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BASEBALL SEASON DUE TO OPEN WHEN WEATHER ALLOWS

Copious Snowfall makes Necessary postponement of game with Bowdoin. Team will be Hampered on Trip by lack of Opportunity for Much Outside Practice

It is still uncertain whether "Play ball" will inaugurate the Bates baseball season on Garcelon Field either tomorrow or Saturday in the first league game between the Garnet and the Bowdoin pastimers. The capricious pranks of the weatherman have disrupted Coach Wiggin's carefully laid plans for outdoor training during the past week, and the playing of the scheduled tilt depends upon how much and how swiftly Madame Spring can recover from the serious lapse of last week-end. In all truth, the fall of snow has put the kibosh on baseball preparations as far as the outfield is concerned, and coming at such a vital point of the training season, may mean more harm than is evident at the present time.

Coach Wiggin was able to allow his outfielders to get their eyes on a high fly, and to let his hitters whale a few good ones over the heads of the boys out in the sun garden a day or two last week, and things looked promising for the opening game until the nor'easter drove the ball-chasers under cover. One indication that the practice game will be played either tomorrow or Saturday is that the frost is out of the ground, thus allowing the melted snow to go through, but as **The Student** went to press no definite assurance could be given that the Bobcat and the Polar Bear would rub noses.

Whenever the nine takes the field, the following infield, barring injuries, is certain to get the respective assignments: "Pooch" Pooler stepped out of his hockey shoes and into a permanent berth at first base. Neil Turner will cover second, Dick Plager will be at third, and Capt. Jimmy Cole at short. Luce and Brown will do most of the catching during the year, and for the first game three or more pitchers will be used from the group of slabmen; Giroux, Marston, Chick, Phillips and LaFlamme. This, however, is all that can be definitely said. The outfield is anybody's guess at the present time. Coach Wiggin has been unable to see the outfield candidates in action whatsoever, and can make no definite placements until he has seen them both at the plate and romping in the pastures. Maher, Kennison, Flaherty, Whittier, McCluskey, and Bar-

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Student Editors Chosen on Staff

Those chosen for the Student Board for the year 1929-1930 are as follows: Assistant Managing Editors, John L. Fuller, '31, Howard Thomas, '31; News Editor, Reginald Colby, '31; Women's Editor, Catherine Nichols, '30; Athletic Editor, Charles Cushing, '30; Intercollegiate Editor, Dorothy M. Haskell, '30; Literary Editor, Edwin G. Milk, '30; Debating Editor, Donald Strout, '30.

The Associate Editors will be: Constance Withington, '30, Muriel Beckman, '30, Jeanette Cutts, '30, Mildred Beckman, '30, Beth Clark, '30, Mildred Healey, '31, Shirley Cave, '32, Dorothy Sullivan, '32, Elizabeth Corbley, '32, Letha Bedell, '32, Bertha Critchell, '32, Regina Curtis, '32, Muriel Gower, '32, Esther Jackson, '32, Dorothy M. Burdett, '30, Sylvia Nute, '31, Ruth Brown, '32, Edith Lerrigo, '32, Rosamond Nichols, '32, Elizabeth Seigel, '32, Marian Smith, '32, Charles Kendall, Jr., '32, Howard Bartlett, '32, Valery S. Burati, '32, David Barnes, '32, Parker Dexter, '32.

Among the department editors, all hold their offices for the first time with the exceptions of Cushing, Milk and Strout. These men served last year as acting editors in their present capacity.

The careers of Reginald Colby, Catherine Nichols and Dorothy Haskell have been significant in campus activities as well as on the Student Board. "Reggie" has been a working factor on the track and debating squads and Men's Glee Club. Catherine Nichols owns the distinction of winning her class numerals; being manager of the women's basketball team, a member of the women's A. A. Board, and president of Alethea. Dorothy Haskell has made herself prominent in the College Choir, Women's Glee Club, Outing Club, Y. W. C. A., Macfarlane Club and Alethea.

The present issue of the **Student** is the first conducted under the editorship of the new board.

M. Pierre de Lanux On League Affairs

Noted Speaker Obtained for Open Meeting of Politics Club

LECTURER IS VERY INTIMATE WITH LEAGUE OF NATIONS AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Bates Politics Club brought the campus into very close contact with international affairs in their open meeting a week ago Wednesday evening. A large group of students, faculty, and friends of the college were present when Mr. Knight, President of the Club, introduced as the evening's speaker, Mr. Pierre de Lanux, a noted lecturer on international questions and the Director of the Paris Information Office of the League of Nations.

Mr. Lanux recently arrived from France and is making a lecture tour throughout the United States. His intimate contact with the League of Nations and his wide experience in the field of international diplomacy made his lecture on the subject of "Modern Methods in Foreign Diplomacy" both authoritative and very interesting.

Since the war and increasingly in the last three years, said Mr. Lanux, there has been a rapid increase of understanding among the nations of the world.

The Armistice left the nations, not in a state of hatred, but distrustful and suspicious. The League of Nations was at first not taken very seriously by the European governments and was further weakened by the absence of Germany. A great deal of criticism but little boasting was the daily dish. Germany's entrance into the League Assembly with a permanent seat on the Council was a great event in the history of the League. Since that time a real willingness to co-operate has been shown within the League; in fact, if a government is to appear in the best light before the world the representatives can not do better than work for co-operation. The event marked a complete right about face in European thought and foreign relations. In place of criticism and distrust there is co-operation and a better degree of understanding. Instead of secrecy there is frankness and openness in foreign relations. In speaking of the changed attitude of the French people toward the League and European problems of peace and disarmament the speaker said that the attitude of the French was chiefly supported by the Ex-Servicemen of the War who stood for co-operation, arbitration of disputes, and gradual disarmament. This section of French citizenry have been loyal backers of the League work and their zeal for peace is shown by their desire for security in the Locarno and arbitration treaties and for gradual disarmament. The industrialists of the Ruhr section in Germany and

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4-A Players Present Pollock's "The Enemy"

All Star Group Makes up Cast for Season's Last Campus Dramatics

On Friday evening, May 3rd, the four-act play, "The Enemy", by Channing Pollock, will be presented in Little Theatre by the 4-A Players.

