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SHOULD BATES WOMEN HAVE INTER-CLASS DORMITORIES?

Proponents of Change Claim Elimination of all Rivalry Between Houses, and Broader List of Acquaintances Among Classes. Investigating Committee Chosen

Among the recent topics of discussion on campus is that of instituting interclass dormitories for women. The arguments for and against the matter seem to be nearly equal, however, and no definite decision on the subject will be made for some time.

Some of the arguments against interclass dormitories are that they may cause the loss of the spirit of democracy through the formation of cliques, that intimate association with upperclassmen might develop a feeling of inferiority among the freshmen, and that it gives the upperclassmen added responsibilities in their contact with lower classes.

The outstanding arguments in favor of the plan of interclass dormitories are that they would tend to eliminate rivalry between houses, that the classes would become better acquainted, thus creating a greater list of acquaintances for returning alumnae, that there would be a greater stimulus for games and social good times, and that the existing superficial relations between classes would be removed.

A committee of investigation has been appointed to consider this matter of interclass dormitories, and their report will reveal the advantages and disadvantages of the plan, as well as the attitude of the women.

Off-Campus Girls Give Successful "Poverty Party"

The Sophomore dormitory girls were given a poverty party by the town and off-campus Sophomore girls in the Rest Room on Friday evening, February 25. The committee in charge, Carlyss Cook, chairman, with Phyllis Misener, Ruth Yeadon, and Ruth Skelton, arranged the affair to begin late enough to allow inspection of the new Athletic Building beforehand. The guests and hostesses played games in their humbly-decorated quarters—there were candles in milk-bottles and evergreen in tomato cans. Dean Pope was present for a few minutes, but she was unable to remain to the play, "Ann's Butler," which was given by the well-dressed, carefully-prepared cast of Hazel Haley, butler, Carlyss Cook, Anne, Ruth Yeadon, Anne's mother, and Phyllis Misener the tea guest. Refreshments were served for which the guests had been previously advised to save a training cut. The prize for the most poverty-stricken appearance was awarded to Doris David.

Pres. Gray to Meet Darrow at Portland

"Is Man a Machine?" This question will be answered negatively and proved by President Clifton D. Gray against the affirmative arguments of Clarence S. Darrow in Portland City Hall on March 18. This will be a full repetition of the debate to be held in Symphony Hall, Boston, two days earlier.

Both the gentlemen concerned in the event are well known from the platform and through the press. Mr. Darrow is known as one of the greatest criminal lawyers in the country and acted as chief counsel for the defence in the Scopes trial in Tennessee.

Arrangements will undoubtedly be made for accommodating students if enough signify their intention of going.

MIRROR GROUPS

Monday:
Student Council, Commons Committee

Tuesday:
Student Government

Wednesday:
Retiring Student Board

Thursday:
Sodalitas Latina

Friday:
Spofford Club and Bobcat Board
(1.00 P. M. Each Day at Harry Plummer's studio.)

How would Bates Students Greet New Cut Rules?

Facts Seem to Indicate No Very Bad Results

Bates students are allowed, by rule, three cuts in every three-hour course regularly. Now, how many of them use all these cuts, and how many do not? Again, who uses all, who does not?

First, consider the general average of cuts taken last semester. This average would be about two and a half in each subject. Thus, the average student does not use quite all that are allowed to him. There are, of course, exceptions to this average, both by over-cutting and by not using more than perhaps one or two cuts in any subject.

Next, consider those who over-cut, and those who under-cut. In a recent examination of the cut-book, the writer found that, as a general rule, the student who takes cuts at abandon was the student who always received a low grade in his studies, who, to all intents and purposes, cared little whether he finished his work creditably or not. He also found that the student who used only a few of his cuts, one here, one there, and those on scattered dates, was the student who took his work conscientiously, who did every assignment faithfully, one who had a reputation on the campus for gaining high marks. Granted that there may be one or two cases where this assumption would not hold true—there are these exceptions everywhere. But it is safe to say that a majority of those who overcut are considered "poor students," while a majority of those who use few cuts are in good standing scholastically.

These facts would indicate that unlimited cuts for the better students would probably not result in vacant class-rooms.

Win First Meet in New Building

Northeastern University Track Team Defeated by 47-39 Score

The Bates Track Team won its first collegiate track meet of the year last Saturday from Northeastern College in a meet held in the new Athletic Building, by a score of 47-39. Captain Wills and Hylie Rowe were the high point men of the afternoon with two first places each to their credit. The events were well contested in every case and the outcome of the meet was doubtful till the end. In the 45 yard dash Hylie Rowe gained his revenge on Brieve of Northeastern who has beaten the Bates' dash man for two successive years.

