

# Mass Strike Meeting Endorses Oxford Oath

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# MORRIS U. SCHAPPES FIRED

## SCHAPPES MUST STAY!

An Editorial

A meeting protesting the dismissal of Morris Schappes will be held today at 3 p.m. in room 126 under the joint sponsorship of the American Student Union and The Campus.

well-known as an anti-fascist, was kicked out for "inefficiency." Today President Robinson, Professor Horne, and other reactionary bigwigs in the English Department, are pulling the same stunt. Today the student body is awake and they won't get away with it.

Schappes has been attacked as an inefficient teacher. We know that this is not true; we know that he is being thrown out of College for his militant, courageous stand on war and fascism. We see here the same forces that have expelled students, attempting to wipe out the faculty, in the same manner.

The facts are glaringly clear—the administration is so brazen and ridiculous that we sit in amazement at the effrontery of our "teachers."

We are not willing, we will not permit such action to go unchallenged. Already the situation which Joe Lash, national secretary of the ASU, predicted, is here. He said that we were brave, that we were gallant, that we were courageous. But when the time comes when you must fight, he challenged, will you demonstrate, will you protest, will you strike?

President Robinson, Professor Horne, reactionary gentlemen of the English Department: we accept your challenge, and solemnly, with full recognition of the consequences, we swear that we will not allow you to expel Morris Schappes from this campus.

Morris Schappes has been politely told to get the hell out of College. The reason, according to Professor Horne, is that his "efficiency as a teacher of English has not been sufficiently notable..." He further adds that "I assure you that these (Mr. Schappes' political beliefs) have not influenced me."

The letter is dated April 22. On this day Mr. Schappes, as a representative of the Anti-fascist Association, spoke at the strike. He has also spoken at other anti-fascist and anti-war meetings of the student body.

Professor Horne, who notified Mr. Schappes that he would ask the Board of Higher Education, not to reappoint him, has seen Schappes teach twice—three minutes each time. Professor Horne is an official historian of the American Legion and the Daughters' of the American Revolution.

Students of Mr. Schappes have voluntarily come to The Campus and offered to testify as to his teaching ability. The story has spread like fire throughout the College. The Senior class voted Mr. Schappes most popular, most respected, and best orator. Four thousand students who cheered Mr. Schappes with the applause of thunder are not willing to see him quietly kicked out of College.

Four years ago Oakley Johnson, also of the English Department, also

### 3500 Students In Great Hall Attack War

#### Strikers Stage Rehearsal For Course of Action in War Emergency

#### SCHAPPES, LAVITT ADDRESS MEETING

A "dress rehearsal" for action in time of war was staged by thirty-five hundred students at the College Wednesday, who walked out of classes at 11 a.m. to jam the Great Hall in a mass strike meeting.

Pledging themselves "not to support the government of the United States in any war it may undertake," the strikers also voted to continue the fight against the ROTC and President Robinson, and reaffirmed their opposition to imperialist aggression and American war preparations.

#### Wadleigh Girls Enter Hall

A dramatic interlude to the proceedings was furnished when fifty girls from Wadleigh High School Annex marched into the Great Hall to join the strike, despite the threat of disciplinary action.

Lawrence Knobel '36, editor of The Campus and chairman, struck the keynote of the meeting, when he denounced war preparations, and emphasized the necessity of decisive action by all opposed to war.

"The warlords of Europe are no longer rattling their sabers," cried Knobel. "They have drawn their swords and are brandishing them close to our throats... Roosevelt will no more keep us out of war than Wilson did."

Julian Lavitt '36, president of the Student Union, presided at the meeting.

### Evening Session Strikes

#### 1,000 Night School Strikers Lend Support to ASU, Take Oxford Oath and Press for Boycott on Italy

One thousand evening session strikers added powerful support to the ASU when, by a rising vote, they almost unanimously adopted the Oxford oath. Following this vote, the strikers resolved to petition the Board of Higher Education to grant a charter for the ASU.

#### Cohen, Draper Debate "Which War Position"

"Which War Position" was the title of a debate between Joseph Cohen, editor of Young Worker and Harold Draper, of the Young People's Socialist League, delivered yesterday before a joint meeting of the Society for Student Liberties and the Politics Club.

Mr. Cohen, the initial speaker, presented the basic Communist stand in the event of imperialist war, "the transformation of that war into a civil war."

#### Build Up ASU, Joe Lash Urges

The building up of a large chapter of the American Student Union at the College to carry on the "day to day fight against war and fascism" was emphasized by Joseph P. Lash, executive secretary of the ASU, to the 800 students gathered in Lewisohn Stadium at an organizational meeting of the chapter.

The ASU meeting was held Wednesday following the strike meeting, with students marching to the Stadium from the College.

### 500,000 In Nation Strike

#### Students Go Out in Belgium, France, Spain, Puerto Rico; Police Attempt to Disrupt Proceedings at Temple

Reverberations of student determination not to be cannon-fodder in any war their government may undertake re-echoed throughout the world for the third year as over half a million high school and college students all over the globe and especially in the United States walked out of classes to strike for peace at 11 a.m. last Wednesday.

