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## Students Vote Tomorrow On Thanksgiving Issue

Tomorrow morning, Dec. 18, a referendum of the entire student body concerning next year's Thanksgiving vacation will be held in the Chapel at 8:45, it was announced by the Student Council. Bob Adair is in charge of preparations.

Students will be given two alternatives—the present arrangement of a recess from Wednesday noon until Monday morning. If the latter is adopted by the school, Christmas and Easter vacations would probably be shortened by one day. Dormitories will be closed during vacation if the longer recess becomes effective, Adair stated.

## "Neither Russia Nor US Wants War" Says PAC Speaker, First In Series

"Neither Russia nor the U. S. wants war or world dominion," asserted Dr. Ossip K. Flechtheim, former Bates professor, before a group of students and faculty in the Chase Hall lounge last Thursday night.

"The international situation is serious, but not hopeless," said the Russian-born speaker. "The danger point will not be reached for a few years yet, and meanwhile we should try to show that our system of government works."

Secured for the special program by the CA Public Affairs Commission with the cooperation of the Politics Club, Student Federalists chapter, and Debate Council, Dr. Flechtheim received his formal education in Germany and is now teaching at Colby.

"The average American thinks of the Russians as a primitive, uneducated people ruled by a group of gangsters out to conquer the world,"

## Names Kansas CA Delegates

Robert Foster and Charles Littlefield will represent Bates at the North American Student Conference on Christian Frontiers to be held at the University of Kansas this vacation, it was announced at the CA cabinet meeting Dec. 10.

This, the 15th in a series of quadrennial conferences sponsored by Christian organizations in the U. S. and Canada, is scheduled for Dec. 27 to Jan. 1. According to announcements, 2000 students from all parts of the world will attend.

The cabinet decided to contribute \$50 toward covering the expenses of each delegate.

At the cabinet meeting Dec. 3, the officers and commission chairman voted \$25 into the regional fund for the treatment of William Ellis of Harvard, formerly a prominent leader in the New England Student Christian Movement. Ellis, now a secretary of the World SCM, has tuberculosis in Switzerland.

## Roundtable Meeting

"Christmas Around the World" was the theme of the last meeting of the Bates Round Table held Monday evening in Chase Hall. Members of the faculty with different national backgrounds told of the Christmas customs in their countries and a few of their own personal Christmas experiences. The countries included were Italy, Scotland, Greece, Finland, China, and France.

## Bates-On-The-Air

Two Christmas radio programs will be presented today by Bates students over station WCOU. The first, at the regular "Bates-on-the-Air" time, 4:30, will be a special Christmas play written by Leon Wiskup. Heading those in the cast will be Wendell Wray, June Cunningham, and Wayne Sweett.

At 10:00 this evening there will be a dramatic presentation on behalf of the Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe organization. Leon Wiskup and Jean Mather will take the leading roles in this program.

## Carnival Directors Name Committees

Marilyn Davis and Dick Woodcock, Carnival directors, have announced the following committee chairmen will head up activities for the forthcoming Winter Carnival:

Lollipop Race, Nicky Scott and Bob Harrington; Song Contest, Mary Gibbs and Jim Dempsey; Capture the flag, Nibs Gould and Joe Mitchell; Queen's Committee, Jo Baldwin and Phil Smith; Girls' Ski Events, Jean Knox; Coed Skating, Shirley Mann and Hank Fukai; Hockey Game, Art Blanchard; Ice Show, Lois Foster; Open house at Chase, Bert Knight and Jane Hosking; Mens' Ski events, Phil Houghton; Snow Sculpturing, Bobby Muir; Thorncrag Open house, Ann Sargeant and Bill Sawyers; Scavenger Hunt, George Billias and Dick Webber.

Because of the urgent business, Outing Club supplemented its regular meeting last week with a special meeting on Saturday afternoon.

The subject of this special meeting was a discussion of the theme for Carnival. The results of the Theme Contest were discussed, but as yet no decision has been reached by the Board. The Board has decided to work out the details of the theme, when it is chosen, before announcing it.

The circus will feature the Bates band and the magic tricks of David Merrill. Dancing girls, a "white elephant sale", freaks, and a fortune teller will be among the booths in the midway.

Richard McMahon will be master of ceremonies for Lloyd's "Bates Review" Monday evening, Jan. 12, in the Alumni Gym. The eight acts will include songs by Hugh Mitchell and Joanne Williams, a chorus line, and skits based on such campus scenes as "Mike's", the dorms, and Commons. The acts are being prepared by John Ackerman, James Dempsey, Marjorie Dwelley, Joan Greenberg, and Richard Zakarian, will culminate the 1948 "Bates to Burma" World Student Service Fund drive to be launched three days after the return from vacation.

