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Bren Calls for Cooperation At Semi-Annual SG Dinner

Incoming Student Government President Fred Bren '62 made a plea last night for a "spirit of cooperation" next semester between him and his "most severe antagonists."



SG PRESIDENT Irwin Pronin mapped a program for Student Government under Fred Bren.

Bren spoke at the semi-annual Student Government Honors and Awards Dinner after he accepted the presidential gavel from Irwin Pronin '62. "I asked those members of the student community who have been some of our most severe antagonists to modify their opposition," he said.

The President-Elect also named two areas in which SG "will take action" next term: passage of the new SG constitution by the General Faculty and a campaign against tuition. He said SG would send a delegation to Albany to lobby for free tuition.

However, Pronin, in an earlier speech at the dinner, mapped his own program for SG during Bren's term of office.

"There must be continuation of a broad interpretation" of the students-as-students clause in the SG constitution, he said.

This was in direct opposition to Bren's view, which is that SG ought to confine itself to campus issues.

Acting President Rivlin was presented with a scroll by Irwin Pronin in behalf of SG commending him for "outstanding" service to the College.

Others receiving awards were: Leadership: Ed Beiser '62, Paul Blake '62, Renee Cohen '62, Bob Jacobson '62, Irwin Pronin '62, Mitt Strauss '62, Nick Lewin '62, and Mel Peil '62.

Young Republicans To Be Investigated By SG Committee

By Roz Kobrin

Student Council last night appointed a committee to investigate the circumstances surrounding the actions of the Young Republican Club on Dec. 21. On that day the club's protest against the appearance at the College of Benjamin Davis, National Secretary of the Communist Party, resulted in violence.

Previously, the SG Publicity Committee had suspended the publicity rights of the club for the remainder of the term for violating publicity regulations during Mr. Davis' appearance. Motions to appeal the decision of the committee and to discuss the Republicans' activities were defeated by Council.

Carl Weitzman '65, a member of the club who was denied the right to speak to SC last night, said he felt "that Council's refusal to hear our appeal today, in full knowledge of the fact that the publicity agency acted on hearsay, was promulgated by a small left-wing clique intent on merely embarrassing the club." He said he will bring the matter up at the Council meeting next week.

The appointed committee members were Council members Len Machtinger '62, Joel Forkosh '62, Richard Weisberg '63, Ted Brown '63, Marcia Tuchman '64, and Adele Schreiberstein '65.

Gov.: Tuition Is CU's Option

By Ralph Blumenthal

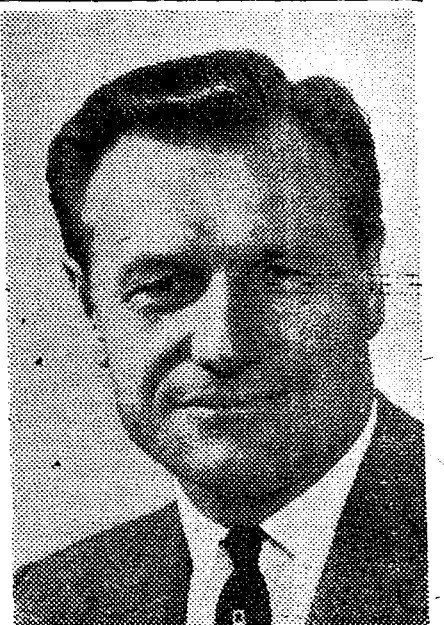
Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller promised yesterday that no State financial pressure will be brought to bear on the City University's free tuition policy.

In his annual address at the opening of the state legislative session, he declared, "the State's assistance to the City University has never been tied to any tuition charge on students, nor will it be under my Administration."

This statement seems designed to allay the fears of New York City higher education leaders that state aid to the University would be withheld until the Board of Higher Education imposes a tuition charge.

These fears were revived last week when the State Board of Regents refused to approve a \$6 million BHE request for doctoral programs. However, the Regents said the request was denied because BHE plans were not concrete.

Governor Rockefeller also indicated his opposition to the proposed Kapelman Bill which seeks to replace the guarantee of free tuition in the State education law. This provision was removed last March, placing the option of a



GOVERNOR ROCKEFELLER tells State Legislature tuition for CU is matter of home-rule.

tuition charge in the hands of the BHE.

"Tuition policy should be solely a matter of home rule for the City University and the City of New York to determine," the Governor said.

The general reaction to Mr. Rockefeller's remarks on tuition seems to be one of moderate satisfaction.

"It is important that the Governor has recognized that the need for the State to assist the expansion of the graduate program will not be undermined by any attempt to impose tuition fees for University students," Dr. Seymour Weisman, Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, said.

Acting President Rivlin said he considered the Governor's statement "encouraging" in view of his not coming out against free tuition.

Grossfeld Selected Editor of 'Campus'

Victor Grossfeld, a twenty-year old senior majoring in English has been elected Editor-in-Chief of the Campus for the spring semester.

Ralph Blumenthal '62 was elected Managing Editor. Robert Jacobson '62 and Susan Solet '62 were elected Associate Editors. Viola Williams '63 was re-elected as Business Manager. The News Editor will be Art Bloom '62. Barry Riff '64 was elected Sports Editor.

Features Editor will be Larry Borstein '63 and the Associate News Editor, Libby Zimmerman '64. Kenneth Koppel '64 and Roz Kobrin '64 were elected copy editors.

A Winner Was Counted Out

By Art Bloom

Student Government apparently closed the barn door after the horse got out.

The horse was a small defect in the ballot-counting system which caused a large mixup in the results of the voting for Secretary in last month's Student Government elections.

