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## Assembly Discusses Lux Intramural Plan

A meeting of the Men's Assembly was held on Thursday evening, February 23rd, at 7 p. m. in the Filene Room to discuss the present Intramural Program and certain proposals that have been made to improve it. Forty-two men were present.

The meeting was called to order by Robert Viles, the president of the Student Council. Viles explained that the meeting had been called in order that Dr. Lux and the Department of Physical Education might get some idea of the feeling of the men on this issue of changes in the Intramural setup. Viles introduced Dr. Lux who presented his plan for re-vamping the Intramural system of Bates.

### Lux States Plan

Dr. Lux explained to the men the Intramural setup as it now stands. He then proposed a new plan which he hopes will improve organization of Intramural athletics and provide the Intramural program "with a continuity of action which will generate greater enthusiasm among the male population of the campus."

Dr. Lux's plan, which was presented in the December 7th issue of the Bates STUDENT, calls for a division of the male students into a number of clubs which will participate in Intramural athletics in place of the present

system of dormitory teams. Incoming freshmen would either be chosen by the clubs themselves or divided up on the basis of ability by the Intramural Council. The men would remain on these clubs for their four years at Bates.

### Hold Discussion

After Dr. Lux had cited his plan, affirmative and negative opinions were presented on the issue. David Ruthforth, speaking in favor of Dr. Lux's proposal, felt that it would do much to improve the teams and competition. Two freshmen, William Haver and Ronald Green, not in favor of the proposed club plan, felt that the present system of dormitory competition should be kept but that a number of changes should be made to improve it.

The meeting was then opened to general discussion of the various proposals which had been placed before the Assembly. Viles suggested that perhaps the dormitory system as a whole should be looked into. After more discussion the meeting ended.

## Bates Receives Invitation To G. E.'s College Bowl

Bates has been invited to participate in the General Electric College Bowl program on Sunday, June 4, over the C.B.S. television network from New York.

Between now and then, a team of four students plus an alternate, must be selected from the student body at large, and intense drilling and training sessions must be held to prepare for the contest.

Dr. George Goldat of the Cultural Heritage Division has been

named by President Phillips to serve as coach of the team and director of the project. In addition, a faculty team of advisors will aid the coach and contestants. This faculty group includes Dr. Ernest Muller, Professor Robert Berkelman, Dr. Roger Cox, Dr. Leonard Raver, Dr. Walter Lawrence, and Professor Brooks Quimby.

The GE College Bowl tests the student teams on their ability to be first with the correct answers based on questions from such fields as American and European History; American, English and European literature; philosophy; science; current events; music; mythology; and the Bible. The questions have announced point values and the team with the greater score at the end of the playing time is the winner.

The championship team each week is awarded a \$1,500 scholarship for its school and the losers take back \$500. Should Bates win the first contest, the team can stay on until June 25, when the show ends for the summer. Among the schools scheduled about that time and preceding Bates' date are Hanover College, Johns Hopkins, University of Florida, and Muhlenberg.

### N. E. MUTUAL

John A. Curtis '33, Supervisor of Employment Relations for the New England Mutual Life Insurance Company, Boston, will conduct a personal interview and resume-writing session on Thursday evening, March 2nd, at 7:30 p. m. in the Filene Room, Pettigrew Hall. Mock job interviews will be presented with two Bates students serving as interviewers. Students from all classes are invited to attend. Mr. Curtis served as co-chairman of the committee which planned the Alumni Association-sponsored Careers Conference, of which this session is a part.

## Lynn Webber Wins Betty Bates Contest

By MARGE ZIMMERMAN



Lynn Webber

On Friday night, February 24, after a week of festivities, Lynn Webber was chosen Betty Bates of 1961. The night's activities, which started at 7:00, were held in the Women's Locker Building. Judging the candidates were Miss Walmsley, Miss Nell, Miss Perry, Gretchen Shorter '61, and Judy Rogers '61.

Delight Harmon '61, who was Betty Bates of 1960 introduced the candidates. They were Carol Williams, Sara Ault, Adrienne Dodds, Lynn Webber, Sally Bernard, Joan Ritch, Sharon Fowler, and Silvia Harlow. The girls, all juniors, picked up a cup and saucer and walked across the room while Miss Harmon told a little about each one. The girls were judged on their poise, posture, and the effectiveness with which they performed.

### Merrimanders Entertain

After the introduction, the Merrimanders sang selections from Broadway shows including "A Certain Smile," "I Feel Pretty," and "One Hand, One Heart."

The eight candidates returned to demonstrate their gymnastic skills. They first dribbled a basketball, then volleyed with a volleyball. Lastly, they had short badminton volleys in pairs.

While the candidates changed to skirts and sweaters, the freshman dorm representatives of WAA presented a short skit starring Pamela Ball, Jane McGrath, and Beverly Beckwith.

The Betty Bates candidates reappeared to take part in the question and answer portion of the program. The girls each had to answer one serious question and one humorous question. Some

of the questions were: "What would you do if the cake you baked as a surprise for your boyfriend's birthday was a failure?"; "What do you consider necessary for a liberal education?"; "What would you do if you got a cigarette burn in a borrowed skirt?"; and "Do you think that educational television would be beneficial?"

During the time in which the judges selected two finalists a fashion show was presented by the freshmen. The models were Pat Parsons, Marion Day, Nancy Day, Elinor Brainerd, Gail Tupper, Joanna Starr, Leslie Nutter, Sandra Prohl, Lois Warfield, Nancy Hathaway, Nancy Lester, Martha Lindholm and Roslyn Avery. The show was moderated by Sally Smyth; the girls modeled spring suits, coats, dresses, bathing suits, sportswear, and cocktail dresses.

