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College Observes 96th Charter Day With Great Hall Ceremonies At 11 a.m.

Council Names Delegates For USSA Meeting

The Student Council voted unanimously last Friday to send a three-man delegation composed of Lawrence Harris '44, Bernard Sorkin '44 and Stanley Halperin '43, to the national conference of the United States Student Assembly, a national political organization formed to "express the aims and aspirations of students in this global struggle."

Decision to send the delegation came only after a one-hour heated debate, precipitated by a letter to the Council from Robert Phillips (Columbia '43), Executive Board member of the USSA. He attacked the position of the organization in refusing to accept representatives of Communist groups.

Stanley Halperin, defending the USSA position, stated "The USSA as an organization of liberal student opinion is perfectly justified in requiring that those groups which wish to affiliate themselves, hold opinions which coincide with those of the USSA. Most of the students at the College are liberals and such groups as the Young Communist League represent but a small faction of student opinion."

Lawrence Harris '44, President of the Ralph Wardlaw Club, and Marvin Stern, SC Vice-President, lashed out against the policy of excluding Communist organizations, "as just another manifestation of Hitler's old trick of dividing anti-fascist forces through the red scare."

A group of student leaders, including Stern, Sorkin, Harris, Bond Drive Chairman Dick Korral, SC Rep Louis Orzack, Joel Pomerantz, Mercury Advertising Manager, and Bernard Hochman, Campus Tech Editor, yesterday handed *The Campus* the following prepared statement: "The exclusion of Communist student groups from a win-the-war conference only creates disunity. It does not represent the President's desire for complete unity behind the war effort and certainly is no example to the students of occupied countries in their anti-fascist struggle."

House Plan Grads Seeking Members

As part of a vigorous campaign for the improvement of House Plan and a "new deal" for the social betterment of the undergraduate, the HP Council, in an effort to obtain 5000 new graduate members, are mailing out pledge cards to several thousand alumni.

However, Dr. Gerald Ehrlich (Hygiene), HP Director, does not expect an answer from one graduate—Arata Tsukada, of the Kanda Theatre, Tokio, Japan.

Jive, Sweet Music Till 12 Features Campus Dance

This Saturday, May 8, is the date for the *Campus* Dance in the Main Gym. After being postponed because of competition from several other affairs, the dance will commence at 8:30 and end at 12:30.

There will be entertainment, refreshments, and a sweetsounding eight-piece band to provide the music. The proceeds of the affair will go to *The Campus*. The money will be used to keep the newspaper publishing. This is the first affair ever sponsored by *The Campus* since its inauguration in 1907.

It is important that everyone who has the sum of eighty cents purchase a ticket to keep the College paper printing.

Tickets may be purchased at the AA Office, 6 Harris, House Plan, and from *Campus* representatives.

T.D., Ellington To Appear At Boatride Rally

Tickets for the annual SC Boatride will go on sale today in the Student Council Office, according to Larry Waldman, SC President. The price of the tickets has been raised to \$1.05 per person due to increased costs of obtaining the boat, the S.S. Americana.

The price is still very moderate considering the fact that it would cost a minimum of \$1.75 per person to take a ride up the Hudson to Bear Mountain if one were to buy a ticket direct from the Hudson Dayline Office, Waldman said.

The proceeds of the trip will go to the Student Council for the purpose of continuing the war service program at the College.

The boat will leave the Forty-Second Street pier, Sunday, May 23, rain or shine, at 11:15 and return at 11:30 in the evening after a day of entertainment, dancing, and ball playing at Bear Mountain. Still highlighting the affair will be the moonlight sail home.

May 11 is the date for the Annual Boatride Chapel. Music, stage and screen stars, among them Tommy Dorsey, Duke Ellington, and Gary Moore are expected to be there from 12 to 2 in the Great Hall.

Only 3 File for Elections

Stanley Lyons '44, Bernard Sorkin '44, and Charles Licht '45, announced their candidacies for president, vice-president, and secretary of the Student Council respectively. No other candidacies for SC executive positions have been announced so far.

Nine, Redmen Clash Today In Lewisohn

By Jack Roth

This afternoon in Lewisohn Stadium, Sam Winograd's varsity nine faces St. John's in a Metropolitan Conference tilt. Winograd hopes history will reverse itself since the Redmen smothered the Lavenders in their initial contest.

The Beaver record thus far in the season stands at five wins, four losses, and one tie with Ft. Hancock. Winograd hopes to bring his boys in with a better average than they earned last year when the boys finished their first campaign during Winograd's tenure under .500.

