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Pageant, Races, Dance Highlight "Sadie Hawkins" Day At Bates

By John Ackerman
The jugs are empty, the guns are... and Jean Cheney and John Sullivan are Daisy Mae and Lil Abner. They won the titles by popular acclaim at a riotous brawl in Chase Hall which featured as a collection of character as never appeared in Eugene O'Neill's plays. GI long johns, Navy dungarees, frayed-bottom pedal pushers, blanket-like burlap bags, and bearded Indians straight out of Cecil B. DeMille's "epics".
Chase Hall resembled a second hand clothing store on the loose. Jean Cheney wore authentic Daisy Mae clothes. John Sullivan wore a hopper outfit which included one prehistoric hat, long johns with a red caubose, boots, an ancient rifle, a jug filled with unidentified liquor, and a corsage.
Sadie Hawkins Day began with a pageant start with a historical pageant in front of Hathorn at 8:45 Saturday morning. Numbered in the parade were Pinky Planeta, as Mammy Yokum, complete with corn cob pipe and high shoes, John Gaffney, as Pappy Yokum, Abe Kovler, as Sadie's proud dad, Lois Keniston as Daisy Mae, and Hugh Mitchell as Lil Abner.
John Grady played a remarkably husky and hairy Sadie Hawkins, while John Gannon, camouflaged in...
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Lil Abner and Daisy Mae emerge from Dog Patch to attend the "Sadie Hawkins" Dance

Athletic Awards Announced Today

The athletic office is announcing today awards for the 1947 fall season as follows:
VARSITY FOOTBALL: Al Angelosante, Art Blanchard, Lindy Blanchard, Jesse Castanias, Don Connors, Bill Cunnane, Len Hawkins, Al Howlett, Wally Leahey, Mike Melody, Bill Perham, Bud Porter, Hod Record, Norm Parent, Dick Scott, Ces Tessicini, John Thomas, George Thompson, Nick Valoras, and Owen Kittredge (Manager).
FRESHMAN FOOTBALL NUMERALS: Hal Cornforth, Jerry Condon, Al Dunham, Al Evans, Ray Faulkner, Larry Fisher, John Grady, John Greim, Shirley Hamel, Stan Inman, Aaron Johnson, Roland Keans, Dave Kuhn, Ray Lindsay, Bill Larochelle, Bob Lecomte, Irwin Morrison, Bill Paradis, Ralph Perry, Bob Rosasco, Tony Romano, Don Russell, Dick Somers, and Blaine Wiley. Numerals also go to assistant managers Austin Jones and Dick Johnston.
VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY: Joe Brown, Jascha French, Rog Howard, Jim Mahany, Dwight Quigley, and Manager Ken Crosby.
FRESHMAN CROSS COUNTRY NUMERALS: Max Bell, Norm Baker, Ed Burger, Bob Carpenter, Lou Junker, Art Knoll, Ray Moore, and Harold Moores.

Dr. Brush Speaks On The Push Of History

Dr. John Brush, professor of history at Andover-Newton Seminary and ex-pastor of the Baptist Church in Waterville, spoke on excerpts of the history of mankind in chapel Monday.
That we might understand the push of history which makes men cross wild seas in quest of something new, Dr. Brush declared that we must break down the walls which prevent our understanding of our fellows. "We must have power to build cities which last, over and against men who hate," he concluded.
In view of the proximity of Thanksgiving, Dr. Brush explained that it is all too easy for us at Thanksgiving time to congratulate God that he should have people as ours, best above all nations. In this way Thanksgiving becomes a hypocrisy, as we insulate ourselves against the needs and cries of the world.

"Only Communists Fear US," Says Czech At Bates Reception

"Joan Of Lorraine" Set For Dec. 4, 5, 6

We can expect to see on the evenings of December 4, 5 and 6th one of the most unique productions that the Robinson Players has ever attempted and judging from past performances we can surmise that it will be one of their finest:
What makes the play unique is the fact that the audience is given a chance to see a play in actual rehearsal and watch it grow from the first bare beginnings to the actual shape of a finished production.
Maxwell Anderson, author of "Joan of Lorraine", says that he has always wanted to write a play about a play in rehearsal, because he has wanted an audience in the theater to share the excitement of seeing a play come to life on a bare stage.
In this production the audience sees an empty stage with only the worklights glaring in everyone's eyes, the constant interruptions, and the actors reading their parts.
The problem of "why we believe what we believe" and how man can defend his beliefs is the dominant theme of "Joan of Lorraine". This was the problem of Socrates, Lincoln and Joan of Arc.
Maxwell Anderson chose Joan because she was far from our time, and the scenes from her life would offer a complete contrast with the rehearsal and would give the actors a real chance to make a new world and set it down on a bare stage.
Without the help of lights and scenery in parts of the play an added burden is placed on the actors. They must without the benefit of conventional theatrical aids, convey the feeling of the transformation of mere words and actions to thoughts and struggles of men and women.

Bates-On-The-Air

A "Jazz Combo" of Henry Santos, Mike Latogola, "Wimp" Larochelle, and "Doc" Lloyd was featured on the "Bates-on-the-Air" radio program last Wednesday.
The program to be heard today at 4:30 over WCOU will have a seasonal theme, comparing Thanksgiving in the United States with one in Europe.

120 Students Sign For 'Hayseed Day'

Tomorrow at 3:30, one hundred and twenty students plan to leave Rand Hall on the Hayseed Holiday arranged by the Outing Club. Busses have been chartered for the trip to the Turner Grange Hall in Turner Falls. This holiday excursion has been planned for those students unable to go home for Thanksgiving Day. Bert Knight is in charge of the arrangement.
The ladies of the Grange have prepared homemade pie, ice cream, sandwiches, and cider for all. An orchestra will provide music for waltzing, jitterbugging, and novelty dancing.
Students interested in the rustic intricacies of square dancing will be given assistance by the local citizens. The highlight of the Thanksgiving Day celebration will be the hayride out into the country.
The event will be concluded by a community sing with busses returning to the college at 9:00 p.m.

