Mayor Dedicates a Quadrangle in Brooklyn

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'Ve had greater satisfaction out of the consummation of this effort than in anything else in the last four years," said the Mayor. He recalled the difficulty in getting the project started and said:

"No democracy can survive unless there is economic security for the people and the university is necessary in solving the economic problems of the nation. It is one of the happy moments of my life to see the students happy and unrestricted in their studies.

The students filled their rooms after the dedication ceremonies and the college began to function as an educational institution.

College Song Rewritten

Some of them hummed a few bars of the Brooklyn College song which was written this year to meet changing conditions.

The old song was, in a way, an apology for the class rooms and lecture halls in rent-controlled buildings with stores in busy downtown Brooklyn.

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This is where the college originated and existed for six years. It is busy, downtown Brooklyn, of which Brooklyn College students sang: 'Though green, students of sociology cannot get laboratory evidence of the sociological changes which made it possible for a great educational institution to spring to existence full grown. Signs dot the campus telling forth that the buildings were constructed with funds obtained through the Public Works Administration.

Later, when the grass is green, the signs will come down and perhaps traditions will grow as the ivy crawls slowly up the brick walls.

Seven-Candied Cake

Today, in the infancy of Brooklyn College, there is only one tradition — the annual birthday party, at which a birthday cake is cut with great ceremony. The party is held each year on May 9th. This year the cake had seven candied fruits.

In 1930, the year Brooklyn College was founded as a separate institution, freshmen were required to wear the tiny black cap that is the traditional mark of the incoming class in most colleges, but that was the last year for that custom.

At the dean's office today it was explained the custom was abolished because of the depression and the economic security for the people.

REGISTRATION

A group of co-eds going up to register in the new administration building.

The spring term was 13,830. This increased the number of students.

No tuition is charged for students admitted for full matriculation. This means that the students who had the highest rating of the 1,000 or more applicants for admission this term will not have to pay for their education.

The fact that the college is free and the admission more or less on a competitive basis makes the scholastic average of the student body higher than in most colleges.

The average of the men students admitted this year was 88.2 per cent and of the women 88.5 per cent.