## Proposal for Major Cut In Required Credits May Be-Approved Soon by Faculty Council

## Plan Tied to Start of **4-Credit Electives**

By June Wyman

The Faculty Council will vote May 9 on whether to accept a sweeping curriculum revision plan which, if passed will substantially reduce the number of required credits and greatly increase freedom of choice within the core curriculum of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

If approved, the plan, a product of the Curriculum and Teaching Committee, will go into effect this

The new plan calls for the abolition of all required subjects outside of English, Language, and Physical Education. An additional 36 credit non-elective core requirement would be filled with twelve credits each from the science, humanities, and social sci-

The twelve credits selected from each division could comprise numerous random groupings of subjects. In the Humanities division, for instance, a student could select six credits of Art and six credits of Speech and bypass Music completely. In the Social Science division a student could select courses in only Sociology and Economics, thereby bypassing Political Science and Psychology.

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As a substitute for the current English 1, 3 and 4 required sequence, the new plan calls for the creation of an English proficiency exam to be administered before a student enters the College.

Those who did poorly on the test would be required to take a non-credit remedial English course, while those who did well on the test would be exempt from any English requirement. A second exam would be administered before the student's junior year to see if he needed any additional instruc-

The plan would permit language



ALL AGLOW: SG Pres. Korn says curriculum changes have good chance for faculty passage.

students who receive below C averages thorugh their first year to transfer to "literature in translation" courses, dealing with English language translations of the foreign literature.

Physical Education courses under the revised plan would be taken on a pass-fail basis.

Anticipating the transformation of most of the current three creditthree hour electives into four credit-three hour courses, the plan would allow the departments to require 48 credits for a major.

A number of courses will be given four credit value although This would mean that students would average four courses per semester instead of the usual five.

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## Science and Phys Ed Building Groundbreaking On Thursday

After four years of delay, groundbreaking for the College's \$31 million Science and Physical Education Building will be held next Thursday on Jasper Oval.

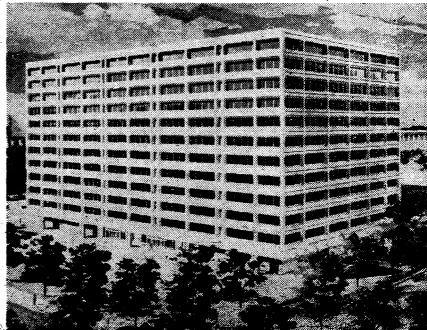
The contractor began surveying the site yesterday and will bring in heavy equipment tomorrow.

Assembly Speaker Anthony Travia will be present at the groundbreaking ceremony when President Gallagher sets off a charge of dynamite in Jasper Oval. The groundbreaking will coincide with Charter Day ceremonies, the 121st anniversary of the founding of the Free Academy, at which Mr. Travia will also speak,

Travia helped push through the state legislature a mammoth aid bill to enable the expansion of the City University.

One hundred faculty members as well as President Gallagher were displaced from parking spaces on Jasper Oval when work began yesterday.

Prof. Robert Ghiradella (English) reported that his department still meeting three times a week. had lost 24 spaces in Jasper Oval and that Dean Eugene Avallone (Campus Planning and Development) had only been able to find eighteen spaces to replace those



BETTER LATE THAN . . .: Groundbreaking for the new Science and Phys Ed. building will be a week from today on Jasper Oval.

'useless" because they were in Curry Garage on 133rd Street and gram, which President Gallagher Broadway where the faculty member would have to park between from \$71 to \$100 million. 8 and 9 in the morning and would not be able to get his car out before 4:30 in the afternoon.

Prof. Edmond Volpe (Chairman, English) said "I can't imagine the work situation when so many people come from out of town. I know it's going to be kind of hellish."

President Gallagher, asked how he would manage without a parkwas in support of the position he ing space, said he would "join the proletariat."

The erection of the Science and Of these he said, three were Physical Education complex is the first stage in a construction proestimates will cost the College

> The Science and Physical Education Building will be fourteen stories high—with one story below street level.

> It will house nuclear laboratories, and a Science Library for the biology, chemistry and physics departments. The sub-level will contain a 2500 seat gymnasium and an Olympic size swimming

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## Gallagher Rejects Provost Nominees; None Wins Decisive Victory In Poll By Louis J. Lumenick

President Gallagher said Tuesday that he was "no longer considering any of the five" faculty candidates for the controversial post of provost, and indicated his choice "will probably be from outside the College."

weeks ago, which revealed a lack ommendations. of strong preference for any of the five candidates. Dr. Gallagher asserted that the results illustrated



LOSER: Prof. Bierman urged the President to weigh individual qualifications of candidates.

a "wide diffusion of support and an even wider diffusion of opposi-

The apparent winners of the race were Prof. Joseph Copeland (Biology), who received 113 first priority votes and a total of 190

a faculty preference poll taken two place votes and a total of 257 rec-

However, Dr. Gallagher maintained that "a blank under the name of any candidate is to be interpreted as a vote against him:" He pointed out that while Professor Copeland received a total of 190 votes, he received 214 votes "against" him. He said that Professor Elias's 110 vote net total, resulting from his 257 votes and 147 blanks was "not a resounding mandate."

Faculty members voting in the poll, held at a meeting of the instructional staff in the Great Hall on April 11, were asked to cast five votes reflecting first through fifth preferences for the post among the candidates. Out of the 814 faculty members qualified to vote, less than half those eligible cast their ballots, the president noted.

The other candidates - Prof. Arthur Bierman (Physics), Prof. Alois X. Schmidt (Chemical Engineering) and Prof. Edmund Volpe (Chairman, English) - received strike, as expressed in a letter by 65, 60 and 64 first place votes respectively. They amassed totals of 205, 200 and 195, drawing 199, 204 and 209 blanks.

votes, and Prof. Julius Elias (Phil- "not greatly surprised." He main- not be penalized for such partici-

President released the results of osophy), who garnered 102 first tained that he was "in no sense a candidate," but that his victory (Continued on Page 4)

## Peace Strikers Boycott Tomorrow; Many Course Cancellations Expected

By Dave Seifman

Organizers at the College of an International Student Strike for Peace will lead a boycott of classes tomorrow that is expected to cancel many courses.

