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By Barbara Ziegler Main Events, contrary to its announcement last week, is not

In its issue yesterday, the Evening Session newspaper revealed that the announcement, was a "brink of danger" stunt designed to stimulate interest in extra-curricular activi-

Although the headline yesterday termed the previous edition a "Laughless Fool's Issue," the editorial stated that it "was not intended to be an April Fool's issue."

Edition Told Truth

According to Harold Doman, acting editor-in-chief, nothing in the "Fool's" edition was untrue except the reported demise of the paper. "The story about our being undermanned was completely factual," he

In an effort to offset student apathy, the editor said he had util= ized a report, made by two Harvard psychologists during World War II, which revealed that "bad" headlines stimulated morale.

Terming the stunt a "trigger to action," Doman stated, "the lethargy into which Evening Session student activities have fallen had to be shaken. We believe that we have in part done this."

Benefitted All Clubs

He emphasized that the "Fool's Issue" was for the benefit of all Evening Session clubs, and not just device to garner staff members for Main Events. "It was a warning to students," he said, "of the serious spread of apathy and the consequent decrease of student participation in activities."

Ernest Boynton, ME exchange editor, revealed that more than ten students had expressed interest in joining the paper as a result of the "Fool's" edition. In addition, Richard O'Malley, acting as spokesman for CV, offered CV's support during the crisis.

SFCSA Approves New ES Newspaper

A New Evening session publication called "News and Views," an outgrowth of "Catholic Views" and "CV" will be published Wednesday. It has been approved by the ES Student Faculty Committee on Student Activities.

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The publication originally was to be called "Collegiate News" but ES Student Council objected to the title and the preamble of the constitution which described the publication as a newspaper.

The revised preamble states, "We the students of the City College of New York, hereby establish News and Views, a student newspaper representing a conservative point of view." SC recommended that the ward "auxilliary" be inserted before subtitle.



JACK BARRY

Television quizmaster, Jack Barry, has accepted an invitation from the House Plan Association to act as master of ceremonies of the forthcoming Carnival on May

Mr. Barry is the moderator of the quiz program "Twenty One." He appeared at the College last semester as MC of a House Plan charity show which was based on the quiz program.

He will conduct Carnival's variety show which will be held for the first time in a tent on the South Campus lawn. Last year, actress Jayne Mansfield appeared as a guest at the Carnival.

Twelve Attend ReligionForum

Only twelve students attended an Academic Freedom Week forum Friday to hear three speakers discuss the role of religion in public schools.

Mr. Joseph B. Robinson, a member of the American Jewish Council, Mr. Louis J. Naftalison of the American Legion, and Dr. James M. Hutchinson representing the New York Civil Liberties Union, were the speakers.

Mr. Robinson told the audience that the American Jewish Congress believes in "absolute separation" of the church and the state. Separation, he maintained, is best for both institutions because non-separation results in state control over the church and also causes "violent disagreement" between religious groups.

By teaching religion in public schools, Mr. Robinson said, "you inevitably get to the point where you have to give a particular slant."

Mr. Naftalison said that although he believes in separating church and state, religion "in a broad sense" has a place in public schools "as a facet of life to which children must be exposed."

There is a need, Mr. Naftalison asserted, for the teaching of "religious, moral, and spiritual values, which we are morally derelict if we omit." He suggested that teachers be trained to give "non-denomina-

tional" religious instruction. Dr. Hutchinson, who is an official of the First Unitarian Church of Queens, asserted that "it is impossible to teach religion in general" without sectarianism. The teaching of religion, he said "is the prerogathe term "student newspaper" and tive of the church and the home." that the entire phrase appear on Teachers can "exemplify ethical the paper's flag and masthead as a values without reference to relig-Dr. Hutchinson concluded.

Committee voted unanimously yesterday a five hundred dollar underwrite for House Plan's Carnival.

This first subsidy in the history of the event was granted to protect House Plan against a possible loss that may result from Carnival's conflict with the Student Government Boatride, to be held on the same weekend.