CA Announces Big Kansas Conference

Students may apply for places in the Bates delegation to the 15th Quadrennial North American Student Conference on Christian Frontiers not later than this Friday afternoon, Nov. 28, at the CA office, it has been announced by the Christian Association.
The conference will be held at the University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kan., Dec. 27 to Jan. 1. Any Bates student may apply.
According to announcements, the conference will be attended by 2000 students from all parts of the world. Activities will feature speakers, discussion groups, and study groups with missionaries, statesmen, labor leaders, and interracial workers.
Speakers will include Congressman Walter H. Judd of Minnesota, who is conference chairman; Dr. John R. Mott; Ruth Seabury; David Burgess; and Dr. John Karefas-Smart.
The Conference on Christian Frontiers, founded in 1886 at Mount Herman, Mass., is sponsored by the United Student Christian Council, the Student Christian Movement of Canada, the Student Volunteer Movement, the Home Missions Council, and the Foreign Missions Council.

Possible Careers Are Subjects Of Lectures

Mrs. Agnes Seavey, director of the Maine School of Commerce, spoke Wednesday November 19th on the use of secretarial skills. She elaborated on the vocational application of commercial training, stressing the desirable personal characteristics of business employees.
Mrs. Seavey discussed civil service appointments and positions in private industry, giving preference to the latter.
The next program which the Placement office presented was held in the Carnegie Science building on November 25th. The speaker was Doctor Irving Good of the Associate Pathologist at the Maine Central General Hospital. His subject "Laboratory Medicine" was of value to those interested in laboratory technical work, or in medicine.

Religious Emphasis Speakers Are Signed

Robert Bevin, president of the Baptist Missionary Training School of Chicago, will be the featured guest speaker for Religious Emphasis Week, March 7 to 10, Chairman Robert Alward announced last Friday, Nov. 21, at a meeting of the Christian Association's steering committee for the event.
Other discussion leaders to be on campus during the week are the Rev. Prentiss L. Pemberton, of the Boston office of the Student Christian Movement in New England, Bayard Rustin, Negro representative of the Fellowship of Reconciliation; and Val Wilson, Bates '38, assistant to Dr. Newton Fetter of the New York office of the Northern Baptist Convention.
Members of the Religious Emphasis Week steering committee, which plans to meet again this Friday night, are as follows: Robert Alward and Dr. Painter, co-chairmen; David Goodwin; Arroyln Hayes; Mr. LeMaster; Dr. MacDonald; William Perham; William Stringfellow; and Mary Francis Turner.

Calendar	
Thursday, Nov. 27	Hayseed Holiday, Turner Center
Friday, Nov. 28	WAA Co-ed Volley ball, Cage 7-8 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 30	Co-ed Dining, Fiske and Commons, noon meal.
Tuesday, Dec. 2	Men's Assembly Smoker, Chase Hall Basement, 7-8 p.m.

Couples Sign For Coed Dining; Gillespie Announces Directions

Students Show Opinions On Stu-C Questionnaires

Plans for the coming Freshmen elections were discussed at the last Wednesday night Student Council meeting, November 19. Bob Vail, in charge of the election, announced that definite preparations are underway.
The nominations will be held by write-in ballot on December 4 when the entire class meets in the Chapel. The two candidates with the greatest number of votes for each office will be the nominees for those offices when the class elections are held on December 9. At that time the entire class will elect its four officers and the men will elect a Stu-C representative.

Editors Add News Assistants To Staff

Six News Assistants to help in assigning news articles for The STUDENT have been appointed by news editors Sue McBride and Dave Tillson. They are Florence Lindquist, departmental clubs and Robinson Players; Midge Harthan, music; Bob Patterson, publications; Max Bell, debating and speech; Jo Cargill, Alumni and Placement Office; Barbara Pekar, religious clubs; and Marjorie Dwellley, Chapel.
Special reporter for the Outing Club is Stan Freeman. Jo Cargill and Dick Nair are reporters for Stu-G and Stu-C, respectively.
Also, Bob Patterson has been placed in charge of The STUDENT's new file system.
Christian Association news articles and feature articles are provided by that organization's Publicity Commission.
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"Prologue" Sets Date Of Issue

Featured in the first issue of the new literary magazine "Prologue" December 10 will be the following articles, "Communism in Czech," an eye witness report of existing conditions behind Russian Iron Curtain; "Development of the Rhode Island Basketball Technique"; "The New Look," Look's at College Men"; and the short story, "Green Mountain Edition 86 Proof".
The magazine, the idea of Don Strong and Roy Gallant of Bowdoin College, is being managed by editorial boards on each of the college campuses. These individual boards collect, discuss and edit all material submitted to them by students, and then collectively select the best articles for the magazine.
The purpose of the "Prologue" is to provide for a non-partial expression of the students views as to politics, sports, or any phase of our daily life.

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Collection Of Autographed Books Is Available To Students At Library

McReynolds Lectures On Christian Science

A group of about seventy-five autographed books, written by famous people, is one of the little-known, valuable collections of Coram Library.
A unique copy of "China in Peace and War", by Madame Chiang Kishi, may be found there. The uncut pages are bound by hand; and the printing is on two sides of a normal four page span, to add to the protection of the book. The autograph is in both English and Chinese. Another volume is "Seasoned Timber", by Dorothy Canfield Fisher, one of the judges of the Book of the Month Club. There is a copy of "Lost Horizon", autographed by James Hilton, and one by J. Edgar Hoover, entitled "Persons in Hiding".
The signature of Franklin D. Roosevelt is found in his book, "Witner Bound". His script appears as if written hurriedly, yet under the name he added, "The White House". Lowell Thomas is represented by his "Hungry Water". His autograph extends diagonally across the entire width of the end sheet. Also, there are two volumes on Retailing Principles and Methods, signed by President Charles Phillips.
These are samples of the books of this collection to be found in the office of Miss Mabel Eaton, librarian. The collection is not catalogued, and is too valuable to be on display. However, it is available to students on request.

