

# Friedman Proposes Athletic Merger of the City Colleges

## Opinions Are Divided On Beaver Coach's Plan

Lou Oshins, Brooklyn Mentor, Attacks Joint Team as 'Union of Mediocrities'

By SIDNEY MIRKIN

Benny Friedman's proposal for athletic amalgamation of the City Colleges, with the "behind the scenes" sponsorship of Mayor LaGuardia, has encountered determined opposition from the Brooklyn College Student Council, Lou Oshins, football coach at Brooklyn, and the *Vanguard*, student publication at Brooklyn. In an unofficial check-up, the *Reporter*, Commerce Center evening session newspaper, found however, that campus sentiment at Brooklyn favored the plan. The *Reporter* is also in favor of the plan.

The current publicity which Friedman's plan has been receiving in the metropolitan press is the result of a meeting which was held about six weeks ago, at which Acting President Nelson P. Mead of the College, Acting President Mario Cosenza of Brooklyn College, Professor Walter Williamson, treasurer of the College Athletic Association, and Friedman, were present.

Friedman presented his plan for amalgamation. He feels that a union of the football squads of the city colleges would result in a better team, with more reserves. Friedman stated that if a team representing both schools were to play its home games in Brooklyn, where there would be little outside competition, football would be a financial success. Practice would be held in the new stadium which the WPA is building for Brooklyn College.

Dr. Mead and Professor Williamson favored the proposed merger only on condition that the Brooklyn College student body approve of it. Dr. Cosenza was opposed to the plan. It was finally decided that "feelers" should be sent out to the metropolitan newspapers, and that the reaction of students, alumni, and the general public would determine whether or not the campaign would proceed. The *Campus* learned of the meeting and the decision which those present had reached, but at the request of acting president Mead, decided to withhold all comment until the students of Brooklyn College had voiced their opinions, because Dr. Mead did not want the Brooklyn students to feel that "the City College was attempting to force the plan upon them."

Friedman conferred with the sports (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

## Chem Open House Planned for May

The Chemistry Open House will be held in May if the request of a group of instructors and students of the Chemistry Department meeting Wednesday is granted.

Mr. Irving Weingarten began the discussion reviewing last year's Open House. Expressing a desire to "Bring City College to the New York Public, to the City, State and Federal Administration and to Employers," the meeting outlined a program to achieve these ends.

By utilizing the radio, public lectures and extension courses, the group expects to help familiarize the people of New York with the College.

The group sent a letter to the Committee on New York Educational Improvements, asking for aid in securing World's Fair jobs and extension courses for the College. It is also appealing to Civil Service authorities for career courses, cadetships, and extension of WPA and NYA, and is contacting Millard H. Gibson of the Placement Bureau to obtain his cooperation for the program.

Isidor Pitchersky '39, president of the Baskerville Chemical Society, declared, "we feel our program cannot be accomplished by ourselves and we're asking for a College-wide Open House. Therefore we are calling a meeting of the Build City College representatives Tuesday at 3 p.m. in 126 Main."

## Trustees Encourage Faculty Research

To encourage the carrying on of important research work by members of the faculty, the Board of Higher Education last Monday passed a resolution authorizing the College Administrative Committee to lighten the teaching burden of those engaged in such work.

Programs may be cut as much as six hours.

Recommendations to receive this privilege must be approved by the respective department heads and the President of the College before the Administrative Committee will consider them. Only persons who are not engaged in outside remunerative work are eligible for this privilege.

## \$50,000 Given B'klyn, Queens

The dispute over who had jurisdiction over the \$50,000 earmarked for "the Library of the City College" was definitely settled last Monday night by the Board of Higher Education. The Board changed the wording of its original resolution to assure that books purchased with the money will go to Brooklyn and Queens College.

Of the appropriation, \$40,000 will be used for Brooklyn College, \$10,000 for Queens. The College will retain title to the books, however. Similar transactions have occurred in past years.

The money allocated by the BHE came from the unexpended balance of the instructional fees collected at the College for the year ending December 31, 1937.

Though the original appropriation was made by the Board last November, no orders have yet been placed against the money. The Library Committee will begin placing such orders as soon as it receives official notification of the Board's action.

The Library Committee had tried to keep the money for use here, being (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

## Discussion of Free Speech Provokes Six Hour Meeting

By WILLIAM RAFSKY

Arising spontaneously and generating a spirit of heated concern, a student "meeting" on free speech kept going at fever pitch for six hours Tuesday.

Its origin was a small discussion group in Alcove 1, about 11:30 a.m. Two or three students, who had picketed the Madison Square Garden "Americanism" rally the night before were explaining their actions to interested friends. The explaining turned to a defense. Slowly, surely, the group widened. Students standing on the mezzanine chimed in. A patient tolerant attitude of listening changed into a clamor to be heard.

Then, without any planned organization, one student (Seymour Mehlman '40) stood on a table and called for order. The crowd of almost four hundred responded.

Discussion centered about the right

of fascists and other groups that opposed freedom of speech to have free speech.

After three hours of this cross-fire in the lunchroom, a student (Leon Wofsie '42) dramatically demanded the democratic election of a chairman. His nominee, Jack Fernbach '39, President of the Student Council, was chosen by acclamation.

Fernbach asked those assembled to move to room 126 where an orderly meeting could be held.

The policy presented by a liberal independent group led by August Knauber '39 advocated complete freedom of speech to every group without exception. A deviation from this opinion, offered by a number of individuals, would permit protesting such meetings as the Bund rallies by peaceful picketing and similar tactics.

Another policy, supported by the (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

## Board Creates SC to Consider Four New Posts

The Board of Higher Education last Monday ratified the creation of four new posts in the Personnel Bureau and filled the position left vacant by the recent dismissal of Mr. William Schnuer, former head of the Commerce Placement Bureau. Mr. Jacob G. LeVan was named to the post formerly held by Schnuer.

