

# The Campus

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## "Forever Lavender" to Run May 16, 17, 18, at PET

Burlesque may be gone, but Dramsoc is still here. And, although Dramsoc's first musical since 1943, "Forever Lavender," may not come up with a Gypsy Rose Lee or a B.S. Pulley, some 50 characters will try to give the lowdown on what goes on at the College.

The "extravaganza," proceeds of which will go to the Centennial Fund, will be unveiled at the Pauline Edwards Theater of the Commerce Center on the nights of May 16, 17 and 18.

In preparation for the past year, the show will feature 20 original songs written by members of the student body and six skits dealing with the lighter aspects of life at St. Nicholas Heights.

Among the songs, the singing of which will be accompanied by a 16-piece orchestra, are "CCNY" and "Forever Lavender." The skits will deal with such topics as Houpla, the Boatride, and the basketball squad. In the last-named skit, Lionel and Paul Malamed, Sid Trubowitz, Irwin Dambrot, Sonny Jameson and Hilty Shapiro will try to give reasonable imitations of themselves.

Tickets are priced from \$.85 to \$1.50, with black markets located in 119 Main and under the counter at the rear of the lunchroom.

## 100 Year Capsule Buried on Campus

As the culmination of yesterday's Centennial Charter Day exercises, the College's time capsule was buried on the campus near the flagpole.

Speakers at the ceremony were Senator Robert F. Wagner '98, President Harry N. Wright, Leonard Goodstein '48, president of Alpha Phi Omega. The event was televised by NBC and CBS.

Constructed by the Chemical Engineering Department under the supervision of Prof. Charles Marlies, the cylindrical capsule, measuring one and a half feet in height with a ten inch diameter, is made of monel metal alloy.

The capsule is in a six-foot deep hole encased in cement. It contains a jelly-like substance designed to remove moisture from the air in order to prevent the buried objects from decaying.

Buried inside the time capsule are pictures of former presidents of the College, of classes in session, and of the College's Gothic architecture; copies of *The Campus* and other college publications; and a parchment scroll, circulated by Alpha Phi Omega, which contains names of students contributing one dollar each to the Centennial Fund.

The scroll was made available for signatures during the past two weeks in the back of the Cafeteria. It was also placed in the cockpit of the dive bomber airplane in front of Army Hall.

## Small Cut In A.H. Rental

Hopes of Army Hall residents for getting a two-dollar-per-week rent reduction were jolted severely last Thursday when, at a conference between student groups and College administrative officials, one dollar per week was quoted as the maximum decrease possible.

Unconvinced, the student-tenants have commissioned an accountant to examine the Army Hall books. Another conference, perhaps the final one, is scheduled for Monday.

Student dissatisfaction hinges upon the College's proposed allocation of the \$23,600 received from the City this semester to cover the cost of educational facilities in Army Hall.

Since, they hold, quoting the calendar of the Board of Estimate, the revenue for housing of students was used to operate and maintain the entire Army Hall property, and now the City has provided funds for that purpose, the entire amount should be applied to the reduction of rentals. Retroactive to Feb. 3, a refund figured on this basis would come to approximately two dollars a week, according to the students' calculations.

It is the contention of Professor John J. Theobald, Dean of Administration, however, that the \$23,600 must go into the general income of Army Hall and be applied against the expenses, in order to balance the budget. The

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## College Accomplishments Lauded On Charter Day

### No Tax, Cut Rates At Centennial Ball

The Centennial Ball will become a reality this Saturday night, when Tommy Tucker will play in the Great Hall. New plans call for informal attire, but other festive trimmings such as entertainment and door prizes will be retained.

Tickets are going on sale throughout the school today, at \$1.80 per person.

### Mendelssohn Club To Continue Use Of College Name

A motion to rescind a previous decision by the Student Council granting the Wilfred Mendelssohn Club of the Communist Party permission to use the words "Students of City College" on their circulars was defeated by Student Council Friday evening by a roll call vote of 20½-19.

The Wilfred Mendelssohn Club is not chartered on the campus.

The recent decision may not be held valid, however, since the votes of two proxies were challenged after the voting.

Arthur Katz '47, SC president, opposing the measure, said a rescinding action would be joining the bandwagon in the recent Red scare and appealed to the tradition of "academic freedom."

"The argument of academic freedom is invalid," declared Ivan Schapiro, '49, "because the measure would in no way suppress the Wilfred Mendelssohn Club. It would merely prevent the minority group from jeopardizing the position of the majority, which is not in agreement with its views or methods."

