "Gargoyles." Aside from news articles, each issue contains play and motion picture reviews, class, and other miscellaneous feature columns.

Humor Magazine

Founded in 1883 as a literary paper, Mercury, the humor magazine, is the second oldest college periodical. "Merc" appears four times a term, and welcomes contributions from the student body; appointments to the editorial and art staffs are made on the basis of these contributions.

Microcosm, the College year-book was first published in 1858 as a four-page leaflet, and has recently developed into a three hundred page volume. "Mike" is a complete chronicle of student activity and is profusely illustrated. It is issued every year. The editor and business manager are selected by the graduating class.

Clonian Reappears

The Clonian publication of the Clonia Society appeared in 1933 after an absence of forty years. It is the topical publication of the College, published four times a year and contains essays, poems and stories.

Lavender, established by the Student Council in 1923, is a literary publication, also appearing four times a year. Lavender is devoted to short stories, essays and poetry.

The Handbook is published every term in order to provide incoming freshmen with information about the College. It contains articles concerning every phase of academic and extra-curricular activities and Frosh Rules. Letters of advice and welcome from the president and dean are also included.

Other publications issued by College groups include a number of departmental and club organs.

"Social Research" is published periodically by the members of the Social Research Seminar, and is devoted to discussions of social problems that are of interest to college students.

Le Cercle Jussereand, French club of the College, issues "La Chronique" published entirely in the French language.

Last term marked the initial issue of the History Society "Bulletin," which promises to occupy an important position among the College's publications.

"The Student," independent newspaper published during last year, was forced to suspend publication but a large group of its former staff has been assimilated by the staff of the Campus.

Candidates for Campus Staff To Report Today After Chapel

Freshmen desirous of gaining positions on The Campus, should report to room 307 at 1 p.m. today immediately after frosh chapel. Candidates for the staff will be given an intensive six-week course in elementary journalism. At the end of that time a test will be given to those who have fulfilled certain qualifications.

Election to the staff will be made on the basis of service rendered to The Campus on copy day and at the printer's and according to the results of the test in journalism. No previous experience is necessary or will it be used in electing staff-members.

Karpp Announces Modified House Plan Initiated at College Last Year Is Now Open as Center of Social Activities to Entering Freshman Class

Program Aimed at Broadening Scope of Student Life And Interests

By Mortimer Karpp
Adviser to the House Plan

The institution of a modified House Plan was announced last November at a smoker of the '39 class. The idea was suggested by the reorganized colleges at Yale and Harvard and is an effort to improve relations among students and between students and their teachers.

This was to be brought about by the creation of a parallel series of usable units, each consisting of twenty-five students from any one entering class. These units were to be aided by advisers from the faculty, alumni and general community. The groups are called houses and are named after persons important in the history of the College.

Each house on completion will have

100 members (50 from each year) and at least eight faculty-members and eight alumni advisers. So far the following houses have been organized: Abbe, Bowker, Compton, Giggs, Harris, Remsen, Shepard, Sim, Weir and Werner. New houses will be named Dean, Hackett, McMaster, Spenser and Tremaine.

Wide Variety of Activities

The houses carry on a wide variety of activities. Last semester the House Plan inaugurated the highly successful series of popular priced dances in the College gym. The houses carried through to completion a very much enjoyed basketball tournament. The separate houses conducted coffee hours, smokers, bridge afternoons, hikes, theatre parties, debates, dances, chess and checker tournaments and the publication of a souvenir program for the last dance. An even wider variety of activities is projected for this term.

House advisers include Professors Dickson, Wright, Ostrolenck and Mes-

srs. Birnbaum, Bender, Hoch, Kleinfeld, Seliger, and Roberts. As the scope of the plan increases, more of the faculty and instructional staff will participate.

The suspicion and mutual distrust that characterizes many student-teacher relations would disappear if the groups could only know each other, for from that familiarity there would result tolerance and respect if not sympathy and agreement with each other's point of view. Sincerity, would be then seen as a characteristic of the thinking of both parties. That can eventuate only from a coincidence of teachers and students in informal social situations. Opportunity for that coincidence is now at hand.

