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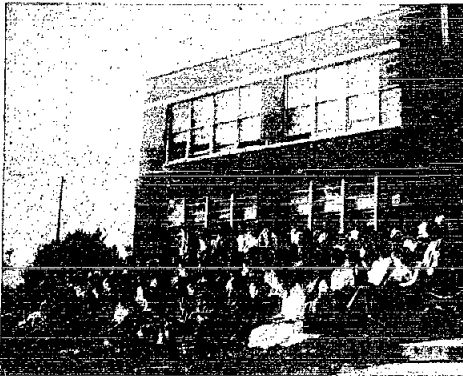
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## REGISTRATION HITS NEW HIGH! 144 FRESHMEN ENROLLED

By JOAN O'BRIEN

Registration day once again found an exceptionally large number of freshmen officially commencing college life. At present 144 freshmen are enrolled; 30 men and 114 women.



Class of '57 taking time out for hazing.

General elementary curriculum claims 79, Business Education 36, and the Kindergarten-Primary 27. Many different high schools are represented, such as Central and Eastside in Paterson, Passaic Valley in Little Falls, Weequahic High in Newark, and the high schools in Passaic, Clifton, Garfield, Montclair, Pompton Lakes, Wayne, Newton, Dover, Tenafly, Teaneck, Ramsey, Hawthorne, Fair Lawn, Bogota, Hackensack, and Lodi. We also have representatives from Pope Pius, St. John's, St. Joseph's, Holy Family and St. Mary's.

Many of our freshmen have had some work experience, mostly doing clerical work or in the selling field. Their hobbies and interests cover a rather wide field—sports, music, travel, books and the outdoors.

Eight freshmen have already been awarded state scholarships and six more will probably be awarded. These scholarships are awarded on the basis of high school rank and results of competitive examinations. Many freshmen have also applied for work scholarships.

The junior class sponsored a picnic for their "little brothers and sisters" on registration day, Sept. 14. Hot dogs and rolls and soda comprised the menu.

### Freshmen Hazing Regulations Given

The slinging of nursery rhymes and the traditional freshman march around the campus has taken place and for the next two weeks s-t-r-a-n-g-e things will be happening. Yes, freshmen initiation has begun.

All fresh are required to wear their clothes backwards, to wear one sneaker and stocking or, two different socks. At the request of our Sophomore (villains of PSTC) one must inflate a balloon

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## 4 New Teachers On Faculty

New faces can be seen around the campus as far as faculty is concerned. Assisting Miss Lee in the Physical Education Department is Miss Carnie, a graduate of Cortland State Teachers College. Miss Carnie, who taught in the public school system of Port Jervis, N. Y., has already embarked on an active program of archery, tennis, and golf.

Mr. Hatrak, who is our new asset in the music division at State, is a graduate of Trenton State. He will teach Piano, Vocal Clinic, Music Appreciation, and the choral group. Besides this, he shall assist in the teaching of the new instruments obtained, and will be at the head of the Masque and Masquera, since the drama is a major interest of his. Upon closer investigation, it was found that his brother Eddie, can be seen on television on the Ernie Kovacs show. As far as his last name is concerned, Mr. Hatrak remained silent, with the promise that he will reveal the deviation at some later date.

Mr. Walter Simon, an N. Y. U. graduate, who has taught previously at Atlanta University, Georgia State, and Virginia State, is scheduled to teach art and possibly some education courses next semester. He is to be in charge of the Student Association, the Library Committee, and the Faculty Handbook. A lover of the arts in general, he wants to gear his activities to the interests of the classes. He studied at Pratt Institute and the National Academy of Design and has been interested in fine and commercial art for over ten years. Although he claims to have gained valuable experience from teaching in the South, he prefers it here in New Jersey. Certainly well qualified, Mr. Simon has won three first prizes in the Annual Art Competition in Atlanta, and one of these paintings was reproduced in the American Peoples Encyclopedia (Yearbook Edition). When down South, he acted as a lecturer for the Friends' Service Committee. Mr. Simon has as one of his most important goals, a visit to India, which he considers a rising nation. One of his major interests is international affairs.

Miss Emily Greenaway, who from 1947 to 1949 taught in the Business Education curriculum has again taken over elementary and advanced typewriting classes. She has switched from the teaching of Literature to Language Arts, but still teaches Freshman Composition. Miss Greenaway also teaches British Literature to the extension classes.