## Convocation Hears O'Dwyer; Honorary Degrees Presented

By Sid Maran

Classifying the College as an "inseparable part of the community," Mayor William O'Dwyer told a Charter Day Convocation in the Great Hall yesterday that "the confidence in the Townsend Harris proposal (for free higher education) has been justified by a century of progress."

## Fund Drive Total Slowly Increasing; Approach Deadline

Approximately \$5,000 of the Student Centennial Fund drive for \$150,000 has been turned in, according to Florence Moscowitz '47, Fund Committee chairman, as the drive goes into its final fortnight. Most of the booklets, however, have not yet been turned in.

Miss Moscowitz also announced that next week a table will be set up in Lincoln Corridor to begin the collection of money and booklets. Until then, students are advised to turn money into the Faculty Room, 200 Main.

The 2600 booklets distributed three weeks ago, containing subscription certificates of \$1, \$5 and \$10, represent the major source for the student pledge of \$150,000 toward the Centennial Fund drive for \$1,500,000.

## Three Clubs Debate On Truman Doctrine

The College chapters of the Progressive Citizens of America, the United World Federalists, and the Students for Democratic Action will hold a forum to discuss the question of the validity of the Truman Doctrine, Wednesday, May 14, at 3:00, in 306, Main, it was announced yesterday.

The SDA and PCA will take the affirmative stand, and Federalists will take the negative view. Guest speakers will include Virginia Lusteo, National Executive Secretary of the World Federalists, Mortimer Hayes, noted lawyer, who will speak for the SDA, and a speaker from the National Chapter of PCA.

## Students vs. Profs In Softball Game

Ever want to laugh back at your instructor? Well, your chance will come Sunday, when members of the faculty will meet students in a Centennial softball "game" at the Stadium. President Harry N. Wright will throw out the first ball at 2:30. Admission is \$.90, proceeds of which will go to the Centennial Fund.

Mayor O'Dwyer spoke to a capacity audience of 2100, including faculty members, students, prominent College alumni, and 175 delegates from universities and colleges throughout the world, in exercises celebrating the one-hundredth anniversary of the chartering of the College. President Harry N. Wright presided.

Honorary Doctor of Laws degrees were conferred on Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter '02, Senator Robert F. Wagner '98, Bernard Baruch '89, and Doctor Stephen Duggan '90, Director of the Institute for International Education. Gano Dunn '89, President of Cooper Union, and David B. Steinman '06, architect, received Honorary Doctor of Science degrees, while the same award was bestowed *in absentia* upon Doctor Charles A. Elsberg '90, who was seriously ill and did not attend.

A discussion of "The Relation of Education to Character" by Doctor Ordway Tead, Chairman of the Board of Higher Education, preceded Sydney Herbert Wood's talk on "Education: A Final Opportunity". The British Ministry of Education's representative told the assemblage that "the best preparation for tomorrow is a well-spent today. This is the eternal moment," he said, "and we must live richly now and not reserve all our powers for tomorrow."

Talks by President Wright, who welcomed the delegates and guests, Dr. Dunn, Dr. Duggan, Arthur Katz '47, and Robert E. Sussman '47, highlighted the assembly. "The problem before the College and before education today includes the finding of goals and purposes suitable to the needs of society, and in finding methods to their pursuit," President Wright declared.

Katz, President of the Main Center's Student Council, pointed out that "free higher education has now become an integral part of our life", while Sussman, who holds the similar post at the Commerce Center, declared that "we must express our deep indebtedness for the opportunity of self-improvement".

The Reverend Dr. David de Sola Pool, of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, concluded the Great Hall proceedings with the Benediction.

## Late Baseball Bulletin!

In a Centennial Day game witnessed by a crowd including Senator Robert F. Wagner, the Beavers gained their seventh victory of the year—and their fourth Conference win—by defeating the Brooklyn College nine yesterday, 13 to 6.

Paced by Danny Perlmutter, with three doubles, and Ernie Levy, who smacked out two two-baggers and a single, the Beaver attack accounted for thirteen hits, five of which came in the third inning when eight runs were scored.

It was Gene Satin again who was the winning pitcher, giving him a record of four and two, all of which decisions were in Conference tilts. Milt Sirota was the Kingsmen's losing pitcher.

Almost everybody on the Beaver bench saw action, not one of the starting lineup playing through the entire game.

The score:

	R	H	E
Brooklyn	0	0	3
CCNY	2	1	8

Brooklyn—Sirota, Kalechstein and Tiegre.  
City—Satin, Pereira, Greene and Elkind, Breenberg, Seaman.

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## Runaround

Realizing that part of their room rents went to cover the cost of educational facilities in Army Hall, residents applied pressure to the City Council for an allocation, which was granted. At that time, it was understood that these moneys were to afford residents substantial rent reductions.

