

"Our policy remains one of non-aggression."—Vice Admiral Kiyoshi Noda (chief of Japanese Navy Press Section).

The Case Against Robinson

Two Defeats: Schappes Stays, Doc Payne Ousted

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

The April 22 Strike in 1936 drew 3,500 students who cheered Morris U. Schappes, brilliant English instructor who spoke for the staff Anti-Fascist Association. The very next day Mr. Schappes was notified that his "efficiency has not been sufficiently notable to justify" his reappointment.

Everyone knew Mr. Schappes' competency was not the issue. He had taught for eight years, had taught elective and honors courses, had received high praise from the previous head of department, had been a prominent contributor to literary magazines, had graduated with the highest English honors. Mr. Schappes had been active in student peace movements, in the Teachers Union, in the Anti-Fascist Association. "I have adequate reasons to believe that these activities have aroused the displeasure of the President," he stated.

Prof. Horne had taken the action of firing Mr. Schappes after having visited his classes only twice for five minutes each time. This, coupled with the knowledge that Dr. Robinson had consulted with Prof. Horne before his action, gave rise to the feeling that it was not Prof. Horne alone who effected the dismissal.

An interesting instance of the President's attitude toward Mr. Schappes is seen in the report of an interview which a committee of the Anti-Fascist Association secured with Dr. Robinson to inquire about its being refused the use of the Great Hall for a public meeting on war.

Nonplussed President

Mr. Schappes said, 'Mr. President, I find myself somewhat nonplussed by the fact that you say you have no jurisdiction in this matter because... The President broke in, 'You can be as nonplussed as you please. If you are going to use these tactics you can be as nonplussed as you damn please. I have given you a courteous answer but the minute you say you are nonplussed, I've nothing more to say. The minute you leave this office I shall take a memo of this, 'at this point you said you were nonplussed, and I said you could be as nonplussed as you damn please'. There was complete silence at this point.'

A huge protest was organized. Clubs, classes, teacher organizations united against the dismissal. A sit-down strike in the Hall of Patriots, a mock trial, mass meetings, petitions, delegations to the Board were organized. The entire city was aroused.

On the same day that Mr. Schappes was notified, the Senior Poll voted him the most popular, most respected and best orator on the faculty, while President Robinson was considered the one who did the most harm to the College, the biggest politician, the biggest bluff and the one who did most for himself. These facts were omitted from the later editions of the N. Y. Times after it had carried the full story. The President's practice of telephoning newspapers may be enlightening in this connection.

The President's attitude toward the protests was clear: "It is none of your business," he answered to the president of the Senior Class, who had requested comment. "It is presumptuous of you to stick your nose into business that does not concern you."

We need not dwell too long on the results. The protests were effective. Mr. Schappes is still actively teaching at the College.

Suppression Goes On

The President's loss of some of his power did not prevent suppression from having its way in vital spots. For instance, in October, the ASU was forbidden to hear Bob Burke, expelled Columbia president of the Junior Class and anti-Nazi, because "the troubles of other colleges must not be made the troubles of City College." It was Dean Turner this time, who officially imposed the ban. Two weeks later, the Student Council was not even allowed to hold a demonstration for Burke, on the grounds of "good taste" and "insti- (Continued on page 2, col. 3)

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Health Board Gives Report On Condition Of Lavatories

The Department of Health submitted its report of the College lavatory conditions to the Board of Higher Education early this week. The investigation of the lavatories was conducted by a Health Department inspector two weeks ago, at the request of the American Student Union and *The Campus*.

Although the contents of its final report were not revealed to *The Campus*, the department inspector, Ellsworth Roberts, noted in his survey that nine of the sixteen sinks of the lavatory in the Main basement are completely defective. Eighteen of the twenty-six urinals in this lavatory were found to be not functioning.

Repairs Not Compulsory

In his inspection of the third floor lavatory, Mr. Roberts discovered that one of the seven urinals was out of order.

In the Townsend Harris lavatory, Mr. Roberts noted one broken toilet seat.

According to authorities of the Health Department no action concerning lavatories can be made compulsive. Only recommendations may be made. Mr. Tuttle, acting chairman of the Board of Higher Education, could not be reached for comment yesterday. His secretary, however, stated that Mr. Tuttle had not as yet received the report.

Work on the repairing of the lavatories has been going on for the past month.

Vote On Union Bands To Start Wednesday

A referendum on the use of union bands at College functions will be held next week, according to Lionel Bloomfield '38, chairman of the Student Council committee. Ballotting will take place Wednesday through Friday.

Folling places will be set up at the entrances to the several buildings as well as at the staircases of Main. The ballot, according to Bloomfield, will read as follows:

Shall the Student Council a.—require the classes to use only union bands; b.—give the class the choice of union bands (professional or student) or non-union student bands.

"Beat NYU" Is Slogan of Dram Soc Beauty Contest

"Beat NYU" is the battle cry tonight. A dozen determined Beavers take the lineup this p. m. in what promises to be the biggest tussle of the year.

At least ten thousand College rooters will fill the arena to cheer for a Lavender victory, and the number of spectators is expected to increase as the evening wears on, members of the team indicated.

One of the squad's stars is nursing a Charley horse, due to too severe a workout a few nights ago. However, the Beaver triple threat-man will be on the line-up tonight unless a sudden relapse occurs, the coach of the team promised. The lineman weighed in at 107, and has blonde hair, blue eyes and a Myrna Loy nose.