Richard W. Willing is another new addition to the Business Department. Students of advanced shorthand and transcription should take pointers on speed

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## Dr. Wightman Gives Address; Paterson State Begins 99th Year

This year marks the 99th year of Paterson State as a teachers' institution and the 30th year as a state institution. Dr. White told students in his opening address that this year's objectives are to strengthen our feeling of a college community through student faculty discussions. We should review PSTC's progress, re-appraise its program, and set our sights for the future. These informal discussions will give us an opportunity to better understand various aspects of our college program and help formulate problems which need further study.

### Freshmen Scholarship Winners Announced

Each year state scholarships are awarded to worthy freshmen students. This year eight scholarships have been given to the following freshmen: Elaine Abrahamson, Lillian Baka, Frances Buckney, Rosemarie Helmann, Barbara Nankivell, Barbara Smith, Joan Stolarz, and Mary Theiller.

Elaine Abrahamson came to us from Teaneck High School where she was active in the Dramatic Club, Jr. Classical League, and Future Teachers of America. In high school she received Sequence Honors and Latin awards. Elaine has enrolled in the General Elementary Curriculum at Paterson State.

Lillian Baka was graduated from Clifton High School where she received the National Honor Society award and a Safe Driving award. She was a member of the Girls' Athletic Association, the Bowling Club, Latin Club, and Glee Club. At our college she has enrolled in the Business Education Curriculum.

Frances Buckney is a graduate of Grover Cleveland High School in Caldwell. She was active in the Future Teachers of America and was on the Yearbook staff. She also took part in the various sports at the high school. Frances was also awarded the Bnai Brith award for an essay she wrote on "Prejudice and Discrimination in America." She has enrolled in the General Elementary Curriculum at Paterson State.

Rosemarie Helmann graduated from Clifton High School where she received three year honors in mathematics and German. While in high school she was active in the German Club, the Girls Athletic Association, National Honor Society. She was associate treasurer of the History Club also. At Paterson State she is taking the General Elementary course.

Barbara Nankivell, who graduated from Orange High School, was a member of the Latin Club, the Spanish Club, the Executive Committee of the Student Council, and the Dramatic Club. Marion was selected by the Student-Faculty Committee to represent the high school in the Good Citizenship Pilgrimage to Trenton

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Our President, Dr. Clair S. Wightman, delivered his convocation address on the topic, "Why Schools?" He said, "The fate of empires depends on the education of youth." He spoke of the need for education of today's youth so that they can effectively combat the elements of fear, distrust, and suspicion in the world today.

Dr. Wightman stated, "The education of people for freedom is the most difficult problem of education in the world today. Our objective should be to lead others to think clearly and act rightly, for therein lies the real strength of democracy."

"Universal education is not a luxury but a necessity. It is our hope that the spirit that champions free discussions and free inquiry will be seen in the students of our college. Strive ever to perpetuate the ideals of the American way of life."

The President's address was followed by an all-college conference where faculty and students discussed the topics: Definition and objectives and organization of the college; admission, selection, and guidance of students; student life and activities; public relations and community services; curriculum; professional laboratory experience and placement; and library.

### Cheerleaders Dance Oct. 16; Goal New Uniforms

The Cheerleaders Dance will be held in the Little Theater on October 16 from 8-12 P. M. Admission will be 50 cents stag and 75 cents per couple. Music will be furnished by a group of PSTC students who have donated their services for the evening. A college theme is the basis for decorations and assorted megaphones, banners and pennants will provide the collegiate atmosphere.

Cheerleaders for 1953-54 who will do all the planning for this fund raising affair are: Lee Caporusso, Captain; Valarie Van Ammers, Co-Captain; Regina Gwozdecka, Ann Melo, Dolores Mendello, Barbara Dorl, Jane Dardis, Marlene De Rosa, and Cathy Maoris. Miss Emily Greenaway is faculty advisor.

The purpose of this dance is to raise funds for purchasing new uniforms and taking care of transportation costs. The captain

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### Photo Contest

Pat Krzemanski, whose winning photo is shown on page 3, is the winner of last year's Beacon Photo Contest. This dark eyed sophomore beauty is known primarily for the picture she makes as a former "Miss America On Wheels."



PAT KRZEMANSKI

Pat's photo was chosen as the best by last year's Beacon photographer, Bill Hansa. The contest was open to all full-time students of the college and entries were

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WELCOME FRESHMEN!