Opening gun for the CA Reconstruction Commission's annual campaign for funds to send to overseas students will be the WSSF Carnival Thursday evening, Jan. 8, in the cage. Organized by Paul Cox, this event will be complete with circus and midway.

A movie, "Seeds of Destiny", will be another feature of the five-day drive. Publicity is in the hands of Bradley Allen, Robert Foster, and the CA Publicity Commission.

## Institutes Offer Graduate Study And Money As Prizes In Three Contests

A trip to Hollywood and prizes totaling \$15,000 are being offered in two literary contests recently announced. Also graduate fellowships in any field of study are open to seniors.

**Pepsi-Cola Fellowship**  
Seniors interested in applying for the Pepsi-Cola graduate fellowships should do so by Jan. 2, 1948, set as the closing date for entries. Winners, to be announced in March, will be awarded \$750 a year for three years plus full tuition to any accredited graduate or professional school. The dean will provide application forms.

**Writers Talent Scout**  
Writers Talent Scout, Inc. is offering prizes totalling several thousand dollars and a ten week Hollywood writer's contract to the winners of their short story and serial contest. The best short story will win \$1,000, the best serial story will be awarded \$1,500 and the winning suggestion for weekly radio shows will pay \$1,000.

Plot ideas and titles that could be used for motion pictures will also be judged by such people as Adela Rogers St. Johns, Don Wilson and Harry von Zell. Those interested, may secure information by writing to Writers Talent Scout, Inc., 1067 N. Fairfax Ave., Hollywood, Calif.

## Prizes Awarded Bates Students

William Senseney received a \$15 prize for his short story, "Search Ended," which appeared December 10, in the first issue of the new inter-collegiate magazine "The Prologue."

The contest was announced October 5, and students were free to choose their subject matter and style. Seven of the eighteen articles submitted by Bates students were published.

Wendell Wray, class of '50, has received word from the magazine, The National Anthology of College Poetry, that they have accepted one of his poems for their 1947 issue.

## Notice

Tryouts for the forthcoming play, "Arms and The Man", will be held in the Little Theatre this week. By vote of Robinson Players, tryouts are open to the entire student body.

## Bates Debate Teams Each Win 2, Lose 2 In Tournament At University Of Vermont

The two Bates teams at the debate tourney Friday and Saturday at the University of Vermont emerged from the competition each with a record of two debates won and two lost.

The topic debated was "Resolved: That a Federal World Government Should Be Established." Defending the affirmative side for Bates were William Stringfellow and Gordon Hiebert; the negative, Edward Glanz and Charles Radcliffe.

In order to arrive at Burlington in time for their first debate Friday evening the Bates participants with the acting director of debate, Norm Temple, left Lewiston early Friday morning and traveled all day by bus and train.

Stringfellow and Hiebert defeated teams from Hamilton and Rhode Island State, but McGill and Williams were awarded decisions over them. Glanz and Radcliffe downed Penn State and Holy Cross, but lost out to Dartmouth and West Point.

The school with the best total won and lost record of its two teams in the tournament was Dartmouth with seven wins and one defeat. Tied with six victories and two losses were West Point, Champlain, Penn State, and Temple. Also with a four and four record besides Bates were Hamilton, Williams, and Wesleyan. Other schools among the thirty-four eastern United States and Canadian colleges and universities represented were the University of Maine, Colby, Bowdoin, Vassar, and Queens, of Canada.

A mock session of Congress was held Saturday evening when the debate topic was discussed as it might be done in the United States Congress, with all the parliamentary procedure and Senatorial tactics used to produce realism.

## Whitlaw And Caterine Travel To Springfield Political Conference

Two delegates of the Politics Club, May Whitlaw and Louis Caterine represented Bates and the Politics Club at the International Relations Clubs, New England Conference. The conference, including delegates from all the New England colleges and universities, was held at American International College in Springfield, Massachusetts on the 5th and 6th of December.

The conference was opened with an address by Dr. Georges May of Yale University who gave "A Portrait of France Today". He said that France is "a sign and symbol of what is going on in Europe"; the country is slowly getting back on its feet, but the occupation and liberation have left their scars. Dr. May concluded the Marshall Plan is acceptable to them since they realize the need of it, but it is bitter medicine.

The Round Tables were on Western Europe, the Far East, and Argentina; the Politics Club delegates attended the one on Western Europe. It was concluded that, recent

## Capacity Crowd Hears Vespers Editor Tells Essential Of Journalistic Career

One of the most impressive Christmas concerts of many years was presented Sunday evening to a capacity crowd, including standees. The effect of the music, tabuleaus, and meditations was heightened by the artistic use of candlelight and spotlighting. Unusually beautiful was the singing in the vestibule as background music and caroling.