Leases Building

In May, the House Plan leased a four-story, granite building at 292 Convent Ave. to be used as a "civilized place for social assembly". The building has in addition to the Bowker Reading Room, several lounges, game-

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rooms, and a well-equipped dark room for photography enthusiasts. The building is open without restriction to all members of the House Plan on payment of the house fee of twenty-cents a month.

Entering freshmen, other '39ers, members of '38 and '37 are eligible for membership in the House Plan. To join, students should report to the office at 292 Convent Avenue, register and pay the House fee of twenty cents.

The programs of the several houses are co-ordinated by the Council of House Delegates, which is made up of one delegate from each house section. Chick Chaiken, Sim '38, and Charles Geldzabler, Weir '38, were co-chairmen in charge of the House Plan Center during July and August.

∴ Sport Sparks ∴

by HERBERT G. RICHEL

Jeremiah T. Mahoney, '85, former Justice of the Supreme Court and president of the Amateur Athletic Union has recently declared himself in favor of America's non-participation in the forthcoming Olympics unless its Berlin locale is changed. Mr. Mahoney is lending the prestige that is his in amateur sports to a movement which is rapidly gaining in strength and which now bears the avowed approval of many prominent and influential individuals and organizations.

What is transpiring in Germany is so obviously incompatible with the very spirit of the Olympic games and for that matter of athletic contests everywhere, that there is little question of doubt as to the fundamental justice of the movement. It seems proper, too that in such a campaign, the individuals and organizations who are in control of the American collegiate athletic program should play a prominent part. The Campus intends to sound out leading figures in the College's athletic set-up as to their stand on this question and to determine what effective action, the College or any College organization, athletic or otherwise can take in furthering a movement which calls for America's refusal to send a delegation of athletes to the 1936 Olympic Games in Germany.

Where is Our Wandering Halfback Tonight?

The whole thing smacks of the insidious Dr. Fu Manchu. One theory is that the Purple Gang has "snatched" him and is holding him for ransom while others, influenced by the fiction they read in their younger days, think perhaps that he is wandering around in an amnesiac daze, his identity unknown, eve to himself, friendless, alone, lost. At any rate, one Witold "Swede" Klimauskas, 180 pounds or so of quality halfback is missing from the ranks of Beaver footballers where he rightfully belongs.

He was last seen reporting to Professor Walter Williamson's office immediately upon receipt of his invitation to go to training camp. He had taken his medical examination and was on his way to register, the only formality to be taken care of prior to going on to training camp, when the earth swallowed him up. Klimauskas never registered nor did he report to training camp. He has not been seen since. If found please return to Professor Walter Williamson, Hygiene Building, College of the City of New York. Liberal reward. No questions asked.

L'Affaire Klimauskas

Although l'affaire Klimauskas lends itself very readily to jocularity, to those who really have the interests of the Beavers at heart, it is no laughing matter. We are not guilty of a breach of conference when we pass on the information that the one serious flaw in this year's Lavender football machine is its scarcity of backfield material. Mr. Friedman is no weeper of the Gil Dobie—Lou Little type but unless he has been grievously misquoted by the metropolitan newspapers, he is by no means overjoyed with the heft his backs pack or the numbers thereof. That the success or failure of this year's eleven hinges on the performance of the backs was apparent as early as last April. Paul Riblett, Friedman's genial assistant prophesied "If the backs come through, we'll have a great season for we're three deep in linemen and one line's almost as good as the other." In the light of this, then, Klimauskas' disappearing act becomes a matter of concern.

Klimauskas is one of those rare individuals who thinks highly of himself and (here's the unusual sort) has good reason to. Tall and strapping, he has all the makings of a first-class triple-threat, a commodity which, it is needless to say, is highly in demand this time of the year. He captained the jayvee football team two years ago and was the outstanding man on the squad.

Although it hasn't reached that stage yet, we expect any day now to run across some little item like the following in the Public Notices column of the Times:

Lost, Strayed or Stolen. Witold Klimauskas come home please. All is forgiven.

