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Faculty Votes Unlimited Cuts At 3.4

First Coed Smoker Is On Mt. David Saturday

There will be a smoker Saturday night. But a couple of the most time-honored traditions that have in the past been connected with these Student Council-sponsored affairs will be thrown out the window, and possibly a new one instituted.

In the first place, it will be, not in the accustomed surroundings, but on top of Mount David by the light of a bonfire. But by far the most sensational bit of news concerning Saturday's event is its co-educational nature. The entire campus is invited: faculty, administration — and girls, too.

Marshmallows will be roasted and cokes sipped during the two-hour program which begins at 8 o'clock. Highlights will include group singing, an orchestra, a male quartet. Arthur Knoll on the accordion, and several acts in which the coeds will steal the spotlight — skits, singers, and an "all-girl orchestra."

At 10 o'clock Chase Hall will be open for dancing until the usual Saturday night hour. The entire program is scheduled for Chase Hall in the event of bad weather.

The committee in charge, appointed by the Stu-C, has asked that each man attending carry some wood, which will be at the bottom of Mt. David, up the mountain. It is also urged that everyone, come early in order to get well-established before dark. Furthermore, the committee said, it is desired that the entire student body attend the social effort in this direction.

Finnish Speaker Visits Campus

Mr. Dor-Erik Lassenius, a native of Finland, representing the Swedish University in Abo, Finland, will address Bates students tomorrow evening on "Post-War Political and Economic Developments in Finland."

Born in Vasa, Finland, Mr. Lassenius attended college in Abo and received his law degree from Swedish University in that city. He is a practicing lawyer in Abo and is treasurer of Swedish University.

Mr. Lassenius' visit to this country is sponsored by an American Scandinavian group which has become interested in the University. The most pressing need of the University, a school of 700 which, in common with most European colleges, is suffering a housing shortage, is a new dormitory.

Mr. Lassenius will speak to the local Rotary Club tomorrow afternoon and in the Comparative Government class in the morning. Tomorrow evening he will speak in Room 7, Libbey Forum at 7 o'clock. His appearance on the campus is sponsored by the CA, Public Affairs Commission.

Stu-C, CA Approve Recommendations For Next Year's Campus Chest Drive

The recommendations of William Stringfellow's report on Campus Chest policy were approved by the Student Council Thursday and the Christian Association Cabinet Saturday.

Passage of the report by the Student Government Board this evening would automatically set up a Campus Chest policy committee to take charge of next year's campaign. Members of the committee would be the Stu-C, Stu-G, CA, class presidents, the CA's World Student Service Fund chairman, the editor-in-chief of the STUDENT, and as many as three others to be appointed by the committee.

The report recommends that George Gamble, this year's WSSF chairman be made chairman of the 1949 drive.

Allot Funds First

The policy committee would be responsible for investigating charities, allotting funds on a percentage basis before the campaign, appointing any functional committees it deems necessary to carry out the drive, and making provision for collecting donations during or shortly after the campaign.

The report states that students' primary obligation should be to student charities or charities supported primarily by students.

"Under this plan," said Stringfellow, "I think there will be no such mix-ups as we had this year over the Red Cross."

Stringfellow wrote the report on behalf of a committee made up of the new and retired presidents of Stu-C, Stu-G, and the CA.

Julius Caesar Cast Engages In Last Week Of Intensive Preparation For Performances

Working under a heavy schedule of rehearsals since spring vacation, the cast of "Julius Caesar" is beginning its last full week of intensive activity in the Little Theater. The first performance will be Thursday evening, May 12.

Directed by Miss Schaeffer, the large cast is headed by Stanley Moody as Brutus, Leon Wiskup as Cassius, Norman Card as Mark Antony and Norman Boker as Julius Caesar. The two women in the play, Portia, wife of Brutus, and Calpurnia, wife of Caesar, will be played by Joan Chanin and Elisabeth Thomas. Others in the cast include William Sensen as Casca, Lawrence Cannon as Decius, Bertram Palefsky as Cimber, William Paradis as Trebonius, William Norris as Cinna, Paul Cox as Artimus, Robert Hobbs as Tullius, James Andrews as Cinna the Poet, Richard Webber as Servant to Antony, John McCune as Popilius Lena, Richard Bellows as Messala, John Moore as Servant to Caesar, Roland Gardner as the Soothsayer, and Charles Radcliffe as Flavius.

Adapting the modern precaution introduced by Orson Welles, which reflects the implication of dictatorships and political ambitions, the play deals primarily with national upheavals, and the men involved in them.

The class in Play Production is assisting Miss Schaeffer in the technical work for "Julius Caesar."

Noted Artist Discusses Religious Ideas Monday

Mr. C. Alan Crite, a noted religious artist, cited four points about the human race in chapel Monday morning: (1) Everyone has a unique personality in history; (2) everyone must go through a certain amount of storm and stress or moral dilemma; (3) we live only in the present; and (4) all of us are destined to die.

The speaker enlarged considerably upon his last point. "In the U. S.," he asserted, "it is customary to eliminate death from our society. We try to rationalize, but we still die."

"Man has ever sought for something beyond the materialistic limitations of his present life. Out of this groping has come an awareness of God. God in the person of Jesus Christ has freed man from the limitations of both stress and death."

Mr. Crite concluded by saying that when look up into the sky at night it is good to think of the universe as filled with the spirit of God rather than empty frightening space.

Wendall Wray introduced the speaker. Mr. Crite held a seven year scholarship from Harvard and is the author of two books, Wray said.

Dance Club Program Friday Has Poetry, Humor, Folklore

The Bates Dance Club will present its biannual recital entitled "The Bookshelf," Friday in the Alumni Gymnasium at 8:15 p. m. The recital will include interpretations of poetry, folksongs, travel, fiction, non-fiction, humor, and folklore.

Includes Varied Program

The program will open with an interpretation of travel by the entire group entitled "South American Rhythms." This will be followed by an all-male rendition of "Men are queer creatures — but likeable," with music compiled by Rachel Eastman. "A Children's Corner" will follow with Barbara Muir, Rachel Eastman, Jean Gillespie, Shirley Freeman, and Edward Balentine participating. Interpretations of poetry will include "Patterns," by Amy Lowell, with Natalie Connor, reader, music compiled by Rachel Eastman, and choreography by Miss Patricia Rowe. In this selection Barbara Muir, dance club president, will offer a solo with Wendall Wray, Robert Jones, Dana Jones, Grace Ulrich, Arnold Alperstein, Richard Zakarian, Jean Gillespie, and Minnie Chiotinos participating.

