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# CU: WHERE DOES IT GO FROM HERE?

By Clyde Haberman

The City University is beginning the emotionally exhausting search for new ways to insure its existence. Following the kaleidoscopic events of the past two weeks, climaxed by the resignation of four top officials, it is apparent that the four year old university has come perilously close to a childhood death.

The painful aspect to recent developments is that much of the crisis has been heightened by intramural battles between administrators and policy-makers. It is somewhat analogous to a squabbling married couple, trying to find ways to meet the bills--the debt remains large, but unsolved, because each party blames the other for mismanagement.

Underlying the entire controversy, until the resignations, was the university's need for \$400



LAST YEAR: Dr. Rosenberg (right) at Dr. Bowker's inauguration.

million to implement a massive construction program to relieve its eleven colleges of crushing student population burdens. The CU could turn only to the state for assistance, the city being bankrupt. But city officials, proud of its university and its 118 year history of free higher education, were wary of any overtures to the state, which might lead to at least partial control of the CU by the state board of trustees.

Chief among the questions in this area were: 1) Is it realistic to demand at the same time increased state financial aid and City University autonomy? 2) If some state control is unavoidable, as indicated by recent statements of Governor Rockefeller and a mayor's study panel on city finances, can free tuition be preserved here when state colleges pay a \$400 annual charge? These problems were deep, and required intense soul-searching, but relatively clearcut.

Now complications have set in. The chancellor (Continued on Page 2)

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## Major Reform of SG Proposed; Mayor to Meet with CU Administrators On Reconsideration of Resignations

By Jane Salodof

Educational Affairs Vice President Herman Berliner '66 will move for a major overhaul of Student Government's executive structure at tonight's Student Council meeting.

Berliner's proposal, aimed at increasing SG efficiency, calls for the merging of the present four vice presidencies into two new positions next fall and has received endorsements by most of the executives involved in the change.

Under the plan, the community and campus affairs offices would be absorbed into the projected office of co-curricular affairs, the educational affairs would become



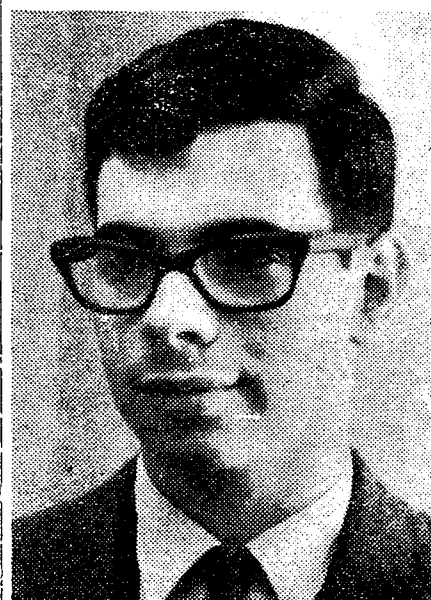
IN AGREEMENT: Carl Weitzman supports Berliner proposal.

the curricular vice-presidency, and the executive vice-president's position would be dissolved. The offices were first created last fall, as an expansion of committees on each topic.

The change in SG structure is necessary, according to Berliner, because of the ineffectiveness of some of the offices. He cited as an example, the community affairs position in which the vice-president "in his role to date has not been able to communicate with clubs on campus," thereby not fulfilling his role.

Paul Biderman '67, currently heading that office, has promised to support Berliner's proposal because he said he feels there is "a lack of clarification of function--just who is supposed to do what." Executive Vice President Marty

Kaufman '66 also endorsed the motion because of what he termed the unclear definition of his position.



A BIG CHANGE: Herman Berliner will propose SG revamping.

SG president Carl Weitzman '66 said he "welcomed" the proposal as an attempt to rectify "the lack of co-ordination between the executives and very little real definition of their roles."

The proposal also recommends the shifting of control of publicity (Continued on Page 2)

By Neil Offen

The chancellor of the City University and three of his top officials who submitted their resignations after a dispute with the Board of Higher Education last week will meet with Mayor Wagner Saturday.