Benny

SPORT SLANTS

Sam Winograd spent six weeks with Tallahassee a Giant farm in the Georgia-Florida league . . . Tallahassee finished second in the pennant race . . . Chief Miller was out on the Pacific Coast this summer as a member of the all-American lacrosse team's coaching staff . . . As the Chief says he was in San Francisco, Vancouver, Seattle, Walla Walla and points west . . . The football team returned from its fall maneuvers to find itself homeless . . . Not only isn't the playing field ready but there are no locker or dressing rooms in the Stadium . . . The old ones were torn down and the new ones are a long way from being completed . . . Professor Williamson is also wondering where he's going to keep the team's equipment . . . The Saturday on which the Brooklyn game is being played is Rosh-Hashanah . . . realizing the coincidence was going to cut the gate considerably, Professor Williamson and the Brooklyn athletic manager tried to postpone the game to the following Sunday night . . . But the Board of Higher Education stepped in and said it was contrary to its policy . . . Gil Kahn, Campus news hound, was tennis instructor at Gluck's Hillside Hotel . . . Ah Wilderness! . . .

Personal nomination for the ideal college athlete . . . "Uncle" Ed Juliber . . . 6'5" and 240 pounds but intelligent . . . He played football and lacrosse for the college only a year back . . . Bernie Freedman, captain-elect of the College netmen eliminated Ernest Koslan from the Metropolitan Public Parks tournament Sunday . . . Freedman has survived up to the quarter finals . . . Bernie is also copy-editor of the Campus.

Beaver Eleven Returns Home From Poconos

Benny Friedman's rusticated Lavender gridmen returned from the hinterlands of the Wayne Country Club early this week, flushed with the sparkle of perfect condition and carrying themselves with an aplomb that augurs well for the coming season's College football prospects.

The small squad, about thirty men in all, besported itself before the expert eyes of Coaches Friedman, Alexander, Riblett, and Berkowitz, for a two week period in the Poconos. In that time, the Beavers were re-oriented to the Friedman style of play after the summer layoff, everything from individual weakness to play repertoire being given a careful going over.

Even a superficial examination of the squad's composition, however, reveals at once its limitations. It is in the backfield that a decided lack of strength is immediately apparent, both from the standpoint of dearth of candidates and the lack of beef on those men who have won varsity berths for themselves.

Eight backs are listed on the squads roster, their average weight totaling 165

pounds, with only three of the number boasting of previous varsity experience. There were three more men originally scheduled for backfield service, namely Witold Klimauskas, Dave Novack and Carl Schwartz. The first two are irretrievably lost, but there is a strong possibility that Schwartz, a veteran blocker, will join the squad next week.

"We'll give every team we meet this year at least a tough afternoon," said Coach Friedman, "and if we had a few more backs, particularly heavy ones, we might do more than that."

The men thus far selected for the position vacated by Dolph Cooper, last year's backfield paladin, is Chris Michel, 140 pound, 5 feet 7 inch, signal caller, who has demonstrated that he is quite ready to assume the royal purple of triple-threat back. He can kick, block, pass, and run, and in the words of Benny Friedman, is an excellent field general.

This is the first in a series of articles on the College's prospects for the coming football season. Another will follow in the next issue.

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Summer Forum Leads Struggle For Free Books

A vigorous student campaign for free books in the summer session, led by the Summer Forum, gained immediate victory this year when books were distributed to lower classmen for the first time since 1917. The Forum, organized by the N.S.L. and S.L.I.D. and chartered by Dr. Charles Upson Clark, director of the summer session, was the first student organization of its kind in the history of the College.

The fight for free books got under way on the opening day of the summer session, with a mass protest meeting featured by an address by Isidore Begun, president of the Unemployed Teachers Union. A committee elected at the meeting interviewed Professor Clark. After conferring with Mark Eisner, chairman of the Board of Higher Education, Professor Clark announced that free books would be distributed.

Hold Weekly Meetings

Following its first important victory, the Forum continued its activities throughout the summer session. Weekly meetings were held to discuss social problems, and were addressed by well-known speakers, including Ben Davis, defense attorney in the Scottsboro Case, and Joseph Cohen, editor of the "Young Workers."

On July 29, N.S.L. members of the Forum joined the picket-line at Bickford's Restaurant, which ended in the arrest of six students. The pickets were tried on August 27, and were all given suspended sentences.