Now, however, the College administration comes up with the decision that only what amounts to a token cut will be forthcoming. It cites the perpetual problem of "balancing the budget" as the cause.

Why is the College renegeing in its promise to the residents? Where was the argument, "balance the budget," Mr. Davis, before the grant came through? Does the administration think that by appeasing the vet residents with a maximum cut of one dollar a week it can do as it wishes with the remainder of the allocation? It seems to us that everybody is already aware of the veterans' poor financial status and of the excessively high rents charged. Let's not dilly dally any longer, Dean Theobald! Instead, send the \$23,600 where it rightfully belongs—for rent reductions to the Army Hall students.

## Symbol For Tomorrow

Leading educators and public officials assembled yesterday to pay homage to 100 years of free higher education. The basis of its success is admission to all, regardless of race, religion or creed. The College is proud and honored, but it does not wish to retain its honors alone in the future. Let yesterday's ceremonies stand as a symbol, let all institutions of higher learning admit all without qualification. Then, we can compliment ourselves as an example of "democracy in action."

## Unwarranted By Facts

The tabling by the Faculty-Student Committee on Student Activities of the charter of a proposed Palestine Resistance Committee is an action unwarranted by facts. It is believed by many that the charter of the new group, which intends to arouse student interest in the fight for a free national homeland for the Jews, was tabled because members of the committee felt the group had "fascistic leanings." Since this group was known to favor the activities of the terrorist Irgun Zvei Leumi, members of the committee headed by Prof. John J. Theobald (Dean of Administration) wished a full investigation of the organization's attitudes on various questions of the day.

In fact, this desire for an investigation is in direct contradiction to both the letter and the spirit of the McGoldrick Resolution, as it has been interpreted for many years. The Resolution, known as the Magna Carta of the College's students through many years of hectic disturbance, provides that charters shall be granted to all organizations on the campus which (a) do not conflict with existing organizations or (b) do not attack religion, government, or existing sexual morality.

While the SFCSA may have some doubts as to whether the Palestine Resistance Committee is about to fight the right fight or the wrong one, it has no right, by tabling the charter, to pass a public value-judgment on the organization. The Resistance Committee, whether you like it or not, is a bona fide organization and deserves to be chartered as such.

## City Lights

By Anne Marie Petrenko

If I were ever to write a gossip column, I'm afraid it would sound something like this—

Which female has taken on all school athletes as opponents in drinking bouts . . . What male had the distinction of spending a week-end in a sorority house . . . Who's the femme who recently has taken to smoking cigars . . . (So help me all this stuff is the truth) Who's the prof who was unanimously voted to go into the time capsule . . . And that's what it would be like. Personally I find it too confusing. People don't know who you're talking about and by the time the stuff is printed you've forgotten yourself. I don't write gossip columns . . .

Now if I were ever to write a poetry column I'm afraid it would sound something like this . . .

Some profs gab an awful lot  
Others barely mutter  
It doesn't bother me at all  
'Cause I'm a constant cutter.

—OR—

When students yawn  
Pray—do not weep  
It's merely proof  
They're not asleep.

—OR—

There are wedding bells  
That toll away  
And pretty belles  
For whom men pay  
But the bell that's really  
packed with power  
Is the class room bell that  
ends the hour.

I'll admit that I'd never write a column about poetry—

But I could quote people like George Bernard Shaw who said about Art . . .

"I have never pretended to represent things as they are.

That is the business of Movie-tone News."

On Education

"In a prison they may torture your body. But they do not torture your brains, and they protect you against violence and outrage from your fellow prisoners. In a school you have none of these advantages." (Shades of Stanley Frank)

Now if any of these were things I'd like to write about, I would, but I'd rather not.

## Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

In last week's issue, Campus published a letter written by Robert Shostak, President of the CCNY chapter of the ADA, in which AVC was attacked for its proxy vote cast against the granting of a charter to ADA.

On Thursday, May 1, the organization raised the issue and voted 41-16 to reject the stand taken in the Student Council by its delegate. Because of this vote, the delegate resigned, thereby completely repudiating the stand voiced on his behalf in the SC.

Sincerely yours,  
Sy Brown  
Norman W. Friedman  
Jay Atkin  
Milton E. Gilbert  
John R. Hunter  
Jack Manpel

measure of a "Communist sympathizer." We believed this clause, unless further clarified, would in itself violate academic freedom. Unless more accurately defined, this power to exclude a student from a school club merely because he is labeled a "Communist sympathizer" could lead to many abuses.

Before any real discussion could begin, the question was called and a vote was taken. AYD never got a chance to present its views on this important subject.