The two finalists were then announced. They were Lynn Webber and Joan Ritch. While the girls voted for one, Brenda Kaplan '61 spoke for several minutes. Her topic was "Diet and Fashion"; she described some of the newest spring styles in shoes and dresses.

Miss Harmon presented three awards: the first for good table manners, the second to the Rand Volleyball team, and the third to Betty Bates of 1961 — Lynn Webber.

## C. A. Holds Larger Cabinet Meeting, Name Committee

Meeting of the larger cabinet of the Christian Association was held on Wednesday, February 22 for the purpose of choosing the nominating committee. According to the constitution the committee is made up of all seniors on the inner cabinet and either two or three members of the larger cabinet depending upon the number of senior members.

The seniors automatically on the committee are Douglas Ayer, Alden Blake, Priscilla Charlton, Adelaide Dorman, Clarinda Northrop, Harold Smith, Joan Turner, and Judith Williams. Elected from the larger cabinet were Norman Bowie '64, John Conlee '62, and Elizabeth Little '63. This committee will nominate candidates for president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer for next year.

### Select Committee

A recommendation for a committee to handle the material placed on the bulletin board was

unanimously accepted. This committee will be part of the Public Affairs Commission and will consist of some members of the cabinet and other persons outside the cabinet.

David Campbell '64 suggested that the CA raise money to send to the starving children in parts of the Congo. The possibility of using some of the CA annual budget, or directing part of the WUS money to such a program was discussed. The proposal will be discussed in the cabinet meeting tonight.

### COMPOSITION PRIZES

Freshmen and Sophomores interested in English Composition prize awards should submit writing by March 30. See next STUDENT issue for more details.

### ENGLISH

All sophomores and juniors interested in either Short Story Writing (English 334) or in English Seminar and Advanced Composition (English 401) should meet with Prof. Berkelman in Pettigrew 204, at 4:00 on Friday, March 3rd.



## Dean Of Women Evaluates Education Of Bates Coeds

Speaking in Chapel Assembly Friday, February 24, was Dean Barbara Varney. She graduated from Bates in 1946, went on to become the Director of the News Bureau for five years, took up teaching, and obtained her Masters degree at the University of Maine.

Being on campus for five months has given Dean Varney many chances to become acquainted with and evaluate the girls on campus. A Bates coed is one who will buy her own coffee in the den and then wonder why boys come to a coeducational school if they are only going to study. She is one who buys intellectual paperbacks, eats pizzas every Friday night, and freezes Metracal on the window sill.

### Notes Purposes Of Education

A college is more than a mere four years of applying oneself to books. We are some of the fortunate students who have gone to the college of their choice, said Dean Varney. Thus students should make use of these four years and upon graduating take with them (1) an ability to judge fairly, (2) aptitude to criticize wisely, and (3) an increased faculty to use the imagination. The Bates Honor System, which has been in existence for the past 25 years, according to Dean Varney, an opportunity for the Bates coed's self-development in these and other areas. Some schools have a general honor system

which also covers examinations. This, said the Dean, "is the highest challenge of maturity."

### Views Future Goals

"The quality of education is the quality of each of us." One must be aware of current and future problems and attack these problems with thoroughness and order. It is not easy to be a woman, educated, honest, or a searcher for the truth, commented Dean Varney, but she hopes that Bates women will go ahead to accomplish all these goals in the future.

## Calendar

### Tonight, March 1

Vespers, 9:30-10, Chapel

### Friday, March 3

Music, 7:30-9:30, Women's Union

Class of 1963 Meeting, 9:30-10 a. m., Chapel

### Saturday, March 4

W A A Play-Day at Colby  
Robinson Players Movie, 7 and 9 p. m., Theatre

### Sunday, March 5

Music, 2-5, Women's Union  
(Co-ed and sponsored by CA)

### Monday, March 6

Art Association, 3-9 p. m., Hathorn

### Tuesday, March 7

C A Bible Study, 7-8:15, Women's Union Basement

### Wednesday, March 8

Vespers, 9:30-10, Chapel  
Bates Oratorical Contest, 7:30-9:30, Theatre

## Chapel Schedule

### Friday, March 3

Dr. Constance S. Mazlish, Assistant Professor of Spanish

### Monday, March 6

Dr. Frank Brown

### Wednesday, March 8

Music

## Ritz Theatre

THU.-FRI.-SAT.:

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JOHN WAYNE

- and -

"MY DOG, BUDDY"

SUN.-MON.-TUE.:

"MIDNIGHT LACE"  
DORIS DAY

- also -

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## Stu-G Discusses Campus Issues, Advisors Attend

At the weekly meeting of the Stu-G board this week, the three faculty advisors were present to aid in discussing the problems of the bookstore, the Women's Union and the report and recommendation on the "student senate committee".

Dean Varney discussed the Union issue with the board members. She stressed the fact that some of the new potential uses of the building are not being taken advantage of by the women on campus. The board strongly recommended to her that the Union be open for co-ed studying on Saturday nights because at present there is no place available for such. It should be brought to the attention of the students, male as well as female, that the smoking rooms are open on Friday night and on Sunday afternoons for music played by the C.A. record player.

### Discuss Proposals

The remainder of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of the proposals of the committee on the problem of divided Student Government. The board accepted the committee report that had been presented last week in its essence, making a few reservations. No action will be taken until both governments accept the recommendations on an equal basis.

