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## Club Week to Feature Activities Fair Thurs.

By Edward Kosner

The College's first Club Week, sponsored by Student Council, will be highlighted Saturday by the Activities Fair on Thursday in the Great Hall.

Featuring programs designed to illustrate the activities of the various organizations at the College, Join a Club Week begins Saturday with the showing of the film "Ox Bow Incident," from 3 to 5 in 126 Main.

On Tuesday, Hillel will open up in fifteen student discussion groups to the general student body between 12 and 2. "The Dynamics of Fixed Marriage" will be discussed during the meeting of the Courtship and Marriage group, from 12 to 1. It will feature a lecture by Rabbi Zuckerman (Director, Hillel) on that topic. A forum on "Current Versions of Judaism" will be held during the second hour, at another of the

A new law prohibiting parking in St. Nicholas Terrace was instituted last week.

The law forbids parking at any time. Previously it had permitted alternate parking.

The alternate parking law forbade parking on one side of the street between the hours of 11 and 2 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and on the other side on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. This was to facilitate street cleaning.

Despite the new law, drivers have continued to park their cars in the terrace. "Many of them probably have not noticed the new signs," said Dean James S. Peace (Student Life), "and they think they can still park on the terrace according to the alternate parking law."

Dean Peace said that the College has requested that there be diagonal parking on one side of the terrace only. "Traffic on the terrace is two-ways," he pointed out, "and with cars parked on both sides, there was only room for one-way traffic."

The new no-parking law, the dean feels, will only increase the parking problem which already exists.

## Teacher Exam Entries Available in 112 Main

The National Teacher Examinations, conducted by the Educational Testing Service, will be administered on Saturday, February 12, 1955, to applicants for teaching positions and to prospective teachers.

Applications and fees will be accepted during November and December, 1954, and early January, 1955. Students who are interested may get an application form and a Bulletin of Information in the Office of Teacher Placement, Room 112, Main.

student-led discussion groups.

Wednesday will be Varsity Day. It will feature a tour of the College's athletic facilities in Lewisohn Stadium and the Hygiene Building, conducted by the Varsity Club. The tour will show many of the athletic organizations in action. Wednesday's program also includes a showing of Hans Richter's, much acclaimed, surrealist film: "The Dreams That Money Can Buy," in the Townsend Harris Auditorium, from 3 to 5. The film was recently shown during the Evening Session to turn-away crowds.

The Activities Fair, on Thursday from 12 to 2, in the Great Hall, will be open for the first time to the entire student body. Entertainment by the dramatic, musical and dance groups at the College will be presented during the first hour and displays sponsored by the various clubs and organizations will round out the program. SC will award a gold cup to the group whose display is judged the best.

A forum on "What is Americanism" featuring many of the College's political groups, including the Young Democrats, Young Republicans, Young Liberals and the Marxist Discussion Group, and moderated by Joe Blascer '56, will be held on Friday in 315 Main, between 3 and 5. That afternoon Hillel will sponsor one of its Oneg Shabbats. A dramatic presentation is planned and free refreshments will be served. The Oneg Shabbat is open to all.

Join a Club Week activities will conclude, Friday evening, with one of the regular Friday Night Dances, starting at 8.

## Boomers Cop Met Crown With 1-0 Win Over B'klyn

By Ronald Salzberg

Old Dame Fate used the same players, but this time she changed the script, and as a result the Beaver soccer team won its second consecutive Met crown as they defeated Brooklyn College, 1-0, at the loser's field Saturday.

Last year, the Beavers suffered their lone conference loss as they bowed, 1-0, to Brooklyn, the goal coming on a penalty shot. This year it was a penalty shot that beat Brooklyn, as Wolf Wost scored the goal at 15:30 of the second period.

### Never Let Up

Despite the fact that most of the team had suffered a strong physical beating this Thursday in the 3-1 loss to Army, the Beavers didn't let up for a moment as they constantly kept the ball in Brooklyn territory.

There was Johnny Koutsanou, head swollen from the Army affair, and ever-hustling Morris Hocherman pressing the attack and keeping Brooklyn goalie Dick Breyer busy and there was also Eddie Trunk who was outstanding on defense.

A combination of fine offensive passing and excellent defensive work by Bob Hayum and Vahe Jordan and goalie Wally Meisen kept the ball deep in Brooklyn territory for most of the game.

The Beavers continued applying pressure in the second half but could not dent the Brooklyn defense.

### Meisen Excels

Brooklyn came to life in the fourth quarter as they kept the ball deep in Lavender territory. Meisen, playing his finest game, made save after save-leaping high.

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Camphoto by Bergman  
Co-captains of the championship soccer team: Gus Naclerio (left) and defensive star Eddie Trunk. Saturday was Naclerio's last game.

## Dean to Punish Sirota For Misrepresentation

Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) has announced that he will ask the registrar to indicate on Al Sirota's record that Sirota misrepresented himself as a student and that he failed to adequately explain why. Sirota, who had been dropped

from the College in June, had been a leader of an anti-McCarthy movement at the College. He had also served this term as treasurer of Hillel, a post to which he had been elected prior to his debarment.

Dean Peace had given Sirota until November 12 to explain why he pretended to be a student and to clear up certain questions relating to the anti-McCarthy movement, but Sirota failed to do so.

One of the questions involves a box of anti-McCarthy tags which were delivered to Jim Liburd '57, for distribution on campus. When asked by Dean Peace who had given him the tags, Liburd, after changing his story twice, said that a man he "didn't know" had delivered them to him off campus.

Last week, Eric Brown '57, claimed to be the unidentified man. He said that Sirota had given him "five or six dollars" which Sirota claimed to have collected at a meeting of College students. "What we'd like to know from Sirota," Dean Peace said, "is where and from whom this money was collected."

Another unanswered question is what happened to a list signed by hundreds of students indicating that they were interested in a "Green Feather" movement.

The signatures were solicited at a booth set up by Students for Democratic Action, which at the time was cooperating with Sirota and several other unaffiliated students in the Green Feather movement.

Dean Peace said that he will also ask that any requests for transcripts of Sirota's record be referred to him first.



Dr. Alvin Johnson

Finley, as a means of symbolizing the commencement pledge taken annually by graduates of the College to make the city "greater, better and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

This year's award is the eighth to be presented by the Alumni Association. Previous winners include Bernard M. Baruch and the Rockefeller family.

## Cohen Picture To Be Shown Today at 4

A portrait of the late Felix Cohen, former professor of philosophy, and one-time editor-in-chief of *The Campus*, is to be unveiled today at 4, in the faculty room on the fifth floor of the Main Building.

Featured speaker on the occasion will be Oscar Chapman, Secretary of the Interior in the Truman cabinet. He will comment on Cohen's defense of the rights of the American Indian.

The son of Morris R. Cohen had an eventful undergraduate life at the College. His crusade against compulsory ROTC, highlighted by a blank-page editorial with a note that a certain subject could not be commented upon, ended successfully with compulsory ROTC being dropped by the General Faculty from the required courses.

However, faculty bitterness concerning his stand held up for seven years his selection to Phi Beta Kappa, despite his being graduated Magna Cum Laude.

His portrait will repose next to one of his father in the new library which will be built at the South Campus.

All students and faculty members are invited to attend the presentation of the portrait today.

PROF ATTACKS 'CIVILIZATION':

## Denounces 'Dehumanization of Man'

By Bob Mosenkis

"Our machine civilization has grown out of our control," believes Mr. Rene Champion (Sociology), "and it is now creating man in its own image."

Our civilization, says he, has dehumanized man, and can persist only if man accepts this dehumanization. If he cannot, mass suicide or mutual destruction are the only way out.

### Hard to be Happy

The western societies have much more crime, mental illness, broken homes and general unhappiness than is found in primitive civilizations claims Mr. Champion. "Our society," he stated, "doesn't make it easy to be happy." During the past two summers, Mr. Champion, an anthropologist, has spent his vacations living with the Tarahumara, an extremely primitive tribe of Indians living in Mexico, and has learned much about living happily from them.

Primitive peoples, he finds, are not slaves to fear and confusion—they do not have to constantly

Camphoto by Berger  
Mr. Rene Champion

ponder over what is right and wrong, what is honest and dishonest, what is moral and immoral. To say, however, that the primitives have no fears would be entirely false, but their advantage lies in that they have definite religious rituals designed to calm these fears.

### Religion Thrown Off

Civilized man has thrown off most of his beliefs and faiths in God, claims Mr. Champion. He has traded his security in religion for the hope that someday, science will explain the mysteries he formerly attributed to God. Eventually, scientists may answer the questions about life that have been troubling us, but, claims Mr. Champion, "it's like promising a starving man food a year from now."

Discussing man's working conditions, the anthropologist noted, "Civilized man works too many

hours and under too much tension. In our specialized mass production system, he works at a job of repetition or uninspiring and dull tasks. This stunts the individual—makes him a machine. Though the work of primitives is also repetitive it is not reduced to mechanical tasks.

### Regulated by Clock

"Everything civilized man does is regulated by the clock," continues Mr. Champion, "the clock has replaced the soul in modern man." He will work himself to death, and has come to believe that "an ulcer is a sure ticket to heaven," according to Mr. Champion.

Dehydration of emotions and the stunting of intellect are the results of our present civilization. Technological advances have led to the extension of the life span of civilized man, but Mr. Champion feels that "primitive man is a good deal happier, for however short his life is, it's more worth living. Our civilization is a product of our most basic instincts—fear of death and hunger."

### Traded Humanity

\* And what have we given up our human qualities and emotion for? "For a fair guarantee that we will have a full belly three times a day," stated Mr. Champion. "We've traded our humanity for a mess of porridge."

Mr. Champion feels that the most tragic aspect of our modern way of life is that "modern civilization can persist only if man accepts his dehumanization and becomes the machine that our machine civilization compels him to be. If he cannot accept it, mass suicide or mutual destruction seems to be the only two alternatives."

## Reception Planned For New Advisor



The Reverend William J. Mulloy, who was recently appointed counselor to Catholic students at the College, will be tendered a formal reception this Thursday at the Catholic Center, 141st Street and St. Nicholas Ave.

The reception, organized by Prof. W. H. Fagerstrom (Mathematics) is being given by those members of the College staff who are friends of Reverend Mulloy.

## Senior Prom Still Scheduled; Only Fifteen Tickets Available

The Senior Prom will definitely be held December 25 at the Park Lane Hotel, as originally planned, according to Joan Shaiken, senior class vice-president. However, because of the limited capacity, only fifteen more pledges can be accepted.