In the hurdles, Giddings of Bates placed second in a close race with Tatton of Northeastern. Wakely took over Earl of Northeastern in the 600 and Brown and Wardwell showed Ross their heels in the two mile event. The 300 was a mixed up affair which Brieve of the Boston team took in 35 1/5 seconds. Wills and Adams took first and second in the 1000 yard run and Rowe and Ray of the local team garnered eight points in the shot put. The high jump places all went to Northeastern. The relay was disastrous for the Garnet as Richardson, running lead off fell on the second turn and lost about thirty yards which the rest of the men were unable to make up.

The summary:
40 yd. dash—Rowe, Bates; Brieve and Earl both of Northeastern. Time 4 3/5 seconds.

1 mile—Wills, Bates; Thompson, N. E.; Cushing, B. Time, 4:41 1/5.

45 yd. hurdles—Tatton, N. E.; Giddings, B.; Morley, N. E. Time 6 5/10.

600 yd. run—Wakely, B.; Earle, N. E.; Thompson, N. E. Time, 1:17 4/5.

2 mile run—Brown and Wardwell of Bates, Ross, N. E. Time, 10 min.

300 yd.—Brieve, N. E.; Oviatt, Bates; Duncan, Bates. Time, 35 1/5.

1000 yd.—Wills and Adams of Bates; Thompson, N. E. Time, 2:24 3/5.

Shot Put—Rowe and Ray, Bates; Plett, N. E. Dist. 37 ft. 8 1/2 in.

High Jump—Morley, Tatton, McKnight, N. E. Triple tie at 5 ft. 9 in.

Relay—Won by Northeastern (Earle, C. Thompson, W. Thompson, Brieve, Bates (Richardson, Oviatt, Adams, Wakely). Time 2:40.

SPECIAL NOTICE

The Student has been requested to announce that the competitors in the Phi Beta Kappa Reading Course should report to Dr. Tubbs or Professor Chase prior to the spring recess for examinations.

BATES TRACK TEAM MEETS UNIV. OF MAINE TO-MORROW

Huge Athletic Bldg. at Orono to be Scene of Big Event. Garnet Strong on Track but Weak on Weights and Pole Vault. Final Score Should be Close.

Tomorrow the Bates Track Team will meet the University of Maine in a dual meet at Orono. It is the first dual meet between Maine colleges in recent years and should be a close affair with many thrills. The opportunities that both colleges have had this winter in training indoors should make the time fast in all the events. Although the Bobcat is noticeably weak in the field events, her superiority in the running events should more than offset that handicap. Coach Jenkins looks for a clean sweep of first places in all the runs and of course Hylie Rowe is the logical winner of the broad jump.

Maine has gathered together this year one of the best aggregations that the University has had for a long time. Captain Hobson of Maine represents the class of the state in the pole vault and Taylor, Maine and New England cross-country champion, should not be overlooked in the distance events. Niles, Porter, Thompson, and Torrey are the ones who should look brightest for the Blue in the 300 yard dash, and Larsen should be right in the running for the middle distance races.

Bates has a brilliant array of runners that are both capable and experienced. Coach Jenkins will probably place his confidence in Brown and Wardwell to sew up the two mile event for the Garnet, while Wills and Cushing will shoulder the burden in the mile run. Wills is having a big year and is due for a big day Saturday. In the 1000 yard run Wills is again the Bates best bet with Roy Adams next in line. "Cig" Wakely will undoubtedly gather in the 600. He is in perfect condition and has an excellent chance of shading 1:17. In the 300, Richardson, Oviatt, Cutts and Cole are the Bates bets. Rowe should be able to demonstrate his superiority in the 45 yard dash.

The Garnet is not as strong in the field events and with Wood absent from the squad with a sprained ankle, superiority in these events is not so certain. However, Rowe should take the broad jump and should be able to garner some additional points in the high jump and the shot put. Peabbles is going well in the weight throwing and Ray should be counted on for something in the shot and Hylie Rowe in the discus.

The meet should be close and the outcome doubtful until the last event has been run off. It is not known whether there will be a relay or not. The majority of the men will leave Lewiston some time Friday and stay in Bangor Friday night.

To Student Body and Advertisers

At the request of the many organizations on campus which depend on advertising for their very existence, and because the advertisers in town were being duped into such advertising supposedly to support Bates activities, the faculty posted a rule that no student is to solicit advertising without written permission from the President. It was further requested that the merchants refrain from giving ads to anyone without such order. The Student hereby requests support from the student body and advertisers in backing up the faculty in its resolve.

First Splash Night held at Auburn "Y"

Leighton and Balch Win in Events

The first annual Splash Night, held by Bates mermaids last evening in Auburn Y. M. C. A. pool, featured many interesting events.

Miss Mildred Francis and Miss Gertrude Macomber, swimming instructress at the pool, had charge of the affair and acted as judges.