At least 89 instructors, including the department chairmen of Economics. Physics and Music, have signed a petition not to hold class. 'We consider it inappropriate to do business as usual while the Vietnam War aggravates the domestic and international situations which are already critical," the petition states.

The strike will be observed at many colleges across the country and abroad. Organizers hope it will be the largest simultaneous protest against the Asian conflict.

The official College stand on the President Gallagher to the student body, is one of neither support nor. opposition. The letter states that "students and professors who wish Professor Copeland said he was to participate in the strike will classes.

that "if a student's not going to Young People's Socialist League, participate [in the strike] he shouldn't stay home."

strike leaders have scheduled a erman '69, news editor of The Camrally and speeches in front of Cohen Library at noon, workshops on topics such as "Chemical and Biological Warfare" and movies including Felix Green's "Inside North Vietnam."

John Schmeder '68, a member of the strike steering committee, stated that "we're more concerned about people going to the programs than staying out."

He also said an effort will be made to place pickets around all of the College's buildings to persuade students not to attend

Several students led by Josh

pation." Dr. Gallagher also stated | Marauchik '69, president of the Joe Korn '68, president of Student Government, Zach Goldstein, During tomorrow's boycott, the president of Hillel and Tom Ackpus have expressed concern about the aims of the strike in a letter to be circulated tomorrow.

The letter says that "it is our commitment to the ideals of peace in Vietnam and an end to racial oppression at home that leads us to feel that the strike, whatever its original potential, should not be endorsed.

Two of the major issues dividing the strike committee and the non-strikers are the methods for ending the war and the failure of the College's strike leaders to en-

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## Students Polled In Survey On Drug Usage in Colleges

About 25% of the students here have been selected in a random sample to participate in a city-wide survey designed to study the patterns of drug usage among college students.

The survey, which involves over 25,000 college students in the metropolitan area, is "one of the largest of its kind ever conducted on the college level" according to Dr. Donna Morgan (Student Personnel Services).

Dr. Morgan noted that "it is aimed at determining patterns, not numbers" of drug users. Students are requested to withhold their names in order "to encourage fully honest answers,"

The questionnaires, which were sent out Monday to all participants, include in-depth questions on attitudes and knowledge as well as on actual experiences with drugs. The survey also solicits the background of each participant.

Questionnaires were also sent to students at other colleges of the City University, as well as New York University, Long Island University, Columbia University, Barnard College, and Fordham University.

The survey is spported by a grant from the National Institute of Mental Health.

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pool.

The building is expected to be completed in three years.

Plans also provide for the demolition of Lewisohn Stadium and construction of a plaza over Convent Ave. Other features of the construction are still indefinite.

According to President Gallagher, completion of the building program will enable the College to enroll an additional two thousand undergraduates and an additional two to four thousand graduate students. 👉

He said that enrollment would remain constant during the period of construction.

Dr. Gallagher said that the beginning of work on the Science and Physical Education Building would inaugurate "a new 'era at the College" after a series of heartbreaking delays and monumental frustrations almost epic in character."

Groundbreaking for the building was originally scheduled for January, 1964 three years after the inception of plans.

Delays including thirteen months of haggling with the fire department over the building's sprinkler system and over a year of working out a relationship with the City University Construction Fund.

The OUCF was set up by the State Legislature in July 1966 to preside over the expanded aid which was voted to the University at that time.

The College's Public Relations Director I. E. Levine explained Tuesday that the College had a choice between laying a cornerstone and groundbreaking and "we took groundbreaking."

#### "Rags to Rock"

The Afro-American Folk Dance Theater presentation of "From Rag to Rock" has been re-scheduled for April 30 at 8:30 in the Grand Ballroom of Finley.

Present ticketholders will be given preference. All money from ticket sales will be donated to the Poor People's March on Washington in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King.

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## Pickets Criticize Gallagher On SEEK Goodman Hits Administration

By Louis J. Lumenick Seventy students and faculty members demonstrated Tuesday in front of the administration building against alleged "racism" at the College and a cutback in the SEEK pro-

gram. The protest, organized by the College's chapter of the W.E.B. DuBois Club and co-sponsored by Students For A Democratic Society and The Christian Association, demonstrated support for four demands which will be presented to President Gallagher tomorrow. Among the demands are

 Dr. Gallagher accompany students on a trip to Albany to demand an increase in SEEK allocations by the legislature;

 SEEK enrollment be quadrupled by the fall;

of "positive discrimination" — with program. the College reflecting the racial composition of New York City A. Somers, who said he will start within four years;

"commission of experts on Black tion of the civil rights movement and Puerto Rican Culture and His- into a black liberation movement tory" to revise the curriculum that they assert "now omits and distorts" the contributions of these people.

Dr. Gallagher said that the funding of the City University "with special reference (though not ex- has justified European and Amerclusively so) to the SEEK pro-lican oppression of the world."

gram" would be discussed at a meeting of his consultative comfaculty members, this afternoon.

Commenting on the demonstration, he maintained that "had they come and talked first the situation would be somewhat different. If any action is taken on the SEEK program, it will not be because of these demands, but in spite of them!"

Student Government, the Onyx Society, House Plan Association tists of the United States." and the Experimental College are all planning to send members in a delegation to Albany to protest • The College adopt a program the cutback in aid to the SEEK

At Tuesday's rally Prof. James a committee against racism in Sep-• Dr. Gallagher establish a tember, spoke of the "transforma-- a lot of students and faculty don't recognize the change." Claiming that it "has no specific locational community - just a national consciousness," he defined white racism as "the ideology that

Scoring "some of the most prestigious colleges in the United mittee, composed of students and States," he claimed have "lived off the black community for too long," he said that the College lacks "relevent materials on Black America and the Black liberation movement." He pointed particularly to what he contended was a lack of courses dealing with "the Harlem-Renaissance" and the life of W.E.B. DuBois. He called DuBois "one of the top four or five social scien-

> Jarvis Tyner, pational chairman of the DuBois clubs, maintained that white people should fight racism as their survival was threatened simultaneously with that of the blacks.