The meeting with the Mayor is the latest indication that the four administrators are listening to a Board recommendation of Monday night asking them "to reconsider their intentions of retiring or resigning."

According to sources, Chancellor Albert Bowker, CU Graduate Studies Dean Harry Levy, Hunter College President John Meng, and Brooklyn College President Harry Gideonse will apparently be seeking assurances of no further strife with the Board should they decide to stay.

Although none of the four has as yet stated his intentions, Dean Levy issued a statement yesterday in which he said: "I am considering my decision. This is not a decision which can be reached in a day. I consider my status to be that of an official who has tended his resignation."

"The Board has asked that I reconsider my decision. I am doing so," he added.

President Meng had earlier termed the Board meeting Mon-



MEDIATOR: Mayor Wagner, shown here with Dr. Gallagher, will meet with CU administrators who announced their resignations.

day a "glimmer of hope," and he called the Board's resolutions "a step in the right direction."

However, President Gideonse, who attended the meeting, said he felt "nothing was resolved there," and revealed that "I have several more remunerative offers" than being a college president.

Chancellor Bowker, whose announcement early last week of a \$400 tuition charge to enable the University to obtain more state aid for construction triggered a statement by the Board demanding "fealty" from its members and the subsequent resignations of the four, was not at the meeting Mon-

day and could not be reached for comment.

In other action on the issue, the State Joint Legislative Committee of Higher Education announced Monday that it would conduct a "full inquiry into the recent events concerning the City University."

State Senator Manfred Ohrenstein (Democrat, Manhattan), chairman of the committee, said that public hearings would be held next Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Board of Higher Education, in a resolution adopted Monday night, said that it too would "convene a public hearing" concerning the recent controversy in the University.

Contacted yesterday, BHE Chairman, Gustave Rosenberg said that the board has not yet determined when its public hearings will be held.

Senator Ohrenstein, in a statement issued yesterday, said he was "deeply disturbed" by the resignations of the four officials.

"Clearly, there is a pressing need to ascertain all the facts surrounding this critical situation," Senator Ohrenstein said. "Therefore," he added, "my committee will make a full inquiry into the events leading to the present impasse. . . ."

The Senator asserted that "our purpose is not to assess blame or

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## THOUSAND DAYS BRIEFLY RELIVED

The College, in a rather mechanical memorial program to John Fitzgerald Kennedy Monday, marked the second anniversary of the late President's assassination.

The film, "A Thousand Days" depicting the President's term of office, highlighted the ceremony which was attended by 150 students.

In an address, delivered at the two previous memorials here, President Gallagher again recalled events at the College, including the tolling of the bells in Shepard Hall, on the day of the assassination.



JOHN F. KENNEDY

"Each thundering stroke of the hammer was a falling weight on heavy hearts . . . strong men stood and unashamedly wept," he said.

Of President Kennedy, he said ". . . too brief his life, too short his time, too great the waiting test."

Although students had to be recruited from the lounges, Barry Schrage '68, co-chairmen of Student Government's public relations forum called the attendance a "fair-sized turnout." "There are still a few people around who remember John F. Kennedy" he said.

—Blitz

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## CU Dilemma

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lor and the eleven college presidents, apparently without serious discussions with the Board of Higher Education, publicly proposed several means for financing the university, including a "theoretical" tuition charge, which would be completely offset by state, city and federal scholarship.

The tuition plan was scrapped, either under pressure or reconsideration [depending on whose version of the story one puts his faith] but the BHE was piqued at the frank discussions taking place without its involvement. In what many consider to be an excessively truculent statement, the board rebuked at least the chancellor for going to the press with his ideas and demanded "undivided fealty on the part of all its officers of administration." This clearly meant every college president had better fall into line and remember who makes the policy and who carries it out.

Albert Hosmer Bowker, the chancellor; President Harry D. Gideonse of Brooklyn College; President John J. Meng of Hunter College; and Harry Levy, the CU's dean of studies, subsequently resigned, offended by the demand for "fealty," which connotes the relationship of a feudal vassal to his lord.