Pledges, costing five dollars, may be obtained from Mr. Irving Slade (Central Treasurer) in 120 Main. The full price of the tickets is twenty dollars.

"This will be the only prom for the class of '55, which includes January, June, and August graduates," Joan pointed out.

The prom will feature a reception, a full-course turkey dinner, entertainment, and dancing. An eight-piece orchestra, conducted by Jerry Kravet and featuring Shelly Gordon on trumpet, will perform.

Senior class cards are also available in the Senior office, 109A Army Hall. Costing one dollar, the cards enable students to receive discounts on senior activities.

## New Alumni Executive Notes Plans for Speakers Bureau

Mr. Victor S. Axelroad '37 (Speech), has been named assistant executive secretary of the Alumni Association, it was announced last week. A former member of the association's board of directors, he will supervise class organization activities.

A member of the Debating Society for three years when an undergraduate, Mr. Axelroad has been a member of the Speech Department since 1948. He now

teaches evening session classes at both the Main and Baruch Centers.

His plans include the establishment of a Speakers Bureau, which will provide speakers who are experts in their fields for appearances at different alumni functions. "This will help to take some of the load from busy speakers such as President Gallagher," he said, "and it will also assure the alumni of a speaker who can talk with authority on the particular topic that they are interested in."

Mr. Axelroad, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, was president of Student Council during his senior year. "Many alumni would like to know of the activities of undergraduates and of their fellow graduates," he said, "If more alumni were to attend social functions of the College and alumni groups, their interest would be satisfied."

To foster better and closer relationships between alumni and the College, Mr. Axelroad will work with alumni to encourage more and better functions by alumni groups. He will be primarily concerned with aiding alumni groups with reunions and similar activities.

"A strong and active alumni will definitely be beneficial to the undergraduates of the school," he pointed out, mentioning that the alumni should be important contributors to the City College Fund. He also emphasized the effect of alumni influence on the employment opportunities for undergraduates.

### Author to Read Poetry Today in Faculty Room

Mr. Louis MacNeice, poet, critic, and author of studies of modernist poetry and of the poetry of William Butler Yeats, will read from his own poetry today at noon in the Faculty Room, 200 Main.

Mr. MacNeice is appearing in conjunction with the English Department lecture series. The lectures are part of Prof. Henry Leffert's Comparative Literature 90 course, which studies modern American and British writers. Everyone is invited to attend.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### STAND CLARIFIED

To the Editor:

Re your premature publication of the article of Nov. 9, '54 dealing with my tentative acceptance of the challenge to debate with the Marxist Discussion Club, may I have the following clarification printed.

The title will be "An Evaluation of Marxism as Scientific Socialism" and not the "Merits of Marxism." This must not be construed as meaning an evaluation of socialism as such, which must be judged separately.

My being quoted when the reporter merely paraphrased certain ideas which I expressed in a Social Studies II class studying Marxism, would not be as disturbing as the distortion which resulted from placing the alleged quotation after the statement of President Gallagher's that he did not want to give the club official encouragement.

I am against the suppression of a club merely because it advocates certain ideas, which, if opposed, as I will do, must be met with other ideas, just as force must be met with force. But President Gallagher has never advocated the suppression of a club, so that my supposed "quotation" was inappropriate—in fact it was not said.

I hoped that students or other clubs would have taken up the

challenge to discuss various aspects of Marxism, but not knowing of such, I have agreed to the debate. I hope that students of various political-economic orientations attend.

Wallace Sokolsky (History)

### OPPOSES UCATE

To the Editor:

In transforming the United Front Against Communism into the United Clubs Against Totalitarianism, the campus organizations have made a grave error.

The target is now so large that we can no longer see the bull's eye. The menace to the United States from the Communist conspiracy is obscured by the phantoms of ideas which do not present a clear and present danger to us today.

Moreover, I fear that the liberals of this College, in their zeal to guard American freedom and civil liberties, will use this new group to focus attention on the threat on the extreme right which, by no means, has the same magnitude as the more imminent threat on the extreme left.

Such liberals remind me of a person who is so concerned with the splinter in his finger that he fails to see the tree falling on him.

Robert Stanfield  
Young Republican

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# THE CAMPUS

*Undergraduate Newspaper of the City College Since 1907*

## SC Celebrates Its Fiftieth Anniversary As Five-Day 'Join A Club' Drive Begins

Many of you who are reading these words have never taken an active part in any College organization.

You are the students who go to classes - to cafeteria - to homework-to-sleep, without experiencing the well-balanced meal diet that is achieved only when classwork is supplemented by working informally with fellow students for a common cause. THE CAMPUS is dedicating this Special Clubs Supplement to you, the non-joiner, in the hope that one phase of student activity at the College will awaken your interest.

At the same time we want to congratulate Student Council on its fifty-fifth anniversary and express our enthusiastic approval of its sponsorship of Join a Club Week.

It is appropriate on this occasion to remember the first of the student leaders—Richard Rogers Bowker '68—who acquired at the College his faith in democracy, faith which he used to fight for a student government. Although he was unsuccessful during his stay at the College, his battles, described in this issue, paved the way for the victory which came three-and-a-half decades later.

Because of his great contributions to the College, and his later contributions to the community as a leading reformer, THE CAMPUS asks that Student Council set up a "Richard R. Bowker Memorial Award" to be given yearly to the graduating senior who has, through his club activities, most exemplified Bowker's faith in democracy.

—THE EDITORS



This semester marks the fiftieth anniversary of the student government, and its history reads like a business cycle graph—full of ups and downs.

It isn't completely accurate to say that the Council has only existed for fifty years. If we go back to the eighteen sixties, we find traces of a short-lived Student Council led by Richard Rogers Bowker. Its termination was due to opposition by President Horace Webster. This seems to be a recurrent note in Council's history: it has flourished under friendly presidents, withered under hostile ones.

### REBIRTH UNDER FINLEY

The 1904 rebirth came under John Huston Finley, an imaginative administrator who completely reorganized student-faculty relations. At that time the student self-government had a purely advisory capacity. It continued to exist under President Sidney Edward Mezes who regarded it with favor.

The honeymoon period ended in 1928 when Frederick Bertrand Robinson succeeded Mezes. For ten years the feuding raged over such issues as compulsory ROTC, left-wing causes, and umbrella swinging.

### FLAGPOLE MEETINGS ENDED

Because of the numerous outdoor meetings which tended to get out of hand, the area around the flagpole was altered so as to make it ill-suited for large assemblages. Council in those days spent a great deal of time discussing world affairs, outside politics and other topics not related to the students as students.

After Robinson left, the atmosphere became less charged. Harry Noble Wright ushered in the "modern" era of student-faculty-administration relations when he became president in December 1941. The College's energies were pooled for the war effort. Council worked with other groups in various drives for blood, money, clothing, and other items.

### STUDENT LIFE FORMED

In June, 1943, Dr. Wright announced the formation of the Department of Student Life to coordinate student-faculty relations.

Council was still relatively in its iron age. Like a high school G.O., it had to beg for student support and money. This condition led to an almost total emphasis on social activities. The war's end saw the upsurge of a new spirit.

### ALL-COLLEGE CONGRESSES

Presaging this new look, Council sponsored two All-College Inter-Session Congresses. As a result

Who said City College students are apathetic?

On the basis of my experience at a number of campuses throughout the country, I have found our student body to be anything but indifferent.

The designation by Student Council of November 15-19 as "Join a Club Week" is simply further proof, if any more is needed, of the vibrant spirit that is characteristic of the College.

Extra-curricular activities are an integral factor in the creation and maintenance of good student and faculty morale. It is one way in which we can overcome some of the handicaps we face because of our size and urban location.

In the past, we have always had clubs and other extra-curricular organizations to satisfy virtually every taste and need. Although enrollment in these groups has always been high, any additional effort to increase membership has my whole-hearted support.

"Join a Club Week" is one more step toward an eventual goal of having every student at the College take advantage of the opportunities to participate in the rich extra-curricular life of the College.

—PRES. BUELL GALLAGHER

## Club Week's Special Plans Listed Below

The College's first Join a Club Week opens today. The schedule of events and activities follows:

### Monday

3-5: Film, "The Oxbow Incident" in 126 Main.

4: Presentation of portrait of Felix S. Cohen in fifth floor faculty lounge—Oscar Chapman, former Secretary of the Interior is the featured speaker.

### Tuesday

12-2: Hillel Open Forum—Discussion and lecture on "The Dynamics of Mixed Marriage."

3: Campus—OP Football Game.

### Wednesday

2-4: Varsity Day—Tour of Hygiene and Stadium—Demonstrations by teams.

3-5: Film—"Dreams That Money Can Buy."

### Thursday

12-2: Activities Fair in the Great Hall—Presentations by Hillel, Gilbert and Sullivan Society, Varsity Club and Dramsoc—Club displays.

### Friday

1-2: Hillel Oneg Shabbat—Dramatic play on "The Tercentenary of Jews in America"—Wine and cake will be served.

3-5: Political club and Debating Society Forum—"The Meaning of Americanism"—Joe Blecker, Moderator—Question and answer period.

## College Lists 92 Societies

Ninety-two student organizations are registered with the College according to a directory of clubs issued by the Department of Student Life.

The social clubs form the largest group with a total of twenty-five fraternities, sororities, and coeducational social groups registered. House Plan, the largest social group, has a membership of twelve hundred. Twenty-four professional groups are registered with the department.

The College's political spectrum extends from left to right and from the Young Progressives to Students for America. There are nine political clubs registered at the College and the number seems to be increasing each week. The ten registered publications all include three newspapers and seven magazines which appear during the year.

Also registered with the department are eight hobby clubs, six honor societies, five service organizations, three religious groups, and two athletic clubs.

of these Congresses, Knittle Lounge, the Blood Bank, and the Friday Night Dance came into existence.

The tidal wave of veterans was largely responsible for a change in thinking. At first, the student attitude was that education was a privilege which was to be accepted without question; now it was felt that society owed it to the youth, many of whom had fought to maintain that society.

### KNICKERBOCKER-DAVIS AFFAIR

One result of the veterans' presence was a revitalization of student government's concern for worldly questions. The Knickerbocker-Davis affair was fought over for five years filled with picketing, mass meetings and Lincoln Corridor sitdown strikes before the April 1949 student strike. A week later and a thousand dollars poorer, Council acknowledged the demise of the strike.