The all-star cast is as follows:

Carl Behrend, James Solomon
Pauli Arndt, Mary Pendlebury
Baruska, Betty Crafts
Bruce Gordon, Rangnar Lind
August Behrend, Martin Sauer
Jan, Stuart Bigelow
Dr. Arndt, Howard Bull
Mizzi Winckelman, Faith Blake
Kurt, Eugene Woodcock
Fritz Winckelman, Edwin Milk

Members of the faculty and of the student body should grasp this last opportunity to see Mary Pendlebury, Faith Blake, Betty Crafts, James Solomon, Howard Bull, and Stuart Bigelow act as members of the 4-A Players.

Penn Relays Goal of Two-mile Team

Coach Thompson also Preps for Meet with N. H. U.

Though Lady Spring has definitely snubbed the track athletes, Coach Thompson is making these last few weeks count and every day he is to be seen all over the gym putting the men through their paces. The first outdoor meet with New Hampshire is a scant three weeks away but the center of the stage just now is held by the Garnet Two Mile Flyers who will defend their national crown in Philadelphia a week from tomorrow.

Everything is being done to prime the team for its big push. Theirs is a mighty task, perhaps twice as hard as last years relay team faced. Two college entries, the University of Texas and the University of Illinois, have set up times this year on an outdoor track of 7.53 and 7.54 respectively. This time is some three seconds faster than the Garnet's time in the I C 4 A's. These two colleges are new threats for this is their first competition in the Pennsylvania Relay Carnival. Of course the Garnet has also the Violet of N. Y. U. whose time for the distance is 7.52 and the other leading colleges in the East to contend with. The coach says that the team must do 7.50 to win. This means that two of the quartet must accomplish the half mile in 1.56 and the other two runners should not be slower than 1.58. The team is not at all phased by this fast competition but they realize that they must be at their very best. "Wally" Viles and "Ossie" Chapman are feeling fine and should be in tip top shape for the test. During the winter Paul Chesley was laid off a whole month and is naturally some below par. His race at New York, however showed him to be near top form and he should be able to do even better at Penn. Royal Adams is also a shade off color, but a good rest for a week before the Relays ought to tone him up.

"Rags" Lind will be taken with the team as utility man. Two other Bates athletes will show their prowess at Penn. in the field events. "Chad" Knowlton is entered in both the high and broad jump and "Romeo" Houle will toss the discus. Both men are showing improvement in their events. Houle recently tossed the discus 130 ft. for his best throw of the year. "Chad" is developing certain motions to increase his distance in the broad jump and is also practising on the hurdles and tossing the javelin.

With the opening of the season three weeks off the Coach is giving the squad certain assignments each day. The prospects in each event will not be known until after the time trials Saturday.

Helsley Conducts Y. M. Installation

Richardson as President Picks New Cabinet

The installation of the new Y. M. C. A. Cabinet took place Wednesday evening at Chase Hall. The Rev. Charles W. Helsley of the High Street Congregational Church in Auburn gave a short informal talk and also reminded the new officers of their responsibilities for the coming year.

The Cabinet is made up of the following members: President, Harold Richardson; Vice-President, Livingston Lomas; Treasurer, Anders Myhrman; Secretary, Frederick B. Pettengill.

Committees: Campus Service, Fred Hayes; N. E. Field Council, George W. Anderson; Chase Hall, Rogers Lord; Religious Meetings, Livingston Lomas; Entertainment, Clifton Shea; Publicity, Valery Burati; Music, Clifton Jacobs; Deputations, Eldredge Brewster; Voluntary Study, Charles Cushing.

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MEN OF '32 WILL DEBATE TUESDAY

Next Tuesday evening, the Freshman Men's Prize Debate will take place in the Little Theatre. The question for debate is one that is a new topic and withal a very vital one now-a-days:—"Resolved, that the present system of installment buying is to be deplored." The speakers for the affirmative are Phineas Goodkowsky, Leonard Millen, and Lawrence Parker. Those taking the negative of the question are Orimer Bugbee, Clinton Dill, and Parker Mann. The debate is in charge of Irvill King. Randolph Weatherbee will preside over the discussion.

GIVE "FRIVOLITIES OF '29" IN LITTLE THEATRE SAT. NIGHT

Senior Class Sponsors Unique Performance to Conclude Impressive Record as Class of Entertainers Regular Sat. Night Dance will Follow

Bates Takes on B. C. Wranglers

Discuss Advertising in Open Forum Meeting

Bates sent three debaters to Pawtucket, R. I., last Tuesday, where they met a team from Boston College, on the question: "Resolved, that the trend of modern advertising is deplorable". Bates upheld the negative; Boston College the affirmative. The members of the team were Samuel Gould, '30, Walter Hodsdon, '29 and Norman MacDonald, '32.

The debate was in the nature of an exhibition, since there was no decision. An open forum was held after the discussion, in which the audience took an active part. This style of debate is designated as the English system.