**Storm-Tossed Ship**

The immediate sensational features of the issue are over and the university must now examine how to survive in its storm-tossed ship. A substantial part of the squabble is over personalities and the meaning of an archaic word. But from these superficialities have emerged several significant questions that transcend the free tuition issue and remain apart from city-state relations on education.

Does the board, which has the final word on University policies, have the right to expect its administrators to remain silent on vital matters? Whether or not the word "fealty" is used, the board is demanding its officers to refrain from public discussions. Educators—administrators and instructors alike—regard this as a form of censorship.

The premise of these educators is that they are the professionals and should properly play a prominent role in policy-making, perhaps even more so than a layman's Board of Higher Education. Asking them to muzzle their opinions, they feel, is not only tyrannical but foolhardy.

Arguments for retaining a board composed of lawyers, housewives and laborers rely on a principle, a democratic principle, that the public should govern its city's policies in all matters. A board of laymen, although standing deeply in political appointments, insures this concept, the argument claims.

Reorganization of the board is a definite possibility. Perhaps it is too large and should be reduced for efficiency from 21 members to 15. Perhaps the governor, if the state is being asked to carry most of the financial burden, should be allowed to appoint some of the members. Perhaps a more "professional-look" is needed. Perhaps City University autonomy is unrealistic and perhaps free tuition will soon be dead.

The "perhapses" can go on forever, but they point in at least one direction. No matter what the future of City University-State University relations may be, the CU must clean its own house. It must find a way for policy-makers and administrators to work together, not locked in a life-and-death struggle for supremacy.



By Henry Gilgoff

Yesterday, when he came into the office, he naturally caused quite a stir, especially when he walked over to our editor-in-chief and asked if he could join The Campus. Well, I thought, as I sat on the couch reading over old issues, that's quite an honor for the paper-to have the former chancellor of the City University ask to be a candidate. The editor looked up and said angrily, "Don't bother me. I have a paper to put out." Understanding the editor's plight, I introduced myself to the former chancellor and explained that I was in charge of the candidates and if he wanted to become a staff member, he would have to attend my candidates class. He was a jovial fellow, very polite, and agreed to all the requirements I enumerated. After I wished him good luck, he ambled out joyous over the prospect of being employed again.

But as soon as the door closed, one of other editors yelled out, "How could you?" and before I had time to ask "What?", the office had been cleared of staff members and a violent board meeting was in session.

"How could you allow that turncoat to become a candidate? What will Gustave think when he sees that name in our staff box?" exclaimed one girl. "He's going to tear our house with dissension."

A thin, senior member of the board interrupted her truculent attack and explained that she was missing the point. "As I see it," he elucidated, "that man can still be useful to the University if he can cooperate in facing the issue before us." The issue before us, he continued, "is devising a system of financing the university without being swallowed by the state."

"The other issue," he added, "is preventing the University from turning to mediocrity, as one of the now unemployed presidents has warned it would without increased aid. And another issue is including faculty members and students in the formulation of decisions on the subject, by the Administrative Council and the Board of Higher Education."

So many issues that need facing. After enlightening us, he leaned back on his hair, which obviously meant "The End." "But," someone yelled out, in disgust, "He's against free higher education. The next thing you know the whole lot of them will be tramping in here asking for jobs. You must be against free higher education yourself if you support him." After that incendiary charge, there ensued a private battle between "someone" and the sage in which the issues were completely forgotten.

"Let me say one thing more," I said, "Perhaps we would be doing the City University a good turn by giving the chancellor a job here. How do we know what other plans he might have? He might become a professional witness at State Legislature meetings on education, or maybe he will even wind up as Rockefeller's right hand man." And then I realized that the candidates were under my jurisdiction and what I say goes. Yeah! And they can't tell me who can or cannot become a candidate. And who do they think they are to even try. If I let this happen, soon they will be dictating what I teach them. I demanded my rights and delivered my ultimatum that the chancellor be accepted as a candidate.