Neuberger May Hurl

Either Herm Neuberger or Jerry Reisel will be on the mound for the Beavers today. Backstop Stan Brodsky will complete the Beaver battery. Neuberger by the way, has been a great asset to the team as a relief twirler. He has turned in several sparkling stints on the mound when either Gelfand or Reisel weakened.

During the holidays, the Beavers copped two games and dropped three. They trimmed Brooklyn 6-3 and trounced Queens 10-3, while succumbing to NYU, St. John's and Fordham. The losses to the major opponents dropped the Lavenders low in the Met Conference standings.

Larry Faberman and Herm Neuberger have been elected co-captains for the 1943 baseball season. Faberman played JV ball last year.

The 6-5 loss to NYU on April 26 has been causing quite a fu-

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Brig. Gen. R. K. Robertson Will Inspect Cadet Parade

Students, graduates, teachers and friends of the College will celebrate today the ninety-sixth anniversary of the signing of its charter with Great Hall exercises, an ROTC review, and a varsity baseball game. Classes will be suspended from 10:30 to 2 to permit students to take part

Techmen Take ASME Awards

The College's branch of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers sponsored the annual Convention of the ASME which was held at the College on Saturday, April 17, according to Phil Klein, president of the College chapter. Representatives of ten other college's societies, and many distinguished professional mechanical engineers participated in the Convention.

Highlighting the happenings on the campus before the assembly was convened down to the Hotel Capitol for the concluding dinner, was an ME oral competition. Three colleges, City, Pratt, and NYU of the ten represented, entered contestants, of which there were five.

Citymen Lawrence Lief '43, who gave a talk on "High Speed Indicators" and Herbert Becker '43, who spoke on "Problems of Snap Gauges", took the first and third places respectively. A Pratt entrant was berthed in between them.

President H. V. Coes of the ASME presented the awards to the three winners at the dinner.

A technicolor movie, "Production of Lumber," which stressed the vital contributions of engineers to the lumber industry, was shown there.

Opinion Split on 'Merc' Ban; Many Object to Its 'Filth'

By Irwin Hundert

Student reaction to the indefinite suspension of *Mercury* by Faculty Committee on Student Activities on Friday, April 16, and to the issue as a whole was sharply divided. Upper classmen generally expressed the opinion that the issue was obscene without being humorous. Lower classmen, on the other hand, thought the issue funny. All were practically unanimous in voicing their opinion against the action of the Committee in banning further printing.

The action of the Committee was taken after Solomon Stein '46, *Mercury* editor, appeared before the board and defended the publication. Last October, after an objectionable issue, the Committee warned the staff, "that a repetition of this type of issue would result in suspension." Accordingly, when the April issue was found not to conform to the requirements of "good manners and good morals", the Committee unanimously voted to suspend publication.

Milton Freeman '44, said that it was "far from original, vulgar and not the least bit subtle. It was a big letdown from the high standards of the *Merc* of previous years." He is one of the few students approving the ban on the grounds that the humor "sank to such depths of degradation that it would be better to ban it now than have it sink lower."

Expressing lower class opinion, Gerald Mazur '46 "thought it was funny and liked it. The parody on PM was a good idea and was carried out well. Although dirty in parts, I do not think it should be banned."

in the Great Hall program, which starts at 11 a.m. with an academic procession.

Dr. George Dinsmore Stoddard, State Commissioner of Education, will give the principal address, on "Higher Education Today." The Invocation will be read by the Rev. Stephen Fielding Bayne, Jr., chaplain of Columbia University. Lawrence Waldman '43, Student Council president, and Max Plasner, student head of the Athletic Association, will present SC and sports insignia respectively. Professor Donald A. Roberts (English) will talk on "The College Fifty Years Ago." President Harry N. Wright will preside.

Twelve members of the fifty-year class of 1893 will be among the guests on the platform. Other guests are Manhattan Borough President Edgar Nathan, Prof. Alonzo F. Myers, chairman of the Department of Higher Education at NYU, Mrs. Frances W. Deutsch, Mrs. George Z. Medalie, Reuben Lazarus, Mrs. Walter S. Mack and Chauncey L. Waddell will be among members of the Board of Higher Education present.

Professor Joseph Babor (Chemistry) is Chief Marshal. Members of Alpha Phi Omega will serve as ushers.

Brigadier General Ralph K. Robertson, representing Major General T. A. Terry, will be in the reviewing stand during the review. Other Army representatives will be Colonel Lewis Watson, Colonel J. B. Grier, as well as Colonel Raymond P. Cook.

After the review, President Wright will be host at an informal luncheon for Army, City, BHE, and College officials.