Samuel Gould has taken part in four intercollegiate debates during his college career. All four of these have been during the past season. He took part in the freshman and sophomore prize debates, winning the prize for best speaker in both debates. His other activities have included dramatics, politics and track.

Walter Hodsdon, president of the Bates Debating Council, has taken an active part in debating all four years at Bates. He was a member of the teams meeting Yale, University of Philippines and the English team of Oxford Union.

Norman MacDonald has already participated in one debate this season with Marquette University.

Y. W. Holds Meeting for Installation of New Cabinet

Impressive Ceremony as New Officers Take up Duties

The installation meeting of the new officers of Y. W. C. A. was held Wednesday night in the Chapel. A large group of girls were present. The candlelight service was impressive as well as beautiful. The old officers, in lighting the candles of the new, passed on to them their duties and responsibilities.

The new cabinet is as follows: President, Elizabeth Wright; Vice-President, Dorothy Morse; Secretary, Edith Lerrigo; Treasurer, Muriel Beckman; Undergraduate Rep., Gladys Underwood; Social Service Committee, Chairman, Doris Hatch and Hilda Wilson; Industrial Com. Chairman, Dorothy Christopher; Town Girl Rep., Emma Meserve; Publicity Com. Chairman, Aubigne Cushing; World Fellowship Com. Chairman, Jeanette Stahl; Conventions Com. Chairman, Ruth Rogers; Social Com. Chairman, Mildred Tourillot; Music Com. Chairman, Lillian Hill.

NEGATIVE IS WINNER IN FROSH DEBATE

The Freshman Women's Prize Debate was held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the Little Theatre. The question for debate was: Resolved, that the modern trend of religion is to be deplored. On the affirmative side the Misses Mildred Vining, Elizabeth Curtis, and Grace Page spoke. The Misses Ruth Gregory Brown, Rosamond Nichols and Edith Lerrigo upheld the negative.

The last-mentioned speakers were announced winners by a unanimous vote of the judges. Miss Edith Lerrigo was voted best individual speaker.

Cheney Opens Portals for Favored Few Men

The girls at Cheney held their annual House Party on Tuesday evening at 7.30. The general social and visiting hour followed until 8.30, when the guests went to Rand Hall for bridge and dancing.

Dean Clark, Professor Walmsley and Miss James were chaperones.

The Senior Class during the past week has been daubing paint and powder on their faces, learning the art of stage dancing, limbering up their voices and rehearsing in general for a very unique performance, worthy of the talent of the "mighty". In fact the class of '29 makes a specialty of unique affairs. Considering the success of their Sophomore Vaudeville Show and their Junior Cabaret, there is every reason to believe that with their greater age and experience—the Seniors will startle the campus with their "Frivolities of '29" which will be given Saturday evening at 7.30 in the Little Theatre.

There must be particular attention paid to the fact that the Frivolities will last until 9.30 and at that time the Sat. evening "Y" Dance will commence at Chase Hall. Tickets including both the Frivolities and the dance will cost but fifty cents, while if one desires to attend either the senior entertainment or the dance, the price will be thirty five cents for either.

The "Frivolities", as before mentioned, is to be unique. The show will open with a mixed chorus, following which there will be many skits, dancing specialties, singing and the like.

Several features are of great interest. A burlesque entitled "Mother May I Go Home," taken part in, by senior men only, is guaranteed to express clearly the senior's love of home cooking etc. There will also be a musical act of special interest, called "Some Music Covers." (We were just informed that the junior, who said some music covers a flat note, has been water bagged.)

Ethelyn Hoyt, Lucy Lundell, Betty Crafts, Faith Blake and Stuart Bigelow are being featured, under the direction of Miss Crafts in several dancing specialties.

The girls chorus which will do its bit during the performance is composed of Yvonne Langlois, Ethelyn Hoyt, Helen Hudson, Helen Goodwin, Winnie Sanders and Lucy Lundell. At the close of the show the Grand Finale will be sung under full pressure, by both the girls' and men's chorus.

Much credit should be given to Mary Pendlebury, as chairman, for managing the affair. Assisting her are, Helen Holman, Eleanor Wood, Paul Chesley, Howard Bull and Paul Coleman. Betty Crafts is director of dancing and Paul Coleman of music, while Gilbert Rhodes and "Doc" Hanson constitute the publication committee.

The "Frivolities" is to be brilliant as the grand climax for the seniors, of the enthusiastic manner in which they have contributed to the life of the college. The "Frivolities" is to be as brilliant and as entertaining an affair, as this campus has had in many years.

Musical Clubs Travel Widely

Sing at the DeWitt Hotel Get Lost in Blizzard Perform at Bath

And the season for glee club and orchestra concerts is on! For the past, present, and future weeks or so the three musical societies of the college have been making trips to cities—and, er—snowstorms—of all descriptions. Going backwards: tomorrow night, April 19th, both glee clubs and the Orphic Society are making a trip to Bath where a concert for the benefit of the American Legion will be given. There will be readings by Mary Pendlebury and Louise Allman will play.

Monday night, the 15th, the Girls Glee Club sang at the DeWitt, at the Auburn and Lewiston Chamber of Commerce banquet. What came later? Shall it be published? Yes, the chance is worth it: Professor Crafts took all the girls to the Paradise!