The orchestra and combined choruses were under the direction of Mr. Peter Waring and Doctor Alfred Painter led the meditation and prayer.

A tableau of the Christmas story was presented under the direction of Miss Lavina Schaeffer with Vivienne Sikora as narrator. During this scene the special chorus provided a fitting background with faultless singing of "O Little Town of Bethlehem", "Silent Night", "We Three Kings", and "Cantique de Noel."

Carols sung by the chorus included folk melodies as well as an effective interpretation of the familiar "First Noel".

The orchestra, chorus, and organ, Mr. Bernard Piche, performed the stirring "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah" which culminated the excellent Sunday Vespers program.

**Calendar**  
Wed., Dec. 17—Bates-Northeastern Basketball, away; Politics Club Discussion, Women's Union, 7:45 p.m.  
Thurs., Dec. 18—Bates-Trinity Basketball, away.  
Fri., Dec. 19—Christmas Recess begins 12:15 p.m.  
Mon., Jan. 5—Christmas Recess ends 7:45 a.m.  
Tues., Jan. 6—Smoker, Men's Assembly, Chase Hall, 7-8 p.m.  
Wed., Jan. 7—Bible Reading Contest, Little Theatre, 8:30-9:30 p.m.  
Thurs., Jan. 8—W. S. S. F. Carnival, Cage, 7-10 pm.  
Fri., Jan. 9—Bates-U. of Mass. Basketball, Here.  
Sun., Jan. 11—Cord Dining, Rand Commons, 12-2 p.m.  
Mon., Jan. 12—Bates Review, Alumni Gym, 8:30-10 p.m.

## "Who Swears, Why" Explained By Sampson

"Who Swears and Why" was the subject on which Charles H. Sampson, Assistant to the President, spoke in chapel Friday.

Giving the possible reasons why individuals swear, Mr. Sampson stated, "One doesn't have to swear to be forceful." Great men in history, among whom Washington, MacArthur, and Eisenhower are included, found that swearing was not a prerequisite to being a powerful speaker.

"Swearing is unbecoming to a woman," continued Mr. Sampson. Men like to find finer qualities in a woman than they themselves possess, he maintained.

People who are accustomed to swearing are often careless in other personal habits, he pointed out.

He concluded by reminding us that when we want to swear we should remember the commandment "Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain". We should hold back the words which would come so quickly.

## Club Discusses US Personality

A critical discussion of "Art and the American Personality", an essay by Maurice Flagg, highlighted the meeting of the Spofford Club Dec. 9 at the home of Prof. Berkelman, the group's advisor.

Other writings read and discussed by the members were "Diploma in My Hand" and "To Wind", two poems by Jane Kendall, and "Happy Birthday, Bobbie", a short story by Marjorie Harthan.

Prof. Berkelman, Mr. Monk, and eleven student members were on hand to take part in the discussion. The meeting began with the reading and approval of the club's newly revised constitution and ended with the serving of refreshments.

The Spofford Club's next meeting is scheduled for Jan. 13 at 8:15 p.m.

## Library File Contains Complete Bates Records

One item in the Coram Library which is seldom noticed, except when in demand, is the Bates file.

Compiled by Miss Iva W. Foster, assistant librarian, during the winter of 1934-35, the card file itself stands in the main corridor, to the left as one enters the library. It is sponsored by the Alumni Fund, and contains a list of all the material relating to Bates which has appeared in Bates publications.

References may be found dating as far back as the college records go. Presidential reports, bulletins, copies of the Student, catalogs, Garnets, directories, and all other Bates publications have been thoroughly examined for mention of Bates people, historical events, buildings, traditions, funds, committees, and the like. In turn, each item has been individually recorded and filed alphabetically.





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## We Made Friends . . .

Any excess is bad, no matter how good a moderate application of anything might be. College athletics has many good features, but the trap of over-emphasis is an easy one to fall into.

At Bates, as in most schools of similar size, we can avoid that trap. Once in a while, however, we do hit headlines all over the country, as we did because of the Glass Bowl trip last year. This year, Art Blanchard returned to receive a trophy for his outstanding work in that game.

It's nice to know that Toledo fans still expressed sincere interest in Bates. It's nice to know that many were so impressed they would like to see a Bates team return.

We thank the fans of Toledo. Their opinions are a credit to our team, our coach, our athletic department, and our school.

Harry Jobrack

## Second Chorus . . .

Old Man Opportunity is supposed to knock only once, but tomorrow morning at 8:45 he'll be banging on the door of Bates students for the second time.

Last spring the students of this college had an opportunity to vote on the calendar. Specifically, we were going to have a voice in determining the length of the Thanksgiving recess. About two hundred students were interested enough to show up at that time, and the balloting was inconclusive. Either through ignorance or apathy, we booted away a good chance to show that we were really concerned about the question and not just making much ado about nothing.