Following the intermission a humorous interpretation of "Opposites attract" will be offered by Rita Stuart, Robert Jones, Lois Foster, Richard Zakarian, Marjorie Hobart and Wendall Wray. One of two folklore selections will be presented by the apprentice and a choral group, followed by a non-fiction group entitled "Race Prejudice and

Transition. The program will close with the second folklore selection which will include "Lass from the Low Country," "Lonesome Man," "Sweet, Betsy from Pike" and "Heavenly Grass" which includes the entire group.

First Time For Men

The group, under the direction of Miss Patricia Rowe, dance club advisor, has been planning and practicing techniques since fall. This year has seen the addition of men to the club for the first time, most of whom, according to Miss Rowe, have never been in a modern dance performance until this year.

The recital will be the final Bates modern dance performance for eight of the ten girls in the club, the two remaining being Grace Ulrich and Shirley Freeman. This deficit will be filled next year by the apprentice group which consists of Jane Kendall, Eleanor Lovejoy, Priscilla King, Beverly Eaton, Marilyn Shaylor, Margaret Moulton, Dorothy Wood, Grace Grimes, Phyllis Long, Edith Tobben, Larch Foxon, Miriam Olson, Cynthia Keating, and Virginia Edge.

Costumes for the performance are under the direction of Margaret Moulton and Jane Kendall while music will be provided by Jane Bower and Rachel Eastman. All choreography, with the exception of "Patterns" and "Heavenly Grass," has been done by the students themselves.



MODERN DANCERS DANA JONES AND BARBARA MUIR

Stu-C Discusses Course Rating System, Mayoralty

Discussion of book sales, the mayoralty campaign, freshman orientation policy, and the proposed course rating system were among the highlights of the Student Council meeting last Thursday evening in the Roger Williams conference room.

Dill Reports Progress

Speaking for the Bookstore Committee, William Dill reported that the group had reached a tentative agreement with Mr. Ross and Mrs. Donovan on a cafeteria style book sales system for next fall, some of the books to be packaged ahead of time according to student orders made in May. The committee met Saturday to put its proposals in writing.

Members of the Bookstore Committee are Dill, Prescott Harris, Burton Hammond, and Richard Nair.

Men Vote For Mayor?

Reporting for the Mayoralty Campaign Committee, Vice-President Robert Corish told the council that there had been discussion of not allowing dormitory men to vote in the election this year. Campaign policy will be more fully discussed at the Stu-C meeting this evening.

Members of the Mayoralty Campaign Committee are Corish, Herbert Bergdahl, and Richard Scott.

Return To Rules?

Robert Wade and Arthur Koenig, who compose the Freshman Orientation Committee, both appeared in discussion to favor a return to enforced freshman rules for men next fall. "The freshmen will expect rules," said Corish. "Without them there's nothing to do around here in the fall."

Retired Stu-C President William Stringfellow, who was present at the meeting, pointed out that the council's responsibility in freshman orientation extends beyond the controversy between rules and "traditions." Stu-C members, he said, should be the leaders in personally aiding the freshmen in adjustment to college life.

The possibility of a "big brother" system was considered briefly. Freshman orientation policy will be a major topic of discussion at the Stu-C meeting this evening.

The council also discussed and approved the course rating plan of the National Student Association Committee. The plan and a sample course rating sheet will be presented to President Phillips this week.

ley Patterson upheld the negative. The freshmen debaters will be hosts to the Northampton High School team this week-end.



PRESIDENT PHILLIPS PRESENTS DEBATE TROPHY to Charles Radcliffe, William Stringfellow, Frank Chapman, and Richard Nair, Maine state champs for 1949.

O-At-Ka Conference Offers Religion, Sports

All students who are planning to attend the O-At-Ka Conference from June 13 to 19 should fill out their application blanks before May 12.

The purpose of O-At-Ka, sponsored annually by the New England Student Christian Movement at East Sebago, Maine, is to examine the problems of mankind as they are reflected on college campuses.

Students from all over New England meet for conferences, addresses by Christian leaders, daily worship services, and periods of quiet meditation. Swimming, canoeing, sailing, tennis, baseball, and hiking compose the variety of recreational facilities offered at O-At-Ka.

Each student's total cost of attending the conference is \$49 of which the Christian Association pays half.

Students wishing to attend the June conference may secure an application blank from Barbara Spring in Frye Street House, Arthur Darden in John Bertram, Jean MacLeod in West Parker, or George Cory in Smith Middle.

President Presents Three Major Debating Awards In Chapel

Three major debating awards were presented to the 1947-1948 and 1948-1949 debate teams by President Phillips in chapel Friday morning.

The Texas Christian University Award for winning the first National Recorded Debate Tournament went to this year's team, and President Phillips cited William Stringfellow, Charles Radcliffe, and Frank Chapman as having participated in this tournament, winning six out of the six debates in which they took part.

Prof. Quimby's debaters also took the Maine State Title this year and last year as well. Last year's State Championship team, said President Phillips, included William Stringfellow, Charles Radcliffe, and Richard Nair.

The president read a statement by President Bixler of Colby in which he made the award to last year's team.

Frosh Tie For Second In Dartmouth Debates

Two individual awards were won by the Bates freshman debate team debating on Federal World Government at Dartmouth last week-end. Wesleyan was awarded first prize. Bates tied with Vermont for second place in this annual New England tournament for freshmen.

Honors were won by David Moore, who tied for best individual speaker, and Carol Jaques, who was awarded the title of fourth best speaker in the tournament.

The affirmative team was comprised of Carol Jaques and David Moore. Lawrence Birns and Stan-

The faculty voted last Friday evening to give the unlimited cut privilege to all sophomores, juniors, and seniors with quality point ratios of 3.400, President Phillips announced today.

This measure, which grants the minimum request made two weeks ago by the STUDENT, will be in effect at the beginning of next semester, when an estimated 100 names will appear on the unlimited cut list, about twice as many as are listed under the present 3,600 rule.

Wording of the ruling adopted by the faculty is as follows: "Sophomores, juniors, and seniors who, in the previous semester, had a quality point ratio of 3.400 may have unlimited cuts except on no-cut days and for chapel, physical education, and laboratory work. All such students will be subject to the provisions of their departments for review quizzes and other stated requirements."