"We should worry!", shout the Wilton crowd. Hummm—and why—!! That was certainly the adventure of the season. Just think of it: the Men's Glee Club, the Orphic Society, a few busses and taxis—all lost in a Maine blizzard! Oh no, nobody had cold feet that trip. It has been reported from reliable sources that the co-eds didn't get in until somewhere around four. Feature it! What is (Continued on Page 3, Column 5)

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LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

This issue of the "Student" is the first product of the new board. We wish to express appreciation to the retiring staff for their sincere efforts, during the past year, to make the paper valuable as a news medium, and, in general, to make it interesting to the entire campus. Their task was difficult, and if in some degree they did not greatly succeed, we are minded to regard their mistakes as warnings which we must heed.

Before making any hasty resolutions, we might ask—just what is the function of a college weekly? Primarily, it should create news as well as collect it, and that accomplished, to serve it to the campus public as smoothly and delectably as possible without over-seasoning. Secondly, its function is to stimulate and foster campus opinion—keeping the interests and welfare of the Alma Mater always at heart.

The matter of news presents a serious problem. In an age when the gluttonous reading-public demands news up-to-the-second and can't be fed fast enough, the "Bates Student" appears out-classed. The fact is, any college weekly is severely handicapped in this respect, especially since college news travels so amazingly fast through more natural and spontaneous channels. But we are resolved to put stale news in a reasonably edible condition. Ethics forbid the tabloid style, but old news can still be made quite readable. And then ("qui sait?") we might make an occasional scoop.

Moreover, the "Student" would be worth the printing if it were only to serve as a real medium for expression of campus opinion. Students have been neglectful of this opportunity and the paper has lacked some tinge of spicy interest that it might otherwise contain. If you have difficulty in expressing your thoughts—no matter. Your ideas are undoubtedly worth listening to, and you will find us ready to nurse your feeblest attempts into print. As Channing Pollock suggests in one of his plays, it's a marvel how "things that seem silly when a man says them, look almost impressive in print". With this assurance, help us to create a live department.

Along with this, we urge that you express yourselves in your reactions to the policy and general make-up of the paper. It is deplorable that a person should lose the perspective when he gets close to an object, but it is true nevertheless. So, in conducting the inevitable routine of management, our judgment is narrowed down to a sort of selective vision. Your suggestions, written down and slipped through the slot in the office door, would help us to broaden our perspective, and put us on the track of eliminating undesirable features.

But finally, if the preceding exhortations seem to give you the idea that "it all depends on you", let it be dispelled right away. The work belongs to the staff, which is, nevertheless, hopeful of encouragement and inspiration from the readers. Ours is the responsibility of making the "Bates Student" something more than to be thrown into the nearest waste-can. We hope to make you want to read it, and if this is effected, we will have succeeded.

INSTALL BOARD OF STUDENT GOV'T.

The second annual Student Government installation was ceremoniously conducted in Chapel, Thursday morning, April 11th.

The officers of the year 1929-30 are: President, Constance Withington; Vice-President, Florence White; and Secretary-Treasurer, Lillian Hanscom. The other new members are: Helen Geary, President of the Lambda Alpha; Marcia Berry, Junior Representative; Kate Hall and Carolyn Woodman, Sophomore Representatives; Helen Burke, House Senior of Rand; Gladys Young, House Senior of Cheney; Lydia Pratt, House Senior of Chase; Peggy Chase, House Senior of Frye Street; Mildred Beckman, House Senior of Milliken; and Beulah Page, House Senior of Whittier.

Lillian Ross, '30, entertained a friend from out of town at Chase House last week.

Mary Pendlebury, '29, spent the weekend at Betty Crafts' home on Frye Street.

Among those who spent last weekend at home were Mary Briggs, '29, Joan LaChance, '30, Harriet Manser, '31, Virginia Mills, '31, Aubigne Cushing, '32, and Ruth Barrell, '32.

Colby like Bates does not sponsor varsity basketball. The Waterville institution however, picked up an all star five from the fraternity teams and sallied forth to combat the Maine varsity. They were rewarded for their efforts by a two point victory which must have been quite gratifying considering that the intra-mural team defeated the intercollegiate.

Garnet Sporting Chat

"CHUCK" CUSHING
Editor

It looks as though the seasons have earned the first decision over Bates and Bowdoin. A little over a week ago the stage was set in very summery fashion for the first tilt between the rivals until winter's parting thrust spread a wet blanket over the proceedings.

It is almost necessary to schedule four games with each of the other three colleges to insure playing three games. Spring weather in this section is exceptionally fitful and causes many postponements. Last year Bates journeyed to Maine twice without being able to play while Maine came to Lewiston once only to meet with rain.

Lack of outdoor practice is particularly tough on the outfielders who have been able to get but very little work. As a result the outfield for the opening game, with the exception of "Casey" Cascadden, has not been definitely picked.

The Garnet nine will be far from mid-season form when they engage Northeastern, Harvard, and Tufts next week. The boys will need a couple of games under their belts before behaving like state champions. The three opponents have all played several games and will have a decided edge on Coach Wiggin's men.

"Ossie" Chapman wants it distinctly understood that the initiation committee spared no efforts to get at the seats of the affair which accounts for the upright attitude of several otherwise limber individuals.

The biggest optimists were the winter sports men who turned in their uniforms. Coach Thompson is going

to call spring practice for his skii and snowshoe candidates.

Quite a crowd will heed the call of the relays and strike out for Philadelphia next week to see Bates continue her conquests for additional laurels. The team this year will enter with the imposing title of National two-mile champions and hopes to return to Lewiston with the added phrase "for two consecutive years".

Opposition will be unquestionably stronger but followers of the local four have complete confidence in their ability barring the breaks which refuse to be barred and crash in more often than "One Eyed" Connelly.