The Board's action was in line with the partial reorganization of the Bureau which was foreshadowed by the discontinuance of the use of student assistants in the last semester.

Appointed to the newly created positions at the College were Dr. Arthur Benton and Dr. Frank Shuttleworth, who will work here with students whose personal and scholastic problems make their College adjustment difficult. The other two new (Continued on Page 4, Col. 1)

## Morris R. Cohen Comments

Professor Emeritus Morris Raphael Cohen has issued the following statement to the students who are leading the campaign in defense of Sigmund Arm:

It is generally recognized that no democratic system can work, if the minority will not abide by the decision of the majority arrived at after due discussion wherein every one has had a chance to be heard. I am therefore grieved to hear that one or two members of the government department have sought, through irregular channels, to set aside the action of their department in recommending Mr. Arm for reappointment. If these irregular, behind-the-scenes actions continue, faculty and trustee action will be demoralized, and the entire discipline of the college will collapse.

MORRIS R. COHEN,  
Professor Emeritus

## SC to Consider Charter Change

Complete revision of the Student Council charter, redefining the powers and duties of the Council and foreshadowing vast alterations in student government, will be recommended by the SC Constitutional Revision Committee to the Council at its meeting at 3 p.m. today in 306.

The Commission, appointed last September to reconcile conflicting features of the existing constitution, will ask the Council to pass on a completely revised charter involving at least four new and important provisions, according to William L. Rafsky '40, chairman of the Commission, and vice-president of the SC:

1. Student Council will have complete control over all extra-curricular activities.

2. The Board of Higher Education and the Faculty Council must hear a representative of the students on any issue involving the student body.

3. The lunchroom and the College Store will be run by students, with a faculty adviser, on a non-profit basis.

4. Any organization not given a charter by the SC may meet on the College grounds if it is not opposed to any religious group, and not militaristic or fascist in character.

If it is passed by the Council, the revised charter must be passed by the faculty and the Board of Higher Education before it can go into operation, Rafsky said.

On the basis of the revised charter, an outline of a new constitution, under which the Council will conduct itself, has been prepared by the Commission.

## College Staff Plans To Attend Concerts

Members of the College staff have reserved a box for the series of six concerts to be given at Carnegie Hall beginning Sunday, by the New Friends of Music Orchestra, according to Acting President Nelson P. Mead.

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# Lift the Embargo Stoppage In Great Hall Today at 11

## Great Hall Rally Scores Action on Arm

### BHE Committee To Reconsider

Over eight hundred students and faculty members rallied in the Great Hall yesterday afternoon to protest the action of the Administrative Committee of the Board of Education in failing to recommend that Government tutor Sigmund Arm be granted reappointment.

Speakers at the rally were Dr. Abraham Edel (Philosophy Dept.), Professor William Otis (English Dept.) and Mr. Jesse Hint of the Recorder's office.

The Administrative Committee will meet this afternoon to reconsider its decision. The Board's Executive Committee will also convene today to determine whether Mr. Arm is entitled to tenure.

The protests presented at the rally were based on Mr. Arm's personal abilities as a teacher and on the fact that the Committee's action was in direct opposition to the democratic faculty procedure instituted by the Board last year.

Bands reading "Arm for Arm" and "Fight Arm Ban" were sold throughout the College yesterday. Postcards urging the BHE to overrule the Administrative Committee were sent to the Board offices in the Commerce Building. Numerous student organizations, including the Honors Seminar of the Social Science division, the '39, '40, '41 and '42 classes and College clubs passed resolutions protesting the Committee's action.

Leaflets which appeared throughout the school yesterday laid the blame for the Committee's action to "the underhanded activities of two members of the Government Department." The leaflet claimed that these men had been motivated by the desire to gain control of the Government Department, which, it was contended, may be separated from the sociology division next term.

The two men referred to were Mr. Hillman Bishop and Mr. Oscar Buckvar. Neither would comment on the case for *The Campus*.

Said Mr. Buckvar, "It would be (Continued on Page 4, Col. 3)

## House Plan Holds Term's First Tea

The first in the series of spring semester House Plan teas, sponsored by the Weir House, was held yesterday. Acting President Nelson P. Mead, Dean Morton Gottschall, Dean John R. Turner, Miss Laura Cleverdon of the History Library, and Mr. H. C. Wolfe (Physics Dept.) represented the administration at the tea.

Miss Lafreda Sill of the WPA Federal Theater Project, spoke on the work of the project and the need for continuing it. President Mead and Dean Turner each spoke and commended the work of the House Plan.

## Geyer, LaFarge Berne and Gates Address Rally

The College Emergency Stoppage to Lift the Embargo, called by the Student Council, will hear Representative Lee D. Geyer (Dem., California) in the Great Hall this morning at 11 o'clock. Simultaneously, on two hundred other campuses throughout the nation, similar rallies will take place in a National Student Protest organized by the national office of the American Student Union, with the slogan, "Students Ask: Where Is the Conscience of America?"

In addition to Rep. Geyer, Oliver LaFarge, Pulitzer Prize winner; Lewis Berne, international chairman of the Federation of Architects, Engineers, Chemists and Technicians; and Lt. Col. John Gates, former College student and highest ranking American in the Spanish Republican Army, will address the College Stoppage.

The Stoppage will last only one hour, the SC Committee stated. The committee asked that students go directly to the Great Hall at the end of their 10 o'clock classes, in order that the meeting may start promptly.

At the request of the College administration, six crosses, bearing the names of College students and teachers who died fighting for Loyalist Spain, were removed from the grass plot near the campus flagpole, by the Student Council Stoppage Committee Tuesday morning. The "miniature Flanders Field" had been placed there by the committee to honor these dead, and as publicity for today's Stoppage.