Also speaking were Nat Weinstein of the Freedom and Peace Party, who spoke on the contributions and history of the black and Puerto Rican peoples, Councilman Dan Limerick '68, leader of an Onyx march on Albany in favor of SEEK, and Terry Ardley '71 chairman of the College's DuBois chapter. Ardley scored President Gallagher, because of his alleged cooperation with the ROTC and local draft boards. He said that

# As "An Illegitimate Regime"

By Barbara Gutfreund

Noted author, poet and social critic Paul Goodman vesterday told some 450 people at the College that this country's administration is an "illegitimate regime," and that they should respond to this "challenge" through "lawless-

"The regime has continuously lied to deceive the American people," Dr. Goodman told a crowd gettes. These people were exerthat filled Arbnow Auditorium late cising their sovereign rights, and yesterday afternoon. "The regime after long appeals the lawbreakers said we weren't building up bases in Thailand, to deceive us. They knew it was true and the Viet of law, Mr. Goodman explained American people didn't know."

Cohen Lecture, Mr. Goodman pre- | tion." ceded the reading of his prepared text with several words about the late Mr. Cohen.

The essay I'm going to read is one I think Morris Raphael Cohen would have disagreed with to advocate lawlessness, and though Cohen was a liberal, he was a square. He wasn't where it's at. But though he wouldn't like what I'm going to say, I think he would like very much the fact that I'm saying it.'

"American political history conthe "worst type of racist" was "a sists mainly of illegal actions becoming legal after the act," Mr.

Goodman explained, "such as the Boston Tea Party and the suffrawere no longer guilty," he added.

Speaking on the proper extent Cong knew it was true. Only the that, "A political question is that the Hudson River shouldn't be Speaking as guest speaker at polluted. Whether people can the fourth annual Morris Raphael swim in it is not a political ques-

"That's why I hate Bobby Kennedy and his whole business about bringing greatness to this country," Goodman commented in a question and answer session after his speech. "I want society to be immensely," he said. "I'm going decent. I don't want it to be great," he continued. "How could a Phillistine like Johnson venture to decide what greatness is. How would he know?"

> "Most of our politicians have too lofty aims," the author of 'Growing Up Absurd" and several other socially critical books, charged. "If they'd only give up their notions of us being a great power," he continued..."Denmark gave up being a great power three hundred years ago and look at the advancements they've made," he added.

> "I believe in Jeffersonian democracy," Goodman commented in response to a question. "The government that governs least, governs best," he explained.

Later he stated that "the trouble with all the bigots and all the squeamish people is that they think they can legislate anything. And that's what I have against SDS also," he added. "They also want to legislate everything."

Speaking on law and order, Mr. Goodman said that "the new lawless are the oppressed without political means. They know with varying degrees that they are legitimate and that the regime is not. But they have no remedy,"

### Is The College Dying?

to P.S.-something-or-another in Harlem. As Dr. Kenneth Clark has said, we are breeding racist teachers by only half-preparing them for urban schools.

In other areas we are creating a School of Architecture to rectify the almost intentional pollution of the cities through slum and factory. We hosted a major conference last year on air pollution control. We offer Sociology credits to students who will live with Harlem families.

But where are the comparable new approaches in Political Science, and Economics, for instance? When Harvard can have a school of urban affairs why can't we offer a single interdepartmental course? The answer is not to give up Aristotle for Michael Harrington but to have both.

What can be done for the College? The opinions of some college leaders (mainly students) now runs the gamut from charging a graduated tuition to building high rise dormitories twenty stories up.

But the College cannot stand still and remain a first rate institution. We may "become great" as the Middle States survey observed last year but even to maintain respect will now require hard work.

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### Numbers Game

In his interpretation of the results of the faculty's provost poll, President Gallagher has devised the slickest numbers game since Lucky Luciano retired.

While it is true that none of the five faculty candidates for the post received overwhelming support from his colleagues. Dr. Gallagher's computations would have us believe that three of the five candidates were vigorously condemned and that the other two barely eked into the plus column.

The President quite unfairly assumed that a faculty member's failure to list any of the candidates on his preferential ballot necessarily indicated disapproval of the unlisted candidates. Employing this computing method, Dr. Gallagher was able to blithely conclude that Dr. Joseph Copeland (Biology), who received the greatest number of first priority votes from his colleagues (113), actually came out owing 24 votes, since he was only mentioned on 190 of the 404 ballots

The President certainly must realize that a candidate's not being listed on a preferential ballot does not necessarily indicate that people disapprove of him. It can simply mean that the person who is voting is unfamiliar with the candidate's name. Or it can mean that the voter is afraid of diluting his first priority vote by filling his ballot with the names of all the other candidates. At any rate, in a ballot of such complexity, there is plenty of room for a number of interpretations of the vote's meaning.

Regardless of the merits of choosing a provost from inside or outside the College, Dr. Gallagher has been less than honest about his willingness to consider a faculty candidate for the post. Afraid from the beginning that a provost selected from the faculty would spend more time championing faculty causes than devoting himself to his duties as academic vice-president, President Gallagher has apparently remained true to that belief. It seems quite evident that the President's reluctant decision to consider faculty candidates was more a clever tactic than a result of a genuine willingness

The time to choose a provost is long overdue. The President and the faculty must put aside their personal feud and begin working together to find a man who can help straighten out the College's bureaucratic wasteland. In this endeavor the provost will be representing not just the faculty or the President, but everyone at the College.

(Continued from Page 1) · dorse the non-violent stand of the late Martin Luther King.

According to Korn, "the attitude of the strike leaders is not in tune with what a majority of the antiwar people believe. The strike committee is asking for an immediate end to the war presumably through a unilateral withdrawal by U.S. forces. The statement issued by the non-strikers calls for a "negotiated peace."