Council meetings stirred with political enmity as right- and left-wing caucuses were the order of the day. Until a group of determined members succeeded in having passed a by-law preventing consideration of outside politics, student-centered proposals were out of luck.

### COLLEGE COMMUNITY CONCEPT

The concept of a college community composed of student, faculty and administration partners developed in the post-war period. After a number of intermediate steps, the Student Faculty Committee on Student Affairs was constituted with equal student-faculty representation. Council supported the plan for a student activities fee and in return was guaranteed student participation in the allocation of the fees. The fee made possible the growth of many student organizations.

### ALL-COLLEGE CONFERENCE

Throughout this period a number of determined members like Joseph Clancy '53 and Hank Stern '54 made important contributions.

Clancy developed the concept of the college community into an All-College Conference at which the partners would discuss mutual problems. He, more than any other student, gained the respect of the faculty and administration.

### REPRESENTS ALL STUDENTS

And what of the present day SC? Council has achieved a high balance of achievement and efficiency. It has embarked on new areas of work, has involved many new students in its activities and has made true its claim to speak for all the students and not just for a small number. It is still guided by the community concept and looks to the day when Student Union and all activities will be administered by joint committees.

THE COLLEGE PRESS:

# Newspapers Begin in 1852

From the day the first, hand-written, single copy of "Phrenocosmian" appeared in 1852, College newspapers have been an important part of the College's life.

The first publication to meet with any success on a regular basis was The Collegian, founded in 1866 by Richard Rogers Bowker '68. The fourth regularly published college periodical in America, Collegian folded a year later when Bowker, its "guiding spirit," graduated.

During the 1870's, a number of papers, representing factions within classes, arose bearing such titles as College Budget, The Flea, The Festive Flea, and Fire Fly. Only one of the publications of this period met with any success, The Echo, which ran for three years.

#### Six Journals Founded

Another half-dozen journals were founded in the next decade, notable among which were The Journal which published for seven years, and Free Press, whose motto was "A day, an hour of virtuous Liberty, is worth a whole Eternity of Bondage."

On September 30, 1907, the first issue of The Campus, destined to become the first successful, enduring newspaper at the College, was published. Twice in its forty-seven-year history, members of The Campus editorial board have resigned and formed their own, independent newspaper, the Student. In 1926, a year after Felix S. Cohen '26,



editor-in-chief, was ordered to stop his criticism of the compulsory ROTC program then in force, Harry Heller '26 was removed as editor for criticizing the faculty's attitude towards student needs.

#### Outsold 'The Campus'

In protest, The Campus' managing board resigned and published, with their own funds, the Student, described as "the only real free student paper" of the period. Selling off-campus, the venture had considerable success, often outselling the makeshift Campus, until it suspended publication, having "served its purpose," a year later.

In 1932, the Student was revived as a result of the resignation of the entire managing

board of the Campus in protest over alumni interference with the running of the paper.

On two other occasions, The Campus was ordered to cease publication because of obscene April Fool editions it had published. Although the first such instance in 1933 resulted in the expulsion from the College of four editors, the 1951 case was handled less drastically, the entire managing board being placed under temporary suspension.

At the end of World War II, the College was deluged with returning veterans. In 1947, several of these joined together to publish the Observation Post. Originally dedicated to serving the needs of veterans at the College, OP gradually changed its format as the vets graduated, until its present setup came into existence late in 1951.

#### Editorial Board Suspended

Faculty censorship entered into the publication of OP last year when its editorial board was suspended from the paper because of an editorial in which it sharply criticized, by name, seven members of Student Council who had voted for a proposition opposed by OP's editors.

All publications had been sold to students for one hundred years when, in 1947, Fee Plan was extended to cover the newspapers, making them available to students free of charge.

Although The Campus had pub-

# Active Student Has Advantage In Search for Job—Bonforte Life

By Hank Grossman

The student who is active in College societies and organizations has a decided advantage when applying for a job, according to John R. Bonforte (Director, Placement Bureau).

"Employers, checking applications for job openings, place great emphasis on participation in extra-curricular activities," said Mr. Bonforte.

"It is a must for a student to join organizations related to his employment, but it is also important for a student to vary his interests.

"However," warned Mr. Bonforte, "membership in campus organizations can be a hindrance as well as a benefit.

"Any club listed on a security list as being objectionable should be avoided by students—especially those who are planning a career in scientific or technical fields which might involve defense work.

"Employers," he continued, "are usually interested in hiring a well-rounded individual. They feel that if a student has participated in a variety of non-curricular activities, he will have had more of an opportunity to develop such things as social consciousness, qualities of leadership and the ability to get along with other people."

Another advantage seen by Mr. Bonforte in belonging to a variety of organizations is that it gives the student a chance to develop a circle of friends outside his own immediate interests—an opportunity for exchange of ideas with people of different training and backgrounds.

Other authorities seem to agree with the placement director's views on the subject.

Prof. Frank S. Endicott of Northwestern University, in a list of factors which frequently lead to rejection of an applicant for employment, included such things as: narrow interests, no interest in community activities

lished semi-weekly and even three times a week during the twenties, both papers were operating on a weekly basis when, last year, a student referendum provided that both papers should be published semi-weekly on an alternating basis.



Comphoto by Berger

**Mr. John Bonforte**

and failure to participate in activities.

As Donald Gwirk, college employment coordinator for the New York Telephone Company, puts it, "We definitely look for the participation in 19 activities on the applications of our prospective employees. We don't base our choices on marks alone, but look at the whole man, his past record, and participation in college activities. Since we are looking for someone who was a leader on the campus is likely to be a leader in industry."

## 1921 Council Rule Ends Fresh Hazing

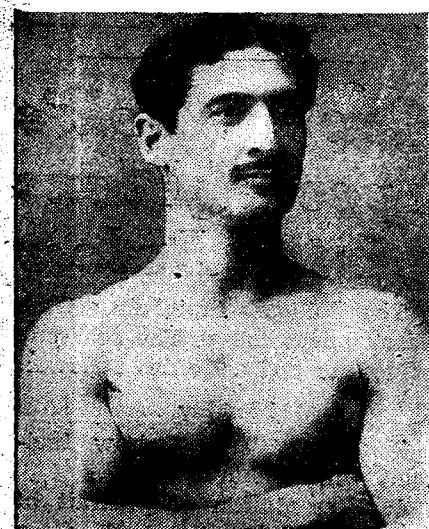
Hazing of freshmen was a customary activity at the College until 1921 when Student Council formally abolished it.

Antagonism between the freshman and sophomore classes occasionally flared to riot proportions. In 1915 and 1922 police had to be called in to restore order.

Special rules for freshmen were in effect until 1924 when the Freshman-Sophomore Congregational System committee voted to abolish them. It was felt that such rules had no place at the College because its lack of a fully-developed campus life, and its unjust treatment of freshmen.

Pres. Sidney Mezes commented on the ruling, calling the freshman rules "relics of the day when the College was in swaddling clothes."

## Thirty Prizes To Be Offered In 'Guess the Grad' Contest



Tickets to a hit Broadway show will be one of thirty prizes to be awarded to the winners of the "Guess the Grad" contest sponsored by Student Council.

Printed above are pictures of two famous alumni, whose names and classes are to be guessed. Both men were active in extra-curricular activities while undergraduates at the College. The rules are as follows:

1. The contest is open to all day session students except members of the newspapers.
2. Entries may be handed in on the attached blank or on any whole sheet of paper. Four different "active sons" must be guessed. Two will appear in The Campus and two in Observation Post.
3. No more than one entry will be accepted from a contestant.
4. The contest ends Friday, November 19, at 3. Entries will be accepted in 20 Main beginning today.
5. Graduation years must also be guessed, and will be used in case of ties.

#### "GUESS THE GRAD"

Name ..... Class .....  
Address ..... Phone .....  
On the left is ..... His class is .....  
On the right is ..... His class is .....

SUBMIT TO 20 MAIN

## Is College Going Greek Letter? Inter-Frat Council Pres. Says 'Yes'

By Allen Kraut

Is there an increasing "Go Fraternity" trend at the College? Michael Walsh '56, is certain of it, and the evidence seems to indicate that he's right.

Michael, a social science major, is in a position to know the facts about frats. This fratcat is the recently elected president of the Inter-Fraternity Council. Twenty-six Greek Letter societies are members of IFC, and represent a membership of about 600 students. IFC acts as a coordinating body for these organizations.

Some of the overt manifestations of the increasing membership in fraternities are quickly pointed out by Michael. He cites the increasing number of houses registered with the Department of Student Life, the volume of advertising in the College's papers, and the large number of students pledging.

One of the reasons for the numerical increase is the formation of several sororities since



**Mike Walsh—Frat-Cat**

the admission of females to Liberal Arts in 1950. Peculiarly, the size and number of fraternities has taken tremendous bounds over this same period. The total membership in Greek Letter so-

cieties has doubled since 1949.

"Membership in a Greek Letter society has several advantages," says Michael. "Primarily, it helps to round out the person socially. There is also much cooperation between brothers, and the friendships formed are lifetime friendships. I believe that one of the main reasons for the desire to join a frat is that the students want more out of school than just books."

In keeping with the increasing "Go Greek Letter" trend, IFC plans to revise its charter so that it can take a more active role on campus. It plans to take leading part in a fair to be held later this year, the proceeds of which will go to the World University Service. Its major efforts will be directed at providing incoming freshmen with knowledge about the Greek Letter societies.

Michael is a member of Delta Alpha, the oldest fraternity in the College. It will celebrate its 100th anniversary next semester.

# First Editor of 'Campus' Reviews Life of College at Turn of Century

By Ed Trautman

"When the College moved to the uptown center in 1906, four of us got together and decided to organize a newspaper for students," said Prof. Lewis Mayers '00 (Chairman, Law), first editor-in-chief of *The Campus*.

"The four of us, all sophomores, contributed out of our personal funds towards the printing of the first issue which was sold for two cents a copy," Professor Mayers recalled. "On September 30, 1907, the first issue of *The Campus* appeared."

Printing costs were much lower in those days, he pointed out, and the ten dollars received from sale of 500 copies of each issue plus income received from advertising was sufficient to meet costs.

**Sunday Supplement**

"It would have been a nice idea if we could have had a companion union of the original editors back for the paper's fiftieth anniversary in 1957," commented Professor Mayers, "but, unfortunately, Mr. Frederick Zorn, who marks as business manager that first sole man, died a few years ago."