Numerous protests were received by the police and the College from people of the neighborhood. The committee agreed to remove the crosses when Acting President Mead and Deans Gottschall and Turner pointed out, at a conference with SC officials, that the placing of the crosses would be interpreted as the official position of the College.

## Negro Conference To Start Tonight

The Conference for the Creation of job Opportunities for Negro Students and Professionals, initiated by the Douglass Society of the College, will open tonight at 8 p.m. in P.S. 136, 135 Street and St. Nicholas Avenue.

The speakers include Lester B. Grainger, executive secretary of the Standing Committee on Negro Welfare of the N. Y. Welfare Commission, and Reverend A. Clayton Powell, pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church and a member of the Board of Education. A playlet by Langston Hughes, "Don't You Want to be Free?" is also on the program. Clinton Oliver '40, president of the Douglass Society, will be chairman of the meeting to which the public is invited.

WNVC at 3 p.m. today will broadcast a round table discussion on "What sort of vocational and placement (Continued on Page 4, Col. 76)

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## All in the Hall

Spain: ten million people doggedly resist the fascist invader; a people, determined, heroic, but many fighting only with the butt-ends of their rifles.

United States: a student body, united, stands with them.

There is a time, in the sequence of events, when a single move can change the course of history. Washington made such a move at Valley Forge. Those who valiantly struggle against oppression in Central Spain today await another. What is more fitting than that America should make that move for Spain?

Spain faces the fascist bullets. We fight to lift the demoralizing and unjust embargo—that is our post.

This morning an Emergency Stoppage will take place at the College. It will be but one of many. At one time, the voice of student America will ring across the land, from coast to coast, calling for the rescue of democracy.

The way for us to do our share is to through this rally. Let every student at this College be in the Great Hall at eleven o'clock. Spain must not fight alone. While its people courageously, gloriously, lay down their lives, let us at least lay down our books for one hour. "LIFT THE EMBARGO—NOW!"

## Up in Arms

Glowing testimonials are being offered in support of Sigmund Arm by disinterested leaders of the College Faculty and by vitally interested leaders of the student body. The Executive Committee and the Administrative Committee of the Board of Higher Education—both of which are scheduled to consider the reappointment preliminary to the Board meeting Monday evening—should consider the motivation for these endorsements.

Neither Mr. Arm's colleagues nor his undergraduate charges have sought to "force" the Administrative Committee to act—except with the force of logic. The telegrams delivered at the re-hearing Monday night were not a manifestation of "pressure"; a cursory reading of them would have shown this. They were additional statements—from College Alumni now in graduate schools—as to Mr. Arm's competence.

There has been no attempt to swamp the responsible officials with unsupported opin-

ion. In other cases lobbying agents have stood outside the room where the Board meets for hours; no such procedure was followed Monday. Proponents of Mr. Arm have relied solely on the merits of the case.

Other, less personal issues have been introduced, however, by those—including Dr. Edel at yesterday's Great Hall meeting—who are fully aware of the broader implications of the case. Dr. Cohen's statement, which we consider important enough to be printed on today's front page, hits the important point.

Messrs. Bishop and Buckvar—a minority of two in the Department of Government and Sociology—have opposed Mr. Arm's reappointment with tenure. Each of the instructors displayed a belated reticence to comment when queried by *The Times*. An opposition within a department is useful, but the objections offered by Mr. "X" and Mr. "Y" should have been presented to the departmental committee, which is best qualified to consider all evidence. If appeals are to be taken over the head of the departments the system inaugurated by the Flynn Reorganization By-Law will be invalidated.

Assuming the sincerity of the Administrative Committee, it will alter its recommendation in terms of the facts which it has at its disposal.

## With Reservations

Even the most skeptical alcove coach will agree with us and Benny Friedman that amalgamation of the present College and Brooklyn football squads would produce a better team than either institution now possesses. The combined squad would have plenty of reserves, something both teams now lack. It might even have a few more stars.

Under Coach Friedman's plan, the joint team would play its games in Brooklyn, two hours by subway from the competition of the big time games in upper Manhattan and The Bronx. This would mean increased gate receipts for colleges which now have difficulty breaking even financially in their varsity athletic activity.

However, unless other provision is made, amalgamation would increase the hardships under which College football players now labor. After attending their classes, these boys spend their afternoons and early evenings in gruelling practice sessions and then go home to nod over their books when they try to study. Friedman would ask the boys to assume the additional burden of travelling to remote Flatbush to practice.

We think it only fair that the College should extend aid to students who uphold the Lavender for glory, hard work and bruises. We don't mean subsidies. The College could provide bus service to carry the boys to Brooklyn, a training table and sleeping quarters in the recently enlarged stadium.

All plans will fall through if Brooklyn does not wish to take part. But, whether the athletic amalgamation succeeds or fails, the student bodies of both colleges, along with Hunter and Queens, should be going to the same school—and we do mean the University of the City of New York.

## Dear Board of Higher Ed:

Some time ago, we wrote to you and asked that your meetings be opened to the student body. Our request has been ignored.

We have not changed our minds about the matter. There is still no reason why what goes on at your meetings should be secret. The proceedings vitally affect every student and teacher at the College. Our own Administrative Committee held an open meeting Monday.

Congress is open to visitors, The House of Commons broadcasts. The Board of Education, your junior partner, is several steps ahead of you.

In view of these facts, we respectfully repeat our request and urge immediate action.

Thank you,

The Campus.

# Pulling Conjurers Out of a Top-Hat

The Conjurers Club has been teetering in and out of a state of formal organization for almost a year now, ever since the "Mutual Mystification Society" was founded by Arky Soltes '39, who achieved fame by pitching on the baseball team and maintaining a menagerie at home in past years.