Korn added that the strike "seems to be an anti-U.S. movement rather than a pro-peace movement. Many students will stay out," he continued, "but will not support the strike." However, ed" he may boycott classes. he said, "I wouldn't expect more than ten to fifteen per cent to stay out."

YPSL, who called the strike a "negative activity. The strike leaders are ignoring what's going on in the world."

Marauchik said that the rift 'exemplifies a major division on the left between those whose main concern is seeing an end to the war and those whose primary concern is a U.S. defeat."

A random sampling of students indicates that Friday will "be another day off."

Andy Stillman '69, vice president of House Plan Association, said that while he does not support the strike because "only onesided speakers are being represent-

tended that three candidates himself and Profs. Schmidt and When presented with an oppor-Bierman — "represented strong tunity to miss a class the general attitude appeared to be that of faculty support for vigorous re-Other objections were raised by one student who said simply, "Am forms." Claiming he "didn't ex-Abe Goldwasser '70, a member of I going to cut? Are you kidding?" pect to be considered" for the post, from outside the College."



All clubs meet at 12:30 today unless indicated otherwise.

#### **Biology Society**

Presents two films: "Miss Goodall and the Wild Chimpanzees" and "Return to Bikini" at 12:30 in 306 Shepard. **Economics Society** 

Hears Prof. John Meyers of Harvard University speaking on "Urban Transporta-tion," at 12:45 in 440 Finley. The Society will hold a student-faculty open house at 8:30 Saturday evening at 407 E. 88th St., Apt 18.

**History Society** Presents a program on "Why Vietnam," at 12:00 in 111 Wagner.

Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship Hears Prof. Gerner Olsen (Civil Engin-ering) speaking on "Confusion or Confi-ence," at 12:30 in 118 Wagner.

**Mathematics Society** Presents the film "Challenging Conjecures — A Lecture by R. H. Bing," at 12:15

n 123 Shepard. Outdoor Club

Discusses exciting weekend trips at 12:15 Peace and Freedom Party

Holds elections and discusses participa-tion in the International Student Strike for Peace, at 12:15 in 203 Mott. Philosophy Society

Hears Harry Binswanger on "Bridging the Is-Ought Gap; How to Prove a Code of Ethics," at 12:45 in 209 Steiglitz. Physics Society

Presents the Feynman Film on Probabil-ty at 12:30 in 105 Shepard. Sociological Anthropological

Society

Hears Steven Donaldson, National Chairman of the Student Homophile League, and Jane Kogan, Editor of the Daughters of Bilitis, N. Y. Newsletter, participating in a "Symposium on Homosexuality," at 12 in 106 Steiglitz. Stamp and Coin Club

Meets at 12:15 in 013 Harris. Students for Nixon Meets every Monday at 12 in 305 Finley Students for Stassen

Hears Rudolfo Levinson recite ditties and perform a fan dance from the new Broadway comedy smash "Why Stassen Can't Lose," at 12:30 in 338 Finley.

Yavneh

Hears Rabbi Harris Guedalia speaking on "The Creation: A Philosophy of Juda-isng," at 12:15 in 129 Shepard. Young Republican Club

Hears representatives of Students for Nixon and Students To Draft Rockefeller, at 12:30 in 411 Finley.

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tive pockets," with the faculty's

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priate bounds." Interpreting his

victory as a "weak plurality," he

said that he was "relieved that

some of the other candidates are

not being considered," adding that

he was glad to be "off the hook"

as the result of Dr. Gallagher's

Professor Bierman termed the

election "perfectly fair," claiming

that the candidates had "clearly

opposite views." He said that Pres-

ident Gallagher should consider

candidates "on the basis of their

individual qualifications." However,

he disagreed with Dr. Gallagher's

interpretation of the poll, saying

that it "indicates that these people

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## McCarthy & Nixon Leaders In First Choice '68 Tallies

By Bob Lovinger

In an early, unofficial tally of ballots cast yesterday in Choice '68 voting at the College, Senator Eugene Mc-Carthy led the other candidates with about fifty percent. Richard Nixon was second, collecting about twenty percent.

The poll, conducted by Time noon. Frisch said, "I was very Magazine, to be published sometime around May 4, contained three other questions, including the issues of military policy in Vietnam, policy toward a bombing halt, and the urban crisis.

The voting took place in twelve o'clock classes, with those not having a twelve o'clock class voting at one of three locations: Finley's trophy lounge, the library plaza, and opposite Knittle Lounge, where the voting was the heaviest. cast in these alternate locations.

Center in Washington this after- Alan Plotnick.

satisfied with the returns, especially since Observation Post didn't come out on Tuesday, to publicize the poll. Sixteen hundred votes is pretty good. If we get 3,000 or more votes from the classes, I'll be very happy."

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There were complaints from members of some of the twelve o'clock classes that no ballots were given out.

Leading the write-in candidates were Dick Gregory and Vice Approximately 1,600 votes were President Humphrey. Other writeins went to such outstanding can-Henry Frisch, Campus Affairs didates as Jean Shepherd, H. Rap Vice President, said that he would Brown, Bosney J. Schwartz, Richbe sending the results of the Collard Hughes, Dr. Spock, Nessellege's voting to Time's Univac roth, Norman Thomas, and lastly,

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Since the number of credits required for graduation will remain erty of the parent body Faculty 128 while the required credits are Council, which may either accept, decreased, the opportunity for reject or amend it. Dean Barber electives will be considerably expanded if the new curriculum is approved.

faculty members was favorable, although several criticisms and some alternate plans were voiced. SG President Joe Korn, who was a member of the subcommittee, thought that it had a "good chance for passage" and speculated that the faculty "will do a lot of logrolling and treaty-making" in order to push the changes through Faculty Council.

he said that he ran to demonstrate

support for liberal reform policies.

know whether the President's de-

cision indicated "indifference or

opposition," but "didn't think that

it was in any way clear," that

blanks would be interpreted as

Prof. Alfred Conrad (Chair-

man, Economics), a member of

the faculty council committee to

that

five) got a fair mandate." At a

half dozen meetings in the past

month, the committee has nar-

rowed a list of "a couple of dozen"

possibilities to "a very few." He

said that the committee members

'would like to get a man in the

job by next September," but that

he "wouldn't place any bets" on

the certainty of the appointment

President Gallagher said yester-

day that he has been in contact

with possible candidates for pro-

that some of the President's out-

side choices have turned down the

Dr. Gallagher indicated that the

faculty committee to find candi-

dates from outside the College

would continue to meet with him.

