

Elections Begin Monday—See Page 6 For Revised Bylaws

by Beth Falk

The Barnard Fall Undergrad Elections will be held Monday, September 23 through Wednesday, September 25. Students will elect representatives for the Tripartite committees, and will also vote on the revised constitution (a copy of the constitution appears on page 7).

One of the more important positions to be filled is that of the

Barnard representative to the University Senate. The seat was left vacant after last Spring's election because of the failure to fill the 40 percent quota.

Students wishing to run for an office may sign up in the CAO office through today. A tentative list of candidates follows:

Senator in Columbia University Senate—Robyn Grayson '76, Jessica Zive '76,

Linda Yellin '76, Leslie Dienes '77, Liza C. May Chan '76, Karen Bivens '76, and Rosalind Volpe '75.

Committee on Instruction—Jean Anne Keivel '77, Ileen Paley '78, Miriam Westheimer '78, Nancy Dorsinville '77, and Denise A. Robinson '77.

Women's Center Executive Committee—Mary Graves '75, Molly Hoeflich '76, Enola Aird

'76, Marion Hilton '78, and Jennifer Fox '76.

Academic Council—Jean Anne Keivel '77, Nancy Dorsinville '77, Ruth Marais '77, Marion Holton '78, and Deborah Ann Edwards '76.

Admissions Committee—Ileen Paley '78, Jeri Hahn '78, and Marion Holton '78.

Financial Aid Committee—Junie H. McNair '76, Rosalind

Volpe '78, Martha Torres '75, Mary Dean '75, Sheila McGee '76, Sarah McKias '76, Enola Aird '76, Karen Wallach '76, Lorraine Brancato '76, Lisa Borg '76, and Terry Lowe '76.

Health Service Committee—Linda Thorn '78, Enola Aird '76, and Denise Figaredo '75.

Housing Committee—Sarah McKias '76, Jo Ann Porter '77, Andrea Katz '76, and Ellen Meltzer '77.

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BOSS Appeal of Regents Ruling Reaches Standstill

by Nadine Feller

Early in 1974, the New York State Board of Regents ruled that segregated or separated facilities on the basis of race, color, national origin or ethnic background were illegal. Among the schools affected by the ruling was Barnard, and a Regents taskforce investigation found that no progress had been made in desegregating the allegedly segregated facilities, particularly the seventh floor of Brooks Hall. Barnard's consequent compliance with the ruling included the statement that "beginning with the fall semester 1974-75 no floors or corridors will be set aside for any group of students, including, but not limited to, minority students."

While no entire floor was to be set aside for preferential roomdrawing, Barnard did intend to continue preferential drawing for "room and roommate selection in both double rooms and suites" for black and kosher students. At present, there are seven kosher suites and 2 black suites in Barnard housing. Six to eight black students chose to live together on seven Brooks at last spring's roomdrawing, and according to Blanche Lawton, Director of Housing, the number has since increased to approximately one dozen students. Unlike past procedure, no such housing option was given to incoming black freshmen, because, according to Lawton, "that would

be preferential policy." "Suites are not an entire living unit, such as a floor, but a floor of suites would be considered segregated housing," Lawton told BULLETIN.

Last Spring, Allegra Haynes and Iris Huggins drafted a letter to Dr. Peterson from BOSS, representing the interests of black women on campus. The letter was concerned with Barnard's stand on the Regents ruling. Haynes told BULLETIN.

"We resented the school not backing us up. Instead of denying the ruling that the housing was segregated, Barnard complied."

The letter urged Dr. Peterson to act affirmatively on the recommendation of the Housing Committee, that the situation be investigated. No action has been taken to date. Haynes asserts that seven Brooks and the suites are not actually segregated

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New Award to be Presented To Outstanding Professor

by Margaret Zweig

The Student-Faculty Committee of the McIntosh Activities Council and the Alumnae Association are co-sponsoring a new award to be presented by the student body to a Barnard faculty member. Named for Dr. Emily L. Gregory, Barnard's first professor, the award shall be given to a member of the Barnard faculty who is outstanding both for excellence in teaching and for the interest which he/she takes in student affairs.

Nominations will open this fall for the first recipient. Barnard students will be asked to submit a brief essay nominating any Barnard faculty member. McIntosh Activities Council will review the nominations and narrow down the field to a small number of candidates. The

student body will then vote to select one of these.

According to the student committee of the McAc Council, the recipient of the award will be honored at a special Award

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Staff Meeting

A mandatory meeting will be held tomorrow, Friday, September 20 at 1:00 p.m. in 107 McIntosh. All reporters, photographers and reviewers are required to attend if they wish to continue their association with the Bulletin. This will be the final organizational meeting of the semester. Staff assignments will be discussed and students wishing to join Bulletin are urged to attend.

The seventh floor of Brooks Hall is no longer included in the preferential room drawing.

Contract Adopted In 42-12 TWU Vote

Local 264 of the Transport Workers Union (TWU) approved last Friday, in a 42-12 vote, a new contract which will give union employees a nineteen percent wage increase over the next two years.

Approval of the contract had been delayed for several weeks while union and Barnard officials negotiated fringe benefits to be included in the contract.

In its final form the contract provides a nine percent wage increase retroactive to July 1, 1974, a six percent increase effective July 1, 1975 and a four percent increase after January 1, 1976.

Other changes in the contract concern vacation benefits. Under the new contract workers will be entitled to three weeks vacation

after three years of service, and four weeks vacation after five years. The old contract provided for three weeks after five years and four weeks after ten years. Vacation benefits for ten to twenty years service will remain the same as in the old contract.

According to Anthony Talerico, President of TWU at Barnard, the vacation benefits were a point of contention among some of the membership. Some of the dissenting voters had wanted an increase in the new contract to six weeks vacation after fifteen years service, instead of five weeks.

"There was some dissatisfaction over the extra vacation week," said Talerico. "But in general everyone was

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A Risky Game: The Big Business of Abortion Referral Agencies

by Ellen McManus

This is the first of a two-part article on abortion services in New York City. This part will deal with "referral agencies", a questionable and possibly illegal enterprise.

Last year forty-three students received abortion counseling and referrals from the Barnard health service. The number is misleading, however, because many more women, for considerations of privacy or because they don't know abortion counseling is available at Barnard, continue to use outside sources for abortion referrals.

Those who can afford it use reputable private doctors for pregnancy tests and abortions. The majority, however, for lack of money or adequate information, will simply check the newspaper ads for the nearest

abortion clinic or referral agency.

But if you are shopping around for the quickest and cheapest abortion, you may end up paying a hidden referral fee, undergoing a shoddy operation or paying for an "abortion" that you didn't need in the first place.

The ads can be deceptive and if you don't know what you are looking for or don't read the ad carefully, you may not be able to tell the difference between an abortion clinic and a "referral agency".

There is a difference. Licensed abortion clinics are equipped to perform both pregnancy tests and abortions for pregnancies under twelve weeks. After twelve weeks abortions must be performed in a hospital and a "free standing" clinic, one that is

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The inner offices and bathroom facilities at Controlled Parenthood abortion referral agency (photo by Ellen McManus).

Maids' Discrimination Suit Continues in Federal Court

by Anne Caplan

Two years ago, 30 Columbia maids went to court to procure a restraining order to prevent Columbia University from firing them. The women were successful in keeping their jobs, but since that time, other issues of discrimination have arisen. A lawsuit claiming inequity in the hiring, wages, and promotional opportunities for women in the maintenance department, is now being argued in Federal Court, with the labor department joining the maids in charging Columbia with violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act, which forbids discrimination based on sex.

On September 9, twenty-five to thirty maids and supporters gathered in front of the Federal Court at Foley Square to demonstrate before their suit began. They chanted and sang songs, but as most of the women work the night shift, they were too tired to march. After the demonstration the women crowded into the courtroom and stood in the back.

