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# Two Avenues For Peace

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## The People's Peace Treaty

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following "People's Peace Treaty" was endorsed by the Advisory Board on April 29, 1971.

"People want peace so much that one of these days governments had better get out of their way and let them have it."

—President Dwight D. Eisenhower, August 31, 1959, in a televised conversation with Prime Minister Macmillan.

The government is not making peace. President Nixon, like his predecessors, speaks the words of peace and expands the war, Cambodia, Laos, and now the threatened invasion of North Viet Nam and confrontation with China.

Every segment of the population has expressed opposition to the war. Students have protested for years, some at the cost of their lives. Marches have been held. Members of Congress have been lobbied. Active duty GI's and Viet Nam veterans protest the war in growing numbers. And a recent Gallup Poll says 73% of the American people want the U. S. out of Viet Nam by the end of 1971.

We have waited long enough.

The people will make the peace. With the PEOPLE'S PEACE TREATY.

### A JOINT TREATY OF PEACE

#### BETWEEN THE PEOPLE

#### OF THE UNITED STATES, SOUTH VIET NAM & NORTH VIET NAM

#### Introduction

Be it known that the American and Vietnamese people are not enemies. The war is carried out in the name of the people of the United States, but without our consent. It destroys the land and the people of Viet Nam. It drains America of resources, her youth and her honor.

We hereby agree to end the war on the following terms, so that both peoples can live under the joy of independence and can devote themselves to building a society based on human equality and respect for the earth. In rejecting the war we also reject all forms of racism and discrimination against people based on color, class, sex, national origin and ethnic grouping which form a basis of the war policies, present and past of the United States.

### PRINCIPLES OF THE JOINT TREATY OF PEACE

AMERICANS agree to immediate and total withdrawal from Viet Nam, and publicly to set the date by which all U. S. military forces will be removed.

Vietnamese agree to participate in an immediate cease fire with U.S. forces, and will enter discussions on the procedure to guarantee the safety of all withdrawing troops, and to secure release of all military prisoners.

AMERICANS pledge to stop imposing Thieu, Ky and Khiem on the people of Viet Nam in order to ensure their right to self-determination, and to ensure that all political prisoners are released.

Vietnamese pledge to form a provisional coalition government to organize democratic elections, in which all South Vietnamese can participate freely without the presence of any foreign troops, and to enter discussions of procedures to guarantee the safety and political freedom of persons who cooperated with either side in the war.

AMERICANS and VIETNAMESE agree to respect the independence, peace and neutrality of Laos and Cambodia.

Upon these points of agreement, we pledge to end the war in Viet Nam. We will resolve all other questions in mutual respect for the rights of self-determination of the people of Viet Nam and of the United States.

As Americans ratifying this agreement, we pledge to take whatever actions are appropriate to implement the terms of this treaty of peace, and to ensure its acceptance by the government of the United States.

I hereby endorse the principles of the People's Peace Treaty.

Bates College Student Advisory Board

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## Rebuttal To The People's Peace Treaty

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** The following reply to the NSA "Peace Treaty" with certain parts being necessarily omitted, was prepared by American Youth for a Just Peace. Only those points which were endorsed by the AD Board are dealt with in this rebuttal.

### THE TERMS OF THE "TREATY"

**ARTICLE I** of the "treaty" states: "The Americans agree to immediate and total withdrawal from Vietnam and to publicly set a date by which all American forces will be removed."

**Answer:** Why isn't the withdrawal of North Vietnamese forces from South Vietnam on a publicly set date also called for? Some 400,000 North Vietnamese forces have presently crossed internationally recognized frontiers into neutral Laos, Cambodia, and into Vietnam. According to the South Vietnamese government, the North Vietnamese have killed 120,000 South Vietnamese soldiers, wounded 232,000, attacked and bombarded with rockets nearly every town and city in South Vietnam, killed 31,000 civilians (many in deliberately staged massacres such as in Hue and Dak Son), wounded 74,000 and kidnapped 38,000.

How can the people of South Vietnam ever hope to fulfill their nationhood peacefully if divisions of soldiers from a Stalinist state have a free hand in South Vietnam?