The College nine will meet St. John's in the Stadium this afternoon. State Supreme Court Justice Peter Schmuck '93, president of the City College Club, will be the guest of honor of the Club at a dinner tonight.

Non-Coms to Drill ROTC In Summer

With the Advanced Corps of the ROTC momentarily awaiting induction, plans have been made by the Military Science Department to carry on this summer with only basic cadets.

"Cadet non-commissioned officers will take over the present duties of the Advanced Corps and will receive practical training drilling platoons," according to Major Harvey Brown. They will continue to work under the supervision of the tactical officers assigned to the College.



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The opinions expressed in this column are determined by majority decision of the Managing Board.

Thoughts on Charter Day

It is interesting to note the peculiar psychological attitude that appears to be sweeping the campus. It is true that many of the students are expecting their draft notices. However, with this expectation, there has appeared the feeling that time is to be killed rather than filled. Somehow the fellows are giving up not only in their courses but in many of the abstract things for which this war is being fought.

This is not an attempt to engage in a philosophical discourse, but rather is it intended to point out the distinction between a responsibility and an obligation. Today, the College celebrates its traditional Charter Day Exercises. Many of you are not aware of the traditions surrounding the College.

Our responsibility is to the United States; our obligation is toward this College where presumably we have been given the opportunity to study in peace, to argue, to discuss, and to enjoy this particular period of our lives. It is not asking too much of each one of you to appear at the Great Hall in order to become more fully aware of the relation between education for peace and education for war.

But if your attitude has been one of surrender to an emotional struggle in view of possible draft, it is quite possible that simply sitting in the Great Hall may at some time in the near future, provide you with a precious memory. One simply needs to read some of the letters from College men who are now serving in the armed forces of the country, and one immediately understands what their college life has given them.

Today's exercises contain part of the essence of college life, the dignity of maturity and above all a picture of the world that we want to see after this thing is over.

The Lunchroom Again

The manifold inconveniences thrust upon students and faculty members by the space requirements of the Army have been borne in a spirit of patriotic cooperativeness and good cheer that has done great honor to the College as a whole.

There is, however, one matter that has been wretchedly handled by all authorities concerned—that is the matter of the lunchroom. It is really a shame to see students forced to eat their lunches on the campus, or sitting on dirty staircases where all the dust is shuffled into their sandwiches, while, at the same time, our fine hard-won new cafeteria goes empty and unused for all but three short three-quarter periods a day.

The Faculty-Student Lunchroom Committee should immediately wake up and secure permission for students to sit and eat in the lunchroom as usual, getting their food from home or from the snack-bar, and promptly evacuate it one half hour before each of the soldiers' three meal periods.

Even With Note From Admiral, Cuts Still Hold

LAVENDER BLUES
By Kenny K. Goldstein

A few weeks ago we were shuttled over to a new office in House Plan by the arrival of the A.S. T.C. soldiers. We still don't see what in the world they could use our old office for—that is unless they're bringing horses—the only things beside mice, lice, and foul newspapermen that could live in that atmosphere.

SIDE GLIMPSES: That chem pedagogue who became disgusted with some of the members of his class who kept walking in and out whenever they pleased and suddenly announced: "My dear friends, attendance will now be taken every hour on the hour and every minute on the minute if necessary." . . . the earnest lad in another chem class who was patiently setting up his chem kit and labeling bottles for 12 weeks only to be drafted on the 13th. . . Prof. Fegerstrom (Math) selling analytic geometry and war stamps at the same time to his bemused and appreciative class. . . and that V-12 candidate who promised to bring his teacher a note from the admiral proving that he did go down for that examination with his teach. replying: "No difference who writes the note—I don't care if it's from the admiral or Knox".

Cross Praises Language Aid

"Linguistic Analysis," a new scientific method for learning languages as developed by the Linguistic Society of America, is being strongly advocated by Professor Ephraim Cross (Romance Languages) as of great practical use in the instruction of members of the armed forces and of even greater scope in the nation's schools.

Professor Cross heralds this new system (based on a reversal of conventional language education), as eliminating many years of tedious grammar and written form indoctrination as now practiced in the study of the more popular languages. He sees such difficult languages as Russian, Chinese, and Japanese taking a more prominent place in college curricula.

"Linguistic Analysis" is based primarily upon emphasizing phonetics in gaining language proficiency.

Technically Speaking

By Bernard Hochman

Education is the answer to what has been termed as "the menace of the machine". We have taken the first steps by cleaning out the factories, letting light and air into our centers of mass production, and forcing the adoption of adequate safety measures and accident and unemployment insurance. The next

step is in the educating of those who work the machines to prepare themselves for better and more skilled jobs.