The candle race was the first event. Pamela Leighton, Betty Stevens and Doris David, taking first three places, finished with candles still burning. Entrants for the umbrella race took off, opening gaily-colored parasols before reaching the water. Doris David closely followed by Ruth Patterson and Jeanette Cutts placed her beacon on dry land first. Cutts and Balch were winning combination in centipede race, Leighton and Stevens, second. Aurie (Continued on Page 4, Col. 3)

UNIVERSITY AFLOAT CO-EDUCATES

Mr. A. J. McIntosh Organizes a New University Cruise on the Cunard Line

S. S. AURANIA IS NEWEST FLOATING UNIVERSITY

Added Advantage of New Ship Sure to Make the Venture Successful

A short time ago a debate was held on campus concerning the merits of co-education. The following data has been sent out by the International University Cruise, Inc., following a report that the next University Afloat would not be co-educational.

The original plans for the first Floating University, which is on board the Ryndam and is now cruising around the World, were made for men only. It was found desirable, however, to change these plans at a late date and include about one hundred women. Some of those at present on board the boat have given as their opinion that the venture would have been more successful had the original plans been carried out and men only taken. This is no doubt due, in part, to the fact that the group which started off was not entirely co-educationally inclined.

Mr. A. J. McIntosh, who was the president of the University Travel Association and who organized the RYNDAM cruise, is so firmly convinced as to the advisability of co-education that he has organized a new concern known as the International University Cruise, Inc., and has joined forces with the Cunard Line, who will operate the AURANIA for such a cruise.

It is felt that with a brand new steamer such as the AURANIA, ample accommodations and facilities will be available to carry both men and women in a manner which should prove entirely satisfactory from every viewpoint. Mr. McIntosh makes the following statement regarding co-education: "Co-education has been for years a never ending subject of controversy. We are believers in co-education. The faculty on the coming trip are believers in co-education. Even Turkey has joined in and may soon be excelling other countries in progress."

Governor Henry J. Allen in his statement aboard ship today says that he believes the time is not quite ripe for co-education. America has always taken the lead in progress; a trip for men students only would be a step backward and would not properly represent the spirit of America. The War settled the question for all time. How many of our girls went into France and Russia? Previous to 1914 women did not walk alone on the streets of Paris. (Continued on Page 4, Col. 1)

PRIZE SPEAKING FINALS SATURDAY

The preliminaries for the Freshman Prize Speaking Contest were held the latter part of last week, and the semifinals on Monday of this week. The finals will be held on Saturday, the fifth. When the paper went to press the judges had not been chosen.

The names of the students and the selections are as follows:

M. A. Foster, "The Angler's Revue"; D. L. Hanson, "The Boy That Was Scared o' Dyin"; L. G. Hill, "The Walker"; J. Lachance, "Little Star"; M. L. Lancaster, "The Wounded Soldier"; E. Meservey, "The Fezzwig's Ball"; L. M. Ross, "Commemoration"; C. S. Withington, "The Graveyard Scene from 'The Bluebird'"; G. W. Anderson, "England's Grand Old Man"; K. N. Driscoll, "The Four Minute Man"; S. Gould, "The Hayward Trial (Prosecution)"; H. W. Howe, "The Death Penalty"; L. H. Lomas, "Happiness and Liberty"; J. H. Manning, "The Meaning of the Flag"; G. M. Roy, "Against War with Mexico"; W. E. Watkins, "The Call to Arms".

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The Garnet Sport Pan 'Red' Oviatt, Editor

Well, here goes! After a two week vacation 'ye ed' returns to his desk and column with renewed vigor and inspiration.

Everyone is clinging forlornly to the possibility that Old Man Winter will drop another icicle on this part of the country so that we can tuck away that hockey championship.

Each time that I see Bates sports written up in the local papers, (which, by the way, is very seldom) I am overwhelmed by two conflicting desires—one, to become convulsed with laughter at the writer's colossal ignorance of Bates athletics, and two, to piteously bewail the lack of the publicity that our sports so decidedly need.

The spike-shoed speedsters romped away from their old rival, Northeastern, in fine style last Saturday afternoon in the first collegiate meet ever held in the Clifton Daggett Gray athletic building.

Yes sir, the University and the small college are two different articles in more ways than one. Last Monday I saw Coach Wiggin, you know who I mean, THE Coach Wiggin—general utility man, so to speak,—coaches football, hockey, baseball, and teaches a bunch of dumbbells psychology; that's him; well, I saw him with half a dozen hockey men, the hockey manager, and one or two freshmen trying to clean the rink of a couple of feet of snow.

Captain Allison Wills of the track team was up to his old tricks last Saturday and he romped off with two firsts. Hyppie Rowe took the dash and the shot put.

Our diminutive, scintillating, matrimonializing Arthur Brown of the class of 1927 has openly challenged his room mates, Messrs. Hickey and Hopkins to a one mile race in which he has the audacity to offer his opponents a two lap handicap!!!

