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The Case Against Robinson

Fascists Like Him But Phi Beta Kappa Terms Him "Unfit"

By Bernard S. Rothenberg
(This is the eighth in a series of articles)

One good test of a man is the company he keeps. A man who receives the wholehearted approbation and admiration of avowed fascists can hardly be called a "liberal progressive."

President Robinson often delivers addresses upholding democracy and freedom. He often characterizes himself as "liberal." Hear what the fascists have to say:

"STAND PAT, DR. ROBINSON!"

This is the title of an editorial in *The Awakener* of November 1, 1934, an American semi-fascist newspaper edited by Harold Lord Varney, self-confessed inventor of international fascism and Lawrence Dennis, author of *The Coming American Fascism* and an enthusiastic fascist. *The Awakener* says: "His granite Americanism has earned the zealous support of every patriotic citizen in New York." This fact has never been publicized. It is potent testimony that Robinson's is the kind of philosophy which harmonizes with fascism.

The Time Might Come

The President's "liberal" attitude extends toward student publications as well as everything else. Yet during his administration there are countless instances of suspension of publications or editors for one reason or another. Student publications, as representatives of student opinion, consistently have been in opposition to his regime. This hostility is attributed by the President to that old standby—"reds"—who would oppose any President as a symbol of authority as part of their program to overthrow the government (Alumni Report).

The queer view of Dr. Robinson as to the scope and purpose of a student publication may be enlightening. The Alumni Committee reported that Dr. Robinson "regards a student publication as something akin to the house organ of a manufacturing company or the magazine of a religious society, and that its editors are therefore more restricted in expressing their views than if they addressed themselves to the general public."

The President has always maintained that he opposes censorship, that he has never visited any punishment against student publications. Yet the proof already given tends to question this assertion.

Did not Dr. Robinson himself declare at a meeting of the Faculty on October 25, 1934, which was considering disciplinary action against the editor of *The Student*, "The time might come when it would be clear that a college cannot permit its students to publish papers?"

Anti-"Campus" Propaganda

This last statement, when quoted by a *Campus* editor a year later in connection with a charge that the censorship of this paper was impending, aroused the protest of the President that it had been "cut in half," that it had been taken out of context and misrepresented, that this was "dishonest." Thereupon *The Campus* reprinted the full remarks of Dr. Robinson which had appeared in the *Faculty Bulletin* of October 31, 1934. The sentence had not been cut at all. The sense of the sentence had not been altered by the omission of context.

The President's antipathy toward *The Campus* was not always openly expressed. On one occasion, during conferences with various departments in the Spring of 1935, he suggested subtle methods of conducting propaganda against *The Campus*. Dr. Robinson explained the procedure: He advised the instructor to come into class with his *Campus*, and as the bell rang to spread it out before him. After a while he would fold it delicately and placing it gingerly at the farthest corner of the desk, would sniff, "I see these *Campus* boys still need a course in logic."

Prof. J. Salwyn Schapiro of the History Department at this juncture is reported to have said, "But suppose
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"These murderers and destroyers of the law, these criminals within the law, are democrats."
—Fuehrer, Hitler.

Beaver Nine Opens Season At Princeton

Loss of Sand, Mauro Weakens Team Considerably

By Irving Gellis
When the weather man released his April showers ahead of time last Wednesday and sent the Beaver nine back indoors after a paltry three-day workout in the Stadium, Coach Sam Winograd, who has gotten used to every sort of bad break by now, sighed philosophically and remarked that things couldn't possibly get any worse. But he became a sadly disappointed baseball coach yesterday, when, with the speed of a Gomez pitch, things happened. Gabe Mauro, his one veteran moundman besides Arky Soltes, was declared ineligible, and Bobby Sand, his one left-handed twirler, dropped off the squad for a part-time job, leaving the Beavers slightly chipped along the edges. Winograd now has only two full-time pitchers, Soltes, and Bernie Beder. Pat Brescia, javyee first baseman last season, will double at third base and mound duty.

On top of all this comes the disturbing news that the Princeton Tigers, who will entertain the Beavers Monday, April 4, at Tigertown, ripped Dickinson College into a gory mess Wednesday with a 14-1 triumph. In an effort to get his men playing as a unit, under real game conditions, before feeding them to the Jerseyites, Winograd has arranged a practice game with Columbia to be played at Baker Field tomorrow morning. Brescia will start, and Soltes will relieve him after five innings.