We'll get another chance tomorrow. A large attendance will furnish a partial, but valid, answer to those critics who claim Bates students are immature and irresponsible. Another poor turnout would convince many borderline individuals (student, faculty, and administration alike) that things might be a lot better if all rules and regulations came wholly from the top and were to be accepted without question.

This is the second chorus—will it be the same as the first?

Harry Jobrack

## Opportunities Unlimited . . .

Everyone has heard it said that those who succeed are those who make the most of their opportunities. Here on campus each club, organization, and activity affords many outlets for developing one's abilities and capacities. Yet no where are there more undervalued opportunities than on our college campus. Too many people waste their four years of college thinking of what they will do when they graduate, when instead, they should be building now for their future.

For the beginner, there is comparatively little competition in college, and one's attempts, successful or unsuccessful, are valuable assets, for one gains knowledge and experience at no cost. For the man who waits until graduation, however, before developing his capacities, the cost is reflected in job refusals and small pay checks.

A particularly good example is the field of writing, where the pay-off is on material accepted; not on output. It requires continual application (self-training) to become a good writer. Here at Bates, we have two fine publications that offer an entrance into this and other vocations. News, feature and sports writing; creative and non-fictional writing; poetry; art; advertising and business are just some of these vocations.

The interest and activity displayed on the STUDENT this year is indeed gratifying, but it should not stop there. The English professors inform us that there is a great deal of good talent on this campus, yet only the same few people regularly contribute to the GARNET. These publications, THE BATES STUDENT and the GARNET are for you. They offer you free opportunities to prepare for the future. Why not make the most of your opportunities?

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# WSSF Snowballs With Passing Years

By Bob Wilson

The 1948 World Student Service Fund drive will be in full swing three days after vacation. The campus will be kept hopping for an entire week with activity and excitement.

In past years the WSSF drive has been characterized by the fanciful as well as the serious, by barn dances, penny carnivals, and variety shows, as well as by radio programs and vesper services.

The World Student Service Fund, a branch of the World Student Relief Program, has sponsored annual drives in colleges and universities throughout the nation. The nature of these drives in each college depends upon the importance that the college lays upon the WSSF's need.

### Educational Basis

At Bates the dire need of the students of foreign nations for money

and school supplies was realized early in the organization's career. At first Bates students gave their share by merely drawing money out of the funds of the school, but as time went on it became clear that more money was needed than could economically be drawn from funds. So the CA Reconstruction Commission appealed directly to the students for money, and Bates gave its all and went over the top. From year to year the goal was increased until last year it reached nearly \$2,000.

For years the campaigns were held on an educational basis, with merely an appeal to the students' emotions, until last year it occurred to those in charge that perhaps it would be more profitable if a little unusual excitement were interspersed with the passing of the hat. Last year's net result proved their point conclusively.

### Air-Borne Leaflets

A total of \$268 was cleared on three events: old-fashion barn dance in which the student body was kept hopping by a hill-billy orchestra complete with cornstalks and hayseed; a penny carnival where students could buy kisses and throw ping-pong balls at paintings of professors; and a popular variety show in which Mayor John Dyer sang in a barber shop quartet as one of the several comedy skits.

These events were the high points of a week which greeted Bates students with air-borne leaflets, outdoor hula dances, and two fine speeches by that master of oratory, Mayor John Dyer. Still, the important feature of the week was not lost. The drive for funds for the world's less fortunate students went over the top.

From all reports, this year's campaign will bring forth even greater activity and, it is hoped, more money for the needy students in Europe, Asia, and wherever there are young people striving for an education under poor conditions.

## Exchange Column

### Married Vets Suffer

Irvin A. Berg of the University of Illinois department of psychology has made some interesting studies of the problems of married male veterans. Berg says that among married veterans who are encountering serious scholastic troubles in college, nearly half are those whose difficulties may be traced to home life.

He pointed out, however, that married veterans, as a group, are making above-average grades. Poor scholastic work by the husband frequently may be attributed to a wife's inability to accept her husband as a student.

In such cases, the wife expects to have friends in to play bridge, asks her husband to help with house work, and believes he should be able to attend a variety of social functions "because he isn't working."

Most campus wives do recognize that husbands as students must spend hours in library and laboratory work, Berg said. But where the situation does become a problem, grades of the student veteran suffer.

## Surface Noise

Here is some news for your surface noisemakers of the griper class: food can't be "that bad", for West Parker's "plumpkins" have gone on a liquid diet.

Did you know Bates has acquired its own John (Ogden Nash) Klezy? You name the subject, he'll write the poetry(?); they're really priceless.

### Dear Santa Claus,

Please bring me a bath tub for Christmas, that's all. Signed, Peter Waring.