The Forum also authorized a committee to investigate cases of discrimination against Negroes in the College, and the report of the committee was printed in the "Summer Bulletin," published by the Forum.

The movement for permanent amalgamation of the N.S.L. and S.L.I.D. originated at a meeting of the Summer Forum.

W.P.A. to Open 'Colleges' In 17 Cities of the State

Emergency collegiate centers will open in seventeen cities in New York State about Oct. 1 for students unable to finance college courses, the State Education Department announced today.

The centres will be financed as a Federal Works Program Administration project, but all academic matters will be directed by the division of higher education of the State Department of Education.

Three centres will reopen in the metropolitan district under the College of the City of New York, at Garden City, White Plains and Yonkers.

Students Apply For Re-admission

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Aggrieved in connection with the administration of the common schools may seek redress through the commissioner.

As yet, the date for the hearing has not been set, but Commissioner Graves announced Wednesday that it will be sometime soon after the convocation of the Board of Regents on October 18 and 19. The exact date will be announced around October 1. According to Mark Eisner, chairman of the Board of Higher Education, the decision of the commissioner will not affect the present appeal before the board.

Thirty-seven students were disciplined after the disturbances attendant upon the visit of a delegation of Italian students to the College. Twenty-one were expelled, four were suspended for periods of six months to one year, and the other twelve were put on probation for the rest of their College careers.

The students were disciplined after a stormy faculty meeting on November 13. The vote, however, was very close. The action of the faculty in meting out such severe punishment was contrary to the recommendations of Dean Morton Gottschall who had conducted the investigation into the disturbances.

No Salary Rise To Accompany 31 Promotions

Without receiving the corresponding salary increases that generally accompany faculty promotions, thirty-one members of the College's teaching staff have been advanced in rank, it was divulged by President Robinson Monday afternoon. The new appointments went into effect September 1.

Charging that "unfair critics" would attack the promotions on the grounds that they are, in reality, a wage-cut for faculty members, he hailed the new policy as being "a big step forward in a program that will diminish the length of time for men to advance through the academic ranks."

Previously, he explained, it was necessary for members of the faculty to wait until their salary had reached a certain minimum before they were eligible for advancement in rank. Now that that minimum has been lowered, deserving instructors have a chance for quicker promotion.

The list of advancements, of which there have been an unusually large amount, follows:

From assistant professor to associate professor—James A. Dawson, Samuel Joseph, Leslie W. Jones, Joseph X. Healy, Herbert Ruckes, Ralph H. Hess, Ralph E. Goodwin, Arthur E. Albrecht, Allen D. Hausen, Rene E. G. Vallant.

From instructor to assistant professor—Daniel F. Brophy, Fay E. Neill, John Sanford Peck, Charles C. Groul, Y. H. Krikorian, A. G. Melvin, Lester W. Thomsen, Joseph E. Wisan, Kenneth F. Damon, Russell L. Biddle, William S. Creighton, Daniel T. O'Connell, Raymond W. Root, Michael Kraus, Herman T. Spieth and John J. Theobald.

From tutor to instructor—Otto E. Kugler.

Alfred P. D'Andrea, formerly an Art teacher in Townsend Harris Hall, was appointed assistant professor in Art.

President Adds Truck Farming To Avocations

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advent of Dean Turner would help mend student-faculty relations any. He replied that Dr. Turner was brought in to help the students in their extra-curricular life but resented the implication that student-faculty relations were anything but amicable.

Asked for his opinion regarding a permanent Student Council charter the President declared, "I set up a very generous charter for the Student Council. I believe the Student Council should have a definite and permanent charter."

President's Letter for Negroes

The interviewer called Dr. Robinson's attention to the fact that a negro student was hired in the recorder's office during the summer and attributed this fact to a letter sent by the president last term to the recorder, at the request of The Campus, urging such action. He then asked the President to send a similar letter to the heads of department urging the hiring of a negro instructor. President Robinson denied that there was any discrimination in this matter as he was "a friend of the negro" and stated that there was no need for such a letter, as the department heads knew the president's opinion in the matter. He disclaimed any knowledge of the case of Wilfred Rankin, Ph. D. in Latin, who was denied an instructorship in the Latin department in 1931.