The usual type of work to which we apply the adjective "factory" involves the constant repetition of a unit operation on a machine of some sort. In the manufacture of women's belts, for example, strips of leather are cut; an operator then takes these and punches a row of holes in each piece; a second operator puts the front and back halves of a fastener into each hole, holds it in a die, kicks a pedal with one leg, and the clip is secured into place. After this come the operations of forming and attaching the buckle, and sewing and finishing. A second example is the manufacture of fluorescent lamp cathodes. Bits of wire are placed on fixtures soldered into place, spun under a do-jigger which accomplishes a few mechanical contortions, and sealed into a glass mount.

This work on mass production processes can be made to be pleasant. Drowsiness leads to accident. Working while sick, or in poor lighting and ventilating conditions leads to the same results. The most important thing is rhythm. Once this is established, the work progresses smoothly. Music helps. War production factories are finding this out. The smaller shops are following suit, but too often with disastrous results. A program of music calls for scientific and psychological planning. The

foreman of a little shop on the umptieth floor of a downtown building turns on a radio. A mixture of static, caused by the proximity of electrical machinery, and martial music blares forth. The result is that not only is the rhythm destroyed, but the operator is left with a tight nervousness, leading to waste motion, dropping of parts, and if heavy machinery is involved, to accidents. Fortunately, present labor conditions specify decent working hours and clean conditions, which tend to reduce accidents to a minimum.

Education the Answer

Education, we have said, is the answer to the "menace of the machine". Factory work, under safe and clean conditions, isn't bad if you don't work at it for too long a period. Education, either through outside or company training, provides the machine operator or factory worker with the skill necessary for better paying work. And as the skill increases, the variety increases and the monotony disappears. No particular advantages are obtained by keeping one operator on an unskilled operation for a long period of time.

Set Summer Session Dates

Summer Term recitations will start Monday, June 28, and will end Friday, September 17, Mr. Frederick C. Shipley, Summer Term director told *The Campus* yesterday. Complete schedules of recitations will be posted by the end of this month.

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Sport Slants

By Herb Rosenblum

Mike Shinkarik, continuing his versatile ways, is now tennis enthusiast . . . the Mad Russian may be seen daily in the ROTC Drill Hall wielding a racquet . . . Besides being captain of Nat Holman's hoop team, Mike is an acrobatic lifeguard during the summer, an ace at handball and an up-and-coming star in his own right on Chief Miller's lacrosse squad.

Sports fans around the campus claim that Shinkarik could be a great football player . . . although he underwent a torrent of verbal abuse as a result of his horizontal antics during the court season, Mike is a good guy with plenty of class and will probably be trying out for new teams when he's an octogenarian.

Abe Sperling's racqueteers resume action against NYU Monday afternoon . . . The Violets are reported to be strong again this year . . . Yesterday's match with Seton Hall was cancelled due to traveling difficulties . . . The netmen came back to trim St. John's last Wednesday, 5-4, after succumbing to Columbia's Lions, 7-2 . . . According to Dan Cassino, Campus sports-writer and copy editor, the team would like another crack at the Lions, what with St. John's recent victory over the boys from Morningside Heights.

The Norm Berger-Morty Lebow combo of Dave Polansky's wingsters has brought a small degree of happiness into the cheerless existence of Mr. Polansky . . . both members of the duo are milers and Lebow especially has shown plenty of promise, to revive a cliché . . . As he is not yet seventeen, he hasn't even sniffed the draft . . . Chins up Mr. Polansky, the first hundred yards are the hardest . . . In addition to the heartening progress of his milers, Dave has watched six foot 3 in. Charley Spielberg develop into a first rate high jumper and discus thrower . . . tall, lean, and wiry, Charley has all the potentialities of a greater "jumper".

Due to the ROTC parade, today's intramurals have been postponed . . . participants should see Dr. William Frankel (Hygiene) to arrange playing dates . . . Competition has come to a head and most of the games are in their final rounds . . . We regret to inform his open-mouthed admirers that Sam Baskin is not as proficient a swimmer as he is a hoopster or orator . . . when his instructor, Mr. Sirutis, addresses his pool class, he refers to them as "all you swimmers and Sam Baskin" . . . It is interesting to note that Chief Miller's stickmen have been traveling out of town for lacrosse games more than any other City aggregate in years, and even more than Nat Holman's cagers . . . it will be a great thing for the College if Chief can arrange similar safaris for his gridsters in the fall.