The members ply their trade through the usual medium of the party circuit and also on the stage. A graduate member worked his way through Syracuse University Forestry School by public performances. Another, Myron Goldfarb '39, even has a stage name, "Mygo", and if you feel so inclined Goldfarb will permit the addition of "The Great."

Magicians are occasionally baffled when some part of their equipment fails to function. So the club tries to prepare its members by putting them on the floor, having them perform and criticizing their showmanship.

In the last Varsity show, *In the Groove*, Joe Blau '39, secretary, was engaged for a trick. His two assistants brought a long paper tube—a turbine—on the stage, where Blau was to take a pair of scissors, ostensibly cut the turbine in two, tie a rope around it, cut the rope and expose the turbine—in one piece. Blau, however, came in drunk, navigated onto the stage and actually cut the turbine in two. He had each of his assistants bow, grab an end and walk out and spent the rest of the time pulling eggs out of his mouth.

Complications may arise when small children are used. Myron Goldfarb once spent a perspiring few minutes when a youngster fell asleep in the middle of the act. "Later, I made him disappear," he said, "but I still think the audience was skeptical."

The more intelligent a person is the easier it is to fool him. Children concentrate on an object too long to permit the magician to work fast. On the other hand, college professors, who don't want to miss anything, always shift attention from the object shown. At one Faculty dinner the club's magician had a professor almost in tears when he apparently burned a ten dollar bill borrowed for the occasion. Of course it turned up.

The amateur who attempts to pass himself off as a skilled performer is the scourge of the professional magician. Invariably the audience detects the method of doing the trick and takes the knowledge out on the next magician who performs the stunt. Parlor audiences are a problem because there is always someone who manages to pry into the magician's "gimmicks"—mechanical aids that no one in the audience should know about.

"A magician must always keep three

things in mind: Talk; the trick; the audience," Soltes said. Whenever a heckler appears in an audience the magician employs a "Sucker Gag" to make a fool out of him. The heckler is called up and asked to watch for the solution of the stunt and then the trick is varied slightly so that the know-it-all is thrown off.

There is no standard set of ethics but magicians generally observe a code of conduct of a sort. No respectable magician will ever do anything to expose a trick of another, which explains why magicians protested so bitterly against the Camel ads of some years ago. The performing professionals also make it a point of honor to send equipment to brothers in need and, on occasion even substitute for each other.

A true son of the flying fingers relishes the absence of equipment because then he has a chance to use his art. As a matter of fact a good magician performs best without equipment. Seventy per cent of the effectiveness of a stunt depends on the patter which accompanies it.

Magicians resent the "Keep your hand in your pocket" attitude concerning them because, according to Soltes, "there is nothing funny or sly about magic."

"A good magician is a master craftsman," Goldfarb added, "and remember—the hand is quicker than the eye."

Martin Gallin

## First Nights

David O. Selznick's new picture, *Made for Each Other*, which is currently packing the Radio City Music Hall to the walls—we had to wait thirty minutes for a seat—gives us a new Carole Lombard.

Formerly Clark Gable's bride-to-be portrayed flighty and nit-wit roles. In this picture she is changed into a Ruth Chatterton, worried about her baby and going through all the mingled emotions of a young mother whose baby is dying.

*Made for Each Other* is an old fashioned picture modernized and the only reason that it is being held over another week—as we see it—is because it is a conglomeration of sure fire box office attractions.

For the feminine trade, there is collegiate James Stewart, a struggling young lawyer, who still manages to support his wife, child, and a maid on his meager salary. Louise Beavers, who still hasn't received a starring role for her excellent work in *Imitation of Life*, is the maid, Lucille Watson and Charles Coburn are realistic enough as Jimmy's mother and boss respectively.

M.K.

## Reuben Fine '34, Chess Star Returns to College For MA

It's a long jump from the chessboard to the blackboard, but for Reuben Fine '34, world famous chess player, it's just another move.

Back at the College after a five years leave he is currently scrawling numbers on math class blackboards as a part of his preparation for teaching and his M. A. degree.

Ever since he entered the College, Mr. Fine has been shifting from chess to math and back. He majored in math—he captained the chess team. Last year he won the Avro tournament in Holland—today he is back again working out math problems.

Though he has faced many a chin-stroking opponent across the checkered square, he considers Dr. Reshevsky the finest player in the world, rating him even above Dr. Alekhine, the present world's champion. Mr. Fine has played against them both and if all his matches with Dr. Alekhine were totalled he would stand even with the champion.

Mr. Fine, a short, blond-haired, quiet gentleman who resembles Napoleon physically, began his chess playing early and earnestly. At one time he memorized all the opening variations in Griffith and White, a chess manual. Even while attending the College he managed to earn money annotating chess games for chess magazines and playing for amusement houses.

He will make several appearances this year—the first of them tomorrow night at the Metropolitan Chess League Tournament, where he will represent the Marshall Chess Club. Later in the semester he will play a series of exhibition matches for the Chess Club.

It was only several years ago that Mr. Fine led the College Chess Team to a triumph in the intercollegiate tournament, his team scoring 23½ out of a possible 24 points. He would like to see the present team do as well.

R. S.

## Collegiana

Something Phoney,  
Wooley Glubs  
At Univerwocky

"Hello."  
"Who's speaking, please?"  
"Watt."  
"What's your name?"  
"Watt's my name."  
"Yes, what's your name."  
"My name is John Watt."  
"John what?"  
"Yes."  
"Oh, never mind, I'll be around to see you this afternoon."  
"All right, who are you—Jones?"  
"No, I'm Knott."  
"Well, will you please tell me who you are then?"  
"Will Knott."  
"Why not?"  
"My name is Knott."  
"Not what?"  
And both angrily hung up.

—Silver and Gold

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Student: Do you wear a nightgown or pajamas?  
Lass: Neither  
Student: My name is Smith, lady, James E. Smith.