The case opened with a statement by Jan Goodman, one of the lawyers for the maids, declaring that "women at Columbia are systematically excluded from promotion" and that she would prove that "maids do not receive the same training and promotional opportunities as the men, and that heavy cleaner and light cleaner are substantially the same job."

She placed the burden on the University to prove that the total exclusion of women from the higher paying, more plentiful janitorial jobs was based on other than sex discrimination.

Robert Stitt, attorney for Columbia, stated he would prove that heavy cleaner and light cleaner are not the same and that "the court will be satisfied that Columbia provides equal opportunity." He stated that the maids, light cleaners, do sweeping, dusting, emptying waste paper baskets, and cleaning the small bathrooms. The heavy cleaners, janitors, do stripping floors, wet-mopping, cleaning in corridors, stairways and large public lavatories.

Pearlie Dickens, a maid employed at Columbia since 1968, was the first witness. In response to examination by Carol Libow, also an attorney for the maids, Ms. Dickens provided testimony which lent support both to the University's case and to the maids. She did admit that she uses dusters and mops which are lighter than those used by the janitors. Her testimony also revealed that there was a substantial overlap in the job she performs and that described by Mr. Stitt. She cleans large lavatories, uses a wet mop, and often has to move furniture to make beds and dust. At one point a job she was assigned to in 540, and 520 was taken over by a janitor who did the same work but was paid more. She was not

given the option to continue working the rigorous job at a janitorial pay. When asked if she felt she could do the work of a janitor she said yes, but the answer was stricken from the record because it called for a conclusion from the witness.

Further testimony has revealed that the women have been discouraged from applying for janitorial positions. One woman who was made a janitor after many applications claimed that she was harassed on the job and given a disproportionate number of the heaviest tasks. She resigned from the job several weeks after she began.

The case is still being argued and both sides are bringing witnesses to support their position. Annie Chamberlin, who has worked with the women since their victory two years ago, stated that she felt confident that the testimony will show those things outlined in Ms Goodman's opening statement.

Program Filing

Deadline for program filing is tomorrow, Friday September 20. A late fee will be charged for programs filed after this date.

Barnard Student Cited for Heroism

by Margaret Zweig

Louisa Foye, a 19 year-old Barnard sophomore, was honored by the Police Department for an exceptional act of bravery. At a special ceremony September 10 at Police Headquarters, in which 39 awards for heroism were given, Police Commissioner Michael J. Codd presented Ms. Foye with a plaque and gold bar, commending her for rescuing an unconscious man from an on-coming subway train.

Returning from a late-night concert on March 8, Foye was standing on the nearly empty IRT subway platform at Times Square when a man fell onto the tracks, cracking his skull on the railing. In an attempt to rescue him, Foye jumped onto the tracks just as the subway train entered the station. "With a burst of 'adrenalin' I managed to lift him up onto the platform" Foye stated, "but it was 200 pounds of dead weight, and I was totally exhausted." Having no energy left to lift herself, she was pulled to safety by two subway guards only moments before the train reached her.

Foye described her action as 'instinctive.' "Everything happened so quickly," she said. "It was pretty scary. I really thought I was going to die, but I just had to do it."

The reaction to her heroism was not one of instantaneous fanfare. After calling for an ambulance, the two guards, Foye explained, actually yelled at her for what she had done, leaving her to return home on the subway, her dress covered with blood from the man's injuries. The entire incident had, in fact, gone unnoticed until someone from Foye's hometown of Saratoga Springs, New York, wrote to Mayor Abraham Beame who then initiated an investigation of the occurrence.

Of the 39 brave New Yorkers cited at the ceremony at police headquarters, Foye was the only woman to be so honored. Her 5'4" frame was a curiosity to the many television and newspaper reporters who talked with her, their favorite question being "How did you lift a 200 pound man! Do you use bar-bells?" Such

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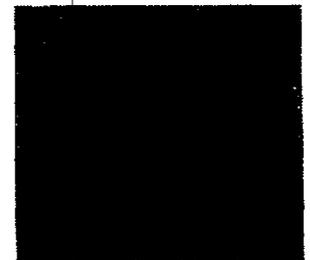
New Award to be Presented

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Dinner scheduled for February. Ticket sales for the dinner will be open to students, faculty, administration and alumnae.

Emily L. Gregory came to Barnard in 1890. A graduate of Cornell with a doctorate from the University of Zurich, she was the first woman to be honored with a fellowship from the University of Pennsylvania. Dr. Gregory was the first professor to be hired to teach full-time at Barnard. Before that Barnard classes had been taught by Columbia faculty.

At Barnard she dedicated herself to the development of a Botany Department and headed Barnard's first Botanical Laboratory. In the words of the late Marion Churchill White, author of *The Bicentennial History of Columbia University*, "Aside from her sound teaching, she was of great value to the girls as an example of a first-rate woman devoting her life to academic work." She goes on to say, "Doctor Gregory proceeded to wake up the minds of such



young ladies rather briskly and to demonstrate that there is really more to botany than a love of flowers."

Described by one of her former students as "a small, demure woman with rosy cheeks and twinkling blue eyes," Emily Gregory was appointed by Columbia as a lecturer on the Physiology and Anatomy of Plants—the first Columbia appointment to a woman.

On the occasion of her death in 1897, Dean Smith, Barnard's first dean, spoke of Emily Gregory's great contributions to Barnard. "The fact that our instruction is given by officers of Columbia, though it is one of our

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BHR: Cafeteria Changes and Housing Renovations

New Food Service Director Cites Rising Costs

by Allison Kassig

In an effort to avoid raising the BHR board fee, Barnard has subsidized the food service to some extent and also instituted new policies in Hewitt cafeteria. No more seconds are permitted on entrees, vegetables, desserts and milk. Cash prices for guests have been raised 10 percent.

Peter Donovan, new director of the BHR food service, who often works an 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. day, keeps busy trying to cope with inflation. "I consider myself pretty good in purchasing, but it's like the stock market now, food prices change so much. Food has gone up six to thirty percent. Our cereals are ridiculous. I can't afford to put cantelopes on the menu any more—they've doubled in price.

"The only things we didn't limit are the soft drinks, coffee and the salad bar at noon. Since it's 4-1 girls here, I didn't want to take away the salad bar as that's a large part of their lunches and dinners. The kids have taken a little bit more to eat since there are no seconds, but the dish crew says there's a lot less waste over previous years."

In addition to food, the board fee must pay for utilities and maintenance and the photo identification system which Donovan says is expensive at \$3000. Some machines which have broken down cannot be used because the company which services them is out of business or no longer makes necessary parts. There are also employees to pay "Because of us being so closely connected, whatever Columbia does (in union negotiations) we go pretty much along the line. If we did have student help it could be more difficult in a way but possibly less costly. But with the union situation here my hands are tied. You don't see people loaf around here. The chef, his assistant and I sometimes help unload trucks. I back food service workers 100 percent. It's not an easy job."

Donovan has been in the food service industry since 1960. He went to Penn State and taught basic training in the Air Force. He has held positions at other colleges and with Shraffts. He joined the Servomation Corporation here last year. "I've seen food plans at other colleges where the faculty and staff were served at the expense of the kids. The administrations at some such schools are not honest." He feels his relationship with the administration here is good. "It's nice hearing from the top. I feel sad about Ms. Moorman leaving as she seems to be a very realistic and fair individual."

Donovan has some possible changes planned. "We may bring a soft ice-cream machine from the snack bar to the cafeteria. We may do holiday time a little differently. The cosmopolitan atmosphere here at Barnard is

different from a place like Wisconsin State, where I also worked. The snack bar seems to be a critical area here with the economic squeeze."