While not disqualifying complete-

ly candidates from the College, the

President said that he had written

the five disqualified candidates

"asking for their support as we

continue our search for a provost

Professor Volpe said he didn't

Barber (Liberal Arts and Sciences) the report is now the proppointed out that in the past "a great many changes have been made on the floor of the Council" Reaction among many individual when curriculum changes were suggested. If the report fails to gain acceptance now but is passed in the fall, Dean Barber was "sure" that it would be made retroactive to students who entered in Septem-

While generally backing the

man, English) was also "very hap py about the whole thing" and felt that "the idea of proficiency exams is very beneficial." Professor Volpe praised the break in rigidity which the new curriculum would represent.

Members of the sub-committee

and Slavic Languages held a meeting this week of its curriculum committee for discussion of the report and other departments are expected to follow suit.

plan, Professor Harry Lustig (Physics), objected to the singling out of proficiency in foreign language as "a must" and felt that foreign According to Dean Sherburne language should be simply one choice for fulfilling the general humanities distribution requirement. Professor Lustig also suggested specifying "four courses" in each of the three divisions rather than "12 credits" as stated in the report's present form.

Professor Samuel Sumberg (Chairman, Germanic and Slavic Languages) mentioned that easing the foreign language requirement would mean a loss of students for the departments and would therefore be objectionable to some language teachers. Both Professor Sumberg and Professor Abram Taffel (Chairman, Romance Lanaid in the selection of an outside guages), however, were completecandidate for the position, said ly happy as individuals with the entire proposed set of changes.

Professor Edmund Volpe (Chair-

feel that it is still too early to speculate about the sentiment in the Faculty Council with regard to the core changes. However, hearings will be held Thursday, vost from outside the College but May 2 at 12 noon in Room 200 refused to name them. It is known Shepard to which students and faculty are invited. Department chairmen are scheduled to speak and students will also be permitted to voice opinions. (Students who wish to speak should contact Joe Korn at 942-5464 or at home at AU 1-5110 and leave their num-

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# IS CITY COLLEGE DYING?

Over a month ago a number of student leaders and administrators met at the home of a dean for what was to be a pleasant discussion of College affairs. But the talk took a pessimistic turn as one person after another offered a series of reasons why the College is losing its academic lustre.

And by the end of the evening a sad consensus was reached by the leaders — City College may be dying.

Dying not in the dramatic immediate sense of a closing of the College's gates. It may be dying through the physical and mental exhaustion of its depleted facilities. It is being surpassed by young creative and wealthy schools.

The following is a critique of the College's future based on interviews with College leaders, review of the College's past and the evidence of analysis by educators outside the College.



SARDINE SCHOOL: If the present trends of increased enrollment and overcrowding persist, our reputation as subway school may give way to new one.

#### **Bursting at the Seams**

There is almost no area of the campus that is not overtaxed to an extent that is incomprehensible at another college of respect. Classes are held in lounges because there is no other place. Laboratory space is disappearing. Faculty offices have become cubby holes shared by four men at the same time. Cohen Library, characterized by a study committee as "a monstrosity from the day it opened" is exploding. In Finley three and four clubs share the same room. Students searching for room to eat lunch at peak hours on South Campus either have to use a former lounge or find a seat in the halls. And finally, approximately a third of the available lawn space has been eaten up by temporary facilities.

### **CCNY Falling Down**

With the exception of the temporary facilities, six-year-old Steinman Hall and the Administration Building, there is no structure on campus that is not in a state of decay. Last year five pounds of fragmented rock fell from a third floor ledge of Shepard shortly after the two o'clock change of classes. Whenever it rains, large buckets are placed in fourth floor rooms to prevent flooding the rest of the 64-year-old building. Ceiling plaster segments have collapsed during class meetings. Finley, Mott and Wingate are barely superior. A bannister in the student center recently collapsed in a student's hand. Chairs split in classrooms. And you can evaluate the College's sports facilities by taking a close look at Lewisohn Stadium.

#### The Unknown Teacher

Before completing his course and teacher survey last year a student asked his teacher a remarkable question to evaluate his effectiveness. The question was, "What is my name?" That this query becomes a student's criteria in weighing the quality of his education should be as shocking as the physical deterioration of the College but it apparently doesn't surprise many undergrads.

While science lectures now approach an audience of 200 students and over seventy students attend regular meetings of some liberal arts courses it is not difficult to see why students hardly know their teachers and visa

You hardly ever see students and faculty sharing the same lunch table, a phenomena that has led one College official to advocate a "Take a Student to Lunch" campaign. There are a few liberal arts teachers who hold occasional seminars at their homes but these are the rare exceptions, the young people used to the strong student-teacher ties of out-of-town schools.

More obvious simply because it often results in dramatic confrontations is the decline of student-administration relations. Decline is a difficult word to use here because there is little evidence that campus peace ever existed for long. But there is considerable evidence to lead the Middle States Association, which last year gave the College a critical evaluation, to warn that they will

continue to disrupt campus life. Students continue to view the administration as an automatic machine that devours freshmen for breakfast. In a real sense, we have a failure to communicate.

#### **Innovate or Perish**

With these imitations imposed upon the College, there should be a compensating series of creative innovations to make up for the physical and financial obstacles. But innovation is one criteria of a college that has continually lagged here in the last two decades. The College has ceased to spur the excitement that it once did and which other institutions still do.

