

SOCIOLOGY CLUB'S speaker, Edward Kelly,



PHILOSOPHY CLUB lecturer, Dr. Carpino.



TROUPERS' Jim Gibson in Drama Workshop.

# rounding out the activities

### sociology club

Club was reactivated by students at St. Francis. The spark that ignited new interest in the defunct club was the Mayor's Committee on Intergroup Relations which held its annual conference of high school students in the College's Lounge on January 28th. The result was to make the club a fully functioning one with doubled membership, and one that would meet every week with a highly competent guest speaker.

With Brother Jogues as moderator the group sought to fill vacant offices. On April 3rd, Nick Coladangelo was elected President, Frank Accetulli Vice President, and Pat·Walsh Secretary.

Some of the projects undertaken by the new officers were a fund raising drive and the acquisition of speakers for the weekly meetings. A raffle run by Mr. Accetulli realized enough profit to acquire lecturers for next year's early meetings. With the help of John Smirchik and Jim Buckley, the program directors have already obtained such reputable people as Mrs. Grunauer of the Mayor's Commission on Discrimination, Father Campion of America Magazine, Mr. Dennis Clark and Mrs. Edward Kelly of the Boy's Club.

Renewed interest in the Sociology Club has impelled its officers to request a formal budget for next year's operations which give obvious indications of extending to a pace even beyond its present active rate. In sum, plans include a continuance of expert and knowledgable speakers, and a maintenance of the high school conference as an annual affair run under College auspices.

In the near future, Max Ruben, an expert on mental health will speak to the group on the problem of "Mental Retardation." Then, early in May, a student of the College from British Honduras, Stephen Lopez, will speak on the "Burial Customs of the Present Day Mayans." Finally, field trips are planned to the Flatbush *Boy's Club* and the Young People's Jail on Pacific Street. These trips hope to provide

members with varied experiences in both active and passive phases of sociology so that they might decide on careers as social workers or engage in graduate studies in the field.

As one looks back over the year, three moments in the club's history for 1962 stand out. First, Mrs. Ethel Grunauer, senior consultant on intergroup relations of the Mayor's Committee was especially provocative with her theme of "Integration in New York City." She pointed out that neighborhoods might take as many as 40% negroes before "invasion" or "depletion" or the "running away process" set in. Secondly, Mr. Dennis Clark, executive secretary of the New York City Interracial Council, spoke on "Catholic College Students and Race Relations." The club was informed that his office had a training group to go into parishes on emergency calls from pastors. Influx of negroes into a parish is so handled that the total effect of migrants is not disruptive, and that the parish benefits rather than suffers from the social



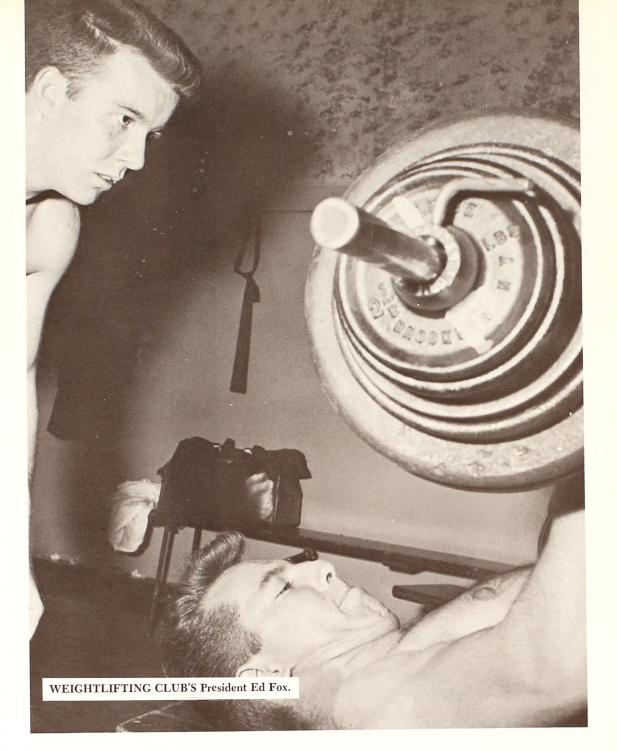
RIFLE TEAM'S John Richardson at Marine Armory.

## program

change. Dr. Clark indicated that he would be most happy to have any of our College men serve as volunteers to help troubled areas on an educational basis. Mr. Clark's forthrightness and courage in facing the problem of race relations head on, with all avoidance of sugar coating, enabled members to see a contemporary problem in its true light. Thirdly, over 450 students from New York high schools listened to conferences at the College presided over by such noteworthy sociologists as Dr. Ethel Alpenfels and Mr. Stanley Lowell.

## philosophy club

Having established itself as a working club in 1961, the Philosophical Society, under President Don Young, set about the task of increasing its membership. In appealing to the student body, the Society presented a series of lectures at the College and at St. Joseph's, entitled *The Philosophy of Communism*. Popular Dr. Carpino delivered the talks. Enrollment in the club jumped from fifteen to sixty.



### press club

Professional journalist Ed Quigley directed the Press Club in its task of keeping Saint Francis College in the public eye. Its student staff, headed by President Jim Flanagan, worked in close harmony with the Public Relations Office, writing and distributing news releases.

The Press Club, in conjunction with the *Tablet*, hosted a journalism workshop for high school students at St. Joseph's Commercial High School.

A bulletin board was maintained by the club displaying newspaper clippings concerning St. Francis College.

#### rifle team

Under the leadership of President John Lehner, the old Rifle Club became the new Rifle Team. Immediately, the recognized team began holding practice sessions at the Marine Corps Armory at Chapel Street. The Marine detachment at the Armory, under Captain Gaggen, U.S.M.C., provided free lessons and shooting jackets.

## weightlifting club

Guided by moderator Pete Fazio, the Weightlifting Club sponsored intramural competition in the sport. The intramurals were indicative of a growing interest in the club's activities. The Athletic Department gave impetus to this growth by purchasing new weights. Instructions for beginners were given by President Eddie Fox and members Denny Kast and Jack Hickey.