For the team comprises a dozen girls from the College Varsity Show, *In the Groove*. The gridiron is the Paradise Restaurant, Broadway at 49 Street, while the opponents are the femmes from the NYU varsity show. Among the spectators will be rooters from both colleges, who will be admitted to the Paradise at a special rate that night. Beaver men are asked by the Dram Soc,

Applicants Wanted For '39 'Microcosm'

Applications for the posts of editor and business manager of the 1939 *Microcosm* should be presented before April 13 to the present managing board in 9, Mezzanine.

Further information and instructions concerning the two vacant positions will be furnished upon application. The only requirement is that the applicant be a senior during 1939.

Present subscribers to the *Microcosm* should have their payments completed before the Easter vacations, Irving Anderman '38, business manager, announced yesterday.

Prof. Dickson Heads Group

M. R. Cohen Replaced By New Chairman

Professor Arthur Dickson of the English Department was chosen chairman of the Faculty-Student Discipline Committee by the unanimous vote of the committee yesterday.

The committee, which consists of three Faculty and three student members, plus a chairman elected by the group, has been without a chairman since the resignation of Professor Morris R. Cohen last term. Professor Cohen had been chairman of the committee for the past two years.

Professor Dickson was chosen by a process of elimination from a number of Faculty members suggested by the students, according to Howard Kieval '38, senior student member of the committee.

The Chairman of the Faculty-Student Discipline Committee, who must come from the Faculty, has the power to vote only in the case of a tie.

Kieval, secretary of the Committee, commenting on the choice of Professor Dickson said, "Although we are discouraged at what we believe to be a lack of consideration on the part of the Faculty members, we feel that the choice of Professor Dickson is a good one, and that he will follow the tradition of fairminded and sympathetic treatment which Professor Cohen exemplified."

Professor Dickson is a member of the Teachers Union, and was the first chairman of the TU Faculty-Student-Relations Committee.

Clubs Support Resolution To Investigate 'Spokesman'

Lash Attacks Isolationism

"Spain is being defeated here because the embargo has not been lifted," declared Joseph P. Lash, national Executive Secretary of the American Student Union, at a meeting of the College chapter yesterday.

Lash asserted that isolationism is anti-militarist only in word, but not in deed. He said that "the most important thing this year is a need for a policy for the April 27 Strike."

He declared "collective security is the only policy upon which an effective peace policy can be based."

He attacked those groups "that are attempting to split the student peace movement. The victories of fascism in Central Europe and Spain mean the destruction of the underground movement in those countries and the strengthening of fascism here."

A resolution was passed censuring twelve students for their action at the March 24 Peace Stoppage. These were Stanley Silverberg '39, Murray Vidockler '40, Chester Rapkin '39, George Schechter '40, Irving Levine '40, Donald Slaiman '39, Irving Horenstein '40, Robert Gang '39, Blackman '39, Alvin C. Henkin '40, Herbert Finklestein '40, Edward Zaslow '39.

The resolution stated in part: "whereas signs attacking the purpose of the meeting were displayed and speeches were interrupted at the Peace Stoppage by booing, therefore those responsible for these acts are censured by the ASU."

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Aronson Attacks 'Campus' Story; Denies Link with Paper

Nine College clubs yesterday affirmed a resolution supporting the investigation of *The Spokesman*, proposed College "anti-communist," pro-administration newspaper, by a special sub-committee of the Minority Rights Committee.

Meanwhile, Dr. Moses J. Aronson, of the Philosophy department, took the major part of his classes' time for a denunciation of the article which appeared in the last issue of *The Campus*. He continued to deny that he had any connection with "a non-existent paper."

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City House Plans Unite In Group

The House Plan Council elected Fred Mintz, Bowker '39, as its delegate to the Metropolitan Intercollegiate House Plan Association at its meeting last Wednesday. The Association has recently been formed by members of the Uptown, Commerce Center, day and evening session, Hunter and Brooklyn College House Plans in order to exchange ideas and coordinate party and dance dates. Paul Graziano, Sim '40, was elected alternate delegate.

Acting upon the recommendation of James Peace, director of the House Plan, the Council voted to give the NYA men and the Building Committee the power to evict anyone from the building who does not have a membership card.

Another resolution was passed prohibiting the use of the House to any outside organization for a meeting, party, or dance without the permission of the director and council.

Sim '40 received the moral support of the council to stage a burlesque on the Dramatic Society show, *In The Groove*.

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The Facts Stand

THE STRANGE THING ABOUT morning-after "denials" is that they are invariably indignant and evasive. They seldom bother to discuss the issues.

The Spokesman is a fact. It is not a fancy. *The Campus* stands four square behind every statement made in its last issue. *The Campus* reiterates those charges. *The Spokesman* is exactly the sort of newspaper we have described, unless it has radically changed its plans since last Tuesday. Dean Turner has advised it, suggested its name, consulted with its staff at long meetings in his office. We have sworn, notarized statements to prove this.

Prof. Moses J. Aronson virtually asked for the position of faculty adviser, has been consulting with the staff at some length and has made all statements attributed to him. *The Campus* does not imagine these things by rumor or mental telepathy. It has eye-witnesses to prove its facts. It will present these witnesses, if desired, to the joint minorities committee which is investigating the situation. There is no fancy in this. It is real—so real that it had to be exposed immediately to the light of day for what it is.