College "Since we published on Monday, we had trouble covering the weekend's news in our regular issue," he added, "so we printed a special two-page supplement on Sunday." Dr. Mayers called that one of the first students to be added to the staff resigned because he objected to printing on Sundays.

Copy was prepared on Wednesday of each week and the paper appeared on Monday, leaving three working days for publication. Today, it takes two days to prepare an issue.

**Dedication a "Big Story"**

Professor Mayers, a retired lawyer, came to the College's evening session in 1926 to teach a new course on the American Legal System. Already the author of six books, he is currently finishing work on a textbook for the course, Law 100, which he still teaches at both universities. When the department law was instituted in 1936, he was named chairman, a position



Prof. Lewis Mayers

space for a school of only 800 students," Professor Mayers recalled.

**Twelve-Year Education**

"In those days, students entered the College direct from elementary school and stayed for seven years. Earlier, the College course had been only five years which, added to seven years of elementary school, meant that many of our greatest alumni, including men like Bernard Baruch, attended school for a period of twelve years, the equivalent of a high school education today."

Professor Mayers believes, however, that early students were given as good an education as they get today since elementary schools and sub-freshman years were "much tougher than today," and the faculties, being integrated throughout the period, were "able to give the students a continuous, comprehensive education."

he has held ever since.

The biggest story covered during his term as editor of *Campus*, he recalls, was the dedication of the Main Center. The ceremonies were attended by dozens of celebrities, including Mark Twain and several government officials.

Since *Campus* was published on glossy paper, a special, hard-cover, magazine-type memorial edition was published, selling for five cents, rather than the usual two.

**Early SC President**

"We published entirely on our own, with no faculty interference," Dr. Mayers noted. "There was no such thing as a department of student life, and students regulated their own affairs insofar as extra-curricular activities were concerned."

Professor Mayers also served as one of the first presidents of Student Council, which had been founded in 1904. "SC had no control over student organizations in those days," he pointed out, "its primary function being to consider and act on matters affecting the College's welfare."

"In the early days, even though some of the ground around the College was still muddy and unpaved, we felt pretty proud having all that

## HP Becomes Largest Group In Twenty Years at College

In November of 1934, Mortimer Karp '30 called the freshman class together to invite them to participate in a new organization to be called House Plan.

The purpose of the organization was to provide opportunity for the social development of the students, to bring together alumni, faculty, and students, and to develop a spirit of loyalty to the aims and traditions of the College.

With the aid of Dean Morton Gottschall (Liberal Arts), the House Plan Association was organized, with House Plan meetings held in Townsend Harris Hall. In 1937 the association purchased the four-story building at 292 Convent Avenue, and two years later it bought the adjoining building.

Since its inception, House Plan's membership has increased from 200 to 1200, making it the largest student organization. It is controlled by the students through student government and House Plan activities.

## 25 Years Ago

By Otto Doelling

The year 1929 was the year of the stock market crash. Jimmy Walker was mayor and Franklin D. Roosevelt was governor. It was a year which foreshadowed the coming social change. *THE CAMPUS* of twenty-five years ago reflects the currents of the time.

The first issue of that fall term on Sept. 19, 1929 announced the opening of the Downtown Business Center and the completion of the Library Building.

The big event of the year was Governor Roosevelt's speech in the Great Hall. He urged the students to forget about personal gain and to go into public service. He noted the increasing trend of government towards socialism.

Pres. Frederick Robinson was saying, "Progress is made by individuals and nations who are disciplined."

A term's subscription for *The Campus*, Mercury and Lavender sold for a dollar and a half and the student body was urged to support these publications. The three publications had formed a united front against "special interests" at the College.

Football was king, and while the editorials attacked the evils of the "football craze," in this country, the doings of the College's team was front page news, especially when Doc Parker's team finally won its first game against George Washington University late in October by the score of 45-0.

The Fall of '29 marked the fading of the frosh rushes and the beanies and black ties that the freshmen were compelled to wear. *The Campus* noted the change in an editorial, stating, "We've never had a warm place in our hearts for gory rushes, snake dances, torn clothing, broken windows, noses, heads, etc."

But while the frosh ceased to grumble, the lack of a lunchroom caused grumbling in many stomachs. The biology department reported that green peas, apples and oranges, that were used for experimental work were disappearing from the laboratories "at an alarming rate."

Mercury's big feature in the fall of 1929 was a satire on the talking films. It was called "All Squawkies."

*The Campus* devoted much of its space to editorials and columns. Anonymity was the rule, however, and by-lines were nonexistent. Columns were not limited to the College's activities alone, but dealt with current political, literary and philosophical subjects.



Dean Morton Gottschall

a system of functional committees.

Recognizing that House Plan is an integral part of the College, the Department of Student Life has set aside special facilities in the Student Union building for House Plan activities.

**CLUBS SPONSOR DRIVE:**

## Clothing Collected for Korea

Over 300 pounds of clothing was collected for orphaned Korean children by students at the College last week in response to a plea from a former student now serving in the United States Army in Korea.

The former student is Private Fred Newman '57, who wrote to *The Campus* recently appealing for clothing for Korean children.

"My Company Commander thought of having some clothes sent from home for the children," he wrote, "so that we could give them something on Christmas day. Not toys, but something to protect them from the cold winters."

"While thinking whom I should write to for clothes for these children," he continued, "I realized that my thoughts of life and people in my past were with the College. I saw the generosity of students at the College when I was one of them. Therefore, I am asking them a favor."

*The Campus*, together with Alpha Phi Omega and House Plan, sponsored a drive at the College in response to the letter.



Camphoto by Berger  
Representatives of clothing drive sponsors check donations.  
(l. to r.) Florence Warshawsky of House Plan, Francine Marcus, editor-in-chief of "The Campus," and Barry Mandelsohn of APO.

## Hundred Years of Magazines Offer Expression for Students

For almost a hundred years, magazines at the College have given individual societies, schools and intellectual groups a chance to express themselves.

Many of the earliest publications at the College, though serving the function of newspapers, were published and sold in magazine form.

**Procedure Outlined to Organize Clubs**

At least twelve people are friends necessary in order to charter an organization at the College. Their first step is to find a faculty advisor.

They must then draw up a constitution which includes their aims and purposes and insures a good democratic procedure. This must be submitted to Student Council during one of its Wednesday afternoon meetings attached to its Executive Committee.

After receiving the approval of the Executive Committee, copies of the constitution are mailed to the eleven members of the Student-Faculty Committee.

Student Affairs which meets whenever necessary. After receiving its approval, the charter is granted, and four copies are filed with the Department of Student Life.

## Tech Groups Vary Activities; New 'Vector' Out Next Week



Electrical Engineers

By Murray Pollock

Chi Epsilon, Honorary Civil Engineering Society, will hold its semi-annual induction dinner December 3 at the Barbizon Hotel for Women . . . Skits and stunts by Civil Engineering students and faculty will highlight the November 19 semi-annual induction dinner to be held at the Picadilly Hotel by the American Society of Civil Engineers . . .

Vector will be out next week, featuring as its lead article a complete and detailed description of the College's radio station, W2HJ . . . Sidney Lawrence, '55, recently led a five man delegation of members from Pi Tau Sigma to Virginia Polytechnical Institute for the National Convention . . .

## Tech Sweaters Soon

College sweaters bearing the name "Technology" will soon be seen about the Tech school . . . Three of the major Tech organizations are already taking orders . . . Lectures by the Psychology, Philosophy and Music Departments have been integrated into the newly formed joint cultural program of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Society of Automotive Engineers, and Pi Tau Sigma . . .

Tau Beta Pi, the Phi Beta Kappa of Engineering, has added thirty new members to its membership this term . . . ASCE is literally running every opponent ragged as it continues to be the only undefeated team in the Slide Rule Basketball League . . .

## TIIC Co-sponsors Club Week

Another step was taken towards the elimination of the barriers between Tech and Liberal Arts students when TIIC at its last meeting decided to co-sponsor the "join-a-club-week" program and to have a booth at the Activities Affair . . . The CE faculty triumphed over ASCE 2-1 in a recent bowling match. Prof. John R. White was high scorer with 165 per game while one of the ASCE members, Martin Lippman '56, bowled 218, the highest score of any game.

The general feeling of the Tech School towards the re-emergence of Tech News was expressed rather well by Franklin Agard, CE '55, who said, "while the average students seems satisfied, the 'intelligentsia' of the Tech School feel a bit disappointed. The majority feel that there is a definite need for Tech News and that it will improve by leaps and bounds in each of its forthcoming issues."

## First Carnival Celebrated Birthday Of HP's Establishment at College

By Shelly Scherr

"A gala carnival, combining the features of a dance with games of chance and sideshow booths that are usually connected with county fairs and circuses, is planned by House Plan," reported the Campus on Nov. 2, 1936.

Tickets were twenty-five cents and for the first time in the College's history, tickets for an affair were sold out more than two weeks in advance.

The event was to celebrate the first anniversary of House Plan.

Over 850 people consisting of students, faculty, and alumni jammed into the Gym that night. The results were "a social and financial success," and "Carnival was here to stay."

The idea was conceived by members of Briggs '39, and the evening was to be climaxed by the crowning of one of the Downtown Center girls as "Queen of the Carnival."

The girls, who were the first co-eds admitted to the College, entered pictures of themselves which were judged by a House Plan Committee. The name of the winner was to be revealed at the last minute, but with a



Winner collects prize at House Plan Carnival.

foot five, 119 pounds and loaded full two weeks to go, Miss Hazel Horowitz '39 was declared "Queen of the Carnival."

Miss Horowitz, who has been Mrs. Jerome Teich for the last twelve years, was described by the Campus as "brunette, five

## 'GENUINE COLLEGE LIFE'

## Literary Club Began 1851 Sp

By Al Perlman

The small group of students slowly entered the candlelit room. It was September 25, 1851 and this was the first meeting of the Free Academy Literary Society, later known as the Clonian Society.

It was a day to be acknowledged as the beginning of "genuine college life" at the Academy, which was later changed to the City College of New York.

The Clonian Society was one of the two organizations that competed for the support of the student body. The other, established in 1852, was called the Phi Kappa or Phoenocosmian Society. The program of both organizations consisted of debates and the readings of famous declarations and original essays by members of the group.