Suggestions from students and the food committee are carefully considered. "I don't get a lot of complaints in particular. Girls have asked for omelets with evening meals and vegetable chow mein and beef stew, which we're planning. They've asked for more rice and bread since they can't go back for seconds. The students want a spice bar for the salads—we're going to work on that. We have low-cal sugar for them. Some want oleo instead of butter, so we're trying to get that in patties. We've started putting less pepper in the vegetables.

"I want to try to be flexible. I'm not going to come in here with soy bean meat substitutes. I'm using a good grade of ground

beef that doesn't have excessive fat. Some students have complained about powdered eggs, but we don't use them—in anything. We've got to stay away from fried foods, especially since the price of oil is so dear now. You're getting the grease, too, so you're paying for it in two ways.

"Lots of food services are just keeping their necks over or going under. You either go ahead or behind. There's no such thing as staying status quo." His thoughts on inflation include "a negative feeling about across-the-board increases. Bring back private enterprise and the merit system."

About his job, Donovan says, "It's a challenge. Every day is different. It's not boring." And he does keep a close watch on what is served to the students. "I try to eat as many meals as possible here. I can't afford not to."

Redecorations Near Completion

by Jami Bernard

The redecoration of the public rooms of Brooks, part of a 5-year plan instigated by President Martha Peterson, is almost finished. Last fall, a committee of the development council was organized to coordinate fund-raising and concern itself with the problems of Brooks Hall and other dorms. Decorator Maria Radaslovich worked up the plans for the entire first floor and chose the colors for the Hewitt hallways. The plans were shown to the trustees who approved it in July, and work was begun on August 1.

The plans, which included a complete paint job, called for the woodwork in the living room to be stripped in order to bring out the old oak. The marble columns were also stripped of old paint and wallpaper. The lighting fixtures were changed to profusions of hanging globes. The living room should be

finished sometime this week while the small parlors and the piano room are already in use.

Further renovations are planned over the next three years for the other Barnard dormitories "600", "616", "620" and Plimpton. The estimated cost to the College will be \$200,000, which will include \$50,000 already laid out for the BHR redecoration. The money for the redecoration was taken from the school's endowment fund and the Development Council is currently working to raise the rest of the money for the additional dorm renovations.

President Martha Peterson commented, "We wanted to get the work done in BHR right away since the cost will increase next year. We saved about 15 percent by doing it this year." The BHR redecoration should be completed by January.



Hewitt Cafeteria and Brooks Livingroom [photos by Nadine Feiler].

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The Spirit of the Law

A New York Times article of March 1973 called abortion clinics "probably the city's fastest growing business" after the 1970 liberalization of the state abortion law.

If the 1970 liberalization turned abortion into big business, the 1972 Supreme Court ruling on acceptable abortion facilities, had an even more drastic effect on the ethics of abortion services in the city.

The Supreme Court ruling was probably less significant for what it said than for what it left unsaid. The Court ruled that first trimester abortions (up to twelve weeks) could be performed virtually anywhere in the presence of a doctor. The vague wording of the decision, which specifies only "a suitable facility", left the door open for the establishment of clinics which could operate entirely within the letter of the law while ignoring the law's spirit. The intention of the Court was to facilitate safe abortions for any woman who needed one, not just those who could afford an expensive hospital operation. Unfortunately, the vague wording of the decision ironically encourages commercial exploitation, not unlike the abortion mills of the recent past.

What has happened in the past few years is that abortion services have become a competitive and commercially profitable business which feeds off the fears and tensions naturally involved in such a morally loaded and possibly medically dangerous issue. The financial gains to be made in the business have fostered unethical abortion clinics and their necessary counterparts, fraudulent referral agencies. The only reason for the agencies' existence is to reap a profit, but they are allowed to operate with the same protection as reputable non-profit abortion services.

While the watchdog agencies of the city, the Board of Health, the Bureau of Consumer Affairs & the D.A.'s office, struggle in the morass of unclear laws and undefined jurisdictions, fraudulent agencies continue to thrive in the city. The most unfortunate and horrifying aspect of these unethical abortion services is that they victimize, mainly those whom the Supreme Court ruling was meant to protect—the poor. The wealthy can still use the havens of reputable—and expensive—private doctors and hospitals. The poor have no other recourse but to clinics which should exist for their benefit but which, in many cases, exist only to rob them.

Abortion services should not be a financially lucrative business. They should exist for the benefit of those who need them, not for the benefit of those who are able to exploit those needs. Free abortion services, which equitably serve all the city's women, should be a goal of New York's health and welfare system.

Before more of the city's poor are cheated by fraudulent business enterprises and before any of the city's women are harmed by unregulated medical practices, the New York State abortion law should be revised and clarified, allowing the city's health and consumer agencies to crack down on the violators. The letter of the law must be formulated to protect, not subvert the spirit of the law.

by Mary Graves

Two years ago I attended a meeting of the Columbia Table Tennis Club in Ferris Booth Hall. Membership was \$6.00 for men and \$2.50 for women. Being one of three women among about twenty men I felt intimidated. Nevertheless I protested the discrimination. I was gallantly assured that the lower fee was to encourage women to join. My experience had been that when women pay half as much as men they are treated as if they are worth half as much as men. I attempted to explain this and was met with incredulity. "If I could pay half as much I sure would. You're getting a good deal" were the responses I got to my explanation. Overwhelmed by their lack of understanding of the subtle and not so subtle ways in which women are treated unequally I decided that Columbia activities would not be conducive to my growth and development. I never tried to join a Columbia activity again but have always been curious about the experiences of Barnard students who do.

I spoke to a Barnard student who has been a member of WKCR, the Columbia radio station, for three years. I asked her why she initially joined WKCR and what it was like to be a woman there.

"I thought it would be exciting to work in a radio station," she said. "One thing that stands out in my mind is going into WKCR my first year and not seeing any women. As I found out later there were five or six women working at the radio station. And that is out of a total of over one hundred station members every year.

"When women come into the station to learn, say, how to engineer a show, there aren't enough women to learn from. So, you have to learn from the guys and this means a certain amount of indebtedness. This puts you into a pattern of being grateful and agreeable. As a rule it doesn't encourage you to develop individual expression." I then asked her how women at WKCR influence decision-making and get into positions of power.

"WKCR's women have had a tradition of being the girlfriends and lovers of the male members of the station," she said. "They would help their boyfriends get records and do their shows. That is slowly beginning to change. Especially within the leadership. However, it is changing with a great deal of difficulty. Recently,

there was a woman news director. There was an incredible amount of resentment against her on the part of the men. We had coverage of an important news event and people expected her to fall apart and treated her as though she would. She didn't. At one point she was asked to resign by a member of the board of directors because the resentment she caused was upsetting the station. Soon afterwards there was a male news director. People had more confidence in him and cooperated more fully."

I then said: "You mentioned boyfriends, what kind of personal relationships are there at WKCR?"

"If a woman remains unattached she pretty much has to depend on herself for moral support. The male camaraderie is a bit overpowering to the lone

female. You just don't have the 'plain old friendship ties' that men have. Which of course is why the number of women remains so low."

I then asked: Do women at the station support each other?

"Two or three summers ago the women at the station got together and had a sort of solidarity meeting. It was the first time women at the station tried to form a cohesive unit. But there were too few of us and our ideas on how to change things were very different."

"Do you feel the position of women is going to change at WKCR?"

"I don't see it changing all that much. Traditionally radio has been very negative towards women. At present we have three active station women at WKCR. It's a struggle to keep our heads above water."