Fully tripling the number of strikers last year, the demonstrators were orderly for the most part, with here and there instances of violence by student "vigilantes" and police. In Belgium, France, Spain and Puerto Rico, solidarity with students in this country was indicated by numerous peace demonstrations.

#### Vigilantes at Temple

From Temple University in Philadelphia came the first reports of "vigilante" violence this year. The demonstration, after having been addressed by Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of The Nation, was disbanded in confusion amid a shower of tomatoes and bags of flour. National press services reported an American flag splattered with tomatoes by football men who broke up the meeting.

A tear-gas bomb thrown into the U. of Kansas strike meeting started a free-for-all in which 300 students took part. In Appleton, Wisconsin, police used clubs to break up a demonstration at Lawrence College.

#### Other Figures

Other strikes throughout the country, their number swelled in many cases by administrative support, included: U. of Chicago, 3,500; U. of Michigan, 3,000; Northwestern U., 2,500; Cornell U., 2,200.

#### Engineering Alumni Establish Job Bureau

The newly organized Engineering Alumni of the School of Technology has established an Employment Information Exchange to disseminate information on employment possibilities.

The Board of Engineering Alumni in charge of the bureau have sent an explanatory letter and an information blank to all graduates of the Technology School.

### Schappes 'Most Respected,' Say Seniors; Robinson Hit

Mr. Morris U. Schappes was elected the most respected and most popular instructor in the faculty and President Frederick B. Robinson was adjudged the one who did most harm to the College in a poll of the "Senior Mind," taken by the Microcosm yesterday. President Robinson was also considered the "biggest politician," "biggest bluff," and the one who "did most for self." The complete results of the poll follows:

Class	Faculty
Julian Lavitt	Did most for City College
Charles Saphirstein	Did most for '36 Class
Edward Kinney	Did most harm to City College
Lester Gabrielove	Most likely to succeed
Oscar Schachter	Most brilliant
Maury Spanier	Most respected
Charles Saphirstein	Most popular
Meyer Charney Schwartz	Hardest worker
Lawrence Knobel	Best writer
Edward Goldberger	Best poet
Leroy Zehren	Best actor
Phil Bloom	Handsomest
Gene Luongo	Thinks he is
Dean Gottschall	
Moses J. Aronson	
John K. Ackley	
Prof. M. R. Cohen	
Morris U. Schappes	
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Donald A. Roberts	
Arthur Dickson	
Ralph Gordon	
Frank C. Davidson	
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Frank B. Meyer	

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### Horne Ousts Peace Fighter As Incapable

#### Head of English Department Withholds Reappointment After Peace Speech

#### COLLEGE SHOCKED BY SUDDEN ACTION

By Albert Sussman

Morris U. Schappes will not receive Professor Charles Horne's recommendation for reappointment as a tutor of English, he learned yesterday.

Schappes was so informed in a letter from the English department head which charged him with inefficiency and stated that the action was not taken because of his alleged political affiliations.

The Instructional Staff Association will appeal the case to the Board of Higher Education which has final jurisdiction in the case.

#### Students Shocked

Coming so soon after Schappes' address to the students at the anti-war strike, the news yesterday traveled like wildfire and rocked the entire campus. All through the school small angry groups of students could be seen expressing resentment against Professor Horne's action and testifying to the popularity of the tutor. Many commentators noticed the similarity between the current incident and that which involved Oakley Johnson, of the English department, in 1932.

Professor Horne's letter follows in part:

"A tutorship is, as you know, only a temporary appointment, and your efficiency as a teacher of English has not been sufficiently notable to justify me in asking your appointment as a permanent member of the College Staff. I have been somewhat in doubt as to how to make this clear to you, being unwilling that you should connect this matter with your political beliefs. I assure you that these have not influenced me. I have been told that you are a member of the Communist Party, but I have not investigated this and do not care. So long as anyone is a satisfactory teacher of English I shall accept his social creed with complete tolerance."

#### ISA Affirms Tenure

The Instructional Staff Association voted yesterday to affirm Schappes' right to tenure under the provisions of the Feld-McGrath Law. The law guarantees the right to tenure of any teacher.

#### Mike Sets April 25 Deadline for Photos

Seniors who have taken photographs for the Microcosm should return the proofs to the White Studio before April 25 or else the photographs will not appear.

Librarian  
Nudists picket Sally Rand show as indecent" — A. P. dispatch in Daily News on April 13.



"I do not believe there will be war. I cannot believe it."  
Evangeline Booth, commander Salvation Army.

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## ABOUT THE STRIKE

Now that the Strike is over, the fight first begins. Now we must transform our words, gallant and beautiful as they were, into action. Now we must start a real campaign to kick Mili Sci off the campus, to fight for free books, to continue our opposition to President Robinson.

Once again the Strike provides compelling evidence that liberal, progressive thought on the campus is not confined to a mere handful of students. Again the resounding roar of "We refuse to support any war which the United States government may undertake" shows the will of the great majority of the student body for the Oxford Pledge.

The only way we can take our words and transform them into action is by building the American Student Union. Such a united coalition of forces, determined in purpose, can accomplish our aims. Unfortunately, however, the anti-war position of the American Student Union was distorted by the chairman of the College chapter; that is, he emphasized minor points and did not mention major ones. To clear up any confusions or doubt that was raised in the speech The Campus will undertake to present the complete platform of the ASU on War and Peace, as it was adopted at the convention in Columbus.