The President termed the entire charge of negro discrimination at the College as "a manufactured issue" with "no basis in fact."

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Social Calendar Committee To Set Dates for Affairs

The Social Calendar Committee, appointed last term by the Student Council, has requested all College organizations planning to hold affairs during the coming semester to communicate such information as soon as possible to the committee's co-chairmen, Irving Nachbar '37 and Chick Chaiken '38.

The committee will regulate the dates of proposed affairs. No organization may set a definite date for its affairs without the approval of the group.

Communications addressed to the committee should be left in the Microcosm office, room 424.

Ousted Students Remain Suspended

Meyer Schwartz '36 and Meyer Rangell '37, who were last term suspended for participating in a demonstration against the R.O.T.C. Jingo Day review in Lewisohn Stadium, are still "indefinitely suspended," it was disclosed last Tuesday by Dean Gottschall. The action against the two students had come as the result of a meeting of the Faculty Student Discipline Committee last June.

Charges against four other students, whose names were not revealed, have also been preferred. However, definite (Continued Next Column)

action will not be taken until the return of Professor Morris R. Cohen, head of the discipline committee, from his vacation at Saranac Lake. In the meantime the students have registered and are attending classes.

In the ruling against Schwartz and Rangell, it was pointed out that they would be "indefinitely suspended" until they prove to the joint Faculty Student Discipline Committee their ability to obey each regulation of the College whether they approve of it or not.

300 students participated in the two hour demonstration held last May 28 which reached its climax in a mass picket line encircling the stadium. Attempts by student speakers to hold a meeting were broken up by the police.

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Committee Acts To Stamp Out Race Prejudice

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Sleeping Car Porters, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Urban League, the National Student League, the Student League for Industrial Democracy, the Office Workers Union, the American League Against War and Fascism, Healy's Democratic Organization of Harlem, the Joint Conference Against Discriminatory Practices, the Beavers Democratic Club, and many other organizations.

The committee has in its possession, according to Weaver, evidence "proving that the City College has consistently and designedly discriminated against negroes in practically all field of employment at the College. Our committee intends to publish this evidence in the very near future. Our conference, at the Y.M.C.A., laid the basis for involving the broadest strata of sympathizers in this campaign.

A conference was called by the committee on Monday evening, September 9, at the West 135th St. Y.M.C.A. Another will be called by the committee in several weeks.

Thirlwall, AFA President, Resigns From Association

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actually direct the Association's entire work, and "consequently resolutions have been passed which have very little to do with anti-fascism under any definition," the Executive Council stated that until the advent of warm weather the membership of the group was steadily increasing, and that all measures have been passed unanimously or with majorities twenty to sixty times the dissenting vote. This statement was also intended to refute the assertion that many members resigned "to protest against the pronouncedly Communist trend of the AFA," a charge denied as without foundation and unproven.

The Executive Council asserts that Mr. Thirlwall misconceived the powers and responsibilities of the presidency, when, to explain his opposition to the summer meeting on the ground that he would be unable to be present, he stated that he considered that "the president of any association, more than any other member, is blamed very properly for the work and policy of the organization." It holds that this idea was foreign to that held by the Association in the interest of democracy and group action, and in its

charter, the AFA endeavored not to give any one person undue authority or responsibility. Anyway, the statement inquired, why should anyone, in a liberal college, be blamed for opposing fascism.

Furthermore, the former president was charged with acting unconstitutionally a number of times. For example, he was censured by AFA, the Council said, for sending a representative of the Association to Albany without authorization to fight against the Ives Bill.

Mr. Thirlwall also complained that he was accused of breaking the "United Front" when he spoke against Communist Russia, and he condemned it for teaching fascist methods to Fascist Italy and Germany. He called the "United Front" a "front dictated by the Communist Party, whose sympathizers fight fascism only on their own terms."

The Executive Council in its statement said that the AFA considered the "United Front" as "the working together on the basis of an agreed on program of all individuals consistently anti-fascist," and therefore would not keep out radical or revolutionary forces, as it could not include fascist or reactionary groups.

