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Students Allege Mistreatment in Bookstore

Student employees of the college bookstore charged yesterday that undergraduate workers there are being dismissed because "they are asking better working conditions."

his "persecution," they said, is reflected in the rise of non-student workers in the store and the corresponding decline in student workers.

One of the employees said that last semester there were six non-student employees and fourteen student employees in the bookstore. This semester," he added, "there are half as many students working there and nine non-student workers."

Employees Suffer Setback

The dismissals, according to Mr. Gerald Garretson, manager of the bookstore, "are only the result of the changing in the season and non-policy at this time of year." A setback was suffered by the employees last night as Student Council voted against endorsing demands for overtime pay, dental coverage, insurance and other fringe benefits.

The Student Government School Affairs Committee, which had been studying the demands, reported to Council that "We do not believe these demands are justified, because we feel that the bookstore necessitates the present conditions."

Demands Not Granted

The demands are not granted most part-time employees out of the College," the report said. Council approved the committee's report by a vote of seven to one, with ten abstentions.

Several student bookstore workers requested that Council endorse an formally requesting the Administration to establish an impartial committee to hear their grievances. No action was taken. The Student Faculty Bookstore Advisory Committee has agreed to investigate the matter within the next two weeks.

Dr. Austin's Appeal Set for March 18

The state office of education has scheduled Dr. Warren B. Austin's appeal for March 18, Pres. Buell Gallagher announced yesterday. Austin was dismissed from the college for falsely denying membership in the Communist Party. The hearing will be held at the office of Dr. James H. H. State Commissioner of Education. The Commissioner will hear argument by attorneys for Dr. Austin and the Board of Higher Education. Written briefs have already been submitted.

According to Dr. Gallagher the hearing probably will be concluded one sitting, and it will be several months before Dr. Allen will render a decision.

Irani to Address Chemistry Society



PROF. K. D. IRANI

The relationship of philosophy and science will be discussed today by Dr. K. D. Irani (Philosophy) before the Baskerville Chemical Society at 12:30 in Doremus Hall. Dr. Irani will attempt to show a close proximity between the two subjects in a talk on "The Philosophy of Science."

In the course of his career, Dr. Irani has taught Physics at the University of Bombay, in his native India. He has also taught philosophy at the University of Vienna and Cambridge University.

Magazine Pleases Board, Mercury Editor Reports

By Eli Sadownick

The alumni committee designated to review Mercury thought the latest issue a good one, Isidore Haiblum '59, newly-elected editor-in-chief, reported yesterday.

Haiblum said the committee felt the latest issue of the magazine was a step in the right direction and "an improvement over the last issue." He also said there has been no pressure on Mercury to de-emphasize sex.

Four alumni were designated by the President to review Mercury after a Board of Higher Education investigation a year ago. The Board's City College Administrative Committee heard reasons why the magazine should retain the use of the College's name after it had been accused of being "vulgar, indecent and pornographic." After the hearing the alumni review committee was agreed upon.

The alumni, all eminent writers, are: Robert Stein '47, managing editor of Redbook; Milton Bracker '29, New York Times reporter; Robert J. Levin '42, freelance writer; and Sanford Socolow '50, television news writer.

Haiblum and Barry Gross '59, managing editor, agreed that the criticism offered by the alumni committee was "helpful" and said many constructive suggestions had been offered. "They look at it from a different point of view than anyone at the College," Gross said.

Referring to reports before publication of the issue that sex had been de-emphasized, Haiblum said, "In fact Mercury isn't particular-

Ease Ban on Speakers; Gates Agrees to Appear

Accepts Invitation To Speak Here Next Week

By Ken Foeger

John Gates has accepted an invitation to speak at the College on March 5. The invitation was extended by *Observation Post* last night and endorsed by Student Council.

Almost immediately after Pres. Buell G. Gallagher stated the College's new policy towards Mr. Gates, the former Communist leader was contacted at his home by Peter Franklin '59, Managing Editor of *OP*. He indicated at the time that he would accept an invitation by a "representative student body."