Suppose there were divisions of South Vietnamese soldiers in North Vietnam seeking to "liberate" it? Wouldn't it be logical and just to insist on reciprocal withdrawals as a condition for ending the warfare?

**ARTICLE II** states: "The Vietnamese pledge that as soon as the U.S. Government publicly sets a date for total withdrawal, they will enter discussions to secure the release of all American prisoners, including pilots captured while bombing North Vietnam."

**Answer:** In the past the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong have "pledged to discuss seriously" only if the United States would unilaterally take certain steps. But in each case — the unilateral bombing halt of North Vietnam; the pledge to withdraw large numbers of U.S. forces and the actual withdrawal of over 200,000 U.S. troops — there has not been the slightest reciprocity on the other side. What reason is there to expect it now?

In exchange for the total, unilateral U.S. withdrawal — a major concession which would give to the Communists on a silver platter what they have not been able to achieve on the battlefield or politically in South Vietnam — the "treaty" merely offers to "enter discussions" about POW's without any assurance whatsoever that the POW's will be freed. This is political blackmail.

On strictly humanitarian grounds with no political strings attached, South Vietnam has offered a total exchange of POW's with North Vietnam, which the North has rejected (Paris, December 1970). Indeed, South Vietnam has already released over 1,000 POW's as compared to the North's release of less than a dozen.

Finally, it is important to note, that whereas South Vietnam has abided by the Geneva Convention regarding POW's and has always opened its POW camps to International Red Cross inspection teams, North Vietnam has totally rejected the terms of the Geneva Convention and has never permitted International Red Cross inspection teams.

**ARTICLE V** states: "The Americans pledge to end the imposition of Thieu-Ky-Khiem on the people of South Vietnam in order to insure their right to self-determination and so that all political prisoners can be released."

**Answer:** The South Vietnamese Government was not imposed by America on the Vietnamese people. It came to power in September 1967 as a result of internationally observed competitive elections with all other political parties. The winning ticket, which won 34.8% of the votes, was later joined by many representatives of losing slates, thus increasing the government's mandate.

Since 1967, South Vietnamese have had the opportunity to vote in five major sets of competitive elections from local village officials to representatives in the National Assembly. On October 3 of this year, South Vietnamese will once again have the right to vote in competitive elections for the Presidency and Upper and Lower House. North Vietnam has never tolerated the litmus test of competitive elections.

For America to depose the South Vietnamese Government would amount to a slap in the face and a gross denigration of the constitutional processes and of the right of millions of South Vietnamese citizens from all walks of life to choose their representatives.

How then can the "right of self-determination" of the South Vietnamese possibly be enhanced by an American coup on behalf of the PRG — a Hanoi puppet organization — which on July 11 was invited by President Thieu to participate in elections, but has rejected the option of being judged by democratic choice?

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# BATES STUDENT



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### NO MORE RAIN

Memo to Mother Nature: The STUDENT respects your independent and strong-willed character and, in no way, wishes to insult your moral fiber. However, there is a very serious injustice being dealt the Bates community which only you can rectify. We are quite willing to grant you your April showers, but when the rain continues to fall in May, then doubts begin to arise as to the credibility of your word. Your continued indifference to this matter only serves to cloud the issues and dampen the spirits of the winter weary Batesie.

The STUDENT humbly presents the request that you cease giving us rain and bring forth the sun. The STUDENT hopes that you will not believe that we are just fair weather friends, but enough rain is enough.

### IS THE AD BOARD REAL

It appears that the student body of Bates is represented in community affairs by an enlightened committee of fourteen who have inherited the image of being the "voice of the students" at Bates College. The idea that there is any legitimate "student leadership" in the Bates community is a myth. Furthermore, anyone who pretends to represent the student body is both insulting the rights of the individual student and challenging the moral conscience of our community.

At present, there is no representative student voice at Bates simply because there is no true democratic process permitting each individual student to express his or her views. How can this committee of fourteen, the Ad Board, so small in size and selected partially through campus-wide elections, partially through student organization elections, even pretend to know how the individual student feels on any given issue. There can be no constant and fluid dialogue between the Board and the student body. The Board is too small & if it thinks itself enlightened enough to interpret the students' views without even consulting them, then it is sorely misguided.