Changes have come to Convent Avenue but they have been changes that have been tested at other institutions and declared academically "safe" — for instance the Pass-Fail alternatives and the proposed Course and Teacher Evaluation.

But the greatest condemnation of the lack of imagination here is that even these proposals were originated and championed by students. The faculty and administration followed where they could have led.

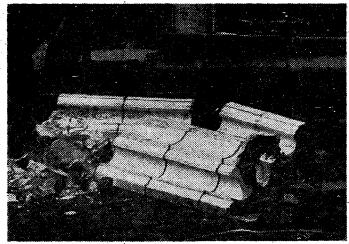
#### **Woefully Understaffed**

How often have you seen a Burns Guard on duty? Probably not very often even though there are up to ten thefts a week on campus or St. Nicholas Terrace. The same lack of personnel is experienced by every teacher who shares a secretary with twenty colleagues. Or every administrator seeking staff members. Or every student ho would like to spend more than fifteen minutes with a guidance counselor.

The College continues to be overpopulated in students but seriously underpopulated in almost every area. As the president remarked last year, we are the seventh largest college in the country in terms of enrollment, however, "you have to look down the list to number 82 to find a college with an administrative staff as small as ours."

#### The Decline of Quality

This final criticism is the least difficult to document but potentially it is the most dangerous. The College has built its reputation not on its campus or on its



ALL FALL DOWN: Many of the older buildings on a 60-year-old campus appear to be coming down much faster than the new science complex is going up.

curriculum but on its high quality teachers and high quality students.

The College faculty is still one of the highest paid of any school in the country but this is not enough. When another school can offer professorships to teach four hours a week (graduate seminars at that) and otherwise spend time doing research in a well-staffed office with adequate facilities it is surprising that the College has any teachers.

As for students, the brain drain is even more disturbing. Even by standing at the same academic level with the same quality of faculty and the same admissions criteria the grade of College student can be expected to decline as State University colleges sprout up. It is a well-known fact among the College's leaders that a school like Stony Brook which promises a spacious new campus is now admitting hundreds of bright students that might otherwise have gone to City. With State colleges charging a minor tuition fee that is largely covered by Regents scholarships, the economic argument in favor of the College is lost on many high school seniors choosing their future.

The College now ranks fourth behind Queens, Brooklyn and Hunter in terms of entrance requirements. There was a time it held clear first. Also the number of students who go on to graduate degrees has dropped the College to second place in schools renowned for Ph.D. candidates.

There are many other criticism of the College that strike home — lack of school spirit is another. But more than a lack of spirit the College is without a mis-

sion, it has no duty to perform any more.

By Andy Soltis

The time when the College was the bootstrap by which the city's minorities pulled themselves out of the ghettoes is virtually over. The next minorities to rise from the College should be the Negroes and Puerto Ricans. But when only five per cent of the city high school students gaining academic degrees come from these two groups, the job is impossible.

The average family income of the College's students now hovers around \$9 thousand according to a recent survey. Certainly this is a remarkable statement about a College that maintains free tuition on the most equalitarian basis. For too many students the main criticism

#### An Exercise in Futility

Here's a simple exercise in futility that makes clear the College's future. Imagine that you are an admissions counsellor trying to "sell" the College to a high school senior about to graduate.

And just try to make the College sound attractive without mentioning the faculty or free tuition. Good Luck.

of the College is that there is no parking place for his car. In other words, the Proletarian Harvard is becoming a Philistine N.Y.U.

The College's problems can be reduced to two broad categories — those that can be remedied by reforms at the College level and those that are left to bodies outside the gates to solve.

The latter ills are perhaps more hopeless. Almost every major sign of the College's deterioration points to two sources — lack of money and lack of space. For money the College must rely upon an unwilling State Legislature and a poverty stricken City government.

The Legislature continues to allocate funds to New York City's colleges not on the basis of building quality but to meet quotas. Two years ago the Legislature agreed to finance the City University's construction program but the unspoken influence that got the funding bill passed was the promise that the University would take in thousands of additional freshmen. That is why we have temporary facilities. That is why we are under the "tightest budget in the College's history." That is why we are bursting at our seams.

And beyond the Legislature and the City, the College finds itself dependent on the whims of a University authority which governs what will soon be 19 college campuses. A University determined to build up a graduate school at the expense of undergraduate education. A University that will pay Arthur Schlesinger or Isiaih Berlin \$100 thousand to teach one or two graduate classes but cannot find money to reduce undergraduate overcrowding. A University that sees the College as valuable only because of its strength in a few departments.

#### What Is To Be Done?

There are, of course, steps the College has taken without encountering the obstacles of State and University authority.

But these measures may not be adequate without a new orientation to the idea of City College. The skills the College once employed in bringing higher education to the City's poor are no longer employed. The College, in short, must be retrained, according to many College leaders.

First of all, the College can realize that it is an integral part of the City of New York. The College should prepare students for the problem solving that the City needs. But it hasn't in the past.

The School of Education is preparing to take over the operation of two public schools. It has developed several new programs and even a deanship for urban school preparation. But in some areas it continues to teach the history of education instead of its relevance

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A FAILURE TO COMMUNICATE: Campus calm may again be broken by distant student-administration ties.

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## Caribbean Jaunt 'Gets to' Runners

By Stan Siegel

After having mixed some business with pleasure in Puerto Rico during the spring vacation, the Beaver track team returned to face Adelphi in an outdoor meet Tuesday, only to find that the effects of pleasure had not yet worn off. Although no obvious hangovers could be detected during the 79-75loss to the Panthers, the cold weather and mounting injuries seemed to plague the harriers enough to drop the decision to a squad which they had beaten by more than a hundred points last year.

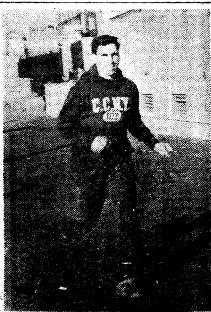
A decisive point in the meet came during the 100-yard dash as, in the middle of his run, Gary Ramer pulled a leg muscle. Consequently, Adelphi took all places in that event and many Lavender hopes were put at a setback.