The editor-in-chief looked up from his news list, feature list, ad list, and dummies, and said, "I'm the editor-in-chief. If there's any ultimatum to be issued, I will issue them, and right now, in view of your disobedience, I demand that you," he said pointing to me, "make a statement of fealty."

"What!" I exclaimed. "Do you think I'm a serf?"

Just as I was ready to walk out of the office to show my independence, the man who always brings calm to the storm got up and said, "Relax." He continued in a matter-of-fact tone, "We will reject the chancellor on the ground that he has a twisted tongue. For example, when I asked him whether the Administrative Council had reached a decision on the 'tuition but no tuition plan,' he denied it. Then, only a few days afterwards, he admitted to a New York Times reporter that the council had indeed approved the proposal. Clearly a case of twisted-tonguism."

"Yes, that's it," said the editor-in-chief anxious to get to his news list, features list, ad list, and dummies, "Erk, write the edit."

## Major Revision of SG

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regulations, presently under the executive vice-president's domain, to the secretary, in an effort to increase his role. "We feel a secretary should not be just there to take minutes," Berliner explained. He also plans to give the secretary the additional office of head of the Public Affairs Forum, now a separate SG agency.

To implement such a proposed change, a referendum calling for a constitutional amendment would have to be placed on the ballot during the next month's Council seat elections. However, the General Faculty Committee on Student Activities has the final word on all constitutional changes.

Supporters of the motion forecast that the proposal, if accepted by the student body, would have no difficulty passing the Committee's approval.

SG treasurer Mike Sigall '66,

also plans to propose at the Council meeting an examination of the feasibility of replacing fee commission by a comptroller.

The comptroller, which would not be an executive position, would "expedite matters and be more geared to immediate necessities," Sigall said.

A motion for a by-law change under which the president "by no circumstances can act in the name of Student Council, was withdrawn last night by Kauffman.

In executive committee debate on the motion, prior to the withdrawal, several executives accused Weitzman of misusing his power when he appeared before the Board of Higher Education, Monday night. At that time, he read a letter in the name of SG warning the Board not to take action against President Gallagher for speaking in an open hearing on free tuition last week.

## Let Us Reason Together

It is incongruous that at a university, where truth, reason and good sense must govern, truth, reason and good sense have been forsaken at the highest echelons. Yet as the shameful events of the past two weeks demonstrate, it is exactly those qualities which have been abandoned by our City University. And it is the City University which will have sustained the gravest injury when the dust from the present struggle finally settles.

Can a University which will have had three chancellors in four years claim stability? Can a University where communication between trustees and administrators has completely collapsed claim respect? And can a university whose governing body issues a statement so brazen, so intemperate as to offend elementary considerations of propriety claim dignity?

Recent developments would demand a negative answer to each question. And if the University's standing is thereby diminished, then all parties are to blame.

Chancellor Bowker's challenge to the Board of Higher Education's authority when he announced he would seek state action on his proposal for a tuition charge in the event of a Board rejection is inexcusable. As the chief administrator of the university he has the right to recommend policies which differ with those of the Board. But if his proposals are turned down by the University's governing body after frank and open discussion, it is his honorable duty to accept the decision.

The Board's response to his action is equally reprehensible. To demand "undivided fealty" from administrators is to choke off controversy which is the lifeblood of a university. Educational policies must be arrived at after all opinions, no matter how repugnant, are freely aired and judiciously weighed. The Board does not have a monopoly on truth and virtue and should give a hearing to the ideas of even its lowliest serfs.

However, it cannot be honestly said that the Board demanded such feudal homage. Its statement last week was intended as a deserved admonition to Chancellor Bowker, and though offensively and indecously worded, should have been received as such.

The administrators, inflamed by the passions created by the charged atmosphere of the past two weeks, did not so receive it. Unreasonably, they did not query the Board as to its real intention, and four of them resigned. Their actions, too, were totally unwarranted.