Welcome to the Freshmen Class of '57 and the new students at Paterson State. We are glad to extend our hand in greeting, and sincerely hope you will spend some of the happiest years of your life here at State.

Your first days will be slightly confusing but soon such buildings as North Hall, Hunziker Hall, and the Manor House will be familiar names to you. We are proud of our learned faculty and our beautiful campus and know you will soon feel the same way.

As frosh you have participated in one of our oldest traditions—the Froshmen picnic given by your "big brothers and sisters." Now you are going through the "hazing" period. The rules for hazing which are set up by the sophomore class, serve two purposes:

- 1. You are initiated as a tried and true Stater.
2. Your freshman beanie and identification pin help the upper-classes to get to know you.

Therefore, by obeying the initiation rules and wearing your name pin as a "badge of courage," you will truly feel a part of Paterson State and enjoy yourself at the same time.

One of the best ways to become an active member of State is to devote some of your time and energy to the many various clubs on campus. Those students with athletic prowess will find their talents an asset in the Men's and Women's Athletic Associations. These athletic teams also need rooters; so, if you like to lead the cheers and build up team morale (and your voice doesn't disappear too quickly) why not try-out for cheerleading?

Aspiring actors and actresses can practice holding their audience spellbound via the dramatic group, Masque and Masquers, while those musically inclined will find other song-birds in the Mixed Chorus or Madrigals.

Anyone with a nose for news might be interested in such publications as the PIONEER, State's yearbook; the BEACON; or the FLASHLIGHT, the freshmen handbook. There are other organizations which will prove interesting to those who enjoy art, fencing, judo, photography and other pastime.

Remember you are an important part in the machinery of education, but just as a defective part can be replaced so can a person who does not measure up to set standards. Try to get the most out of college life. Learn as much as possible so that you will be qualified to take on the leadership of the nation's children. The recognized profession of all of us here at Paterson State, that of teaching, means we owe a debt not only to our families and ourselves but to many people we will never see. In the taxation to the tuition fee charged directly to the students, the taxpayers have also contributed toward our education. Their hopes for more individuals equipped to carry on the work of the teaching profession, thereby relieving the drastic shortage of teachers, rest in the students now enrolled in the teachers' colleges. We can't let them down!

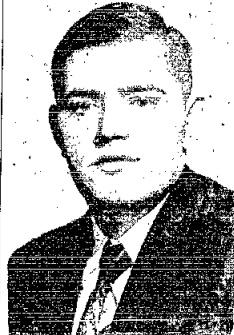
The words of our President, Dr. Clair S. Wightman, express the feelings of the student body toward all of you who are new to our campus.

"We want you to help make our college a better college. With the cooperation of all, our college will continue to improve. I can ask for nothing more, and I can promise nothing better. Let us all work together in this common undertaking."

Introducing...

By MARY KENNEDY

With the beginning of the new term clubs will be starting up again and so we've chosen one of our key men in one of our key organizations for our column this month. He's someone we will all come to know this year because of his position. Jim Alexander is the gentleman in question. As president of the S.G.A., Jim has quite a job on his hands this year. However, this is not new to him since he has already held a number of equally responsible jobs. Last year he was editor-in-



JIM ALEXANDER

chief of the Beacon and president of Delta Omega Epsilon. Sports and music also rate high among Jim's interests. This is evidenced by his participation as bowling manager of the college team and his steady attendance at the basketball games—girls' games, too! He has a tough decision to make when these games conflict with the A Capella, Madrigals or the Square Dance Club. How he finds time to watch television or go to the movies, his favorite past-times, is more than I can tell. But I guess by now Jim has timing down to a science because his days at Central High in Paterson were just as crowded with activities such as Nat'l Honor Society, of which he was president, the Hi-Y, school paper, etc. Needless to say, this business



DENA GUTTMAN

Ed, junior is one busy guy, but he's never too busy to stop for a chat or at least a friendly smile. With this type of personality and his wealth of experience, Jim is a sure success as our S.G.A. president and we wish him the best for the coming term.

One job in which we all have an interest is the treasurers job. We are necessarily interested in having the job ourselves but we do like to know about the one who does. This year our S.G.A.



CHRISTOPHER CRICKET

By BARBARA LOESCH

Hi... this is your little cricket back in the snoop again—with a big hello to ye returning Pioneers—and a warm welcome to ye lowly frosh (please excuse smot word), transfer students and new faculty members... whew

finances rest in the hands of a '57', brown-eyed young lady from the junior class, Louisa Helmer. A kindergarten-primary major hailing from Lodi, Louisa is quite an active gal on our campus. She has served as W.A.A. archery chairman, a Capella and the basketball team. In her spare time she enjoys bowling, reading (college texts, no doubt) and making her own clothes (she's quite a seamstress, too).