Next Saturday the Track Team journeys to Orono to meet Maine in a dual meet. It should be a close meet for although Bates should make a clean sweep of first places in the running events, she is woefully weak in the field.

Eyes will soon be pointed at the Bates Interscholastic Basketball Tourney. From the scores of many of the school boy games in this district the tournament should be a sizzler with good basketball throughout.

West Parker Holds A Successful Show

The West Parker Minstrel Show held last Saturday night was a great success in every particular. There were over 250 present, and something over eighty-seven dollars was taken in at the door.

The outstanding feature of the evening was the song: 'Where do You Worka John?' sung by 'Porky' Peck and 'Giddy' Giddings.

The Old Fashioned Dance, by Hovey Barnaby and Howard Wardwell attracted a great deal of applause, especially by those in the front of the hall, for Wardwell's expansive hoop-skirt could not conceal the masculine hairs which were prominent on his legs.

The Garnet Quartet deserves a great deal of credit, for they sang remarkably well. Their voices were well matched, and their selections well chosen.

The end men, 'Don' Giddings, Harold Duffin, 'Ken' Paul, 'Al' Torrey, 'Benny' Peck, and 'Jimmy' Baker, kept the audience entertained with their funny antics.

The chorus was exceptionally good this year, and went a long way towards making the affair a success.

Kenneth Paul deserves the most credit, for he arranged the show, and spent a great deal of time coaching the end men and chorus. The other officers were: James Burke, manager; Ralph Dow, stage manager; Harold Duffin, treasurer, and Harold Abbott, pianist.

The dancing at Chase Hall was enjoyed by all, despite the poor condition of the floor.

1930 GIRLS LOOK LIKE BASKETBALL CHAMPIONS

The Senior-Sophomore game, Monday, was an easy 54-25 point victory for the senior sextet, although the Sophomore team showed great improvement over last year's form.

The Junior-Freshman contest was a closer and harder fought struggle, it resulted in a 27-25 victory for the Freshmen. Johnson, Freshman forward, was easily the star of the game, although the co-operation and passwork of the entire frosh team was unusual.

The Freshman took over the senior championship team of the last two years in a fast, flashy game. Lord and Canham were unable to check the heavy scoring of the Freshman forwards who maintained the lead thru the entire game.

The Junior-Sophomore game resulted in a 15-13 win for the third-year women. Callaghan and Chick, captains, at center, played a swift game; Bumpus at forward, high scorer for the Junior women, took the lead and held it, despite the gains of the Sophs in the last half.

PERSONALS

The first of a series of three Freshmen bridge parties will be held tonight in Milliken House. These parties are planned in order that the Freshmen may become better acquainted.

Under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A., a tea was served Friday afternoon, at Rand Hall, to the parents of students from Lewiston and Auburn.

Margaret Hanseom, Sylvia Meehan and Dot Williams, all Bates '26, were on campus over last week-end.

Taking advantage of the last few weeks of Winter's glory, a good-sized group snow-shoed out to Thornegon on Wednesday night to a supper of steak and fried onions. Those who went were: Miss Bass, Eleanor Howe, Beth Ridings, Dot Carpenter, Marjorie Jewell, Bee Small, Dagmar Carlson, Pam Leighton, Coach Wiggin, Harold Duffin, Jimmie Burke, Ed Carlson, Hovey Barnaby, Don Giddings, Ralph Dow and Howard Wardwell.

On Thursday afternoon, Billie Jones sang at a meeting of the Mother's Club at the U. B. Church.

Nurmi Folsom of Hebron was a visitor on campus Monday.

Dwight Sturtevant, Albert Boothby, and Del Jakeman were the guests of Belle Hobbs, Alice Aikins, and Lillian Stevens at supper in Rand Hall Sunday night.

Shirley Gilbert, who was recently operated on for appendicitis, is now recovering at her home in Livermore Falls.

Mrs. Blanche Haskell, Bates '97, was the guest of her daughter, Dorothy Haskell, at Milliken House last Sunday.

Marjorie Day spent the week-end with her cousin Ethelyn Hoyt at Chase House.

Intercollegiate News

AUBURN J. CARR

A PRACTICAL SYSTEM

Methods of teaching and study are being introduced at Antioch College, which are said, by The New Student, to have been 'long hoped for by students but never dared by colleges.'

Morgan, President of Antioch, in regard to training the students power to think says: 'The typical student does his daily task for his professor and gets most of his information from lectures or from standard textbooks.'

A plan very much like this seems to be working well in the Biblical department at Bates.

GAMBLING

From an address given at Carson and Newman College the following remarks were reported in 'Orange and Blue.'

PRESS CLUB AT M. A. C.

Although organized only a month ago the Press Club is performing a real service on the M. A. C. campus.

NEW FIELD AT BOWDOIN

The land has been appropriated and plans are underway to equip an additional athletic field at Bowdoin. The new field is designed to meet every athletic demand of the college, as reported by The Bowdoin Orient.