Franklin then brought the invitation to Student Council which was in session. The proposal to endorse the invitation was made by Arthur Genen '59, Student Government vice-president, and en-



JOHN GATES

dorsed, seventeen to one, with one abstention.

When informed of Council's action, Mr. Gates agreed to speak here.

Last year, before his renunciation of the Communist Party, Gates was invited to speak here by SG. After the invitation, the edict against Smith Act offenders was put into effect by the Administrative Council of Municipal College Presidents. Previously, Mr. Gates had been denied permission to speak at Queens College.

Pres. Supports Athletics Plan

Pres. Buell G. Gallagher endorsed yesterday a proposal by the Alumni Association urging the construction of a field house for athletics. But he noted that the probability of obtaining funds for construction is slim.

On Monday the Alumni Association revealed that it had petitioned the Board of Higher Education to seek several million dollars for the project.

The President noted that construction of new facilities for the Baruch School would precede allocation of funds for a field house. No definite proposal has been advanced for relocating the downtown center.

Dr. Gallagher endorsed the contention of the Alumni that athletic facilities at the College are inadequate. He declared that present basketball facilities "are standard for junior high schools."

Mr. Seymour Weisman, executive secretary of the Alumni Association, said yesterday that the proposed field house could be located at 139 Street, west of Amsterdam Avenue. The city recently condemned property immediately to the South of the site, and it is probable that the next block will be condemned and turned over to the College, he said.

Smith Act Violators To Be Judged 'Individually'

By Don Langer

The edict denying speaking privileges at municipal colleges to persons convicted under the Smith Act has been relaxed for former top Communist John Gates, Pres. Buell G. Gallagher revealed yesterday.

Dr. Gallagher emphasized that the present action applies only to Mr. Gates. The original ban on Smith Act offenders will continue to be enforced, he said.

The President noted that the administration of each municipal college must decide individually whether to grant speaking privileges to Mr. Gates should he be invited by student groups. "I will not prevent his speaking here," he said.

Decision Made Tuesday

The decision was made Tuesday night by the Administrative Council of Municipal College Presidents. Invitations to Mr. Gates a year ago from groups here and at Queens College culminated in the enactment of the ruling by the Council.

In response to questions, Dr. Gallagher granted that the Council's action "is a precedent to the extent that future cases will be decided upon individually by the Administrative Council."

A statement released by the Council reads in part: "... it appears clear that John Gates has changed the position which had led to his conviction under the Smith Act."

Gates Changes Position

Dr. Gallagher said that the phrase referred to Mr. Gates' resignation from the Communist Party on January 10 of this year. He previously had been editor of the *Daily Worker*, official organ of the (Continued on Page 2)

Hold Second Dance Tom'w Night at 8

The second in this term's schedule of five Friday night dances will be held tomorrow evening at 8, in the Grand Ballroom of the Finley Student Center.

Sponsored by the Student Government Social Functions Committee, the dance is open to all students at the College and their guests. Students must present identification cards at the door.

In previous years approximately ten dances were held each semester. Presently the Evening Session Administration finances the staffing of the five events, half the support it had given before. Day session Student Government provides the band.



BOARD MEMBER: Milton Bracker was one of four alumni who reviewed Mercury.

ly interested in emphasis or de-emphasis of sex. We'll print any material that's funny whether it deals with sex or not.

"There has been absolutely no pressure on us to de-emphasize sex. We just haven't gotten any funny material that deals with sex."

The alumni committee will issue a report to the President after the next issue of Mercury is published. Haiblum said the issue would appear in about five weeks.

UBE

The Used Book Exchange will refund money for books sold this term today from 12:30 to 4 in 207 Finley. Students claiming money should bring receipts to support their claims.