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3,400, preferably also those with 3,200 averages." Reasons given for the change were: 1, to encourage student responsibility; 2, to "provide a more effective barometer of teacher-competence in the classroom"; 3, to allow for greater student incentive toward high grades.

A day later President Phillips told the STUDENT that at the next faculty meeting he would "inquire whether the faculty has enough interest in the matter to have it studied by the appropriate committee next fall. If the faculty has sufficient interest," he said, "I shall assign it to committee."

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Robert Foster, STUDENT editor-in-chief, appeared before the council to answer questions on the cut system change as it was proposed by this newspaper April 20. "Any changes to be made must be worked out by the faculty," said Foster. "But if students are interested in a change along the lines proposed or have alternate suggestions to offer, they should let faculty members know about it. This can be done either through personal contact or by letters to the editor."

Idea Germination?

The issue was discussed at women's house meetings during the weekend. Last Wednesday the STUDENT printed five letters to the editor signed by 31 students, endorsing the proposal or recommending more drastic change.

The advantages and disadvantages of lowering the unlimited cut requirement were discussed in education classes last week.

Asked to explain the faculty's immediate action on the proposal, Dean of Faculty Harry Rowe said, "I don't know whether it was the power of the press or the germination of an idea... I've been urging a change like that since 1942."

The cut system has already been debated at two meetings of the Student Government Board. This evening Stu-C may act on a resolution similar to that passed by Stu-C.

Proposed by STUDENT

Campus controversy over lowering the unlimited cut requirement began two weeks ago when the STUDENT proposed "that the unlimited cut list be extended to include all sophomores, juniors, and seniors with quality point ratios of

Year-Long Study May Lead To Basic Changes In CA; Hear Plans At Casco

A year-long study of the religious needs of the campus, which may lead to basic reorganization of the Christian Association, was authorized by the joint old-new CA Cabinet in the concluding session of its retreat at Overlook Farm, Casco, last weekend.

President Glenn Kumekawa will appoint a committee similar to the campus Amalgamation Committee to undertake the project. It was recommended that the group be composed of CA, faculty, Newman Club, Hillel, and denominational club representatives.

Authorization of the study committee was a milestone in the two-year-old cabinet controversy over the nature and functions of the CA, in view of its all-campus membership and its national Protestant affiliations.

Speaking on behalf of the project were Kumekawa, William Stringfellow, and Robert Foster. Stringfellow outlined three levels on which needs shall be met in the religious life of a non-sectarian college: 1, interfaith; 2, Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish, as distinct traditions; 3, denominational. "The CA, with its all-campus membership, finds it necessary to appeal to the campus as much as possible on an interfaith plane," he said. "The result is that the distinctly Protestant needs of Protestant students are often overlooked altogether."

Plan CA Program

Most of the two-day retreat was devoted to discussion of general plans for CA activities next year. Prominent among these will be "an issue of the month" program within the Public Affairs Commission and a change of the publicity agency from a commission, with voluntary membership, to a committee, with members appointed from the other six commissions.

The joint cabinet met Saturday evening and Sunday morning and afternoon. Retiring President Nelson Horne conducted Sunday morning worship, and the final session ended with a communion service led by Dr. Painter, CA advisor.

Stu-G Plans To Improve Constitution, Increase Activities; Discusses Amalgamated Plan, Cuts

The Women's Student Government board discussed next year's program at last Wednesday evening's meeting. Suggestions for expanding the social activities sponsored by Stu-G will be looked into further by President Rae Walcott. Among the suggested program changes were more Sunday coffees after coed dining, final banquet for the entire association, and a coed reception for freshmen.

The plan for an amalgamated student government was explained to the new board.

Janet Hayes, Joan Hutton, and Judith Litchfield were appointed to the Rules Committee. This committee will make changes in the constitution suggested by the old board.

The course rating sheet, drawn up by the National Student Association Committee, was presented and approved by the board.

Rae distributed room slips which were filled out at this week's house meetings.

The board also discussed the

Spofford Holds Supper At Union

Tuesday evening the Spofford Club held its annual supper meeting at the Women's Union, with 30 members and guests attending. Prof. Whitbeck addressed the group on the subject "Dostoyevsky's Timeless World", a discussion dealing with the development of the Russian novel, as illustrated by Dostoyevsky.

Nancy Norton-Taylor headed the supper committee, aided by William Dill and William Norris. President-elect Ralph Mills introduced the speaker.

The club's final meeting of the year will take place next Tuesday evening at Dr. Wright's home.

STUDENT proposal for unlimited cuts.

Rae and Florence Lindquist will attend the New England Women's Student Government Conference at Colby this weekend.

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Unlimited Cuts

The faculty voted last Friday evening to lower the quality point ratio requirement for unlimited cuts from 3.600 to 3.400.

This change is something which Dean Rowe has favored for seven years. In our opinion it is a good trial measure. Its passage a short nine days after the STUDENT's initial proposal demonstrates more graphically than anything we can say that the faculty, by and large, is open minded to student ideas and student cooperation.

In view of student opinion, we trust that the unlimited cuts question will still be assigned to committee next fall for detailed study, as President Phillips has said it would be "if the faculty shows sufficient interest". We have hopes that such a study by a faculty committee will lead to extension of the privilege—and the responsibility—to an even greater number of students.

The use to which the 3.400 students put their new privilege next semester will doubtless have an effect on this committee's decisions.

Peter Waring

The fine performance of the music societies in their annual Spring Concert last Friday gives us a welcome opportunity to thank Director of Music Peter Waring for his two years of service to the college—years which will not soon be forgotten by the many students who have known him and worked under his guidance.

We were sorry to hear that Mr. Waring will be leaving the Bates faculty in June. His decision to resign was prompted by a desire to continue his formal education. "It isn't easy to leave," he told a STUDENT reporter last month. "I've really enjoyed my work among the students and faculty here."

The enjoyment has been mutual. A man who can coax jazz out of the Bates Chapel organ, a man who calmly asks his audience, "Do you mind leaving?" after an Orpheus performance, a man whose whole bearing beams good will wherever he goes—such a man is sure to be as well liked elsewhere as he has been at Bates.

Traditions Or Rules?

To have or not to have freshman rules for men—that is the question on which the Student Council will continue debate this evening.

