High Court to Give Ruling On Legality of Section 903

By Ed Starr

Sometime this week the United States Supreme Court will rule whether city employees have the right to invoke the Fifth Amendment, without losing their jobs, when testifying before an official investigating committee. The question under consideration is the constitutionality of Section 903 of the City Charter, which provides for automatic dismissal of any city employee refusing to answer authorized questions relating to his official conduct, on the grounds that he would tend to incriminate himself.

Myron L. Hoch, former Baruch School of Public Administration, Mayor of the City Liberties union has filed a "friend of the court" brief in behalf of Baruch. New York City Corporation Counsel, Peter Campbell Brown, is on that brief that the City Charter is a "necessary and proper" enactment by a state employee infers only two possibilities—guilt or perjury.

Dr. Slochower refused to tell a Senate investigating committee whether he had been a member of the Communist party during 1940 or 1941. He offered to answer questions about later periods, but refused to be a Communist at the time of the inquiry.

Dr. Slochower said, "The City Charter abridges the Fifth Amendment in violation of the Fourteenth Amendment on state infringement of the privileges and immunities of citizens." He also charged that the Charter provisions for automatic dismissal and ineligibility for further city jobs, contravened the "due process" clause of the Fourteenth Amendment.

Conformity Feared

The ACLU, in defense of Dr. Slochower, stated, "Discharges on such grounds, in institutes of higher learning, would lead to timid conformity among teachers who might then be considered the novel and controversial."

The Corporation Counsel argued that the Charter means, "To protect the state from disloyal and dishonest employees. They should be subjected to greater disability than a private employer in being able to assure himself of loyal and trustworthy employees."
SA to Supervise Welfare Service

Student Government has announced that the following scholars are now available:

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1. Patricia Brown Hellenic Society
2. Richard Thompson
3. Charles Brown
4. James Brown
5. John Brown

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Select Hansen Hall For Activities Fair

The semi-annual Activities Fair sponsored by the Interfraternity Council, Friday, October 21, will be held in Hansen Hall. Beginning at 10 and ending at 11 p.m., the Fair will feature displays by almost every Greek and non-Greek organization. This year, the Fair will be more international in scope. Students are urged to bring their student cards with them to the Fair for admission and information.

GIVE SC, "TICKER," IMB $5,524.03 FROM FEES

The Fee Committee distributed $5,524.04 to the Student Council for the coming year.

Diplomat, Musician, Teacher: Instructor Has Versatility

By Lou Pohoryles

Instructor has versatility. This is a characteristic often associated with a University instructor. It is also a characteristic that can be found in Mr. Esteves, the Instructor of the Technical Department of the Baruch College of Business.

Instructor was born in Lisbon, Portugal, in 1907. He was educated at the Technical Institute of Lisbon, where he obtained his degree in Civil Engineering.

Instructor is a diplomat, a musician, and a teacher. He is also a scholar. His knowledge of Portuguese is excellent, and he is fluent in Spanish and French. He is also able to communicate in English and Italian.

Instructor is a musician as well. He played the violin and cello in his student days at the Lisbon, Portugal in New York City.

Welfare Service

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The constitutionality of Section 903 of the Smith Act has been upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States. Section 903, which criminalizes aiding the illegal aims of the Communist party, was challenged as unconstitutional by 195 members of the Haste Committee of the House of Representatives. The Court, in a 6-3 decision, ruled that the section is a reasonable and necessary means of keeping the public informed of the activities of the Communist party and of preventing the spread of its ideas. While the Court acknowledged that the section may have a chilling effect on the free exchange of ideas, it found that the government has a legitimate interest in preventing the spread of communism and that the section is a reasonable and necessary means of achieving that interest.

Our executive toughs were

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Allan "Scott"ren, '56

The Fifth Amendment has been linked historically with the elimination of torture and other cruel, inhuman, and degrading treatments in connection with the punishment of criminals. While, in many cases, it serves little useful purpose for a citizen to be uncooperative, the constitutional protection it affords against self-incrimination is a safeguard against abuse of power and a means of protecting the integrity of the legal system. The case now being tested before the Supreme Court of the United States is the challenge of Section 903 of the Smith Act, which makes it a crime to knowingly and willfully give financial or other support to a foreign power or to a foreign organization engaged in World War II.
By Ralph Sobiecky

Last Thursday, in Human Hall, the annual Formal-Debout was sponsored by Alpha Delta Phi, a sorority of Miami students. The Phi's entertained a total of 760 guests, of whom 300 were Miami faculty and students. A complete basket of appetizers and a special gift of flowers were offered to the guests.

This year's theme was "A Night of Romance," with the decorations including red and white flowers and romantic lights. The Phi's provided a romantic atmosphere for the guests, and the event was a great success.

The Phi's have been organizing this event for many years, and it has become a tradition for Miami students. The event is a great way to celebrate the end of the fall semester and to bring the Miami community together.

Next year, the Phi's will continue to sponsor the event and will work hard to make it even more successful. We look forward to seeing everyone there again next year!
Lavender Conquers Army In Major Soccer Contest

In a driving rain that made the field as slippery as an icy sidewalk, City College established itself high up in collegiate soccer circles by defeating Army, 3-2, at West Point last Friday. It took a last-period goal by Wolfgang Wostl, plus something extra which marked a major stretch of the backfield, to offset the Army hero, who clinched City's third victory of its unbeaten season.

Wally Meisen

Meisen in action for the Queens. He is the leading scorer for the season.