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Editorial Policy Is Determined by a Majority Vote of the Managing Board

A Partial Advance

The Municipal College Presidents this week took an important step towards rescinding the infamous ruling which prevents persons convicted under the Smith Act from speaking on this campus. But at the same time, by exempting John Gates from its provisions and allowing the ruling itself to remain, they have pointed up the absurdity of the original edict.

The Administrative Council says it now will allow Mr. Gates to speak because he "has changed the position which had led to his conviction under the Smith Act." But the position Mr. Gates maintains—that he does not favor violent overthrow of the government—he held when he was banned a year ago. Since then he has also renounced the Communist Party, but this cannot make the difference, because even under the ruling, Communist Party members are allowed to speak here if they are not Smith Act offenders.

Dr. Gallagher noted yesterday at his press conference that future cases will be "considered individually." This would indicate that there exists a possibility that some future speakers would be allowed campus privileges even though they may have violated the act.

There is, however, a disturbing aspect to deciding "individually" who shall be permitted to speak here. It is that a person's beliefs and ideas can be used as a basis for determining whether or not he is fit to speak.

A logical extension of the new action could have a person guilty under the Smith Act testify before the College presidents on how his views have changed since his conviction. This prospect—of having to submit to the cross-examination of one's beliefs—could be enough to discourage anyone from speaking here.

We think Dr. Gallagher realizes this—his policy statement on speakers adopted last term by the General Faculty includes no such restriction—and we regret that the Administrative Council has chosen to proceed in such a fragmentary manner.

Field House for Athletics

Athletes, the Alumni Association and President Gallagher are unanimously agreed on the necessity of improving current athletic facilities at the College. To accomplish this, the Alumni have initiated a drive to put a field house for athletics on the College's construction schedule.

We share their view of the desirability of such a project. The diminutive size of the basketball court and swimming pool, the limited number of spectators that can be accommodated at indoor events and the lack of adequate locker room facilities for visiting teams as well as Lavender varsities are evidence enough to justify initiation of the project.

Also of significance is the fact that such a project will not detract from existing construction plans. Nor will it mean that operational deficiencies in the College cannot be sooner remedied. One example of such a deficiency is the College's shortage of forty-six instructors. However, such an expense would be divorced from the capital budget, which is concerned solely with construction. Moreover, funds from the capital budget cannot be transferred to the operational budget. Hence the project cannot adversely influence academic matters.

Practically, a field house is ten years in the future, but unless serious effort is immediately expended in working for it, the project will always be elusive by the space of a decade.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'FALSE IMPRESSIONS'

To the Editor:

On Thursday, February 20, I was moderator of a panel discussion on the topic: "The Department of Student Life versus student life." *The Campus* of Friday, February 22 carried a news report and an editorial based on this discussion. The news story was so inaccurate and the editorial so vituperative that I feel it necessary to correct the false impressions the readers must have gained about that meeting and the people who participated. I will quote pertinent parts of your story and editorial and then comment.

"A forum concerning the role of the Department of Student Life evolved yesterday into a condemnation of the student press."

Interrupted Discussion

Of sixty minutes of discussion, approximately five minutes were used by speakers who mentioned the press. During this part of the discussion a student said that he felt the newspapers existed to serve the College. *The Campus* reporter present said that this was not the purpose for which the newspapers existed, that they existed to train journalists. At this point I interrupted to say that discussion of the newspapers' role in the College community was irrelevant and we turned back to the topic of the day.

A student, Mr. Leon Berliner, asked why there was no publicity for the services available through the Department of Student Life since this was the first occasion he learned about the work of the different divisions of this Department. Mr. Zades pointed out that Leon was a transfer student and didn't learn about these services through the orientation program in the usual way. For the next few minutes a few gripes about newspaper services were aired. Participation, as throughout the whole discussion, was divided about evenly between student and panel members. The members of the Department of Student Life present felt that publicity of their activities was not a problem, that students who needed help or services had no difficulty in satisfying such needs. Mr. Slade said that no matter how much publicity was given activities there would still be students who would claim it was inadequate.