After three years of this controversy, the upperclassmen are becoming very familiar with the arguments. Many of them doubtless hoped last spring that the question was settled for some time to come. But judging from the Stu-C meeting last Thursday, all is decidedly not settled.

Bill Perham, Dana Jones, Bill Dill, Bill Norris, and Art Koenig told the STUDENT before all-college elections that they were generally in favor of the system of unenforced traditions initiated last fall. At the same time Bob Corish and "Buzz" Harris chalked themselves up for a return to enforced freshman rules. Dick Scott and Bob Wade made no statements.

On the surface then, it would seem that five of the nine council members favor the traditions system and will, if need be, vote down any minority.

Just A Reminder

But at last week's Stu-C meeting, Corish spoke eloquently on behalf of rules enforced to the hilt. It appeared that he was winning over some of the newer system's advocates.

We do not believe that pre-election statements should necessarily be considered binding in this case. The election clearly was not decided on the freshman orientation issue alone. We acknowledge the right of a council member to change his mind—with sufficient reason.

The STUDENT takes this opportunity merely to remind Stu-C members of their pre-election statements. These, along with many other considerations, should have bearing on the decisions made this evening or within the next few weeks.

We urge that all suggestions be aired before Stu-C members before, not after, the decisions are made. The council's meeting this evening is open, as usual, to all men students.

Letters To The Editor

McMahon Overlooked

To the editor of the STUDENT:

I fear that there was an unfortunate oversight made in chapel last Friday when the debating honors were being passed out. Somehow, the services of Dick McMahon were not mentioned. Since Dick and I were usually partners, particularly this year, I feel that I may best make amends.

Much of our team's success this last year (and even before this) was due to Dick's outstanding ability as a debater. His fine speaking, quick thinking, and forensic cleverness went far in gaining eastern U. S. honors in the Vermont tournament last fall—and national honors in the recorded debates this winter. As my partner he pulled me out of many deep holes in close debates. I cite the fact that he got a majority of the "best speaker" awards at the Vermont tournament as an index to his ability.

Dick is one of the finest debaters I have had the pleasure to debate with—and a fine fellow all the way around. The oversight in chapel I am sure was completely

unintentional—and I hope this corrects it. All of us who know him look forward to the return of the "smiling Irishman" next fall. We all miss him on the debating council.

Charles Radcliffe

Progressive Program

To the editor of the STUDENT:

It seems to me that the new editorial policy of the STUDENT is especially encouraging to all of us at Bates—students, faculty, and administrators—who are sincerely interested in every effort to promote in concert a continually progressive program at Bates.

By exploring thoroughly all facts and appreciating all sides in certain issues and by reporting them well through editorial comment, the STUDENT will do much to continue to foster responsible thought and constructive action on our campus.

Recently in chapel I indicated that I felt we ALL must realize that we are a part of, and a partner in, the educational process here at Bates. Each of us is responsible

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Players Present Caesar As First Of Bard's Tragedies In Ten Years

By Midge Harthan

Although Shakespearean drama is not new to Bates, the presentation of "Julius Caesar" will mark the first Shakespearean tragedy in the last ten years. Past production of "Merchant of Venice", "Taming of the Shrew", "As You Like It", and "Twelfth Night" have been colorful displays of Shakespeare's comedies. Present Bates audiences will remember the all-girl production of "As You Like It" in 1945, and the delicate coloring and lyricism of "Twelfth Night" in 1946.

In contrast to the past productions, the current play will be presented as a swift-moving tragedy which involves political ideals versus personal ambitions.

"The Evil That Men Do

Lives After Them"

This production resembles the Orson Welles version in that it emphasizes political implications which are pertinent today. Political demagoguery in Caesar's time as today resulted in violence and strife. Although Orson Welles pointed his interpretation toward the Fascist doctrine that was prevalent, the ideas inherent in the play are applicable to any political situation in which terrorism is a vital part.

"This Was The Noblest Roman Of Them All"

In Brutus we see the most profound conflict between a man's ideals and what he must do to maintain them. It is Brutus' struggle to reconcile his task of assassinating his best friend with what he considers to be best for the state.

In contrast to the other conspirators Brutus brings himself to assassinate Caesar only as a means of preserving the general good of Rome. His chief weakness is his failure to realize the lack of noble purpose in the men surrounding him. The motivation of the other conspirators is colored by envy, jealousy, and private grievance.

Cassius, the instigator of the conspiracy, resents Caesar's growing ambition and power as a threat to his own liberty. Cassius is never at rest when he beholds a man greater than himself.

Cassius may be termed more practical than Brutus. He is certainly clever in his initial appeal to Brutus for the conspiracy. He finds the physical weakness of Caesar incompatible with the high power that Caesar has gained. He cannot tolerate injustice which has been caused by one man.

Antony, who remains loyal to Caesar, and by permission of Brutus is allowed to make the second funeral oration, and thus becomes the leader of the opposition which upholds Caesar's tradition. He becomes a political opportunist and leader of a strong army.

J. J. s Caesar Thou rt Mighty Yet" Although Caesar is killed early in the play, his violent death causes reverberations which recur throughout the play. References to the Ides of March, appearance of Caesar's Ghost, and the words of Brutus and Cassius as they die show his pervading influence. Immediately after the assassination Cassius reflects on the killing which has had so many likenesses since Caesar's time.

"How many ages hence Shall this our lofty scene be acted over In states unborn and accents yet unknown."

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Throughout the play we see the effect of orators and events on a volatile mob. At the beginning of the play a general dissatisfaction with Caesar is shown, until he enters in a procession. At the time of the killing, the onlookers rush about in confusion and wild animation until Brutus calmly explains his actions and since he is the most respected Roman they believe him.

The mob is in sympathy with Brutus, until Mark Antony through clever handling of sentiments, and sympathy arouses the appeased mob to a frenzy against Brutus and they are prepared to kill the conspirators. Shakespeare shows the universal capacity of the clever orator to sway mobs in the direction desired.

In keeping with the tragic mood,

the stage will be dark and the cast will play on a series of three levels which will give some indication as to the change of locale. The most interesting effects will be done with lighting. John May, with the help of newly-acquired equipment, has planned an elaborate light plot which will heighten the dramatic effect of the play.

Bates audiences will see perhaps the largest expanse of stage ever used in the Little Theatre. All superfluous equipment has been moved so that every inch available will be used to give the effect of space-stage. Even part of an old dressing room has been sacrificed to give more room.