Mike Weisbrod, Benny Friedman's peppy quarterback, has impressed Winograd tremendously with his all-round high grade performance. At present Weisbrod is nursing a charley horse, but will be ready for the Princeton game. Winograd plans to use him as a general utility man, thereby taking advantage of his versatility.

Hi Friedman, one of Winograd's bet.
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'40 Class Council

Candidates for upper Student Council representative of the '40 Class were asked by the secretary, to apply at the next meeting of the class council, Monday at 5 p. m. by Herbert Siegal, secretary, in 102, Harris. The vacancy was created by the removal last week of Harold Faber '40 because of "inability to attend class council meetings." Last Monday, the class refused to reconsider his removal by a vote of 4 to 2.

Swains Shag It in Swing Sessions

Dram Soc Jamboree Jams the Alcoves Four Deep

What the Dram Soc never counted on when it announced a "big apple" in the alcoves yesterday, was Spring, which turns mice into men, ping pongers into swingcats, and the lunchroom into a dancehall.

It was a senior with spectacles and an Adam's apple who started it yesterday at noon. "Boys," he declared, as paper cups and plates were tossed down into the megaphone he was using, "boys, it's about women. Can we have quiet?" And with that began the College's biggest jam session in years—a jam session that lined the mezzanine four deep, and filled the alcoves with eager males, cheers, syncopation and heat waves.

The chorus of *In the Groove*, the

Peace Poll Completed

Early Count Favors Collective Action

Early returns from the survey of student opinion of peace policies conducted by *The Campus* indicate that the interests of the students are concerned most with the "Application of a popular consumer's boycott against Japan," which received 156 votes. The poll is sponsored by the *Brown Daily Herald* and the Metropolitan College Newspaper Association of New York. The question of whether the student would fight if continental United States was invaded, received 157 votes.

Of over 500 ballots counted, there were 124 in favor of collective action with Great Britain, France and Russia to stop Japanese aggression in China, while there were ninety which were for positive collective action with Great Britain, France, and Russia to maintain peace by any means, military sanctions included if necessary. Thirty-eight favored complete isolation.

Many of the questions were not marked, indicating that a number of students have not formulated opinions on the issues.

On the question of the ROTC there were 128 who favored making it optional in all non-military schools and colleges. The number of those who favored abolishing it entirely from the schools and colleges was slightly below this figure while only twenty wished to make it compulsory in State and land-grant colleges.

Remarks such as "This ballot has obviously been prepared with a view toward the least possible objection to collective security." "I desire only peace! Anything that brings it about is O.K. with me!" were written on some of the ballots.

Refugee Describes Life in Nazi Camp

The "barbarous" treatment accorded political prisoners in Nazi concentration camps was described by Dr. Herman Borchardt, a former teacher in a German junior college, speaking before the History Society yesterday on "I Was Hitler's Prisoner."

Visibly affected by what he was telling, Dr. Borchardt related the cruelties inflicted upon him and his fellow inmates for such "infractions as not showing sufficient enthusiasm while singing Nazi songs, or collapsing while performing strenuous labor." One of the first things a new prisoner learns, Dr. Borchardt said, is not to rise once he has fallen, for fear of being accused of laziness, and therefore mutiny.

Dr. Yergan, M. Schappes Hit Fascism

Say Problems of Jews and Negroes Are Both Alike

"The struggle of the Negro people is the struggle of the American people," Dr. Max Yergan, instructor in Negro History at the College, said yesterday at a meeting of the Minority Rights Committee of the College. Mr. Morris U. Schappes of the English Department spoke on "The Jew and World Peace" at the same meeting.

Dr. Yergan who spoke on "The Attitude of the Negro toward Fascism" said further that "the cause of the Negro people is the cause of democracy," and that "the Negroes in the United States have already experienced fascist methods and fascist tendencies." As examples of this he cited the poor economic status, social segregation, and denial of citizenship rights to Negroes in parts of the United States.

Elimination of the fee for Dr. Max Yergan's course on Negro History, and its transference as an elective from the School of Education to the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences, was recommended to the Faculty Curriculum Committee yesterday by Professor Nelson P. Mead, chairman of the History department.

Mr. Schappes stated that migration cannot be considered as even the beginning of the solution to the problems confronting Jews throughout the world at the present time. He said further that because the Jews are an international community their problems cannot be solved by a policy of isolation. They must, in order to show their kinship, support a policy of concerted peaceful action for the preservation of democracy and the defeat of fascism, he asserted.