## Modern Art Series

Wednesday at 8:15 p. m. at the Jewish Community Center, Lewiston, first in a series of illustrated lectures on backgrounds of Modern Art is to be given by Dr. Carl Schmalz of Bowdoin College. No admission charge. Bates students are urged to attend.

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## Raver Presents Grand Premiere Of Case, Stewart

Two world premieres will be the features works on a program of *Organ Music of the Twentieth Century* to be given by Dr. Leonard Raver on Tuesday evening, March 7 at 8:00 in the Bates College Chapel. The program is designed to show the variety of forms and style which contemporary composers utilize in writing for the organ.

In the 19th century the emphasis on orchestral music resulted in organ compositions that were largely imitative of the romantic shadings of the orchestra. In our day this is no longer the case since the organ is once again being considered an instrument in its own right, and not an imitation of any other.

### Features Works By Case, Stewart

The world premiere of works by two young American composers will be featured: a new piece (as yet untitled) by James Case and a Sonata for Organ by Edward Stewart. Mr. Case, currently a student of Vincent Persichetti in Philadelphia, has been strongly influenced by the twelve-tone writing of Igor Stravinsky and his new organ piece pays homage to *Threni* and other works in this genre. Mr. Stewart, who lives in Paris while studying composition with Nadia Boulanger, has written a Sonata of major proportions in three movements.

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## Guidance

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**Tuesday, March 7** — Mr. O. M. Bond will interview men for sales training with the Ortho Pharmaceutical Corporation.

Mr. Robert M. Palmer will interview men and women chemistry and physics majors for the Polaroid Corporation.

**Wednesday, March 8** — Miss Nancy Callanan will interview women for home office positions with the Aetna Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Ralph W. Lawson will interview men for the management training program with the F. W. Woolworth Company.

**Thursday, March 9** — Mr. Earle Loomer and Mr. Francis Lee will interview men for production, sales, and administrative training for the Deering Milliken, Inc. textile company.

Mr. Robert Scott, Jr. will interview men and women for a greater variety of positions made available by the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company.

**Friday, March 10** — Mr. W. L. Usher and Mr. Sidney A. Berkott will interview men for claims and underwriting positions and women arts and science graduates adept at figures for the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company.

Mr. James G. MacGowan, Mr. P. Hudson, and Mr. C. C. Cushing will interview men for positions in business management, technical operations, and research for the New England Telephone and Telegraph Companies.

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The Town of Wells, Maine will be receiving applications for life-guards for the summer of 1961 for at least a 10 week period. A Red Cross Senior Life Saving Certificate is necessary for application. If anyone is interest contact Town Manager, Town of Wells, Maine.

### MOVIES

"The Magnificent Seven" will be shown by the Robinson Players Saturday, March 4, at 7:30 and 9:30 p. m. in the Little Theatre.

## Debaters Score High In Festival Held At U of M

On Wednesday, February 22, John Strassburger '64, John Marino '61, Edward London '61, Richard Carlson '62, and Robert Ahern '64 entered the Maine Forensic Festival which was held at the University of Maine at Orono. The Bates participants achieved a generally high average in each of the events in which they took part, rated on a scale that extended from "superior" to "poor." In the division of original oratory, London was rated excellent, and Strassburger good. In extemporaneous speaking, Carlson and Ahern were judged excellent, as was Marino who led his discussion group in the category of group discussion.

### Lists Participants

The schools taking part in the festival included besides Bates, the University of Maine, Bowdoin, Colby, St. Francis, Ricker, and the University of Maine at Portland.

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## Godot And Existentialism

By DAVID NELSON

In dealing with a play like *Waiting for Godot* a critic is embarrassed by riches. For every point discussed in an article of newspaper length, six other things must be left unsaid. Being painfully aware of this, I can only hope that the following few observations will not be taken as the "nugget", but will stimulate further thought and discussion of other equally important aspects of the play.

### Success Indicates Pertinence

The remarkable success of Beckett's *Waiting for Godot* in Europe and, to a lesser extent, on Broadway is a good indication of the pertinence of the play to some of the most troublesome problems of modern man. Thousands of people in many countries have left the theater not quite sure, perhaps, of what the play "means", but at the same time quite sure that some of their most deeply felt, most familiar and yet ordinarily elusive

thoughts and emotions had been clarified, distilled, and recreated on the stage.

### Relates Philosophy To Problems

*Waiting for Godot* is an artistic embodiment of the basic tenants of existentialism and the emotions associated with it. Like Camus and Sartre, Beckett is trying to show how this "living" philosophy is directly relevant to the everyday problems of humanity. "Habit," says Vladimir near the end of the play, "is a great deadener." By the time this point in the play is reached the audience is able to grasp precisely what he means. Throughout the course of the play Beckett gradually strips from the audience the films of habitual preception which ordinarily allows them to see as rational something which is essentially irrational, or to use the existential term, "absurd."

### Goals Gives Meaning

At the beginning of the play, waiting for Godot makes sense to the audience. Everyone spends

a good part of their time waiting. We wait for a bus, we wait for a degree, we wait to get married . . . This future end or goal is, in fact, the thing which rationalizes, and gives meaning to our lives. By keeping our eyes fixed on this future goal, we find it easy to ignore the concrete and immediate here and now — the existential.

But as the play progresses and we see the ridiculous antics in which Vladimir and Estragon engage in order to "pass the time" while waiting, we become more and more skeptical of the "reasonableness" of this *raison d'être*. We see them as existing in a void, where they are, in Eliot's words, "distracted from distraction by distraction." We see that whatever meaningfulness there is in their lives lies outside of them; that "waiting for Godot" automatically puts one in limbo.