Student Life Work Cited

"Members of the department claimed they were not to blame for student ignorance of its function. According to Mr. Slade it stemmed from student newspapers 'considering themselves in competition' with metropolitan papers."

Mr. Slade did say he felt that student newspapers considered themselves in competition with metropolitan newspapers but he did not attribute student ignorance of the functions of the Department of Student Life to this. The fact is that the members of the Department of Student Life present took pains to point out that students were not ignorant of their

work. Dr. Condon cited the number of students (3,000 conference hours worth yearly) who came to the Division of Testing and Guidance alone. Dr. Akeret concurred.

"Dr. Noble implied that the newspapers were shirking a responsibility in not trying to orient Freshmen. She said that the newspapers address entering students only at the beginning of each term in an editorial welcoming them."

Dr. Noble made exactly the opposite statement. She said that only once in the past several years had she read an editorial welcoming the new students to the College. She wished that the papers did this regularly as such a welcome would make the Freshmen feel wanted by the other students. There was no implication that it was the job of the papers to orient Freshmen in any general sense.

"Another student told the panel that the papers tend to distort the job of the department. 'It would seem that the department spends all of its time disciplining students...'"

No student said any such thing. I asked the panel a lengthy question about whether or not the disciplining of students was one of their major roles, I said that I had gotten the impression from newspaper stories that it was, but that in the panel report during the discussion there was no mention of this aspect of their work. I did not tell anyone that the papers tended to distort anything.

Calls Edit 'Destructive'

On the basis of the distorted story you wrote an editorial, purely destructive in character.

"The Department Representatives at the meeting professed that they were making every effort to attain improved relations with the student body. The only thing, it seemed, that impeded their progress, was the gloomy spectre of undergraduate newspapers."

No Department member present indicated in any way that the newspapers were interfering with efforts to communicate better with the students. The second sentence in the quote above is nonsense.

"In order to justify their contention, some Department members, with great relish, took turns at whacking *The Campus* and *Observation Post*."

At this point the editorial writer took his own conclusion of the sentence before ("The only thing, it seemed, that impeded their progress...") and acted as though this was a statement ("their contention") by Department members. The fallacy should be obvious.

"... She [Dr. Noble] implied that the publications were shirking a responsibility in not trying to orient Freshmen. If Miss Noble's department devoted a little more time to improving the Beaver Handbook and a little less to criticizing other organizations at the College, Freshmen might be a little more comfortable in their new surroundings. By her statement, Miss Noble implies that Freshmen are not being properly integrated." In the content of your state-

ment above you said that Dr. Noble implied something. No evidence was cited to show the implication was justified. Then you said, "her statement, Miss Noble implies . . ." Thus, your implication of a few sentences before suddenly became a statement. Dr. Noble from which you drew further implication. Actually Noble expressed satisfaction with the way the Department of Student Life was regularly improving the Freshman Orientation Program. She cited the fact that orientation was being carried on in small groups whenever possible and concluded that this was superior to the old system of orientating students via mass meetings.

One of my major feelings about the panel discussion on Thursday was that members of the Department of Student Life felt the work was worthwhile, the results were good, and their relationships with the students with whom they worked were excellent. Any negative feelings about their work which were attributed to Department members were products of your imagination.

As a free newspaper the responsibility is in your hands to your privileges maturely. You must train your reporters to listen objectively and to make an accurate record of proceedings they cover. You must take editorial statements after careful consideration, check data on which the editorials are based. Your editorial position should be constructive. City College is built to new heights by a generation of student and faculty members. You should always endeavor to be a part of the construction crew.

Irving Bränman
Assistant Professor
Department of Speech

(While we respect Dr. Bränman's analysis of the meeting, we feel we must point out that there were a number of students present who differ with his interpretation and who feel the impression conveyed by *THE CAMPUS*'s story and editorial was substantially correct.—Ed.)