—Auburn Plainsman

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Ums: I never associate with any of my inferiors, do you?  
Gene: I don't know. I never met any of your inferiors.

—Birong Bugle

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If we write out the consonant sequence of this beautiful line, we shall get the extraordinary pattern: NDS LMMNTSTNgLnGSLNTNS — in which one may, without being fanciful, hear the booming and the sibilant sounds of the night.

—Technique of Verse

Not even the slightest bit fanciful!

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West Virginia Univerwocky

'Twas smoochy and the wooley glubs,  
Did pitch and mummer in the stude;  
All twitchy were the flubber-duds,  
And the lunar bream did slude.

"Beware the wooley stude, my son,  
The whiss that purr, the libs that smooch;  
Beware the dark woodburd, and shun  
The snicket fremalewooch!"

He took his wurlyb oog in hand  
Long time the petsy foe he sought,  
So rested he by the neckly tree  
And stood awhile in thought.

And, as in whichy thought he stood  
The fremalewooch with hibs and things  
Came anlink through the cirgle wood  
And winkled as it came!

One, two! Three, four! And all around  
The glearned boog went flutter-flack  
He left it and without a sound  
They went awayloching back.

"And thou hast caught the fremalewooch?  
Give it to me, my snitzy boy,  
Oh, jurby day, wahoo, waylay,  
He hiccuped in his joy.

'Twas smoochy and the wooley glubs  
Did pitch and mummer in the stude,  
All twitchy were the flubber duds  
And the lunar bream did slude.

—Daily Antheneum

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Can a girl do anything about an unattractive knee?  
Nothing but grin and bare it.

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The average student is a dame fool.

—Auburn Plainsman

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Girl (in gym class): I'll stand on my head or bust.

Coach: Just stand on your head.

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Add definitions: Ash tray—something to put cigarette butts in when the room hasn't got a floor. Bigamist—a person who is broad-minded about marriage.

—McGill Daily

## • Sport Slants

### Mr. Pro and Mr. Anti Discuss Amalgamation

By Harold Mendelsohn

The winds of conversational controversy have whistled this up about the plans for athletic amalgamation of the city colleges:

Mr. Pro-Amalgamation says: "Lou Oshins to the contrary, the addition of Brooklyn's football team to Benny Friedman's gridders will produce a better College squad. A good football team will be the rallying point for greater interest in College affairs. It will produce some of the college spirit which various student leaders tried to develop last fall and to a great extent, failed. A good football team will 'sell' the College to the people who have to foot the bill, the New York City taxpayers.

"Some people say that the plan for an athletic center in Brooklyn will never succeed because the athletes just won't travel all the way out to Brooklyn. That argument holds no water because it wouldn't take much longer to travel to the proposed center than it takes to come up to Lewisohn Stadium from the Commerce Center. And most of the College's varsity men have classes at 23 Street.

The amalgamation which will result in better teams will fatten the AA treasury and allow expansion of important intramural athletic activity."

Mr. Anti-Amalgamation says: "Although the College football team would probably be improved it can hardly be improved enough to make much difference. If there were profit it would probably be reinvested in varsity athletics, as has been the case in other schools where varsity sports have been played up.

"People with a vital interest in the rounded development of the student body, hold that intramural athletics is essential in the College athletic curriculum. Instead of emphasizing varsity sports which benefit the few, it would be much more worth while to devote our energies to give more opportunities for sport to the many.

"Lest we at the College on Convent get too involved in our enthusiasm, it is well to remember that Brooklyn College is an essential part of the amalgamation. And the sad part is that whatever opinions have come across the river are dead-set against the plan. Until Brooklyn is willing, amalgamation is just a pipe-dream."



# Quintet to Play Maroons

## Teams to Meet In College Gym

By Israel Darwin

After a week's rest, and with some intensive practice in basket-shooting under its belt, the College basketball team is set to meet the Springfield five tomorrow night, in the Hygiene gym.

The Beavers' weakness against Manhattan was their poor marksmanship and lackadaisical floor work. With these flaws remedied, they will enter the game as the favorites.

Captain Manny Jarmon, whose ankle was sprained in the Manhattan game, will not see action against the Maroon and White. The sprain is responding to treatment, however, and Jarmon will probably be in the starting lineup for the Villanova game Wednesday at the Garden.

Although the Springfield five is not one of the "big names" in court circles, it usually puts out a strong team, featuring a fast aggressive attack rather than a well-knit defense. The squad has seven lettermen with reserves drawn from last year's undefeated Jayvee team.

The Maroons, who have averaged 45 points a game, took eleven of their last fourteen games, with a 48-41 victory over Providence to their credit.

The St. Nicks' starting lineup will be much the same, with either Base Adler or Iz Schnadow in for Jarmon. Because of Harvey Lozman's fine work in the Manhattan tilt, the big sophomore will start at forward.

With the Villanova game in the offing, Coach Nat Holman scrimmaged the Jayvees with the regulars this past week in an effort to get more drive and faster floorwork into the boys. The Pennsylvanians doubled the St. Joseph's score when they beat them recently and since the Beavers edged out St. Joe by only one point, this Saturday's game will serve to whip the five into fighting shape for the Garden embroglio.

## Matmen Face Brooklyn Poly In Only Home Meet of Season

"Brooklyn Poly has its best team in years, and my boys are going to have their hands full tomorrow night, but we should take the meet and make it two straight," said Coach Joe Saporra, whose optimism springs from the 25-3 drubbing the Beaver matmen handed the East Stroudsburg State Teachers' wrestling team last Friday. "Our team is in great shape; we seem to have shaken off the injury jinx that handicapped us in our first two matches. Besides," the coach continued, "I've got two great prospects, Morty Brown and Larry Newman, battling for the 145 lb. varsity berth, and Phil Kornfeld's injured arm is on the mend."