'39 Hicks to Hop April 9

Farmer Williamson's Red Barn Will Be Scene of Strictly Farmer's Dance

By Gilbert Levy
Get that straw out of your hair! Get on your glad rags! Get your best girl and come along to Father Williamson's Old Red Barn (the gym, to you city slickers) because the '39 class is holding a Hick Hop there on April 9.

Robinson Orders Check On 'Stoppage' Absence

Seniors Must Attend Meeting on Tuesday

All seniors must attend a meeting in Townsend Harris Hall Auditorium on Tuesday at either noon or 1 p. m., Albert Wattenberg '38, president of the class, announced yesterday. Professor Frederic Woll will speak on arrangements for graduation at that time.

Any student who is not able to be present at either time should see Dean Morton D. Gottschall to get an excuse, according to Professor Woll.

Cercle Jusserand Hears Shapiro

"France is the great liberal, democratic country of Europe; as long as France stands upright there is still hope for a free Europe," declared Prof. J. Salwyn Schapiro of the History department in an analysis of "Why France Will Not Go Fascist" before the Cercle Jusserand yesterday afternoon in 211, Main.

Because France knows what dictatorships are because she knows that fascism "begins in slavery and ends in war" (quoting Herriot, former prime minister of France), she will not go fascist, Prof. Schapiro maintained.

France is a satisfied "have" nation; she has a large influential middle class which is "politically experienced"; she has an officer class grounded in the lower middle and working classes, which "cannot be expected to turn fascist," stated Dr. Schapiro. Thus conditions which made for fascism in Germany and Italy, he said, are not operative in France.

Requires Number Of Absentees From Classes

President Frederick B. Robinson has ordered a checkup on attendance of classes during the 11 o'clock hour last Thursday when the "Emergency Stoppage" was being held. The President, in a statement to *The Campus* Wednesday afternoon, confirmed rumors that such action was being taken.

The checkup is in regard to the members of the staff who were absent from their classes and to the proportion of students who did not attend, according to President Robinson. All members of the staff who had classes at that time are to submit to the President's office, through the heads of departments, the number of students in the class and the number that attended. They are also to state whether they were present themselves, the President said. If they were absent, reason for such absence must be given to the office. The President said that whenever members of the staff do not attend their classes they must submit a reason for their absence.

The reason the checkup is being made, he said is to find out how the "Stoppage" affected attendance of classes, since it was an irregular event in the calendar of the College.

Since all the lists are not yet in the office, he does not know what action, if any, will be taken, the President stated. He further declared that he did not see that any action was necessary.

Those members of the staff who were questioned by *The Campus* said that they had been asked to submit only the number of students who did not attend.

However, several members of the staff did check up on the names of students who were absent, *The Campus* learned through reliable sources.

President Robinson asked *The Campus* reporter whether it was not the right of a president of a college to check up on the attendance of classes at a certain hour of a certain day.

In the beginning of the week, *The Campus* was unable to see President Robinson in order to confirm the check-up rumors.

Robinson Speaks To Citizens' Forum

"Most of us give too little thought to, and do not learn by the mistakes of the past," asserted President Frederick B. Robinson at a meeting of the Fifth Estate Club broadcast of the Citizens' Forum over radio station WMCA Wednesday. The topic of the discussion was "Do We Worry Too Much?"

The President added that worry is futile and that the past is done and cannot be changed. He said that worry only made preparation for the future more difficult.

During the question period the President admitted that he thought economic insecurity was a cause of worry. He also stated that physical breakdowns due to worry were small in number among college students.

At the start of the meeting the entire audience was told to laugh at their worries at the sound of the chimes and thus put themselves in a proper frame of mind for the discussion.

Stolen Articles

All students whose lockers were broken into during the last three months have been requested by Mr. Joseph H. Lombardi, of the Curator's staff, to come to his office, 20A, Main, to make arrangements for the return of their property.

In The Groove' Gals Do Big Apple For Spring Show

Spring Jubilee varsity show, demonstrated the latest "big apple" shindigs, while a five piece band on the mezzanine sent the mercury up into the hundreds.

The feature of the session was a bevy of four girls from the chorus of the Varsity Show. They answer to the names of Rita Novick, Harriet Bueler, Rose Levy and Eleanor Curran. The first three are Hunter '41, while Eleanor goes to City Evening.