FOR BETTER SPEAKING

The Better American Federation offers prizes amounting to \$1500 in the third National Intercollegiate Oratorical contest. The orations are limited to ten minutes and must be on one of a small number of given subjects.

DEBATING AT G. W. U.

A very extensive debating program is being instituted at George Washington University this year. Plans are being made to send a team to Europe. During February teams were sent out on three long tours.

CRIBBING NECESSARY

A writer in the Tufts Weekly, in reply to an article on cribbing, accepts the act as more or less of a necessary evil. His reason is the demand for the remembrance of too many details.

Co-eds to Soon Start for Canada

In less than two weeks the co-eds will send their first team across the border to debate Canadian Universities. This team, composed of Mary Geary, Florence Burek and Clara Parnell will be the second from Bates to take a Canadian debating trip.

On March 18, the girls will meet a team from McMaster University of Toronto on the question, Resolved that there should be a general cancellation of World War debts. On the next night the co-eds will debate Toronto University on: Resolved that this house deprecates the tendency of the universities of Canada and the United States to emphasize utilitarian and vocational training.

SUCCESS

Two events of the last week impress us as being of rather notable significance. First, the Bates victory over Northeastern University in a dual track meet last Saturday was particularly welcome because of the occasion's being the first varsity contest in the new Athletic Building.

Then, turning to another field, we may find further occasion for rejoicing in the success which crowned the efforts of Messrs. Manning, Davis, and Googins to solve the complexities of international debts. In this debate Googins appeared for the last time before a Bates audience, after one of the most extensive forensic careers a Bates, or, for that matter, any college undergraduate has ever enjoyed.

An incident pertinent to this recent Bates victory over George Washington University is George Washington's subsequent victory over Boston University, for years the self-acknowledged forensic champion of the world. By pursuing that same unimpeachable logic by which B. U. discovered its surpassing genius in the art of debate, Bates, having defeated the team which defeated the team which calls itself champion, might now well proclaim itself the seat of dialectic perfection.

AN EXTRA-CURRICULA ACTIVITY

Among the spectacles which cause us inestimable grief is the sight of any ambitious young youth struggling to pursue the study of his chosen vocation, impeded by such embarrassing phenomena as popular disfavor. Therefore, it becomes a source of particularly acute distress for us to see certain talented members of this student body incurring the ill-will of their fellow students because they are forced to cultivate their kleptomaniac proclivities by making off with the contents of Chase Hall.

As a possible remedy, we propose that some practical alumnus donate to his alma mater a building with a second story on it, filled with pretty shining trinkets, antique victrola records, and discarded copies of popular magazines. We propose that youths with light fingered aspirations be permitted to practice proficiency in their chosen art in this special institution, where their operations will be less likely to discommode their fellow students who have a perverse manner of remembering that they also pay a Chase Hall fee now and then.

When this worthy addition is made to our campus equipment, then the Chase Hall Administration may be inspired to enter upon its duties of providing recreation for all students with heightened zeal and diminished sense of futility.

We beg to call to the attention of those few souls who are so absorbed in their studies that they have failed to notice it of themselves, the fact that the annual Day of Prayer was this year held upon a Sunday afternoon rather than a Thursday morning as previously. The change was, of course, a sensible one; Sunday is, after all, the appropriate day for attending to one's spiritual needs. However, we are moved to reflect that by this change and the failure of the faculty to grant a full half-holiday at Carnival time, we are privileged to attend an extraordinary number of classes this semester. Accordingly, we are immediately reminded of the numerous declarations made, upon the student body's petitioning for an extended Thanksgiving recess, to the effect that there was just so much work which had to be covered and just so many class days which must be provided.

OPEN FORUM

CHEERS FOR DEMOCRACY

As a student who sponsors democracy whenever it is the issue I am overjoyed to learn that the battle for the democratic distribution of college offices is nearly won. In last week's publication of the Student the editorial expressed support of this movement. It was a splendid stand for the noblest of all causes, democracy, but it raised some fears which I would seek to allay.

Before embarking upon this theme I would like to pause and marvel at the queer twist the problem has assumed. From this editorial I learn that the cause of complaint is not with those individuals who have struggled thru four lean years devoid of administrative responsibility and college glory, but with those burdened persons who have carried the major part of the responsibilities. This is certainly a new and disarming aspect of the problem. The difficulty here would seem to be, how are these logical men for more and more offices to avoid receiving them? I feel with them that it is not just to harass them with so much work and responsibility. I can only join with them in a futile post-mortem regret—if their electors had only known beforehand that these intended honors would harass them instead of glorifying them all might have been different, they too might be free to frisk about Union Square and devote themselves to their lessons. Well the regret is indeed a post-mortem, one that may however help to establish a democratic order in the future if not in the present.