Should House Plan lose more than five hundred dollars on Carnival it will be eligible for an additional subsidy providing money is still available in the Student Activities

SG Treasurer Arthur Genen '59 recommended the large underwrite although he thought it a distinct possibility that a loss would be incurred. "Carnival is such a worthwhile event that it merits the subsidy," he said. He added: "Of course I hope it is so successful that our underwrite will be unnecessary."

Mr. Irving Slade (Student Life), chairman of SFFC, explained that the subsidy might keep House Plan solvent. "It may prevent House Plan's going out of existence should it lose a great deal on Carnival," he

In explaining why HP asked for ts first Carnival underwrite, Ralph Mueller, co-chairman of the event, explained that the "competition of the SG Boatride might keep many people from coming to Carnival.' He added that although some students will go to both functions, "there is a possibility we will lose monev."

Moreover, Mueller said that only



Arthur Genen recommended yesterday the five hundred dollar underwrite for Carnival.

"about one half of the houses in HIP are supporting Carnival this year because of the Boatride."

He estimated that only fifty tickets had been sold, although HP must sell 1,250 in order to break even. "However," he said, "there are three weeks left and we have found in the past that the sale of Kahn, legal advisor to the Board of tickets increases sharply in the last Higher Education, said yesterday. couple of weeks.

day, May 4, while the Boatride will sion which was available and the be held the following day.

Main Events Jack Barry to MC HP Carnival, May 4 Gives Financial Gives Financial Aid to Carnival Eased by Press Aid to Carnival The Student Faculty Fee Eased by Pres.

By Abe Habenstreit

A 1950 ruling of the Administrative Council of municipal college presidents which bars persons under indictment from speaking at the College will not be interpreted as a blanket ban, Pres. Buell G. Gallagher revealed yesterday.



Photo by Kosner

Barton Cohen asked Dr. Gallagher for an interpretation of the 1950 ruling on speakers.

Students Hurt In Lab Mishap

Two students were injured Friday afternoon as a result of an explosion in an organic chemistry laboratory.

The accident resulted from the inadvertant mixing of chlorosulfonic acid and water. The chemical itself is known to be extremely volotile and corrosive.

According to Prof. Nathan Birnbaum (Chmn, Chem.) this is the first such occurrance in the last ten years.

John Cody '58, and Joseph Bonkiewicz '57, each suffered first and second degree burns of the face.

First-aid was administered immediately by College Physician each of the municipal colleges. Charles Klein. Cody was then renoved to Knickerbocker Hospital where his condition was described as "not serious." Bonkiewicz was allowed to return to his home. Cody will be hospitalized for several days.

It was thought at first that Cody's eyes might have been injured However, Dr. Charlotte Russell (Chem), noted that the eyeglasses which he wore probably were instrumental in saving his sight from harm.

Cody had been working on an experiment involving the chemical chlorosulfonic acid at the time of the accident. Bonkiewicz was not participating in the experiment and was several feet from the laboratory table when the explosion occurred.

Whether the College is liable for any damages will be determined by a thorough investigation of the incident, Mr. Arthur The scope of the liability will hinge, Carnival is scheduled for Satur- on part, on the amount of superviextent of student negligence.

In a test case, President Gallagher has ruled that Bayard Rustin, a pacifist, will be allowed to speak here on Thursday if he agrees not to discuss his appeal which is presently being considered by the courts. Mr. Rustin was convicted in 1955 of a violation of the Civil Defense Act for failing to participate in an air raid drill.

Dr. Gallagher said that it is his present understanding that the purpose of the edict was to cover persons involved in a controversy with the municipal colleges. Others, who agree not to discuss their individual cases, are not covered by the ban as it was intended in 1950, he said. President Gallagher added that he reached his decision in consultation with Dr. George Shuster, president of Hunter College and chairman of the Administrative Council.