McReynolds Lectures On Christian Science

"The Availability of Divine Power as revealed by Christian Science" was the title of the Christian lecture given by James Harry McReynolds C. S. B. of Dallas, Texas in the Bates Chapel, Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. He is a member of the Board of Lectureship of the Mother Church in Boston.
The power of God, he spoke of as being the ability to act with divine authority and with might bestowed by divine intelligence. He defined God as the only source of substance and power; that Christ Jesus, the son of God, has the power to exercise divine authority. McReynolds spoke on Christian Science concepts of health. "Christian Science enables us to know that fear, ignorance, and sin—the causes of disease—can be eradicated and thus kept from imposing themselves on humanity, in the same way that Jesus demonstrated the effectiveness and availability of divine power."
"Since health originates in God, it is not something that is gained through an inanimate drug, neither is it dependent upon a particular locality or altitude; nor are there varying degrees of health, because health is complete, perfect, and eternal."
Other subjects the speaker dealt with are: Man's ability divinely bestowed, Spiritual vs. Material So called power, the Discoverer and Founder of Christian Science (Paul), Reconstruction and Readjustment, Christian Science Health Treatment, Assurance of Salvation and the Will of God.

Spanish Club

Songs and records in Spanish will be the features of the Spanish Club's get-together in the Women's Union Monday, December 1, at 8:15. Mrs. Powers, faculty advisor of the club, has announced.

Students may sign up by couples during this week in Men's Commons and Rand Hall for the co-educational dinner to be served this Sunday, Nov. 30, the CA Social Commission has announced.

According to Aaron Gillespie, chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements for the innovation, half the boarding men will dine at Rand Sunday, and half the women at Commons. Whether or not they have signed up by couples, all students will have the opportunity to sit in mixed groups at the tables.
Three different types of tickets will be distributed by Saturday. Admission tickets to the first meal at Rand will be white; to the second, pink; and to the Commons cafeteria, blue. These must be presented at the door. Men and women may trade tickets among themselves before dinner.

"Coed dining is primarily a casual affair in which we hope the Bates 'hello' spirit will not be forgotten," says Gillespie. Reservations have already been made on the college calendar for three more coed meals during the year. If the first is successful, plans will go ahead on the others.
Gillespie's committee has undertaken the complete administration of the affair Sunday. Attendants stationed at the dining room doors will be Social Commission workers.

Ten Volleyball Teams Play In Starting Game

Upon the suggestion of June Ingalls, W. A. A. became interested in Coed Volleyball. Nothing had been done along these lines and it seemed like a good idea. Stu-C representative Charles Radcliffe helped June with arrangements, and with the enthusiastic backing of the administration, new nets and balls were purchased and the cage at Alumni Gym was opened for volleyball from 7-8 Friday nights.
Both fellows and girls signed up for teams and 80 people turned up for the first game, Nov. 21st. The girls drew to see which men's team they would play with. There were 10 teams with 4 girls and 4 fellows on each, so that skill and power would be evenly matched. The girls rules are used in all games and a mimeographed sheet will be given out this week showing the difference between men's and women's rules.
Everyone showed great spirit and enthusiasm especially the Smith North boys, under Hank Burnett. Before the game they appointed Stan Inman, who gave them a pep talk, as their coach, and Link Barlow as manager, in name only. Maybe it pays because Burnett's "Syndicate" (name for Smith North's team 6) and the Rand girls won with a score of 57 against the other teams 22.
These games will be held in the cage every Friday night from 7-8, through December 12th.

Baldwin, Davis, Santos Are Soloists At Chapel

Carlton Davis, Joyce Baldwin, and Henry Santos presented a musical program in an all student assembly Friday, Nov. 21.
The program began with a violin solo by Davis, who played "Romance". Edith Routier accompanied him on the piano.
Miss Baldwin followed, singing "My Heart at Thy Sweet Voice", and "Through the Years". Miss Routier was her accompanist.
The last number consisted of "Malaguena", played by Santos on the piano. "Libestrume" by Litz was his encore number.

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We Too Want A New Look . . .

During the past several days, we have been flooded with letters to the editor about one issue which far outnumber all other letters we have ever received before.

We are fully aware of the fact that the question of wearing dungarees in the Commons is not a new one. It has been hashed and rehashed time and time again. In the past, repeated efforts by various Student Councils have been so unsuccessful that this year's Council has deliberately shied away from the issue.

The question now arises once more however, and the sentiment of the men can be shown by the following excerpts from some of the letters we have received:

" . . . Many fellows are in the habit of wearing fatigues or dungarees to practice so that they don't have to hang up their good clothes in the cramped lockers . . . I know that if I don't wear fatigues, my good clothes are always in the cleaners, and if I have to go back and change . . . I just about miss chow . . ."

Jack Greim

" . . . The efficacy of this rule, no matter what may be the reason for it, can't possibly outweigh the inconveniences . . ."

A. Alperstein

" . . . I feel that it would be to the best interests of the male students to have this rule rescinded . . ."

Arthur Hutchinson

" . . . At present, the school has not, to my knowledge, any regulations concerning the wearing of dungarees to class . . . I have never seen anyone on the Bates campus wear dungarees which were so dirty as to offend others . . ."