Every effort will be made by the cast and the director to make this performance a gripping, swift performance which should be a dramatic experience for Bates audiences.



LEON WISKUP and STANLEY MOODY who will play the parts of Brutus and Cassius in the Robinson Players production of "Julius Caesar".

Politics Preferred

By Raymond Sennett

Sunday was the holy day of the world's smallest tyranny, the Soviet Union. Originally May day was celebrated in Europe as a sort of international workers' holiday. The Communists have made it a hollow mockery. Stalin, not fascism, not capitalism, not Wall Street, is the real betrayer of the interests of the working people. Since the days of the mad Roman emperor Caligula, no human being has received the abject adulation that Stalin demands and receives. This is the

man who poses as the comrade of the proletariat. This defiled head of a band of fanatics who hasn't taken time to consider the interests of anyone but himself since the October Revolution.

Communists And Hitler Ask the Communists who were responsible for the rise of Hitler. They even joined forces with the Nazis to destroy the Social Democratic party. Their only mistake was to underestimate Hitler. The Communists' worst enemies have always been independent democra-

tic workers and peasant organizations and the Church.

The Communists do not really fear fascism. They have too much in common. The Hungarian Nazi party was taken almost en masse into the Communist ranks after this past war. The same thing happened in eastern Germany. Com-

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THEATRES

EMPIRE

Wed. - Thurs. - Fri. - Sat.

May 4, 5, 6, 7

"WHISPERING SMITH"

Alan Ladd - Brenda Marshall

Sun. - Mon. - Tues.

May 8, 9, 10

"SOUTH OF ST. LOUIS"

Joel McCrea - Alexis Smith

STRAND

Wed. and Thurs. - May 4 and 5

Rusty Saves A Life - T. Donaldson

Mr. Peabody and the Mermaid

W. Powell, A. Blythe

Fri. and Sat. - May 6 and 7

Ranger and the Lady - Roy Rogers

Flaxy Martin - V. Mayo, Scott

Sun., Mon., Tues. - May 8, 9, 10

Wake of the Red Witch

John Wayne

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News From Sampsonville

By Bill Norris

The eagle and the stork arrived simultaneously last Staturday when Donald Bradford Webber met his mother at CMG hospital. Reports have it that young Don will bat left handed and play first base. Our congratulations to Donald and Carroll.

Softball Sidelights

Rubbing alcohol and hot towels are the order of the day with the ushering in of the softball season. Most of the softball team did their footwork collecting tickets at the Better Homes Show at the Armory last week. Larry Cannon said that our pitching hope, Harry Williams, will be in shape due to extensive roadwork.

Speaking of the Home Show, the embarrassing moment of the week belongs to Ann Gordon. Seems as if little Diane mistook a certain display of bathroom fixtures for the real thing, and while her mother wasn't looking, quickly slipped off her overalls and headed for that certain fixture. Ann discovered her intentions in time to save the day for all concerned. As she was hustled off to the "little girls' room", Diane couldn't quite understand her mother's red face, the perspiration on the salesman's forehead, and the laughter of those watching the incident.

Thank You Notes

The girls in the Ball and Chain Club would like to thank all the fellows who aided their Cake Sale by their purchases. The affair was a success—as was last year's sale. Last year's profit went towards the purchase of our backyard play pen—this year's profit will be used, in

some manner, to say goodbye to the 55 per cent of the Sampsonville who are leaving for good.

The wives would also like to let Prof. Berkman and Dr. Wright know that they appreciated their cooperation the other evening. Seems as if the scheduled lecture by Dr. Crowley came at the same time as the showing of "Romeo and Juliet" in the Little Theatre—so it was arranged, Barbara Williams to Dr. Wright to Prof. Berkman, to have a special showing after the lecture. The Uplift Society, as the wives who attend these lectures call themselves, are all grateful. Dr. Crowley gave some of his impressions of the recent MIT convocation. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8. Mr. Kinsley will speak on China—tentative title, "Tales from the Pacific".

Like A Chess Game

Welcome back to the Bob Joneses. They will move into the apartment vacated by the Fairfields. The Fairfields moved into the Painters' old apartment while the Painters moved into the apartment left vacant when the Annettes moved to Auburn—complicated! For those who think Sampsonville will be a deserted village next September—Mr. Sampson says there isn't a single vacancy in sight.

Community pride is in evidence too. Among others seen raking lawns and cleaning up the grounds were Chet Leone, George Stewart, Phil Gordon, and John McCarthy. What we need is a supply of dog-proof garbage cans and our appearance problems will be just about solved.

Stu-C Agenda

(Meeting this evening at 8 o'clock in the Roger Williams conference room.)

Report on plans for coed smoker Saturday.

Appointment of Liaison Committee.

Discussion of mayoralty campaign policy.

Discussion of freshman orientation policy.

Stu-G Agenda

(Meeting 7 o'clock this evening in the Women's Union.)

Discussion of Freshman Rules.

Discussion of Campus Chest.

NSA News.

Elect Twelve Freshmen To Outing Club Council

Twelve new members were elected to the Outing Club Council last Wednesday. The new members, representing the Freshman Class, are: Anne Elliot, Doris Hardy, Carolyn Carlson, Florence Dixon, Cynthia Keating, Dorothy Wood, Alan Glass, Eugene Harley, Weston Burquest, William Paige, John McDonald, and John Blake.

A letter will be sent to incoming freshmen informing them about the activities of the Outing Club during the college year, it was announced.

Last weekend Edith Pennucci and David Kuhn attended a conference at Old Lyme, Conn., at which outing clubs from some of the New England colleges were represented.

Calendar

Fri., May 6: Dance Recital, Alumni Gym, 8:00. Department of Sociology, Talk and Lecture on Finland, Libbey, 4:30.

Sat., May 7: WAA College Sports Stag. Meeting of Maine Philosophers, Women's Union, 9:00 a. m. - 5:00 p. m. Men's Co-ed Smoker, Mt. David.

Sun., May 8: Freshman Class Party, Thornecrag, 2:00. Bowdoin Student Concert, Chapel.



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Pondmen Lose Two In Vermont; Rhode Island Here Tomorrow

By Slim Somerville

Middlebury defeated Bates on Friday in the first game of the two day road trip into Vermont by the score of 6-2. The Bobcats were sent into the Green Mountain State, and found that the batting average which they were not able to take before the game really hurt as Newman, the Middlebury pitcher, stood the Bates batters on their heads, yielding only two hits and striking out ten.