Letters:

Towards Cooperation

To the editor,

This letter is an appeal to the Barnard student body concerning the upcoming undergraduate elections on September 23, 24 and 25. As you probably know, Barnard has been without a senate representative for two years. In order to elect a member to the University Senate, the candidate must receive the vote of at least 40 percent of the Barnard population. Voting machines are located in McIntosh and the voting facilities this year will be extended at least to Plimpton and BHR. I feel it is imperative to have Barnard represented in the Senate. I am running for senator and feel that there are many issues including or directly pertaining to Barnard which must be brought to the attention of the administration. The most important category that I will propose for discussion if elected is the relationship between the schools of this university. I feel that the inter-college relationships could and should be greatly improved. I will briefly mention a few of the topics I feel most adamant about. Hopefully, you will agree and see the necessity of election a representative to the Senate, and I will be your choice.

One basic fault in the communication between schools results in the inaccessibility of excellent Columbia courses to Barnard students. I had the

benefit of a Columbia humanities course this summer and I feel this, as well as Contemporary civilization, should be easily available to Barnard students. The structure of the course easily yields itself to fulfill a distributional requirement. In regard to this, I feel all students should gain from the facilities of both institutions. This would mean total cross-listing, without priority to the comparable course offered in one's own school. Secondly, the permission of the administration for Barnard students to take certain art courses for grades, as do Columbia students, as opposed to the mandatory pass/fail now designated for these courses. Also, Barnard students should be able to receive credit for Columbia's 1 and 2 point courses. It seems unfair that we are deprived due to a difference in the assigned course values. Thirdly, women should receive financial backing, encouragement and gym credit for competitive sports. For example, the Barnard crew team receives little support from Barnard and only condemnation from Columbia's athletic department.

These are just a few ideas of mine and I would like to hear yours as well. If elected I will try to accomplish as much as possible toward the betterment of Barnard and the combined University.

Jessica Zive '76



Hannah Kahn and dancers in "Spill/Quell" in Dance Uptown's 15th series of indoor and outdoor events. The series began today at noon with a free performance by the New York Improvisational Ensemble on Altschul Plaza. Tomorrow and Saturday, September 20 and 21 Dance Uptown will present "Spill/Quell" "Common Ground" "Rags" and "Trumpet" in Minor Latham Playhouse at 8:00 p.m. Admission is \$3.00. Next Thursday, September 26, at noon, a free performance will be given by Hannah Kahn and dancers on Altschul Plaza.

'Strawberry': A Movie That Asks No Questions



Police arresting Columbia student in 1968 riots—the original of "The Strawberry Statement" [photo by Craig Ellenbogen from "Up Against the Ivy Wall"].

by Nancy Carlin

I'll bet this year's tuition that at sometime in his/her relationship with this university, every student on campus has thumbed through a copy of "The Strawberry Statement", that now infamous manifesto of the events here of 1968; or at least has been curious about it. Zoopraxinographoscope is showing the movie of the same name on September 24 in Lehman Auditorium. Even curiosity doesn't justify spending time and money to see it.

If you've read the book, first of all, you won't recognize it in the movie. The scene has been transplanted to a bland, modern campus in Northern California mysteriously referred to as "Western" which immediately robs the story of its flavor.

Actually the story never gets off the ground in the beginning. There are too many frames of our hero out on the river with the crew team, too many pseudo-introductory bits which show college life as trivial and boring. Part of the reason for the movie's pre-natal death is mediocre casting. Bruce Davison, no matter what his other problems are, cannot play a radical-alienated-and-searching Columbian. When the movie begins he is a happy-go-lucky but pragmatic jock. Somehow the "political reality" hits him (represented by a conglomeration of "meaningful"

images: chanting students, police, etc., which repeatedly flash on the screen) and he rather casually enters a building which has been taken over by a group of "radicals" to see what's up. The scene inside the occupied building resembles a large and unruly high-school mixer. Here James Kunen makes his cameo appearance as a student leader (an appropriate plate to boo.)

About this time, Kim Darby enters the picture. I could understand Davison's interest in her until she opened her mouth. Whoever wrote her dialogue should be forced to repeat them in front of a large audience (not a camera). Darby spends her time chiding Davison for his lack of political dedication. This reminded me of a kid calling his little brother "chicken." In one scene, when she informs Davison that she can't see him anymore because "I might even sleep with you and I'd hate you for it," Davison looks mildly surprised as if he'd never considered the matter. Nonetheless, this confused duoreunites, and spends the rest of the movie in the midst of a great moral crisis: are they or are they not truly committed? By this time the audience is asleep.

There is no conclusive end. Davison and Darby decide to battle it out to the end. The police enter their building and beat them up, leaving "The Strawberry Statement" a movie which answers no questions

because it has never asked any. The one part of the movie which I thought could not be spoiled, the sound track, was crammed into the first thirty minutes of "action." The music had no relation to the events on the screen. It started and stopped at awkward moments. It is entirely fair to say that the cause of student protest would have been better off without the release of "The Strawberry Statement" to the public.

'Flesh Gordon': Some Things Are Better Left Untouched

by Sam Magee

Continuing in its newborn tradition of offering its readers new versions of old comicbook heroes, *BULLETIN* offers a review of Mammoth Films' *Flesh Gordon*, not to be confused with the original *Flash Gordon* under any circumstances. Albeit, this take-off on *Flash Gordon* is not quite as enlightening as *Wonder Woman*. In fact, this film, rated X and publicized in the manner of porn films (rather soft-core pornography, at that), has an insult for everyone, whether you're a woman, black, Asian, gay, or any combination of the above.

It is impossible to evaluate this production in the context of all films for it is just plain tacky. But in the realm of porn, if it resides there, I suppose it is an improvement. The costumes, makeup and scenery are comically poor; a few of the special effects are impressive for

Little Italy has again lit up its streets in annual celebration of the Feast of San Gennaro. The festival, encompassing five square blocks around Mulberry Street, opened last Thursday and closes this weekend.

The predominant entertainment is, undeniably the food. Most of the stands specialize in the same items (zeppoli, calzoni, and sausage) which on paper seems redundant. When you get down there, though, somehow each vendor seems to possess the ultimate calzoni, and it's hard not to try every stand (just for the sake of comparison, of course). The prices are consistent, so that's no help in choosing one foodstand over another; the only solution is to try them all.

Aside from the food and comparatively hardly worth mentioning are the standard amusement park games, ranging from roulette to games where one can win a parakeet or horribly so, even a dog. If you

wander to the periphery of the festival where it is less populated by tourists, there are small orchestras and Italian tenors entertaining the residents of Little Italy with classic tunes of amore.

Last year, riding on the wave of *The Godfather's* publicity, posters of Marlon Brando and Al Pacino were plastered on every surface, promising offers impossible to refuse. *Godfather II* won't be out till Christmas, so the feast couldn't cash in on it. With all the selling going on, it's hard to remember that this is actually a religious festival. But a small reminder is the shrine of San Gennaro, a garish affair with a cross fashioned from one and five dollar bills.

The point of the festival really, though, is the food and that's good and cheap and worth the trek downtown. And if you discover you don't like Italian food or can't stand the crowd (it takes an evening to walk the length of the street), Chinatown is just a few blocks away.

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a porn film. The story begins when *Flesh*, Dale Ardor and Professor Flexi Jerkoff take off in the professor's phallic stratostip to destroy the terrible sex-ray that has been wreaking orgiastic havoc on earth. (It's not that sex is bad; it's just that no one can get their work done with all the interruptions.) *Flesh* has traced the origin of the ray to the distant planet Porno, which is ruled by Wang the Perverted. This "impotentate," who cannot partake of sex himself, has created one huge sex orgy on the planet that was once peacefully ruled by Prince Precious.