The term "white Jews" is not a common term without derogatory implications. It is a term having a definite meaning and connotation. In Nazi Germany, according to a refugee who testified to *The Campus*, a "white Jew" is a Jewish anti-Semite, a Jew who cooperates with the Nazis, submits to persecution with equanimity. It is analogous to the vicious expression of Southern Bourbon whites "a good nigger" used to characterize those Negroes who "know their place."

Professor Aronson has been offered the columns of *The Campus* to print the entire story of his involvement in the proposed newspaper. He has chosen to categorically deny all knowledge and connection in a statement of a few sentences. This is especially unfortunate, for in almost all of his classes and to several students he devoted a good deal of time to threatening that he would sue for libel, explaining that he had only happened in on a conference of *The Spokesman* staff, denying that policies of a newspaper he would support would be reactionary, attacking *The Cam-*

pus as a Hearstian sheet once and as a Fascistic-Communist sheet at another time. This is peculiar philosophy. It is worse logic.

We do not print news stories because Elijah appeared to us in a dream. We have facts. Not even a logician like Prof. Aronson can escape those facts. Damio cannot deny having written the postcard with the words "white Jews."

We know that the actions of Schwartz, Damio and Tracy are not at all representative of the membership of the Newman Club, which consists predominantly of intelligent, tolerant believers in American democracy. *The Campus* has at all times indicated its desire to cooperate with the Newman Club in its relationships with the College as a whole. We support the splendid decisions of early this term when the Newman Clubs all over the city affirmed their belief that a policy of isolation in social relationships was wrong, that Catholics should cooperate wholeheartedly with other faiths in the common ideals which we have. We are happy that several Newman Club members have reaffirmed these beliefs to us and reaffirmed their desire to see those beliefs more widespread.

A thoroughgoing investigation, such as has already begun, can do much to erase any anti-Semitism in the College. It can also have the effect of exposing a reactionary scheme with which no progressive student can have any dealings.

A Bullseye!

LITTLE FIORELLO EITHER HAS been reading the right books, meeting the right people or reading *The Campus*' series, "The Case Against Robinson." The week-end papers report that Mark Eisner, Tammany's strong stalwart who had been swinging liberal, handed in his resignation after twelve years services on the Board.

Mr. Eisner was a good weather-forecaster. He knew which way the wind was blowing. He even agreed that it was a balmy wind sometimes. And he voted with the Fusioners even before they had come into a majority. But Tammany is Tammany and the Tiger's stripes do not always get washed off in the rain.

So the Mayor looked in his little green book and picked Frank P. Walsh, attorney for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, defender of labor martyr Tom Mooney, an organizer of the National Lawyers Guild and progressive Catholic. We salute the Mayor and Mr. Walsh.

The wind is blowing pleasant breezes on our gargoyled battlements. There is only one place where its zephyrs are harsh and cutting—on the bluff of St. Nicholas Terrace, where a President's window looks out. A leaf from dead winter is buffeted off the bluff in the wind. The buds of spring are bursting from the ground, struggling through the repressive cold ground. Spring is here. Life is going to be good.

Recommended

Toscaninites—Even so, the NBC Symphony Orchestra is still getting along. Tomorrow p. m., some of the longest names in the history of music will be featured on WPAF at 10. If you can pronounce Respighi, Shostakovich, Tchaikovsky and Rimsky-Korsakoff, you'll enjoy the program even more than you will if you can't. Insult is added to injury in the fact that Rodzinski is conducting.

Hiccough—As it is popularly known to the gentlemen hereabouts. To all others, it is known as the Hick Hop, put on by those city fellers, the '39 class. Tomorrow night in the gym, which among other things has been called an exercise hall and a barn. It's thirty-five corn kernels (not from Kentucky) for farm workers (class members).

45 St.—A very nice neighborhood. Besides, it has the Morosco Theater on it. Besides that, the Morosco Theater has *Our Town* in it. Thornton Wilder wrote the show, and it really is the best on Broadway—well, at least west of Broadway.

The Case Against Robinson

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tutional courtesy." At the same time Dean Turner banned a five-party election symposium at which Earl Browder was scheduled to speak, on the grounds that all other speakers should be at least of senatorial rank.

All these curbs were withdrawn after considerable protest had been raised. The Dean's explanation was that he had been "misunderstood" and "misinterpreted."

In early February, 1937, *The Campus* started the College with a revelation that the Co-op Store was \$1,600 in the red. The President found it "difficult to comment", comparing himself to a scientist "trying to decide between the irresistible force on the one hand and the immovable object on the other." It was at this time that the President alluded to this newspaper as "that great force of undergraduate journalism." Many students interpreted this remark as being satirical. Dr. Robinson averred that he could not conceive of anything being out of balance. In May, when *The Campus* came out with charges of an \$8,000-\$13,000 loss, President Robinson again expressed "doubt" and stated that he only knew of a loss of \$4.56. Commissioner of Accounts Paul Blanchard, after a careful investigation, in August not only substantiated the charges *The Campus* had made, but estimated that \$54,000 had been lost. As President of the institution Dr. Robinson is charged with moral responsibility for permitting the loss for a period of five years.