Ralph Mills

" . . . Since it is our dining hall, I believe we are all equally interested in maintaining proper standards of dress. Moreover, I think we should be given credit for knowing what proper standards of dress are . . ."

Ralph Hoyt

" . . . Once in a while we will want to wear dungarees, but not always, so no great harm will be done . . ."

Robert Purinton

We wholeheartedly support the points raised in these letters. They are valid and legitimate objections and they represent an overwhelming majority of male student opinion. They certainly constitute a mandate to the Student Council to reopen the question with the proper officials. Whether they will achieve any degree of success or not is impossible to predict.

In brief, this is our stand. Clean dungarees are no more offensive than sports slacks, khakis, or any other clean garment. Dirty dungarees are no less offensive than any other dirty garment. These statements apply to the Commons, they do not mean there is no difference between slacks and dungarees. We do not believe that wearing dungarees or fatigues to meals will result in lowering any standards in the Commons.

The present rule represents an inconvenience to men who are intelligent enough to know how to dress properly for whatever function or activity they may be doing. We wholeheartedly support the movement to rescind this rule.

Harry Jobrack

Help Wanted

One of the commonest complaints heard on campus concerns the food situation. Much of the complaining comes from the chronic grippers who are firmly convinced that they haven't had a good meal yet. This noise can be largely ignored, because it comes from a group that has made up its mind that it just won't be pleased.

There are students, however, who do have good suggestions for improvement. The difficulty here lies in translating these suggestions into action. The biggest obstacle is proving that any stated opinion or idea accurately represents the general consensus of opinion of the student body. It's unreasonable to suppose that individual preferences will be acted upon unless the administrators of the Commons and Fiske are convinced of two points. First, the change must be feasible, and second, most of the students will be in accord.

Various attempts have been made to obtain valid cross-sections of opinion about specific details. The accuracy of the results has always been questioned. For this reason, the Student Council and Student Government are taking the matter directly to the student body.

A Council committee is preparing a questionnaire about food. Students will be asked to answer specific questions and list general comments. This committee has already asked for suggestions as to what questions will be included.

The student body is going to carry the ball on this play. If they fumble, it will be their own fault. Unless the response to this questionnaire comes close to 100%, it's pretty unlikely that anything more will be attempted by the Council. It's impossible for them to act unless backed by strong student opinion.

The Council is now calling your signal.

Harry Jobrack

Thanksgiving - For Man Who Built Bates

By Dave Tillson

One day in the fall of 1862 a shy, slender boy of 18 looked down from the top of Mt. David for the first time at Hathorn and Parker Halls on the stump-covered campus of the eight-year-old Maine State Seminary. A few days later the same homesick lad, now enrolled there, was studying Greek, Latin and math and boarding himself on crackers and milk to save \$2 a week meal charges. This diet weakened his naturally slight physique and on one occasion George Colby Chase, later to become the second president of Bates College, actually fainted in the classroom.

Following graduation from Bates George taught school, and after a year at Harvard came to Bates as professor of English. Prof. Chase soon had more and harder-to-prepare class hours than any other professor, to which were added the heavy duties of coaching debating and maintaining school discipline, especially against the "rancorous and robust" hazing.

Helped Save College

But in 1873 came the severe depression which brought the college close to collapse. It was Prof. Chase, the youngest man on the faculty, who promised to help raise money. Thus Prof. Chase came to spend his holidays in dreary Boston lodging houses.

As his son has put it:

"Often to save hotel expenses he spent long nights in the waiting rooms of stations. He blacked his own shoes and carried his own luggage. The unheated rooms where he lodged, the long hours of waiting to interview possible benefactors, the irregular and unwholesome meals, the exposure to rain and sleet finally caused serious illness."

Professionals Aid Frosh In Career Choice

By Charles Lohfeld

What is the main objective of most students upon graduation? To get a good job, of course.

To help undergraduates in this essential matter, career conferences came to Bates three years ago as the second point of the Bates Plan. Specifically, the program's purpose is to aid students in choosing vocations.

This fall each member of the freshman class is conferring with Prof. Paul Bartlett, director of placement, about making a correct selection of courses and obtaining aid in finding the position that will best suit him after graduation. This aid is available to the rest of the college as well as to the freshmen.

The department of career conferences is sponsoring a series of lectures this year to give the student a chance to supplement his knowledge of proposed occupations by talking with men who have had actual experience in each field. Prof. Bartlett urges students who are undecided as to a career to attend the complete series of lectures.

Reports from this department show that many students are interested in careers that won't be covered by the lectures. These students, according to Prof. Bartlett, are welcome at any time to use the literature on careers in the Placement Office.

"Career conferences attain a greater usefulness," says Prof. Bartlett, "as more students realize the value of this kind of personal preview of their life's work."

.. Surface Noise ..

Phew! What a week end, huh fellas? Sadie Hawkins Day went over with a big bang, and we won't forget it for a long time.

As soon as the numbers were released, the telephone was swamped and even the operator for East Parker was in cahoots with the gals — she returned every nickel!

Poor Condon was dragged — the length of the hall in J.B., but the boys couldn't get into the phone booth with him. Now what little "Sadie" wanted to date this boy from the deep South?

But the boys in Smith did better — they dragged one of their members down two flights of stairs to talk to his "scream girl."

Another one of the boys was es-

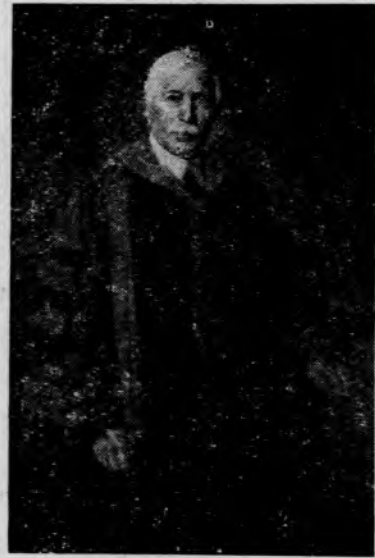
His own diary reveals a typical reception of his work:

"Mr. E. had just left the store. I overtook him and walked on the street with him. Before I could fairly present my subject he demanded whether our college prohibited liquor drinking. He asked me whether I smoked and said he thought he smelt my breath. On my denying this, he demanded my address and while I was fumbling for my card said he must take a passing car."