Last week, in the Stroudsburg en-

counter, Leo Wisnitzer threw his 165 lb. opponent, a married man, no less, in 4:53; and co-captain Henry Wittenberg matched it with a minute to spare, working to a pin in 3:53. Three points on referee's decisions were tallied by Clarence Shapiro, Herb Ginsberg, wrestling in place of the injured Kornfeld, Larry Newman, "Doc" Krulewitz and Stan Graze. The Beavers' only loss came in the 121 lb. class with Bob Levin on the wrong end of a decision.

Tomorrow's bouts against Brooklyn Poly will be held in the Commerce Center gym, the only home appearance of the Beaver grapplers this season, and the boxing team will be on the same card.

## College, NYU Cross Blades

### Contest to Revive Traditional Rivalry

Tomorrow afternoon the College fencers will meet their traditional rivals, NYU, at the Washington Square—East Building strips. Thus far both the Beavers and the Violets are unbeaten in intercollegiate competition.

The Heights men have a strong epee team, but their comparative weakness in saber should give the Beavers the advantage in that division, and might mean capturing the meet, as happened in the St. John's encounter. The latter victory is particularly encouraging, since the Redmen have been highly rated in intercollegiate fencing competition. If the Beavers down the Violets, it will be comparatively easy sailing to win the intercollegiate . . . In foils, the Beavers are considered superior to the NYU men. There is a traditional feud between the College fencers and the Violets, and the boys are eager to trip them up. Defeated by NYU last year, Coach Montague's men are anxious for sweet revenge. They are in the pink of condition due to a strict training schedule that they have been following.

In the Open Individual Epee Tournament held Wednesday at the Fencers Club, Berwin Cole, topnotch Lavender epee man, downed Bill Clark, captain of the Yale varsity epee team. He took three bouts, tied two, and dropped two. This is particularly good since many seasoned veterans participated.

Rollins College of Miami, Florida, has been added to the schedule of the College fencers. They will be met on Wednesday, March 29, on the Salle D'Armes Vince strips. The Intercollegiate Fencing Championships has been changed from March 24-25 to March 31-April 1. The Beavers stand a good chance of taking the team trophy, it was reported by Coach Montague.

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## • Sport Sparks

The boys in the alcove seem to have the right idea when they say that the chief fault with this edition of the College basketball team is its lack of fight . . . the Holman game is based on possession of the ball yet statistics show that the Beavers have recovered only one-third of the loose balls in the Garden this year . . . Every team except Oregon has outfought the Beavers . . . and strangely enough, the Oregon contest was the only one in which the boys followed Nat's instructions and fought for that ball . . . If they want to beat NYU, the hoopsters will sho' have to learn to scrap! Don't tell him folks, but in the opinion of every expert who has watched him this year, Henry Wittenberg, Joe Saporra's pride and joy, is a cinch to cop the Eastern Intercollegiate championship.

If you're not going to the Springfield basketball game tomorrow night, drop in at the Commerce Center where a doubleheader is scheduled . . . The wrestling squad will meet Brooklyn Poly and the boxing team will encounter Lock Haven Teachers of Pennsylvania.

Here's another unification plan as submitted to the *Herald-Tribune* by one of its readers . . . This gentleman would form a league composed of the College, Brooklyn, Queens, Hofstra, St. John's and St. Francis . . . Games would be played at night in Ebbets Field or Lewisohn Stadium to escape the box-office competition of Fordham, NYU and Columbia . . . All very nice except for the fact that neither St. John's nor St. Francis has a football team!

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## • Profiles

Sam Wexler, the fellow who couldn't get into the World's Fair swim carnival because Billy Rose didn't like his legs, was born in New York City on February 1, 1919.

When accosted by the press yesterday in the Hygiene pool at swim practice, Wexler, in his birthday suit gasped in astonishment after being told that he was going to be profiled and then said, "Well, gentlemen, since my just dues have finally caught up with me I will gladly give some views on myself and life in general to my reading public."

"I hope to graduate in June," continued Sam, "but one can never foretell conditions that suddenly arise to make moles into mountains. I have already dropped out one term during my stay in College to help my mother who was ill, but if I stay another half year it won't be because of any sick mother."

Sammy is quite a swimmer and has graced many winning teams. Wexler swam freestyle for Clinton in 1934-35 when that school had an undefeated season and won the PSAL championship. In '35 he also did some remarkable performing in the *News Water Derby Contest*. He took third in the hundred yard swim, first in the five yard carnival, and was anchor

on a team that placed second in the 200 meter relay. After graduating Clinton our Sammy swam backstroke and freestyle for the 92 Street 'Y' "under Coach 'Uncle' Ben Silverberg, the best coach in the country including 'Mac,' although 'Mac's' alright," said Wexler referring to College swim coach Radford J. McCormick.

Continuing with his views on life and the College in general Sam commented on his wit and features. "I ain't funny, I'm terrific," modest Sam continued, "but on the other hand I'm not so handsome, although I'm not so bad to look at."

"What this College needs is some pep," said Sam, "and if all instructors were as good as Professor Cohen, this place wouldn't be hard to go to."

His pastimes are "Wine, women and swimming" and as for swimming, "if every punk wasn't allowed to swim in the pool when the varsity worked out there, we might be able to accomplish something."

After Sam gets out he's going to marry a rich widow, for as he says, "marriages are successful because they combine the maximum of opportunity with the maximum of temptation, especially if the missus has a nice dowry." "Doc"

## Intramural Board Campaigns For Large Freshmen Entry

With the opening of the first term by Chief Miller, varsity lacrosse coach.