Bates opened the game with a run in the first inning when Hamel was hit by a pitch. Larochelle sacrificed him to second, he went to third on an error and scored on Porter's infield hit. Middlebury tied it up in their half of the first, but Bates took the lead again in the third on an error by the pitcher, which allowed Larochelle to reach first safely. He advanced to second on Cunnane's walk and scored on Porter's ground ball that was an error. That was all the scoring for Bates. Middlebury put fielding mistakes, walks and four hits together to produce the margin of victory.

Ted Cochrane started his first game on the mound for Bates and although he gave only six hits, his lack of control kept him in trouble, along with six errors made by his teammates. Ted showed signs of some good pitching and will be a great asset to Coach Pond's weak mound.

In general the fielding was sloppy, but two beautiful defensive plays were turned in by Perry and Cunnane. Perry caught a fly ball in center and threw out a man who had tagged up trying to make third. Cunnane went to his right and batted a waist high line drive to the man off first base.

Bates was mentally and physically drained from the long trip and Middlebury took full advantage of it.

Netmen Lose Two To Harvard

By Joel Price

The Bobcat netmen commenced their 1949 season last weekend as they engaged in two matches against the junior varsity racquetmen from Harvard. Both times the Garnet emerged on the losing side by scores of 6-3 and 8-1.

Opening up their trip Friday, the Cats were victorious in one of the singles matches but copped two out of the three doubles contests. Captain Bob Strong was in leading form as he set back Tobias of Harvard in straight sets, 6-4, 6-3. Strong then teamed with "Ace" Bailey to capture his doubles encounter, 7-5, 6-3. The sophomore combination of Bobby Greene and Mike Stephanian proved themselves a capable twosome as they battled their way to a hard-earned 6-4, 6-3 triumph. The five Garnet losers in the singles were all whipped in straight sets. Craig topped Bailey, 6-4, 6-3; Hatton bested Warren Stevenson, 6-4, 6-3; Reese repulsed Bob LaPointe, 6-2, 6-2; Zinsser took the measure of Bob Green, 6-2, 6-1; and Hubbard set back Stephanian, 6-1, 6-0. The sole Bates doubles loss came as Bramhall and Baenn whipped Stevenson and LaPointe, 6-3, 6-23.

The following day the Cats met the same team, stocked with several new personnel. The Garnet's game, on a whole, was visibly off, as it captured but a single match, that as "Ace" Bailey triumphed in a singles engagement, 6-1, 8-6. Harvard's Dick Hatton forced "Nag" Strong to surrender to his slow style of play and subjugated Bob in three sets, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3. The locals were blanked in the doubles and the remainder of the singles, all in two-set contests.

Despite the two losses, the experience gained by the netmen was invaluable and they should fare considerably better in their tilts with Tufts and Maine this week.

Freshmen Win 5-0 Over Bridgton

The frosh baseballers racked up No. 4 last Thursday, blanking an erring Bridgton Academy nine, 5-0, in their fifth encounter of the season.

Coach Huether's boys excelled in all departments, especially pitching. Buzz Harris and Andy MacAuliffe shared mound duty, and the academy crew were able to touch them for only two hits. Both pitchers held the losers in straight-jacket fashion. It was Harris' first action of the spring, but by no means the last. MacAuliffe extended his runless streak to sixteen innings, and has allowed only four hits and five walks in that stretch.

Stan Ladd started the offense, leading off in the first with a single. Norm Hammer nudged him down to second with a well-placed sacrifice bunt. Then Douglas exploded a two-bagger, Ladd scoring the ice-breaker. John Wettlaufer slashed out another vicious double, sending Douglas swiftly home, and at innings' end the bases were left saturated after Dick Berry and Bob Putnam got on.

Ladd turned the crank again in the second frame, reaching on the second sacker's flub, and stealing second base. Then Norm Hammer stepped into a grooved one and banged a run-scoring single over the shortfielder's glove. At the end of two, it was 3-0, Bobkittens.

In the fifth stanza the Garnettes kicked more dust into the eyes of the Bridgtoners. Douglas and Wettlaufer got on via the misplay route, and Berry bunted a single down the third base line. With three on, Fred Phillips sliced a clean single to right, good for two more counts. That ended the frosh scoring for the afternoon.

Once again, Bates suffered from a lack of depth. Up until the last event, the broadjump, Bates led Middlebury by two points. The subsequent failure of the Bobcats to score in that event lost second place for Bates.

Bud Horne, Hugh Mitchell, Bill Sawyers, and Hal Moores account for all of the Bates scoring.

— John Davenport

Many Bates sports enthusiasts remember Jo-Jo LaRoche but it is another member of the LaRoche clan who is now stirring on the Bobcat sports scene. William LaRoche, better known as "Wimpy", is a stocky 5 ft. 7 in. 165 pounder.

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Intramural Softball Underway; 12 Games Planned For The Week

By Al Dunham

Frosh Thinclads Defeat Deering

Although there were no spectacular records established in the Frosh-Deering track meet Thursday, the freshmen won their first victory of the spring season, 55-35. Gene Harley, Bill Rust, and Nate Boone took firsts in the mile, 440, and 220 yard low hurdles respectively. Reliable Nate Boone also took first in the hundred (11 sec.), the 220 yard dash, and the broad jump (20 ft. 1 in.). The 880 was a tie between Harley and O'Brien while Manter placed third. Third places in the mile, 440, and 220 were won by Dukakis, Mansfield and Onque.

In the field events Bob Cagenello and John Small also contributed to the Bates score by taking two firsts and a third respectively. Cagenello took first in the discus and shot while Small took a third in the javelin. In both field and running events the frosh seem to have enough potential power to make this spring season a successful and profitable one.

— Merrill Nears

In the 220 a little while later. After winning his heat, Bill raced the final in a blistering 21.8 seconds. This time both the local track record and also the state record.

The 880 was another fast and punishing race. After McLaren of Vermont set a punishing pace followed by Bates' Hal Moores, Mahoney then took the lead to win the race, and Moores caught the fading McLaren to gain second place.

Although Bates as a team was not outstanding, the stellar performances of Horne, Sawyers, Mitchell, and Moores should promise both them and Bates lots of points in the forthcoming State Meet.