With everybody in splendid accord with the idea of the new distribution of college offices there appears that hydra-headed fear of democracy namely, the inefficiency and unconcern of the mob, the man in the street. To quote last week's editorial, "The plan presupposes, of course, the existence of a rather large number of students who are both efficient and thirsting for responsibility." Now this is truly a worthy cause for thought, but one which does not, I think, offer a permanent obstacle to the goal of campus democracy.

There is beyond a doubt enough thrust on the campus. Every office, and they are many, has had numerous contestants for its laurels. These contestants being defeated have gone grumbling back to their lessons and Union Square still thirsting, as is the way with men who cannot believe that uneasy lies the head that wears the crown.

The thirst is here, then, but what of the efficiency? Can the average college man run a college office? That is the question. Well if he is incapable here, his chances of getting a fairly desirable position after college is indeed slight. At the present there are many of the highest ranking students who have no part in the affairs of the campus and it is extremely possible that men who have received an A in Greek and Physics might make a reasonably capable college representative at a conference or even an efficient chairman of a committee.

From the personal knowledge I have of the duties and requirements of the average college office, and the mental and moral character of some of the men who would become candidates for them I would urge the Student Council to take a chance in the cause of democracy.

I would remind those men who fear the degeneration of student administration if campus politics are democratized, that the strong men keep coming on and that there are many size 6 heads for size 6 laurel crowns.

So in behalf of those who thirst (unwittingly of course) and in behalf of those who are satiated with too much, I plead for an equitable dispensation of the nectar of glory in order that temperance, the greatest of all virtues may abide here on our campus.

Ralph Blagden, '28.

The Purple Decade

Ranks! Ho hum! We were given either more or less than we deserved, weren't we? Oh to be a studious, conscientious, sensible, level-headed, moderate student who never dreams, who never thinks, who never cuts German to enjoy a gay blizzard—we might achieve excellency of rank if we were this model student. Somehow we sometimes think we have the wrong idea of college education. We came to learn all possible in four years—we didn't think it so fearfully important if all of our assignments weren't done exactly on time as long as we learned them—we didn't think it so fearfully important to parade all our knowledge before teacher in glib recitation—we didn't even think it so fearfully important to disagree with our dear professors occasionally, and not do things they had assigned and do things they had not assigned. You know we must have been rather unversed in the ways of education for we came to college to be stimulated. We wanted an interest in all studies. We wanted to be inspired—we wanted professors to lead us up, up to higher regions of that, we wanted fellow-students with the same yearnings. Instead we found this parrot-like recitation system, this disillusioning striving after rank at sacrifice of individual desires, these professors who, most of them, believe that those of us who are not utterly hopeless are utterly conscientious.

You know once upon a time we went to high school. We have hazy recollections of dates with Tom and Harry at the end of the west corridor, of Friday afternoon dime dances, of Burke's Conciliation, of Julia the fat teacher of Caesar and Cicero but we have one outstanding memory. Every morning at eight-thirty we used to have a kind of chapel service in the auditorium—this is the out-standing memory. Our principal—by the way he is known as the most courteous man of that particular state—gave a simple prayer, announcements were made, noted speakers lectured, students spoke but thru it all everyone was quiet—really. The auditorium was not beautiful as our Bates Chapel is; it was packed every morning with about one thousand pupils, many more than fill our Bates Chapel; it never resounded with such music as the Bates Choir presents, but every one was quiet—really. Nothing at Bates seems more utterly disgusting to us than our rudeness and noise in Chapel—and that ubiquitous letter—we should think it would make the angels tear their halos.

Poets say truths so trickily that they are excellent assistants of memory—no we are neither an extra edition of the Golden Book nor urging anyone to become a walking Golden Book.

A poet, Thomas Carew, said this: "Wise poets, that wrapt Truth in tales Knew her themselves thru all her veils."

We had always wondered about the poets. Were they wool-covering our eyes or their own? But here one of themselves has told us the truth.

Another poet, we've forgotten his name but that doesn't matter, said:

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Last Friday evening, Miss Francis and Miss Bass, assisted by representatives from the three upper classes, held Open House in the new Gym.

The large number of parents, faculty members, and outside visitors were escorted thru the plant by members of the A. A. board.

Florence Hancock, Evangeline and Katherine Tubbs supplied music in the social room, attractively illuminated by an open fire.

Then she was, as he had been, alone—As all must be.

Ah we see—no one can really expect to be understood in his most vital life, not all of the time even in his more superficial life.

Love is a swallow
Flitting with spring,
Tho we would follow
Love is a swallow
All his vows hollow.
Then let us sing
Love is a swallow
Flitting with spring.

Some cynic or philanderer must have fancied this. We think a philanderer who needed a rhyme for "swallow" and could only think of "hollow."