Flowers, flowers, flowers—Margarie Hobart and Pinky have each received three corsages for the dance.

It is difficult to discriminate who warranted an extra gasp for glamor at the dance, but Jeannie Mather, Coop, and Dannie were really something to see.

"Really, sir, it wasn't very nice to assign a test and term paper on the day following vacation!" Enough said?

Irresistible urge: Who asks you to sing at these things, Joe?

"Heaven and Hell" isn't exactly unique, but YOU didn't think of it, so good for Hub's and Nib's ingenuity.

Understand Russ Burns has been playing havoc with Mike's wurlitzer — he placed "Johnny Has a Yo-yo" in "O Holy Night's" place, and what a surprise for five cents!

## Politics Preferred

### FRANCE, ITALY — CIVIL WAR

By Ray Sennett

The world spotlight is on the chaotic strikes and demonstrations in France and Italy. Do the Communists responsible for these outbreaks feel they are strong enough to grab power or are they gasping for the proverbial straw? It is rather an attempt to wreck the Marshall Plan with hopes that the ensuing chaos will sweep them to power.

Since the war's end the Communists in France and Italy have grown into large, powerful parties controlling the labor unions in both countries. For a time they held major posts in their respective governments.

The strongest plank the Communists have been able to stand on is the economic question. Few Frenchmen or Italians are misled into believing the Communist party in either of these countries is national in character. Hungry people, however, easily swallow pride. Communist attempts to stay in the government and work against it at the same time forced them out of office in both France and Italy earlier this year. The struggle has continued since then in power and intensity.

Here are some representative comments:

**Christian Science Monitor:**  
 "The enlargement of the Italian government (bringing in the right wing Socialists and the Republicans) would be a victory for DeGasperi in meeting left wing strikes with men of advanced social ideas."

**New York Times:**  
 "Premier Schuman scored an im-

# A Story Of Christmas

By Dave Tillson

It was the last chapel before vacation. Bill Spaulding squeezed down the row, flopped down on his bench, and put on his glasses in order to get a better look at the black-robed minister on the chapel platform. Momentarily at least he laid aside thoughts of the \$25 his grandmother had sent him and the veterans' subsistence increase bill before Congress his government class had been discussing and looked towards Dr. Zerby.

"Today we have with us the Reverend . . ." Thus began and thus as far as he was concerned ended Dr. Zerby. Making a wry face, Bill slid down in his seat and leaned his head backwards against the pew. His eyes flickered from the stained glass windows to the chapel ceiling. What kind of wood are those beams up there made of? I wonder if they're hollow. Solid beams that size would be more than Bates could afford, although the laws of physics . . .

His mind passed to his coming vacation . . . pumpkin and mince pies, chocolate cakes, the little Christmas tree . . . Mom'll be glad to see me I guess. Now that Jim and Jack and Betty are all away and married. Gee, I wonder how they endured this place, scholarships or no scholarships.

And will I be glad to hold in my arms again . . . sweet kisses. Really likes me too . . .

Well now the preacher was saying something about how the church was buying Christmaskets for the fire victims. Interesting. I'll be driving through the area on my way home . . . Oh, oh, the cleric's really gawking now, huh?

" . . . and in conclusion, I me say to you, notwithstanding all these egotists — Thrasymachus, Machiavelli, Becky Sharp — let us all remember, that this time of all times, at this season above all seasons, at these days as the years behold hour approaches, let us remember that basically nothing in this world matters but love. . . all real consuming love can be obtained only through doing good for others and being thankful for what others do for us, and that this message of love was the very life and being of the manger-born babe whose birthday we shall soon be celebrating. Let us pray."

Bill moaned, shut his eyes, yawned. With the last tones of organ he jumped to his feet and out into the fresh air, and began fumbling for a cigarette.

"Love? What rot," growled Bill. "What in hell does a future chemical engineer care about that?"

## News From Sampsonville

By Len Charpentier

The younger side of Sampsonville had themselves a ball this past week that rocked staid old Chase Hall to its rocky foundation.

On Saturday afternoon that part of our future generation of students that is more often heard than seen, took over the basement to throw a party for the seasonal "man of the hour", who showed up in the new look for Santa Claus suits — the pillow was two inches lower and the rear seemed to be reaching out for Lebensraum. Mr. Sampson — who else? — played the hero's role, and some of the offspring met, for the first time, the myth that will fill such an important part of their lives for the next few years.

We stayed around for awhile to "cover" the event and saw St. Nick come dancing — yeah, dancing — into the group to make a few eyes pop, a few mouths drop open, and more than a few tears, accompanied by the usual sound effects, pour forth. Then, when the shock of the initial appearance had worn off, things began to live up.