A sign of the growing maturity of the College student movement is the fact that there were official speakers from the Young Peoples Socialist League, and the Young Communist League. Those of us who have worked with members of these organizations in our campus struggles, and know them as devoted, sincere fighters for the interests of the College student, were exceedingly disappointed to hear them harangue us with long polemics, about which we are concerned little. We do not object, in fact we want to hear the positions of these organizations. But they must be presented clearly, lucidly and with specific relation to the College scene, and not by dog-fights between representatives of two different political credos.

We want to build a broad organization that will present a united wall of opposition to the forces of war and reaction. We can build such an organization—the American Student Union. There is no doubt of this: by overwhelming vote 4,000 students at the Strike applauded the program of the ASU, including the much discussed Oxford Pledge. These students can join the ASU and make the College chapter the stronghold of the student movement. This imposes responsibilities on all sections of the student body: on the radicals—that they do not make the ASU a meeting place for their political differences; and on the liberals—that they awake from their lethargy and make their opinion count by joining the American Student Union.

## FOR A SECRET POLL

The Anti-fascist Association of the staffs of the College took a very significant step Sunday in recommending that the Board of Higher Education conduct a secret poll of the faculty and student body to determine whether President Robinson has lost the confidence and esteem of his faculty and students.

The Association is the first faculty organization to join the student body in the demand for a demonstration of the general attitude at the College toward the president.

THE CAMPUS has consistently advocated such

a closed referendum, where fear of reprisals, especially among the teaching staffs, will not prevent a frank statement of opinion. We have fought for a referendum because we are confident that it will once and for all demolish the lie that it is only a mere handful of reds, a small "slimy group" that is fighting for the president's removal.

Vituperation levelled at radicals and other minority groups is a too familiar device to be effective in this case. No amount of heated name-calling can hide the fact that thirty-five hundred students at Wednesday's strike meeting acclaimed a resolution calling for the dismissal of President Robinson.

We are confident that a secret referendum will demonstrate even more decisively that opposition to the president is widespread among the teaching staffs as well as the student body.

The majority report of the Associate Alumni was based on a representative sample of student opinion, which the minority report described as not sufficiently large. The Board of Higher Education, now investigating these reports, should be interested in obtaining a complete picture of faculty and student sentiment.

And yet, the board has refused to permit the Student Council to hold a referendum, and it has refused to conduct a poll under its own auspices. Is it because the board knows the answer, and so finds it unnecessary, or is it because the results may be a source of embarrassment to the Board in reaching its decision?

Whatever the reasons the Board may hold, we at the College know the need of a clear demonstration of student and faculty sentiment toward the president. THE CAMPUS urges the Instructional Staff Association and the Teachers' Union to join the AFA and the student body in demanding a secret referendum.

## A NEW COURSE

A new course in minority literature of America, which will chiefly embrace Negro and Yiddish literature, is now under consideration by the English department.

Such a course deserves the support of every student in the college, whether he be an English major or a science student. For, although the proposed course is fully justified because of its literary merits alone, it will also give us an insight into the problems and attitudes of these minority groups, which will go far toward cultivating a more tolerant and sympathetic outlook.

This sociological aspect is not to be minimized. Persecution of minorities in this country, although not publicized, is wide-spread and often organized by reactionary and terrorist groups. The Klu-Klux-Klan, lynchings, Jim-Crowism, and anti-Semitism have too often been exposed to require further discussion here. In addition, the more subtle forms of racial prejudice and minority persecution are manifested in every walk of life.

This distorted outlook is caused for the most part by ignorance and misunderstanding. Education and a sympathetic approach can do much to eradicate this condition. A course in minority literatures is a right step in this direction. We sincerely urge the faculty to make this proposed course a welcome addition to the College curriculum.

## RECOMMENDED

**Bury the Dead**—Irwin Shaw's anti-war drama is being presented by Alex Yokel at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre. If you can't afford to pay \$.50 to see it, read the play in the current issue of New Theatre \$.15 at all newsstands.

**Siegfried**—Film and Photo League will present Fritz Lang's film classic tomorrow at the New School for Social Research. There is a Wagnerian score. Showings at 5 p.m., 7 p.m., and 9 p.m. Admission \$.40.

**George Gershwin**—paintings by the popular musician will be exhibited along with works by poets, cooks, and traveling salesmen at the Independent Artists' Show in Grand Central Palace.

**'39 Dance**—sponsored by the Student Council at the main gym Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Admission \$.40 per couple.

**The Supreme Court**—will be discussed by Professor Morris R. Cohen and Charles H. Tuttle on the Forum of the Air tonight at 9:15 p.m. on WHN. Gilbert Seldes will preside.

## Quotation Marks

**The Question:** Do you believe that high-school graduates, who have considerable athletic abilities, but who lack the scholastic entrance requirements, should be permitted to matriculate at the College?