### Reality Underlies Perceptions

As the audience begins to see more and more clearly the con-

sequences of waiting for Godot, it also begins to perceive more clearly a reality which underlies our habitual perceptions of time and space. The phrase, "it's not certain" begins to echo like a refrain through the play. Memory falters, the grooves of habit begin to squeak frighteningly. Gogo and Didi are not certain that this is the right place, (if they were sure they would not have to look so closely at it) or the right time (if they were sure they would not be so conscious of the passage of time). The compartments into which we put space and time break down. Uncertainly breeds anxiety, and with anxiety comes a new and intense awareness of the reality beneath the name.

### Pozzo Acts

Beckett is implacable in carrying out his task of ensnaring his audience and making them see. For those who think of themselves as "acting" rather than "waiting" he presents Pozzo. Pozzo is doing something. He is

going to the fair to sell his slave, Lucky. Regardless of the moral quality of this end, it is, like waiting for Godot, something outside of himself. In the pursuit of that something he finds himself in the void with Estragon and Vladimir. In the last act when Pozzo has gone blind and can no longer distract himself either with his watch or his distant goal, Vladimir asks him where he is going. All he can answer is "On."

### Existence Precedes Essence

Sartre succinctly summed up existentialism in the phrase, "existence precedes essence." This means that existentialism rejects teleology, the science of ends or purposes, which has been a part of Western thought since Aristotle. The meaning or essence of any thing is ordinarily thought of as being determined by the purpose or end for which it was created. But since man is free he cannot have an end outside of himself, which would negate his freedom; instead he must accept the fact of the absurdity of his existence, as it is concretely experienced, and through his actions create his own essence. Beckett has dramatized the first part of this syllogism. He has taken the blinders from his audience and left them looking at reality.

### Students Go To Colby Thursday, March 2, For Speech Festival

On Thursday, March 2, the Oral Reading division of the Maine College's Speech Festival will be held at Colby. Representing Bates will be Douglas Rowe '61 and John Worden '62, Drama; Carol Sisson '61 and Marjorie Sanborn '61, Poetry; Gretchen Rauch '61 and Marianne Bickford '62, Prose.

### Den Doodles

Congrats to engaged, Bev Grafam '61 and Carl Ketchum '62.

It's not often that a student has his own private quarters in a public corridor of a dorm, eh Jack?

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## Editorials

### A Matter Of Policy

There are three courses of action open in regard to the Women's Union. One would be to put the Union to more efficient use under the present rules. This leaves some problems, such as the necessity for permission to use the Union, still in existence. The second course would be an attempt to change or add to the rules governing the Union. This has been undertaken to some extent by the Student Government which proposed that co-educational studying be allowed in the Women's Union. This is a valid attempt on the part of this organization to secure a change which the women want in the rules governing the Union. This is one of the changes the women want, but it is not necessarily what they will get.

The third course of action is to shift the power of changing the rules from its present location, the administration. The jurisdiction over buildings and their uses lies in the administrative officers. This is stated plainly on page twenty-two of the Blue Book under The Committee on Extracurricular Activities, section eight: "The [Extracurricular Activities] Committee does not have ultimate jurisdiction over the use of buildings or the provision of food, for these powers rest with administrative officers (Bursar, Manager of the dining rooms, President, and others)."

This is a two-fold removal of control from the students of the use of the buildings. The students have no voice in such matters, say by direct vote. This is reasonable enough, but further removal of any ultimate voice in this use from the Extracurricular Activities Committee leaves the students, despite their representatives to this body, out in the cold. The administrative officers have the control, but they must exercise it in light of school policy. In this particular circumstance the policy is directed toward the maintenance of a co-ordinate college. But regardless of what the policy may be the students are at best only given the opportunity to tell what their feelings are toward it. Thus they have no voice in the general policy of the school, which they have no reason to expect; but at the same time they have no say in the small part of this policy of which the rules governing the Women's Union are an example.

Perhaps this situation is common to all colleges and institutions. If it is then learning how to take the primary steps to initiate action, such as the Student Government has done with the Union, is a lesson best learned well. When one takes the nature of the country's government into consideration it becomes obvious that these steps should be part of a process familiar to all. And the earlier we learn this the better. Yet last fall some of us voted for the President of the United States which gives an indication of the government's trust in our decisions. If we can vote in this election we at least should be recognized as knowing what we want to do with the Women's Union.

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## Letters To The Editor

### To the Editor:

Last week's discussion from various quarters of a growing and important human problem interested me a great deal as I have been concerned with said problem for about four years. The issue, of course, is the potential of the present arms race in relation to the survival of mankind. I was especially interested in Mr. Curry's "Scene and Herd" column as it posed some questions in a rational manner that indicated a desire on the author's part for a constructive reply. It is to Mr. Curry that I will first address my feelings on this vital problem. I do not claim to have the answers, but I do hope to present different thoughts on the subject which may stimulate more and much needed discussion.