SG attempted to close the door on such mixups when it formed a special committee to prevent them from happening next term.

The five-man committee was set up on December 13 to make recommendations next term for "comprehensive revision" of undesirable election practices.

Ironically, it was formed a week before the SG Elections Agency disclosed that, upon recounting the ballots for Secretary, it had found an additional 103 votes for Reform Party candidate Richard Weisberg '63, and had "lost" 258 votes belonging to Robert Levine '64 of the Constructive Action Party.

The discovery made Weisberg the winner by a 229-vote margin, reversing the Agency's announcement, five days earlier, which had declared Levine the winner.

When the Elections Agency confessed its error to Student



ED CAPRIELIAN said votes for Secretary were recounted since result was against trend.

Council on December 20, several questions of an unfriendly nature were raised. How, for instance, had the total number of ballots changed on the recount? How could the discrepancy have been so great? Why did the Agency suspect that only the Secretary tally was wrong? Isn't it possible that there were mistakes in results for other offices?

Several members of the Agency have subsequently tried to answer these questions. According to Ed Caprielian '62, an Agency member and former SG Vice-President, the "only reason" for the recount was that "we thought Levine's victory was a little bit unusual because of the way it had gone for the Reform ticket." The Reform Party had won the Presidency, Vice-Presidency and several other important positions.

A co-chairman of the Agency, however, claimed that this was not the main reason for the recount. According to Gerry Gottfried '63, the fact that "Weisberg had been winning in the different tally rooms" shortly before the election night announcement was made, caused some suspicion.

Apparently the error was made in adding up the different tallies, Gottfried added. This probably resulted from the fact that there were more ballots cast and more candidates running in this election than ever before in recent SG history.

Members of the Agency agreed that, to the best of their knowledge, the results in other races were correct. The Agency, however, has not recounted any

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Rivlin, Wagner Aide Honored at Dinner

Lock and Key, the College's senior leadership society, conferred honorary membership last Thursday on Acting President Rivlin and James Wilson, Education Assistant to Mayor Robert F. Wagner.

The awards were made at the society's semi-annual induction dinner at the Grand Street Boy's Club. Among the 24 undergraduate inductees were Fred Bren '62, Student Government President-elect and Jack Fox '62, SG Vice-President.

During the dinner, a telegram was received from President John F. Kennedy congratulating Lock and Key on their decision to honor Mr. Wilson. Mayor Wagner, who was unable to attend, phoned in his congratulations.

In their speeches, both Dr. Rivlin and Mr. Wilson supported the free-tuition policy of the City University. In addition, Mr. Wilson expressed his awareness of the need for expanded facilities at the College.

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Tuition's Rocky Road

Governor Rockefeller's annual message to the State Legislature yesterday revealed something new in his stand on free higher education at the City University: this is an election year. Actually the Governor's stand has not really changed, but in an election year announced candidates for reelection cannot afford to offend anybody. Thus the Governor has stated his position in a few slick, deceptive phrases, which appear designed to pull the wool over the eyes of even the most staunch anti-tuition supporters. Nevertheless his stand is still a pro-tuition one, and this is a serious threat which cannot be ignored.

The Governor's use of the term "home-rule" in favoring the continuance of the new law which gives the Board of Higher Education the option of charging tuition is an example of this threat. Home rule might appear to be a fine phrase, something which would be supported by the foes of tuition; yet this same policy was the one which was vigorously and unsuccessfully opposed by anti-tuition forces in last year's legislative session. The deceptiveness of this phrase is evidenced by the reaction of Acting President Rivlin, who said that he could see no connection between home-rule and the present optional tuition policy.

In addition, Governor Rockefeller's remarks in favor of home rule on tuition are in direct opposition to the Kapelman Bill which would return the no-tuition charge clause to the state education law. Yet, Dr. Rivlin said that the bill would have a chance of passing if the Governor either supported it or remained neutral.

This, in itself has serious implications. For if the most vigorous supporters of a free tuition policy are fooled by the Governor's deceptive terminology, the free tuition policy is in grave danger.

The threat of an eventual tuition charge at the College appears even greater in view of the recent survey showing that the BHE members are not as solidly opposed to tuition as we thought they were. It appears more imperative than ever that the Kapelman bill or a similar piece of legislation be passed. It remains only for those who oppose tuition—students, faculty, alumni and administration—to redouble their efforts in an attempt to insure free higher education.

There was, however, one encouraging note in the Governor's remarks on tuition, but even this proves to be of little consequence in preventing a tuition charge. The Governor has guaranteed that no bill which makes state aid contingent on a tuition charge will be passed by his administration. This, encouraging though it may sound, far from removes the behind-the-scenes pressures for a tuition charge. And these are the really serious pressures, for, the possibility of a bill which blackmails the CU has always been nil.

The fact that this is an election year, however, may prove to be the tuition foes' greatest asset during this legislative year. Since legislators will be doubly reluctant to pass a bill which might be unpopular, anti-tuition forces may be able to take advantage of this sensitivity and if not remove it entirely, at least halt the snowballing threat of a tuition charge.

Vote of Confidence?

The "honest mistake" in ballot counting made last month by the Student Government Elections Agency may have been just that, but we feel that there is a serious implication in this error which has been ignored by Student Council and the Agency itself.

If the Elections Agency thought there was "something wrong" with the announced tally for Secretary, and it recounted the Secretary ballots, and discovered the biggest blooper seen in any SG election for a long time, why did it assume that the results for all other offices were correct?