Along the way to his victory over evil, *Flesh* battles with various monsters. In one encounter, he and Jerkoff fight off towering prehistoric penisauruses one of which tries to violate Ms. Ardor. (The penisaurus must have a perceptual problem if he thinks he's

going to get anywhere.) The best part of the movie are these special effects, especially for sci-fi freaks of the *Flash Gordon* period.

The best actor in the piece is the satyr-like monster who appears at the film's conclusion. While the other actors have been posturing melodramatically, this creature ambles along, matter-of-factly muttering under his breath. When he narrowly misses catching *Flesh*, he comments quietly, "Oh, fuck." This, in a movie heretofore devoid of any fourletter words. After climbing the tower of death with Dale in his claw, he hisses, "I wonder how she'd look in black stockings?" It was interesting to hear what were probably the same thoughts that went through King Kong's mind, as he battered away at those pesky planes.

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Undergrad News

Selections for tripartite committees, the Women's Center Executive Committee, and Barnard Senator, will be held this week. To help alleviate the confusion of last spring's elections we are setting up voting areas in all of the Barnard operated dorm facilities.

This year we are also voting to ratify the constitution for the tripartite committee system. This is a very vital issue and we hope that everyone has been reading about it in *Bulletin*. Sunday night the undergrad officers will be available in each of the Barnard operated dorms to briefly explain and answer any questions about the new constitution. In addition we will be in the Undergrad office all day Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in case commuters have questions. Further information will be posted but when in doubt call us at x2126.

After you vote, give blood. On those same dates Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday there will be a Barnard-Columbia Blood Drive. The bloodmobile will be set up in Wollman

auditorium in Ferris Booth Hall and will open each day at 9:00 a.m. No, it doesn't hurt, but it may leave you feeling a little drained so try to go when you have an hour or so free so that you can rest awhile afterward.

Last Thursday, several Barnard women showed up at President Peterson's for informal discussion and punch. President Peterson will be having open house for Barnard Students regularly during the year so if you missed last Thursday there will be another chance. Check this column for information. Those of us who went really enjoyed the opportunity to talk to the president and to meet fellow students.

We hope that this column will keep Barnard women informed about their student government and about the tripartite committees that establish College policy. If you ever need information, have complaints or want to share ideas there is someplace to go (206 McIntosh) and there is a number to call (x2126). Take advantage!



Dale Ardor [Suzanne Fields] in trouble in "Flesh Gordon" [photo courtesy of Mammoth Films].

Revised Constitution - Read this Page!

BY-LAWS OF THE TRIPARTITE COMMITTEE SYSTEM OF BARNARD COLLEGE

To further cooperation and mutual understanding among students, faculty, and administrators of Barnard College, to promote student participation in the governance of the College, and to foster the growth of community these By-Laws are constituted.

I. COMMITTEES

Coordinating Council

The Coordinating Council shall consist of the President of the College and the President of the Undergraduate Association who shall be co-chairmen; the Dean of the Faculty, a Vice President of the Undergraduate Association; four faculty members, two of whom shall be members of the Faculty Executive Committee appointed by that committee, and two of whom shall be elected by the Faculty; and four elected students.

The principal task of the Council shall be to promote the successful operation of the tripartite committee system. To this end, the Council shall refer matters to appropriate committees for consideration, shall insure that committees consider the issues before them, and shall continuously review and encourage student participation in the governance of the College. The Council shall also resolve jurisdictional questions between and among the committees, but shall not have the power to accept, reject or amend decisions and recommendations made by committees.

The Council shall receive committee reports, minutes of all tripartite committee meetings, and shall hear oral reports from each committee at least once every academic year. The Council also shall present annual reports for the College community on the activities of the tripartite committees which shall be distributed to all members of committees and others that the Council shall designate, and which shall be available for inspection.

The Council shall appoint a Central Coordinator to act as its liaison with the tripartite committees. In addition to any other duties assigned by the Coordinating Council, the Central Coordinator shall receive for public posting committee reports and minutes of all committee meetings, shall assemble a summary of such reports and minutes for periodic distributions to Council members and all tripartite committee chairmen, shall communicate to the Council any decision or recommendation of a tripartite committee that may be construed as being relevant to the jurisdiction of any other tripartite committee and shall assist in preparation of the Council's annual reports.

The Council shall have the power to adopt Procedures Governing All Committees, not inconsistent with these By-Laws, which shall be binding on each and every tripartite committee except Judicial Council. Committee actions inconsistent with Procedures Governing All Committees shall be invalid. Procedures Governing All Committees adopted by the Council prior to the adoption of these By-Laws shall be valid and in force following the adoption of these By-Laws. Procedures Governing All Committees proposed after the effective date of these By-Laws shall be adopted only after prior notice and a hearing at which tripartite committee members and other interested members of the College community shall have opportunity to comment.

The Council shall meet at least three times each-semester.

Admissions and Recruitment

The Committee shall be composed of two representatives from the Admissions Office, alternating among the three officers of Admissions; one representative from the Public Relations Office; three faculty members appointed by the Faculty, and one of whom shall be a

member of the Board of Readers of Admission Folders; and four elected students, one from each of the four Classes.

The Committee shall study and make recommendations to the Director of Admissions and the Director of Public Relations on admissions policies, publications, procedures, and student recruitment.

Budget Review

The Committee shall be composed of the President of the College; the Dean of the Faculty; the Treasurer and Controller; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee; two students, a Vice President of the Undergraduate Association who shall serve a one-year term and a student who shall be elected for a two-year term; and one administrator elected by and from administrators appointed by the Trustees, who shall serve a two-year term. The Committee shall make recommendations to the President on allocations and priorities in the College budget for the ensuing fiscal year.

Polling Schedule

Polls will be set up in all residence halls in order to expedite voting. Commuters may vote in McIntosh. Voting will be done by ballot only; no voting machines will be used. The voting schedule is as follows:

BHR Cafeteria: Monday, Wednesday 11:30-2, 5-7.

Reid Hall Lobby: Monday and Tuesday 10:30-11:30 p.m.

616: Monday-Wednesday 11-1, Monday and Tuesday 6-8 and 10:30 11:30 p.m., Wednesday 5-7.

600, 620: Monday-Wednesday 12:30-2 p.m. Residents of 600 and 620 may vote at other hours in 616.

Voting will also take place in all Columbia residences where Barnard women live (John Jay, Hartley, Livingston, and Fernald) Polling will be done in the lobbies of these dorms during the following hours:

Monday-Wednesday: 11:30-1:30 and Monday-Tuesday 10:30-11:30 p.m.

Buildings and Grounds

The Committee shall consist of the Director of Security; a representative appointed by the President of the College; the Director of Buildings and Grounds; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee; and four elected students, one commuter living at home at the time of her election, one resident of Plimpton Hall, one resident of Brooks, Hewitt, Reid complex, and one resident of either "600", or "616", or "620". Student committee members either shall be directly elected by their respective constituencies or shall be elected by and from representatives elected by their respective constituencies.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the President and to other appropriate officials on all matters pertaining to plans for, additions to, and maintenance of Barnard College buildings and grounds. It shall recommend policies and procedures to best insure security on the campus, within the buildings of the College, and in the immediate vicinity. The Committee shall periodically confer with the Trustees' Buildings and Grounds Committee.

College Activities Policy

The Committee shall be composed of the Director of College Activities who shall be chairman; the Program Director of College Activities; an assistant to the President; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee; the Chairman of the McIntosh Activities Council; the Chairman of the McIntosh House Committee; a Vice President of the Undergraduate

Association; the Chairman of the Student Commencement Committee; a Columbia College Student representative appointed by the Board of Managers; and two elected students, at least one of whom

Financial Aid

The Committee shall be composed of the Director of Financial Aid; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee; two representatives from the Office of the Dean of Studies appointed by the Dean of Studies; the Director of Admissions; and four elected students, one resident in the Brooks, Hewitt, Reid complex, one resident in other housing owned or contracted for by the College, and one commuter living at home at the time of her election, all of whom shall be receiving financial aid from the College.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the President and to other appropriate officials on all matters affecting financial aid policy. The Committee shall receive periodic reports from the Director of Financial Aid concerning suggestions, complaints and appeals. Individual appeals may be submitted to the faculty and administrative members of the Committee after review by the Director of Financial Aid.