Quack, Quack

Arthur Frank Payne, fake "Ph.D.", who was notorious for his popularized radio talks, his unethical use of psychological tests which were not his, and his contributions to "quack" magazines, was sponsored from the beginning by Dr. Robinson. When the Personnel Bureau was founded by the President, he appointed Payne to head the bureau. After eight years service of discredit to the College, during which time, incidentally, the Personnel Bureau was on a virtual "sweatshop" wage basis, Payne was attacked by the Psychologists League, the Teachers Union and *The Campus*. The evidence was overwhelming. Yet President Robinson declined to recommend the dismissal of his friend. Instead, he recommended Payne's retention in a lower post at the same salary.

Dr. Robinson joined Payne in declaring that the charges had been made by "student reds." But the Board had seen and heard the evidence. Payne was summarily fired in June.

This was not the first time that the Board had overridden the President's recommendations. As time went by, the instances became more frequent. At the budget hearings in September, Dr. Robinson was openly denounced for "high-handed, loose and slipshod methods" by John T. Flynn. It was at this time that Mr. Flynn declared to the President, "If I have anything to say about it, you won't be here next year."

The disregard in which Dr. Robinson is held was evident at a dinner for President Paul Klapper of Queens College last Fall. Dr. Stephen P. Duggan '90, then president of Phi Beta Kappa, and former president of the Associate Alumni, toastmaster, introduced each speaker with generous praise. But when he came to Dr. Robinson, the simple introduction was, "President Frederick B. Robinson of City College." The effect was electric. Mr. Flynn, too, although he spoke in general terms, could not be misinterpreted when he said, "The democracy that is good for society is also good for the campus. We do not want a Mussolini for the state, or a little Mussolini for the college, or a teeny-weeny Mussolini for the department." Everyone knew whom he meant.

(Dr. Robinson's press exploits in the Hearst papers and MacFadden's True Story magazine are the subjects for next installment, to appear next issue).

Lock and Key

Induction of the ten new members of Lock and Key, senior honorary society, will take place next Tuesday in Freshman Chapel, according to an announcement by Chancellor Joseph Janovsky '38. Harold Roth '39, Scribe, has asked all members to pay the dollar fee for the banquet.

Peace Poll Shows Majority Favors Japanese Boycott

By an overwhelming majority, the students of the College, polled in *The Campus* survey of student opinion, voted in favor of the application of a popular consumer's boycott against Japan. The totals of the poll are listed below.

I favor the adoption of American policies in the Far East of
a) Application of a consumer's boycott against Japan—481
b) Withdrawal of all American forces in China—306
c) Application of the Neutrality Act—159
d) Declaring Japan an aggressor and stopping all relations with her—285
e) Collective action with Great Britain, France and Russia to stop Japanese aggression in China—293
f) Repeal of the Oriental Exclusion Act—117

I favor adoption of policies with regard to the ROTC of

a) Making it optional in all non-military schools and colleges—258
b) Making it compulsory in all State and land-grant colleges—35
c) Abolishing it entirely from non-military schools and colleges—303

I favor adoption of policies for keeping the United States at peace of

a) Unqualified neutrality in all foreign wars—167
b) Participation in economic sanctions against aggressor nations—323
c) Positive collective action with Great Britain, France and Russia to maintain peace by any means, military sanctions included if necessary—217
d) Complete isolation—76

e) Entrance into a revised League of Nations with provisions for peaceful change and revision of treaties greatly strengthened—100
f) Discontinuance of neutrality in favor of Spanish Loyalists—294
g) Discontinuance of neutrality in favor of Spanish rebels—39

I will fight

a) If continental United States is invaded—337
b) In defense of American rights abroad—24
c) In any war the government may declare—39
d) In no war the government may declare—123

e) For democracy against Fascism—195
I favor a military and naval policy of
a) Reduction in naval expenditures—246
b) Passage of the present billion dollar naval bill—131
c) Progressive disarmament in cooperation with other powers—314
d) Reduction of the Navy, but an increase in the Army for defense of continental United States—49
e) Stabilization of the Army and the Navy at their present level—68.

Theater

The Dramatic Story Of a Small Town

Thornton Wilder has given us another of his highly dramatic and slightly morbid bits of philosophy in *Our Town*. The story concerns life, death and the hereafter in Grovers Corner, New Hampshire.

The absence of any scenery and stage props produces an effect of utter simplicity. The audience must imagine houses, streets, stores and horses. But the imagination is not taxed by the task. Rather, the feeling of a small town is enhanced.

Frank Craven as the interlocutor and minister gives a fine performance. It is hard to realize he is acting. The other members of the cast carry off their parts well enough.

The first two acts of the play show no evidences of Wilder's philosophy, merely telling the story of two typical small town families. In the last one however, he achieves an effect of morbidity which is convincing enough to be terrifying. His theme in this act is expressed in the words, "They (the living) waste time, as though they had eternity, chasing after one self-centered passion or another." The absence of scenery makes its deepest impression in this graveyard scene. A sense of oblivion and disembodiment is realistically created.

In its entirety *Our Town* is well acted and is generally meaningful. Aided by excellent lighting effects, the result is a play which will probably win one of the major dramatic awards of the season.