Nat Holman, varsity basketball mentor, and Sam Winograd, varsity baseball coach, will conduct the other sessions. The main attractions at the clinics will, of course, be the lectures by the varsity coaches, but action films of each sport will also be shown. One of the biggest steps taken by the Board since its creation four years ago, co-educational recreation run in conjunction with Hunter College, is now in the process of getting official sanction and agreement to terms by the Hunter Board. The girls' school has already been invited to use the College's archery range in the Stadium and the St. Nicks' Board hopes to run mixed singles and doubles tennis tournaments in the spring.

The handball tournament, first individual competition of the semester, will get under way on March 6, but entries will be accepted in the Intramurals office in the Stadium until March 9. The volley ball competition will open on March 16 and the indoor baseball division will start on March 30.

Announcements by Schure and Jerry Unterberger, Sports Education director, revealed plans of the Board for a great extension of the educational as well as athletic program this term. Archery, basketball and baseball clinics will be conducted. The first of these will come sometime during the second week in March and will probably be the archery session, conducted

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## Boxers in Meet

Taking the featured spot on the boxing-wrestling program tomorrow night at the Commerce Center gym, the College boxing team will face State Teachers College of Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.

Eager to better their mediocre record of one win, one loss, one tie, the ring men, under the guiding hand of Coach Yustin Sirutis, are priming for their second win of the season. Least of Coach Sirutis' troubles is co-captain Vic Zimet, a rangy almost anemic looking 155-pounder who hasn't met his match yet this season.

Pinning his hopes on Zimet, Sid Emma, John Nemeth, Abe Datner and Jack Finger, Sirutis is confident of bringing the team's record for the current season to two wins tomorrow night.

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## Tech Seminar Holds Forum On Courses; Faculty Meets

The question of what the engineering curriculum should consist of was discussed by Professor John J. Theobald (Civil Engineering Dept.), Professor Ralph E. Goodwin (Civil Engineering Dept.), Dr. Henry Leffert (English) and Professor Albert Newman (Chemical Engineering) at the Tech Seminar meeting Thursday afternoon in Doremus Hall.

There are two extremes in engineering curriculum, Professor Theobald pointed out. One turns out highly specialized engineers; the other teaches men to think along engineering lines and to equip them with engineering technique. "Our school is between these extremes," said Professor Goodwin.

Professor Goodwin held that the curriculum should be fitted to what it must hold. The four year undergraduate course should lay only the fundamental basis for engineering, and specialization should come later. If any cuts are to be made, said Dr. Goodwin, they should be made at the expense of advanced specialization courses.

The Tech Faculty endorsed the report of the Liberal Arts and Science Faculty Council recommending joint meetings between representatives of both faculties and the Board of Higher Education, according to Professor Ralph E. Goodwin, Secretary of the Faculty.

The meeting took place Thursday afternoon and was presided over by Acting President Mead. Eighty-six bachelors degrees and ten masters degrees were voted.

Dean Frederick Skene was asked by the faculty to prepare resolutions on the death of Hugh J. Glaubitz (German Dept.).

The meeting elected the recorders of the day and evening sessions of the Tech School to membership in the faculty.

## Coach Suggests Athletic Merger

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editors of various newspapers, and shortly afterwards, articles appeared in the *New York World-Telegram* and the *New York Times*. Both papers gave the details as envisaged by Friedman, but did not commit themselves for or against the plan. Lou Oshins, the Brooklyn coach, wrote a letter to the *Times* in which he attacked the proposal as a "union of mediocrities." He declared that it was no coincidence that the plan was proposed while he was on a leave of absence because of ill-health.

Since 1930, when Brooklyn College and the College split their common Athletic Association and decided to go their separate athletic ways, plans for a re-amalgamation of the sports programs of the City Colleges have been frequently proposed.

## Free Speech

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Communist group, interpreted the question as the unity of the people against fascism. Any action that unite the people against anti-free speech elements should be supported. Free speech in democracy demands a certain discipline. Any person who attacks free speech should not be allowed to speak.

A third differing argument was presented by the Trotskyites. They are opposed to abrogating the Constitutional right of free speech to all groups because it might be turned against them. But they advocate utilizing force to prevent fascists from meeting and speaking. Militant action by labor to prevent the rise of fascism is urged.

## Library

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of the opinion that the \$50,000 was needed at the College. Until the Board took action last Monday the Committee had maintained the position that the original by-law made it responsible for the disposition of the fund and that the right to expend the money went with the responsibility.

## Support 'Campus', Ackley Tells Chapel

"The *Campus*" deserves your support," John K. Ackley '28, Recorder and former editor of the paper, told the Freshman Chapel yesterday, in the first of a series of *Campus* programs.

Mr. Ackley, who is vice-president of the *Campus* Association, described the alumni organization and explained the new method of selecting the editor of *The Campus*.

Urging that all students read *The Campus* regularly he praised the "progressive" editorial policy of the paper. Extension of NYA, curriculum revision and support of "progressive teachers" have been among the points in its program. The Recorder pointed out that *The Campus* was "instrumental" in placing the ROTC courses on a purely elective basis.

## News in Brief

A session of the BCC class for students desiring to prepare for Civil Service examinations will be held today at 3 p.m. in 124 Main . . . Ruba Morgowsky '39, was elected Commencement Director and Herb Wallenstein '39, George Pecker '39, Ivel Steigman '39 and Marty Schwartz '39 were elected chairmen respectively of the Cap and Gown, Farewell Dance, Numeral Lights, Commencement Booklet and Class Night committees at a meeting of the class room last Friday.

Edmund A. Mennis '41 and Gerard B. Tracy '39 will represent the College in a debate with Penn State tomorrow night on the topic "Resolved: That the Government Cease the Use of Public Funds for Business Recovery." It will be broadcast over WNYC at 6:15 p.m. with the College taking the affirmative . . . A smoker for freshmen members will be held by the YMCA tonight at the 63 Street Y. The Cadet Club will also hold a smoker tonight in the ROTC Armory, 140 St. and Amsterdam Ave.