"Yesterday is but a dream; tomorrow is but a vision; today well-spent makes every yesterday a dream of joy and every tomorrow a vision of hope."

There is more of optimism, more of psychology, and more of philosophy in this saying than even the poet-philosopher dreamed.

Poets contradict each other. In one mood we, their readers, follow one; in a second mood we follow another.

Neihardt calls:
Let me live out my years in heat of blood

Let me die drunken with the dreamer's wine,
Browning says quietly but glowingly:
Grow old along with me,
The best is yet to be,
The last of life
For which the first was made.

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CHASE HALL SAT. NIGHT

Next Saturday night there will be the regular movie and dance. The movie will be "FOREVER AFTER" with Lloyd Hughes and Mary Astor. There are six card tables that will be reserved for those who wish to make arrangements with Fletcher L. Shea '27 before Saturday noon. The price for the tables will be \$1.00 per couple. This will include the movies and refreshments which will be served.

Library Obtains Many New Books

Several Departments to be Much Benefited

Recently many new volumes have been added to the library including books on fiction, poetry, vocations, psychology, sociology, history, and government. Professor Leonard in his trip to Germany purchased for the library forty new German books which will be a great benefit to the German department.

The list of new books is:

Fiction
The Show Boat Edna Ferber
Mrs. Dalloway Virginia Woolf
Galahad John Erskine
The Char Woman's Shadow Lord Dunsany
Harner Jorn Hugh Walpole
Labels A. H. Gibbs
Debts and Credits Rudyard Kipling

Poetry
Color Cuntu Cullen
Two Lives W. E. Leonard

Vocational
Fields of Work for Women M. S. Leuck

History and Government
China F. J. Goodnow
The New Balkans H. F. Armstrong
Essays on Nationalism C. J. H. Hayes

Psychology
Judging Human Character H. L. Hollingsworth
The Unconscious Morton Prince
The Mind of the Buyer H. D. Kitson

Sociology
The Gang F. M. Thrasher
The Community Health Problem A. C. Burnam
Rural Community Organization A. W. Haves
The Community Center L. J. Hanifan
The American Race Problem E. B. Reuter

Science
The Negro in American Life J. Dowd
History and Prospects of the Social Sciences H. E. Barnes
The Urban Community E. W. Burgess

The American Library Association has been publishing a number of small books called "Reading With a Purpose." These small books treating all topics are written by the best authorities and are the best to be obtained on the various subjects. The library has secured these books as far as they have been printed and has subscribed for the rest. Students requiring the latest information on any topic will find these very useful.

To Give Programme With Philharmonic (Continued from first page)

Violins, Wyland Leadbetter and Jacob Arenstam; viola, Samuel Kilbourne; cello, Marion Skillings; piano, Helen Benner
Soprano Solo, Deh Vieni Nou Tardar, from the "Marriage of Figaro" Isabelle Jones, Macfarlane Club
Piano Solos: Capillon Grieg
Embercant Schutt
Waltz in E Minor Chopin
Evangeline Tubbs, Macfarlane Club
Contralto Solos: Nuit d'Etoile Debussy
Nocturne Pearl Curran
Exilia Blouin, Philharmonic Club
Harp Solo: Adrienne Belleau, Philharmonic Club
Reading Spoils of War Hazel Langdon
Duet—Etude de Concert (Butterfly)—Kohler
Flute, Katherine Tubbs, Piano, Hester Ordway (Macfarlane Club)
Piano Solos: Flute God
Rainbow Spring (Dwelling Place of Flute God)
A Mysterious Story
Kor Kokshi Dance (Rain Ceremony) Gladys White, Philharmonic Club
(Faust) Gounod
Soprano Solo—Jewel Song
Mildred Litchfield, Philharmonic Club
Garnet Male Quartet
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The Old Refrain, arranged by Kreisler
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University Afloat

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That statement is today hardly believable—the boulevards of Paris are now almost like Fifth Avenue. We think the trend of thought in the world is decidedly in the direction of co-education and we are taking our stand on that side.

"The theory that the presence of young women on board a Floating University distracts the minds of the men students pre-supposes a world of men—this is a co-educational world. The verdict of modern educators in the majority of American institutions has been that contact with women working along the same lines of thought is normal and healthy, whereas contact with "outside girls" may be most distracting. There are always girls of one sort or another. Most parents prefer to have their sons studying with young women of like background and outlook to having their only contacts with women those of social functions or chance acquaintance. I am more in favor of co-education on a trip like this than I am in a college ashore, as it combines a university and all that makes up a normal home life with its social activities.

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Dr. McKenzie Here to Lead Day of Prayer Services

"The safe leadership of the world is in the hands of men and women who are filled with religious light," said Dr. McKenzie at the Day of Prayer service in the Chapel, Sunday afternoon. "Pratt," he said, "defines religion as the individual and social attitude towards that Power of Powers conceived of as the controller of our destinies." From this definition he proceeded to explain the meaning of religion. "To discover the destiny of life," he continued, "is to discount the meaning of life. Every man is interested in his destiny and the controller. "God is the intelligent Power that is working in all nature," and, "when men conceive his attitude toward the controller then it is that the religion of man takes hold of him and becomes a part of life."