On Sundays you can find Louisa lending her talents to her church choir or holding sway over a room full of youngsters in a Sunday school. This will no doubt help out when she gets a kindergarten of her own which she hopes to have some day.

Perhaps some of you don't know Louisa yet so when you look her up just Louise Gaddin or Phebe Henrich. She can usually be found with these two gals somewhere around on campus. Louisa happens to be the gal with the money but she's a good friend to have any time, which you will no doubt find out the first time you meet.

With all the elections last spring, it was rather confusing to figure out who was running for what and who won. Well, this column is doing its best to help

glad to have you aboard the wagon train — noticed some familiar faces around campus again... Bobby Sloat is back — Ray Vanden Bergh, Marty Rittenberg, and Chuck Acquinlo seen peeking in on old pals—Remember Coach Schmidt from years back? ... well he was here for a day too—hey has anyone seen Bob Thomas this year?—

Missed some faces, too—Gerry Frell and Carol Kagan Schafferman — the summer has brought spouses to Dolores Card, Lois Hutchinson, Doris DeZavala, Virginia Hudak, Jo Lomauro, Pete Cammarato, and Nina Stolling—poor Cupid! — FLASH... Jerry Del Corso has gained 14 ounces... the summer sure does change things! Tch Tch... Thalia Cording and Jean Saccamano caught without bridges by Elaine Pantel and Bridget Carronia... some boo boo!—Speaking of beanie... Leslie Wade almost had his sold at book store... how about the frosh who thought the caps and buttons were free!—at P.S.T.C. yet.

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POET'S CORNER

Ode To Us

By CONNIE WHITEHEAD

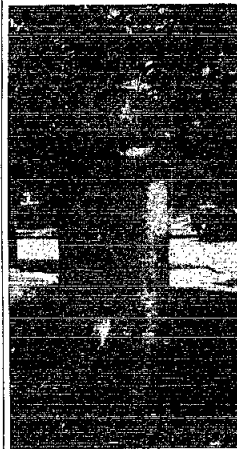
There once was a young man Named Joseph O'Day, Who wished very much To be a teacher someday. A principal, perhaps, With dignity great, But then he learned something That made him irate— The salary!

"His ability is unquestionable, His marks? Stupendable! His smile is entrancing, The dean of interview, His voice, enhancing." As he the record of the subject did review, And further to himself, I quote Words used to indicate his vote. "A student!"

But now, to our young man Let us return, Still pondering, indeed "What will be MY return? A life of comfort, free from care Of material things, namely monetaire? Or will I be appreciated, As I record the marks enumerated? Certainly not!"

"But I will have satisfaction. Not through teaching 'whole' or 'fraction', Or through science as a subject 'pure', No, these things I'll not strive for. Rather shall I be in position; To guide others to a higher inquisition, Of beauty, purpose, and ideals In life, that the future continues bright, For all!"

So be it with us all Who have accepted This public trust As a profession!



LOUISA HELMER

straighten things out and we're bringing you thumbnail sketches of some of the new officers. The sophomore class chose Dena Guttman as their vice-president, so let's talk about her for a minute. Dena hails from Passaic High and is now a general elementary soph here at State. She is interested in many things including knitting and cartooning which she does when she's not watching her favorite on T.V., Ernie Kovacs. She must do other things too, though, because she is on the dean's list for her first year. Perhaps the four hour breaks about which Dena has a few choice thoughts, are not so bad after all. All in all, the class has chosen an able assistant for their class president and we're expecting great things from that direction.

**Veteran Registration Up; Korean Vets Entering**

A jump in veteran registration was announced by Mr. Benjamin Matelson, veteran's co-ordinator between the college and the veteran's administration. Mr. Matelson said the Korean Veteran registration rose from three to 16 while the overall increase was nine. Three veterans have registered for part-time studies. Of the nine veterans who have re-entered, three are under Public Law 346 (World War II Veteran) while the remaining veterans come under Public Law 550 (Korean Veteran).

Re-entered veterans are as follows: Felix Del Vecchio, junior; Hugh Pryor, junior; John Harper, junior; Fred Gusciora, junior; Edith Trommer, senior; Ralph Favilla, senior; Adam Richberg, sophomore; John Griffith, senior; and Victor Casella, senior.