Health Services

The Committee shall be composed of the Director of Health Services; one psychiatric counselor selected by the medical staff; an assistant to the President; two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee, at least one of whom shall be a woman; three students elected for two-year terms, at least one of whom shall not be a resident in College housing; and a resident freshman elected yearly for a two-year term.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the President and to other appropriate officials on all matters affecting health service policy, including the recommendation for new positions.

Housing

The Committee shall be composed of the Director of Residence; the Dean of Studies or her representative; and nine elected students, one freshman and one upperclassman resident of the Brooks, Hewitt, Reid complex, one resident of "616", one resident of either "600" or "620", one resident of Plimpton Hall, two commuters living at home at the time of their election, one student living off-campus, and one student living in space contracted for by the College, if such space exists. Student committee members either shall be directly elected by their respective constituencies or shall be elected by and from representatives elected by their respective constituencies, and shall be responsible for keeping their constituencies informed of all the operations of the Committee.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the President and to other appropriate officials on all matters affecting housing policy as it pertains to the definition of housing classification, the procedure for admission to housing owned, operated, or contracted for by the College, the expansion and use of housing facilities, and the interpretation of housing policy.

Instruction

The Committee shall be composed of the Dean of the Faculty, who shall be chairman; eight members of the Faculty, two elected from each of the four Groups of the Faculty, serving for two-year terms; five elected students, one each majoring in departments or programs in the humanities, the social sciences, and the physical sciences, and two who have not yet declared majors, all serving for one-year terms; the Dean of Studies; and the Registrar.

The Committee shall have jurisdiction over all matters affecting educational policy, including curriculum, requirements for the degree, examinations, and curricular relations with the various faculties of Columbia University. The faculty members of the Committee shall appoint Senior Scholars, certify students for the degree, recommend students for fellowships awarded by the Faculty, and shall act in all other related matters. Recommendations are formulated by the Committee for presentation to and approval by the Faculty.

Judicial Council

The Council shall be composed of seven elected students and three elected student alternates; four elected faculty members and two elected faculty alternates; and one administrative officer and one alternate to be appointed by the President. Faculty terms shall be staggered to provide continuity.

The Council shall be divided into two related but independent councils, a hearing section, Council I, and an appellate section, Council II. Council I shall have original jurisdiction and Council II shall take cases only on appeal. The elected members shall determine how the division of Judicial Council membership into Councils I and II shall be effected. Flexibility shall be permitted so that when one or the other section has many cases, membership may rotate so as to insure an equitable work load. Thus a member may serve on Council I for one case and on Council II for another case. Each section shall include faculty and student members, with a student membership plurality.

Jurisdiction of Council I: Council I shall complement the functions of Academic Council and of dormitory judicial bodies which act in cases of violation of academic or dormitory regulations, respectively. Council I shall consider cases which do not fall within the jurisdiction of the other bodies and in which a student is charged with violating an all-College regulation. Council I shall determine whether the alleged violation has occurred and, in such cases that it so determines, what penalty, if any, shall be imposed on the student. Council I shall be the appropriate body to adjudicate cases if any of Barnard College students charged with violations of Columbia University rules on the Columbia University campus or property.

Council I shall not consider a case against a student while charges for the same or associated acts are pending in city, state, or federal courts. Council I shall postpone a hearing only for reasons of health or personal emergency. Council I may, at its discretion, hear cases in which what is charged is the violation of a rule which is not an all-College rule, for example, a dormitory regulation, but only on condition that all parties consent to the Council's taking jurisdiction.

Procedures of Council I: 1) Filing of charges: Whoever shall bring charges, whether student, faculty member, or administrator, shall submit them in writing to the Chairman of Council I and to the defendant. To be considered, charges against a student shall be filed within five academic days of the date of the alleged infraction. Charges may be filed pending identification of the person against whom the charge is made. In such cases, the five-day limit for filing shall apply and the charge shall be held as a pending charge for a period of thirty academic days. If identification shall not be made within the thirty-day limit, the charge shall be dropped automatically by Council I. 2) The Jurisdictional Meeting: Within five academic days of receiving charges, Council I shall meet to decide whether or not the case falls within its jurisdiction. 3) The Pre-Hearing Conference: If Council I shall decide to hear

the case, then one member of Council I shall meet with the defendant and an adviser of her choice to explain the procedures of Council I, to call attention to various options available to the defendant, and to set a date for the hearing.

The hearing shall be held not later than ten academic days after the Jurisdictional Meeting and minutes of the hearing shall be recorded. The options available to the defendant shall be the following: a) the hearing may be open or closed, b) the defendant may reply to the charges in writing rather than appear in person but only on the condition that the defendant shall be willing to waive the right to appeal for this reason, c) the defendant may choose an adviser with whom to confer before and during the hearing, d) The Hearing: At the time of the hearing, the complainant shall present evidence to show that the defendant has violated a rule. Both the defendant and complainant may call witnesses who may be questioned by Council I members. The hearing shall conclude with final statements by the complainant and defendant. Council I shall keep a complete written or taped record of the hearing. 5) Deliberation: Council I shall deliberate in closed session. When it has reached a decision, the Chairman of the Council shall inform the defendant and the complainant in writing.

Actions of Council I: 1) It may declare the defendant not guilty. 2) It may declare the defendant guilty and impose no penalty. 3) It may declare the defendant guilty and issue a warning to the effect that further violations may lead to suspension. 4) It may declare the defendant guilty and impose a penalty of suspension. There shall be four degrees of suspension: a) suspension for the remainder of the semester, b) suspension for the remainder of the academic year, c) suspension for an indefinite period with the provision that the defendant shall file application to be readmitted, and d) suspension for an indefinite period with the provision that the defendant may apply for readmission only after a specified period of time. In cases of suspension for the remainder of the semester or the remainder of the academic year, the defendant shall notify the College of her intention to return.

Jurisdiction of Council II: Council II shall consider requests for review of actions taken by dormitory judicial bodies, Academic Council, and Council I. The decision of Council II shall be final except that the defendant shall have the right to appeal for executive clemency from the President of the College who may reduce or set aside a penalty, the imposition of which shall have been upheld by Council II. If the penalty appealed to Council II is suspension from the College, the Council II shall grant the appeal, that is, shall agree to review the case. If a lesser penalty has been imposed, the Council may, at its discretion, decline to review the case.

Procedures of Council II: The appellant shall submit in writing a request for review to the Chairman of Council II. The request shall include a statement of the appellant's objections to the original decision or to the procedures followed in arriving at that decision. Within five academic days, Council II shall meet to decide whether the case shall be heard on appeal. Following an affirmative decision Council II shall consider the appellant's written objections, shall review the formal record of the case, and may solicit other opinions. After Council II shall have arrived at a decision, the Chairman of Council II shall inform the appellant and the other parties to the case in writing.

Actions of Council II: 1) It may remand

the case to the original body for further consideration, 2) It may uphold or reverse the decision of the original body and uphold, reduce, or set aside the prescribed penalty. 3) It may agree to hear the case *de novo* on the grounds that new information is available or that the original decision is invalidated by reason of gross procedural error, for example, failure to inform the student of the charges in writing or failure to inform her of her right to an adviser. Procedures for a *de novo* hearing shall be those prescribed for Council I.