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Sport Sparks

Arky Joins The Long Line Of Coloraturas

By Irving Gellis

From camp snake-catching champion to College sideburn titleholder; from tin whistle tooter to ocarina virtuoso; from Elmhurst, Long Island, to the sidewalks of New York—that is the outline of life as Arky Soltes has lived it during the past nineteen years.

College teams have attracted all sorts of characters, but none like Arky, the Snake Charmer. Oscar Bloom, the closest rival of Jimmy Durante the College ever produced, Paul Sidler who was practically blind but was the best football pass receiver the Beavers ever had, Wimpy, the Barber, who ran for Coach Lionel McKenzie and gave ten cent hair-cuts to the lacrosse and football teams and Les Rosenbloom who hit homers for Coach Irv Spanier last year and then wrote stories about himself on this very page—all these were but a few of the stars who flashed across the Beaver firmament and brought to College athletes memories that are theirs alone. Now comes Arky as another in the long line of such characters.

ACE UNDERSTUDY

As understudy to the ace moundman, Johnny Morris, last year, Arky already began to attract attention. Although he won two and lost two, his pitching performances promised a rosy future. When he won, it was with plenty to spare. He beat Panzer, 16-12, and Upsala, 10-1. And when he lost, the other team knew they had been in a ball game. Against Brooklyn he lost 2-1, when the game was cut to seven innings, and against powerful St. John's, he made the Redmen go ten innings before they won, 3-2.

How Arky came to be a pitcher in the first place, he explains simply. "When I was at camp about eight years ago, we considered organizing a baseball team. All the kids, of course, wanted to pitch. I was the biggest. I pitched."

SNAKE-CATCHER

That same year at the camp Arky acquired the title of champion snake-catcher of the county. Gradually, he came to feel a strange attachment toward the reptiles he had captured, and so he studied them and strove to understand them. He found them better than ordinary pets and brought some home to form the nucleus of a private menagerie. His brother was a partner in the affair, and, before long, they had all sorts of reptiles, including an alligator and a baby armadillo. Arky is very indignant when anyone calls his pets slimy creatures. In fact, they are very dry-skinned and have no hair, which makes them immune to fleas and other parasites. When Arky moved from Elmhurst to the city last year, he had to get rid of his armadillo. His alligator wouldn't hear of the change and, one night, stole out of the yard and headed for a nearby manhole. It was a clear case of sewer-cide.

OCARINA EKPERT

On the rebound, Arky decided to study music and forget his sorrow. So he took up the ocarina. In his leisure time he played to his snakes and made the astonishing discovery that music does not charm them. "The only swaying they do," says Arky, "is in imitation of the one sitting before them." To show his versatility, Arky organized the Conjurers Club at the College and is fact becoming an accomplished magician. At present he is occupied with the greatest problem of his career. "How to Hypnotize Opposing Batters in Nine Easy Innings."

Wrestling

The Wrestlers' Club of the College, will hold its annual dinner tomorrow night at the Stadium Grill, 136 Street and Broadway. This is the fourth annual affair of the group, composed of former Beaver wrestling greats. Among those expected to attend are Frank Warren, Joe Sapora, Manny Maier, Joe Auteri, Iz Abrams, Hank Wittenberg, and Ralph Hirschtritt.

Beavers to Take On NYU Nine Tomorrow

Game Will Be Played In Spite of Deep Snow Blanket

Unless the weather man and old man winter combine to give us another blizzard like that which caused the indefinite postponement of Wednesday's game with Columbia, the College baseball team will take on NYU tomorrow afternoon at Ohio Field.

Of course, there's a little matter of four inches of snow up at the Heights according to *The Campus* weather bureau, but with neither NYU nor the College having concurring open dates, Professor Williamson and the NYU moguls decided yesterday that the show must go on.

Team Improved

According to Coach Sam Winograd, "the team learned plenty in the Princeton game" and is now just about ready to chew nails, icicles, or Violets as the circumstances demand. The starting line-up, to the last man, will be the same as that which started the season earlier in the week.

Broad-shouldered Arky Soltes will do the twirling for the Beavers, with Sambo Meister working behind the plate again. Soltes had his auricles neatly pinned back last time out, but he has come along nicely this week and Winograd says "He better be better this time." Meister, the anode of the Beaver battery, has in addition been a pleasant surprise to date and has been the spark-plug of the team.

Infield Shifted

The Lavender infield will line up with Al Soupias at first base, Steve Auerbach at second, Mike Weisbrod at third, and Milt "twin" Weintraub at short. The left side of the short field was riddled with base hits and errors by Princeton, but Weisbrod and Weintraub should do much better tomorrow. Weintraub, who has been shifted from second to short, seems to need time for readjustment, while all Weisbrod needs is experience and the substitution of some fight for his customary nonchalance.

Hope to Improve Batting

The spirited Beaver outfield of left fielder Julie Janowitz, center fielder Hy Friedman, and right fielder Pat Brescia hope to improve their batting average against the veteran Heights team. Judging from the performance of NYU's hurlers in beating their Alumni 9-2, the Beaver batsmen are in for a real trying day.

Despite the fact that the St. Nick's defeated NYU twice last year, there is no broken down horse and delapidated wagon outside the school today, no cheers resound in chapel, no "Beat NYU" buttons are evident, and no "Victory Dance" is planned.