Secured Prestige For Bates

Such was part of the price that the sensitive nature of Dr. Chase paid for the funds that enabled Bates College to survive. In 1892 President Cheney, 75 years old and knowing he must soon retire, recommended Prof. Chase as his successor. He became Bates' second president in June, 1894.

During his 27-year presidency, Dr. Chase played a huge part in securing for Bates Coram Library, Chase Hall, the chapel, Rand Hall, Carnegie Science Building, the departments of augmentation, education, and girls' athletics. He sponsored Bates' first intercollegiate debate. He provided girls' dormitories.



.. he thought he smelt my breath ..

reopened John Bertram, and secured for Bates a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

He fell dead early one morning in May, 1919, as he prepared for his usual day of strenuous exertion. He was 75.

The name George Colby Chase you see, is far more than the nickname for Bates outmoded old horse, and a synonym for conservatism. It is a symbol of strong-willed devotion to humanity and devotion of Bates College.

"Quite A Change" Writes Bates Coed From Zurich

By Wilfred Barbeau

"The Swiss are fantastic on cleanliness . . . spend so much time and energy keeping their streets and houses clean that they hardly have time for anything else."

This is one of many interesting observations made by Barbara Woods, Bates '49, temporarily a student at the University of Zurich, in a recent letter to Professor Buschmann. Of the Swiss students she says, "We have a group with varied interests — some artistic, some intellectual, some just slaphappy. It's really less humorous than I expected, but we have a good time . . ."

Part of Revived Plan

Barbara Woods is taking part in "Junior Year Zurich," a peacetime plan now being revived which gives American students an opportunity to study in Switzerland at their own expense.

Barbara, the first Bates postwar representative, is studying German culture and literature in what is now probably the most ideal location. From the tone of her letter,

one might assume that she is fully capable of appreciating this colorful experience. Her keen awareness of the "mellow" atmosphere in a 12th century Romanesque Cathedral; her delight with the uncommercialized beauty of the Rheinfall, which she says is "more impressive than Niagara"; and the very worldly "globetrotter" feeling of shopping with a "hash of French, German, and English", all tend to illustrate her appreciation of the trip.

No Restriction on Hours
 Scholastically, Barbara was placed in an advanced German group, despite a scant two years of the language at Bates. Other courses in her curriculum include a survey history of western and central Europe; readings in German drama, theatre, and literature; phonetics and pronunciation. She doesn't mention cultural heritage.

Barbara and her Texan roommate live in the "Studentinnenheim", a modern dormitory which has no restrictions on hours. To quote her reaction, " . . . it's really quite a change."

ter getting his boys off to the dance that East Parker's sofa was a welcome sack!
 Jean and Johnny looked like real Dog Patchers, but in fact there were so many appropriately dressed that it was difficult to choose the winners.
 It's all over but the shouting now, but how about it, let's keep Sadie Hawkins Day in mind for next year.

Group Plays Mother To Students, Visitors

By Charles Clark

Way back in the dim, dark recesses of now-forgotten history, the need was felt by some unknown personage to whom a monument should long ago have been erected, for a group here on the Bates campus which would incorporate the duties of a host, mother, playmate, and general arranger of things for Bates students and visitors to the campus.

Nor was this only idle dreaming, for the result of this idea was the Social Commission of the Christian Association, one of the most widely active of all that organization's nine commissions.

In the past, according to records at the CA office, this commission has sponsored freshman dancing classes, after-vesper suppers, and the May Day breakfast on Mt. David. The commission used to supply the Saturday night dance chaparrones, a job now taken care of by the Chase Hall Dance Committee, and at one time furnished music in the dining room. This group also used to cooperate with the Student Government and the Women's Athletic Association in sponsoring mid-year cocoas at exam time. In the days of the Bates V-12 unit, it was the Social Commission which sponsored faculty-sailor get-togethers in the homes of faculty members.

Plan Dancing Class

This year the commission finds itself under the guidance of Mary Frances ("Emef") Turner, the personable vice-president of Whittier House, who is a natural for the job. It is her opinion that the function of her commission is to fill in the

gaps of campus life and take social responsibilities that, if left unattended, would ordinarily fall to the mother in the home.

Included in the commission's schedule from now until Christmas vacation is an evening of singing which will be held at the time of the regular December meeting. Student carollers make the rounds of the homes, and the evening will be completed with an informal get-together at Chase Hall. Also coming are dancing classes for beginners which are expected to get away before the first formal

Runs Coed Dining

This Sunday's coeducation dining is another major project planned by the commission. In the past, various groups have taken over such a program but not met with great success.

The Social Commission is taking the lead in trying out an idea once more and has arranged the arrangements in the hands of a committee headed by Aaron Lespie.

This year for the first time the commission is providing hostesses to help promote a friendly atmosphere at the monthly fireside meetings. It is also a group which provides the rooms for discussion groups, many other all-campus functions.

In nearly every phase of campus life, the many activities of the Social Commission, as they are carried out by its chairman, its members, and its advisor, Painter, perform a service which may well deserve acknowledgment by the rest of the student body.

POLITICS PREFERRED

C. A. Public Affairs Commission

HIGH PRICES
By Austin Jones

Perhaps the political maneuver of the year was pulled last week when President Truman dumped the problem of inflation into the lap of Republican-dominated Congress. The President presented a ten point plan to Congress, the immediate approach to the problem being in three types of measures:

- (1) To relieve monetary pressures.
- (2) To channel scarce goods into most essential uses.
- (3) To deal directly with specific high prices.