We feel the Student Council should have demanded a recount of all the votes when the Agency admitted its error on December 20.

The only reasons the Agency gave for not recounting the other results was, "nobody asked us to," and "we didn't think there were any errors in the others."

Since Council did not demand a recount, we feel that the Elections Agency should take it upon itself to clear its reputation. As a service of Alphi Phi Omega, the Elections Agency has always enjoyed the highest regard of students and faculty.

The fact that 155 more votes were counted the second time than the first, in addition to the large number of votes which were tallied incorrectly, suggests there may be serious discrepancies in tallies for other offices.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Left . . .

To the Editor:

The most recent visit of Benjamin Davis to the College and the demonstration which took place at that time have led me to some conclusions about political life at CCNY which I would like to pass on.

The right-wing students who organized the demonstration against Davis no doubt accomplished much of what they set out to do. They made a lot of noise. As a result, newspapers ranging from the *Daily News* to the *Herald Tribune* to the *Times* to *Observation Post* gave them a lot of publicity. They certainly received publicity out of all proportion to their strength. As a matter of fact, last year when the E. V. Debs Club organized an outdoor protest rally protesting Pres. Gallagher's re-baiting of Peter Steinberg and *Observation Post*, we attracted at least as many if not more students sympathetic to our point of view as did the Young Republicans. We received, however, no publicity in the city press. Undoubtedly it is more newsworthy to spit upon Ben Davis than it is to verbally denounce the President of City College.

Letter Sent to Dean Peace

At least one misguided student radical, when he heard of the planned demonstration by the Young Republicans, sent a letter to Dean Peace urging the Dean to see that violence was prevented, urging him to see that the Burns Guards took the necessary steps. Naturally, the Burns Guards were on the scene in Finley Center at the time of the demonstration.

They took the following steps: they allowed the right-wing demonstrators full freedom to congregate in the halls demonstrating with their signs and waiting for Davis to exit from his meeting; after they had allowed this situation to develop, they "protected" Davis by pushing him out of the building. When one girl found herself arguing with about 10 YAF members, the Burns Guard who was present intervened—he asked her why she didn't believe in the American way of life.

At no time were any steps taken to prevent the demonstrators from pushing, shoving, haranguing, and spitting upon Davis, and of course no disciplinary action was taken. I am merely suggesting that it is of course worse than worthless under these circumstances to write letters to the Dean and urge him to get the Burns Guards out.

Organize Counter-Demonstration

There was something that could have been done by those students who felt that the right-wing demonstration was a demonstration against academic freedom. If the liberal and radical students at CCNY had had the time (and the energy which some of them do not now have) they could have organized an orderly counter-demonstration.

What we need at CCNY is a party like SLATE at Berkeley. If we have such a party, democratically controlled, we will really be equipped to meet the right-wingers in political combat and win. And if we organize and discuss and decide in democratic fashion our policy and program, and campaign for this policy and program vigorously, our chances of leading a majority of the student body are excellent.

Fred Mazelis '62
E. V. Debs Club
December 26

Right . . .

To the Editor:

To the tune of the Star Spangled Banner (compliments of the

Young Republican Choir), Benjamin Davis spoke at the College today. I have yet to wash with brown soap; my contamination spreads.

Juan once told his protagonist in hell: There is much to learn from a cynical devil, but from a sentimental one, nothing; and Juan also abhorred boredom.

For me, Mr. Davis inspires only ennui and sentimentality: He offers me cyanide (says that it is

sugar) and asks me to swallow (smiling): He decries the state of the Negro in America, neglecting that of the Jew in Russia; he congratulates me on my militant action to rescind the ban, while perspiration never seemed to me to adequately replace intellect; he denounces the abrogation of the Bill of Rights, without a mention of free speech in Hungary.

Joseph Friedman, '62
December 21

The Winner Who Lost

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other ballots because, according to Caprielian, "nobody asked us to."

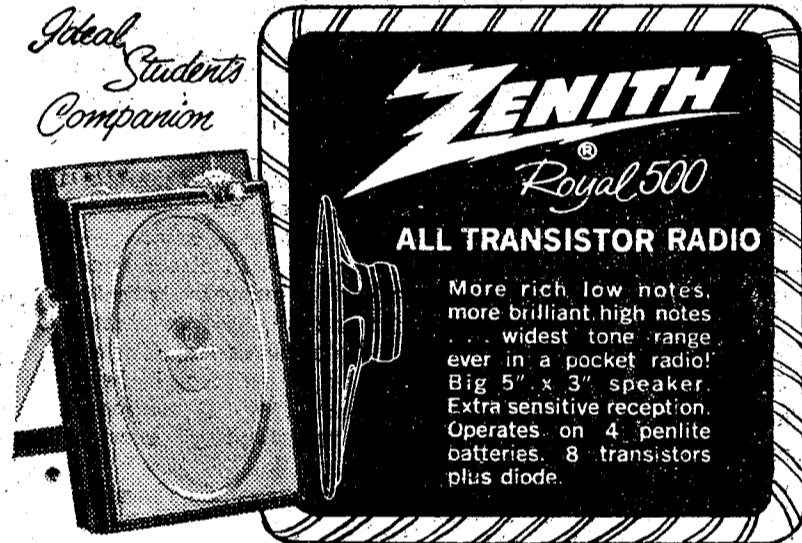
Gottfried said all the ballots would be burned at the end of this week, unless a request was made by Student Government to recount them. No such request was made at SG's meeting last night.

The Elections Agency is considered to be the most impartial organization on campus. It is composed of the members of the Alpha Phi Omega, the College's Service fraternity and one co-chairman elected each term by Student Council. No candidates running for office may be members of the Agency.