We gave the first two rounds to Santa — but figured he lost the battle to overwhelming odds and an excess of spontaneous activity.

pressive victory when the French Assembly approved legislation against Communist insurrection."

**New Republic:**  
 "Says Italy's Red boss Togliatti, 'The working masses are on democratic ground when they resort to manifestations of violence to avert We had hoped to get in our own (Continued on page four)

### "Nearest Spot to the Campus"

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request for Christmas — at least B in organic — but the last we saw the man in the red suit was staggering off to the quiet slusion of the second floor, muttering to himself, "wailing-deriving-wailing-deriveshes." Sampsonville thanks to Mr. Sampson for acting job well done.

We wandered around, between mouthfuls of ice cream, and tried to get some statements for publication from some of the interested parties — some "on the scene reports." We had to admit defeat. You Pete McCarthy just wouldn't commit himself, and the red-headed Borden son and heir was too busy testing and tasting cookies for so trivial stuff as statements. We turned to the ladies present to get the "women's view", but between red and white peppercorn canes and little rubber chicks the "cheep" when they're squeezed, didn't stand a chance.

Our end of the affair was handled by Audrey Norris and Shirley Glanz while the Christmas Association took care of details from the campus end, which included inviting a large group of town children to share in the excitement. Merry Christmas, dear readers — if any.

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# Bobcats Looked Impressive With 68-58 Win Over Colby Mules

By Jesse James

The Bates Bobcats won their second game in a row away from their home court when they defeated Colby at Waterville Saturday night by a score of 68-58. This win puts them in the runner-up spot behind the undefeated Maine at the end of the first round of State Series play. Colby broke from the starting whistle like a group of fire horses and before Bates could get its offense organized, the score read Colby 18, Bates 3 in the first six minutes of play. Then the Bobcats showed that they are the kind of a team that we know them to be. They started fighting their way back into the ball game. With little Ace Bailey dropping five straight baskets, Simpson turning up to the task, and Jenkins, Burns, and Scotty controlling the backboards and setting up plays they pulled themselves up to trail only 27-28 at half time. After Coach Petro's half time instructions, the boys came back onto the floor and proceeded to put the game in the bag. Bill Simpson looked his old self as he faked the Colby players silly and dropped in basket after basket. Russ Burns also found the range, as did Scotty. Bates pulled away to a 14 point lead which was never seriously threatened, although Colby did cut to 7 points at one time. However, Angelosante dropped in three quick ones to keep the margin secure.

## Petro Hoopmen Defeat Bowdoin In Second Start

The Bobcats garnered their first win of the season down at Brunswick as they defeated Bowdoin 66-59. Ace Bailey led the team in points scored as he sent 21 tallies sailing through the hoop. Bill Simpson was closely behind with seventeen.

The Garnet maintained a steady lead after the 13 minute mark as Simpson, Bailey, Jenkins, led the way offensively, with Burns, Scott, and Tibbetts doing the defensive work as well as feeding the above mentioned trio. Tibbetts and Scott also sank a total of 17 points from their guard positions. The Bobcats sank 12 out of 17 foul shots.

### STATE SERIES STANDING

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Maine	3	0	1.000
Bates	2	1	.667
Colby	1	2	.333
Bowdoin	0	3	.000

  

	Pts.	Opp. Pts.
Maine	188	161
Bates	193	179
Colby	151	175
Bowdoin	142	159

## Intramural Season Gets Pre-Xmas Inaugural

Monday evening, the 8th, the intra-mural basketball competition began with a fast start. Many enthusiastic aspirants reported to their dorm managers to support a strong nucleus of veterans and keen, skillful competition is foreseen for the ensuing court season.

However, the volleyball league was not as successful and as a consequence only four volleyball teams will continue to play out the schedule due to the fact that the other dorms cannot field a team. The teams remaining in competition are: South, North, Roger Bill, and Off-Campus.

In the first game Middle came from behind to defeat Roger Bill in the last few minutes, 45-43. Jiler and Rosasco were high scorers for the victors with Adair and Vail standing out for the losers. North, paced by Valoras, outlasted J. B. in a somewhat ragged game by a 28-25 score despite Kumekawa's throwing in 8 points for J. B.

On Wednesday night, the 10th, Mitchell outclassed Off-Campus to the tune of 42-32. Finlayson and Sparks combined for more than half the winners' score. In the second game a greatly improved J. B. team gave South a scare but lost 53-47. Harris strengthened the losers future plans by racking up 11 points. Chalmers and Castanias displayed their old form by scoring 35 points between them.

Ray Moore

Next home game—Jan. 9, Varsity vs. U. of Mass. J. V. vs. Coburn. First game at 6:30 p.m. Frosh play Cony at 3:00 p.m.

## Scott A Regular At Guard And End

In his sophomore year, Dick Scott is a starter in both football and basketball. He came to Bates in the fall of '46 after being discharged from the navy.