**The Place:** The Lincoln Corridor.

No. I believe there is a quota for admission to the College. Students admitted to fill the quota should be admitted only on the basis of marks. It would be unfair to students of equal scholastic ability but of unequal athletic ability.—Samuel Joffe '37

Yes, but they should have a certain standard to live up to. Perhaps, they would be allowed to maintain an average grade which would be between "C" and "D," instead of "C," as the other students have to. It would be very favorable to the College to stand out more in athletics. These sort of conditioned students should have at least obtained a 75% average at high school.—Aaron Gordon '39

Not at the expense of those who have the required scholastic ability. However, should there be a dearth of applicants with the required average, perhaps it would be just as well that they be admitted, and then only under the conditions that they maintain an average as high as that required of other students.—Si Slavin '37

Unalterably no! College is an institution of erudition, and not a playground. The sooner this is realized, the more admirable it will be to possess a degree. Let sports be almost totally abandoned in colleges.—R. Brode '39

If the scholastic attainments of the applicant are not too low, he should

be admitted. There is no doubt that colleges with successful athletic teams gain for the institution a prestige which aids its graduates in securing positions. Athletics at City College should be on a higher plane. Deficiencies in material can only be made up by lowering the entrance requirements. Once the men are in the College, they should be treated no differently than other students.—Victor Axelroad '37

The function of any college is both mental and physical improvement to its students. Considerable athletic ability, with about 75% scholastic average, should make such a student eligible for entrance. Must not athletes devote a great deal of time to athletics and therefore less to scholastic activities?—D. T. Zeccola '37

If these high school graduates can become more useful members of society by admission to the College, I would favor matriculation.—Maurice Basseches '37

Yes, but only on the conditional basis that they meet the scholastic requirements once they are enrolled as students. Too frequently, high school athletes, with a sincere youthful enthusiasm for sports, neglect their less interesting studies, and are awakened to their plight only after it is too late to meet the necessary requirements for admission to one of these colleges which they can afford to attend.—Julian Lavitt '36

I believe that athletes might be admitted with slightly lower than the required average for entrance, but after admission, they should be expected to keep up to the minimum requirements.—David E. Goldberg '37

## Correspondence

(Ed. note: The following letters are copies of those sent to Professor Horne by two of Mr. Schappes' students. Mr. Blum, Phi Beta Kappa '36, and Mr. Cole '37 have been pursuing Honors courses under Mr. Schappes' guidance.)  
Professor Charles F. Horne  
College of the City of New York  
St. Nicholas Terrace  
New York City  
Dear Professor Horne:

I am informed that you have notified Mr. Schappes that you do not intend to ask the Board of Trustees to reappoint him to a Tutorship next Fall because you consider him an inefficient teacher.

As you know, I have been doing Honors work under Mr. Schappes' guidance for more than a year. I wish to take this opportunity to testify on Mr. Schappes' behalf that I have always found him one of the best informed and most efficient teachers in the Department. Under the circumstances, it must certainly appear that Mr. Schappes is being dismissed for political reasons: and I wish to add my protest to those I know will be voiced by the many students who have benefited from Mr. Schappes' excellent teaching, against his unwarranted discharge.

I am firmly convinced that Mr. Schappes' dismissal would be an irreparable loss to the English Department and to the teaching staffs of the College as a whole.

Sincerely yours,  
Martin Blum '36

Prof. Charles F. Horne  
Chairman of the English Department  
Dear Sir:

As a student who has had the rare privilege of studying under Mr. Schappes for the last two years and of continuing that association through my present honors' work, I protest emphatically against your recommendation for his dismissal.

Not only is it unjustifiable on legal grounds, insofar as his long association with the College has given him security of tenure, but it is equally indefensible from an academic criterion of scholastic and pedagogic ability.

Permit me to testify publicly that I

have rarely, in my three years of work in the English Department, met a man of Mr. Schappes' scholarly and pedagogic attainments.

Therefore I can only conclude that you did have an ulterior motive for your decision and I cannot help but think that your motive was what you yourself decried: namely, Mr. Schappes' commendable integration of the humane ideals of literature with his daily behavior. Untiringly, has he fought to realize in this College the ideals which must be held by all lovers of "The best that has been thought and said" in English literature.

I conclude by reiterating my protestation against the political causes of Mr. Schappes' dismissal, and I ask all students, teachers, and liberty-loving Americans interested in free speech and the American ideal of academic and political impartiality to rally to the defense of a kind and learned teacher.

Sincerely yours,  
Joseph H. Cole '37

## Bound in Morocco

THE NOVELIST AT WORK  
*The Story of A Novel* by Thomas Wolfe. 93 pp., \$1.50. Published by Charles Scribners and Sons.

Eminently un-Wolfean in quantity is *Story of A Novel*, a 93 page brochure which Thomas Wolfe must have dashed off between the 100,000-word chapters of his forthcoming work of fiction. *Story of A Novel* originally appeared in installments in *The Saturday Review of Literature*, where it created a sensation and inspired an editorial on Mr. Wolfe and his writing in *The New York Times*. This little book which explains the genesis of *Look Homeward Angel* and *Of Time and the River* is permeated with the same "insatiable and enormous eagerness in life and living" that characterizes Wolfe's novels. It is written frankly and convincingly. Mr. Wolfe lays bare the soul of the creative artist with remarkable candor and honesty.