One of the most outspoken of APO's recent critics, oddly enough, was the SG co-chairman of the Elections Agency, Anne Ginsberg '62.

As co-chairman, Miss Ginsberg said she had expected to be given a share of the work, but found that nobody on APO seemed to want her help. "Maybe they were trying to be nice," she said, "but I got the feeling that the SG person is there in name only; that we're intruders."

The function of an SG co-chairman, according to APO Vice-President Howard Glass '62, is "to keep an eye on us; but they never seem interested about coming up," he said.



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MAN IN THE NEWS

Fred Bren: Shrewd Politics or Luck?

The only sure thing about Fred Bren is that he wanted the presidency of Student Government—and got it.

The why and how of these two facts are still a matter of one of the most bitter controversies of recent presidential campaigns.

Is Bren a shrewd politician of the first order? Or was he simply lucky in that his program had real appeal to a large group of students?

How much did he spend on his campaign? More than two hundred dollars or less than one hundred dollars?

Did he want the presidency for the sake of personal power? Or did he sincerely believe he could improve SG?

These questions are answered one way by Bren and another way by his enemies. The puzzle is that Bren does not seem the type to be the center of such storm.

He is a short, slight senior who speaks quietly, with no sign of a big stick. Bren never has an off-guard moment; even while the election results were being announced he looked carefully around the room before he jumped up in victory.

But he does have opinions. One of his strongest is that SG should confine itself to campus issues — problems that affect College students as College students.

SG, he says, has always had "a small group of students" who are "working to promote outside political aims." In his junior year, when he was on Student Council as SG Treasurer, "the way some of these people put themselves forward was disgusting." In particular, some members "come to Council meetings only to get a rally passed," he says.

It is in this area that Bren expects most opposition next semester. The problem of personal antipathy towards him by some council members has been "overemphasized," he says.



FRED BREN

"Friction will arise when outside activities come up."

Another of Bren's opinions is that the student press should receive less student fees unless it begins to satisfy a greater proportion of students.

Surprisingly though, Bren says he is interested in journalism. "But I can't say that at City College because of my attitude towards the student press," he adds wistfully.

Bren's interest in student activities began when he was in

high school, and his older sister would come home bearing tales of the Baruch School, where she was enrolled. But he decided to become an engineer.

"That was the thing to do," he recalled. "They told all the fellows to do it."

After one year at the College, he switched to pre-law. He was more interested in people than in facts, he says. And he began to get interested in school politics, too, running for a vacancy on the freshman class council which is one of the few elections he lost. Later he won a class office.

From then on it was Alpha Phi Omega, Microcosm, SG Treasurer, and other committees and clubs. This semester Fred Bren has reached his political climax.

And the amazing thing about Bren is that with all the publicity he has received, he has still managed to keep some secrets. Last week he divulged one of them, with a little of his customary nervousness.

"Do you know," he said, "that hardly anyone at the College knows that I wasn't born in this country? I was born in Rio, in South America. Imagine if they knew, with all those pro-communist riots in South America now."

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RING IN THE NEW

Are you still writing "1961" on your papers and letters? I'll bet you are, you scamps! But I am not one to be harsh with those who forget we are in a new year, for I myself have long been guilty of the same lapse. In fact, in my senior year at college, I wrote 1873 on my papers until nearly November of 1874! (It turned out, incidentally, not to be such a serious error because, as we all know, 1874 was later repealed by President Chester A. Arthur in a fit of pique over the Black Tom Explosion. And, as we all know, Mr. Arthur later came to regret his hasty action. Who does not recall that famous meeting between Mr. Arthur and Louis Napoleon when Mr. Arthur said, "Lou, I wish I hadn't of repealed 1874." Whereupon the French emperor made his immortal rejoinder, "Tapi que nous et tyler tu." Well sir, they had many a good laugh about that, as you can imagine.)

But I digress. How can we remember to write 1962 on our papers and letters? Well sir, the best way is to find something memorable about 1962, something unique to fix it firmly in your mind. Happily, this is very simple because, as we all know, 1962 is the first year in history that is divisible by 2, by 4, and by 7. Take a pencil and try it: 1962 divided by 2 is 981; 1962 divided by 4 is 490-1/2; 1962 divided by 7 is 280-2/7. This mathematical curiosity will not occur again until the year 2079, but we will all be so busy then celebrating the Chester A. Arthur



"You, I wish I hadn't of repealed 1874."

bi-centenary that we will scarcely have time to be writing papers and letters and like that.

Another clever little trick to fix the year 1962 in your mind is to remember that 1962 spelled backwards is 2691. "Year" spelled backwards is "raey." "Marlboro" spelled backwards is "orobram." Marlboro smoked backwards is no fun at all. Kindly do not light the filter. What you do is put the filter end in your lips, then light the tobacco end, then draw, and then find out what pleasure, what joy, what rapture serene it is to smoke the filter cigarette with the unfiltered taste. In 1962, as in once and future years, you'll get a lot to like in a Marlboro—available in soft pack and flip-top box in all 50 states and Duluth.

But I digress. We were speaking of the memorable aspects of 1962 and high among them, of course, is the fact that in 1962 the entire House of Representatives stands for election. There will, no doubt, be many lively and interesting contests, but none, I'll wager, quite so lively and interesting as the one in my own district where the leading candidate is none other than Chester A. Arthur!