A band of five students were "swinging it" on the mezzanine. Murray Rothstein '39 and Jesse Gellerstein '39 alternated on a piano taken from the YMCA alcove. Harry Weiss '38 officiated at the guitar, Marvin Feman '40 presided over the trumpet and Julian Schwartz dealt firmly with the clarinet.

Clubs' Rolls Deadline Track Practice

All clubs which have not filed complete membership lists with Dean John K. Turner will not be assigned meeting rooms, Professor Joseph A. Babor, faculty adviser to the Student Council, stated yesterday.

The deadline for handing in the lists had been extended one week from the original date which was Thursday, March 24. However, the deadline was not extended again, Professor Babor said.

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Sport Sparks

Big Doings In Beaver Sports; Please Believe Me

By Philip Minoff

The athletic department of Dartmouth sends a telegram confirming reports that its future winter carnivals will be held in the excavation of the new library. At first the moguls at Hanover were undecided, since all contracts for the ski festivals must be made for ten years, but they have had scouts observing construction work going on there and are convinced that the contract may be made with the utmost security. Tentative plans have the ski jump extending down from the 1-10 St. side with a suicidal toboggan slide running around the main girders. Just where the College fits in isn't certain but anyone who has ever tried to sell a second-hand book down the alcove knows that students here are mighty tough toboggan with. Moreover, a survey of the index in Lincoln corridor reveals a goodly crop of Levinsky's, Kaminsky's and Lipitipitinsky's. So when winter comes, can the College be very far behind?

LaGuardia Visits Track

Coaches Lionel Mackenzie and Tony Orlando of the track team have been complaining so long and bitterly about the condition of the track, that late yesterday afternoon Mayor LaGuardia came down personally (how else can anyone come down?) to see for himself what is preventing Beaver runners from smashing records. His honor removed his cowboy hat and coat, jumped onto the cinder path and proceeded to pick em up and lay 'em down to disprove rumors that the old gray mayor ain't what he used to be. He ran the mile and was timed in three minutes, fourteen and eight-tenths seconds by the orphan asylum clock across the street. He was puffing slightly as he came in to find out his time. Someone told him, "Sure," he said, "what can you expect? Why, this track is slower than the beach at Coney Island or a meeting of the City Council. I'll have a decent track sent up here in the morning. Three, fourteen and eight-tenths! Hugh!" All of which accounts for the brand new track that was delivered this morning by truck. After the outdoor season, it will be broken up and distributed around the College to cure students of one-track minds.

Dodgers Take Over Beavers

Sam Winograd was left holding the bag (and I don't mean second base), when about a dozen veterans left the team before the start of this season. But something astounding happened last night. News leaked out of Ebbets Field that the Dodgers were planning to adopt this year's Beavers as one of their farm teams. This was too much for the pride of the former Lavenders, and some amazing developments took place. Dave Novacks father said, "Dave, you're an asset in my business, but you're school needs you more, right now. So go—and good luck!" Fire Commissioner McElligott spoke to Danny Frank. "Son, we can't let this happen. Go back and put some fire into that old team of yours." And Lenny Hubschman's law prof. charged his student, "In this case," he said, "you should be guided by the unwritten law that demands your going to the aid of your teammates." So they're all back, which shows what one word from Ebbets Field can do. Just after this paper came off the press Prof. Williamson announced that the College basketball team will travel across the country to meet Stanford next Fall. Accommodations will be made for 200 students to go along with the boys, as there will be no classes for the entire two-week period. "Soup" Soupios, however, will not make the trip because Coach Nat Holman is afraid that Hollywood talent scouts will grab him off and persuade him to stay permanently with a succulent contract.

Armistice Day

And lest an explanation be need for all the foregoing nonsense, let me remind you that today—today is Armistice Day!

Sport Slants

Thank Prof. Maxwell Henry of the Tech School and the Film and Sprockets Society for cooperating with Coach Sam Winograd in supplying the necessary sound and projection equipment for yesterday's presentation of "Batter Up." . . . Morty Hellman, captain of the tennis team protests the statement in a recent Sports Sparks that described Ralph Hirschtritt, wrestling team captain, as the athlete with the highest scholastic average. . . . Speaking of efficiency at the College, there's the Medical office. . . . Said the student: "I've bent my ankle during a workout. Can you tell me what to do about it, doctor?" . . . Said the doctor: "Bent your ankle? Well unbend it!" . . .

