Class of 54 Above Par

One hundred and twenty-four students from three countries and twenty-two states compose the freshman class. Over one-third of the class is from Ohio. The twenty students from New York place it second, while New Jersey and Pennsylvania each have eight students in attendance here. The homes of the students from other countries are Mexico City, Mexico, and Toronto, Canada.

The office on Admission reported that this year's freshman class ranks approximately the same scholastically as last year's freshman class. Seventy-six per cent of this year's class ranked in the upper half of their high school class, and twenty-four per cent were in the lower portion.

The school has been able to assist nearly one-half of the freshmen with either scholarships or grants or in some cases, both. Dean Donald Dubois stated that

Grading System

At the last regular meeting of the faculty last Spring the present grading system was revised to award a plus to high B, C, and D work. In this way a greater reward is given to the student with, for example, a high C average in a course than the student with a low C average. The new plus

"There were twenty-seven scholarships and thirty grants given to the members of the freshman class. This financial aid totals $27,600."

During the summer the buildings in the Harkavy area were improved somewhat. Three thousand dollars was spent on new furnishings and painting the buildings.

The freshmen have been wearing broadies for two weeks and have been complying with the other requests of the sophomores. After having participated in the pajama parade last Friday evening, they are looking forward to the cane rush and the tug-of-war.

The students are frequently heard saying that they are well pleased with their choice of schools and are looking forward to four enjoyable and prosperous years at Kenyon College.

Revised

grades will count one-half point higher than the plain letter grade in the student's numerical average. The over all result will probably be more Phi Betes. Information for this article was obtained from spontaneous comments made by Sam Cummings. No minuses will be awarded.

That Old Kenyon is an "architectural abortion" was the vehe- men opinion expressed by Eliot Elisofon in an exclusive interview with the COLLEGIAN. In his suave international manner he explained that he is very fond of this "English" school how the College should have been glad to get rid of the "monster" when it burned. This exceedingly well-informed dignitary thought it was a cardinal sin to have rebuilt what has been the symbol of Kenyon since the early eighteen hundreds.

Any doubt of the prominence of Kenyon on the American college scene will be forever dispelled now that the domain of Henry Luce, in the person of his distinguished emissaries, Donald Wilson and Eliot Elisofon, has recognized the validity of Kenyon's position by awarding her coverage in the October 16 issue of LIFE magazine. All the various elements of American education, to which this issue of Life will be dedicated, are to be included in the article. Wilson cited a number of reasons why LIFE selected Kenyon. In the first place, the liberal arts at Kenyon are in line with American higher education. Eastern universities, such as Yale, Harvard, and Princeton, as well as the large state universities of the Midwest and West, have had much magazine space devoted to them in the last few years. The staff of LIFE felt, therefore, that liberal arts would be best represented by a small college of superior academic achievement which emphasized the development of the individual. Looking over the field, LIFE selected Kenyon.

Wilson admitted that he had some apprehensions about the selection of Kenyon which he knew only as a place of wild drinking and wild parties. But he now realizes that his apprehensions were baseless.

However, Wilson warned that there is a chance that Kenyon may use such LIFE, for editorial whimsy may kill the story. But we may be reasonably sure that the October 16 issue of LIFE, which reaches the newsstands, is not for Friday the thirteenth, will carry portrayals of the Kenyon faculty, the students, and authentic photographs of our "pseudo-authentic" architecture.

Class of 54 Above Par

LIFE Finds 'Abortion' On Campus, World To Be Informed

Exclusive To The Collegian

Frost Festival Opens Bright, New Season For Dramatic Club

Dr. Braibanti Goes To Washington

After a series of executive meetings, the Dramatic Club has announced that the first two plays to be presented this year will be Clifford Odets' Golden Boy and William Congreve's Love for Love. The title of the second play is yet undisclosed. Tryouts for Golden Boy will be sometime between September 25th and October 2nd, the exact date to be announced later. Opening night will be November 29th and the play will run through December 2nd.