Mr. Arthur, incidentally, is not the first ex-president to come out of retirement and run for the House of Representatives. John Quincy Adams was the first. Mr. Adams also holds another distinction: he was the first son of a president ever to serve as president. It is true that Martin Van Buren's son, Walter "Blinky" Van Buren, was at one time offered the nomination for the presidency, but he, alas, had already accepted a bid to become Mad Ludwig of Bavaria. James K. Polk's son, on the other hand, became Salmon P. Chase. Millard Fillmore's son went into air conditioning. This later was known as the Missouri Compromise.

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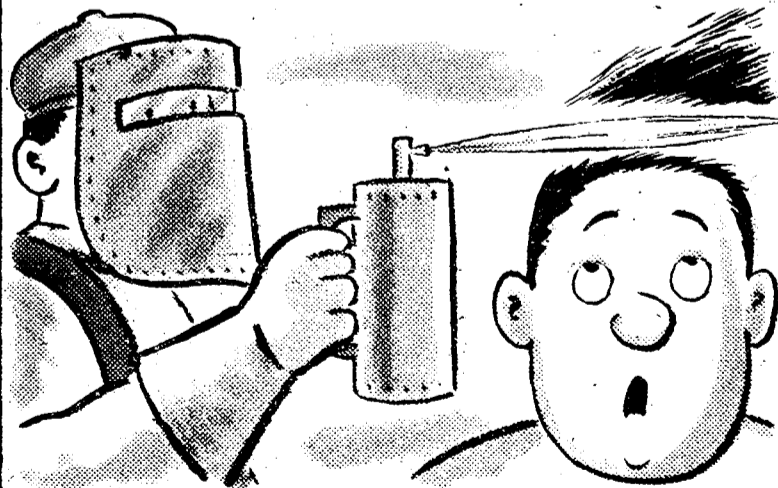
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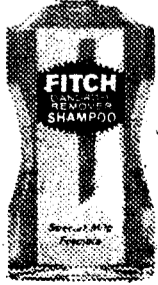
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Architectural Society

Presents Professor Bishoff in 424 Finley, will hold elections.

Baskerville Chemical Society

Holds elections in Doremus lecture hall. Attendance is compulsory.

Beaver Broadcasting Club

Holds nominations in 332 Finley.

Cauduceus Society

Holds elections in 502 Shepard. All members must attend.

CORE

Holds important meeting in 19 Shepard 12:15.

Economics Society

Holds elections in 107 Wagner. All members must attend.

Hellenic Society

Holds meetings in 111 Wagner to discuss international activities.

Orthodox Jewish Scientists

Holds elections in 205 Harris.

SANE

Holds elections in 9 Klapper at 12:00.

Sigma Alpha

Presents faculty forum on "The Problem of Higher Education in City College" in 38 Finley.

Sociology-Anthropology Society

Presents Miss Antonio Pantoja speaking "The Effect of the Metropolis On the Worker." The discussion will deal with Puerto Ricans of New York City. All invited to attend.

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Tuition's Rocky Road

Governor Rockefeller's annual message to the State Legislature yesterday revealed something new in his stand on free higher education at the City University: this is an election year. Actually the Governor's stand has not really changed, but in an election year announced candidates for reelection cannot afford to offend anybody. Thus the Governor has stated his position in a few slick, deceptive phrases, which appear designed to pull the wool over the eyes of even the most staunch anti-tuition supporters. Nevertheless his stand is still a pro-tuition one, and this is a serious threat which cannot be ignored.

The Governor's use of the term "home-rule" in favoring the continuance of the new law which gives the Board of Higher Education the option of charging tuition is an example of this threat. Home rule might appear to be a fine phrase, something which would be supported by the foes of tuition, yet this same policy was the one which was vigorously and unsuccessfully opposed by anti-tuition forces in last year's legislative session. The deceptiveness of this phrase is evidenced by the reaction of Acting President Rivlin, who said that he could see no connection between home-rule and the present optional tuition policy.

In addition, Governor Rockefeller's remarks in favor of home rule on tuition are in direct opposition to the Kapelman Bill which would return the no-tuition charge clause to the state education law. Yet, Dr. Rivlin said that the bill would have a chance of passing if the Governor either supported it or remained neutral.

This, in itself has serious implications. For if the most vigorous supporters of a free tuition policy are fooled by the Governor's deceptive terminology, the free tuition policy is in grave danger.

The threat of an eventual tuition charge at the College appears even greater in view of the recent survey showing that the BHE members are not as solidly opposed to tuition as we thought they were. It appears more imperative than ever that the Kapelman bill or a similar piece of legislation be passed. It remains only for those who oppose tuition—students, faculty, alumni and administration—to redouble their efforts in an attempt to insure free higher education.

There was, however, one encouraging note in the Governor's remarks on tuition, but even this proves to be of little consequence in preventing a tuition charge. The Governor has guaranteed that no bill which makes state aid contingent on a tuition charge will be passed by his administration. This, encouraging though it may sound, far from removes the behind-the-scenes pressures for a tuition charge. And these are the really serious pressures, for, the possibility of a bill which blackmails the CU has always been nil.

The fact that this is an election year, however, may prove to be the tuition foes' greatest asset during this legislative year. Since legislators will be doubly reluctant to pass a bill which might be unpopular, anti-tuition forces may be able to take advantage of this sensitivity and if not remove it entirely, at least halt the snowballing threat of a tuition charge.

Vote of Confidence?

The "honest mistake" in ballot counting made last month by the Student Government Elections Agency may have been just that, but we feel that there is a serious implication in this error which has been ignored by Student Council and the Agency itself.