Speaker Bar

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Party in the United States.

According to the President, writings show that "Gates' views are not the ones for which he had been convicted." The Smith Act makes it unlawful to advocate the violent overthrow of the Federal Government. "In the article Gates explicitly and completely indicates his opposition to changing the government by any peaceful means," Dr. Gallagher said.

Interested in Medicine or Allied Fields?

Dr. H. H. Johnson (secretary of pre-medical committee) will speak "Advice to the Pre-Medical Student" Shepard 315 Thurs. at 12:30

Prof. Page to Talk On Lenin's Career

Prof. Stanley Page (History) will speak on "Lenin's Career" today at 12:30 in 105 Wagner.

Author of a soon to be released book entitled "Lenin and World Revolution," Professor Page will analyze Lenin's role in the light of his writings.

The Professor notes that Lenin's major papers are usually neglected when interpreting his role in the Russian Revolution.

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College Calendar

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Amateur Radio Society
at 12:15 in 13 Shepard.

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American Meteorological Society
film on "Fronts—Battlefronts" at 12:15 in 308 Shepard.

Anthropology Society
Cobbs (Sociology and Anthropology) on "Culture Change in French" in 327 Finley.

Art Society
in 417 Finley.

Biology Review
at 12 in 316 Shepard.

Biology Society
film on "The Legacy of Pasteur" in 319 Shepard.

Caduceus Society
Robert Johnson, secretary of the Pre-Committee, will speak on "Advice Medical Student" in 315 Shepard.

Camera Club
Wagner. Beginning and advanced photographers should attend.

Brown Hellenic Society
in 011 Wagner.

Circle Français du Jour
slides and discussion on abstract at 12 in 02 Downer.

Christian Association
in 440 Finley.

Class of '59
at 12 in 304 Klapper to discuss Broadway production of "Simply

Club Iberoamericano
slides on South and Central America at 12 in 302 Downer.

Debating Society
in 217 Finley.

English Society
Praver (German) will speak on "Romantic Poetry and Music" in 315 Shepard.

Folk Music Club
informal group sing and solos tomorrow at 8 in the Finley lounge.

Geological Society
Behre of Columbia University on "The Economic Geology of the 306 Shepard." Color slides of recent expedition will be shown.

Art and Sullivan Society
youths for chorus and leads in "Jury" at 6 in 438 Finley.

Government and Law Society
Duchacek (Government) will speak on "Ten Years Since the Coup in Czechoslovakia" in 105 Wagner.

History Society
Finley Page (History) will speak on "Career in Terms of his Writing" in 105 Wagner.

Public Relations Committee
in 427 Finley.

Christian Fellowship
IVCF's foreign student secretary, York, will speak on "Peace" in 315 Shepard.

Logic Society
Dworkin will speak on "Cerebral Mathematics" tomorrow at 3:30 in 315 Shepard.

Mathematics Society
125 Shepard to discuss "Adaptations in Elementary Mathematics" in 125 Shepard.

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Modern Jazz Society
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Lone Coed in Male Gym Class Beset by Locker Room Woes

Twice a week, a senior coed here finds herself in what many females might consider Paradise—she is the only girl in a boy's gym class.

However, Carol Lazare '58, one of the few female physical education majors at the College, does not find the situation as desirable as it might seem.

Because the class is held in the Wingate Gym, it is necessary for her to acquire a key to the building's ladies' room in order to dress for each period. "It's sort of an inconvenience," she admits good-naturedly.

Miss Lazare was one of several girls who took physical education electives when they were first opened to coeds a year and a half ago. Because of an illness last year, she fell behind her fellow pioneers.

Upon her return, Miss Lazare discovered she had to complete her sequence of activities, this time in a class minus girls. The course she is taking includes instruction in tennis, golf and fencing.

The pert, blue-eyed blonde re-



members her first day in the boy-filled gym. "I didn't look at anyone," she recalls, "but I could feel their eyes on me. But I guess they're getting used to me now. I even talk to some of them."