Underlying all the bickering is the fact that for two weeks the University suffered a complete breakdown in communications. Chancellor Bowker's intention to seek state relief was first announced in the press before it was transmitted to the Board. Similarly, the Board's rebuke was delivered directly to the college officers only after they had first been shamed in the newspapers. Finally, the four resignations were also publicly announced, to the Board's dismay. One would think the administrators and the Board constituted warring camps with the University as the field of battle instead of allies fighting for the same goals.

The chaos that gripped the University last week simply must not be allowed to continue. The principles of reason and sanity must once again rule. The Board must be informed of administrative decisions and the administrators must be notified of all Board decisions. Any differences must be discussed sensibly with all parties to a dispute sitting down to calm and reasoned debate.

This rule must be applied to the immediate crises facing the university. The question of the four resignations can be quickly resolved if both sides recognize the errors of the past two weeks. Instead of wasting time assigning blame the Board should retract its unjustified statement and the four administrators should withdraw their resignations.

Once harmony between the two bodies is restored, the University can resume healthy operation. The Board and the administrators, together with the University's faculties and students, can come to grips with the foremost problems facing the University—the financial crisis.

But let the lesson of the past two weeks not be forgotten or the University will perish in the heat of self-righteous passion.

# Sleepy Sleuth Keeps an Eye on Sloppy Sales

By Jean Patman

An unassuming English major here is deeply involved in the field of espionage, but he's getting paid to do what comes naturally.

He calls himself Joe Berger, but he's known in the secret service as an over-the-counter spy for a well-known coffee shop chain and an under-the-cover agent for sleeping experiments.

His work is so secretive that even he doesn't seem to know what he's doing.

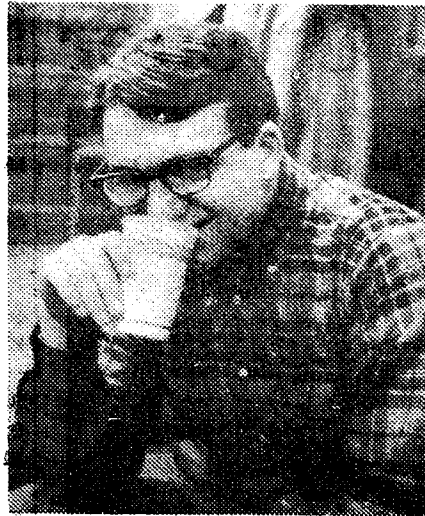
"I eat and sleep," he said, admitting nothing more except a basic lack of "food and sleep"

which drove him to his present occupations.

The spy sessions, involving four mornings and one afternoon a week, are the basis for reports to the company on the service by employees in its stores. To achieve a total picture of this service, the intrepid "counter" spy is required to sit a while at each counter and he finds that the results of his espionage weigh heavily on him.

"Since I have to eat something at each place," he said, "I've gained five pounds since I began."

"That's the worst part of the job," Joe added, "I gorge myself."



**SLEEPY SLEUTH:** Joe Berger practices spying over rim of cup.

"After I finish my rounds, I can barely drag myself to the subway to get to school on time," he groaned.

To balance out his meals, the twenty year old senior also slips under the covers as a "guinea pig" for sleep experiments, thereby taking a load off his feet. His latest escapade was a two-night sleep-in at the Downstate Medical Center.

As he recalled, "I was met by a bearded man who took me up to a floor where they keep all the test animals — everything was screeching."

After he was settled in a noiseless, lightless, air-conditioned room, Joe said the man

gave him 3 sets of pills, attached electrodes to his head, "plugged me in and turned me on." During the night, he was awakened several times, slides flashed on a screen, and he had to relate what he saw.

"The first picture was a naked man climbing up a rope, which I said was a naked man climbing up a rope," Joe said, "But they wanted something original so I said the man was a Greek doing exercises."

Unfortunately, Joe's career as a sleeper ended in a nightmare. "When I got up the next morning and went to wash, I thought I was in a zoo. The screeching animals had awakened at the same time I did," he added.