The president indicated that the meaning of the ruling had not been questioned until Student Government vice-president Barton Cohen 58 brought it to his attention yes-

The ruling had been generally understood to be a blanket ban on all individuals under indictment. Mrs. Maude Stewart, public relations director of the Board of Higher Education, said yesterday: "It is a long established policy of the Administrative Council of municipal college presidents not to allow persons under indictment or under suspension of the Board of Education or the BHE to speak on the college campuses.'

President Gallagher emphasized the fact that the interpretation of the ruling is made individually at

College Competes In Blood Drive

A "blood drive" challenge from the New York University Uptown chapter of Alpha Phi Omega fraternity has been accepted for the College by Dean James S. Peace (Student Life) and Dr. Jeanne Noble (Student Life).

Various colleges and universities in the Metropolitan area will be competing for the trophy awarded to the school with the largest donations in 1956-'57. Registration booths at the College are located at the entrance to the Finley Center. the South Campus cafeteria, outside the Knittle Lounge and at Tech Crossroads.

Yesterday, in the first day of contributions, over seventy-five students registered. Stu Coleton, '60. APO blood drive chairman, felt "the competition will be stiff but if we meet our quota of 600 pints we stand an excellent chance of winning the trophy."



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Brinksmanship

John Foster Dulles may not be the most popular of contemporary diplomats, but he has a strong following on Main knows nothing about. Events. ME's editorial board, evidently much taken by Mr. Dulles' frequent forays to the brink of atomic war, chose last week to employ a similar gambit.

Mr. Doman and his colleagues took their newspaper to the brink of extinction. They published a fabricated story of ME's demise in an otherwise legitimate edition bearing an April 2 dateline.

There is clearly some internal confusion as to whether last week's Main Events was an April Fool's issue or not. In an explanatory editorial in yesterday's edition of the Evening ran. Session publication, the editors declare that the April 2 effort was "not intended to be an April Fool's issue." Fair enough. But the five-column banner head just below the editorial calls it a "Laughless Fool's Issue."

Perhaps laughless is a poor adjective: thoughtless or tasteless might be better. Mr. Doman attempts to rationalize his foolhardy non-fooler with the explanation that apathy has become so widespread in the Evening Session that shock-therapy was the only possible cure.

We doubt this on two grounds. First, it is highly questionable that the older and more experienced ES student would be moved by Main Events sophomoric fabrication. Secondly, it is quite possible that the ME editors, beset by a chronic manpower shortage, have exaggerated the extent to which apathy has invaded Evening Session.

This thought is prompted by another story in yesterday's issue of True Confessions. In it ES Student Government President Henry Shanzer cites the "expansion of Evening Session Clubs and publications." Perhaps Mr. Shanzer's understanding of the situation is correct. It certainly warrants as much respect as does Main Events'.

Undergraduate indifference is a problem faced by all student organizations. But threats and childish stunts will not overcome the difficulties. Mr. Dulles risks all our lives when he cavorts at the brink of limbo. Main Events risks only its integrity.

A Beginning

With one forceful stroke President Gallagher swept aside yesterday part of the infamous ruling that denies certain individuals the right to speak on the campus, and at the same time chalked up a significant score for civil liberties—a cause that only a few weeks ago seemed to be almost out of the

In allowing pacifist Bayard Ruskin to participate in Hyde Park Day Thursday, Dr. Gallagher openly circumvented a ruling which under previous interpretation would have denied an indicted person the right to speak at the College. Ruskin, incidentally, is under indictment for the heinious crime of refusing to protect himself during a mock civil defense testmonstrous an act that his indictment for it would have prevented him from enjoying the rights and liberties granted even to those who would talk war.

Fortunately, and laudably, Dr. Gallagher has set a new precedent and for this he, and Student Government Vicepresident Bart Cohen who was instrumental in bringing about the change, must be applauded.

But however commendable the action is, it is just a beginning. There is much that President Gallagher still must do now that he has begun. The mere circumvention of a ruling does not remove it from the books, and it has yet to be explained to us why there should be any ruling that would deny a man the "courtesy of the campus" while he is under indictment.