Wolfe's method of writing is blundering and crude, "a story of sweat, pain, and despair." Such a method would probably lead any other artist to destruction

## 10 Years Ago

The Inter-Fraternity Council asked the faculty for recognition for itself and twenty-seven affiliated fraternities, in order that it may adopt in time the duties of a legislative body, and become more than a mere social organization with the power to suggest and advise."

## TODAY

The IFC is officially recognized and has only thirteen members. As a sorely-needed agency for broadening and coordinating social activities, fraternities have failed, mostly because of high fees and exclusive character. The House Plan, a little over a year old and recently incorporated, bids fair to afford the College a social life which the fraternities have failed to provide. If it is to succeed, it must not isolate itself from vital social problems of students, as the dying fraternities have done.

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## THEATRE

*BITTER STREAM*, A play by Victor Wolfson, presented by the Theatre Union at the Civic Repertory Theatre.

"Bitter Stream" is all reality. Unlike plays which picture individuals or classes in the throes of general economic forces, this production, a dramatization of Ignazio Silone's novel "Fontamara," unveils the bruited whip of Italian Fascism raising welts on the backs of the peasants in the Fontamara valley. It mimics no words; it attempts no subtleties. Mussolini is the villain and his totalitarian tactics the wise which robs, and crushes and almost destroys the unknowing valley folk.

Fontamara is an isolated place, and the peasants are illiterate, not stupid, but uncultured. They do not know what fascism is, and their world lies before their noses. First indications that they live in a Fascist Italy come when their land is taken away, and poorer hill-soil given them. Then some of the village boys are drafted for labor service, the electric power is shut off one night, and an old man is killed for protesting the injustice to an impromptu court of investigation. But the terrible and crushing blow occurs when the people learn that the government intends to divert the waters of the little Fontamara stream, property of the peasant for centuries, into a state collective. No water means no crops and ruin for them.

This realization begins to coalesce the individual resistance of the peasants, which included breaking electric bulbs, throwing bricks, and letting weeds grow on government land. A university student, travelling member of the Underground Union, makes them conscious of the Italy-wide anti-Fascist movement and the potency of collective action.

"Bitter Stream" is well staged, befitting the understanding dramatization of Victor Wolfson. It is different from other "social" plays and only the Theatre Union would have dared to bring its direct, vivid appeal to American audiences.

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but it is a mark of Wolfe's dynamic temperament that he was able to survive this process. For five years in a Brooklyn apartment he wrote prodigiously, driven on by an uncontrollable impulse, pouring out millions of words, trying to discover himself and his art in the process: "... sleep was dead forever, the merciful, dark and sweet oblivions of childhood sleep. The worm had entered at my heart, the worm lay coiled and feeding at my brain, my spirit and my memory—I knew that finally I had been caught in my own fire, consumed by my own hungers, impaled on the hook of that furious and insatiate desire that had absorbed my life for years. I knew, in short, that one bright cell in the brain or heart or memory would now blaze on forever—by night, by day, through every waking, sleeping moment of my life, the worm would feed and the light be lit—that no anodyne of food or drink, or friendship, travel, sport or women could ever quench it, and that nevermore until death put its total and conclusive darkness on my life, could I escape." E.G.

## Sport Sparks

### Will Someone Tell Beaver Sluggers How Good They Are?

By Phil Minoff

Pardon us for taking inventory at this early stage of the season, but something must be done in regard to our baseballers. Dried-in-the-wool Beaver fans have been lauding Irv Spanier's first outfit to the very rooftops of Lewisohn Stadium ever since the beginning of the season. Metropolitan sports scribes claim that for once the College has put a team on the field that is capable of a brand of baseball above the "Ebbets Field variety." Indeed, it seems that the only fault to be found with the boys is that they lose ball games.

Even in bowling to Long Island University in the inaugural fray, the St. Nicks' ball handling gave rise to hopes that this would not be another typical College year, with the opposition merely using the Beaver contest as a tool to boost its scoring total for the final records. Although they were blanked by the Blackbirds, the infield functioned nicely, the Gainen brothers flashed their old form with the stick, and Lou Hall, during his five-inning stay on the mound, held the highly vaunted LIU batsmen scoreless, proving that the old soupbone retained all the effectiveness that established Lou as the outstanding hurler of the Beaver mound staff in 1935.

Hall also has a penchant for hitting in the clutch and making grandstand catches, a fact which accounts for Spanier's posting him in right field, even when Lou is not assigned to mound duty. Johnny Morris, although kicked around in the LIU affair, set the Panzer unit down with one lonesome safety in the Beaver's second victory of the current campaign.

Danny Frank demonstrated little than nervousness in his debut in a varsity uniform looking at third strikes and juggling easy chances in the field. Lately, however, he seems to have accustomed himself to collegiate pitching, and picks out the good ones before swinging. At shortstop, his defensive work has been far superior to that of Sam Winograd, former Lavender captain. His throw to first, in which he bends his elbow only slightly is something to witness, and many a batter has found himself out at first, just by the fraction of a second Danny saves in pegging to Haneles.