The physical inequality involved has concerned Miss Lazare about her grade for the course. "I certainly can't match up to the fellows," she concedes, "and I don't know just how I'll be evaluated."

Cheerleaders

Men and women interested in trying out for the cheerleader squad can obtain applications in the Athletic Office in Lewisohn Stadium or in 132A Finley.

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Hoopsters Edge Rider, 60-58, for Ninth Win

By Vic Ziegel

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 26—A determined Lavender basketball squad, built a lead and clung to it tonight, to edge Rider College, 60-58, in the losers' gym.

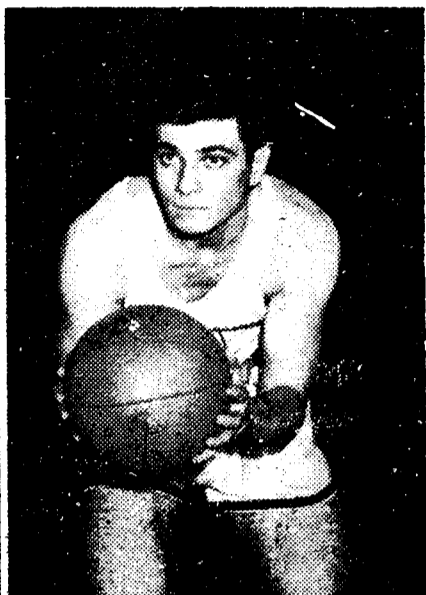
The win, their ninth against six losses, assured the Beavers of a winning season. Only two games—the St. John's and NYU encounters—remain on the schedule.

Hector Lewis led the College in scoring with fifteen points, hitting on seven of eleven floor attempts. Marty Groveman and Joe Bennardo, both with fourteen, and Joel Ascher's eleven, accounted for all but six of the Beaver points.

Madden High Scorer

Rider's Jack Madden was high man in the game with 28 points. The 6-4 forward canned twelve of his 25 field goal tries. The College shot 26 for 53 from the floor for 48 percent, against the Rider mark of 46 percent (23 for 50).

Coach Dave Polansky, assured of his fourth successful season, felt strongly about his teams performance. "The boys played a fine game before a partisan crowd. Rider kept on closing in but we held them off. They've got a good shooting club and that Madden is the best player we've seen all year. They tell me we only lost the ball



CO-CAPTAIN Joe Bennardo scored fourteen points in the win over Rider.

seven times tonight, and that's what counts against a team like Rider.

"This game should put us back in the running for an NCAA bid," the coach continued. We've got a good record and have played well all season. None of our defeats were one-sided, and our losses to Fairleigh Dickinson, St. Francis and Wagner, could have gone either way."

The all-time series between both clubs now stands 3-2 for the College. It was the first Beaver win over Rider since the 1954-55 season. The Broncos have been a tough team for the Lavender, tonight's game being no exception.

Playing against the Rider zone defense, the Beavers jumped out

to a 6-2 lead. With Lewis, Groveman and Bennardo showing the way, the Lavender led 22-8 with eight minutes to go in the first half. At this point, Rider began employing a man-to-man defense. The Broncos' pressing tactics, combined with Madden's fine shooting, brought Rider to within five at the half, 30-25.

Close Gap to One

The losers drew to within three points early in the second stanza, and with eight minutes to go in the game trailed by one, 45-44. Lewis however, with key baskets, and Ascher with some fine defensive play, helped the College pull away to a 60-52 margin with only one minute to go in the game.

Bronco Captain Ron Anderson and high scorer Madden put in baskets to pull Rider within four. With seventeen seconds remaining, the Broncos regained possession and threatened to send the contest into overtime. But a Madden jump shot fell short, and only a last second basket by Anderson cut the final margin to two points.