## Owned "Banned" Books

The Clonian Society published its own journal and established a modest library where its members could privately reach such "prohibited" works of fiction as "The Decameron" or "Tom Jones," which were not permitted in the regular Academy library.

In 1859 the literary societies held their first joint debate on the question of Southern secession. These joint debates were always based on lively and vital issues.

The rise of the literary societies with their outburst of independent student energy alarmed both the faculty and governing board. As a consequence, the administrators established a stringent act of regulations rigidly controlling every aspect of the activity of these societies.

## New Rules Resented

These repressive rules were deeply resented by members of both societies and in 1855, Phrenocosmian asked the Board of Education to reinstate the organizations "into all their former privileges at the Academy."

The Board refused, and in protest the two societies withdrew

from the Free Academy and held means they were able to run inter-col things to suit themselves, concern at trolling the annual publication of Microcosm and managing student elections so that only fraternity men were chosen to the offices of important offices.

## Popularity Challenged

During the second half of the nineteenth century, the dominant position of the literary society was being steadily challenged by the secret Greek-letter fraternities.

In 1855 several students of the Academy were accepted into the membership of Alpha Delta Phi thus establishing the Manhattan Chapter of that national fraternity. In 1855, a chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon was founded at the Academy and a year later Chi Psi made its appearance.

## Control Politics

Student politics were increasingly dominated by these three secret fraternities. By various

means they were able to run inter-college things to suit themselves, concern at the annual publication of Microcosm and managing student elections so that only fraternity men were chosen to the offices of important offices.

These tactics aroused the antagonism of the non-fraternity-of-war students and in protest they duly formed The Manhattan League. At the League's purpose was to combat "all kinds of mean, petty town. W trickery and chicanery" which, it was charged, were being practiced by the fraternity members.

## League Disbands

The League accomplished its purpose and in the process at the College contracted a membership which was three times larger than that of all three fraternities put together. Fleischner, the disbanding.

The fraternities never again achieved the position of unchallenged dominance which they possessed in the first few years.

## MATH CLUB



PHYSICS CLUB

## 77 Years of Theatre Hik

Dramatic organizations have had their place in the limelight of extra-curricular development.

This semester's production of "Ring Round The Moon" marks the eighty-seventh year that Dramsoc has been functioning at the College. Since its inception in 1887 under James Hackett, who went on to become an eminent Shakesperian actor, Dramsoc has presented every type of theater from modern to classical, from light, frothy musicals, to intense, emotional tragedies.

In the last decade with Dr. Samuel Sumberg (German) as advisor to the oldest dramatic society on campus, Dramsoc has been stressing the production of popular Broadway shows never before performed at any College. Recent productions have included "Stalag 17," "The Skin of Our Teeth," "The Love of Four Colonels" and "Ring Round the Moon."

Several years back, Dramsoc attempted a unique experiment in which Goethe's "Faust" was performed in the Great Hall in one evening.

Special courses were offered to the Faustian thespians for costume, and in which, under Dr. Sumberg's guiding hand, they were acquainted with the classical Goethian drama. The production proved highly successful and the profits obtained from subscriptions were placed into a Faust Fund. This fund marked the beginning of the Dramsoc movement to get a theater library instituted at the College.

Dramsoc has not been sterile in the talent it has developed. Standard Edward G. Robinson, Cornel Wilde, Zero Mostel, Arnold Moss and Ben Grauer are all alumni of this dramatic group.

As part of the speech department's actual program, Theater Workshop has been supplementing the courses given in dramatics—the it saw its beginning in the 1930's and has been ably guided in it throughout the development by Wilson Lahr, Dr. Keoug and Prof. Lyle Winter.

The Gilbert and Sullivan Society, which has been in existence for a year, was organized by Ilene Roth '56, its present president. Last summer, the G&S Society put on the "Pirates of Penzance."

Winner collects prize at House Plan Carnival.

with x-appeal."

Now, eighteen years after the first Carnival, she lives with her husband and their daughter Leslie, six, in Jamaica, Queens.

"My pin-up girl days are just a memory now," said the former queen.

## INTER-COLLEGIATE ATHLETICS:

# 51 Sports Grow With College

By Martin Greenberg

Inter-collegiate sports were run at the College in the re-publication year of 1866.

Throughout the seventies, the only franchise was noted for the feebleness of its athletic activity.

Occasionally there were matches

and the annual other schools in rugby and

fraternity-of-war. The feebleness was

test largely due to a lack of funds.

At the turn of the century,

the College found a new site

which, in a new president, John

Finley, former editor of

members New York Times. Under

Finley, the first real progress

was made.

The College's first inter-col-

lege basketball team was or-

ganized in 1905 with the aid of

but together Fleisher '08. The hoopsters

were the League's first campaign

with a 1-4 record, but bounded

over again with an 8-1 mark the fol-

lowing season.

which they 1919 Nat Holman became

a few years basketball coach. The hustle

Holman instilled in his players was reflected in the 1922 cam-  
paign, when the "midget won-  
ders" averaging five-seven in height, captured the Met title with a 12-1 mark. The team held

the title from 1921 to 1924. Sports at the College were not halted by the depression. In 1928, the football team was undefeated up to their last game which they lost 14-10. In 1930, fencing was introduced.

From 1937 to 1940 the wrestling squad had compiled a record of more than twenty wins as opposed to five defeats. During this period, Henry Wittenberg, one of the finest athletes produced by the College, was starring for Coach Joe Saporita. Wittenberg went on to become the College's first Olympic champion.

In 1950, the College's basketball squad became the only team to ever win both the National Invitation and the National Col-

legiate Athletic Association basketball tournaments in one season. The College was looked upon with a new respect by the athletic world.

However, victory was tempered with grief when the team's stars were arrested for throwing games and shaving points a year later. Holman was later suspended by the Board of Higher Education for "neglect of duty and conduct unbecoming a teacher."

Found guilty by the BHE, Holman was exonerated by State Commissioner of Education Louis Wilson, and returned to the College this semester. The final stigma of the scandal was not yet gone, however, as the NCAA placed the College on probation a few weeks ago.

The Beaver soccer squad in the past four years has won two city championships. The swimming squad, which took last year's title also looks strong, and the baseball nine which won the championship in 1953, is hoping for a strong comeback in 1955.

Overall the future looks bright. The loss of a football team in 1951 when the sport was abolished here, and the removal of the basketball squad from the "bigtime" Madison Square Garden that same year have not dimmed the ardor for sports among the College's fans.

All the teams figure to be in better shape in the coming year, and the huge increase in enrollment promises many more "sturdy sons" to carry the College's colors on athletic fields throughout the world.

## Football

Football will return to the College for a few glorious hours on Tuesday afternoon in Lewisohn Stadium.

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# Trips, Contests, Films Offered By Variety of Hobby Groups



Photography Club Prize Photo by George Rossinger

Many psychologists believe that in order to be a success a student must have outside interests to augment his regular school work. Many students who heed this advice join one of the hobby clubs here at the College.

The hobby clubs give the student a chance to practice and discuss his hobby with other students of similar interests and to just relax and "let off steam."

For those of us who long to get away from the congested city streets and the smoke-filled metropolitan atmosphere, if only for a weekend, the College's chapter of American Youth Hostels offers a chance to see some of the surrounding countryside.

AYH sponsors one-day and weekend bike-hikes around this part of the country. Recently, AYH president, Sol Weber '56, led the group on a Halloween bicycle trip to Connecticut.

The Hiking Club offers a program for those whose interests lie in the fields of mountain climbing or cave exploration. "Our program," club president, Doris Johnson '56 explained, "is similar to that of AYH but, of course, we don't use bicycles." Doris and another member of the club recently made a mountain climbing trip with members of the Cooper Union Hiking Club on Breakneck Ridge, near Newburg, in upper New York State. Other, less strenuous trips are being planned.

## Camera Contest Planned

Students whose hobby is photography may find the program of the Camera Club to their liking. The club photographed the recent Carnival Queen Dance and has held a photo contest this term.

President George Kostyeko '56 has announced plans for a photo contest to be judged by a member of a camera club outside the College. The club's program also includes films on photo technique which will be shown during the term.

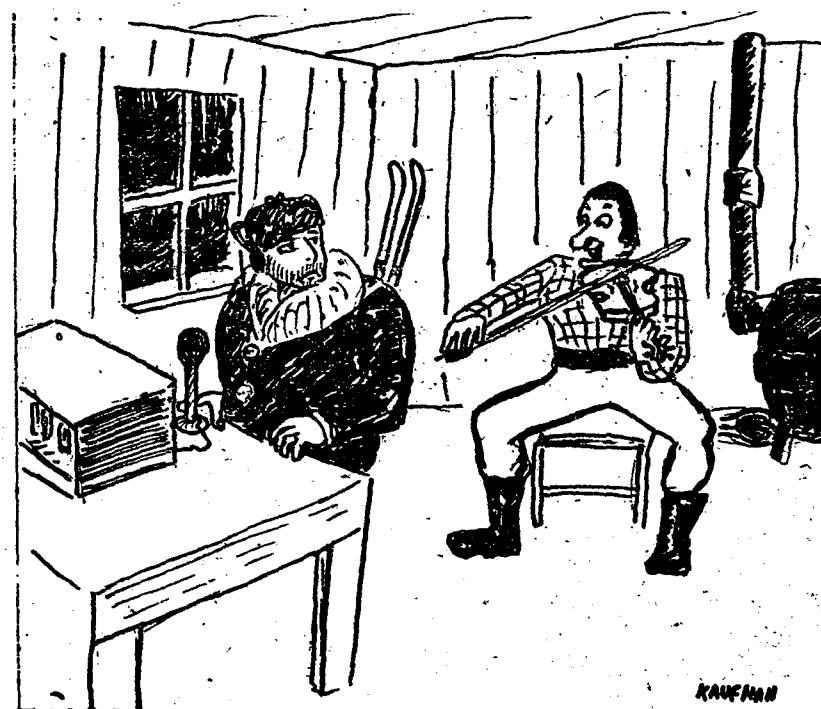
The Cartoonist's Guild and the Art Society, which merged this term, give those students who like to relax by drawing and cartooning a chance to get together.

## Sponsored Contest

The Cartoonist's Guild sponsored a cartoon contest in connection with Academic Freedom Week last term.

For the more mechanically minded the Amateur Radio Society offers "ham operators" the opportunity to operate the College's amateur station W2HJ. The club also aids members in receiving their amateur licenses.