Lou, although not creating any furor, hits hard and often. The brothers Gainen, God bless them, rap out base-hits galore. Rosenblum, homered against Manhattan Wednesday. Even the diminutive and erudite Herb Wittkin, has loomed up as an ever-to-be-fears slugger, to the surprise of all concerned, including Wittkin. Apparently, the only tangible weakness is in right field where neither Len Hubschman nor Eli Messing have shown very much thus far.

Why, then, has the squad compiled a record of three victories and four defeats? Why do the Spaniermen blow a 4-1 lead to a team they have been gunning for all season? With bases filled and none down in the ninth inning, why can't they dig up one solitary hit to drive home a brace of tallies?

It is our hunch that the boys don't know what a powerful unit they comprise. If their best friends won't tell them, it is the duty of the student body as a unit to perform the task. A whispering campaign, perhaps. The manner is not important. Before meeting St. John's on Saturday, they must be told.

### LAW AWARDS

Applications for two first year scholarships to Brooklyn Law School, annually awarded by the City College Club of Brooklyn Law School, are now available. All students of the College, qualified to enter law school in September 1936, are eligible.

# The Campus Sports

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## Nine To Meet St. Johns

### College Baseball Team to Try for .500 Mark Tomorrow; Strong Manhattan Attack Downs Spanier's Boys, 9-5

The College baseball team will have another stab at the elusive .500 mark tomorrow when it travels out to Dexter Park, Brooklyn tomorrow to face a mediocre St. John's outfit in its eighth game of the current campaign. On Wednesday, Spanier's boys succumbed to a high powered Manhattan attack, 9-6 for their fourth loss of the season.

After pacing the Jaspers run for run for five innings, the Lavenders gradually dropped behind until trailing 9-4 in the last session they staged a last-minute spurt only to fall short of their goal, when a combination of bad breaks and questionable umpiring proved their undoing.

#### Gloomy at Ninth

Five runs behind, the Beavers came up to bat in the ninth in a gloomy mood. However, Nat Gainen, first man up, doubled and Hall and Heneles received consecutive walks. Then Blumette, Kelly-Green hurler passed Rosenblum scoring Gainen and the complexion of the game was entirely changed. But the next play sealed the Beavers fate. With the count three and two on Wittkin, Hall made a break for home. Ryan, who had replaced Blumette on the mound buzzed in a high hard pitch. Thinking he had been walked Wittkin trotted toward first but the umpire yelled "Strike," the catcher tagged Hall and the Beaver uprising was smothered.

Mike Zlotkin, Spanier's utility man, who pitched scoreless ball for the first two innings, was replaced by Johnny Morris in the third.

## '39 Class Wins Annual Road Run

'39 scored a clean sweep of the first three places in the semi-annual Road Race, run by the Intramural Board yesterday.

William Crowley, leading out of a field of 21, was the first to break the tape, with sophomores Crowley and Cunningham following him in that order. The runners went around the College twice, for a total distance of a mile and a half.

In the gyms the Intramural pick-up basketball tournament finished the quarter-finals. It was featured by the elimination of all three house teams. Team "S" swept over Gibbs 14 to 1 in the Main Gym, while "O" conquered Briggs 16-8 in the same place. Over in the Tech gym the heavy favorites, "A", had an easy time with "DD", winning 30-9. In the fourth game "J" eliminated the last of the house teams, Shepard II, 25-12.

The Ping-pong tourney goes into the second-round while the handball singles go into the third round with defending champion Bernie Mazel '38 showing the way.

## Trackmen Chosen For Penn Relays

Evidence that the WPA workers are not the only ones who are ploughing up the dust on the Stadium track was furnished at the track trials conducted yesterday by Coaches Lionel MacKenzie and Tony Orlando. Six trackmen were selected to represent the College at the Penn Relays today and tomorrow at Franklin Field, Philadelphia.

The Beaver entrants will include Captain Victor Cohen, high jumper, Louis Black in the discus throw, and a mile relay team consisting of Joel Greenberg, Melvin Joffey, Simon Abrahams and Jack Singer.

Cohen, he of the slippery shoes and the strained groin muscle, is once again in shape, and confident of placing in the high jump. Last year, Vic tied for third place and gave the Lavender its only points of the meet.

## • Sport Slants

The question we want answered is why do umps insist on giving Beaver squads a raw deal . . . especially when they are hired by the College . . . so far it seems that "Baby Leroy" Ilowit and his bosom pal, Dave Ornstein, are the only athletes that have promised to strut their stuff at the spring balloon dance of the Sunnyside Youth League . . . incidentally, for those who haven't yet purchased ducats, your correspondent has what it takes to get in . . . while we're on the subject of

"Baby Leroy"—how come he was watching the diamond fracas last Wednesday instead of partaking in spring football practice . . . one of our guesses is that it was because of that bit of feminine pulchritude, who goes under the cognomen of Gloria, and recently of the Varsity Show . . . in one of the many election returns that are in circulation it was found that "Chief" Miller has voted to give back the game of Lacrosse to the Indians . . .

## Poor L.I.U. Team To Take on Netmen

It is a weak band of almost mediocre netmen, masquerading as opposition, that will confront the College tennis squad tomorrow on the courts of the Concourse Tennis Club when LIU comes to town. Boasting of not a single player of ability calculated to press his Beaver adversary, the LIU outfit is figured to provide very little competition.