Captain Andy Ferrara was given the opportunity to put the Beavers ahead in the 1 mile run. Ferrara ran an impressive time of 4:37.9, but that was not enough to beat out Adelphi's strong Don Rome. The Beaver harrier was matched against the same runner

in the next to last event, the two mile run, and once again the opportunity was there to put the Beavers ahead, and once again Don Rome was too fast, passing the finish line as if he had just completed a light workout. Drowning in exuberation, the Adelphi coach awarded the Beavers the last five points of the meet by forfeiting the last event, the mile relay.

Some isolated bright spots turned up in a day made dismal by the cold weather and a bad turn of events. Don Davis captured first place in the 220 and 440-yard runs with respective times of 22.6 and 52.1, and Jimmy Sharps registered first place in the high jump, broad jump, and triple jump. The pole vaulting competition was not contested as Nayyin Gordon and Bernie Samet had no trouble clearing 9'6" and 9'0" respectively - more than enough to overcome Adelphi's weak pole vaulting squad. Gordon wanted to attempt 10 or 11 feet, but he became frustrated when the stick kept being blown off the standard by a strong wind.

The Puerto Rican trip, a novelty for the team but a home-coming for the coach, held mixed blessings for the Beaver runners. "It was wild," was the way captain Ferrara summed it up, and one could venture to describe the two track meets in which the



ANDY FERRARA

College was entered by the same adjective. On Wednesday, April 17, the Beavers faced the Catholic University of Puerto Rico at Ponce, and on April 19, the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico at Saint-German.

Some individual school-records were broken but they seemed to have gotten lost in the frenzy of the final scores; Catholic U. 112, CCNY 46; Inter-American U. 98, CCNY 54.

The two meets originally scheduled for the week of the spring vacation, against U.S.M. M.A. and a triangular meet with Montclair and Bridgeport were cancelled.

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regular course work aboard Chapman's shipboard campus, the s.s. Ryndam.

Virginia and Frank transferred the credits they earned back to their home colleges,
Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University, and are going on for their
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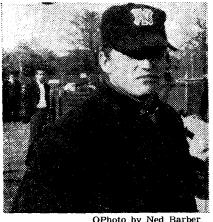
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# Beavers Squeeze Out 6th Straight Victory

Coach Sol Mishkin muttered something about Manhattan's giving us the game. Andy Sebor had given up two runs in one inning, yet he was being congratulated. However, you don't have to be Charlie Chan to find out what's going on. It's just another outgrowth of this year's baseball resurgence at the College.

Aided by some clutch Jasper errors, the Lavender squeaked out its sixth straight diamond triumph, 7-6, Tuesday afternoon at Babe Ruth Field. The victory lifted the season record to 6-2



SPEEDY: Andy Sebor has not wasted any time in collecting 4 mound triumphs for baseballers.

overall and 4-0 in the Met Conference, and climaxed over a week of Cinderella successes for the Beavers.

#### Somber Forebodings

For a while, though, it looked as if the bubble would burst as Manhattan took advantage of Lavender miscues and some slugging of their own to carry a 4-3 lead into the bottom of the eighth. Then came the deluge. With one out, first baseman Bernie Martin drew a walk, and left the game for a pinch runner, Ken Anderson. This proved to be an astute move on Mishkin's part as Tom Richter, the next batter up, hit a little nubber down the third-base line which the Jasper pitcher picked up and threw to first only to have the first baseman drop the peg, Anderson streaking to third on the error. When the Manhattan first-sacker tried to hastily throw out Anderson at third, his toss got away from the shortstop covering and Anderson scooted home with the tying run. Richter went to second in the confusion.

#### Dandy Play

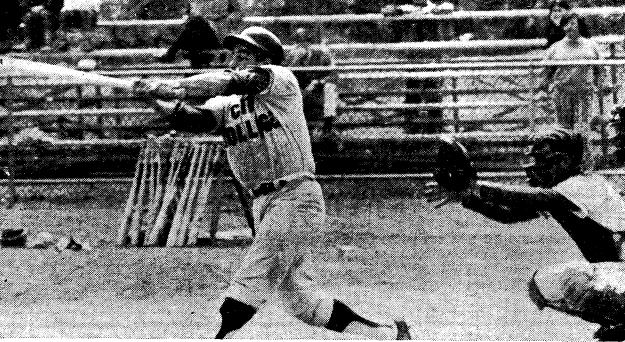
The next play was a dandy. After Ray Weronick had walked, putting runners on first and second, reliever Sebor slammed a hard liner off the pitcher's glove. The Jasper hurler recovered, but fired high over his first baseman's mitt. Richter sped home, Weronick raced to third, and Sebor got into second. Little Fred Schiller then settled matters in a more abrupt manner by doubling to left, sending Weronick and Sebor home with the needed insurance runs. Sebor had to hold off a Jasper rally in the ninth which set the final score at 7-6.

Barry Poris, having a sensational year at bat, had tied the game at 3-3 in the Beaver fifth with his third home run of the season. Ron Rizzi the Lavender starter, pitched into the eighth. giving up three earned runs.

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BAD CONNECTION: Beaver third-sacker Steve Mazza gets a piece of the ball in game with Brooklyn April 15. Mazza fouled this one off but managed to drive in four runs in 19-2 rout.

Danny Collins then came on briefly to be followed by the lightning fast Sebor, who registered his fourth triumph against no defeats.

Saturday, the Beavers had proved they were for real by knocking off powerhouse Seton Hall, 4-2, behind Sebor's four hit hurling. Poris, who now has 12 RBI's to his credit, drove in the deciding runs in that one with a bases-loaded single in the fifth. Richter smacked a homer in the third.

#### Rams Butted

Coming from behind once again, the sluggers toppled Fordham on Wednesday, April 17, at the losers' field. Bernie Martin's ninth-inning double brought in Steve Mazza and Poris, who both had hit safely, with the tiebreaking tallies in a 5-3 contest. Bob Nanes homered in the fourth, and Danny Collins got the win in relief.