Dr. McKenzie prefaced his main speech with a few pertinent remarks in regard to the observation of a nation wide Day of Prayer for colleges and universities on Sunday, February 27.

Dr. McKenzie is President of Hartford Theological Seminary and one of America's leading educators.

Those assisting Pres. Gray at the service were Dr. Finnie, Dr. Pearson and Rev. Hanéhatt.

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Practice Begun for Battery Men

Early Start Should Give Bates a Winning Team

The battery candidates and a few of the infielders have responded to the call for early baseball practice. For the first time the men have an opportunity of putting themselves into condition before spring comes. For an hour or two each afternoon balls may be heard whizzing into the catcher's mitt or ringing off the end of a bat. By spring-time the boys should feel at home when they see the ball coming towards them.

Among the men who have reported are Captain "Chuck" Small, Black, Chick, Bowen, Phillips, Anderson and Carbino for pitchers; with Wing, Luce, Andrade, Maher and Watkins all looking for the opportunity of filling the catcher's berth vacated by Jack Karkos. A call for infielders has not been issued but some of the men are working out on their own accord. Among these are Peek, Elliott Small, Jimmie Cole, Wiseman and Charlie Ray. With this group of stars and the recruits not yet out Bates should have a winning ball team this spring.

McGill University Prof. Day-dreams

Philosophy Shows Itself in Greek Drama Class

Aristophanes in Modern Clothes

(By New Student Service)—At McGill University Professor W. D. Woodhead sat back in his chair and indulged in day dreams to the delight of an afternoon class on "The Greek Drama."

"If only we had an Aristophanes with us now," he said. "What a comedy he could have made out of Dayton with a chorus consisting partly of apes and partly of angels, or again of prohibition in America, with a chorus consisting partly of accomplished Bootleggers and partly of Puritan Pilgrim Fathers!" exclaimed Dr. Woodhead in the course of his lecture yesterday afternoon on "the Greek Drama."

"Imagine Falstaff and William Jennings Bryan playing the leading roles and the Wet and Dry Arguments debating for the soul of the college student. Or the modern interpreter of the Bibles with his insistence that whenever the word 'wine' appears it should be translated 'rais'n-cake.'"

"What! wine in the Bible! My friend, that's a libel: You're making a ghastly mistake: For the word rendered wine in the writings divine, Means nothing but raisin-cake."

Barbara Austin spent last week-end at her home in Bath.

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(By New Student Service)—Superlatives were in order wherever the sixty St. Olaf (Minnesota) choristers went on their trip just completed through the East. Led by Dr. F. Melius Christensen, student choirs have gone as far as Norway, gaining a popular prominence for little St. Olaf College equal to that attained by the institutions for educational preeminence—or athletic victory.

"From a recent exchange we learned," reports the MacWeekly, Macalester College, Minnesota, "that the literary societies of Carleton College dropped the word 'literary' from the names of their organizations. The only conclusion we can gather from this is that the nature of their societies has degenerated in a manner somewhat to our own." The progress of literary to social societies is due, the Weekly guesses, to the lack of any other medium of social life.

First Splash Night

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Balch won first honors in event of retrieving objects for speed with surface diving, Leighton and Cutts taking second and third places. In the rescue for speed the hair hold proved most successful, Balch rescuing Cutts in shortest time, Stevens rescuing Leighton second. In the Shuttle relay Saunders relaying from Stevens brought the clothespin in first, Patterson from Balch, second.

Follow the leader, and other various stunts were enjoyed for half an hour. Leighton leading in fancy diving, underwater stunts then joined by Miss Francis who showed the girls many new tricks and stunts.

Y. W. C. A.

The weekly Y. W. C. A. meeting held in Rand Hall reception room, Wednesday evening was one of unusual interest, since the main part of the program proved an instructive talk on China—her relation to the world, and her people—by Prof. Gould who spoke in his usual informal but pleasing manner. The music consisted of a solo, "Jesus Alone," by Rotoli, sung by "Billy" Jones, who was accompanied by Olive Flanders.

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Bates men, as well as co-eds, are always attracted by a Bowdoin man, and a large number turned out to hear Dean Paul Nixon, who spoke at the regular Y meeting, Wednesday evening. He spoke on "Some College Critics," basing his talk on some of the things for which college men are criticized. He said that, although they are criticized for being snobbish and standardized, he would be willing to place a group of college men against any group of non-college men in the country. He divided them into four groups, men who are dull and eager for knowledge, those who are brilliant and eager, those who are brilliant and indifferent and those who are dull and indifferent. It

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