The immediate causes of our inflation have been attributed to wage increases, removal of OPA, record volume of exports, high industrial profits without a commensurate increase in production, over-employment, increase in expenditures, and high consumer credit.

The President proposed to deal with these forces by advocating ceilings on wages and prices, a revival of consumer rationing if necessary, and extra reserve powers to deal with any newly arising difficulties. Some comments on the President's speech follow:

Christian Science Monitor, New York Times:

"Best indications were that the President's recommendations for

price controls and rationing would not have a chance for adoption though some of his less controversial proposals would probably be accepted."

Taft, quoted in N. Y. Times: "A step toward a complete totalitarian nation." "Reaction."

Max Lerner in PM: "The program can work if given a chance. But no one expects that the Republicans, who control Congress, will give it a chance." "The evils of price control are largely imaginary. The danger of inflation are terribly real."

The issue now is whether or not the controls for which the President has asked will be granted. It is obvious that the problem can be dealt with successfully if only a few weak powers are granted to curb inflation.

The emergency may be likened to that of war — something drastic has to be done, and quick in order to avert the ruinous pressure that follows inflation, surely as death follows in the wake of a battle. Price controls and rationing were effective during war; with cooperation, controls will work now.

The problem being to remove causes of inflation or to start a deflation process, the President's plan is workable though drastic — it is to be drastic to do the job.

Nobody Knows Who Mr. D Was But The Hathorn Bell Rings On

By Helen Rankin

Do you like mysteries? Well, if you'll ascend to the top of the Hathorn bell, you'll find this inscription: "Maine State Seminary, presented by Jonathan Davis of Webster, 1857."

Who this man is, what he did, or why he gave the bell to the seminary which later became Bates, no one on campus seems to know. One theory set forth in a 1925 issue of THE STUDENT says: "Jack Davis was convinced by Prof. Cheney's eloquence that the bell was an absolute necessity."

At any rate, the present generation has the bell. Or more particularly, Bellingers Joel Fiske and Bob Smith have the bell. These two recommend the tomb-like nocturnal atmosphere of Hathorn for studying (except during play rehearsals), though they definitely deplore the lack of a private shower.

Their job — and they get paid

for it, too — is to ring the bell at the proper occasions. It is to whose energies call Bates students to and from classes and wake them in the morning.

Once back in 1908 the top of the rising bell was changed from 7 to 6:45 a. m. The latter hour, according to a 1928 STUDENT "outrageous". What should be about the 6:30 rising hour which now prevails?

Other events that cause the bell ringers to exert a little energy are athletic victories, vesper services and mayoralty campaigns. At times debate victories were also pronounced this way. On the more serious side, the bell has also tolled on the death of college presidents and faculty members.

Since 1857 the Hathorn bell has become an essential part of campus life. And all because of the mysterious Mr. D!

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Two Posts Wide Open; Court Crew Warms Up

By Dave Turkeltaub

Until the Gay Nineties, the winter was an off season for sports. The aftermaths of every football team had contented themselves with calisthenics and other dull forms of physical training. Then luckily, a fellow named Naismith at Springfield College put his imagination to work and developed the game of basketball to fill in the gap between football and baseball. Thus the start of the football season initiated the start of basketball practice last week.

Coach Ed Petro has not had much time to work with the men, and the team candidates have not had time to develop the best conditions for showing their individual capabilities. So at this time competition on the team will have to be hazy and indefinite.

Two men are missing from last year's championship five, men whose experience, scoring ability, and ball handling are going to be missed. "Red" Barry was a top-flight guard, whose passing and speed made him an integral part of the attack. And Jack Joyce, center of the combine, was a dead-end, tallying an average of 19 points a game. These two left quite a hole in the team's strength.

To fill the gap Coach Petro is experimenting with various combinations. He has until December 15 to smooth out the wrinkles and come up with what he thinks will be a winning club. Not much time, yet Petro had less time last year and coached the men to a championship.

But this is a different team than last year. When Petro started a year ago, he was introducing a new system. The Rhode Island Fast Break. Last year the men had the handicap of first accustoming themselves to the style of play, before attempting to improve their game and develop a well-rounded attack. However, this year the players know the system, so it is a question whether the leading players among last year's reserves and jayvees can be improved enough to fill the gap, rather than teaching fundamentals.

With all this in mind, let's see how the team looks. Bill Simpson, a star forward a year ago, has been shifted to center. Russ Burns, cap-

tain-elect this year, is still at forward. And Dick Scott is remaining at guard, although hard pressed for his position by several aspirants. Coach Petro has moved Wally Tibbets into Barry's vacated guard slot. Wally played guard for the J. V. last year, and on several evenings was at that position for the varsity. Although short on experience, he has plenty of natural ability and fight, and if he develops properly, should hold down a job at guard.

Contesting also for guard positions are Fen Winslow and Bob Strong, both greatly improved over last season, plus Bob Harrington, Bernie Silva, Bob Schmidt, and Don Sutherland.

Just who is going to play the other forward position is quite a problem at the moment. Burt Hammond is number one at present, but "Ace" Bailey, John Jenkins, and Al Angelosante are all potential starters. According to Coach Petro's way of thinking, "Angie" will be more of an asset up forward than at guard, the spot he performed at in the past.

Both Bailey and Jenkins are speedsters and good shots, but all they have had is J. V. work and so lack "big-time" experience. Again it is a case of how fast these men come along. Coach Petro plans to play them with both J. V. and varsity, working them into the senior team gradually as they gain experience.