Indictment does not mean guilt any more than suspicion means proof, and whatever crime of thought or deed a man is accused of he should at least be allowed to try to prove to a jury of his peers his innocence, before his rights are denied him. This much of the Constitutional principle of "innocent until proven guilty" surely must remain.

The other section of the ruling, the recently established one that deals with Smith Act violators has been discussed at great length already. Dr. Gallagher has admitted his dislike for it, but nevertheless it remains in effect. This too must be dealt with-and of course let us not forget for a moment that membership lists are still very much with us.

A great deal must be done before the College can be considered on top in the battle for academic freedom. At least Dr. Gallagher has shown us that we are still in the game.

Professor Davidson Master Of Travel, Prose, Theater

Established Theater Workshop in Iran **For Government**

When Prof. Frank C. Davidson (Speech) isn't busy visiting Iran, or acting as a talent scout, or being dubbed "Ken-tuckian of the Year," he writes books on subjects he

A native of Bourbonville, Ky., the professor was honored by his state in 1954 and holds the rank of Kentucky Colonel. But despite these titles his students usually call him "Prof."

Professor Davidson could also be called a good will ambassador. Last summer the Iranian Government asked him to develop a drama department at the University of Teh-

In addition, he organized a theatre workshop for the Iranian-American Society and directed the first American plays to be produced in Iran-"The Glass Menagerie" and "Our Town."

The professor, a bald man of medium height, was also the first American to direct a play at Oxford University in England. Several years ago he toured eight countries in Europe, lecturing on the drama. In perfect Standard English he guided the sombre and very British students of Oxford through their paces. His work in England won him the praises of Queen Elizabeth herself.

Acknowledging his past success in developing drama departments in foreign countries, Princeton University has swallowed its pride and has offered Professor Davidson, a Yale graduate, a grant to set up theatre workshops in Caracas, Managua, Montevideo, Rio and Santiago. The project will begin this summer.

When Professor Davidson unpacks his trunks and settles down for a rest at home, he turns his attention to finding talent. He discovered Cornel Wilde 35 and gave him his start

SG Pres. Hits Hillel Proposal

A resolution establishing a group to co-ordinate co-curricular activities at the College was criticized Friday by Student Government president, Stan Wissner '57.

"The chaotic situation which has developed," he said, "can be resolved by utilizing certain SG by-laws providing for co-ordination of club programs. In fact, the Finley Center Board of Managers Agency has recently established such a committee which will begin operating next week."

The motion was tabled as a result of a 4-4 vote at a meeting of the Hillel-sponsored Committee for the improvement of Student Activities. The proposed committee would have attempted to eliminate further conflicts involving student activities.

In support of the motion, Mellicent Barman '60, recording secretary, asserted that "even though SG has all kinds of provisions, they have not been used in the past and therefore I feel our group would be more efficient than SG.'

-Damond

Awards

The deadline for submitting applications for major and minor awards is April 26. They may be obtained in 151 Finley or 326 Finley and must be placed in box K-3, 326 Finley.



PROF. FRANK C. DAVIDSON

in acting. Recently, Jon Cypher was noticed by a scout while playing a role Professor Davidson had obtained for him and was offered the

Production of Play At Oxford Earned Queen's Praise

part of the prince in Rodgers and Hammerstein's television version of 'Cinderella.'

A man of diverse interests, Professor Davidson also writes books on topics unrelated to the theatre. "I especially enjoy writing books on subjects I know nothing about," he explained.

A book he wrote about Niagara Falls—although he has never been there—is in its third printing. He also penned a volume on safe driving-but he doesn't drive. His first venture into the literary world, a book entitled, "Where to Take Your Girl in New York on One to Twenty Dollars" was difficult for the professor. It seems that he was relatively familiar with New York when he wrote it.