Charley Malone who played on the College baseball team during Doc Parker's regime five years ago has been appointed junior varsity diamond coach. . . . A hamburger ambushed Dave Paris, slipped him a bit of ptomaine,

Jon Mong.

Intramurals Show Action On All Fronts

Klaff Leads Winners To Victory Over Newman Club

With violent activity in four different sectors all was far from quiet on the Intramural front yesterday. Most of the action naturally centered in the Hygiene and Tech Gyms where the basketball brigade did its stuff, but things also moved along in the Handball Regiment, men were mowed down in the Boxing Battalion, and shrieks were heard from the Ping Pong division.

There were fifteen games slated in the hoopsters tourney but a series of battles was fought, instead. The fracas however in which the Winners conquered the Newman Club, 15-13, ranked as the battle royal. The Winners led at the half 9-7, but the Newman Club tied up the ball game and necessitated two overtime periods before succumbing to a surprise offensive by Bernard Klaff and company. Elio Liscio was outstanding for the losers.

Greeks Supreme

The Greeks showed themselves worthy of their Spartan ancestry and Olympic tradition in a series of contests which saw Delta Alpha topple Sigma Alpha Mu, 15-8; Delta Kappa Epsilon spear Phi Delta Pi, 10-8; and Tau Delta Phi sort of rout Sigma Omega Psi, 29-0.

House fighting was again prevalent as Bowker '39 shaded Harris '41, 22-20; Shep '39 Reds handed Bowker '41 a 24-10 whipping, Abbe '39 walloped Weir '40 18-15, and Bowker '42, defaulted to the Lavenders.

Considerable interest in the free lance division was focused on the embroglios in which the Dervishes danced around the ASCE, 19-13; Team O looped the Ringers, 17-3; and the Joracks eliminated the Kroywens, 15-8. In other contests the Frankinites stung the Bees, 12-6; the Mustangs outscored the Styes, 18-4; the All Stars buried the Muldorfs, 34-3; and the Century Club modernized the Jay Hawks, 15-11.

While the handball tournament lumbered its way through the first round, the table tennis fiends this week drove the celluloid spheroid in a series of third and fourth round matches which brought the tournament closer to the grand finale.

In the fourth round matches, Whitey Sheroga polished off fighting Al Revenzen 21-16, 21-18; and "Duke" Hoffman outlasted Ben Rosenberg 21-15, 17-21, 21-15.

Coach Miller's Boys Sport New Panties

When the Johns Hopkins stickmen visit the local lacrosse men this Saturday at 2:30 p. m. in the Stadium, "Chief" Miller's blushing braves will present an amazing tableau.

The boys are going crazy over their new varsity finery, Schiaparelli's latest, they say. It is especially designed to soften the contours of the waist and with depilatory applications, their white trunks, will bring into prominence the creamy beauty of sylph-like legs.

It is whispered around the team's boudoirs in the stadium that these new flimsies will pull the silk over Hopkins' eyes.

Beavers to Open With Princeton

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Lefty Salomon for the right-field position. Although Friedman is one of the smallest on the squad, his experience and clever fielding have given him the nod over his rival, "Sambo" Meister, jayvee catcher and captain last year, is at present firmly entrenched in center-field, and Julie Janowitz, who saw a great deal of varsity service last season, is the left-field occupant.

The starting infield, composed of the veteran short-stop, Milt Weinstraub, Big Al Soupios at first base, "Steve" Aurbach at second, Pat Brescia at third, and Jim Clancy behind the plate, all stand well up front in the batting order. Usually it is the outfielders who have the plate power, but in the Beaver line-up, it is the infield that has the banging bats.

Tennis Team Meets Lions

Spring may be the season when your fancy is supposed to turn, but to the College tennis team it's just a pain in the neck. The present rains have raised havoc with practice schedules and with its first meet with Columbia next week, the netmen have held only two regular practice sessions.

Eliminations will be held all week at the Concourse Tennis courts to determine the team that will meet the Lions. Because the tryouts were delayed by rain, Coach Dan Bronstein has selected only one man so far for the first five, Captain Mortie Hellman will definitely face Columbia when the Beavers clash with the Lions, at Columbia's courts.

The Light Blue has a powerful team this year, headed by a sure point winner, Chauncey Steele. However, the situation isn't as black as it appears on the surface.