## Lacrosse Squad To Face Hopkins

Johns Hopkins, reputedly one of the best medical schools in the country today, also boasts of a lacrosse squad that ranks with the cream of the crop in national circles. And when the boys from Baltimore show their stuff in Lewisohn Stadium tomorrow, it is hoped that the difference in final totals will be kept under the twenty point mark.

So far this season, the best "Chief" Miller's team has been able to do, has been to vanquish a mediocre Savage combination for the Beaver tens' lone victory in three starts. This win was followed in rapid sequence by defeats suffered at the hands of Rutgers to the tune of 14-1 and St. John's of Annapolis by 22-1.

## J.V. Batsmen to Meet Fordham Frosh Today

The College Junior Varsity baseball team will face the Fordham Freshmen this afternoon at Fordham Field. The Rams are one of the strongest foes the Beavers will encounter this season.

The Cubs will be out for their second victory of the season. "Arky" Soltes, who performed well in dropping a close 4-2 decision to Lincoln last Saturday, is the likely starting pitcher for the Beavers. "Ace" Goldstein will attempt to duplicate the home run he made last week.



## SENIORS—

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### Horne Dismisses Morris Schappes As 'Incompetent'

(Continued from Page 1, Column 6) tutor who served more than three years. The I.S.A. also empowered the Grievance Committee to investigate all aspects of the case.

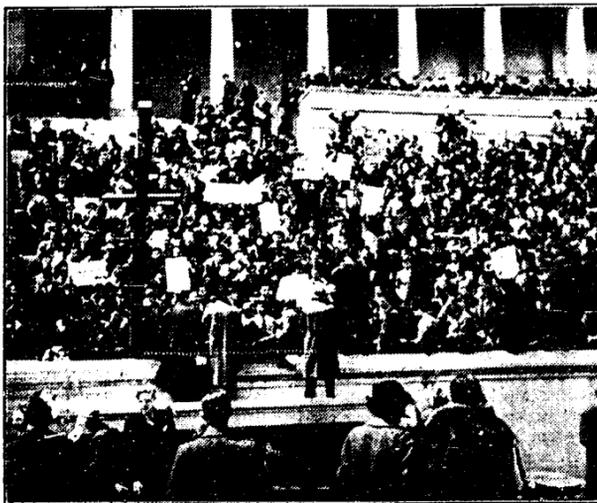
A meeting of all former students of Mr. Schappes has been called for today by The Campus and the executive committee of the ASU. It will be held in room 126 at 3 p.m.

Two students who have been doing honors work with Schappes rushed to his defense yesterday by sending letters of protest to Professor Horne. They are Martin Blum '36, a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Joseph H. Cole '37.

Professor Horne said yesterday that before his disease Professor Krowl had come to him as a senior professor, to consult him on Schappes' status. Krowl had said, Horne asserted, that he thought Schappes' teaching lacked merit. He further said that at a meeting with President Robinson last Monday, it was decided not to extend Schappes' appointment to the tutorial staff.

The result of the Senior Class ballot disclosed yesterday that Schappes was elected the most respected, most popular, and best orator of the teaching staff. The balloting has been going on for the last week. When asked by reporters yesterday Recorder John K. Ackley testified to the popularity of Schappes' classes by revealing that he has very frequently had difficulty in trying to register students within the limits prescribed as a maximum number for the section.

Among the other contemporary journals, *Hound and Horn*, *Symposium* and *The Modern Monthly* had frequently printed articles by Schappes.



Scene in Lewisohn Stadium yesterday as eight-hundred students gathered to hear Joseph Lash urge the building of a strong ASU.

### 'Build Up the ASU,' Lash Urges Students

(Continued from Page 1, Column 2) The Great Hall carrying strike banners and shouting slogans.

Judah Drob '36, was elected president of the College Chapter and an executive committee of thirteen was set up. The committee includes Judah Drob '36; Charles Saphirstein '36, president of the Senior Class; Larry Knobel '36, editor of *The Campus*; Simon Slavin '37; Herbert Robinson '37, vice-president of the Student Council; Leo Rubenstein '37; Abraham Endler '36; Gilbert Rothblatt '37, sports editor of the *Campus*; Kay Michelson '38, vice-president of the House Council; James McDonald '37; Winston Critchlow '39; and two other students.

### Anti-War Strike Jams Great Hall

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ent Council, followed Knobel, and pointed out that though he was "not a member of any radical minority at the College," he did not hesitate to endorse the Oxford Pledge. Lavitt further assured the audience that the Student Council would continue to press for a referendum "on the fitness of President Robinson to hold his high office."

Morris U. Schappes, speaking for the Anti-fascist Association, pledged the support of his organization in the fight against war and fascism.

He was followed by Judah Drob '36, chairman of the American Student Union chapter at the College. Drob stressed the leadership of the ASU in the national anti-war strike, and discussed the Union's position on the Oxford Pledge.

"It is the Negro who first becomes the tester of enemies' bullets; it is the Negro who is herded into Jim-Crow shock-battalions and labor troops," declared Louis Burnham '36.