Ant Hansen, big 6' 4" forward with previous experience, will also be used a great deal at forward, while "Hy" Berry is to serve as Bill Simpson's replacement. Berry played center for the 1945 quintet.

The J. V., for the first part of the season, will probably have as the starting five: Brad Allen and "Slim" Somerville, both transfers who are ineligible for the varsity, "Ace" Bailey, John Jenkins, and Bob Strong. How the other members of the combined squad will fare is impossible to predict at this time.

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Manager Gives Account Of Season Experiences

By Rich Johnston

They tell a good story about the Board of Directors at Bowdoin College which illustrates a point I would like to make. It seems that they were visiting one of the class rooms when one of the instructors asked a student, "Who signed the Magna Carta?"

"Sir, it wasn't me," stammered the scholar.

The embarrassed professor was about to call on another, but an old tobacco chewing Yankee on the board was not satisfied. After a well directed aim at the wastepaper basket, he said:

"Call that fellow back. I don't like his looks. I believe he did do it."

Such misunderstanding exists at football games as well. When a fellow with a water bucket trots out on the field during an intermission in the tender exchanges, most people have the idea that that is all there is to it. But actually there is a lot more than that. Joe Kittredge, manager in chief, put it very well when he said: "A football manager is a chaperon, a valet, and a walking apothecary all rolled into one."

An average day in the life of a manager begins with instructions (Continued on page four)

Varsity Basketball Schedule

Dec. 6 Maine

10 Bowdoin (away)

13 Colby (away)

17 Northeastern (away)

18 Trinity (away)

Jan. 9 U. of Mass.

14 Tufts

17 Colby

20 Maine (away)

22 Bowdoin

Feb. 12 Colby (away)

14 Assumption College

18 Maine

20 Boston College

24 Bowdoin (away)

28 U. of New Brunswick (pending) (away)

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graduating from Haverhill High with present teammate, Nick Valoras in 1941. With the advent of the Second World War, Jesse enlisted in the AAF, was commissioned as a bomber pilot, and saw plenty of action with the famed Eighth Air Force in England. He returned to the states for discharge after taking his B-17 over the continent for 35 missions.

"Cas" played football for the first time in his life in 1946, as a second semester freshman. A broken nose and a pre-season spinal operation had bothered him a great deal; in '47 he suffered another poke in the proboscis. They put a nose-guard

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Sun., Mon. & Tues., Nov. 30, Dec. 1, 2

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"Bachelor and Bobby Soxer" Templ

The basketball team will swing into its current season on Saturday night, December 6, when the always potent Black Bears of Maine invade the Bates gym. As well as inaugurating a campaign in which Coach Ed Petro's team will seek to defend their State of Maine basketball championship, the game will also be the first of the pre-vacation round of State Series matches.

A pre-series game with a non series opponent would undoubtedly be very desirable and beneficial. However, a check up of schedules reveals that none of the four colleges have such a contest on their cards, so that the opening of the series on December 6 presents a mutually even start as far as game experience goes. Colby and Bowdoin also tangle on that date.

Various "All Maine" teams are being selected throughout the state, on the basis of play in the three State Series games that each football team engaged in. Bates is generally placing four men on these teams. They are Art Blanchard, Wally Leahy, Al Angelosante, and Bill Cunnane.

Our WAA correspondent reports that there will be coed volleyball games for the next three Friday nights. Those who want WAA volleyball credit may receive it for attending the coed practices plus one of the Monday afternoon girls practices in Rand. There will be signups soon for basketball teams. The season starts after Christmas but the teams have to be assigned before that. Don't forget to keep your seasonal sports slip up to date.

on his helmet, taped the reset snout, and Jesse started against the U. of Mass. a week later. By the end of his first full season of football, he had proved himself a threat with the ball as well as a deadly tackler and blocker. It will be nice to see him around for the next two seasons—that's all Jesse—told you we wouldn't mention the medals.

Danny Reale

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Frosh Recruits Will Aid Pond's '48 Gridiron Team

By Joel Price

The grid exploits of the Bobcat eleven of 1947 have been written and the sound of swishing baskets is pervading the atmosphere. However, let football not be so easily forgotten as we take a quick glance at the prospects of the '48 edition of the Garnet pigskin toters.

Commencement exercises will deprive the Pondmen of six individuals. Our invaluable and indefatigable captain, Al Angelosante, is diploma bound as is tackle Johnny Thomas. Len Hawkins, Mike Melody, Russ Burns, and Bill DeMarco round out the list of departing members.

This year's freshman team will send many valuable players upstairs to the varsity squad. Co-captains Bob Lecomte and Roy Faulkner were line standouts while Hal Cornforth fared well as an end. Don Russell, Dave Kuhn, Jack Greim, Larry Fischer, and Jerry Condon are other possibilities. In the backfield, Shirl Hamel was a constant threat and Ray Lindsey displayed aerial tendencies. Bill Paradis fared well as a signal caller and Tony Rotundo might be able to fit into the place kicking shoes of Thomas. Ralph Perry, Al Evans, Wimpy Larochelle, Roland Keans, and Bob Rosasco will all be of assistance.

The end posts will be manned by Bill Cunnane and Dick Scott, aided by Art Bradbury, Doug Kay, Herb Livingstone, and Ed Noel. Lindy

Blanchard, Wally Leahy, Hod Record, Don Connors, Bill Perham, George Thompson, Ces Tessicini, Bob Sanderson, Mal Leslie, Bob Harrington, and Dan Decker will all be back to perform at the tackle and guard slots.

The departure of Angelosante leaves center a question mark. Norm Parent, Bud Porter, and Jesse Castanias were all converted to the backfield from that position.

The same backfield will be back to torment the opposition; Art Blanchard, Al Howlett, Jesse Castanias, and Norm Parent. Walker Heap will be set after a season's absence, and Nick Valoras will see plenty of action. Reserve depth will be supplied by Bud Porter, Danny Reale, Bruce Ogilvie, Bud Horne, Fen Winslow and John Sullivan.