Library
The Committee shall be composed of the Librarian, two faculty members appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee; two students; the Chairman of Academic Council and a student elected for a two-year term; and the Dean of the Faculty.

The Committee shall make recommendations to the Librarian on all matters affecting library policy including library rules, development of library resources, allocation of funds, integration of the library with other college academic activities, and all matters pertaining to the administration of the library. The Committee shall also provide the college community with information about the services, resources, and general procedures of the library.

Orientation
The Committee shall be composed of the Chairman of Freshman Orientation who shall be chairman; the Chairman of Transfer Orientation who shall be appointed by the Chairman of Freshman Orientation; the Chairman of Columbia College Orientation or his representative; a representative of each group sponsoring an independent orientation program approved by the Committee; the Dean of Studies; the Director of College Activities; the Director of Housing and one faculty member appointed by the Faculty Executive Committee. The Committee shall select the Chairman of Freshman Orientation for the coming term of service from students recommended by the student members of the Committee. A term of service for the Committee shall commence following every Freshman Orientation.

The Committee shall initiate, plan, and coordinate all aspects of the Orientation program and shall publish a detailed report of its activities, including a financial statement and program evaluation.

II. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP
Except where otherwise designated the students, faculty members, and administrators referred to in these By-Laws are students, faculty members, and administrators of Barnard College. Except where otherwise designated, elected faculty members and elected student members referred to in these By-Laws shall be elected by the Faculty and Student Body of Barnard College, respectively.

The Undergraduate Association, the Faculty, and the President of the College shall be the judges of the selection of student, faculty and administrative tripartite committee members, respectively, consistent with the provisions of these By-Laws. The Faculty and the Undergraduate Association shall establish rules governing the selection of members to tripartite committees, not inconsistent with these By-Laws, which shall be filed with the Coordinating Council. The Executive Board of the Undergraduate Association and the Faculty Executive Committee shall be empowered to appoint student and faculty members, respectively, to elective committee positions in

Tripartite Elections

Sample Ballot

The following is a sample ballot of the positions open in next week's election

Barnard Senator
vote for one

Admissions Committee
vote for one

Financial Aid Committee
vote for one from each group
resident of BHR on aid
resident of other housing on aid
commuter on aid
student not on aid

Health Services Committee
vote for one of each
resident freshman
non-resident

Housing Committee
commuter-vote for two
off campus resident-vote for one
resident of 600 and 620-vote for one
resident of Columbia dorms-vote for one

Committee on Instruction
vote for one of each group
class of '77
class of '78

Academic Council
vote for one of each group
class of '77
class of '78

Women's Center Executive Committee
vote for three

Resolved: That the By-laws of the Tripartite Committee System of Barnard College as adopted by the faculty.

yes

no

cases of excessive absences, resignation, or where vacancies remain following an election.

Except where otherwise designated, terms of office for student members shall be one year and for faculty members, two years.

Except where otherwise designated, the President of the College, the Dean of the Faculty, and the President of the Undergraduate Association shall be non-voting members of every tripartite committee.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTING

Each committee shall have exclusive authority within the tripartite committee system to make decisions and recommendations about those subject matters that are within its jurisdiction.

Contemplated decisions and recommendations that may be construed as being relevant to the Jurisdiction, of another tripartite committee shall be submitted to the Coordinating Council for its advice.

Each committee shall submit committee reports and minutes of committee meetings with accompanying brief summaries to the Central Coordinator in accordance with a schedule set by the Coordinating Council. Each committee also shall submit annual reports to the Central Coordinator which shall include summaries of committee decisions and recommendations, matters currently or anticipated to be under consideration and other information requested by the Central Coordinator. The Judicial Council shall report to the Central Coordinator in a manner consistent with the confidentiality of its operations.

Each committee may seek advice to aid it in performing its duties and with the consent of the Coordinating Council, may designate non-voting *ex officio* members.

IV. AD HOC AND PROVISIONAL COMMITTEES

The Coordinating Council may, whenever it shall deem necessary, appoint *ad hoc* and provisional tripartite committees, the life

of any one of which shall be designated at the time of its establishment. Chairmen and members of tripartite committees shall have the opportunity to comment prior to such appointments and the jurisdiction of any such *ad hoc* or provisional committee shall be separate from the jurisdiction of any tripartite committee. The Coordinating Council shall continuously review the recommendations of *ad hoc* and provisional committees.

V. AMENDMENTS

Whenever it shall deem it necessary, the Coordinating Council shall propose amendments to these By Laws which shall become effective upon adoption by the Faculty and by the Student Body. Each proposed amendment shall be accompanied by a report explaining its purpose. Submission of a proposed amendment to student referendum shall follow its adoption by the Faculty. The proposed amendment and accompanying report shall be widely circulated on campus before the date of the student referendum.

If the Faculty adopts a proposed amendment, changed in any way from that submitted by the Coordinating Council, before it may be submitted to student referendum the Coordinating Council shall approve the proposed amendment as adopted by the Faculty. In such cases, the accompanying report shall describe such changes and there shall be an additional accompanying report by the student members of the Coordinating Council.

VI. GENERAL PROVISIONS

All actions relating to or affecting the tripartite committee system in force when these By-Laws shall take effect are hereby repealed and superseded to the extent that they are inconsistent with the provisions of these By-Laws and no further.

These By Laws shall take effect when adopted by the Faculty and the Student Body.

Coordinating Council
April 5, 1974

VOTE — September 23, 24, 25

A Risky Game: The Big Business of Abortion Referral Agencies

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not attached to a hospital complex, will refer patients to a hospital.

Referral agencies, on the other hand, do not provide any medical services except pregnancy tests. They are, essentially, entrepreneurs whose only function is to determine if a client is pregnant and, if she is, refer her to a clinic or hospital.

While there are respectable referral services, most of them operate out of agencies or centers that also provide other services such as family planning and sex counseling.

But an agency which exists solely to provide abortion referrals is a suspiciously superfluous enterprise; it offers an excellent opportunity to turn a profit by fronting for an unethical clinic, hospital or doctor and receiving a kickback from an inflated abortion fee. The financial gain is also in evidence for urging an abortion without a pregnancy test or even after a negative test.

In an attempt to discourage commercial exploitation of the abortion business by fraudulent agencies, the New York Board of Health ruled it illegal to charge a referral fee or to refer patients to only one clinic, hospital or doctor.

So, technically, there is no such thing as a "commercial" agency, since pregnancy tests are given free (they are, in fact the primary lure of the agencies) and no fee may be paid directly to the agency.

It is, in fact, quite easy to get around both of these restrictions. The charge for the abortion, by prearrangement with the associated clinic or doctor, is simply boosted enough to include a kickback fee. A list of reputable abortion clinics may be kept on file in case the client demands additional references.

Unfortunately, however, most of the women attracted to these agencies are not the ones likely to be wary of fraudulent practices. Since the agencies rely heavily on advertising for their clientele they attract mainly the very poor and the very young: those who cannot afford a private doctor or who are afraid to consult a family doctor or school health service. The majority are young and inexperienced; most are scared and anxious to get the procedure over with. The ads offer "free pregnancy tests" and "24 hour abortion referrals". It sounds easy, fast and cheap.

Controlled Parenthood, a West Side referral agency, has been conducting an extensive ad-

vertising campaign in this area, including ads in local newspapers and leafletting on the street. Controlled Parenthood, which is one of several agencies currently being investigated by the Department of Consumer Affairs, the Department of Health and the New York Attorney General's office, is located at 200 West 72nd Street in a dingy four-room suite.