In the running events, the 220, 440, and 880 were the most exciting events of the meet, and Bates runners figured prominently in all three races.

Bill Sawyers, who scored 8 points in the meet, ran neck and neck with Vermont's Mahoney until he was cut out on the first turn. Bill made a desperate effort to catch the faltering Mahoney on the backstretch, but he couldn't quite make it. The time was a fast 50.7 seconds. Bill redeemed himself with a vengeance.

— Ralph Cate

19-3 in the third contest of the night.

Although it is still a bit early in the schedule to prophesy or predict the possible outcome of the 1949 softball play, everyone may watch the progress of the respective teams by coming over to Garcelon Field on the nights of play, and take a gander at some good softball.

Fax and Figures

By Martie Rayder

Foul or fair — we're bound to have weather, whether or not — with balmy days preferred. W.A.A.'ers especially are hoping for the King of Raindrops to refrain from weeping so that plans for another intercollegiate playday may bear fruit. Saturday, May 7 will find a delegation here at Academia Batesiana playing host to U. of M. and Colby in the second of a series of these playdays. Jo Holmes, assisted by Jane Kendall of the new board, has had charge of the necessary arrangements for the affair and announces the following program: fair weather — tennis in the A. M. and softball in the afternoon; rainy weather — indoor deck tennis and pingpong in the morning with basketball to replace the afternoon's softball.

Inclement weather or no, the Splash Party scheduled for May 12 will take place from 8:30 to 9:30 in the Auburn Y. M. C. A. pool. Further information will be released in next week's column. Norma Reese is in charge of the proceedings.

The annual Hare and Hound Chase is set for May 15. May Whitelaw and Betty Daniels will plan this year's chase, which, briefly, is to be an all day affair with an extra special spot for the end of the trail.

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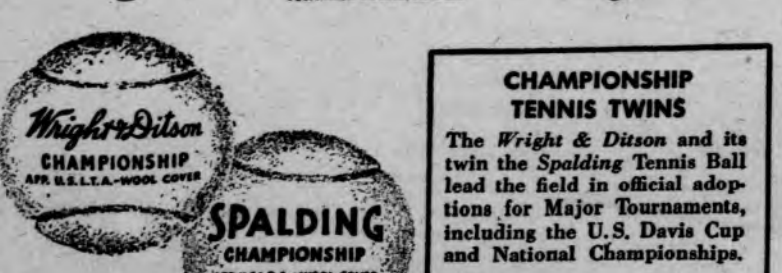
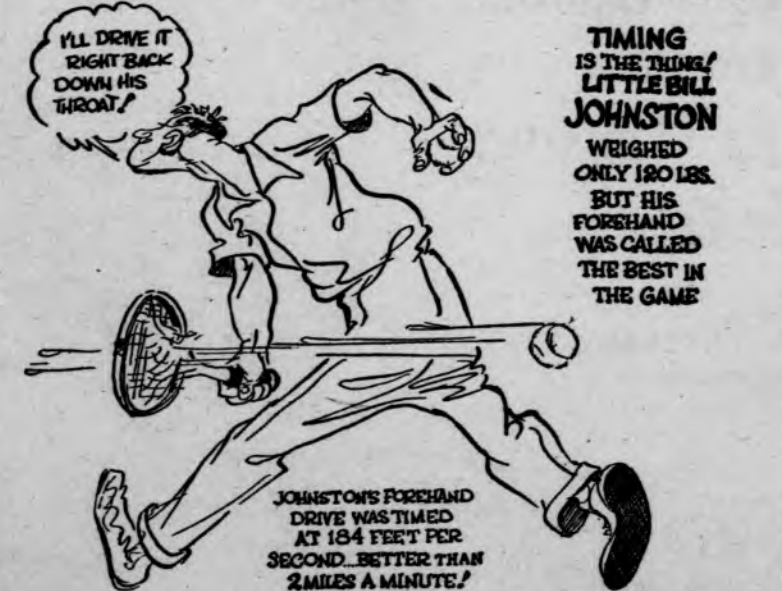
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Prexy Gives Talks In Long Western Tour

President Phillips left Monday morning on an extensive speaking tour that will take him to the West Coast.

Sunday evening he was in Portland sponsored by the Council of Churches of Greater Portland for the Portland University of Life. President Phillips spoke on the misconception and misuse of the words "liberal" and "conservative."

"As a matter of fact, common usage of these words completely reverse their former meaning," he said. Originally, President Phillips pointed out, liberals meant those who favored a minimum of government control. Today, however, the program called "liberal" is just the conservative program of two hundred years ago, he said.

First Stop At Washington

Monday evening on the first stop of his tour, Dr. Phillips spoke at a New England Congressional Dinner in Washington.

Tuesday he spoke before a state-wide group of Virginia businessmen at the University of Richmond. He discussed the need of

scientific study of marketing problems. He concluded the speech by declaring, "There is evidence that the field of marketing is growing in importance and will continue to grow in the years ahead."

Dr. Phillips will address the annual banquet of a district gathering of Rotary Clubs at Salisbury, Md. Thursday.

Goes To West Coast

The president will then fly to the West Coast where he will meet with Bates alumni at Los Angeles, Saturday. Sunday will find him on the Pomona College campus, and next Monday he will address a nationwide gathering of businessmen at San Diego.

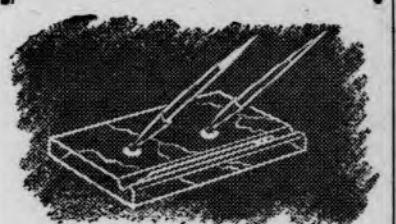
On his return trip, the president will stop in Chicago next Wednesday to meet with Bates alumni of the Chicago area.

Award Hastings, Jones Spanish Fiesta Prizes

Virginia Hastings and Austin Jones won prizes for the most original costumes worn at the Spanish Fiesta last Saturday evening in Chase Hall.

Sponsored for the entire campus by the Spanish Club, the affair was complete with bull fight, special decorations, and music by the Bates Bobcats. Travel posters, flowers, streamers, latticework entrance, and colorful costumes provided Spanish atmosphere.

Judith Witt headed the committees making arrangements for the fiesta and dance. Committee chairmen were George Armitage, publicity; Philip Clifzari, refreshments; June Gillespie, bull fight; Emma Paladino, costumes; and Norma Chaffee, decorations. Mrs. Powers and Prof. Seward were advisors for the project.