New students include: Victor Rabasca, Stephen Izkowski, Richard Bierwas, Alfred Piaget, Daniel De Luca, Robert Urban, Frank Devens, Elton Wade, and David Alexander all freshmen.

The part-time registrants are William Rothenberg, Arthur Curtis and John Huffer.

**Recruiting Musicians For State's Band**

State has a band — instruments anyway. All we need now are some hard working students to learn to play our twenty-eight new instruments. These instruments were bought with the Student Cooperative money. Our Honorary Collegiate Instruments include: Eight clarinets, four trumpets, three trombones, three saxophones, two alto sax, two tenor sax, one baritone, one euphonium, one set of cymbals, one flute, one bass drum, and one snare drum.

Both Mr. Weidner and Mr. Hatrack, State's two capable music teachers will coach the students. This coaching will be done in the faculty lunch room, with a nominal fee for the use of the instruments.

Come out and join our band by signing the list near the instruments in Hunziker Hall. Quoted from Mr. Weidner, "Two can use the same instrument! — Reason: Two mouthpieces."

**Freshman Scholarships**  
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Other awards she received were the Daughters of the American Revolution Best Citizen Award 1953 and the American Legion Best Citizen Award 1953. Barbara has enrolled in the Business Education Curriculum at Paterson State.

Barbara Smith came to our college from Tecneck High School, where she was very active in the Future Teachers of America, the Tri-Hi-Y, and played in the school band and orchestra and all-state band. She was also a member of the National Honor Society and Biology Club. Barbara has enrolled in the General Elementary Curriculum.

Joan Stoliar is a graduate of Clifton High School where she received the National Honor Society Award and a Safe Driving Award. Being active in the Latin Club and the Glee Club, she was also a member of the Bowling Club, Rooters Club, and the History Club.

**Library Offers Host Of New Books To Students**

Another glorious summer has whizzed past us and we are again faced with the annual task of adjusting ourselves to new classes, new faces, and new books. Speaking of new books—you should see the new and exciting additions to our college library! A partial list of them has just been released — why not meander into those peaceful, quiet rooms and just browse—you are sure to find just the ones you have been wanting to read. Can't you picture yourself curled up on a cozy couch with the winds roaring menacingly 'round the house—and to be able to escape from the world around you into a world of dreams! William Wordsworth explains it nicely:

"Dreams, books, are each a world; and books we know, Are a substantial world, both pure and good. Round these, with tendrils strong as flesh and blood, Our pastime and happiness will grow."

The following is a list of the new novels to be found in the library:

- Baldwin, James — "Go Tell It On The Mountain."
- Colette, Sidonie Gabrielle — "Gigi; Chance Acquaintances; Julie de Carvelhan" — three short novels.
- Ellison, Ralph — "Invisible Man."
- Gallico, Paul — "Small Miracle."
- Guarecini, Giovanni — "Don Comillo and His Flock."
- Ludwig, Richard M. and Perry, Marvin P. eds. — "Nine Short Novels."
- Mac Innes, Helen — "I and My True Love."
- Morrison, Theodore — "Stones of the House."
- Pei, Mario, Andrew — "Swords of Anjon."
- Ridge, Antoni — "Family Album."
- Sinclair, Upton — "Return of Lanny Budd."
- Waltari, Mika Toimi — "Dark Angel." (Waltari)
- Wilson, Edmund — "I Thought of Daisy."
- Wright, Richard — "The Outsider."
- Young, Jefferson — "A Good Man."

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- Linton, Ralph — "Halloween Through Twenty Centuries."
- Swezey, Kenneth M. — "Science Magic."
- Miller, Denning Duer — "Wind, Storm, and Rain; the Story of Weather."
- Kieran, John — "An Introduction to Wild Flowers."
- Lane, Ferdinand C. — "Story of Trees."
- Zalzenberg, Arthur — "Anyone Can Sculpt."
- Dunlop, Ronald Ossory — "How to Paint For Pleasure."
- Kielty, Bernardine, ed — "A Treasury of Short Stories."
- Nash, Ogden — "The Selected Verse of Ogden Nash."
- Parker, Dorothy (Rothschild) — "The Collected Poetry of Dorothy Parker."
- Cerf, Bennett Alfred — "Good For a Laugh."
- Mitchell, Carleton — "Beyond Horizons," "Voyages of Adventure and Discovery."
- Baker, Louise (Maxwell) — "Snips and Snails."
- Thompson, James Mathew — "Napoleon Bonaparte."