The five runners, Adams, Chesley, Chapman, Viles and Lind leave with Coach Thompson on the Interurban about six o'clock next Thursday night. There should be a big turnout of students to give the team a send-off. Then it will be easier to assume the "I told you so" manner if the team comes through with a victory.

It is interesting to compare the different times in the two-mile relays held at the ten relay carnivals last year. The fastest time was made at the Washington games with a mark of 7 min. 56.1 sec. The slowest time, 8 min. 38.7 sec. was made at Michigan State. That time could be beaten in a three legged race. The Penn Relay time turned in by Bates under very poor conditions was 8 min. 19.6 sec. Only two of the ten winners broke 8 minutes. Differences in running conditions however make a just comparison almost impossible.

The tennis men were all set to come out on the courts this week and begin earnest preparation for the spring campaign. If present conditions linger much longer the racket wielders will be rather seriously effected.

Just at present the gym is not being

used to a very great extent. It would be a big help to the tennis players if some sort of an indoor court could be rigged up for them.

It need not occupy more than one court. The main difficulty would be planting a couple of posts. This would not be too difficult an improvement and it would be a tremendous help to the players, giving them an extra month of practice every spring.

The campus has been strong of late for great diversification of sports. This week heard the first call for candidates for the crew. Over two dozen men signed the notice on the door of West Parker to follow this popular sport. The candidates seem to be fairly well matched as their handwriting shows a remarkable uniformity.

R. S. Appleby of Skowhegan has been engaged as coach. The Garnet crab-catchers are fortunate to secure the services of Appleby as he is admirably fitted to his task having once seen the California crew sweep to victory over all Olympic rivals in the Pathe news.

The rival coxswains are waging a battle for the post. John Buddinton seems to have a slight advantage over Fat Louder, he being a little better at figures. Louder is rigidly holding himself to two spoons of sugar in his coffee in an effort to drop those superfluous pounds. Practice will start as soon as the coach discovers how many men comprise a crew.

Port Arthur, Ont.—(IP)—Hamilton Ont., is to be host to the British Empire games, scheduled for August, 1930, it was decided by a committee of the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada, here.

Hamilton will construct a \$100,000 swimming pool and a mile and a half running course, underwrite the games against losses, and billet athletes. The program is to be made up of track and field events, boxing, wrestling, rowing and swimming.



Conquering the Cascades

SNOW falls every month in the year where the Great Northern crosses the Cascades. Steep, tortuous grades increase the difficulty of the railroading problem. Nature has stubbornly resisted man's effort to conquer the range.

In January, 1929, the new Cascade tunnel was opened. Man, with electricity as an ally, had conquered the Cascades.

The eight-mile bore was driven in three years—a

record impossible without electric power. And electrification has been extended to the entire 75-mile route through the mountains.

The conquests of electricity on the land and on the sea, in the air, and underground, are making practicable the impossibilities of yesterday. As our vision encompasses wider horizons, electricity appears as a vital contribution to future industrial progress and human welfare.



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Ed. Milk, Editor

Some time ago we became acquainted with the works of Knut Hamsun, who writes with a rugged beauty of the stolid countryfolk of his native Norway. We immediately developed a yen for Norwegian literature. We're sorry to say that we have to date, but "tasted" a few of the contributions from the land of Ibsen and Bojer. It did our heart good, therefore, to find the works of Ole Rolvaag in the Coram Sorority House. We tackled *Giants in the Earth*, and when its sequel, *Peder Victorious*, arrived, we settled down to sate our desire for good, wholesome reading.

Showing himself a past master of the art of delineating character, painting vivid word-pictures of the Western prairies, and tracing the progress of Norwegian inroads into the Dakotas, friend Rolvaag merits "the vernal laurel wreath best fit to deck the happy pate of him who well deserves the name, 'Some Novelist!'" (Editor's note: Where did you steal that one?)

One would have to search far afield for a better portrayal of a young lad at the impressionable age than the treatment which Rolvaag gives to the moods of Peder, to the boy's religious skepticism, and to his resolve to break away from the bonds of the Old World, now that he is in the new. He did so by attending an English-speaking school, mingling with the Irish and American children, and doing all he could to forget his knowledge of anything Norwegian, the language in particular. He surely topped things off by becoming enamoured of the Doheny girl, a wisp of an Irish colleen.

Then there is Beret, the mother, with whom we became acquainted in *Giants in the Earth*. Opposed to Peder, to her other children, and to most of her neighbors in temperament and ideals, she carried the standards of rock-bound, traditional beliefs which had been imbued in the Norwegians "in the old country" and which were gradually being cast aside by the hordes of pioneers who had come to America with a consummate desire to push on and on into the West.

We are reminded a great deal of Hardy's treatment of Nature when we read Rolvaag's description of the bleak winters, the wasting days of dust and heat during the summer, and the blights of one sort or another which came upon the settlers and their handiwork. The repeated attacks by the locusts are pictured so vividly that we feel the pests battering our cheeks and necks as they swarm out of the West and begin to destroy crops, clothing on lines, and shovel handles left by some fleeing rustic. And this is but one striking example of Rolvaag's tone of fatalism, his belief that the Norwegians were foolhardy and destined to ruin from the moment that the cruel Dakota weather and environment began to destroy the bodies and minds of the people. The very solitude and deathlike stillness of the prairies worked upon the sensitive Beret until she became demented, an object of pity.

Man, then, is shown to be a nice little trinket for Nature to toy with, to fondle for a while, and then to hammer to bits. But Rolvaag doesn't wish his novel to be entirely depressing. There is an appreciable sense of pride which he has in the stolidness of the land-breakers, the pioneering Norwegians; he feels that their crowning virtue was a religious zeal to build homes, to extract from the earth their due of life-giving things.