# Program of Professional Societies Aims at Fun, Facts and Relaxation



HEY, BRUNO. AM I ON YET?

THE CAMPUS wishes to thank the following organizations and individuals for their cooperation in compiling material for this special issue:

**Public Relations Office**  
**Mr. David Newton**  
**Pres. Buell Gallagher**  
**Student Life**  
**Library**  
**J. Willis Rudy**

An integral part of life here at the College is supplied by the numerous professional societies.

At present there are over twenty non-technical professional societies on the campus. They range from larger groups such as Caduceus to the more specific and intimate Amateur Radio Society and the Bacteriology Society. Some date almost from the turn of the century while others are relatively new.

Every professional society's program aims at helping its members to succeed in later life and aiding them to enjoy school more, while making lasting friendships which often result from having similar interests.

These programs include speakers from the profession and related fields; pertinent films, field trips and publications. Several of the more specific professional societies give members practical training in their particular fields.

The Amateur Radio Society, for example, operates a "ham" station, W2HJ, located in the Bell Tower. It contacts other "ham operators" in colleges all over the country. The society also helps new members to get their amateur licenses so they may legally operate the equipment.

# 're Hikers Hit the Road

Have you ever had the overwhelming urge on a Sunday afternoon to go rappeling, or perhaps spelunking? If so, there's a group at the College just for you. Not a Doubletalkers' Society, but the

Rappeling, for the benefit of those few uneducated readers, presents the art of letting yourself down a steep incline or cliff by means of a rope, while spelunking means cave exploring. These are but of the special activities of the Hiking Club, says its president, Johnson '56.

One of the oldest clubs at the College, the Hiking Club was originally chartered in 1922. It is a member of MIOCA, the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Outdoor Club Association. Hikes and special activities, often held jointly with Queens College or Cooper Union, are scheduled for every week-end and most school holidays.

Miss Johnson pointed out that hikes are usually carried on regardless of the weather and says the required equipment is a pair of shoes with laces, lunch, with perhaps a canteen of water, a coat, and a flashlight during the winter.

At the beginning of December, the Hiking Club plans to go spelunking. On Dec. 2, they have arranged for an outside speaker to give them tips on their expedition, and plan a Lincoln Corridor trip to give the College an idea of cave exploring. The destination of their journey has not been decided yet.

Standard equipment for the spelunker is a helmet, preferably Moss and miner's variety which can hold a carbide lamp. The helmet protects the wearer from falling stones and low ceilings. No

The spelunker is ever allowed into a cave without at least three sources of light—the carbide lamp, a flashlight, and candles.

The temperature inside most caves remains fairly constant throughout the year and is usually about fifty degrees or so, depending upon the average temperature of the surrounding area.

Club activities are rated AA, A, B or C in descending order of

# Busy Trio in 120 Main Co-ordinates Student Life

By Eli Sadownick

The hub about which all student activity at the College revolves is the Department of Student Life in 120 Main.

Vital factors in the success of any extra-curricular program are the people who guide it. Three members of the Student Life staff in 120 bear a large share of responsibility in seeing that the program at the College runs smoothly.

Heading the group is Dean James S. Peace who first came to the College in 1930 as a hygiene instructor. Six years later he became the first salaried director of House Plan. He was instrumental in developing the intra-mural program.

#### Three-Letter Man

The well-built dean, who was a three-letter man in his days at Flushing High School and has played semi-pro baseball, keeps in shape by walking a mile-and-a-half to get the bus to his Ridgewood, N. J. home where he lives with his wife and six-year-old son.

Always interested in student welfare, Dean Peace came to the Department of Student Life when it was formed in 1947, after serving in the Navy as a Lieutenant Commander. He considers his job an "ever-challenging situation," no two days of which are the same.

#### Ex-Dean of Women

The female member of the hard-working trio is Cynthia Benzing who was Dean of Women at State Teachers College in California, Pa. before coming here in 1952. She lives in Ridgewood, too, with "one black dog—an uninhibited cocker spaniel." This dog had the distinction of being the only male in a women's dormitory for two years.



Campphoto by Berger  
Dean James S. Peace and Mr. Stamos Zades examine coordinated social calendar for this semester.

Miss Benzing is chairlady of the Blood Bank Committee and takes care of such functions as Parents Day and the student-faculty teas. In the summer she teaches guidance and personnel administration at New York University.

Although Stamos Zades holds the rank of lecturer in the Department of Student Life, he lectures very little. Sometimes he has "chats" with certain students but he usually acts in an advisory capacity to groups at the College.

#### Was Bomber Pilot

Mr. Zades, a bomber pilot in the second World War, came here last year from the Baruch Center. He lives in Riverdale with

his wife, who is expecting a child some time in January.

These are the administrators of the extra-curricular program at the College. Their industry has paved the way for a full schedule of activities. The rest is up to the student.

## Manhattanville Student Union Facilities To Offer Modern Club Accommodations

Imagine holding club meetings amidst modern, comfortable furnishings in rooms especially designed for club meetings.

Imagine having special facilities on campus for parties and dinners.

Imagine having showers where students and faculty who have no time to travel to their homes can clean up for the evening's activities.

And then stop imagining. For

## Newton Asks Student Support For HP Carnival on Dec. 10th

Following is an open letter to the student body from Mr. David Newton (Executive Director, House Plan).

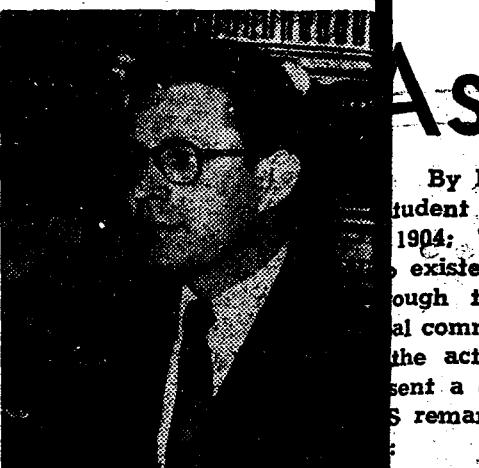
In a few months, House Plan will round out a full score of years as an experiment in co-curricular activities on the College campus.

Twenty years ago the initiators of "the Plan" hoped to demonstrate the real need for a social center in an educational institution like the College, not by saying what they could do if they had such a building; but by saying, "This is what we can and are doing with poor facilities. Think how much more we could do and how much better we could do it with increased facilities!"

To have waited for the provision of these facilities before entering upon any part of the House Plan program would have been easy but not at all availing. The realization of a student activities center on the Manhattanville campus is, in a real sense, a tribute to the pioneer of the House Plan project.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, the House Plan students will celebrate their twentieth birthday with another Carnival. The proceeds from this year's Carnival will be turned over to the City College Fund for use in the new Manhattanville center.

Carnival, therefore, becomes a College-wide endeavor and



Mr. David Newton

The Carnival should receive the enthusiasm of the entire undergraduate student body. From what I know of the imaginativeness and competency of our students, there will be no disappointment in the results of this year's planning.

Cordially, only co-  
David Newton

## Early Politics

Students' political beliefs in the early days of Student Council were markedly different from today.

A poll of the 1913 graduate class showed that 41 percent of the members listed their political party as Republicans, 19 percent as Democrats, 7 percent as Socialists, 4 percent as Prohibitionists, and 1 percent as Anarchists.

The rest of the graduates preferred to classify themselves as Independents, or as campus radicals having no definite political preference.

five groups at one time, according to Dr. Alton Lewis (Director, Student Council). The rooms will be furnished with light-weight furniture which can easily be transported so that rooms can be converted from meeting rooms to party rooms and back again in less than ten minutes.

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## Guiding SC a Serious Job For Its 2 Faculty Advisors

By Louise Gross

"To attend regular meetings of the student organization . . . to give counsel . . . to tactfully oppose . . . to give moral support." These are the principal responsibilities of faculty advisors to student organizations, according to a resolution of the Student-Faculty Committee on Student Affairs.

Whether most faculty advisors actually fulfill their responsibilities is a matter of speculation. Two who are doing their best to fulfill theirs are Prof. Stewart C. Easton (History) and Prof. Coleman O. Parsons (English), faculty advisors to Student Council.

#### Attend SC Meetings

The two professors chosen to fill the post which formerly belonged to the late Prof. Oscar Buckvar, regularly attend Council meetings. This entails staying at the College until SC convenes at 4, although they both have early classes, and then remaining for several more hours until the meeting adjourns.

"The important thing is for a faculty advisor to know what an organization is about," noted Professor Easton. "Otherwise he certainly couldn't advise the group."



Prof. Stewart C. Easton

trouble. Last week, Professor Sultan Parsons "went to bat" for Mercury, its purpose another group which he advised when it was criticized by any reason Newman Club.

#### Training Needed

One of the reasons why faculty advisors don't perform all their duties, Professor Easton feels, is that they don't know what's expected of them. "Perhaps some of the kind of faculty advisor lead vowed to ship program should be established," he said.

Professor Parsons noted that a faculty advisor sometimes does not know when his advice is needed because students do not seek his help. However, he pointed out, a feeling of trust and mutual confidence between student groups and their faculty advisors must be built up over a period of time.

#### Praises SC

Comparing Student Council's post-meetings to meetings of civic organizations, Professor Parsons said that SC meetings are more "productive, more rewarding, more mature."

Besides advising Council, both professors advise two other home groups. Professor Parsons advises the Mercury and American Yacht to Wag Hostels, while Students for Democratic Action and Observership, the Post are guided by Prof. "YPA" Easton.

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# Student Council's Long, Stormy History As Recorded in the Annals of 'Campus'

By Martin Gruberg

Student Council was founded in 1904; THE CAMPUS came into existence three years later. Through the years, much editorial comment has been devoted to the actions of SC. We here present a cross-section of CAMPU'S remarks on Council activities:

October, 1907: The Campus attacked "the endlessly inefficient and puerile manner" in which SC was acting. Undergrad called Council "the pitiable, comical, ridiculous, exhibitionist incompetence." A certain Mr. Wixim, ostensibly secretary of the body but actually in attendance at a Western college, had the only copy of SC's constitution. After weeks and weeks of attempts to retrieve this, Council gave up and adopted a new constitution.

Beliefs member, 1907: Student C sponsored a petition requesting the IRT to call its new 42nd Street station the "City College Station."

At 41 per cent freshmen were required to wear black caps with lavender stars. As Democampus criticized chronic abstinenceism on SC, an average of 100 members failed to attend any meeting.