**The Voice Of Your SGA**

The primary function of this column is to keep you informed on the activities of your student government. Through this column we are trying to stimulate a closer contact between you and your organization of government. During the entire year we will report to you on the things which are happening that you should know about. If you are well informed you will be able to help out because then you will know exactly what is going on. You must look at the SGA not as something over which you have no control but as something which is like a tool in your hands. It is how you manipulate this tool that will determine the results which are to be obtained from it.

In the campaign speeches for the presidency last year there were many points brought to light. We intend to see that these points are acted upon and that the progress that is made is reported to you. From time to time you will recognize these same points cropping up in this column and you will understand that they are in the process of being acted upon.

Any organization is only as strong as its weakest link and that is just as true here at Paterson State; where each and every one of us is a member and naturally must contribute our share. Many things lie within your power if only you will take advantage of them. Even before you read this article the work of the SGA will have begun. Remember, if you do your share, or a little more, you are an asset to the student body and most of all to yourself.

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of this peppy group has urged everyone to come to the dance to have fun as well as support this worthy motive. Stag or drag.

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judged for originality and choice of subject matter.

Watch for the next issue of the Beacon when the second place winner will be announced and details for the 1953-54 contest will be given.

**88 STUDENTS ACHIEVE SECOND SEMESTER DEANS LIST**

Eighty-eight students of Paterson State Teachers College who maintained a "B" average or better last semester are to be congratulated for having their names placed on the Spring 1953 Honor Roll. Last semester's juniors rank high with 40 students on the list, the sophomores are second with 31, while the freshmen have 17 honor students. The complete list is as follows:

**Students Advised to Submit SSCQT Applications Now**

Applications for the November 19, 1953 and the April 22, 1954 administrations of the College Qualification Test are now available at Selective Service System local boards throughout the country.

Eligible students who intend to take this test on either date should apply at once to the nearest Selective Service local board for an application and a bulletin of information.

Following instructions in the bulletin, the student should fill in his application and mail it immediately in the envelope provided to SELECTIVE SERVICE EXAMINING SECTION, Educational Testing Service, P. O. Box 586, Princeton, N. J. Applications for the November 19 test must be postmarked no later than midnight, November 2, 1953.

According to Educational Testing Service, which prepares and administers the College Qualification Test for the Selective Service System, it will be greatly to the student's advantage to file his application at once, regardless of the testing date he selects. The student's Selective Service local results will be reported to the board of jurisdiction for use in considering his deferment as a student.

**Four New Teachers**

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from their professor who is noted for his cross-country track record. Mr. Wilhing is assistant professor of Business Education at Montclair State, has spent six years at Mountain Lakes High, and received his B.S. degree from Whitewater State Teachers College in Wisconsin. He is now working for his Master's degree at N.Y.U.

**Freshman Hazing**

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until it has burst.

But, that isn't all '53ers, you must greet a faculty member on approach and BEWARE! Do not use the direct path to the Library and Administration Building. You'd better perfect our college song, too!

Crime doesn't pay because all offenders of the Soph's Golden Rules will appear before our noble judges at Kangaroo Court. If proven guilty, you will be given the treatment.

To show you that the sophomores have warm spots in their hearts for you, a dance will be given in your honor on October 2. All for free too! Except for a hard boiled egg with 25 signatures on it. 'This will end all your miseries. But, in the meantime, have fun you DOLLS!

**Christopher Cricket**

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—Peter Esser: had delightful summer supervising ant and grasshopper races — wonder if John Griffith's still wearing moccasins he stole from "Indians" at camp? — Bob Hodde quote, anyone for a hot dog? unquote.—Dot Hann gaining fame as "Miss Mustard of 1955."



**GOING MY WAY?** Since last June these six sophomores are still hoping for a ride. This picture of: (L. to R.) Jerry Abruscato, Valerie Baste, Maryon Flal, Carol Spector, Barbara Squire and Angela Alegria won first prize last year in the Beacon Photo Contest for their human interest.

# SPORT SLANTS

By JIM ALEXANDER

First on my agenda is a cordial welcome to everyone. It is great to be back on this column after a long restful Summer of work. I was one of the less fortunate students who due to failing finances was forced to work. It was a pretty nice Summer as I worked as a camp counselor with two Pioneer sports figures. Both these individuals were connected with fencing here at the college and both are still active in the sport even though only one is still attending Paterson State.