JV Baseball Team Faces Monroe High

The College junior varsity baseball team, which has been practicing intensively in Jasper Oval during the past month under the guidance of its new coach, Charlie Maloney, will play host to the perennially strong Monroe High School nine in Lewisham Stadium tomorrow at 10 a. m.

The schedule this season lists four more games than last year. The newcomers are Commerce, Townsend Harris, and Newton High Schools and the St. John's College frosh.

Track Team

Neither rain, wind nor any sort of inclement weather can prevent the enthusiastic tracksters from making their daily rounds of the Lewisohn Stadium track. According to Coach Orlando practically the whole squad is out there every day between 12 and 2. New candidates are still being accepted.

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TU to Fight Grievances of 2 Professors

The Grievance Committee of the New York College Teachers Union has accepted the cases of Professors Aaron Sakolski of the Economics Department and Mark Waldman of the German department at the College, the *College Newsletter*, union newspaper, revealed last week. Both have been denied recommendations for promotion to the rank of associate professor by the heads of their departments, Professors George Edwards and Edwin Roedder. They now hold the rank of assistant professor.

Democratization Favored

The *Campus* also learned that Dr. Henry J. Carman of Columbia University, new member of the Board of Higher Education, recently expressed approval of the plan for democratizing the departments of the City Colleges which the union has submitted to the Board, in a letter to Howard Selsam, vice-president of the College Teachers Union.

"I am in entire sympathy with this proposal and will do all I can do to help bring about its realization," Dr. Carman stated. He also invited union officials to discuss with him the problems raised by the proposal.

In Brief

The *Tech School* will soon blossom out with the first full-fledged varsity show it has ever produced. A satire illustrating how a person becomes an engineer, the revue has been entitled "An Engineer's Life, or Bury The Head." Any material concerning Tech life is desired and should be sent via the TC box. The show will be presented at the Pauline Edwards Theater in May, it is hoped.

The Armory is the site of tonight's *Cadet Club* dance. Refreshments will be served. The Cadet Club sold all its theater tickets for "Haiti" (now at the Lafayette) to its members, who will see the play April 26.

Oops: In the last issue of *The Campus* we printed the name of Mr. Sidney Eisenberger, chemistry instructor, without the final ER of his last name, for which mistake we now make amends.

"Infantile Paralysis" was the title of a speech delivered by Dr. Albert Sabin, of Rockefeller Institute, before the Caduceus Society yesterday in the Plant Room. . . . The Biology Society conducted a seminar on "Recent Advances in Physiology" yesterday with Dr. Raymond W. Root, of the Physiology Department, in charge. He was assisted by Robert Kahn '38, Henry Nathanson '38, Abraham Segal '38 and Warren Miller '38. . . . The Economics Society yesterday featured Alfred Udoff, Textile Workers' counsel, on "The NLRB and the Labor Movement" . . . A course on "The History of the American Labor Movement" was conducted by the Marxist Cultural Society yesterday in 219, Main.

A seminar on "Food Poisoning" was carried on by the Bacteriology Society yesterday.

M. Maxwell

Letters to the Editor

College Labor Party

To the Editor:

As a member of the College Labor Party—in fact as its founder—I wish to take exception to the activities of Bernard Walpin '39, the delegate of the College Labor Party to the Student Council. By opposing the use of Union funds at College functions Mr. Walpin is perverting the principles of the American Labor Party into reactionary open-shop principles. The issues are clear. Mr. Walpin states that he is in favor of the pro-labor plank in the school program of the College Labor Party. But when it comes down to actual cases, when it means an added expense of about \$15 to organizations running a dance in the gym, Mr. Walpin's labor principles are gone with the wind.

Instead of being rational and trying, for instance, to lower the price of the gym, Mr. Walpin purposely tries to confuse the issues. He raises loud cries over the plight of student musicians at the College, but neglects the fact that it is possible to get union bands composed of college students. He drags himself down to the level of Tom Girdler, or at least Westbrook Pegler by crying that the union is a racketeer union.

When the College Labor Party decided last term to run candidates in the school elections, I accused Mr. Walpin and some associates of his of doing this merely to enhance their prestige as school politicians and not because they were interested in carrying out American Labor Party principles. This is the proof of these charges. The College Labor Party has a house-cleaning to carry out.

I write this letter as an individual, not as representative of any organization.

Abraham Dubin '38,
Labor and Political Action Director,
American Student Union; Publicity Director,
College Labor Party.