The STUDENT does not wish to conduct a vendetta against any individuals. Rather, the paper is attacking the decrepit character of the governmental body, the Advisory Board.

The STUDENT suggests that whenever any group, faculty, student, or administration, in this community solicits student views on any issue, that they carefully appraise the true value of the Ad Board's opinion. Perhaps, it is time to consult directly with the student body! One final note, it is fervently hoped that whatever form of student government comes into existence next year, that it does not inherit the atrocious character of the present Ad Board and that it truly represents the views of every student.

### INDOCHINA: RESPONSIBLE ACTION

It is not the purpose of this paper to become a political rag. However, during a period in which it would appear that the student population of this country is morally and politically moved to act on a specific issue, the Indochina conflict, it seems that this newspaper would be shirking its responsibilities as a communicative voice of the college to ignore this issue.

I speak now as an individual and as the editor of this newspaper. The movement for an immediate end to our involvement in the conflict is a tragic mistake not only for the future of Indochina but also for the foundation of moral responsibilities of this country. Perhaps overreaction is justified in regard to our involvement in Indochina, but it is not the answer for solving the problem of peace.

Anyone who furthers the belief that we, the U.S., are the only threat to peace in Indochina is a sorely misguided idealist. On the other hand, any individual who still believes that we can win the conflict or that we must stay in Indochina, indefinitely in force, is, also, a sorely misguided idealist. The position which will best serve the interests of Indochina, is one which falls between these two stands.

Furthermore, anyone in the year 1971 who chooses to ignore the "world" political involvement in Indochina and who still sees the Indochina conflict as a civil war, is living in a dream. To demand our immediate withdrawal is an irresponsible and emotional request. It serves no better purpose than to increase the chaotic conditions surrounding the Indochina issue and offers no constructive or realistic answers to a vastly complicated problem.

John Robert Zakian

ARTICLE VI states: "The Vietnamese pledge to form a provisional government to organize democratic elections. All parties agree to respect the results of elections in which all South Vietnamese can participate freely without the presence of foreign troops."

Answer: The Vietnamese already have an elected government, and on October 3 the Vietnamese will again have the democratic right to re-elect Thieu-Ky-Khiem or vote for someone else, including the PRG should it accept President Thieu's invitation. Why then is there a need for a provisional government? But even granting this need, which Vietnamese will "pledge to form" (what does that mean?) a provisional government? The PRG led by Hanoi?

In Hue during the Tet Offensive of 1968, the PRG cadres carried out mass liquidations of actual or potential political opponents. This is a continuation of the pattern established by the Communists in 1945-46 when they crushed all coalition parties and murdered nationalist leaders, and in 1954-55 when similar policies were carried out by the Communists in North Vietnam during the "consolidation."

In view of this grim record, what hope is there that the South Vietnamese people will place their faith in Communist pledges to respect democratic elections?

ARTICLE VIII states: "The Americans and Vietnamese agree to respect the independence, peace and neutrality of Laos and Cambodia in accord with the 1954 and 1962 Geneva conventions, and not to interfere in the internal affairs of these two nations."

Answer: In gross violation of the Geneva Accords of 1954 and 1962, the North Vietnamese have consistently and massively violated Laotian and Cambodian peace and neutrality by sending hundreds of thousands of troops into neutral Laos and Cambodia; by constructing roads—Ho Chi Minh and Sihanouk trails—through these two countries; by establishing military base areas for prosecuting the war against South Vietnam; and by launching attacks on the people and governments of these nations.

How can anyone believe that the North Vietnamese will respect Cambodia and Laos as they attempt to conquer them?

Why doesn't the NSA "treaty" require United Nations supervision of both the U. S. and North Vietnamese military presence in Indochina in order to safeguard the sovereignty of these nations? Hanoi has always rejected a United Nations supervisory role.

ARTICLE IX states: "Upon these points of agreement we pledge to end the war and resolve all other questions in the spirit of self-determination and mutual respect for the independence and political freedom of Vietnam and the United States."