In the last analysis, we must say that Rolvaag has done an admirable piece of work in his saga of the Western prairies. We await a promised sequel to *Peder Victorious*, and know that we shall enjoy following the events in the life of the recalcitrant youngster who broke his mother's heart in his determination to be "New Worldly Wise".

Miss Helen Ashe of Groveton, N. H., was the guest of Evelyn Webb, '29, at Rand last week.

OPEN FORUM

ON CRITICISM

Criticism is defined by Webster as a "critical judgment or detailed examination and review; especially an unfavorable judgment or opinion". Of course criticism heaps storms of abuse on the critic even though he may, and probably is right. Why this unjust censure? Between criticism and praise lays the word "correction" and correction can not be brought about by closing our eyes to our faults as many critic criticsers do.

Many evils at Bates have been brought to light by criticism which has resulted in the eradication of many of them. May the others disappear likewise.

To criticize requires tact, judgment, brains and especially courage—moral courage. Too many of us are willing to sit in on a bull session, making the air blue, figuratively and literally with words, reeking pipes and borrowed cigarettes, panning traditions, protesting vigorously against school policies, and acting in general as corner store politicians. Why have not more of us the courage of our convictions, the courage to stand on our hind legs and bark in the open, rather than behind closed doors or if we dare not do that, why do we unmercifully roast anyone who does?

Bates is not perfect, far from it, but it can be made much more nearly perfect than it is now. But it will not as long as we have these smug, self-complacent individuals going about with the all too familiar holier than thou attitude.

Progress is a result of criticism of two kinds, destructive doing away with evils and constructive improving good. Remove evils by criticizing them constantly for no one sits on a tack more than twice before it is removed. Let us have more vigorous criticism to make a bigger and better Bates.

F. L. G., '31

M. PIERRE DE LANUX ON LEAGUE

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of the Alsace-Lorraine section of France are also strongly in favor of the League. They realize now that only through mutual co-operation can they hope to achieve the best economic unity and highest profits. Commercial treaties and interchange of resources are bringing this about. In closing, Mr. Lanux said that the League is the world in a nut shell. The political, economic, and social ideas of each nation are laid bare before a hundred newspaper correspondents each day who transmit this information daily to a world public. More than a center of ideas, the League and the world Court are useable peace machinery. Mr Lanux foresees the creation of the world into a single moral and legal unit, and asserts that the League and the Courts have done much toward realizing this goal.

The barrage of questions shot at the lecturer after the address touching French-German relations, alliances, progression of disarmament and many other problems showed the keen interest of the audience in international affairs.

Intercollegiate News

Dorothy M. Haskell, Editor

The women of Waynesburg College, Pennsylvania have put their foot down on male dominance. Their annual prom will be utterly devoid of the masculine element. Half the girls, however, will don tuxedos. What fun!

The Junior Prom Committee at Northeastern University has started a dancing school to prepare for Prom—ready to dance on their own feet. Girls from the Boston City Club and Y. W. C. A. assist the students and so far about twenty have enlisted. The system used is one that provides these lessons after one payment on the Prom ticket has been made.

Steps have been taken at the college of the City of New York to organize a "brain team" similar to those of Harvard and Yale. The team will enter the Intercollegiate Scholastic Contests founded at Harvard under the William Lowell Putnam Fund carrying a prize of \$5000, won last year by the University over Yale.

The Harvard authorities describe the purpose of the contest as giving "the college students a feeling that by attaining high rank they are winning glory for their college, a feeling which has hitherto been confined to prowess in athletic sports."

A unique survey to determine how many college students are "collegiate" has recently been made by Dean Henry Doyle of George Washington University. Questionnaires were sent to nearly 300 leading colleges in the United States and in all of them it was the consensus of opinion that the student of today has higher ideals and purposes, does better and more serious work, and lives by a higher standard of moral conduct than the student of any preceding generation in the history of the country. The "collegiate" seems to be found only on the stage and in comic strips, in high schools and among a few college freshmen who soon learn that it isn't being done.

Some of the questions that Dean Doyle propounded were:

1. Is the "collegiate" of the humorous press and vaudeville stage the typical student of your college?
2. Is a slovenly appearance, as evidenced by garterless socks, rumpled shirt and collar, sloppy shoes and wrinkled suits of clothing, typical of your student body?
3. In the main, does the psychological attitude of your student body approve slouchy and careless habits of dress and conduct or neat habits of dress and courteous manners?
4. Is there any connection between attempts to be collegiate and such problems as drinking, necking, neglect of class work, dishonesty in examinations, other ethical problems?

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BASEBALL SEASON DUE TO OPEN
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ton seem to be the likely from which a final outfield combination will be selected. Two men, it must be understood, are all that need to be selected. Cascarden, star of last year's team, is certain of his place in right field. He was pushing them up for a percentage of .400 or over last season and is one of the Garnet hopes for a pennant this year.

The infield and the batteries have been getting practice galore on the indoor field. While the ball looks a little different indoors, the start given the men in training will be of invaluable assistance once the outdoor season gets under way. All of the infielders are seniors with the exception of Plager who is a freshman. Capt. Cole is in good condition and much is expected from Pooler and Turner. Luce, a veteran, and Brown, a freshman, have worked the kinks out of their throwing arms and are whipping the ball up to second in good style. Topolosky, who was valuable as an utility man last year will serve that purpose again this season. His versatility in handling positions on the inside of the diamond will probably get him into many of the varsity games before the season rolls around to a stop.