JV Baseballers Face Commerce

Although the JV baseball team lost to Monroe High last week, and despite the fact that it will be in tough company again when it faces Commerce High this Saturday at 10:00 a. m. in the Stadium, it remains nevertheless undaunted.

"The team is doing as well as can be expected," said Coach Charley Maloney as he reviewed its deficiencies which are mainly lack of practise sessions, and of a first baseman.

This week's battery will be Henry Soven to "Joe" Balkan.

Coach Maloney hopes that the snows and rain haven't short circuited it.

The Commerce boys have recently tied an imposing Columbia Frosh team. If this is indicative of anything at all, it shows that the local JV bat and ball men have quite a job cut out for them. Saturday's game will show whether they are sharp enough.

General Webb Hit; Survives Snow Fight

Neither slush, nor sunshine, nor custodians can swerve the college snow-slingers from their destiny. Early Thursday saw them industriously hoarding snowballs. When no foes appeared, they vented their rage on innocent Chem students and a local fire box. General Webb, too, was hit in some choice parts.

As 1 p. m. neared General Webb marshalled his forces, threw a string of hurlers along the east bank of Convent Ave. and exchanged ball for ball with the troops of Colonel Letterly, one of the College's chief snow strategists. Who won? The Americans, of course!

Indians to Meet Stevens Tomorrow

The College lacrosse team travels to Hoboken tomorrow to try to break the jinx of the Stevens stickmen. Whether they have to wear snow-shoes, or bathing suits in the event of thaw, Chief Miller's Beavers are set to operate the law of averages and defeat the Engineers for the first time in history.

The Hobokeneers have a veteran team; they topped Williams, 11-4 while the St. Nicks were losing to Hopkins; they are playing on their home field. But after last week's game Chief Miller said, "We've lost our last game." Beaver co-captain George Lencher, who scored five goals against Stevens two years ago, had this say, "I think we've figured out an attack which will beat Stevens."

Baseball Postponed; Snow and Darkness

When Coach Sam Winograd announced the postponement of the Beaver-Columbia baseball game yesterday at eleven o'clock, on account of snow, rabid followers of the game at the College took it as a personal affront that baseball players were deemed not hardy enough to engage in the sport under inclement weather conditions. Accordingly, a test game was organized to prove the contrary. Out in Jasper Oval the boys, equipped with snow-shoes, went at it.

It wasn't so bad when the cleanup hitter slugged a home-run and took fifteen minutes to circle the bases, but when the pitcher hurled a snowball by mistake, the batter got sore.

In the ensuing snowball fight, the ump was smacked in the eye with a hunk of ice and called the game on account of darkness.

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Intramural Sports

The current intramural basketball situation has finally come to something of a head. Several divisions have already finished their championships and the rest are narrowed down considerably.

Team O, Allstars, Delta Alpha and the Dervishes are champs in their respective divisions. The Dervishes, who played the Murals for the championship, had their victory protested by the Murals "on time and whistle." The Intramural Board had already decided on a playoff game when a Dervish representative appeared on the scene and, with the support of the referee, got the protest disallowed.

Thursday's skirmishes ended with the following results: Franklinites-14, Mustangs-5; Sim '40-18, Bowker '41-9; Joracks-25, Managers-7; Harriers-15, Harrisites-5; Firemen-16, Incas-15; Phi Delta Pi-12, Tau Delta Phi-8; Winners-11, Ringers-4; Weir '40-16, Gibbs '41-5; Delta Alpha-16, Delta Beta Phi-9; Team O-16, Newman Club-8; Shep '39 Greys-16, Bowker '39-12; All Stars-32, Century Club-9.

Division champs may be played against each other after the holidays. The road race which ended in Thursday's snow flurry will be run after the vacation. The track meet may also be postponed if the track does not dry in time. Boxing will be over soon.

MEN WANTED

For Editorial and Business Staff of THE CAMPUS Rm. 8, Mezz.

Lavender Fencers Face Columbia In Preview of Title Tournament

A preview of what may take place in the Intercollegiate Fencing Championships will be seen when the College fencing team meets Columbia tomorrow, on the latter's strips in the last meet of the season. The Beavers are also slated to meet Columbia in the saber division of the Intercollegiate.

The Lions were victorious last year, but the Lavenders feel they have a good chance this season, in view of the fine saber team they have. Bernie Marks, Max Goldstein, and Al Ehren-

berg, the College saber men, are all in the preliminary round of the National Saber Championships.

In addition, Bukantz has qualified for the semi-final round in the foils division of the Intercollegiate Championships.

The first match this year was fought against Army on February 12. The Cadets won 15½-11½. In the following matches the Beavers beat St. John's, 14½-12½; Princeton, 15-12, Saltus, 17-10; and MIT, 19½-7½.