### Views Peace-March Results

Firstly, I do believe there are some very sound reasons for participating in a "March for Peace." These walks do something which is basic for any action; that is, they gain publicity. They are a dynamic way by which the people are presented the problem of survival. No effective action can be taken until the people at the grass-roots level are made aware that there is a problem at all. The average American newspaper does not present a problem (that is, two opposite points), but instead continues to hand out the Pentagon Line of counter-weapons and war economy. Many people are not even aware that there may be other opinions on the arms race, as they are only exposed to one idea through the conventional communications media. When a peace walk marches through your town or on the front page of the local newspaper the fact that there are differences of opinion is often seen for the first time. When I participate on a walk I neither ask nor expect that people agree with me; I only ask that they look at my side and think about it. It is not always easy to get people to think about something new, and the jolt of seeing people walking long distances for a cause may provide the needed stimulus to thought, if not action. We plead, at least, for thought — being men. This leads to another positive reason for participating in a peace walk. That is the wonderful chance to exchange thoughts with fellow workers. This might seem surprising, but not everybody agrees on these walks. There is a great diversification of thought to be found on the problem of nuclear weapons as well as almost any other subject. It is a joy and reward to communicate in this way.

### "Safety Checks" Fail

As to the Pentagon's "safety checks" against accidental war, it must be remembered that accidents have happened. And these accidents have occurred in areas that were "foolproof." The airplane setup over New York city is planned in such careful detail that an accident is "impossible," and yet two planes crashed over Brooklyn with great catastrophe during the past Christmas season. Accidents are always happening at Cape Canaveral. It seems that these people who cry "safety check" are forgetting the fact that they are ultimately dealing with men, and men make mistakes. The tragedy is that the arms racers seem to disregard

man in their horrible plans, and it is only logical that this oversight would lead them to the false idea that perfect safety checks are possible. This total neglect of mankind is what makes the arms race so immoral. Man must be remembered, and not just for his mistakes, but for his great positive potential. Do we want our future to hinge on a mistake or on the power of true human progress?

### Views Destructive Probabilities

As to the scientific probability of the total annihilation of mankind, I cannot comment as I know little in this field and find the reports of Linus Pauling differ greatly from those of Edward Teller. Whether or not radiation from the Northern Hemisphere could spread to the southern regions I do not know. However, if I may become selfish I must remind you that we live in the Northern Hemisphere. Also it is quite clear that the arms race is not restricted to the U.S.S.R. and the U.S.A. If the race continues, countries all over the world will develop nuclear weapons. One is reminded of a deadly cancer.

### Need Positive Solution

Mr. Curry's hand-wrestling analogy presents other possibilities than the ones he mentioned. The whole analogy gives us a very negative situation. Somehow muscles made of nuclear bombs seem rather uncreative and dangerous to both parties. It is like sitting on a powder keg. And I am sure that Mr. Curry knows from experience that often neither wrestler wins but instead the hands often slip. Also experience shows that even the winner comes out with a very stiff and aching arm and hand. I agree with Mr. Curry that the clasp of friendship has a pleasanter feeling and I assure him that my peace-walker has that uppermost in his mind as it is probably the prime motivation for his action. Working for disarmament does not exclude working for friendship.

### Letters Obscure Issues

Little need be said about the comments on this issue as seen in the various letters of last week, as they seem mostly concerned with personal attacks and obscure the issue about which I am writing. But a few points must be made. First of all, the letter of Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Robins has an untruth that must be corrected. The authors claim that the material on the C.A. bulletin board "evoked only laughter and contempt." This is far from the truth. Many people have come to me to talk seriously about the problems presented. And it must be pointed out that the letter of your last issue from Robert Seward shows little contempt or laughter. If the vitality of these problems is in question, as Mr. Schwartz and Mr. Robins indicate, I can only say that that is just exactly what is at stake here — vitality. We are talking about life and death — nothing could be more vital.

I must also object to the derogatory way in which the word "naive" is used by Messrs. Lewis, Schwartz and Robins. I cannot consider naive as a bad word as naive is one of the charming aspects of the human being and aids his most important ability, to be spontaneous. The above authors seem to use the word as meaning "childish and absurd."

If this is true I reject their concept of the ideas I have been discussing. They are neither childish nor absurd. Much thought has produced them.

To conclude, I must touch on one point on which I agree with Messrs. Schwartz and Robins: the report that "the most vital force emerging on college campuses today is a powerful and modern conservatism." I agree completely with this statement, and it is exactly this force which I am fighting.

Frederick L. Rusch

Feb. 20, 1961

### To the Editor:

How much longer is this farce, compulsory chapel, to continue? A leftover from the nineteenth century, it serves no useful purpose. With the recent emphasis on progress, academic continuity, etc., it is surprising that this anachronism has been retained. It is unfair to the students, who can't possibly be expected to respond, and to the speakers, who must be aware of this lack of response. Must we passively accept it?

William A. LaVallee '64

### TOO FAR AFIELD

(Ed. note: This is an apology from both the author and the STUDENT for a typographical error in last week's STUDENT.)

### To the Editor:

I don't know who sets the type for this newspaper, but whoever it is has either committed the "slip" of the year or else has a most intriguing insight into Norman Mailer. The fourth word in the first line of my piece last week should have been "public," and not the symphyseal term that was printed there.

### Replies To Sane Criticism

And while the typewriter is at hand, I would reply to J. Curry's statements about Sane by simply quoting in its entirety a letter appearing in *The New Leader*, of October 3, 1960, written by Steve Allen, who represents the National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (which also includes such people as Walter P. Reuther, Dr. Pitirim Sorokin, Bruno Walter, Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, and Dr. Linus Pauling):

"To sum up my exchange with William Henry Chamberlain:

"1. I do not recommend unilateral nuclear disarmament.

"2. The National Committee for A Sane Nuclear Policy does not recommend unilateral disarmament.

"3. We urge nuclear disarmament or some form of control of nuclear weapons on the part of all nuclear powers, guaranteed by mutual inspection every inch of the way.