I am referring to Jack Griffith and Bill Reda. Jack is still active or at least available for another year and Bill still competes in tournaments in the fencing season. Even though Bill won considerable fame in the mask and blade sport he has considerable promise in the more difficult sport of finger wrestling. Likewise, Jack, better known as Grit, cuts quite an imposing figure squatting behind the plate with a catcher's mit and mask as his main equipment.

Another ex-fencer, Ray Vanden Bergh, is taking his basic training in the Marine Corps Officers School at Quantico, Virginia. Ray writes that they really have to work hard to pass the officers course but that he is doing well and enjoys himself. He sends his regards to all his friends here at Paterson State.

A far more serious note is reflected in this next item. It concerns the tragic death of Walf Dette who faced Paterson State on the basketball court for the past few seasons. State fans will remember Walf for his outstanding play and the important baskets he scored against our team. He was a truly fine player and great American 'til his sudden demise due to a traffic accident.

My first glance at the sports facilities when I returned a few weeks ago brought to light the following improvements or additions. Foremost I should imagine is the ground breaking for the new gymnasium. That is really something big to talk about as the new gym should be the answer to most of our athletic problems. As yet there is no telling when the building will be completed. Another thing of note is the paint job on the tennis courts. This is important because we must take care of the "gym" we now have. It looks as though the court will be in use on nice days for the gym classes and it is in fine shape for this constant use.

It looks as though this may be a vastly important year as far as sports are concerned. Basketball should be on the upgrade now that the coach is accustomed to his duties and many of the players are experienced. Fencing is a question mark as of now as it is not yet ascertained whether there will be enough interested participants, especially among the men. The bowling picture is fairly bright as only five men are needed to field a team and right now there are more than five men who are interested. There is a possibility of a baseball team if some method of financing it can be found. At the present there are several financial plans under discussion and one thing is certain. If there is to be a baseball team there must be complete support by the student body.

On the girls' side there should be a very active program as the percentage of females in the enrollment continues to increase. The weaker, yet more numerous sex, will continue their program of playdays in addition to the on-campus sports like volley ball, archery, and other games that they participate in.

Our wide physical activity program here at Paterson State offers a tremendous potentiality to you incoming freshmen, both girls and boys. All of the teams are wide open to new prospects and if you can devote some time to sports you can also have a good time for yourself. Boys can try out for basketball, bowling, or fencing as interest is the primary qualification that is needed. Everything on the campus is open to you girls and you can meet new friends and have fun in the various activities that are offered to you. The part about meeting new friends may sound like a corny over-worked punchline in an add but it is really the truth. It is one of the fastest ways to get to know other students at the college.

Once again this year I implore you to submit any sports news that you might have to me for publication. I am always interested in news tidbits or sports stories acceptable for publication. If you come across any such items you can address them to me and drop them in the Beacon Box in Hunsziker Hall.

This column may suffer in comparison with Jimmy Powers' Powerhouse but it is written to entertain you and give you some slants on the sports here at PSTC. I am looking forward to writing for the remainder of the year and I hope you will forward to me any comments which you might have. So long 'til the next issue.

## Coch Daniel Jankelunas To Guide Athletics

Coch Jankelunas was a prominent sports figure at State participating in both basketball and baseball in addition to serving as athletic director.



COACH JANKELUNAS

Prior to his induction in the Navy, he played four years of basketball and baseball for State. One memorable occasion firmly planted in his mind and justly so, is when he pitched a no-hit no-run game against our arch rivals Montclair State.

His present positions are Physical Education Instructor, head coach for the varsity and junior varsity basketball teams. For the past few years Mr. Jankelunas has been coaching the junior varsity squad and just last year moved up to the varsity team. Not only is he active here at State but he also serves as chairman of the Alumni Association Athletic Committee.

Let us wish a man of his caliber a very successful 53-54 season.

## Prospects Loom Bright For Bowling Squad

In the very near future there will be an organization meeting of the Pioneer men's bowling team. This year the team will be mainly under the direction of coach Dan Jankelunas. It is not known at the present how the league will be set up or what teams will be entered. All of these details will be settled soon by the NJIAC, the league to which the school belongs.