With this in mind, the AYD representative chose to abstain. We voted neither for or against the ADA charter.

Had the full implications of the clause in question been clarified by the ADA, our vote would have been different.

Charles Lipow '49  
SC Representative  
Tom Paine Club, AYD

To the Editor:

In the Campus issue of May 1, 1947 Mr. Shostak of the Americans for Democratic Action accuses AYD of going against its principles in regards to academic freedom. This, because of AYD's abstention vote in the Student Council on ADA's charter.

AYD had an objection to one of the clauses in ADA's charter. This clause would permit all students to become members of ADA except Communists and "Communist sympathizers." The ADA did not explain what constituted their

amount available for rent reduction, therefore, is the remainder.

Protesting this view, members of the Army Hall Council, the AVC and the Vets Association asserted that had not the City allotted funds, Army Hall would still operate.

## Rent Cut

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# Nine Meets Violets Today

In a final bid for a crack at the Metropolitan Collegiate Baseball Conference championship, the College nine will hook up with the long right arm of Sandy Silverstein this afternoon, when the Beavers meet New York University at Ohio Field. Game-time at the Hall-of-Famers' diamond is slated for 3:30.

Silverstein, in his third year as ace pitcher of Bill McCarthy's Heights nine, has been unbeaten over his last two seasons of Conference play. Since he opened this year's activity with an 8-7 decision over the Lavender on April 8, he has been followed by a scout from the Boston Red Sox.

Opposing the strapping Violet ace will be one of two Beaver "spot" hurlers, Marty Cohan or Lefty Bill Hogan. Cohan, a short right-hander was impressive in an eight-inning stint against Wagner two weeks back, while Hogan is capable, on his better days, of the best work on the staff.

Since neither of the Beaver hurlers can be expected to hold such sluggers as Tom Capozzoli, Roy Teasley, Tom Robertson, and Bob Maher, the Lavender must depend on its hitters if it expects to leave with a victory.

NYU, which has ruled the met roost since 1943, is still unbeaten in league play. The Beavers have lost to St. John's, as well as to the Violets.

## Hoop Captain Named

Lionel Malamed has been chosen captain of the 1947-48 basketball team, Coach Nat Holman announced yesterday.

# Racquetees Crush Queens 6-3; Engage East Orange Saturday

ACE PITCHER



Gene Satin

Beaver racquetees will journey to East Orange Saturday to meet Panzer in the second non-Metropolitan match of their current campaign. The Beavers lost the first one, 5-4, to RPI, earlier in the season.

Coach Abe Sperling's netmen, however, remained undefeated in Metropolitan competition, crushing Queens last Wednesday, 6-3 at their host's court. Previous victims of the Lavender were Brooklyn Poly and Fordham.

Friday's meeting with Manhattan was rained out and will be rescheduled.

Captain Dave Katz, loser of only one match in four meets, continued in good form against Queens, winning his singles match in straight sets and teaming with Bob Povey to take the doubles. Vernon Morgan, Donald Cooper and Billy Lipman, won their three-set matches, while Morgan teamed with Max Hotop in victorious doubles.

## Runners to Face Brooklyn on Sat.

Harold Anson Bruce's track and field boys will try for their second successive dual meet win against Brooklyn Saturday.

The Beavers, at Williamsbridge Oval last Saturday, overwhelmed Wagner College by a 87-33 count, thereby extending Lavender dominance over Wagner to a third sport.

A stalwart of Brooklyn College's football team, Sam Klein, is expected to provide the Kingsmen with three sure wins in the field events.

## Alumni, RPI Next For Lacrossemen

Leon Miller's lacrosse charges traveled up to West Point yesterday to face Army's "B" team, in an attempt to make up for the 20-3 beating administered by the "A" squad last month.

The stickmen were idle all last week, and on Saturday will exercise against the Alumni at the Stadium. The following Saturday, they will close their season against RPI at Troy.

The Millermen's record now stands at three won and two lost. The St. Nicks lost to the Army varsity and Syracuse and defeated Rutgers, Stevens and Drexel. The first two wins were in overtime.

# Sport Slants

By TONY SHUB

**SHORT SLANTS:** The last time a Beaver baseball team stopped New York University was in 1944, when Herman Neuberger pitched a three-hit shutout at Van Cortlandt Park, besting Ralph Branca, 2-0 . . . Since that time, the Violets have taken six straight decisions from the College nine . . . NYU, in fact, has not lost in the Conference since Fordham's Jim Arbucho stopped Bill McCarthy's club last spring.