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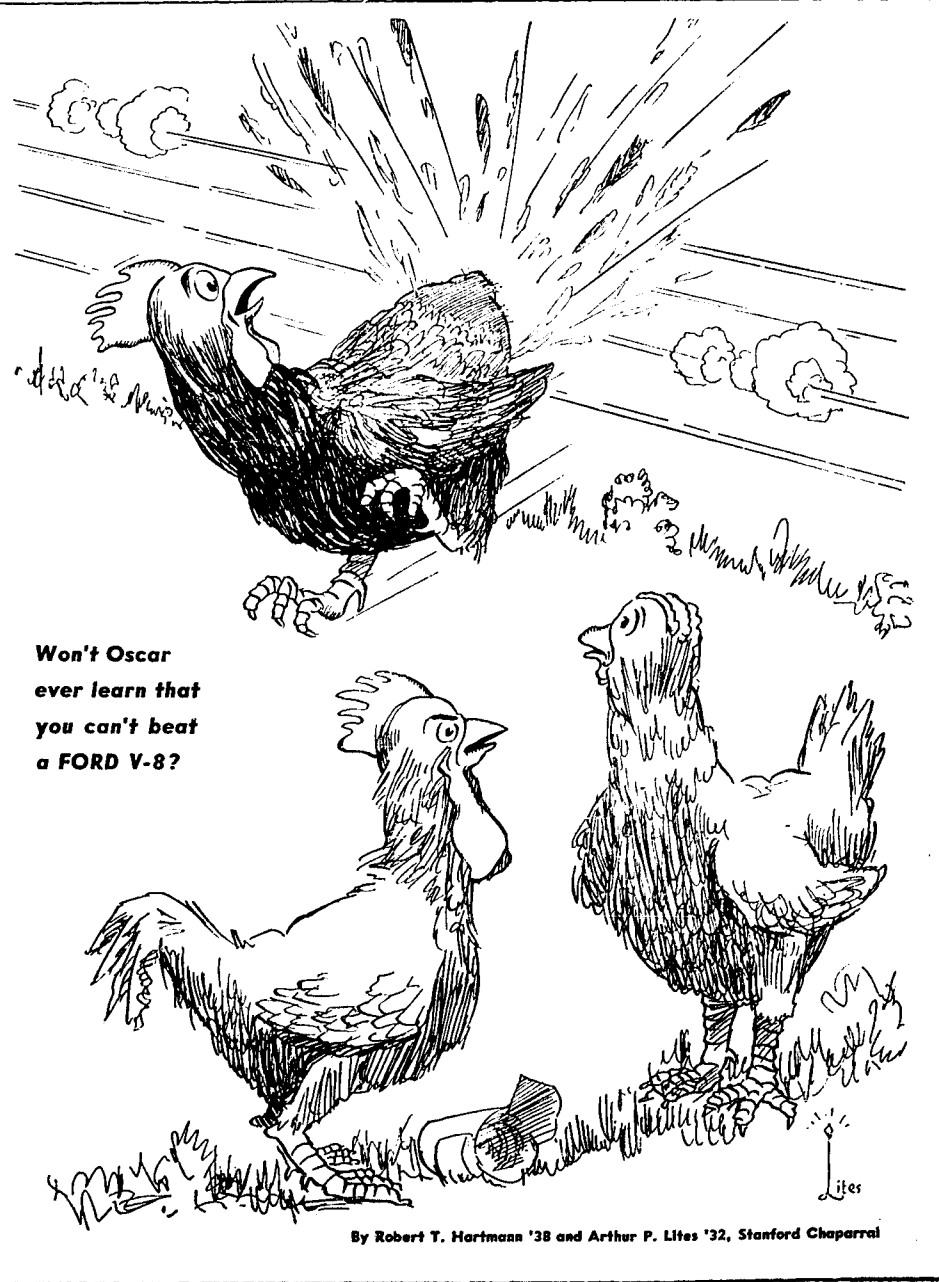
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By Robert T. Hartmann '38 and Arthur P. Lites '32, Stanford Chaparral

Model League Parley Opens

Delegates of College Represent China

A four-day conference of the Model League of Nations opened yesterday at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J., with six College delegates participating. The College students, representing China at this session are: Jack London '39, president of the Student Council, Andrew Roth '39, Paul Dobin '38, Theodore Cohen '38, John Sieck '38 and Gerald Loewy '38.

Each delegation to the Model League represents a different country. Roth will make a speech on the floor which will present China's point of view in the present crisis in the Far East. There will be open discussion in which any delegate may take part. They will also introduce resolutions which they believe should be presented to the real League of Nations at Geneva, Switzerland. Hunter College is representing Japan.

Yesterday the delegates took part in a general conference at which the purposes behind the seminar were discussed.

Three committees were formed by the conference to discuss the following question: the Far Eastern crisis, non-intervention and mandates.

Committee Plans Free Books Drive

Plans for an extended campaign for free text books for students of the City colleges were formulated Wednesday by representatives of the student councils of the colleges at a meeting sponsored by the Student-Faculty Relations Committee of the New York College Teachers Union at the union offices.

Miss Jean Horie of the American Youth Congress, at the Wednesday meeting discussed the part of the AYC in the campaign for free books.

Surveys of the needs of the students of the City Colleges will be conducted by the free book committees. The information gathered will be presented to a committee of the Board of Higher Education, headed by Mr. John T. Flynn, which is studying the problem. Delegations of students from the various colleges will interview members of the board in an effort to obtain their support for free books.

Correspondence

To the Editor:
You are authorized to print all or none of this statement.

Your last issue has willfully misinterpreted a common term of which I had made use.

Any attempt to make me cast aspersions on the Jewish students of this college or on any other group is positively unfair and untruthful. To pull out a term from its setting, distort its meaning, and attempt to make it an issue of race antagonism is unfair journalism of a stripe too low to warrant the dignity of a reply.