## Students Here Eligible to Get Federal Funds

By Jane Salodof

Assurance that students here are eligible for federal grants under the Higher Education Act of 1965 came Thursday from Edward Sanders of the United States Office of Education.

Mr. Sanders, who heads the student aid program, told a conference of Northeastern College representatives that the students are eligible despite a statement last Monday by the City University Administrative Council asserting that the no tuition policy barred them from eligibility.

Hearing of Mr. Sander's announcement, President Gallagher, who said last week that the College is not eligible, quipped "this is all news to me."

According to Clarence Deakins, Assistant Director of Washington's Student financial aid division, in order to channel any of the 120,000 available grants to students here, the College must submit a request by January 1.

However, President Gallagher said that "since I am not aware of this situation, I could not say whether we would apply or not."

Under the program, grants which range from \$200 to \$800 would be given out on the basis of the student's family's capacity to pay rather than scholarship.

## Resignations

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find fault, but to conduct a sober and objective inquiry."

Student Government President Carl Weitzman '66, who will be speaking before the Committee hearings next week, said yesterday that "I am quite pleased with the Board's resolutions. They both are exactly what we asked for in our letter to Doctor Rosenberg."

While debate raged inside the BHE headquarters Monday night, fifteen representatives of the College's Science Assistants and Technicians picketed outside in the chilling rain.

The Assistants and Technicians, who carried placards reading, "A Poverty Budget Means Poor Education," are attempting to secure rights to a collective bargaining election from the BHE.

According to Thomas Sedlacek, a spokesman for the group, the demonstration was held Monday night "because there were so many newspapers here covering that other issue, we figured we could get some publicity."

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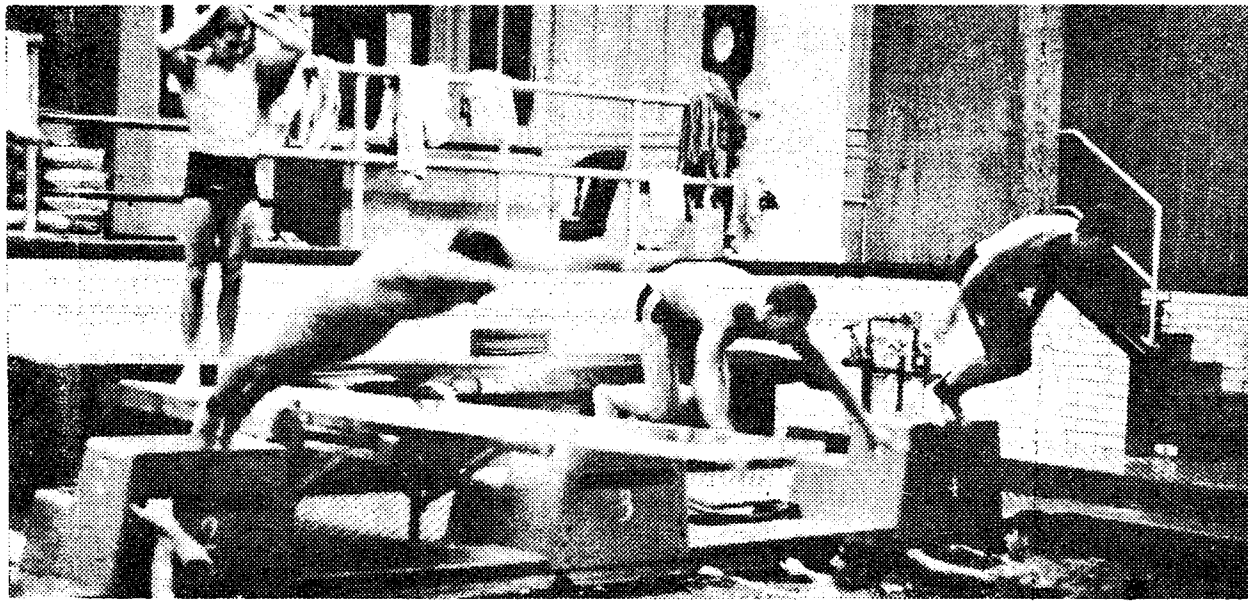
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# Improved Mermen Ready to Go As Squad Gets Set for Opener



GET READY-SET-GO: The Lavender Swimmers go through their chores in preparation for their opening meet, scheduled for December 8 against The New York Maritime Academy, in Wingate Pool.