If the Elections Agency thought there was "something wrong" with the announced tally for Secretary, and it recounted the Secretary ballots, and discovered the biggest blooper seen in any SG election for a long time, why did it assume that the results for all other offices were correct?

We feel the Student Council should have demanded a recount of all the votes when the Agency admitted its error on December 20.

The only reasons the Agency gave for not recounting the other results was, "nobody asked us to," and "we didn't think there were any errors in the others."

Since Council did not demand a recount, we feel that the Elections Agency should take it upon itself to clear its reputation. As a service of Alpha Phi Omega, the Elections Agency has always enjoyed the highest regard of students and faculty.

The fact that 155 more votes were counted the second time than the first, in addition to the large number of votes which were tallied incorrectly, suggests there may be serious discrepancies in tallies for other offices.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Left . . .

To the Editor:

The most recent visit of Benjamin Davis to the College and the demonstration which took place at that time have led me to some conclusions about political life at CCNY which I would like to pass on.

The right-wing students who organized the demonstration against Davis no doubt accomplished much of what they set out to do. They made a lot of noise. As a result, newspapers ranging from the *Daily News* to the *Herald Tribune* to the *Times* to *Observation Post* gave them a lot of publicity. They certainly received publicity out of all proportion to their strength. As a matter of fact, last year when the E. V. Debs Club organized an outdoor protest rally protesting Pres. Gallagher's re-baiting of Peter Steinberg and *Observation Post*, we attracted at least as many if not more students sympathetic to our point of view as did the Young Republicans. We received, however, no publicity in the city press. Undoubtedly it is more newsworthy to spit upon Ben Davis than it is to verbally denounce the President of City College.

Letter Sent to Dean Peace

At least one misguided student radical, when he heard of the planned demonstration by the Young Republicans, sent a letter to Dean Peace urging the Dean to see that violence was prevented, urging him to see that the Burns Guards took the necessary steps. Naturally, the Burns Guards were on the scene in Finley Center at the time of the demonstration.

They took the following steps: they allowed the right-wing demonstrators full freedom to congregate in the halls demonstrating with their signs and waiting for Davis to exit from his meeting; after they had allowed this situation to develop, they "protected" Davis by pushing him out of the building. When one girl found herself arguing with about 10 YAF members, the Burns Guard who was present intervened—he asked her why she didn't believe in the American way of life.

At no time were any steps taken to prevent the demonstrators from pushing, shoving, haranguing, and spitting upon Davis, and of course no disciplinary action was taken. I am merely suggesting that it is of course worse than worthless under these circumstances to write letters to the Dean and urge him to get the Burns Guards out.

Organize Counter-Demonstration.
 There was something that could have been done by those students who felt that the right-wing demonstration was a demonstration against academic freedom. If the liberal and radical students at CCNY had had the time (and the energy which some of them do not now have) they could have organized an orderly counter-demonstration.

What we need at CCNY is a party like SLATE at Berkeley. If we have such a party, democratically controlled, we will really be equipped to meet the right-wingers in political combat and win. And if we organize and discuss and decide in democratic fashion our policy and program, and campaign for this policy and program vigorously, our chances of leading a majority of the student body are excellent.

Fred Mazelis '62
 E. V. Debs Club
 December 26

Right . . .

To the Editor:

To the tune of the Star Spangled Banner (compliments of the

Young Republican Choir), Benjamin Davis spoke at the College today. I have yet to wash with brown soap; my contamination spreads.

Juan once told his protagonist in hell: There is much to learn from a cynical devil, but from a sentimental one, nothing; and Juan also abhorred boredom.

For me, Mr. Davis inspires only ennui and sentimentality: He offers me cyanide (says that it is

sugar) and asks me to swallow (smiling): He decries the state of the Negro in America, neglecting that of the Jew in Russia; he congratulates me on my militant action to rescind the ban, while perspiration never seemed to me to adequately replace intellect; he denounces the abrogation of the Bill of Rights, without a mention of free speech in Hungary.

Joseph Friedman, '62
 December 21

The Winner Who Lost

(Continued from Page 1)

other ballots because, according to Caprielian, "nobody asked us to."

Gottfried said all the ballots would be burned at the end of this week, unless a request was made by Student Government to recount them. No such request was made at SG's meeting last night.

The Elections Agency is considered to be the most impartial organization on campus. It is composed of the members of the Alpha Phi Omega, the College's Service fraternity and one co-chairman elected each term by Student Council. No candidates running for office may be members of the Agency.

One of the most outspoken of APO's recent critics, oddly enough, was the SG co-chairman of the Elections Agency, Anne Ginsberg '62.

As co-chairman, Miss Ginsberg said she had expected to be given a share of the work, but found that nobody on APO seemed to want her help. "Maybe they were trying to be nice," she said, "but I got the feeling that the SG person is there in name only; that we're intruders."

The function of an SG co-chairman, according to APO Vice-President Howard Glas '62, is "to keep an eye on us; but they never seem interested about coming up," he said.

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MAN IN THE NEWS

Fred Bren: Shrewd Politics or Luck?

The only sure thing about Fred Bren is that he wanted the presidency of Student Government—and got it.

The why and how of these two facts are still a matter of one of the most bitter controversies of recent presidential campaigns.

Is Bren a shrewd politician of the first order? Or was he simply lucky in that his program had real appeal to a large group of students?

How much did he spend on his campaign? More than two hundred dollars or less than one hundred dollars?

Did he want the presidency for the sake of personal power? Or did he sincerely believe he could improve SG?

These questions are answered one way by Bren and another way by his enemies. The puzzle is that Bren does not seem the type to be the center of such storm.