WPA Starts Work On New Building

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The mezzanine has already been entirely cleared of lockers, and lockers are also being removed from the ground floor. Locker space will be available in the tunnels. Plans call for a series of rooms to be located on the mezzanine floor to house those clubs whose alcoves have been or will be torn down. The mezzanine will also contain social rooms and offices for the FERA.

Work has been progressing on the Stadium. The new ramp from the Stadium to T.H.H. has been completed.

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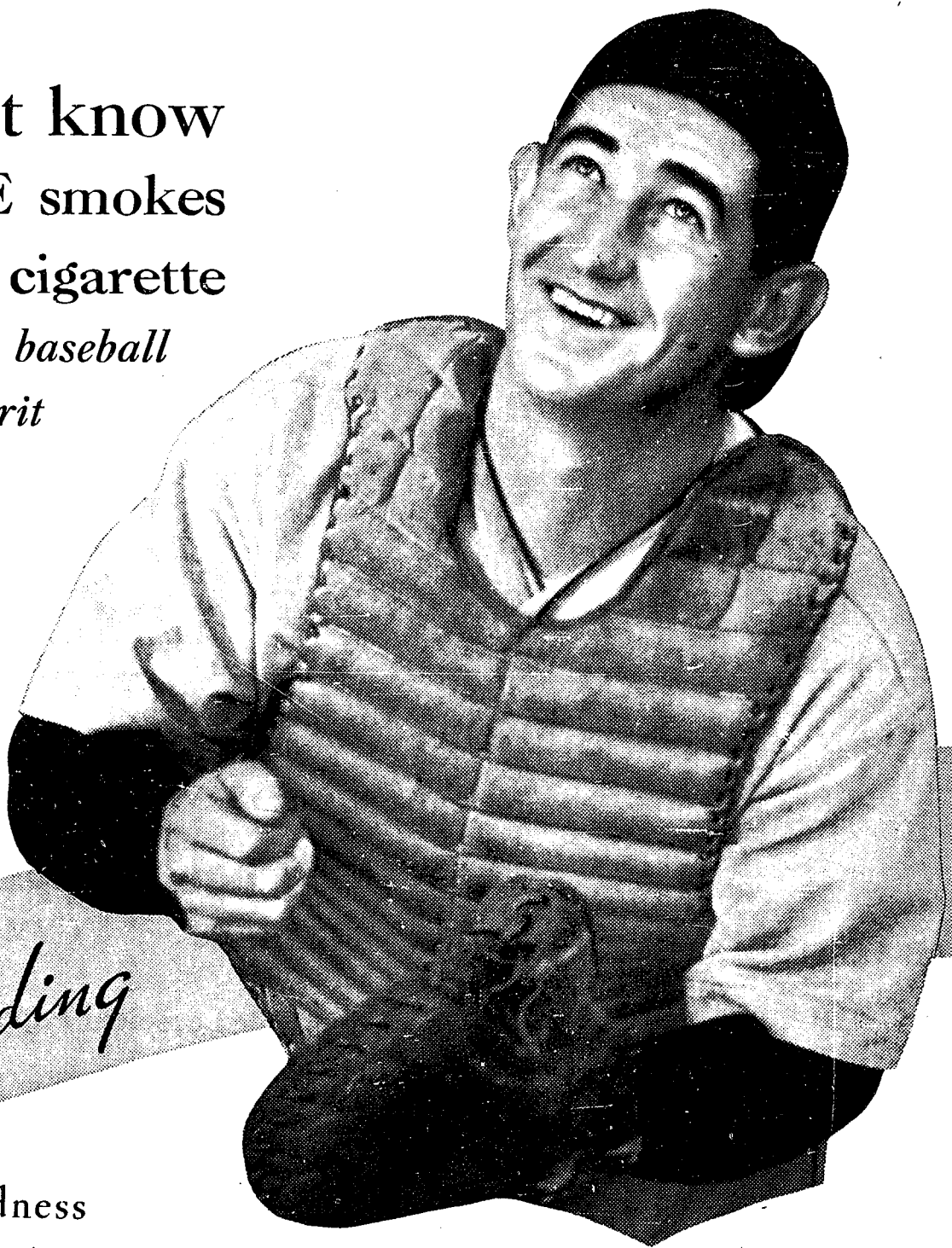
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