### Strike Highlights

The graceful, swan-like gyrations of strike enthusiasts Wednesday held crowds of students spellbound. Gliding to and fro along Convent Avenue on their roller skates, they chanted their slogans to the fascinated students. The only mishap occurred to a YPSL, who, chanting "Down With the ROTC," stumbled and suited the action to the words.

As the parade after the Great Hall meeting wended its way past the Tech Building, in front of which was a small group of engineers, the marchers began to chant "Out of the Ivory Towers and into the Stadium." Two students turned around, looked at the Tech building and spat.

As the crowd on Convent Avenue dwindled when the students went into the Great Hall, the strike campaigners grew desperate at the stolidity of the remaining diehards. "Drop ROTC," they shouted. No result. "Join the Great Hall meeting and take the Oxford Pledge." The remains of the crowd formed a boxball game and began playing. "Save China, Ethiopia, Palestine, Russia, and Brooklyn," the campaigners shouted in desperation. Then they went into the Great Hall.

Leo Rubenstein '37, a YPSLer, spoke at the Anti-war meeting, technically on behalf of the YPSLers. In the course of his speech he brought up the question of left-wing support of the Franco-Soviet military pact. He handled the question from a standpoint with which many YPSLers did not agree. These gentlemen, many of whom were on the rostrum, expressed, none too quietly, their firm intention to mutilate Rubenstein in a more or less indescribable manner.

The girls from Wadleigh Annex constituted a distraction from the business of the meeting. Their corner of the Great Hall was quickly crowded with enterprising students, some looking, talking and taking phone numbers, and some just looking.

### Professor Horne Considers Minority Literature Course

Plans for a new course in the English department dealing with the "literature of national minority groups in America" were submitted Friday to Professor Charles Horne, chairman of the department. Professor Horne will refer the outline to the Faculty Curriculum Committee for more detailed consideration if it meets with his approval.

The plans for the proposed courses were drawn up by a student committee composed of Daniel Ignatov '36, chairman; Welford Wilson '36, Ezra Goodman '37, Julian Lavitt '36, and Sidney Feitel '37. The committee was appointed last month by Professor William Bradley Otis from his class in English 31.

The eight American minority literatures listed in the outline are Negro, Yiddish, Italian, Polish, Russian, German, and Scandinavian.

In its report, the committee states in part that: "We feel we have broken important ground, and that the eight American minority literatures mentioned will blossom into an important part of the American College curriculum in American literature. We feel that it is a field as fascinating as it is promising and that it is most fitting and suggestive that our College, the product of the most cosmopolitan city of the country, should first have stumbled on this field and be the first, we hope, to penetrate it."

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## SENIOR MIND

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Too Bourgeois	Best dresser	Oscar Buckvhar
Barry Shandler	Best dancer	Ingram Bander
Louis Burnham	Best orator	Morris U. Schappes
Sol Kopitko	Best athlete	Benny Friedman
Stanley Kitzes	Biggest bluff	President Robinson
Ralph Zalosh	Alcove hound	Chief Miller
Ben Lipshitz	Greatest lover	Professor Otis
Sam Moskowitz	Thinks he is	B. M. Hoch
George Kalmanoff	Most modest	Dean Gottschall
Seymour Moses	Cutest	Jerome B. Cohen
Sam Moskowitz	Biggest politician	President Robinson
Herbert Rodaman	Most sophisticated	Professor Overstreet
Edward Kinney	Did most for self	President Robinson

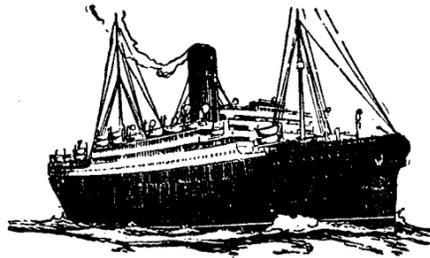
1. As you are about to be graduated, do you feel confident of your future? No
2. Has college given you the cultural base you feel necessary for yourself? Yes
3. Has college given you the necessary tools with which to earn a livelihood? No
4. Have your undergraduate studies prepared you to face the current economic, social, and political problems? No
5. Has college in any way altered your social outlook? Yes
6. Had you your undergraduate career to begin again, with the experience you now have, would you follow the same course you have already taken? No
7. Is your formal education at a close? No
8. Do you believe that the students expelled since 1933 should be reinstated? Yes
9. Do you believe that the faculty has found the most adequate solution to settling the disturbances of the past few years? No
10. Do you believe that undergraduates should have a determining voice in their own administration? Yes
11. Do you believe that the time will come when it will no longer be advisable to permit students to publish and edit their own publications? No
12. Do you think that military science has a place in the curriculum of the college? No
13. Do you support the American Student Union? Yes
14. Do you think there is a possibility of Fascism in the United States? Yes
15. Do you think a Farmer-Labor Party would prove to be a bulwark against Fascism? Yes
16. Do you feel that instructors should present their subject from a purely objective, or "ivory tower" point of view? No
17. Do you think that college instructors should align themselves with organized labor by joining the Teachers Union? Yes
18. Could you choose again, would you want to re-begin your college career at City College? No
19. Would you send your son to City College? No

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