He is a short, slight senior who speaks quietly, with no sign of a big stick. Bren never has an off-guard moment; even while the election results were being announced he looked carefully around the room before he jumped up in victory.

But he does have opinions. One of his strongest is that SG should confine itself to campus issues — problems that affect College students as College students.

SG, he says, has always had "a small group of students" who are "working to promote outside political aims." In his junior year, when he was on Student Council as SG Treasurer, "the way some of these people put themselves forward was disgusting." In particular, some members "come to Council meetings only to get a rally passed," he says.

It is in this area that Bren expects most opposition next semester. The problem of personal antipathy towards him by some council members has been overemphasized," he says.



FRED BREN

"Friction will arise when outside activities come up."

Another of Bren's opinions is that the student press should receive less student fees unless it begins to satisfy a greater proportion of students.

Surprisingly though, Bren says he is interested in journalism. "But I can't say that at City College because of my attitude towards the student press," he adds wistfully.

Bren's interest in student activities began when he was in

high school, and his older sister would come home bearing tales of the Baruch School, where she was enrolled. But he decided to become an engineer.

"That was the thing to do," he recalled. "They told all the fellows to do it."

After one year at the College, he switched to pre-law. He was more interested in people than in facts, he says. And he began to get interested in school politics, too, running for a vacancy on the freshman class council which is one of the few elections he lost. Later he won a class office.

From then on it was Alpha Phi Omega, Microcosm, SG Treasurer, and other committees and clubs. This semester Fred Bren has reached his political climax.

And the amazing thing about Bren is that with all the publicity he has received, he has still managed to keep some secrets. Last week he divulged one of them, with a little of his customary nervousness.

"Do you know," he said, "that hardly anyone at the College knows that I wasn't born in this country? I was born in Rio, in South America. Imagine if they knew, with all those pro-communist riots in South America now."

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RING IN THE NEW

Are you still writing "1961" on your papers and letters? I'll bet you are, you scamps! But I am not one to be harsh with those who forget we are in a new year, for I myself have long been guilty of the same lapse. In fact, in my senior year at college, I wrote 1873 on my papers until nearly November of 1874! (It turned out, incidentally, not to be such a serious error because, as we all know, 1874 was later repealed by President Chester A. Arthur in a fit of pique over the Black Tom Explosion. And, as we all know, Mr. Arthur later came to regret his hasty action. Who does not recall that famous rictus between Mr. Arthur and Louis Napoleon when Mr. Arthur said, "Lou, I wish I hadn't of repealed 1874." Whereupon the French emperor made his immortal rejoinder, "Titi que nous et tyler tu." Well sir, they had many a good laugh about that, as you can imagine.)

But I digress. How can we remember to write 1962 on our papers and letters? Well sir, the best way is to find something memorable about 1962, something unique to fix it firmly in your mind. Happily, this is very simple because, as we all know, 1962 is the first year in history that is divisible by 2, by 4, and by 7. Take a pencil and try it: 1962 divided by 2 is 981; 1962 divided by 4 is 490-1/2; 1962 divided by 7 is 280-2/7. This mathematical curiosity will not occur again until the year 2079, but we will all be so busy then celebrating the Chester A. Arthur



"You, I wish I hadn't of repealed 1874."

bi-centenary that we will scarcely have time to be writing papers and letters and like that.

Another clever little trick to fix the year 1962 in your mind is to remember that 1962 spelled backwards is 2691. "Year" spelled backwards is "raey." "Marlboro" spelled backwards is "orobram." Marlboro smoked backwards is no fun at all. Kindly do not light the filter. What you do is put the filter end in your lips, then light the tobacco end, then draw, and then find out what pleasure, what joy, what rapture serene it is to smoke the filter cigarette with the unfiltered taste. In 1962, as in once and future years, you'll get a lot to like in a Marlboro—available in soft pack and flip-top box in all 50 states and Duluth.

But I digress. We were speaking of the memorable aspects of 1962 and high among them, of course, is the fact that in 1962 the entire House of Representatives stands for election. There will, no doubt, be many lively and interesting contests, but none, I'll wager, quite so lively and interesting as the one in my own district where the leading candidate is none other than Chester A. Arthur!

Mr. Arthur, incidentally, is not the first ex-president to come out of retirement and run for the House of Representatives. John Quincy Adams was the first. Mr. Adams also holds another distinction: he was the first son of a president ever to serve as president. It is true that Martin Van Buren's son, Walter "Blinky" Van Buren, was at one time offered the nomination for the presidency, but he, alas, had already accepted a bid to become Mad Ludwig of Bavaria. James K. Polk's son, on the other hand, became Salmon P. Chase. Millard Fillmore's son went into air conditioning. This later was known as the Missouri Compromise.

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Beaver Broadcasting Club

Holds nominations in 332 Finley.

Cauduceus Society

Holds elections in 502 Shepard. All members must attend.

CORE

Holds important meeting in 19 Shepard 12:15.

Economics Society

Holds elections in 107 Wagner. All members must attend.

Hellenic Society

Meets in 111 Wagner to discuss inter-colonial activities.

Orthodox Jewish Scientists

Holds elections in 205 Harris.

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Holds elections in 9 Klapper at 12:00.