Russ Burns Captains Current Hoop Cluster

Russ Burns will captain the Bobcat basketball team during the forthcoming season. A senior, Russ was one of the key factors in last year's successful pursuit by the Bobcats of the Maine State Series Championship.

Russ, along with the rest of the team, will appear in the weekly "spotlight" on this page during the course of the season.

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IT'S SMART TO BOWL

LeMaster Defends Low Church To Canterbury Club Sunday

Mr. Joseph Leaster of the Government Department will speak to the Bates Canterbury Club Sunday evening on the rationale of low churchmanship.

This is the second of two meetings which the Episcopal students of Bates have devoted to various interpretations of churchmanship, and it is expected that Mr. LeMaster will present "the other side" of the question raised by Rev. Robert Sweetser's talk on November 16 on Anglo-Catholicism.

Once again, the meeting will welcome all interested students and faculty members to join in the discussion.

At the open house for Canterbury Club members last Sunday evening, President William Stringfellow announced that preliminary arrangements were already underway for a spring conference of Canterbury Clubs in Northern New England Colleges. It is expected, Stringfellow stated, that the Rev. Thomas Barrett, Director of the College Division of the Episcopal National Council, will attend the conference.

The meeting at which Mr. LeMaster will speak will begin at 7:30 Sunday, November 30, at 9 Curtis Street.

Prof. Quimby Presides At Speech Conference

Pres. Brooks Quimby will preside at the annual meeting of the New England Speech Conference to be held Nov. 28th and 29th at the Hotel Statler in Boston. Included in the 125-150 participants made up of college and secondary teachers, will be two representatives from Bates, Miss Lavinia Shaeffer and Miss Lydia Frank.

"Untalented Hopefuls in the Theatre" will be the topic of an address delivered to the Dramatic Division of the Conference on Friday morning by Miss Schaeffer. Also included in Friday plans is a debate coach conference held in the evening with Clarence Quimby, '10, principal of Cushing Academy, as chairman.

Erwin Canham, '25, editor of The Christian Science Monitor will be the speaker of the general session also to be held Friday evening.

Student Staff

(Continued from page one) STUDENT news rewriters include Nancy Coleman, Barbara Peck, Marilyn Bayer, Robert Patterson, Edward Bashista, Max Bell, Ray Sennett, Wilfred Barbeau, and Glenn Kumekawa.

At present the newspaper has 60 news reporters, many of these also working on the feature staff.

Bible Contest Set For December 11

The annual Bible Reading Contest will be held December 11 in the Little Theater. Students are urged to sign up in the Little Theater bulletin board before December 4.

Selections may be taken from any part of the bible and introductory and explanatory notes may be included. Between 8 and 10 minutes is allowed for each contestant.

First prize is \$12.50 and second is \$7.50.

This contest was established by Dr. Ellen A. Williams of Los Angeles in memory of her father, the Reverend Gould Willis.

Sadie Hawkins Day

(Continued from page one) a paper bag, was the pride of Lower Slobbovia, Lena the Hen.

The greased pig race failed after two missions—the pig conked out and was carried off the field. Ten men hitting the poor beast all at once might have had something to do with it. To wind up the contest crab-races were held . . . two legged crabs, that is. Among the gallant knights on piggy back were stalwart defenders of the 21st

Christian Service Club Ends Thorncrag Retreat

The social program of the Christian Service Club's Thorncrag Retreat came to a climax Friday evening with the serving of Dr. D'Alfonso's famous spaghetti-meatball dinner. The meal had been prepared by Dr. and Mrs. D'Alfonso, Dr. and Mrs. Zerby and students.

Supper was followed by serious discussion and meditation as the students looking forward to careers of Christian Service examined themselves and the various opportunities for present and future Christian work.

The program ended with a prayer of thanksgiving and dedication.

Amendment from Smith South, who fought valiantly.

Heroes belonging to the co-winning teams of John Bertram and Smith South were Gene Roundtree, George Billias, Stan Freeman, paged from the field, Hod Record and Jerry Condon.

Looking back, it's safe to say that Sadie Hawkins Day was a success—that could well stand annual repetition. It had the side-splitting support of almost all the students, and the fun will be reflected for many weeks ahead. The girls and fellows behind Sadie Hawkins Day deserve the sincere thanks of all.

Students Lead Church Services

Two teams were sent out last Sunday, Nov. 23, by the CA Deputation Commission to conduct young people's meetings at churches in nearby communities.

Leroy Dancer and Edith Routier presided over an evening meeting at the Marston Corners Free Baptist Church. Their deputation was the first of a monthly series which the commission has agreed to send to that church.

Also on Sunday evening, Nelson Horne and Arthur and Charlotte Bradbury conducted a young people's supper meeting at the Norway Congregational Church.

Judson Aids Baptists Celebrate 25th Year

The United Baptist Church of Lewiston observed its 25th anniversary Sunday and, as a part of the celebration, held a youth fellowship for the members of the youth.

Fellowship and the Judson Fellowship among the main speakers of the evening were Alex Sorenson, who cited the importance of co-operation between young people and adults. Barbara Varney of Bates News Bureau listed leadership responsibilities and ability as qualities important in both the religious and the business world.

William Perham spoke on the youth of America and the struggle to even up the inequality they find around them and to reflect Christian ideals in their living.

Federalists Appoint Radebaugh Secretary

The Student Federalist club has announced the appointment of John Radebaugh as corresponding secretary. Simultaneously it announced that it hoped to publish the first issue of a two-page mimeographed newspaper to be distributed free on campus. Raymond Sennett and Glenn Kumekawa are in charge of working out the technical arrangements.

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