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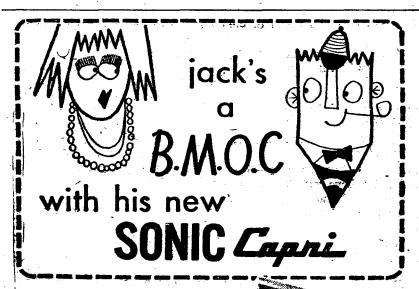
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was hardened to this sort of thing,

but the inefficiency of the UBE just

Margaret Fink '60

certainly aren't worth it.

made me sick.

END OF THE LINE To the editor:

In the April 3 issue of The Campus, Miss Karen Moskowitz, as an incidental sidelight to her scoring of the UBE for its lengthy lines, decided to persecute the members of the registration staff declaring them to be "the coldest and most imper- $_{ ext{sonal}}$ people \mathbf{f} have ever met."

I am quite friendly with the many earnest and sincere students, who out of sheer loyalty to Alma Mater and with no thought of selfish gains, work each and every semester, giving unstintingly of their time and energy; I can say that they are definitely the warmest lovers of humanity whose cup literally spills over with fondness and affection for homosapiens, City College, (female).

Miss Moskowitz also saw fit to add, "they can at least attempt to help those who need help instead of passing some smart remark." Having worked as a student assistant for the Registrar for several years, I feel qualified to say that we are as obliging to the chronic incompetents as we can be, but their inability to cope with reality often leaves us as-

However, even though Miss Moskowitz has resorted to the vilest and most insidious form of mud-slinging and character assasination, I bear her no grudge and I look forward to seeing her at the end of the long ine in September.

Paul Alper '58

CALLS UBE INEFFICIENT the editor:

It seems to me that Estelle Horoitz missed the point entirely when ne defended the UBE in Thursday's dition of The Campus. I really do ot care that the staff members are rying their darndest, but I do know at the exchange is run ineffi-

One Thursday afternoon I decided get my money back (they are nly open on Thursdays) and so I leliberately didn't plan anything lse. About one o'clock I got on line nd waited patiently on one of the lowest moving lines ever. After I ecame first on line, I was told to it in a crowded room till my numer was called. If I had been able to that room when I first got on ne I might never have waited at l, for it was at bout this time that he bell which made me late for my wo o'clock class rang.

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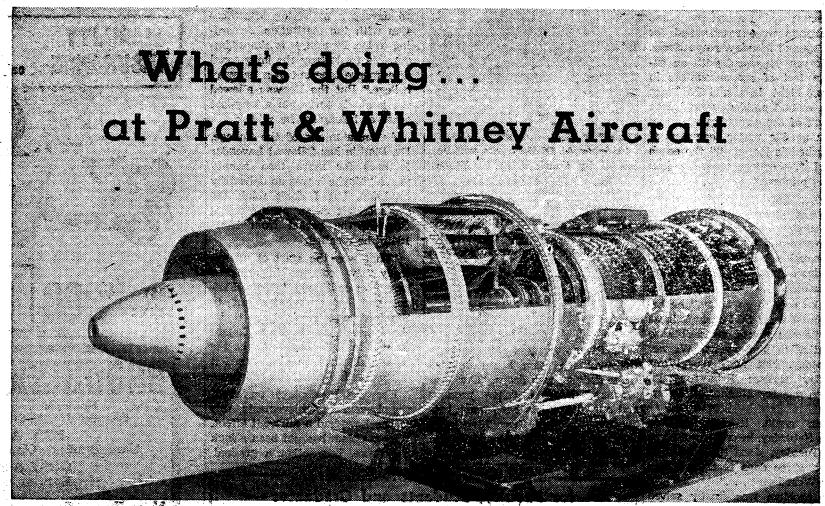
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Rainouts Leave Coach Gloomy

By Bob Mayer

Baseball coach John La Place sat in the locker room of Lewisohn Stadium yesterday watching the rain turn the field into mush and trying to unscramble his pitching rotation for the coming week.