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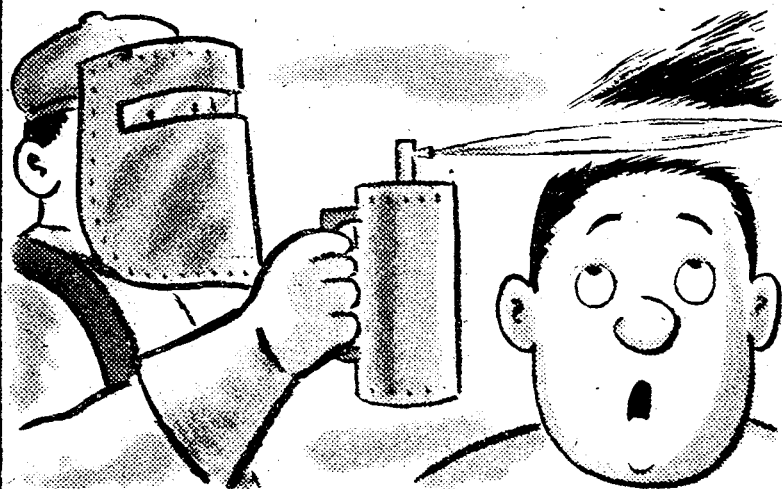
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3 Booters Gain All-State Berths

By Barry Riff

Three members of the College's soccer team—including one who was not expected to play last season—have been named to the 1961 All-State team, it was announced yesterday.

Andre Houtkrayer was named the top goalie in the state with his selection to the first team; Earle Scarlett was named to the second team at inside left; and sophomore halfback Tommy Sieberg was awarded an honorable mention.

Coach Harry Karlin has long considered Houtkrayer "the best goalie in the country," and was quite pleased with the choice. "Andy had the chance to prove himself this year; that's why he made the first team. He's of All-American calibre."

The goalie, who could have graduated in August but come back to play out his last year of eligibility, was enthusiastic over the honor.

"I knew I had a chance when I came back because I was close last year," he explained, but I didn't expect it. I guess they gave it to me because I was playing my third season and the referees and coaches [who make the selections] knew me better."

The selection of Scarlett goes without saying, according to the coach. The versatile forward played every position on the front line and led the booters in scoring with ten goals.

"Earle was the sparkplug of the team," Karlin added, "and he's probably one of the most exciting players in the nation."

But while the coach was pleased by the selection of his two veterans, he was even happier over the choice of Sieberg.

The blonde-haired sophomore took over the center halfback spot from returnee Wolfie Scherer in the fourth game and held the position for the rest of the season.

"He came out of nowhere," Karlin said. "He really worked hard to develop himself and he'll be a star next year no matter where I play him."

Although the Booters finished the season with a 7-3 record despite pre-season predictions of greatness, they did tie for the Met Championship which they had lost the year before. And next year

Mermen To Oppose Brooklyn Poly, Sat.

The College's swimming team, which lost every event in the Rutgers meet last month, will try to recover Saturday when it faces Brooklyn Poly at 7 in the Central YMCA pool in Brooklyn.

The mermen, though inactive since their embarrassing defeat at the hands of Rutgers, should not have too much trouble beating the Engineers who have compiled a 2-3 record for the campaign. The Beavers record is 1-1.

Poly's strongest events are the 50 and 200 yards freestyles, the 200 yard butterfly and breast-stroke, and the dive.

Nevertheless it looks like a shoo-in for Beavers. In all events but the dive the Beaver swimmers have posted better times than the Engineers' best.

A further source of Lavender confidence was Manhattan's 57-38 victory over Poly. The Beavers trounced Manhattan 53-42.



ANDRE HOUTKRAYER

Karlin is expecting big things.

"I'll have Sieberg and all my other sophs and juniors back," he claimed, "and the only place I'll be weak is at goalie. No one can replace Andy."

Lucia's Dream: Sink The Navy

They were thinking about calling off all but one of the 27 bouts in the Beaver fencing team's match at Navy on Saturday, but they finally decided to play it out and see what happens.

For the last two seasons the battle against Navy has been decided on the final bout. Two years ago the Beavers won the last bout for a 14-13 win and last year the Middies turned the tables in the same situation.

And from the looks of the opposing lineups the final bout may decide it again.

Navy, although it has a large contingent of returning lettermen has not fenced yet this year. This factor is balanced by the Beavers, who are made up mostly of sophomores, but with three meets under their belts so far this season.

Two of the Midshipmen's returnees scored heavily for them last year; Ralph Beedle, who won the deciding bout in epee, and Ed Hurst.

The Beavers will be counting on strength in the foil, Navy's weakest weapon to win the contest. Vito Manino, the only returning foilsman on the squad, scored a triple victory as the foilers won seven of nine bouts last year.

'Five's' Holiday Ends — Face Huskies Here

By Harvey Wandler

With 1962 almost one week old the College's basketball team will get a chance to fulfill its first New Year's resolution—to defeat Northeastern University — when the Huskies invade Wingate Gym Saturday at 8.

The Beavers haven't played a game since December 20 when they downed Queens, 78-70, and Coach Dave Polansky is hoping that his charges haven't lost too much of the sharpness that enabled them to score victories in four of their five outings.

But the cagers haven't been the only ones out of competitive circulation. The Huskies were also inactive over the holiday period. But Coach Dick Dukeshire thinks that they will be sharp enough to add a victory over the Beavers to their 3-2 record. Last year they smashed the Beavers 74-53.

Northeastern is led by 6-1 guard John Malvey who sports a 16.6 average, and 6-5 center Ward Sears, the leading rebounder in the Boston area with a 14.4 average. It



COACH DAVE POLANSKY

also features 6-5 Bill Tully and 6-7 Tom Martin in the front court.

Although the Huskies have decided height advantage over the cagers, Polansky is not unduly worried. "We're a small team," he said, "and we beat teams with good shooting—not with brawn."



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