Dick played football, basketball, and baseball at the Rockland, Mass. high school. He was a high scorer



for three seasons on the court. At Bates, he won himself a reserve end position on the Glass Bowl team as a freshman. This season, he was in there as a starter in every game, and his aggressive type of play as well as his ability to snare passes won him acclaim throughout the state.

Scotty is currently engaged in helping the Bobcats pursue their bid for a repeat on the State Series Basketball Championship. He is one of the three regulars from last season's winner, and Coach Petro feels that Dick will again play an important role in the team's chances.

His teammates regard him as one who keeps things moving all the time with his pleasing, humorous personality. Dick is a real plugger and a good team man. These qual- (Continued on page four)

## Around Garcelon

It becomes more and more evident with every game that Bill Simpson is by far the outstanding court performer in the state, and that he will hold his own with the best in the East. Bill is a good team man as well as a high scorer. Opinion agrees that he played his best game last Saturday night against Colby, when he threw 26 points through the hoop.

Joe Dow may not throw a 40 yard pass, sink baskets from mid-court, or hit the Central Ave. fence with hard line drives, but he is still a sport, in view of his valor exhibited in driving around in Ivan and wearing his sideburns. In regard to the latter, Joe says that it will depend on how a certain person reacts to them over the vacation as to whether or not he will return with same.

Manager Abe Kovler kindly requests that Intramural participants please refrain from smoking anywhere in the gym. This cooperation will help to make the program more successful.

A picture was flashed back from Toledo showing Art Blanchard receiving his well-earned award during the Glass Bowl game, and holding a chapeau in his hand. Art's mother had told him to get a hat before making the trip, and that was the first thing she noticed upon seeing the picture. Come to find out, he was holding the lid for the gentleman making the award.

## First Round Survey Shows Relative Team Strength

By John Heckler

The first round is over in series hoop play, so now let's tally up the baskets, look into the 'ole crystal ball, and see what each team has got and how they will shape up as champ, runner-up, also ran, and out on a slow ferry to Hoboken.

Maine's leading the circuit right now and has yet to drop a decision this year. They have got some good shots and control the rebounds in this state right now. Bates is second followed by Colby and Bowdoin. The Mules are good shots from the outside, but can't get in close to make the baskets really certain. Holding up the rear is Bowdoin, with two good hoopsters and a scrappy team that can't be counted out yet.

In order to grab the title, the Bobcat will have to take Maine twice, and one of those contests will be played on strange boards. Colby and Bowdoin may knock off one of the leaders on occasion, but will end up fighting it out for last place honors. Right now, it looks on paper like the Black Bear. Eck Allen has depth, height, and a one game lead—the last of which impresses us the most. So judging

from the record book, it looks like Maine. However, we'll stick with speed and the impression we got on the opening night here—casting one vote for "Petro's Boys" to cop come the post-Christmas contests.

Individual scoring statistics on the first three State Series games reveal that Bill Simpson and Ace Bailey are pacing the field in total points scored.

The leaders in series scoring are:

	g	f	p
Simpson, Bates	17	17	51
Bailey, Bates	20	8	48
Gates, Maine	18	8	44
Connolly, Bowdoin	18	4	40
Pandora, Bowdoin	17	5	40
Boynton, Maine	11	14	35
Goddard, Maine	14	8	36
Clark, Colby	12	12	36

Following is the rest of the Bates team:

	g	f	p
Burns	10	2	22
Jenkins	9	4	22
Tibbetts	7	5	19
Scott	7	3	17
Angelosante	4	0	8
Hammond	1	0	2
Berry	1	0	2
Hansen	0	1	1
Livingstone	0	1	1

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### Interracial Deputation And Four Other Groups Represent BCA In Portland, Hallowell, Auburn

Dalores Kapes, Glenn Kumekawa and Wendall Wray, composing an interracial deputation, were among the 21 students sent by the Christian Association last Sunday to lead worship services, conduct discussions, and provide music and parties in five communities throughout the state.

The interracial group, sent to Portland by the Deputation Commission, talked and led discussions on racial problems before the Young Adult Forums of the State Street and Williston Congregational Churches.

A deputation to the State School for Girls in Hallowell consisted of Frances Curry, Leroy Dancer, Joseph Dow, Thelma Hardy, and Ronald Reicker. These students led a morning worship service and were aided by the girls in staging an entertainment in the afternoon.

Mary Gibbs sang special Christmas music to supplement Nelson Horne's regular sermon at the Danville Junction Union Chapel. Meanwhile Brenton Dodge, who with Marilyn Deston had conducted the service at the Mechanic Falls Methodist Church Nov. 30, gave the sermon at the Lisbon Falls Baptist Church.