The agency's ad describes a "modern, superior facility", "qualified, concerned gynecologists" and "friendly efficient staff". But if you read the ad closely, you will see that the ad reads, "We will refer you to facilities that provide" these

A price comparison, however, between Women's Population Center, a non-licensed clinic consistently referred to by Controlled Parenthood, and Eastern Women's Center, a reputable and widely recommended abortion clinic, reveals a \$17.50 price difference for a twelve week vacuum aspiration abortion.

Women's Population Center charges \$135 for all vacuum aspiration abortions under twelve weeks. Although they give no local anesthetic for the operation, an additional \$7.50 is charged for "medication". Eastern Women's Center, on the other hand, charges \$100 for a

or counselors. A Dr. Sermons, who reportedly performs abortions at the Center, was recently indicted for Medicaid fraud.

Martha Robinson, who works for Dr. Jean Pakter, director of the Bureau of Maternity Services and Family Planning of the Board of Health, said, "The place is clearly not a reputable clinic, but the legalities are confusing regarding abortion clinics. Ever since the Supreme Court decision which said that abortions under twelve weeks could be performed in any kind of clinic, it has been very hard to determine which clinics are

referred clients to only one clinic, the Women's Population Center. The receptionist made the appointments for the clients and gave them a detailed description of the clinic's services and fees. When pressed by the reporter for another reference, with the excuse that she could not make it on the days Women's Population Center performed abortions, the receptionist consulted a file and gave the name and phone number of the Eastern Women's Center. She did not, however, have any information on hand about Eastern's prices or hours and suggested that the reporter call the clinic herself and make the appointment instead of making the appointment automatically, as she had done with the Women's Population Center.

When contacted, the Eastern Women's Center said that, although they had heard of Controlled Parenthood, they definitely did not receive many referrals from them and know nothing at all about the Women's Population Center.

A precedent was established against fraudulent agencies, however, early in July when New York Attorney General Louis Lefkowitz announced that the state had acted against Medico Stat and Medico International Information and Counseling, Inc. Both of these companies were located at the same address, operating as a supposed referral agency and abortion clinic. They were charged with collecting \$39,070 in illegal referral fees over two years. However, they were simply "enjoined" against charging fees, and not closed down.

Although the incident led to further investigations of other agencies for deceptive advertising, no action has been taken against a referral agency since July.

Dr. Pakter, although she could give no information on the legal status of Controlled Parenthood or other agencies, urged women to avoid all referral agencies that have to resort to advertising and counseled patients to use their own doctors for abortion referrals or to go directly to a reputable hospital or clinic.

In the meantime, Controlled Parenthood, Women's Population Center and other less than ethical clinics and agencies continue to operate and investigations of them continue to plod along.

[Next week—Abortion clinics: the effect of the 1972 Supreme Court Ruling on abortions performed in clinics]

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What you find at Controlled Parenthood itself is a small, cluttered reception area with a desk and phone manned by a single young woman who dispenses somewhat saccharine, if not completely informed, medical advice. There is a waiting room furnished with Salvation Army type chairs, an empty coat rack and a water cooler. Two inner offices which apparently contain nothing but a few empty desks and cabinets and a mimeograph machine complete the Controlled Parenthood suite.

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But Controlled Parenthood bills itself as "a nonprofit organization", which might be expected to operate without all the amenities and facilities of a private counseling service. On the surface, then, the agency is doing nothing wrong besides offering less than sanitary surroundings for its pregnancy testing and referral services, which it does provide for free. New York law requires only that the agency does not charge a fee and does not refer clients to only one abortion service.

vacuum aspiration for pregnancies under nine weeks and \$125 after twelve weeks. The fees include a local anesthetic, which is provided for all aspiration abortions.

Women's Population Center apparently is not equipped to administer anesthesia at all because they told a caller that a local anesthetic was not necessary for an aspiration abortion and that a patient requesting a general anesthetic would be sent to another clinic and charged \$175 for the operation. Eastern Women's Center can provide a general anesthetic on request for \$150.

After twelve weeks, abortions cannot be performed in clinics and both Eastern Women's Center and Women's Population Center quoted \$275 as the starting hospital fee.

However, Women's Population Center told a caller that the center could provide what they called an "advanced vacuum aspiration" for 12-15 week pregnancies, for which they charge \$175. This, according to the New York Health Department, is clearly illegal, since saline abortions are required after 12 weeks.

Women's Population Center is currently under investigation by the Consumer Affairs Department and the Board of Health. The Center is not a licensed clinic. It operates out of an office building on Park Avenue and is not staffed by accredited nurses

operating legally and which are frauds. Several different departments in the city are investigating abortion clinics and referral agencies, but we are all understaffed and we have to just investigate the worst ones first."

Meanwhile, proving illegal relationships between referral agencies and abortions clinics is even more difficult. The existence of independent clinics and private referral agencies not subject to clear regulations obviously has bred fraudulent and corrupt practices. But compliance with the rule forbidding an agency's use of a preferred clinic is difficult to assess. Also the Board of Health, although it can declare certain abortion practices unethical, has no legal power over the agencies. Investigations of illegal relationships between agencies and clinics must go through the State Attorney General's office.

So, although according to Ms. Robinson, the attorney for the building which houses the Women's Population Center is also the owner of Controlled Parenthood, no illegal practices have yet been uncovered by any of the city departments investigating the situation.

However, in three separate visits by a *Bulletin* reporter to Controlled Parenthood, during which the reporter, posing as a client, witnessed several over-the-phone and in-person referrals, the receptionist

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housing, but really a matter of personal preference of all students. "The only reason it worked at all was because other students respected our wishes," Haynes commented.

Although seven Brooks was not designated as preferential housing, a large number of the students on that floor are black. This accidental distribution may be attributed to the awareness of other students, as Haynes noted, and to the history of 7 Brooks as an all-black floor. According to Lawton, "the college does not officially entertain a preferential policy. There has been no definitive answer from Albany on happenstance. As far as they College is concerned, if it didn't occur through policy or procedure, then it is in keeping with the Regents ruling."

'Flesh Gordon'

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Kevin Sanders of ABC Eyewitness News loved this film, but he got in to see it for free. If you indiscriminately love science fiction, or are interested in the qualitative progress of pornographic films, or if this movie is playing somewhere for one

dollar instead of the going rate of \$3.50, and you don't feel up to tackling the latest Bergman, then this is your show. But if you like hard-core porn, forget it. Also, don't forget to leave all feminism and aesthetic sensibilities at the door.

New Award

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chief advantages, deprives our students of the object lesson afforded by women of first rate mental capacity and training devoting their lives without arriere-pensee to the work for which they are apt. It is our good fortune that one has left her mark ineffaceably on our traditions."

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acts of courage, said Commissioner Michael J. Codd, "give the lie to those who say New Yorkers are indifferent to their neighbors and unwilling to get involved."

Foye is interested in broadcasting and wants to join the staff of the University's radio station as a sportscaster.

TWU Members Approve Contract in 42-12 Vote

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satisfied with the contract. There may be more discussion of it among the membership, but we will have more talks about it as more things come up."

Other changes in the contract include a redefinition of job titles in the housekeeping division, eliminating the titles "maid" and "porter" and replacing them with designations determining job difficulty. A clause was also added stipulating that all housekeeping aides receive an additional forty cents an hour above their regular rate of pay for time devoted to heavy work, such as operating motor driven machinery and moving heavy furniture.

The only other substantial changes in the contract, according to Barnard Treasurer Forrest Abbott, was an increase in life insurance coverage from \$3,000 to \$4,000 for all current regular employees covered by the contract, effective July 1, 1975.

"The rest of the changes in the contract simply represent rewordings to make administration of the contract easier," said Abbott.

He also indicated that the pay raises would increase Barnard's 1974-75 budget deficit by \$30,000 to \$35,000, about seventeen percent over the projected deficit of \$200,000.