Answer: The Allied governments have proposed in Paris to resolve the war on the basis of: (1) an internationally supervised cease-fire throughout Indo-China; (2) an Indochina peace conference; (3) an agreed timetable for complete reciprocal withdrawals; (4) a fair political settlement involving all of the major forces; (5) the unconditional release of all POW's.

These proposals have been rejected by Hanoi and its PRG who have even refused to discuss them.

As with so much else in this alleged "treaty," it seems the height of hypocrisy for the unrepresentative inventors of this "treaty" to believe that their one-sided proposals would be acceptable to the parties in the conflict or that such proposals could assure self-determination and peace in Southeast Asia.



TURNER AWARD RECIPIENTS AT BATES — Three Bates College students have been awarded the Clair E. Turner Award for forensic ability and integrity in public debate during the 1970-71 school year.

Left to right: Dean of Admissions Milton L. Lindholm, Jeffrey J. Day '73, Jane Pendexter '72, Randolph E. Erb '73, and President Thomas Hedley Reynolds.



The Afro-American society wishes to acknowledge the warm support that it received for its dance this past Saturday night. The dance itself was marked success and the Afro-American Society thanks all those who in any way contributed to it.

## Prerequisites Eased

At present, many academic departments at Bates stipulate specific courses as prerequisites for advanced classes in the various disciplines. These required courses have caused a great deal of hardship for many students who have had to sacrifice time and effort in order to include these prerequisite classes in their college curriculums.

Furthermore, for an individual's particular interest, the inaccessibility of many necessary courses, due to a designation as junior or senior programs, has added to the woes of juggling one's schedule to include all needed courses. The Education Department has succeeded in alleviating the above problems in regard to the basic Education course.

Beginning next Year, the course description of "Introduction to Teaching" in the BATES CATALOG will have deleted the prerequisites of Psychology 201 and Philosophy 199. The new wording will read, "A previous course in psychology and a previous course in philosophy are desirable." However, there will be no required courses to be taken in order to enter this class. Also, this basic education course will no longer be 331 or a junior course. Rather, it will now be Education 231 or a sophomore course. Thus it will permit those interested in Education a more flexible time period in which to handle Education classes.

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## Change in O. C.'s Image

Of the many problems which grew to controversy in our community this past year, none stirred as much interest as the issue involving the Outing Club. The Club richly benefits from the Student Activities Fee, and the charge was leveled this year that the majority of the O.C. sponsored activities seemed solely designed for and used by the Club's Council Members. The popular cry was that O.C. was a clique which ignored the interests of the vast majority of Bates students.

Now there is a new leadership in the O.C. and, hopefully, as indications have revealed, the Council will dispel the above sentiments through the future actions of the Outing Club. This past weekend, May 1 & 2, was a step in the right direction. A record number of Outing Club trips was offered to the Bates community, with everything from a beach walk to a ski trip.

Scanning the lists of who went where for these activities, it was to be noted that O.C. Council Members were in a "minor" minority. For instance, a total of 24 questionably sane souls participated in the Old Orchard Beach Walk, but only one council member was in attendance. This certainly serves as an optimistic sign that Batesies are using the O.C.

Perhaps, it was the sizeable number of activities offered or, maybe, it was the earnest effort by the O.C. to make itself accessible to the Bates student body. The fact stands, though, that despite it being Short Term, the O.C. appears to be making a concerted attempt to offer the students numerous opportunities to enjoy the spring weekends. It is hoped that Batesies will take advantage of this industrious spirit and that the Outing Club, itself, will continue next year its Short Term performance.

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Due to a copy error in some issues of last Thursday's STUDENT, credit was not given to Walt Toombs for writing the letter dealing with Black feelings at Bates. The STUDENT wishes to apologize for the error and acknowledge Walt as the article's author.



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## Outdoor Track

# Thinclads In State Meet This Saturday

This Saturday, May 8th the Bates Varsity Track Team will compete in the MIAA Spring track championships at Waterville. Colby, the host school, has a beautiful indoor track, but, unfortunately, the meet is being held on their outdoor track, which is slightly less than beautiful.