"Therefore:

"4. Chamberlain is mistaken when he says that we are 'aiding the Communist design of extinguishing liberty throughout the world.'

"5. He has ignored the sole point of my first letter which was: Pope Pius XII, Albert Schweitzer, Bertrand Russell and millions of other intelligent human beings who consider the H-bomb loathsome are not motivated by cowardice or 'failures of nerve' but by the realization that to drop a large-scale nuclear weapon on an occupied city is to descend to the level of savagery."

Richard Carlson '62



# Colby Shown You Gotta Have Harte!



By SKIP MARDEN

**SATURDAY EVENING'S** basketball win over Colby in the closing game of the 1960-1961 season was pleasing to most Garnet sports followers in as many as six different respects —

1. Bates won and this always pleasant.
2. The win gave the Bobcats a fine 14-8 record for the competition in which they play (five losses coming in the University division of the N.C.A.A. classifications.)
3. It was a fitting note for the three seniors, especially Captain Jim Sutherland, to conclude their collegiate careers upon.
4. The performances turned in by Chick Harte, Pete Fisk, Paul Castolene, Carl Rapp, and Tom Freeman (particularly the improving rebounding of the latter) shows that Bates has a good nucleus for next year.
5. The win was over Colby; again this is always pleasant.
6. But most of all, the close win helped Lee Williams' ulcerous condition considerably and this is particularly pleasant.

All in all, it was an exciting season and those who are emotionally affected by Bates athletic performances should be well pleased by the work of the basketball team. If all the teams only do as well, those critics of Bates sports would fade away from normal attrition.

**THE TURN-OUT AT THE** Intramural discussion held by the Student Council last Thursday was slim enough to indicate that interest in the plan for rejuvenating the Intramural program is lacking. However, the fact still remains that something needs to be done about the present situation. For example, at the end of the fall portion of the program, Smith South should have been leading the league by virtue of their undefeated record and subsequent championship in touch football. Instead, they are firmly entrenched in second place, twenty-three points behind the leaders.

## POINTS TOWARDS CHAMPIONSHIP

### Fall Season Only

		Pts. Behind
West Parker	103	—
Smith South	80	23
East Parker	72	31
John Bertram	67	35
Roger Bill	65	37
Smith North	62	40
Smith Middle	24	79
Off-Campus	0	103

While those residents of West Parker are probably quite satisfied with the situation, such an arrangement does seem to discriminate against the smaller dormitory groups. Since the proposal by Dr. Lux to revise the system, discussed here previously, seems to have been received with considerable apathy (which seems quite normal for Bates), alternatives to strengthen the program need to be developed.

One possibility that should appeal to those interested in maintaining the present dormitory grouping, but strengthening the program, is a system of weighting the performances by dormitories according to size.

## POINTS TOWARDS CHAMPIONSHIP USING WEIGHTED FIGURING

Dormitory	Size	Weighted Average*	Change†
Smith South	50	1.760	+1
West Parker	68	1.512	-1
Smith North	48	1.291	+3
Roger Bill	56	1.141	+1
East Parker	64	1.125	-2
John Bertram	87	.782	-2
Smith Middle	52	.462	0
Off-Campus	30	0	0

\*represents the dorm population divided into total number of points  
†the change under this figuring from the straight figures

While it is apparent already where the opposition to this figuring will be centered (since West Parker, East Parker, and John Bertram all lose places in the standings), it does seem to restore the logical Intramural leader, Smith South, to its proper position. (And so no one has to say it to my face, I present this, not based on any favoritism to Smith South, but on straight logic.)

Since I can already hear the reaction of campus "vested interest groups," this column will again discuss Intramurals and will entertain any and all letters from indignant campus citizens.

## Cagers Tip Mules In Overtime; Sutherland, Fisk, Harte Spark

By DICK YERG

The Bates hoopsters downed Lee Williams' White Mules of Colby 57-53 in another overtime thriller on the Alumni Gym hardwood last Saturday night. Wednesday night Coach Bob Peck's crew picked up an 86-70 win over Bowdoin and ended the season with a 14 and 8 mark, the best by a Bates team in several years.

### 29-27 At Half

The Bobcats kept an edge during the opening minutes over Colby and led 15-10 halfway through the first period. The Mules rallied with a Dennis Kinne lay-up, two Bob Burke foul shots and a John Kelly lay-up to grab the lead for the first time 16-15 after fourteen minutes of action. Jump shots by Carl Rapp and Thom Freeman regained the Garnet a three point lead, but a three-point play by Dave Thaxter and Charlie Swenson's jumper put the Mules ahead 21-19 with 2:30 remaining until halftime. The Peckmen produced a five point splurge at this point and as the buzzer sounded they led by the margin of a field goal at 29-27.

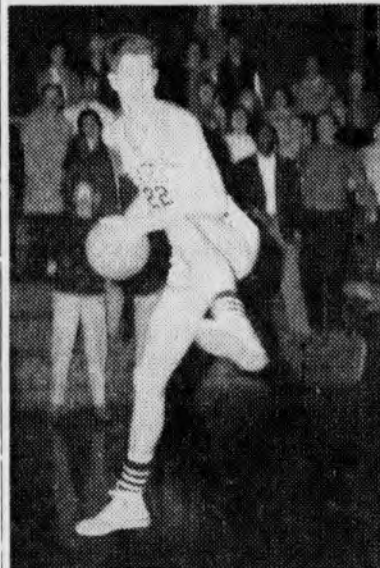
The local unit took command early in the second frame and held a 43-34 advantage when Colby took time out at the seven minute mark. With six minutes left, two straight hoops by Kelly gave the boys from Mayflower Hill a 47-46 edge. Free throws by Freeman and Chick Harte put the 'Cats up by one, but the lead changed hands again as Thaxter tallied with 4:30 to go. Captain Jim Sutherland countered with a bucket before Burke's foul shot and another Thaxter jumper put Colby out front 52-50 with 3:30 left.