The Beavers had been scheduled to open their season at Princeton Saturday, and then come back against Fordham yesterday. But both games were washed away, and the contests were rescheduled for Thursday and Monday, respectively. That leaves the squad with an endurance test of six encounters in the next eight days, and La Place with a mound problem even before the start of the campaign.

"You need a major league staff for a schedule like that," the coach moaned. "No college team has four starting pitchers."

Getting down to particulars, he said, "Right now I have to figure on Al Di Bernardo, and Stew Weiss as our two top pitchers. I haven't seen enough of the newcomers yet, and I don't know how they'll do under pressure."

"Weiss was to go today," he began, "but I want Di Bernardo in as many League games as possible, so I'll switch to him against Wagner Wednesday. But if I use Weiss Thursday against Princeton, I'll have no one for Manhattan Saturday.'

"Then again, if Di Bernardo pitches Saturday, he can't go against NYU Tuesday, since the boys need | haven't played yet." at least three days rest. And that leaves West Point . . .'

The problem was finally solved with the introduction of sophomore Luby Mlynar into the conversation. "He's looked good the few times I've seen him," La Place said. "He'll pitch against Princeton Thursday and Fordham Monday. That leaves Di Bernardo and Weiss for the

In The Sportlite



RANDY CROSFIELD

Between wielding a stick for the College's lacrosse team and carrying the baton for the track squad, Randy Crosfield operates a wicked slide rule. A mechanical engineer, Crosfield has successfully combined his studies with three years of athletic competition.

Crosfield's participation on the cross country, indoor and outdoor track, and lacrosse teams keeps the senior busy throughout the school year.



Pitcher Al Di Bernardo will be saved by Coach John La Place for important League games.

League games."

With the pitching situation settled, the coach revealed the lineup he will use, "if it ever stops rain-

Leon Memoli Bob Iacullo Tony Lucich Pete Troia Ron Weiss Tony Piscatello Stan Rothman

La Place expressed pleasure with the way the 'team has developed while dodging rain drops. "Our new pitchers," he said, "show promise and our hitting has been much better than last year. Everything looks rosy now. Of course," he added, "we

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Prof Terms Teams Assets Gives Students 'A Sense of Belonging'

By Bernie Čefkowitz

The success of intercollegiate athletics at the College this year has prompted Prof. Lawrence Plotkin (Psychology) to reaffirm the theory that "winning teams are a definite asset" to the morale of the student

Dr. Plotkin believes that the fine performance of the basketball team has allowed undergraduates to deveop a satisfying identification with the institution. According to Dr. Plotkin, it is almost impossible to destroy the impersonal atmosphere inherent in a "subway college." But the Beavers allowed the students to regain a long-lost sense of belonging, he said.

As an alumnus of the College, Dr. Plotkin has followed Lavender fortunes for more than twenty years. "Maybe 't was an unhealthy condition, but I don't think the students felt closer to the school than in the period from 1937-1940," he recalled.

"That was the start of an entirely new concept in athletics here," he continued. "Bernie Fleigal and his teammates lost to Stanford and Hank Luisetti by three points in Madison Square Garden in 1937. But as far as the basketball world was concerned it put us on the map," he added.

For the Psychology professor, the Lavender achievements this season have had a different effect. "Our problem has not been a lack of stature, but rather a gradual CAMP COUNSELLOR OPENINGS

recovery from the disappointment. of the basketball scandal," he said.

Dr. Plotkin characterizes the attitude towards athletics during the past five years as one of avoidance rather than apathy.

"It was not that the students were uninterested; they were just trying to live down an unfortunate situation that still existed in their minds," he remarked.

Personally, Plotkin feels that the student body will support the

team in the future even if they finish with a losing record. "As I told Dave Polansky, the present squad proved that the unfortunate situation in the years of high-powered athletics is part of the past," he commented.

As a member of the faculty Plotkin finds little time to maintain his former interest in sports. "But even the most disinterested teacher found time to follow the College's teams this year," he said.

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