In addition to the regular three plays, a number of reasons why

Dr. Ralph J. D. Braibanti, Assistant Professor of Political Science, will go to Washington in October on a one year leave of absence from Kenyon.

During his one year stay in Washington Dr. Braibanti will

serve as Assistant-Executive Director of the American Political Science Association's Washington Headquarters and also as Consultant on Far Eastern Affairs to the Commission on Occupied Areas of the State Department.

DRAFT BAIT NOTICE

Students who have not yet registered for the draft may do so at the registrar's office within five days after their eighteenth birthday.

In his post with the American Political Science Association Dr. Braibanti will have to systematize and organize the research capacities of American political scientists. Dr. Braibanti's work will enable the Federal Government to make better use of the findings of political scientists.

As Consultant on Far Eastern Affairs, Dr. Braibanti will mainly be concerned with the problems of inter-cultural relations between occupied areas and our country.
Bonehead of the Week:

One evening early this autumn while I was strolling about the garbage pit in back of the baseball field with a loaded rifle in my hands I heard a faint rustling at my left. I raised my rifle and took careful aim at the shadowy figure amid the loam and debris.

"Don't shoot!" a voice cried out, "Don't shoot! It's me!"

A funny looking man wearing a ten-gallon hat and bi-focal glasses came out of the darkness and greeted me, "Glad to meetcha, bud. Me name's Sutcliffe; Buffalo Sutcliffe. Care for a Injun nut?"

"Were you frightened?" I asked.

"Naaah. In my younger days I used to hunt wild boar in the backwoods of Maine."

"Did you ever kill any?" I asked.

"Nope. Got shot in the leg once, though."

"Do you live around these parts?" I asked.

"Yup. I live in the wilder. Teach English at Kenyon College."

"Never heard of it."

"The head of the English department I am," he said proudly.

"I'm up with the students by reading my two-volume gift set of H. L. Mencken."

He chuckled quietly to himself, enjoying his hilarious joke on the American college student.

What made you decide to teach English?" I asked.

"I took a three week tour through England once. Got a suitcase full of hotel stickers to prove it, too. Say, bub, if you ever take a notion to write an article about me you might tell them about the time I was working in a shoe factory in Maine: the investigators from the Child-Labor commission came through the plant looking for violators. I spent three days at the bottom of the leather-bin until they had gone. You might make something out of that for your article."

"Yes, I might," I said.

"And, by the way, why was you so interested in what happened to me?"

"I was just curious as to what was going on in the backwoods of Maine, that's all."

"Well, I won't tell you the whole story at the moment, but if you keep me company over dinner for a little while I'll tell you all I know."

I found him to be a jovial and amusing person, and we spent the remainder of the evening in good conversation. He left the next day, and I have not seen him since.

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Attention! Frosh

All those who wish to work on the COLLEGIAN staff should contact Bill Yohe, Dick Gerken, Jim Keegan, or Gibby Johns.

HEAT TURNED ON

The College reports that Old Kenyon was re-opened recently and that the heat has been turned on.

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Little Man On Campus

by Bibler

Completely Ridiculous

When you want to enter the realm of journalism for the first time...take it from me, the best thing to do is consult professionals. I went out for professional advice and came back with absolutely nothing. But it will fill out the space that otherwise would have driven the editors of this rag...namely your friend and mine - Randy.

As I approached the table I observed the reporter, Jonathan Swift, shouting something that sounded like, "So what the hell is it raining, we still have $235 left on the account along with those two films back in the room. What's got into you...you wanna go back to civilization?"

"Excuse me, men," I whispered while attempting to kneel under the low table. "I represent the Kenyon COLLEGIAN and I've got to write a column or else."

"Or else what?" yelled Brigham Young, the photographer.

"Or else write the editors term paper in contemporary nepotism."

"We could help you on that," muttered Swift while slyly winking at Brigham. "What do you drink, son?"

"Well...I do rather like Scotch..."

"Four beers," ordered Brigham, still asking the waitress if she was really happily married.

"By the way boy, what's your name?"