Returning to the squad this year are Frank McNamara, Ray McGillick, and Sal Alaimo. McNamara is a senior while Alaimo is a junior and McGillick is a sophomore. Other interested applicants for the team at this time are Bob Hodde, Frank Fincken, and Jack Griffith. There is also a possibility that Ralph Favilla who captained the Montclair bowling team last year and has since transferred here will compete. Informed sources see a bright prospect for the year in this particular sport.

## Basketball Schedule Begins Thanksgiving

Paterson State Teacher's College's varsity basketball team will begin its new basketball season the Saturday of the Thanksgiving Day weekend. The opening game will be between the alumni and the varsity team as the annual alumni game.

Five of last year's players will return this year as varsity men. They are: Roger Clarke, junior; Jerry Del Corso, senior; William Kline, senior; Bob Mathew, sophomore; and Bob Mathews a senior. Coach Jankelunas also expresses high hopes in those returning junior varsity players. They are: Jim Melstreich, Albert Merbeth, and Adam Richberg. Practice will begin shortly in

## FENCING TEAM LOOKING AHEAD

The Women's and Men's Fencing Clubs of Paterson State Teachers College, both under the direction of Mr. Ray Miller, have started practice again in anticipation of another brilliant season.

Connie De Hauski will manage the Women's Fencing Club and Grace Monaco will act as captain of the varsity team. So far team members named are Elaine Miller, Jean Moreck, and Jane Dardia.

The first competition for the women, the Novice Team Competition for the Santelli Trophy, will be held in November. This is an annual competition, the winning team possessing the trophy for one year. The PSTC team won in 1951 and placed second in 1952.

Three lettermen have returned to the Men's Fencing Club; Jack Griffith, Vince Meyers, and John Horsburgh. There will be no men's varsity team this year because of the lack of enough men for the required nine-man team. However there will be many prep and novice competitions as usual and a three man team will be chosen to enter the National Championship Competition next Spring.

the gym alcove. Scouting for possible new players will also begin at the gym classes. Coach Jankelunas said, "I do not believe in too much practice, because I believe too much practice will make a team stale."

The team is expected to do well; but, the lack of knowledge of freshmen makes it hard to predict the future. The student body as well as the coach express high hopes and the best of luck to the team in their oncoming season.

## SPORTLIGHT

Our varsity basketball team is in for quite a life if Al Merbeth, a senior of medium height, can once again score with his polished one hander as he did with the junior varsity last year. Al's first two years on the JV squad were marked by a lack of scoring on his part. Whatever it was that made Al start to shoot during his third year certainly was a blessing in disguise because he started to score heavily with his new burst of confidence.



AL MERBETH

Al played a valuable role in the game for the junior varsity and further added to his merit by drawing numerous foul shots and making a great number of them for important Pioneer points. His biggest evening as far as he is concerned is his 21 point splurge against Fairleigh Dickinson at their court.

## LEAVE IT TO THE GIRLS

By LUCY DRAKE

A hearty hello to all returning students and a warm welcome to the new Freshmen. We sincerely hope that you fully enjoy your short, four year stay at Paterson State Teachers' College. Make the most of it, for these are some of the best years of your lives. There are many activities with which you are able to make these years more enjoyable and profitable.

The Women's Athletic Association is one of the numerous organizations at P. S. T. C., and has the largest membership of any club in the school. The object of this group is to provide recreation and to stimulate an interest in athletics, that perhaps can be enlarged later.

There are many fields in which the varied preferences of the girls can be given expression. The activities range from golf and bowling, to basketball and archery. The playdays provide one of the main highlights of the club's schedule, and are awaited with a great deal of anticipation by the girls of both schools involved. Speaking of playdays, the first one is with Jersey City, October 6, in softball. If you are at all interested in this sport, sign up and chances are that you will be seeing the gals from Jersey City.

For participating in activities, points are obtained on a cumulative basis and are used to acquire awards. In a short time, a handbook describing the W. A. A. completely will be distributed to all Freshmen girls.

It's really quite difficult to total all the advantages of the W. A. A. Through contacts with fellow classmates and other colleges, most members derive not only pleasure but an attitude of friendship that is hard to put into words. There is no violent competition and every girl is given an equal opportunity to participate. "Participation rather than competition is emphasized."

Presiding over these activities is Miss Mildred B. Lee, advisor and co-operative friend to all the girls at the college. For advice, you can find no one better suited to relieve your problems. For any other information concerning W. A. A., ask any of the old members.

So until the next time, please consider thoughtfully the many advantages of such an organization. Again, I would like to personally extend my best wishes for a wonderful time at P. S. T. C.