ROGER M. DAMIO.

To the Editor:

I am sure that you have unintentionally made an error on page 4, col. 1, par. 4, of the April 5 issue of *The Campus*. I suggest you either retract or reinforce your statement. There is not nor ever has been any connection between the supposed *Spokesman* and *The Neumanac*, the official newspaper of the Newman Club. I have not had the slightest thing to do with this supposed *Spokesman*. To imply that the Newman Club is sponsoring *The Spokesman* would be a complete distortion of fact and an unpardonable error when you attribute such characteristics to *The Neumanac* as you have to *The Spokesman*. The ROTC may voice itself similarly on the issue.

The three individuals mentioned have certainly not received any authority or sanction from the Newman Club. In the March 24 issue of *The Neumanac* I stated that *The Neumanac* will not express the views of any particular person or group. On March 31 I stated the policy and aims of *The Neumanac*. I am sending you separately the issues so that you may be better informed of *The Neumanac*.

In the good sense of justice and sportsmanship I ask you to retract the implication that religious prejudice on the part of the Catholic Club of the college accounts for the existence of *The Spokesman*, and that *The Neumanac* is an ally of *The Spokesman*, sharing its views and aims.

JOSEPH ROBERT CONTE '38,
Editor-in-chief of *The Neumanac*,
Vice-President of the Newman Club.

(Editor's Note—*The Campus* appreciates Mr. Conte's letter. As pointed out in our editorial, we do not imply that the Newman Club sponsors "The Spokesman." Rather do we believe that the overwhelming majority of the Newman Club and Catholic students at the

College repudiate and reject the ideas of "The Spokesman" editors. We regret any misinterpretation that might have resulted.)

To the Editor:
As amongst the fifteen included in the ASU vote of censure, we issue the following statement:

"We refuse to recognize the validity of the 'Star-chamber proceedings' by which we were convicted. The refusal to allow each of us to answer the charges, makes it necessary for us to appeal to the higher bodies of the American Student Union. We are not prepared to allow the ASU to abandon democracy."

GEORGE SCHECHTER '40
STANLEY SILVERBERG '39.

To the Editor:
If anything is a subject for jest in CCNY it's our paper-cluttered lunchroom. With paper-clips, lunchbags and even scraps of disliked food, the difference between our lunchroom and a pig pen is one cleaner.

It is obvious that an overcrowded lunchroom, admittedly undermanned, can become a menace to health. It definitely is unappetizing. In addition the student body, in this atmosphere, is very sloppy and neglectful.

The Campus can be of great assistance to a "Clean Lunchroom" drive. We urge that first more janitors be added to the lunchroom staff (of one) and secondly that the students themselves take pains to throw their papers into the cans, not on the floor. Especially on the latter matter, an editorial campaign would be appreciated.

Edwin Hoffman '40
Chairman SC Sanitation Comm.
Chairman ASU School Facilities Comm.

To the Editor:
I was very pleased to read in the March 1st issue of *The Campus* the fact that an ASU committee was investigating the conditions of the lavatories in City College. I was really surprised that no previous action had been taken by the student body on this important question. I believe that the chief reason the students of City College had done nothing to remedy this situation is that they do not realize the full gravity of the lavatory conditions. If one of the faucets or urinals isn't working, they think that it is an unusual occurrence and will soon be repaired, while it is really the usual thing and will probably stay out of order. I believe that if *The Campus*

In Brief

College Teachers' Union

The College Chapter of the New York College Teachers Union yesterday passed a resolution proposing affiliation with the American Labor Party. The Film and Sprockets Society showed a nature film entitled *Mother Earth*, yesterday. A discussion on the scenario, led by Dean Frederick Skene, followed.

Artist Speaks

William Gropper, famed American artist, spoke yesterday before the Schulman Art Society. Mr. Gropper, who drew the much publicized *Vanity Fair* Emperor Hirohito cartoon, emphasized the need for a definite purpose in art. The College chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers heard Charles Brisk '10, a former business manager of *The Campus*, yesterday on "Water-proofing of Structures." Mr. Brisk is president of the Brisk Water-proofing Company. All members of

keeps printing articles on this important subject, as it did in the March 1st issue, it will make the students conscious of the disgusting lavatory conditions and make them agitate for the repair of the lavatories. I am sure *The Campus* will find most of the faculty heartily in accord with this plan.
ANTHONY GRASSO '42.

the upper half of the '40 class, who wish to run for the position of Student Council Representative may come to 104, Harris, Monday at 3 p. m.

See page two for the tabulated results of the peace poll recently conducted by *The Campus*.

Cercle Jusserand Presents

The Cercle Jusserand is presenting two plays, *Prenez Garde à la Peinture* and *La Dame de Bronze* tomorrow night in the Pauline Edwards Theatre, Commerce Center. Hunter College girls will take part in both productions. *Circulo Dante Alighieri* announces a play to be presented next month.

Dram Soc Is Seeking Varsity Show Ushers

All students wishing to serve as ushers at the Varsity Show were asked to submit their names to any of the ticket sellers in the alcoves, Bernard Berkowitz '38, president of the Dram Soc, announced Wednesday.

A one act play, produced on a workshop basis, and to be presented shortly after the Easter vacation is also being planned by the Dram Soc.

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