### Harte Hoop Ties

Sutherland tossed in a free throw with 52 seconds showing on the clock. Kinne's foul shot gave the Mules a 53-51 spread, as the Garnet got the ball with time for one more play. An outside shot with less than ten seconds to go caromed off the rim, but Harte scapped up the basketball in the rebounding melee and flipped it into the cords to make it 53-53 as regulation time ended.

Pete Fisk opened the five minute overtime with a bucket for the Bobcats, and Harte sank one on a two shot foul midway in the extra stanza to give the Lewiston mob a 56-53 lead. With less than a minute left, Thaxter registered one from the charity stripe to keep Colby within striking distance, but they couldn't capitalize on their last few opportunities. Charlie Swenson fouled Harte with one second to go. Harte dropped it in to make it 57-53 and hand Bates the checkered flag.

High point man for the Peckmen was Fisk with 15, followed by Sutherland with 13, Harte 9, Freeman 7, Rapp 6, Scott Brown 5, and Paul Castolene two. Sutherland turned in another fine performance off the backboards as



As graceful as a young fawn, Thom Freeman pulls down a key rebound in the Colby game.

he came up with 33 'bounds. Thaxter was tops for the losers with 13, aided by Kinne with 12, and Burke eleven.

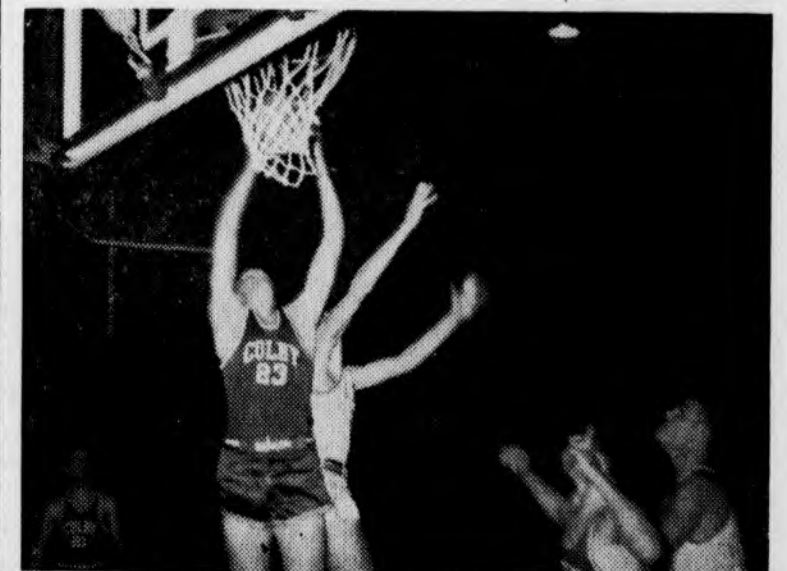
### Bowdies Romped

Last Wednesday night Bates handily registered an 86-70 victory over the State Series cellar dwelling Bowdoin Polar Bears. The 'Cats held a ten point half-time margin at 43-33 and dominated the final half.

Pete Fisk, 5' 8" guard from Rye, New York, tossed in 8 of 10 shots from the floor plus five charity heaves to cop the scoring honors with 21 points. Sutherland added 17, followed by Rapp and Freeman with 11 apiece, Harte 10, Brown 9, Castolene 4, Pete Glanz 2, and Bob Zering a foul shot.

For Bob Donham's flock, Ed Callahan registered 17, Brad Sheridan 15, "Bangor Billy" Cohen 14, Pete Scott 11, Woody Silliman 9, and Patrick O'Brien hit a pair of field goals for four.

The Bates squad won five out of their last six games and two of their last three State Series games. They wound up with 4-5 season's record in Maine State action to place them in third position behind Maine and Colby.



The story of the Bates-Colby preliminary game is told above as tall, talented Mark Federman outjumps John Holt to easily score, as Colby manhandled the Bobkittens 83 to 55. Earlier in the week, the Bowdoin frosh defeated the jayvees 68 to 61.

## Thinclads Upset By Black Bears; Williams Wins Two

An impressive University of Maine team, sparked by several outstanding performances, demolished Bates by a score of 87-35. Paced by triple winner Terry Horne, Maine lived up to its press clippings in handing the Garnet their second loss of the season.

### Maine Takes 11 Firsts

The Styrnemen captured 11 first places and tied for one other and equaled or bettered 6 meet records. Terry Horne broke the first record of the afternoon with a heave of 156' 7" in the discus. Horne came back later to win the shot and 35 pound weight. Carl Peterson was third in the discus, giving Bates its only points in the weight events.

Mike Kimball showed good stamina in the distance races. After going all out in running a 4:20.5 mile, Kimball copped the two mile in the amazing time of 9:34.6.

Slightly injured Will Spencer set a meet record in the 600 with a time of 1:12.2, and Pete McPhee set a new meet record in the 50 yard dash with a 5.5 clocking, beating out Paul Williams of Bates.

Besides a second in the dash Williams tied for first in the high jump to emerge as the top performer for Bates.