The Box Score

CCNY (60)				RIDER (58)					
G	F	P	T	G	F	P	T		
Ascher	4	3	2	11	Madden	12	4	1	28
Silver	1	2	4	4	Solana	2	1	4	5
Lewis	7	1	3	15	Anderson	3	5	2	11
Bennardo	7	0	2	14	Walsh	4	-1	0	0
Groveman	6	2	1	14	Shell	2	1	4	5
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Ascher's Play Not Shared, But He Makes His Point

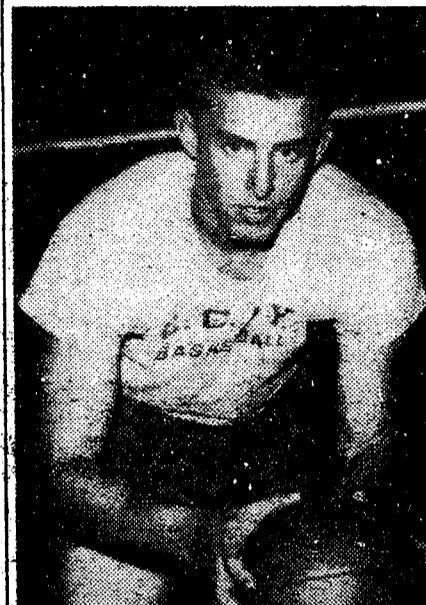
By Mike Katz

"He may not be poetry in motion, but he gets the message across."

That's the description a teammate applied recently to Joel Ascher, burly center on the College's basketball team.

Although Ascher's play is hardly graceful, he is an excellent pivotman, according to coach Dave Polansky.

"He knows what to do in there,"



JOEL ASCHER

the Beaver mentor said, "even though he does it with little finesse. He's a perfect target for his teammates' passes, and the rest of the boys know that, unlike with some centers, if they give the ball to Joel they'll get it back if they're free."

Ascher, the cagers' leading

shooter with a better than fifty percent average, has scored at ten points per game, third on the team. Until recently, ever, he wasn't even a starter.

Earlier in the season Polansky preferred to keep Ascher on the bench, waiting for the right moment to insert him to give team a needed lift. But since recent Lavender opponents have been taller teams, Ascher's has been needed from the opening jump.

The 21-year old junior did not begin playing even playground basketball until he was sixteen, and did not play for his Bushwick High School team. When he entered the college three years ago, he was out for the freshman squad, coached by Polansky.

"After about two weeks, I started cutting down the gym, and I was worried for a while," Ascher said. "Then he told me, 'You didn't know why he was keeping me, but he was. The funny part is that I started the first game'."

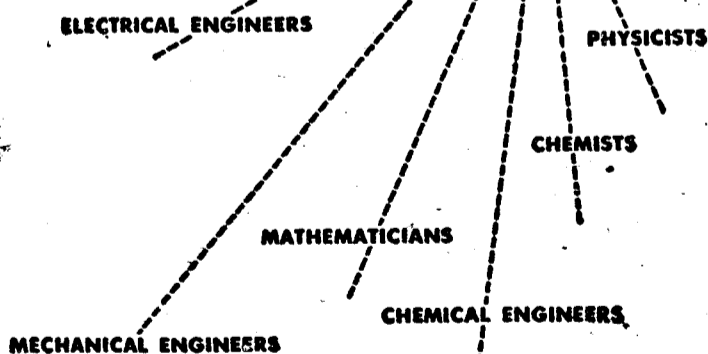
Joel is called "Dutch" by his teammates. He picked up the name two years ago while playing under Nat Holman. During the time one day Joel was the man coming down court, and he was quipped, "He runs as if he were wearing wooden shoes."

Despite his aggressive play, Ascher rarely gets into fights on the court. "I wonder why people get so worked up over a 6-4, 230 pounder asked to smile."

Gal Six Wins

Despite the absence of three of its regulars, the women's basketball team gained a 51-49 victory over New York University in an exciting contest at the Park Gym last night. The win was the squad's sixth in eight games.

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