The Lavender all but clinched matters in the City University competition by knocking off Queens, 6-4, on April 16.

Trailing, 4-3, going into the eighth, first-sacker Martin walloped his second homer to lead off that stanza. Richter reached on an error, and was brought in by successives safeties from Danny Collins and catcher Charlie Kolenik. The insurance run was provided by Poris who drove in Kolenik after Collins had been forced. Sophomore Collins again received the win in relief. Poris, who doubles as a pitcher, had worked the first five, striking out seven.

#### Kingsmen Crowned

Just a day before, Brooklyn had been the victim of a Beaver onslaught that resulted in a 19-2. rout. A 17-hit attack, was paced by hot cornerman Mazza and fireballer Sebor, who knocked in four runs apiece. Poris socked a homer in that one. Sebor worked

an easy five and got the win. with Rizzi and Collins finishing up.

#### **Tough Beginnings**

The first one is always the hardest as the sluggers found out April 13 in their Met Conference opener with Fairleigh Dickinson. Rizzi had battled his FDU counterpart, 2-2, through eight grueling frames before the Beavers pushed across the winner in the bottom of the ninth on an error by the Knights' pitcher. Sebor who finished up, was credited with the victory. Martin and Poris had homered to keep the Lavender in the

Believe it or not, the series of events had begun on a dismal note as the baseballers bowed to Columbia, 14-5, April 11 at Baker Field. Beaver pitchers gave up the incredible total of sixteen walks in that disaster.

Hunter, non-conference opposition, is on tap today with conference encounters with Wagner and tough St. John's slated for Saturday and Sunday respect-

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in almost two years, lost at Brooklyn, 6-3, Monday April 15.

Brooklyn was the key match of the year in the conference. To share Met tennis honors, the College must now win the remainder of its conference matches, and pray the Kingsmen will lose one, perhaps to Queens.

Going against the tide in the Brooklyn contest were promising sophomores, Joe Liggett and Billy Bly, who won their singles and then teamed to win the doubles. Liggett is undefeated this year while Bly is undefeated in singles this season.

at Brooklyn, the netmen won four matches in a row, stretching their season log to an impressive 6-1.

tennis team went to Temple, in: Philadelphia, where they pulled out a 5-4 win. Steve Resnick was the hero, winning his No. 3 singles, 7-5, 6-1, and then joining Peter Shaffer to triumph in the deciding doubles, 6-3, 3-6,

At Brooklyn and Temple, No.

2 man Alan Marks joined the school of hard knocks, suffering back-to-back defeats, and ending a streak of 21 singles victories.

The going got easier last Thursday, as the netmen, on their home courts, toppled Brooklyn Poly, 7-2, winning all six singles.

Two days later, the Beavers dealt visiting St. John's a blow, beating them, 6-3, in spite of a loss in the No. 1 singles by Neil Spanier.

On Tuesday, away from the College, the netmen crushed Iona, 8-1.

Today, the Beavers, at home, face NYU. The Violets, so far without a victory this season, against five defeats, are paced by Bob Jacobs, Bob Samuels, and Sam Mann.

On Saturday, the netmen have a tough match against LIU. Top man for the Blackbirds is Steve Turner, a ranked player in the East.

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#### Stadium. The stickmen vaulted into an early lead in the first quarter

behind the unassisted tallies of captain Richie Ravner and Danny Curtin. After a Hartwick score, Steve Leiterstein put one in to close out the period with Ravner getting the assist. After Ravner had stretched

the Beaver lead to 4-2, the opposition fought back with a pair of goals, deadlocking the encounter at 4 goals apiece. However, Ravner found the mark again shortly before the halftime gun, sending the Lavender out in front once more by a 5-4 count. The second half began auspi-

ciously for Coach George Baron's men as the chunky Leiterstein took a Danny Curtin pass and converted. Shortly afterwards, Dudley Goldstein fired the ball past the flustered Hartwick netminder to increase the gap to 7-4. Yet, Hartwick wasn't about to give up. Three goals later, at the close of the third stanza, the contest was knotted again, Seven-Up.

In the cat-and-mouse struggle, the Beaver stickmen were able to pull ahead early in the final quarter on tallies by Ravner and Curtin, both unassisted. After Hartwick had closed to 9-8. Ravner hit with the clincher. Phil Sherman provided the insurance tally, and the adversaries finalized the scoring.

The victory lifted the stick-

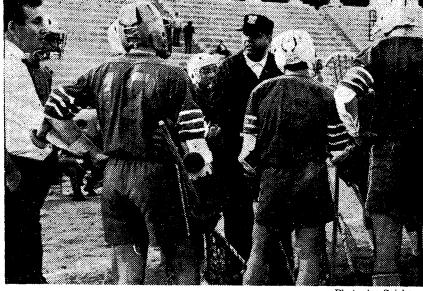


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PEP TALK: Lacrosse mentor George Baron instructs Beaver stickmen during crucial time-out, FDU visits Lewisohn today.

men's season log to a fine 3-1. Although described many times as playing in the shadow of their 1967 predecessors, Baron's Bombers have forged their own mark with added finesse provided by the talented sophomore due of Curtin and his brother George. Tom Rath has also sparkled at his defensive post.

After the four clashes, Ravner is pacing the scorers with 12 nettimglers and eight assists for a total of 20 markers. Curtin is following close behind with 19 points, 13 of which are assists. As a team, the stickmen have sent 43 into the cords, while their opponents have managed only 26. Goalie Bernie Halper added another nine saves to his credit; the Hartwick netminder had to turn away 24 shots, indicating the relative force of the teams' attacks.

The stickmen seek Win No. 4 this afternoon as they entertain Fairleigh Dickinson of Madison in a 3 o'clock face-off affair at Lewisohn. The Knights humbled the Lavender, 9-6, last season, and the Beavers will be eager to turn the tables on their Jersey adversaries.

Seymour Kalman's baby sticksters bowed to a more stylish Poly Prep unit, April 16, by a 12-8 margin.