Graduate member, 1908:

SC sponsored a petition for the imposition of a Student Council tax.

## Dweller in Quadrangle Brought School Apathy



**Laughing Boy**

action and stood ready to carry on.

The Young Pidookies were formed when Gabriel Gelb '51, then a senior on The Campus Managing Board, climbed up on one of the desks in the newspaper office and began ranting and raving in a manner befitting an editor, of course. The spirit caught on, and "YPA" was born.

After Gelb's graduation Art Selikoff '53 was appointed new Big Brother, a post he held for one year. He was succeeded by Big Brother Podolsky who fought rising apathy among the students valiantly. But all was in vain, and he sadly resigned his post on Feb. 23, 1954.

While Herbert Z. Sternfeld '55 has been officially ordained Big Brother, the "Young Pidookies" charter has expired and its future seems very doubtful. Still, there have been several flagpole meetings lately, and . . . who knows?

March, 1910:

An SC investigating committee announced that washrooms would thereafter be supplied with soap and towels.

November, 1910:

A committee to work for a permanent College employment bureau was set up. The office of student treasurer was abolished, a faculty treasurer taking its place.

February, 1911:

SC membership was regarded as secondary to officership in the classes, Campus reminding candidates not to ignore the importance of Council membership.

May, 1911:

Lost and found service was inaugurated by SC.

October, 1911:

Student Council went on record as favoring collection of funds for "a tangible, permanent home where the social spirit of the student body could be fostered and alumni could spend pleasant evenings." A Student Union Club was set up to reach this goal.

Campus recommended setting aside one hour each week for student activities. Prior to this, SC meetings were held during the lunch hour.

March, 1912:

SC sponsored a series of lectures by prominent citizens in-

cluding several cabinet members.

The first efforts to end conflict in scheduling student events were made when SC set up a committee to publicize to student groups what other groups were planning.

May, 1912:

Council acquired the power of issuing charters to student organizations. Among the offices filled by Council were those of cheerleader and assistant cheerleader.

May, 1913:

Council, which had met every other week, was asked by Campus to meet weekly. An SC committee, however, recommended meeting only once every three or four weeks.

March, 1915:

SC proposed a cooperative non-profit lunchroom to be under Council's supervision. It also asked for a cooperative bookstore.

November, 1915:

Council restored pledging and hazing.

May, 1916:

An insignia was granted to SC.

March, 1917:

Council opposed a change of College colors from lavender and black to the City of New York's colors, orange and blue, and was backed up by a Campus editorial.

October, 1926:

SC refused an allotment to the Campus because the undergraduate staff had no voice in the election of editors. At that time editors were chosen by the Campus Association, an alumni organization.

November, 1926:

Council threatened to drop all members of extra-curricular activities who did not pay a seven-dollar "Universal Union" fee.

1944-1945:

SC initiated the sale of "U-Cards." The holders of the cards were entitled to issues of the Campus, admission to the boathouse, dances and other activities.

1946-1950:

There was a radical political

May, 1935:

ROTC carried colors for the Charter Day exercises. Council voted to boycott the Charter Day ceremonies.

April, 1939:

A Student Council-Congress rally in Lewisohn Stadium endorsed Franklin D. Roosevelt's challenge to the Fascists.

March, 1943:

SC devoted a great deal of time to the war effort through the Student War Board which sponsored book, blood, and bond drives, a Red Cross Membership drive, and a College War Forum.

May, 1943:

For the first time in the College's history a co-ed ran for a major SC office.

November, 1943:

SC asked for the "revocation" of a ban on Mercury. Campus called the SC action "one of the most gratifying moves to come from SC in a long time."

December, 1943:

Council removed the class councils replacing them with four class officers. The SC President said, "these groups for years have never done a thing except get themselves elected." Campus, however, was of the opinion that SC itself had degenerated. It referred to its meetings as "menagerie scenes." The President was known to have dragged in "unwilling" members from dance parties to get a quorum.

SC replied to the Campus

charges by publishing for the first time SC Notes which charged "yellow journalism."

1950-51:

Tech-men were extremely active in SC activities at the time, culminating with the election of Jerry Levinrad, a Tech Student, to two consecutive terms as President.

1951-1954:

SC President Gerry Walpin got into trouble with his Council for making remarks about the poor work of several Council members. He was almost impeached.

April, 1953:

SC called protest strike to block traffic on Convent Ave.

## SOLDIERS AND STATESMEN:

# Great Hall Reflects the Past

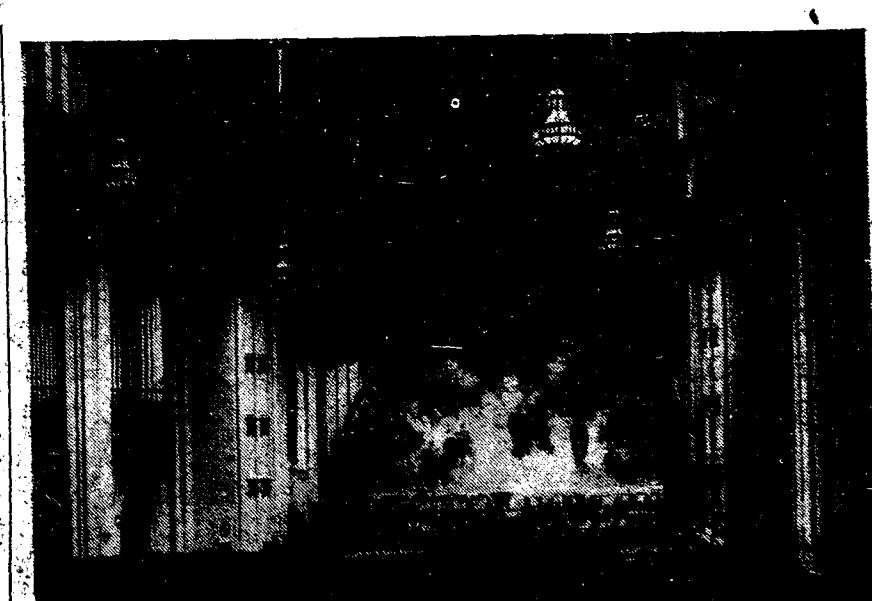
In the last fifty years the Great Hall has served as a billet for soldiers, a concert hall and recently, a wedding chapel. This week it is the scene of the College's Club Fair.

The first speaker on the site of the Great Hall was humorist Mark Twain, who was the principal guest at the dedication ceremony in 1903. Since that time the platform in the Great Hall has seated such notables as Presidents William Howard Taft, Woodrow Wilson, Franklin D. Roosevelt, playwright John Galsworthy, physicist Albert Einstein, philosopher Henri Bergson and industrialist-philanthropist Andrew Carnegie.

### Used in Wartime

During World War I the Great Hall served as the billet for soldiers stationed on the campus. In 1941, the Great Hall was taken over for civilian defense lectures and Army specialized training courses.

Pres. Buell Gallagher's daughter, Maryel, was married in the Hall last June. It was the first time that a wedding had taken place there. In the past years the seals of thirty-six American colleges and universities in



the original school colors. Overhead hang the flags of seventeen European universities, a gift of the Class of 1879. During Hitler's reign the banners of German Universities were draped in black mourning bands.

The front of the Hall is dominated by Edwin H. Blashfield's mural, "The Graduate," which cost the College \$10,000 dollars.

20 YEARS OF INTRAMURALS:

# Variety of Activities Offered

By Sam Stein

For those students at the College who are not able to make a varsity team, or who do not have the time to go out for a varsity team, the College maintains a varied intramural program which, since its inauguration in 1934, has been highly successful.

Previous to 1934 there was an intramural program of a sort, based on a class basis and not embracing as many sports nor as many students as the present program does. Under the old program, each College class was represented by one team in such events as basketball and softball. In addition, there were cane sprees, a tug-of-war, and flag-pole rushes.

## Leads to Politics

The main defect of the early program was that it led to a great deal of politics since each team was selected by a class manager of athletics, who would usually select friends for the team.

In 1934, the present Dean of Student Life, James S. Peace, who at the time was an instructor in Hygiene, organized the new program which is still in use at the College.

Since the earlier intramurals did not provide sports participation for a great number of students, Dean Peace instituted intramurals on a non-class basis and added new sports to the program, including sports for women.

"Intramurals," Dean Peace said, "should be designed to make at least one activity available to every student in an attempt to maintain an interest in competition and satisfy those students who cannot play varsity ball."

## New Sports Added

The new program consisted of round-robin tournaments in such sports as basketball, softball, volleyball, handball, water polo and touch-tackle. Playoffs between the top teams for a championship followed, with the winners receiving awards.

Individual contests were formed in such sports as wrestling, boxing, fencing, ping pong, tennis, badminton, swimming, track and field sports, bowling, chess, and archery. In addition, extramural activities were started in which

the College's intramural champions met the champions of other colleges.

At its prime the intramural program embraced eighty-six basketball teams and forty-six softball teams.

In recent years, under the guidance of Dr. Alton Richards (Hygiene), intramurals have attracted from 700 to 1,000 students per semester. The program varies little from the one instituted by Dean Peace. This year Dr. Richards reports that there are fifty basketball teams

in tournament play and almost as many touch-tackle teams.