Sunday afternoon a group of Community Service Commission workers headed by Dorothy Stetson presented a Christmas party at the Auburn Home for Aged Women. The program, planned by Faith Seiple, consisted of violin, piano, and vocal music by Marjorie

### What Do You Believe? Emphasis Week Theme

"What do you believe, and why do you believe it?"

By lifting this line from the Robinson Players' recent production of "Joan of Lorraine", the Christian Association's steering committee for Religious Emphasis Week has formulated its theme for the four days of talks and discussions March 7 to 10.

"The purpose of the week," said Chairman Robert Alward after meeting with the steering committee and events chairmen Dec. 7, "will be for each student to consider his own belief, whether he be Protestant, Catholic, or Jew. The purpose will not be to put forth any type of doctrine whatsoever."

Nickerson, Edith Routier, and Ralph Shultz, group carol singing, and appropriate readings by Jeanne Klein. The commission provided refreshments and corsages for the ladies.

According to Nelson Horne, chairman of the Deputation Commission, letters requesting Bates deputations are still pouring in. Arlene Tufts will sing Christmas music during vacation at the East Auburn Congregational Church, where Charles Parsley regularly preaches. Other vacation deputations may yet be arranged.

### Thomson Talks Commission Schedules Coed Dining For Jan. 11

The Christian Service Club held its regular monthly meeting at the home of Dr. Zerby on Dec. 9. The program consisted of an interesting talk on "Christian Symbolism" by Richard Thomson and a short period of devotions and carol singing.

The topic for the next meeting, to be held on January 13, is to be the liberal, neo-orthodox and conservative aspects of the Christian religion. The panel discussion will be led by Jane Osborne, Robert Alward, and Hugh Penney. Carol Jenkinson will lead the devotional service.

### Scholarships

President Charles F. Phillips has announced a new full tuition scholarship for the freshman year to be awarded by the Kesslen Shoe Company in June, 1948. Kennebunk High School seniors only will be eligible to compete for this scholarship. Preference will be given to sons and daughters of employees of the Kennebunk Shoe Company.

### NOTICE

Preliminaries for the Junior-Senior Prize Speaking Contest will be held early in January.

### Commission Schedules Coed Dining For Jan. 11

The CA Social Commission will sponsor the second in its series of coeducational dinners Sunday noon, Jan. 11, it has been announced by Aaron Gillespie, who heads the committee which initiated the innovation Nov. 30.

"Coed dining appears to be successful," says Gillespie, "and we are going ahead with plans for more of the same." Sixty students signed up in couples for the dinner at Fiske and Commons Nov. 30.

### Jordan-Ramsdell

The Jordan Ramsdell Society held its meeting Tuesday, December 9, in Room 14, Carnegie. The principal speaker for the evening was Dr. D'Alphonso.

After a brief business meeting Dr. D'Alphonso spoke about the field of science. Progress in science he said, is interrelated with philosophy, which is bound to come into the field of science somewhere.

### Politics Preferred

(Continued from page two) even embryonic danger of fascism."

The interesting upshot of this unrest and turmoil in France and Italy is that the chief opponents of the Communists are the middle and left wing parties and not the rightists. The Reds' most vitriolic attacks have been upon such outstanding democrats as Saragat, DeGasperi, and Picciardi in Italy and upon Schuman, Blum, and Ramadier in France. It is interesting to note in both nations that nearly all other parties have a common cause against the Communists who resort to violence.

It is too early to predict the outcome of this battle, but at present it appears that the Communists have overplayed their hand. If France and Italy succeed in nullifying the effects of this Red-directed program of sabotage the only road for the Communists in Western Europe leads downward, and progressive social democracy will have won a great victory.

### Scott

(Continued from page three) ities are indispensable on the basketball court. He plays for the team rather than his own interest.

He still has two more full seasons ahead, and will certainly improve with each college game. Dick is an economics major. He tips the scales at 175 lbs. and stands 6 ft. 2 in.

### Monday Chapel

Dr. Rayborn Zerby spoke in chapel Monday on "Ways of Spending a Vacation".

His first bit of advice to the students was, "Don't try to do too much school work."

He concluded by urging us to say a good word for Bates at home.

### MacFarland Club Musical Xmas Party

On December 9, the MacFarland Club held its annual Christmas party in the Women's Union. Festivities began with a "get acquainted game", and musical lectures followed. Ella Lound, a student, presented Liszt's "Etude" as her part of the program. Records, including the Fire Dance were played before a duet by Mary Gibbs and Joanne Williams. The group then joined in carol singing and Waring conducted musical numbers with Edith Routier as accompanist. After refreshments had been served, more talent was presented. Carol Peterson was chairman of the meeting. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. Waring, Mr. and Mrs. Crafts, and Mrs. Powers.

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