Decries SC Tactics

To the Editor:

The conduct of the American Student Union and the SC Peace Committee at the Stadium last Thursday was the most disgusting exhibition in the history of City College. The ASU took it upon itself, through its control of the SC Peace Committee, to bar every opposition to Collective Security. Signs bearing the slogans "Ab-

olish the ROTC" and "Support the Oxford Pledge" were torn up at the order of the SC Peace Committee. The American Student Union took upon itself action which City College students have never allowed the Police to take—the tearing up of signs of a legal City College Club expressing a point of view not in complete agreement with the executive committee of the ASU.

It is significant that the organization which is so proud of its defense of democracy in Spain and the rest of the world finds it necessary to suppress democracy at City College.

If the events of Thursday prove anything, they prove that if the fight against war and fascism is to be entrusted to any organization it cannot be the ASU. Defenders of Democracy must at least believe in Democracy. Enemies of war must at least allow the expression of anti-war sentiment when they hold a pro-war meeting.

We call upon all City College students who still believe in democracy; who still believe that the way to fight war is to fight it uncompromisingly; who refuse to accept either the panacea of isolation or the equally illusory cure-all of collective security to join with us.

Anti-War Club.

Catholic Protests

To the Editor:

It behooves me to call last week's mass demonstration at the Lewisohn Stadium (among other epithets) anti-Catholic. Surely the protest against the bombing of Barcelona was not predicated on humanitarian grounds; for otherwise some time ago (or even at the demonstration) there would have been a protest against the godless slaughter of approximately 15,000 nuns and priests in Loyalist territory. Surely only anti-Catholics could have the impudence to protest against the one atrocity and maintain silence about the other.

It is quite superfluous for me to say that various activities at the College uphold my statement. Among other things, students shed tears about the poor Catholics in Germany and in the Basque Provinces and maintain silence (perhaps a sense of gratification) about their suffering in Mexico and Soviet Russia. Their grief is false, and the Catholics know it.

May I suggest that you take a lead

in removing the stains of injustice at the college; but, of course, before that, you would have to expurgate your own paper.

Robert Lyon '39.

Erratum

To the Editor:

May I thank you, first, for the invaluable aid *The Campus* has given to the cause of peace in publicizing last Thursday's stoppage, both before and after the event?

Second, may I ask that you correct an erroneous impression your news story of this Tuesday may have given? You prefaced my remarks in support of a collective security program with the phrase "speaking for the Teachers Union." While I have no doubt that what I said represents the position of many union members, the union has not yet established an official policy on the question. I believe I made it clear, in my speech that I spoke for the union only in bringing its greetings to the meeting.

Seymour A. Copstein
English Department

Cadets Hold Smoker

The Cadet Club will hold an "April Foo" smoker tonight in the ROTC Armory. Irving Levine '39, publicity manager, announced Wednesday.

The boys will celebrate All Fool's Day with abundant refreshments and tobacco.

'Mercury' Sponsors Hunt for Talent

Ned L. Pines, editor of *College Humor*, will act as judge in the *Mercury* New Talent Contest, according to Jerry Albert '38, editor of *Mercury*. The contest which offers two four-dollar prizes for the best article and the best cartoon submitted, before April 15, is aimed at replenishing the *Mercury* staff for next term.

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College Debaters Meet Four Foes

The College varsity debating team engaged in four contests this past week. On Monday it took on Erskine College arguing the negative of "Resolved: That the U. S. adopt a policy of strict mandatory neutrality." The following day the College rhetoricians debated Rutgers over station WNEW on the President's reorganization bill. Yesterday the team engaged Columbia and NYU in contests over reorganization and neutrality, respectively.

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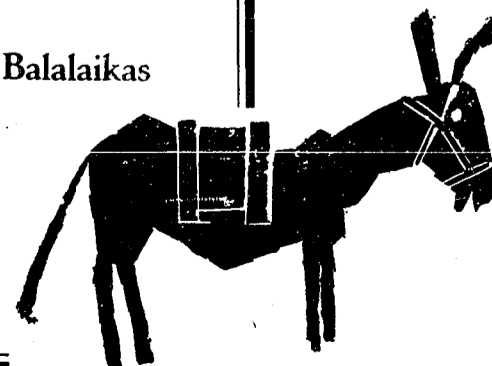
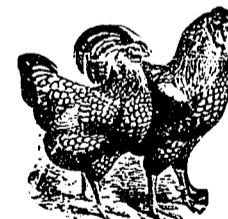
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