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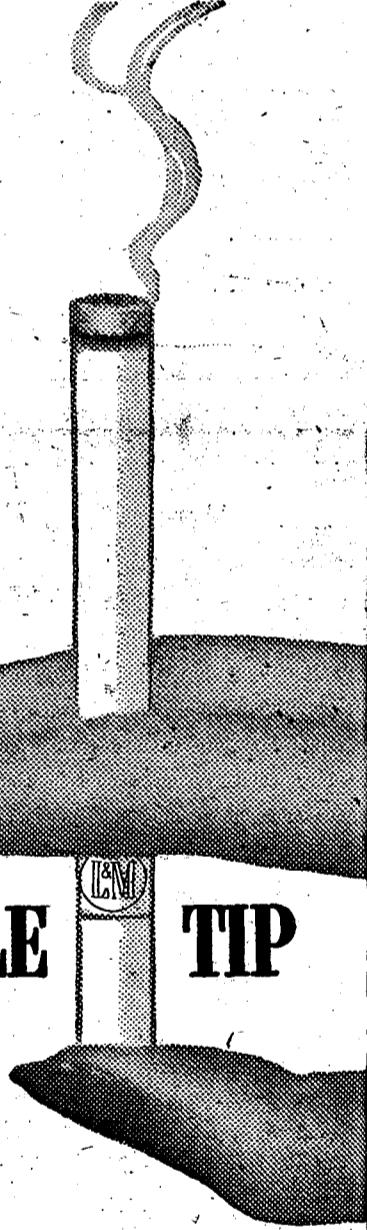
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## Swimmers Set Sights on Second Met Title

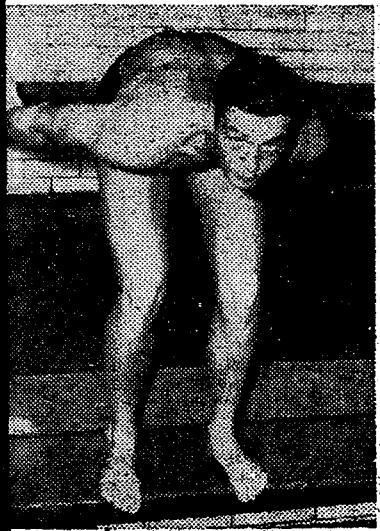
The College's swimming team, winners of last year's Metropolitan Swimming Championships figure to be even stronger this year, according to Beaver coach Jack Rider. It is Rider's belief that this year's swimming team is potentially the best in the history of the college. They have not been seriously hampered by graduations and have added some promising talent to an already powerful squad.

The mermen will be out to capture second straight crown and to avenge their sole defeat at the hands of Columbia last year. The Beavers strength will lie in the freestyle events with veteran performers Howie Schloemer and Steve Kesten leading the way.

Other returning veterans are Harry Sousa who will compete in backstroke and Lou Ruffino, Beavers number one diving performer. Also returning will be breaststroker Bob Kellogg, who figures to be a key man in swimmers' plans.

Coach Rider is exceptionally pleased with newcomer Jimmy Johnson. Johnson is fast and strong and should prove a valuable man in the grueling 220 and 440-yard events as well as the medleys. The team will start its defense of the Metropolitan crown on Saturday, December 4, at home. U and Columbia figure to be the Beavers' strongest competition.

**Freestyle Ace**



**Howie Schloemer**

### Swimming Schedule

c. 4	Brooklyn Poly
c. 15	Columbia
c. 18*	Lafayette
c. 18*	Fordham
b. 5	Manhattan
b. 9	Kings Point
b. 12*	Hunter
b. 19*	N.Y.U.
b. 26	Brooklyn
c. 5	Met. Championships

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### Rifle Team Defeats Dutchmen; Sorbera Tops All Scorers

The College's rifle team ran its unbeaten string to three straight wins as they defeated Hofstra, 1380-1349, last Friday.

They had previously won a triangular meet against N.Y.U. and St. Peter's. This counts as two victories.

Versatile Sal Sorbera, who participated in a wrestling match the same evening, led the Laverne with a score of 284. He was followed by Harvey Izenasch with 276, John Marciniak, 275, John Miller, 274, and Steve Madigan, 271.

The outstanding performer for Hofstra was Louis Burt who notched 281 points.

Coach Sgt. Richard Hoffman said, "We did better than I expected." Sergeant Hoffman described the nimrods next match with Brooklyn Poly this Thursday as very tough.



With many veterans back, Swimming Coach Jack Rider is confident of the Beavers' ability to retain top honors in Metropolitan competition.

## Matmen Bow to West Side Y In Pre-Season Match, 31-17

The wrestling team faced the West Side "Y" last Friday, and Coach Joe Sapora's men failed to impress. They were trounced, 31-17. The matmen had shown to much better advantage against a "Y" team the week before.

One of the stranger twists of the evening saw the College's varsity 123-pound hopeful, Sal Sorbera, get pinned by Paul Paulides. The latter was in turn beaten by Mike Schonberg, a freshman, by a score of 3-1.

In general, the Freshman looked better than the varsity. Besides Schonberg, two other Frosh showed to advantage. Leo Goldberger went to a 3-3 tie with

Paul Felder and Bernie Woods beat Jay Samuels, 6-5.

Other pins were registered by Irv Taylor of the West Side "Y", who downed Spencer Nussbaum, and by Pat Cavuto over Jack Horowitz of the Beavers.

Cavuto also picked up a decision over Dick Barry but Taylor was not as good in his other match. Steve Karides decisioned him, 3-0.

An interesting match saw Beaver co-captain Norm Balot, a 157-pounder take on 167-pound Bernie Stolls and edge through to a 6-5 win. The veteran Balot is totally blind.

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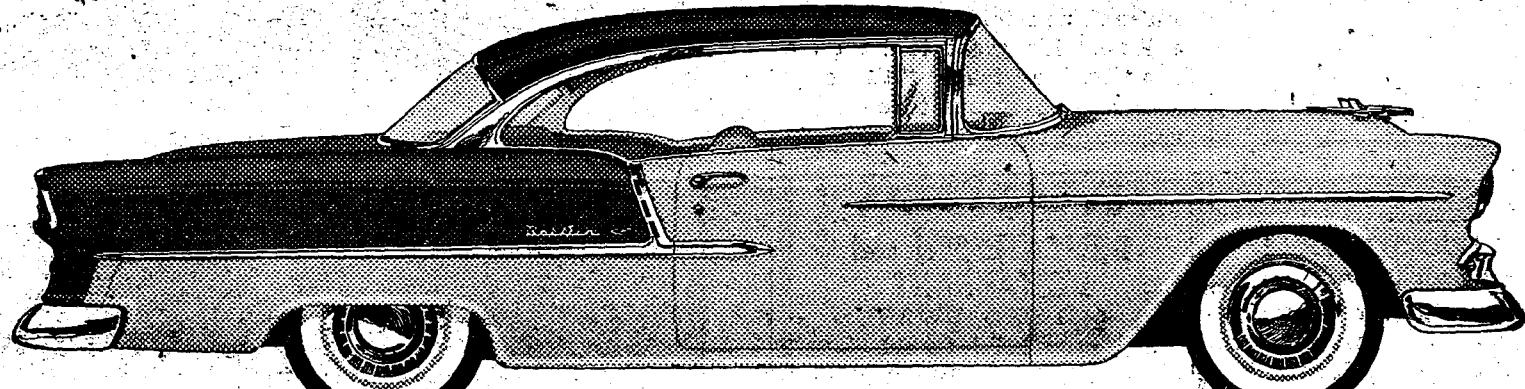
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# Beavers Met Champs Again; Third Crown in Four Years

(Continued from Page One)

to snare the ball or diving low to prevent a score.

Brooklyn's Michael Yahia and Murray Soltana came in on breakaways, but Meisen beat them to the ball.

It was Meisen's fourth straight league shutout. The tall, husky Junior, who has another year of eligibility, has recorded shutouts over Hunter, Queens, Maritime, and now Brooklyn.

## Posted 8-1 Record

For coach Harry Karlin, it was the fitting climax to an outstanding season as his charges posted a league record of seven victories and no defeats. Their overall record was a fine eight and one.

The title was the team's third Met crown in four years. They won previously under Werner Rothschild in 1951 and "Red" Wolfe in '53.

It was the last game for co-captain Gus Naclerio who has



Morris Hocherman

been on all three championship teams.

## IN THE LOCKER ROOM

By Sam Stein

Watching the soccer team play was like watching the ghost of the team that played during the season. The players were tired; they played five games in two weeks, and the Army loss didn't help their spirit too much. But they played and they won.

After the game the locker room

## Thwarts Kingsmen



Wally Meisen

was like a playground full of kids. The exhaustion that was felt on the field was gone; everyone was yelling. Jokes were being told. It seemed as if the players drew from unknown depths some extra energy.

Gus Naclerio broke out a bottle of wine. It was his last game for the College and everyone standing in the locker room could tell that he was sorry he had to leave. Everyone drank a toast.

Bob Hayum, sitting in the corner of the room, murmured, "It was poetic justice, a 1-0 victory, and on a penalty shot. It was last year's game reversed."

Vahe Jordan, ex-Hunter player, quipped, "It's great to be on a championship team." Johnny Koutsantanou told Vahe that if he thinks it's great to be on a championship team "it's even greater to be on one three times.

## Tallies Lone Goal



Wolfgang Wostl

It's getting to be a habit."

Harry Karlin, who received one of the toughest assignments any man would want, for he had never coached a soccer team before, was more than happy.

Wally Meisen was getting the treatment from all the ballplayers. They promised that they would go down to the rathskeller where he works and give him a rough time while they celebrate.

Yes, there was plenty of joy but each player felt a pang of sorrow. They were all sorry they couldn't beat Army and go undefeated.

# Harriers Pull Upset To Win CTC Meet

Coach Harold Anson Bruce's Beaver harriers upset favorite Montclair State Teachers, Saturday, as they won the second annual Collegiate Track Conference cross-country championships at Cortlandt Park.

The Beavers finished first in a meet comprised of eleven colleges. The individual winner of the meet was Doug Brush of Hofstra who placed first in the time of 26:45.3.

The harriers did not place a man in the first four positions but their overall team placings were enough to give them the points that gave them victory.

Bill Kowalski, who finished fifth in the meet, was the first Lavender to score as he finished in the time of 27:11. It was the best time of his College career. He bettered his old time by more than one minute.

Other scorers for the Beavers were: Rick Hurford, 28:07 (eleventh); Dave Nourok, 28:42 (sixteenth) and James Spencer, 29:04 (twenty-first).

Coach Harold Anson Bruce, as could be expected, was more than elated over the fine showing of his team.

## Team scoring:

Place	Team	Point Tot.
1	CCNY	82
2	Montclair	85
3	Upsala	95
4	Adelphi	105
5	Le Moyne	133
6	Hofstra	136
7	Iona	136
8	B'klyn Poly	151
9	Queens	168
	St. Peter's, Fairleigh Dickinson, New Britain and Newark College of Engineers	did not enter complete teams.



Harold Anson Bruce

## Now You Can Watch Varsity Working Out

The Varsity Club will conduct a tour, this Wednesday, designed to familiarize students with some of the teams at the College.

The group will gather at the flagpole at 2:30. From there they will proceed to Lewisohn Stadium to watch the soccer and lacrosse teams demonstrate their skills.

Then, at 4, they will go to the pool in the hygiene building to watch the swimming team practice. Coached by Jacs Rider, the mermen who won the Metropolitan swimming championship last year.

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