Roland Dubois soared 12' to win the pole vault and Baron Hicken dominated the hurdles, tying the meet record of 5.8 in the high's and also equaling the meet record of 7.7 in the 65 yd. low hurdles. For Bates, Bill Evans, up from the JV's, and Charlie Morsehead finished second and third in the high hurdles.

Bates' only victory in a running event came in the 1000 as Larry Boston won.

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## South Sweeps Playoffs; Middle, West Runnerup

By DAVE SINGER

On Monday evening, the 1960-1961 Intramural Basketball season soared to a fitting conclusion as Smith South staved off the determined assault by an underdog Smith Middle team to capture the Playoff title 51-48. The game, completely devoid of the sloppy play that occasionally plagues Intramural action, was an inspired effort by the "B" League champions to upset the winners in "A" league play who had been highly regarded by virtue of their superior height.

The game was decided in the last 51 seconds as Red Vandersea hit with a jump shot to put South ahead 47-46. Middle failed to capitalize on their scoring attempt and Doug Rowe was deliberately fouled in the subsequent action. Rowe, in the best tradition of show business, sank both with nary a lick of the rim, putting the winners up 49-46. Jim Wallach of South added two more foul shots with 31 seconds left and then Web Harrison capped

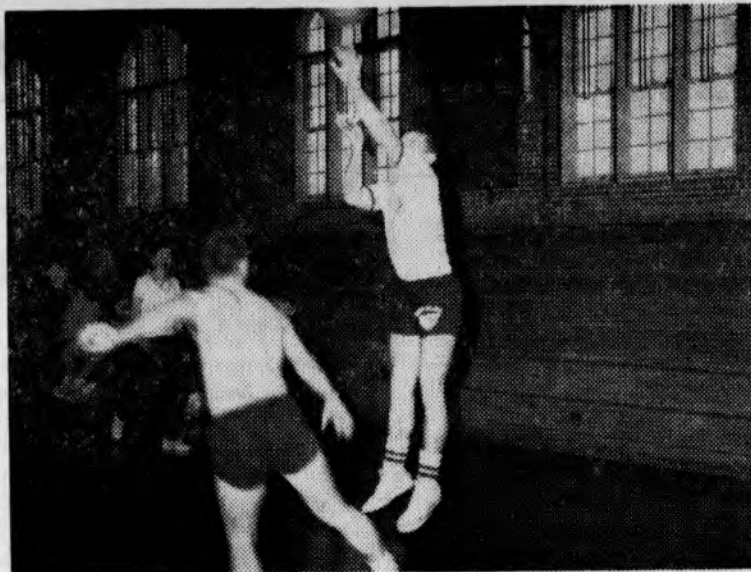
his fine performance for Middle with a last second lay-up to make the final score 51-49.

### Lasher, Vandersea, Harrison Star

In a losing cause, the stars for the Smith Middle quintet were Chuck Lasher (14), Web Harrison (15), and Monty Woolson (13). For the winners, Vandersea scored twenty points and rebounded well, while the floor play of Curry and Rowe excelled for the Senior Circuit champs.

In the preliminary action of the tournament, West Parker paced by Bill Graham with 14 points overcame Smith South's "C-1" champions 49-31, emerged as the "C" League titlists. In the final game of his career, ageless Brad Garcelon had 12 for the losers.

The West Parkerites then moved on to meet the Smith Middle "B" club and were crushed 64-40 in the second round of playoff action and were eliminated. For the winners, Rich Evans had 20, Chuck Lasher had 21, and Monty Woolson hit for 14. Graham was again high for West with 17 points.



Web Harrison shoots a one-hand jumper over the head of bearded Paul Sadlier as Middle toppled the "C-2" champion West Parker quintet, 80-40.

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## Men's Assembly Flop; Lux Vs. Status Quo

By AL MARDEN '63

The Student Council called a Men's Assembly Thursday, February 22, to discuss the intramural program. The purpose of the assembly was to discuss the intramural program as it is now, and as it would be under Doctor Lux's program outlined in last week's STUDENT. For the fifty or so "interested" students in the school who turned out to this Men's Assembly, the meeting was worthless. Doctor Lux presented his program to the small group of men who had come principally to attack his program. Others in attendance were Student Council members who were there because they had to be; one intramural manager who showed up because he felt duty-bound; WRJR for some foolish reason recorded this "bull-session" and I was there because the STUDENT wanted the scoop.

### Nothing Accomplished!

Nothing, but nothing, was accomplished! An ill-prepared delegation from Roger Bill offered what they called an alternate program, which in reality was the present set-up sunny-side up. After an hour of listening to highly subjective arguments (I had stopped taking notes after the first ten minutes) Bob Viles excused the courteous fifteen that remained.

## Varsity Track

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Boston also finished second in the 600.

Easily one of the most exciting races of the year was witnessed by a cheering Maine throng, near the close of the meet, as Maine's crack relay team, paced by Pete McPhee passed the Garnet crew in the last few yards to win. Maine's time, 3:21.9 is a new meet record, and the 3:22.5 clocking turned in by Bates bettered the school record by 3 seconds (McPhee Paces) Bears.

Dave Boone took an early lead and Robin Scofield (caught in a 49.6 quarter) and Jon Ford held it. Paul Williams was well upon anchor man Pete McPhee going into the final quarter, but McPhee put on a fantastic burst getting stronger the farther he ran to beat Williams to the tape. Williams was clocked in 50.6 but Maine's coach failed to clock McPhee. Estimations put his time around 47 flat. Ed Styrna said that this was "quite possible".

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