I stammered for a minute. Should I tell them my real name and have them fall back on the great name I would some day make in the journalistic world. I would hate to support two men just because they offered me the key to success. Oh well, I might as well be honest about it. "Herschel Finkbinder the fourth," I said, gently.

"O.K. Herschel...here's all there is to it. There are but three kinds of columnists: the simpletons can take your pick of them...but I rather think the first and more elementary would serve the purpose."

"But Mr. Swift," I complained, "I mean...I mean something elementary about the COLLEGIAN. In fact, we won the Fishbeard Memorial Trophy last year for the funniest April Fool issue to date."

"How did you do it," queried Brigham, "I just published an old Truman campaign speech."

"No, why the hell doesn't Life think of something like that once in a while?" shouted Jonathan in a fit of pique. "We've been in business almost twenty years and still haven't won the Fishbeard Memorial Trophy."

"To get back to the column, sir," I suggested, "I appr..."

"Oh yah...well, like I said, there are three kinds of columns: the simpletons can take your pick of them..."

"But Mr. Swift," I asked, "What about the rest of the Commie scare it would be a terrible idea."

"Why?" I stupidly asked.

"Well, Doc is from an old Greek expression meaning the only sobriquet we want is the sobriquet we got is the red sohil."

"Now drink your beer and get the hell out of here."

"Gee thanks mum," I said, as I slightly scraped my nose on the floor. "You don't know what this means to my career! Someday you'll be glad you chucked me...just wait and see."

As I left, Brigham was up front talking to a slightly drunk individual and from what I over-heard...there should be a damn good story written soon about a town that sounds something like the opposite of Woman's Acre.
**From Our Corner**

by Martin and Ellsworth

With summer gone Kenyon again prepares for another season of fall sports. King football is probably uppermost in everyone’s mind but Life is offering some stiff competition. When the Kenyon football squad tackles Wooster in the opener on Oct. 7 Coach Henderson will have twice as many men in uniform as he had last year at this time. With the addition of some very capable freshman to last season’s holdovers the Lords will probably give the Wooster’s Scots a real tussle. Although Kenyon still has a light team their added reserve strength should give them a big edge over last year’s gridders. Although Coach Henderson made no definite decision as to who will captain the team it has been rumored that he will select a captain for each game.

The soccer team will open their schedule when they meet the Earlham College booters next Saturday at the Field House field. This is the Earlham team’s first crack at intercollegiate soccer and Coach Hanfman and his team are planning to give them a few lessons. With Captain John Jones and a host of lettermen returning to spearhead this year’s team the prospects look very encouraging.

Ross Haskell, one of the top halfbacks on the football squad this year and an outstanding performer on the ’49 eleven should be in top shape for this season considering the harrowing experience he had during the summer vacation. While driving his car one of his customers started slamming him on the back of his head with a screw driver. After absorbing several thumps on his nogging Ross recovered sufficiently to overpower his attacker and call a squad car. After the police searched the screw-driver wielding villain they discovered that he had at his disposal an arsenal that could have given Ross more trouble than the screw driver. It was also discovered that the villain was a desperado with a police record and a wanted picture in his possession.

The golf team went to New Mexico this summer for the National Intercollegiate golf tournament and finished sixteenth in the final computations. Perry Trinkner qualified for the match play but was eliminated in the first round. This is not as bad as it sounds, for several of the nations best teams were represented at this tournament, and Kenyon did finish ahead of several schools much larger than this.

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**Soccer Impressive In Pre-Season Drills**

The overall picture of Kenyon’s soccer team this season is quickly being drawn up. Over half of last year’s regulars are back, and the openings left by graduating seniors are more than being filled by talented Sophomores and freshmen. This year the team is receiving freshmen who show unusually fine technique and aggressiveness.