Chick Anderson is showing improvement as a pitcher, and Gerrish shows promise behind the plate.

The Garnet should have a good second team also this year. Coulter, who shows sufficient ability to make the first team, but who is ineligible for varsity baseball because of being a transfer, will get the first base assignment. Gilman, a freshman, is doing smooth work at the keystone sack. Borinstein appears the likely one to get the beat at short, and Jekanoski and Sprafke, both of whom were instrumental in the frosh taking the basketball championship some weeks ago will stir up the dust around third. There are several other good prospects for

The debaters of Boston University retained their rights to the title of intercollegiate debate champions after a week's tour in which they engaged in five debates without a defeat—Western Reserve, Pittsburg, American University at Washington, Lafayette University, and New York University.

MUSICAL CLUBS TRAVEL WIDELY
(Continued from Page 1)

the world coming to? Just the same, it was a wonderful trip, a wonderful concert, a wonderful audience—and wonderful eats. (All in spite of the fact that the music didn't arrive until "quite several" hours later than scheduled.) And the burnt out bearing may be attributed to the fact that most of that return trip happened on the 13th of the month.

At both of these latter concerts, too, Mary Pendlebury and Louise Allman were important parts of the program. It is felt that all of these concerts have done much to carry "Bates" into the minds and attention of the audience, and certainly a deeper appreciation on the part of the campus as a whole is deserved.

Maxwell Arthur Heather Wakely was on the campus this last weekend.

the second team. Bugbee is credited with making good improvement on the slab, and the outfielders will be taken from the candidates who fail to get regular assignments on the first team.

Bates is booked for an appearance at Northeastern in Boston on Monday and for another argument with Harvard on Tuesday, at Cambridge, then with Tufts on Wednesday. Rooters, coach and players are all anxious to start the season. A game would be beneficial before taking the field in these contests and should one or two of the first couple of games away from home next week be reported as ragged, the blame can be laid at the door of bad weather.

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PHILLIPS HIGH SCHOOL IS STATE DEBATING CHAMPION

Win Title in Sixteenth Season of Bates Interscholastic Debating League. Portland and Lewiston are runners-up Robert Lawrence, '31 of Phillips Best Speaker

Phillips High School earned the title of State Champion of Debating last Saturday morning as its representatives bore home the cup symbolical of victory, after meeting and vanquishing two of the largest high schools in the State, Portland High and Jordan High of Lewiston. Robert Lawrence, '31 of Phillips was awarded the scholarship of one hundred dollars which was the prize for the best speaker of the Bates Interscholastic Debating League. To Lewiston High School went the cup given to the runner-up in the League. Portland High finished third in the finals.

The semi-finals took place at rooms in Hathorn Hall, Libbey Forum, and Chase Hall, on Friday evening. The results this year demanded the formation of three triangles on the night of the semi-finals, with the agreement that the winner of each triangle should compete with the other two winners on Saturday morning. Thus nine schools took part in the series of semi-finals and finals. The first triangle was made up of Phillips, Calais, and Dixfield. The affirmative team of Phillips High met the negative team of Calais Academy, in which debate Phillips won, with Montford Libby best speaker. Calais affirmative lost to Dixfield negative, Rand Stowell of Dixfield being judged best speaker. Dixfield affirmative lost to Phillips negative, with Percy Chapman of Dixfield as best speaker.

In the second triangle, Lewiston, Lee Academy, and Leavitt Institute took part. Lewiston affirmative won from Lee negative Frances Carroll being chosen best speaker. The Lewiston negative also won from Leavitt affirmative, with Theodore Seaman as best speaker. Lee Academy's affirmative team lost the decision to Leavitt's negative team, Josephine Griffin being the best speaker.

In the third triangle, Portland, Bangor, and Gould Academy competed for honors. Portland High won both of its debates, defeating Bangor affirmative and the Gould negative teams. In the first debate, Morris Ruben of Portland was best speaker, and the Misses Elizabeth Corey and Bernie Boyle, both of Portland, tied for best speaker in the second debate. Gould Academy's affirmative team won the third debate of the triangle, defeating the Bangor negative speakers. Rebecca Carter of Gould was chosen best speaker of the last-mentioned debate.

Phillips High School on Saturday morning won from Lewiston and Portland, thus entitling them to be called State Champions. Robert Lawrence, best speaker of the Phillips-Portland debate was also selected as the best speaker of the League. Lewiston's affirmative team defeated the negative team from Portland. In the Phillips-Lewiston debate, Montford Libby was voted best speaker. The best speaker of the Lewiston-Portland debate was Morris Ruben of Portland.

This closes the sixteenth successful season of the Bates Interscholastic League. More schools enrolled this year than in any previous year in its history. The total number was fifty-

eight schools from the northernmost borders of Maine to its seacoast. Although there were more enrolled, there were fewer schools here for the finals and semi-finals. Only nine schools were represented, sending about forty-five students for the debates.

Last year's winner was Portland High School, with Houlton High the runner-up. Miss Corey of Portland was best speaker, second honors going to Robert Lawrence, then a freshman in high school, and Randolph Weatherbee.

The League Director, Professor Quimby, and the two assistants, Miss Mildred Beckman, '30, and Donald Strout, '30 were assisted in planning the program for the visiting teams by Walter Hodson, '29, Council President; John Manning, '30, Council Secretary; Ruth Shaw, '30; Howard Thomas, '31 and Scott Treworgy, '31.