Nine Opposes Ace St. John's Outfit Today

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ror at the College since then and has been the topic of many debates. It seemed that Murray Davidsberg, shortstop for the Lavenders, had pulled into third base at the time when Bob Maher, Violet third baseman shoved him off the bag and put the ball on him. The umpire, who was standing near first base at the time, and must have had a great deal of trouble in seeing the play, immediately proceeded to call Davidsberg out, which brought Sam Winograd from the dugout in a vociferous rage. The ump's decision held however, and that was the cause of the defeat.

Next Saturday, the Winogradmen will bring their season to a close against Hofstra in Long Island.

Stickmen to Oppose RPI In Final Contest Saturday

Climaxing an interesting, if not victorious, campaign, Chief Miller's lacrosse team journeys to Troy, N. Y., Saturday to engage Rensselaer Polytech.

Chief unhesitatingly predicts a triumph. "The boys have been coming along fine and improving steadily in every game."

Miller bases his confidence on the stickmen's 9-7 win over the Grand Street Boys last Saturday. Although the score appears close, the Beavers led all the way and were never seriously threatened. "We had them outfought and outsmarted from beginning to end."

Track Team Races Saturday In Met Championship Meet

AA Board Posts Open; Nominations Due Tues.

Nominations for all Athletic Association positions must be turned in at the AA Office by 2 p.m. Tuesday. They should be written along with endorsements by twenty-five AA members.

Thursday, May 20, elections for the following offices will be held: AA President, open to either a Commerce or a Main Branch student; two vice-presidents, one from Main and one from Commerce; a treasurer from Main, and two assistant treasurers from both branches.

With the possibility of Cliff Goldstein breaking a meet record, the Lavender trackmen, having scored in the Penn Relays and AAU meet, are set for the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Championships Saturday afternoon at the Brooklyn College Stadium.

Goldstein, captain of last year's cross country team, will oppose Bill Marr, NYU's indoor champion, in the two mile run. Two years ago, Goldstein was clocked in 9:32, finishing behind Bob Nichols of Rhode Island State and taking third in the IC4A's. Marr's best time is 9:44.

Captain Georgie Burke, who led-off the quartet which placed in the four mile Championship of America relay at Philadelphia, will compete in the same event.

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Men who have not yet gotten their induction notice will probably be deferred until the end of the term, Professor Crane stated. Special provision has been made for Pre-Med and Tech students who have received their draft notices. Those who wish, may present letters from the College to their Induction center where they will be put into the Reserve until July 1.

The Army has announced the formation of an Aviation Engineers Corps attached to the Air Corps. Its job will be to construct, maintain and help defend airdromes in combat zones.

Interested students are advised to send a letter air mail to the Office of Army Engineers, Headquarters Army Air Forces, Washington, D. C. during their seven day furlough after induction. The letter should include the following information: first, middle, last name of inductee; Army serial number; date to report to reception center; and name of reception center.

BUY WAR STAMPS AND BONDS

News in Brief

Today

The Social Research Laboratory will sponsor one of the series of forums on "Problems of the Peace and the Post-War World" at House Plan, from 4:30-6:00.

A seminar on "International Cooperation in the Post-War World" will be held by the Civilian Defense Council at 3:00 in 129 Main.

Inaugurate Math Tutoring Service

The formation of a tutoring service in Math 7 and 8, under the auspices of the Student Council has been announced by SC representatives Egon Brenner '46 and Robert Shostak '46.

The instruction, which is beginning this week, will be carried on with the cooperation of Dr. Otto Helmar (Math) and volunteer student tutors. Students who have done good work in mathematics are requested to see Brenner in room 20 tomorrow. Arrangements are being made to register through their

Tomorrow

John McManus, PM's movie critic, will speak at noon in 112 Main. All welcome.

The finals for the Prize Speaking Contest of the Public Speaking Dept. will be held tomorrow at 3:10 in the Faculty Room. The Roemer Prize for excellence in the declamation of poetry and the George Augustus Sandham Prize for excellence in extemporaneous speaking will be awarded at that time.

Tryouts for Senior Class Nite will be held May 13 and 14 from 3-6 in 306 Main. Budding skit and song writers, comedians, singers, actors, and dancers are invited.

math instructors, students who desire the assistance of tutors.

The tutoring, which is limited at the present to mathematics, may be extended to other subjects in future terms.

Rabbi Wise Speaks May 13

Rabbi Stephen Wise will talk on "Jewish Demands In A Post-War World," on Thursday, May 13 in the Great Hall.

Christian Science Organization at the City College of the City of New York, meets the second and fourth Friday evenings of each month at 9:00 in room 131. All are welcome.



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