Dr. Hanfman will experiment with some shifting of positions in early practices, but there is definitely an approximation of the starting lineup. The center forward position will be well handled by sophomore Joe Pavlovich. Pavlovich’s accuracy and powerful kicking coupled with his long experience with the game will help the team immensely. The inside positions will be held down by Axtell, Martin, and Day of last year’s squad, and by the freshmen Lynch, who has had experience at center forward and left inside and seems to be at home in these positions. At right wing will be Ellsworth, whose speed and excellent right foot make him just the man for the spot. One of the major problems is the left wing position. Only after several more days of practice can it be determined who will play the position. Both Don Hughes and Larche show agility and aggressiveness, and fresh Cole and Lynch also look very promising at this spot.

Center halfback will be filled for the third year by the old reliable and Captain of the team, John Jones. The absence of John’s brother, Bob, creates another problem in the halfback line. The fighting “Milt” Levy will alternate between halfback and fullback positions and Art Johnson along with Cole certainly will see service.

Bryan, Whitcomb, and Tranfield look well in practice at the fullback slot. Another freshman, Larche, shows that he is well acquainted with the position. Sol Bogen returns to play goal keeper. A new prospect, Beckman, seems extremely good in the goal in the early practices.

The schedule consists of eight contests for this year’s squad. The first game is on Saturday, September 30, against Earlham College at the Kenyon field. When asked about the Earlham game, Dr. Hanfman replied, “This team may surprise us.”

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**Gridders Grind for Winning Season; Face Wooster Here On October 7**

September 14th marked the official opening of the 1950 Kenyon gridiron season when forty-nine football hopefuls turned out for the first practice session held at the Worthington Field House gardens. Included in this throng of forty-nine were thirty-four varsity holdovers and fifteen freshmen whose participation in varsity athletics was made possible by Kenyon’s leaving the Ohio Conference last spring.

Practicing twice a day until classes started and once a day since then, the entire squad has been gradually pulling, stretching and pounding itself into shape and in all probability will be at its peak to open the campaign with Wooster at Benson Bowl next Saturday. The Lords loaded with experience and at last two deep at every position—a most unusual phenomenon for a Purple and White aggregation—should provide Kenyon with its first winning team since 1945 when the Lords won 3 and lost 2. No definite “first string” has been named and according to Coach Dave Henderson, “all posts are open and any man can move up or down.” A sure-fire winner from St. Ignatius of Cleveland, Gene Mio, and sophomore John Ver- ney loom as the starting offensive ends. Two lettermen, Bob Eggert and Al Ballard, have looked good at the tackle slots. Senior Bill Simonds and hard-hitting Bill Ranney are working well at the guard positions; and little Dave Kenyon had first call at the center post. Veteran guard Bill Hard will probably see double duty, but earns more heavily in the Lord’s defense. Clever quarter- backer Dominick Cabriele and hard charging Ron Priley, two promising sophomores, have stood out in practice. Fleet-footed Stan Jackson and Grant “Chig” Cook round out what appears to be a starting offensive eleven. Coach Henderson hopes to use a complete two-platoon system, if depth permits.

Team spirit, which has been a questionable factor in previous years, is running high, and in Dave Henderson’s own words, “The boys are determined, working hard, and expect to win.”

Bob Parmelee and Bill Stiles have been ably assisting Henderson with the coaching.

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The Kenyon Film Society's second fall program will get under way on Sunday evening, November twenty-sixth, but subscription tickets may be obtained now at the Bookstore by anyone wishing to charge them on his book card. They may also be obtained by contacting Murray Segal at Middle Kenyon 221. Admission will be by subscription only and no single admissions will be sold. The price for the complete series of five programs is two dollars. The films are from the film library of the Museum of Modern Art in New York. The scheduled films include: "Birth of a Nation"; "Anna Christie"; "Thief of Bagdad"; "Duck Soup" and "Cabinet of Dr. Caligari."

Reveille Hopes High Says Hesse
"The 1951 Reveille will definitely appear on schedule this year," declared editor-in-chief Robert Hesse last week. "Our goal is to have all stop at the printers by the end of March, so that the book will be ready for distribution at Commencement next June. We're already ahead of schedule on our paper work!"

The '51 Reveille is not to be confused with the 1950 version of the yearbook, which will probably appear in early November, five months late.

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