While adjective-ridden tub thumpers may claim the College's greatest lacrosse season of all times, one may note that the stickmen have not done better than .500 in the last ten years . . . This is not to be construed as taking credit away from a scrapping ballclub, but just points up the fact that the adjective "greatest" is slung around too loosely . . . A recent visitor to the College, who was in touch with CCNY sports for five years, utters this truism: "What this place needs is less con-men and a few more ballplayers."

**Add Signs of the Times:** Former sports publicity man Zane Liff out for spring football . . . Next thing you know Mascot Eddie Winton will be hired as head coach . . . Although this latter suggestion has been welcomed in some quarters (one ex-football player said, "They couldn't do much worse"), that is not to be interpreted as the policy of *The Campus* . . . We are in favor of Eleanor Sterling, one of the centennial twins. Her players would like her, anyhow . . . Of course, an "assignment" might be difficult.

College fans will get another look at old favorite Jack Laub next winter, when the rangy Lincoln High graduate appears against The Beaver five with Cincinnati's cagers . . . Jack was a regular with Nixie Holman all through the 1943-44 and 1944-45 seasons, starting on the latter club without a minute's practice . . . Another "sweetheart" back in the Garden will be Danny Markoff, who gave City its last victory over St. John's . . . Dan, who plays "heads-down" basketball, will be wearing Lavender.

Soccer team drilling daily under patient, hard-working Ira Zasloff . . . Hygiene Department irked at the Herald-Tribune for assigning Tuss McLaughry to coach the College Football All-Stars . . . Long-delayed plug due to Don Zimmerman, the best manager this College has had in any sport during our four years here . . . Not only a sound basketball man, but the first we've seen here who (a) had a sense of humor (b) wasn't merely a mouthpiece for his coach.

## Intramurals

The playoff rounds of the intramural softball tournament will start next Thursday with the top four teams of each league represented. Each team has one more scheduled game to play. At present the outstanding clubs in each loop are the Aednas, Imbies, and Galloping Gadgets in Division I and the Alligherians and Ramblers in Division II.

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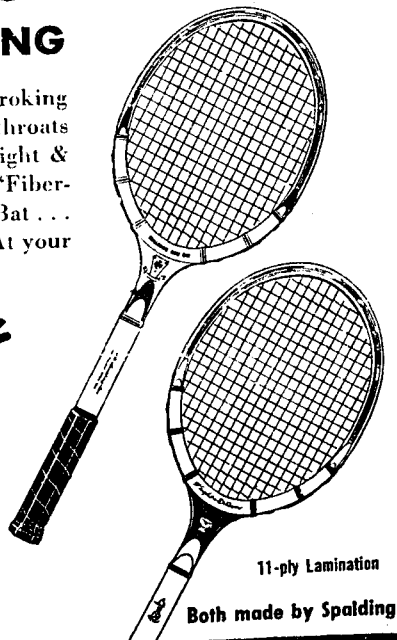


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### Table Approval Of PRC Charter

The College's chapter of the Intercollegiate Palestine Resistance Committee was delayed from operating officially when the Student-Faculty Committee on Student Activities tabled approval of the group's charter at its last meeting.

Opposition to immediate approval is thought to be caused by the belief of certain members of the SFCSA that the group was "fascistic." The action followed a Student Council recommendation for passage of the Resistance Committee's charter.

### NISS

Go see a centennial exhibition of alumnus Ralph A. Blakelock's paintings shown by the College at the Whitney Museum, 10 W. 8th St. April 22 to May 29 . . . Budding Freuds in the Psychology Society will engage in conflicts over business today at 12:30 in 104 Harris . . .

**Ribs:** Producer-Director-Star-Stage Manager-Curtain Puller-Hy Wilotsky says that if "Another Part of the Campus", (the senior class musical) isn't a howling success he won't be surprised. Reason: The deal he had on to get dishes distributed to the audience has fallen through. But costumes will be supplied by well known men's and women's clothing houses.

**Muse:** Novice Hogarths and Woolcotts are invited to produce prose epics and pour out their hearts on canvas in response to the music of Dean Dixon, conductor of the American Youth Orchestra. At House Plan on Thursday evening, May 15, he will play as an experiment for student artist reaction, the same program that he will conduct on May 27 in the Great Hall. Interested? Leave name and phone number at the Houpla office . . .

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A generous contribution amounting to six thousand dollars made by Mark Eisner '05, has made it possible to destroy the mortgage.

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### WORLD FEDERALISTS

Norman Cousins, editor of the "Saturday Review of Literature," will speak Thursday, May 15, at 12:15 in 306 Main on "Modern Man is Obsolete." At 2:00 he will be guest of honor at a luncheon given by the World Federalists in the Webb Room, Abe Bargman '48, president, announced yesterday.

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