CO-ED ATHLETICS

The Co-ed Base Ball and Volley Ball teams were chosen Tuesday, and the Captains were elected. This year, Base Ball captains are: Ruth Patterson '29, Gertrude Trecartin '30, Harriet Manser '31, Marjorie Briggs '32. The Volley Ball captains are: Louise Gilman '29, 'Mid' Beckman '30, Elizabeth Stokes '31, and Dorothy Lawless '32.

The play-off will come next week, all games at 4.30.

Monday Junior-Sophomore
Tuesday Senior-Freshman
Wednesday Senior-Sophomore
Thursday Junior-Freshman
Friday Senior-Junior
Saturday Sophomore-Freshman

The Seniors claim volleyball as their own special sport, and the rest of the campus have had to bow more or less gracefully heretofore. The Juniors got the basketball championship last year, and intend to hang onto it this spring. But they have competition; the Seniors feel they could use both championships, the Sophomores think the baseball crown belongs to them, and the Freshmen represent the Dark Horses in the race. It ought to be some squabble!

The teams are:

VOLLEYBALL	
Senior	Junior
Nutter	Beckman, Mu.
Gilman	Beckman, Mid.
Young, M.	Pratt
Young, G.	Young, G.
Hudson, H.	Withington, C.
Misener, P.	Parsons, B.
Lunderville, P.	Page, B.
McCue	Tourtillot, M.
Maguire	McCaughy, H.
Subs	Subs
Bassett	Jewett, C.
	Hooper
	Hanson
Sophomore	Freshman
Butterfield	Blanchard
Elliot	Bumpus, Madeline
Dow	Lawless
Stokes	Renwick
Verrill	Stone
Stahl	Page
Waterman	Hines
Wakefield	Howe

STOCKS AND BONDS

Peter Kesaris, '29
When we want to buy a book we go to a book store. If we want a piece of furniture we go to a furniture store. All commodities have a market where they can be bought and sold. So with stocks and bonds—they have stock markets which we call stock exchanges such as the New York Stock Exchange, the New York Curb, Boston Stock Exchange. There are over 250 stock exchanges in the world of which the New York Stock Exchange is the largest and the most active.

Stock markets can be traced as far back as 2052 years ago at the Forum in ancient Rome, but the New York Stock Exchange traces back its beginning to the year 1792. Prior to this time there was a very small market on the few bank stocks and bonds, and trading was being conducted in an unorganized manner. In 1791 the traders began to collect under a large button-wood tree which was situated where 68 Wall Street is now. In 1792 the stock of the First United States bank was being actively traded, stock dealings increased, and stock brokers appeared. Twenty-four of these brokers entered into an agreement promising not to buy or sell securities at a less rate than 1/4 of 1% commission on

the specie value of the securities bought or sold. This was the beginning of the New York Stock Exchange.

These twenty-four brokers conducted their business in the open. In time their business expanded, more brokers were allowed to enter the agreement, and need was felt for convenient quarters to do their business. With the establishment of the Second United States Bank in 1816, the brokers formed an association, raised funds, and in 1817 secured a building in which a ready market was provided for all stocks and bonds in which they cared to deal. The present building on Wall Street between New and Broad Streets has replaced the original one of 1817.

Since that time the United States has developed remarkably in Western expansion, territorial growth, canal building, railroad construction, and industrial development. All these enterprises were made possible by the corporations which issued stocks and bonds. These easily-negotiable commodities found a ready market at the New York Stock Exchange. This stock exchange has prospered and grown until now it is one of the interesting show-places in New York City.

The present day N. E. Stock Exchange is a voluntary association of 1100 members (recently increased by 275 memberships) for the purpose of providing themselves a free and carefully regulated market place for the purchase and sale of securities. The Exchange has a constitution and by-laws, with reserved power to discipline, suspend and expel any member. Its members are required to maintain a high standard of honor and integrity and to inculcate just and equitable principles in their trading.

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BASEBALL

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Chase, c	c, Wood
Hanseom, 1st	1st, Kyes
Ellis, 2nd	2nd, Gibbs
Cutts, 3rd	3rd, Patterson
Nichols, r ss	r ss, Carl, Kennard
Hatch, 1 ss	1 ss, Hoyt
Baker, cf	cf, Sanders
Trecartin, rf	rf, Finn
Shaw, lf	lf, Skelton
Subs	Subs
McCusick	Cook
Record	H. Sanders
Small	Lundell
Freshman	Sophomore
Lambertson, p	p, Day
Nichols, c	c, Tower
Finn, E., 1st	1st, Manser
Hall, 2nd	2nd, Cook
Finn, J., 3rd	3rd, Harmon
Briggs, M., r ss	r ss, Parker
Diggery, 1 ss	1 ss, Hewitt
Cushing, lf	lf, York
Cousins, cf	cf, Christopher
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After a new member has entered he is entitled to buy and sell securities for his customers and charge them an agreed commission. It is by these charges for commissions that the member expects to compensate himself for the expenses of the privilege to trade on the floor. Sometimes members buy and sell stocks for their own account. In this case they take advantage of the fact that they are the first to compute the fluctuations and trend of the market because the dealings are transacted right before their eyes. We had an excellent example of this in the market on Tuesday, March 26, when 8,249,740 shares were sold. The ticker quoted prices on the tape which had occurred an hour or more before on the floor of the stock exchange.

Backtehisarai, Crimea—(IP)—The ruins of a great city, the origin of which is not known, have been discovered in the Eski-Kermen valley in the heart of the Crimean peninsula.

The ruins are said to extend for more than two miles, and consist of high fortress walls, hundreds of homes hewed out of rocks and six great cave temples, decorated with ancient frescoes.

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