All clubs desiring to post notices of their meetings on the club bulletin board should send delegates to place the notices Fridays by 2:30 p.m., Joe Steigman '39, chairman of the Alceve Committee, announced yesterday . . . Dan French '39, president of the College chapter, will represent the YMCA at the Intercollegiate Conference for college men and women of New York colleges to be held at Lake Mohawk, New Paltz, N. Y., March 3-5.

The New York College Teachers Union is inaugurating a series of meetings to evaluate the changing college curriculum. The first session will be held tomorrow in Macy Hall, Teachers College, Columbia, with the topic, "Conflicting Philosophies in Collegiate Education."

## Arm Case

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improper, and unfair for me to make any statement at this stage of the proceedings." Mr. Bishop declared, "I think it improper to issue a statement now. I will comment after the Board has made its decision."

## Correspondence

To 'The Campus':

I understand that in a recent issue reference was made to the alleged intolerance of several departments of the College toward Catholicism. The Philosophy Department was listed as one of the offenders.

May I ask that specific instances be sent me of such alleged acts of intolerance. Nothing is farther from the spirit of this Department than intolerance on any subject. The Department holds it within its right to have frank and free discussion of all points of view. It does not hold it within its right to make any dogmatic attack upon any view. It is obvious that no individual philosopher can accept all views proposed in the world, but his function as a teacher must be not to attack views, but to open them for the freest and most critical discussion.

I shall be most happy to receive any statements of intolerance in classrooms, and shall make fullest investigation.

H. A. OVERSTREET  
(Philosophy Dept.)

To 'The Campus':

The last two issues of *The Campus* have carried banner headlines on the case of Sigmund S. Arm. The Arm case is unique, both in its causes and in the tremendous support Mr. Arm has received.

Despite the fact that the Government department, with the exception of two men, is solidly behind Mr. Arm, and despite the 11-3 vote in his favor by the Faculty Committee on Personnel, the Board of Higher Education's Administration Committee refused re-appointment.

The explanation of the Board's action lies in the fact that it never saw the majority report. Instead it studied the minority report, a report which a prominent member of the faculty termed "a conspiracy against Mr. Arm." By all sorts of unethical methods, two members of the Government department have tried to produce evidence against Mr. Arm. They secured letters from men at Columbia who knew Mr. Arm only superficially. They attempted to cause men like Professor R. M. MacIver to retract letters of recommendation, and failed. They brazenly flung charges such as debauchery of students by Mr. Arm's lending them money!

Yet these very men are considered poor teachers by many and in thirteen and fifteen years have not yet secured their own Ph.D.'s. They have never partaken in student extra-curricular activities nor attempted to better faculty-student relations. Who are they to judge?

On the other hand there is the most overpowering evidence in favor of Mr. Arm. The faculty votes in his favor are proof of his scholarship. Five hundred students and graduates at Yale, Harvard, Columbia, NYU and Brooklyn Law schools have at-

tested to his ability as a teacher, as well as numerous professors.

Finally, Mr. Arm's importance to extra-curricular activities and faculty-student relations has not been emphasized sufficiently. Hundreds of students can vouch for the personal interest Mr. Arm has taken in their private affairs.

Mr. Arm has been a leading force in bringing College social life to its present height. As faculty adviser to the '39 class he has helped to popularize the gym dances. There were no All-College Boatraces before Mr. Arm became adviser to the Boatrider Committee. Other fields where Mr. Arm has given unstintingly of his time include *Microcosm* and Student Council Committees.

The Arm case presents two issues. First, Mr. Arm, the individual is considered indispensable by the students. Secondly, Mr. Arm is a test case for the new scheme of faculty democracy. If we are to have real democracy at City College, the Board must consider the report of a majority which examined the evidence, rather than that of a disgruntled minority—two! The will of the overwhelming majority must not be thwarted by the disgusting tactics of a reprehensible minority. Sigmund S. Arm must be given tenure!

BERNARD G. WALPIN,  
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To 'The Campus':

The spontaneous student meeting Tuesday in 126 brought forth an individual who had the courage of his convictions to speak pro-Franco and anti-Loyalist. He is a member of the Newman Club; however, he did not represent the organization "officially."

I feel that I am not stretching my imagination in the least in assuming that his was a representative opinion of the Newman Club—as individuals. If this be true, then those undergraduates who are vitally interested in the activities of fascists may validly regard the Newman Club with suspicion.

If this is not so—which is hardly likely—then I apologize. Nevertheless, it remains the task of all opponents of fascistic institutions to "keep an eye" on the probabilities for their realization both here and abroad. More fascism abroad increases the possibility and probability of fascism here.

ALFRED DWIN '41

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## Obtain Glee Club For 'Brother Frat'

The Inter-Fraternity Council production *Brother Frat*, due at the Pauline Edwards Theater on March 18, has secured the services of the Glee Club of the National Negro fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma.

The Glee Club has given several concerts on Broadway including one at the Renaissance Casino. It has also sung at the Commodore Hotel at a national YMCA banquet.

The feminine roles in the show have been filled by Stephanie Jurash of the Julliard School of Music; Edythe Unger '42, of Hunter, a dancer; Phyllis Terez and a singer, Thelma Kosen. Nat Hentel '39, Zeta Beta Tau, will direct the show which was written by Arthur J. Jacobs '37 and Hentel.

Tickets may be obtained in the Student Concourse.

## Douglass Society

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 6) ought the progressive college provide for the Negro student?" Those participating are Millard H. Gibson, College placement director, Dr. Max Yergan (History Dept.), Bill MacDonald '39, Leroy Hudson '40, and Clinton Oliver.

The conference will conclude Saturday at the Harlem branch of the YMCA with a series of panel discussions by the delegates on the problems of the Negro students and professionals.

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