By Curt Schaumburger  
City College, a school that annually hosts an anemic swimming team, will not be Herculean in strength this year but will be considerably stronger than usual, thanks to some high potency sophomores.

Continual doses of sophs Joel Storm, Henry Bastion, John Link, and Henry Eckstein, along with some returning mermen, is expected to make the squad "better than any Beaver team of the last five or six years," according to coach Jack Rider.

Rider continued by saying that "Although it is unusual for our team, about half a dozen men swim the individual medley well." In a medley event a swimmer participates in the backstroke, breaststroke, butterfly, and freestyle.

How good the team really is, will shortly be known, as the aquamen should get a sneak preview of their ability on December 4, when they compete in the annual Eastern Collegiate Swim-

ming Association meet. The mermen start their regular season December 8, meeting the New York Maritime Academy at the College's home 'grounds,' Wingate pool. The Lavender swimmers continue with a flurry of meets before the winter vacation, meets to be held on alternate Wednesdays and Fridays.

Ready to meet the enemy in the freestyle competition are captain Al Frishman, Larry Levy, Howie Mozeico, and Henry

Eckstein — particularly Levy. Labeled by Rider as the "outstanding freestyler as far as speed is concerned," Levy has already broken the College's fifty and one hundred yard freestyle records.

Taking the season as an entirety, Rider has confidence in his mermen, and expects the squad to win more than the two meets that they won last year. The coach put his feelings as optimistically as he could, however, when he said "At least this year we have some swimmers."

### Mermen's Slate

Date	Opponent	Place
Dec. 4	ECSA	A
Dec. 8	N.Y. Maritime	H
Dec. 10	LIU	H
Dec. 15	Manhattan	H
Dec. 17	Adelphi	A
Dec. 22	Brooklyn Poly	H
Feb. 2	USMMA	H
Feb. 9	St. John's	A
Feb. 11	Fordham	A
Feb. 14	NYU	A
Feb. 19	CUNY Champs	A
Feb. 25-26	Met Champs	A

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## Harriers To End Season In AAUs While Running Against 'The Best'

By Neil Offen

The College's cross country team, which was supposed to end its season two weeks ago, will run in its definitely, honest-to-goodness last meet in Saturday's National AAU Championships.

The harriers, who decided to enter the AAUs and last Sunday's Senior Met Championships after their regularly scheduled season had ended, are going to be in for a rough afternoon Saturday.

In addition to the best Metropolitan area stars, whom the harriers faced—and ran well behind—in the Senior Mets, they will also compete against the best runners from the rest of the nation, and also top foreign stars.

An inkling of the trouble the tracksters will face may be gleaned from the fact that Joe Lynch, who won the Senior Met run, is not even considered to be a contender in the AAUs.

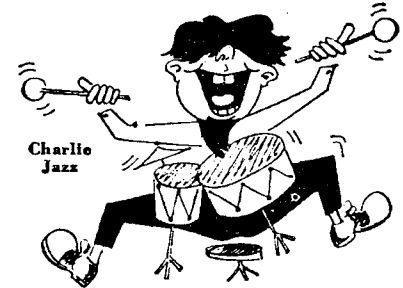
Lynch's time last Sunday was almost a minute-and-a-half better than the time of Jim O'Connell, who as usual, led the harriers.

O'Connell finished fifth in the overall standings with a time of 32:05 for the ten thousand meter Van Cortlandt Park course.

Undoubtedly, a similar time Saturday would place its holder closer to twenty-fifth than fifth.

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