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Music Groups Honor Waring At Last Concert

Last Friday evening's Spring Concert by the Choral and Orphic Societies marked the final appearance of Mr. Waring as director of music at Bates. Following the program Mr. Waring was presented a brief case by the music groups.

Marjorie Nickerson and Wilbur Rust were the violin soloists in Bach's "Concerto in D Minor for Two Violins." Mr. Waring accompanied the piece on the organ.

Edith Routier played "Scherzo in B-Flat Minor" by Chopin as a piano solo and an encore, "Perpetual Motion." Edith also starred on the piano in the orchestra's rendition of "Little Rhapsody in Blue" by Gershwin.

Also featured were Robert Smith, tenor soloist in "Ca' the Yowes," a folksong by Vaughan Williams presented by the chorus, and the Orphic Brass Ensemble, which played a Bach chorale and march. Selections played by the orchestra included the march from Wagner's "Tannhauser," the "Morris Dance" from "Henry VIII Suite" by German, "España" by Walteufel, and "The Syncopated Clock" by Anderson.

Lambda Alpha Club Plans Seaside Party

The town girls held their monthly supper meeting at the Women's Union, Thursday. The supper committee consisted of Irma Reed, Ann Small, and Cynthia May. Guests were Mrs. Kierstead and Barbara Varney.

After the supper a short business meeting was held. Plans were discussed for a trip to Orr's Island, May 29. A mock oratorical contest was conducted by Frances Andrews with the freshmen as judges and the upperclassmen as contestants. The speeches were entirely unheard. Ann Small was awarded first prize.

Freshman Outing At Thorncrag, Will Include Buffet Supper, Games, Skit

Philosophers Meet At Bates

The annual spring meeting of philosophers of Maine colleges will be held Saturday with Bates College as host. About 16 professors from the University of Maine, Bowdoin, Colby, Bangor Theological School, and Bates are expected to attend the two sessions.

The first session at 10:30 a. m. will be held in the Women's Union. Prof. Roland Levenson of the University of Maine will read a paper on anti-Platonic tendencies and current philosophy, and a discussion will follow. At the 4 o'clock afternoon session, Dr. McCreery will read a paper on Liline and values.

These two sessions are open primarily to philosophy majors or students taking the course in contemporary philosophy.

Deputations Go To Churches This Week

Ae deputation composed of Ruth Burgess, Lyla Nichols, and James Balentine went to the Methodist Church in Bethel last Sunday. While in Bethel they conducted the Sunday School, the morning church service, and a discussion for the evening youth group. The group left campus Sunday morning and returned that evening.

A second deputation was sent to the Warren Congregational Church in Westbrook. The members of this deputation, Jerry Morris, John Myers, James Pirie, and Mason Taber, took charge of the morning service, a recreation period in the afternoon, a cook-out supper, and the Sunday evening worship service and discussion.

Politics Preferred

(Continued from page two)

munism serves one interest, Stalin. Final Answer

A Christian Workers International, not Marxism in any form, is the final answer to the Red pest. Christianity was the original party of the poor and oppressed. If the church has lost touch with the needs and interests of the common people it is not too late to get in step once again. Christians practiced socialism and communism ages before Marx was ever heard of.

If socialism or public ownership of wealth is necessary, and in many parts of the world it is a crying necessity, then the church should lead here, the church militant. There is nothing sacred about free enterprise or private property. In the U. S. capitalism for the most part works well. Big business has seen the hand-writing and has followed policies of "enlightened self-interest" (that is, recognition of working people's rights). Whenever and wherever capitalism doesn't meet the needs of the public as a whole, however, it should and must go.

Fence-Sitters

In the U. S. the church militant means of necessity the Roman Catholic church. With the exception of the Lutherans the major Protestant denominations are such fence sitters (not only in politics but also in theology) they do well to keep their doors open. Save for snipish attacks on Catholicism too many Protestant churches are polite social clubs playing an essentially negative role in the community.

Student Federalists Elect Darken Pres.

Arthur Darken was elected president of the Bates Chapter of the World Student Federalists at a special meeting of the organization last Wednesday. Past Pres. Raymond Sennett declined renomination.

The other officers elected were Robert Patterson, vice president; Richard Trenholm, treasurer; and Carol Hollingworth, secretary. The officers will begin their work at the regular meeting in May.

Mr. LeMaster led a religious service in chapel this morning. The CA will give a program Friday. Jean McLeod will present the speakers.

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Letters To The Editor

(Continued from page two)
for the achievements and the failures at Bates. At that time I mentioned some significant student efforts which I thought indicated that undergraduates were assuming a large and encouraging share of the leadership on campus. I did not have time to mention all groups.

I just want to add here that it seems to me that the new STUDENT board also gives every promise of lending the kind of constructive leadership on our campus we all want.

Les Smith,
Alumni Secretary

To be significant the project must be extensive enough to include an appreciable number of youngsters between the ages of eight and 14. It will not be possible for the sociology and psychology majors to handle the interviewing alone. I hope that many students will be anxious to try their skill at interviewing some of Lewis children.

Bob Dunn, chairman

Class Meetings

To the editor of the STUDENT: It is obvious that some interest has been shown by students in way class meetings are held. Last week there were two letters in the STUDENT clearly illustrating the sort of agreement in order to maintain harmony. Both letters in last week's issue had their points. I personally hope and believe that we can reach some method of solving this tension. We can have a friendly class meeting and still maintain order. Let's have a middle-of-the-road policy. In other words, an informal parliamentary procedure. Tommy McGinnis

Comic Books

To the editor of the STUDENT: It has been called to my attention that the recent article in the STUDENT describing the comic book project emphasized participation by sociology and psychology majors. While it is true that these people have been responsible for the details involved in getting such a study under way, it should be made clear that there is a great need for any interested members of the student body to help with the interviewing.

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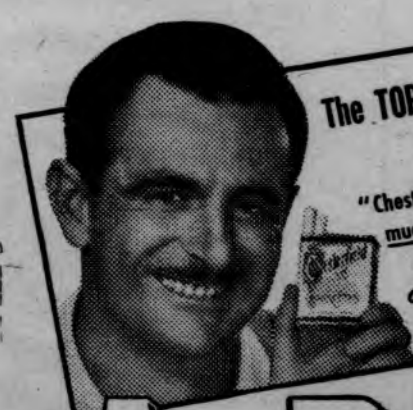
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