The meet should provide a lot of excitement for knowledgeable track fans as well as for those who are more inclined to be laymen when it comes to track. This meet has been held since the early twentieth century. Bates, for example, won its first Spring Championship in 1912. The Bobcats haven't been as successful in their more recent campaigns for a variety of reasons. Their last victory came in '67. The biggest problem has been the size of the teams it has been able to field. Short term, personal reasons, and injuries have hurt the Bobcats this year, but they still are a pretty scrappy bunch of performers.

The "dirty dozen and a half," could be an apt description of their numbers, yet that might be an over estimate of their strength. Psychologically, they will be aided by the reputations they have built up in the Cross Country and Indoor Track Campaigns.

Larry Wood, is proving himself to be the nemesis of weightmen in Maine and elsewhere, as he just keeps getting stronger and stronger all the time. He has been winning in both the discus and shot, while setting a school record in the former.

And then there is aging Neill Miner who once again will be trotting out on the track in quest of yet another state title. Neill has managed to win the state X-Country title as well as the state indoor two mile title this year. In this exciting event Neill is backed up by Frosh ultra distance freak Wayne Lucas.

George Young is not as lucky as Neill and Wayne who only have to run 3 miles, as he will be in about 6 events.

George specializes in the hurdles and high jump but should give a good account of himself in the triple jump.

Joe Bradford, the Merrimack Valley Flash, is probably not unaware of the role he will have to play in this year's state meet. He will probably be second only to Young in number of events competed in.

Bradford and Captain Steve Fillow will be counted on to score well in the half and mile events. They will also both be ready to be pressed into service in other events if the need arises, which it probably will.

Each individual member of the team, will have to play prominent roles in the Bates attempt to gain over powerful U-Maine and Colby, both who finished as also rans in the State Indoor meet and will be looking for revenge against the Bobcats. If they manage to win, it will be because of superior numbers in

events where Bates has only one competitor.

The guys are not conceding anything as this meet is a lot different than a dual meet. Maine can hurt Colby and get hurt by Bates. Bates can hurt Colby and get hurt by Maine. Bowdoin also can play a prominent role in deciding who will emerge as state champions thanks to a brand new track which seems to be rejuvenating that school's track team. It is doubtful, however, that they can be viewed as serious contenders for the state title, as from here it looks like Bates and Colby against U-Maine.

The good guys who will be wearing Bates unies are Captain Steve Fillow, middle distance and distance, Neill Miner, distance, Wayne Lucas, distance, Joe Bradford, distance, Don Smith and Joe Buckley, sprints, Dan Howard, Steve Gamble, Bruce Wicks, Hank McIntyre and Jack Nelson, all middle distance, George Young and Blake Whitaker (if he recovers), hurdles etc., Fred Robinson and Wayne Lester in the javelin, Lary Wood in the weights, the new pole vaulter and Bruce Bates and of course the Coach who will be guiding yet another Bates team in a state championship meet.

## Baseball

## State Series Action Sees Two Losses

Maine	10	Bates	5
Bowdoin	9	Bates	6

The Bates Baseball team played two state series games this past week, with the same results, losses.

Last Wednesday the Black Bears of Maine stomped the Cats 10-5 and on Friday Bowdoin bested the Bobcats 9-6 in a poorly played game.

In the U-Maine game, Dan Rice started for Bates and was pulled midway through a 9 run 5th frame. The game was extremely close until that Maine half of the fifth, with Rice giving up only 1 run despite being in several jams. It was not that bad of a pitching job considering the extremely cold weather, yet in the 5th Rice weakened. He was touched for 2 home runs by the powerful Maine batsmen, one of them a controversial 3 run blast, that broke the top of the wooden outfield fence. It looked like it should have been called a ground rule double, yet the men in blue saw otherwise.

About the only highlight for Bates, other than Rices' early pitching, was a three run double by Ralph Bayek in the last of the 9th.

Bates tried to make a game of it, but Bayek's blow was the last Bates threat of the day, as they went down to defeat 10-5.

The Bowdoin game saw the Bates batters do even better by rapping out a total of 9 hits. Carl Fitzgerald went 3 for 5 at the plate

with one of his hits a double. Mike Collelo cracked a triple for the only other extra base hit by the Bobcats.

The fielding of the Bobcats, however, was less than brilliant, as they were charged with 7 official errors. Bowdoin, only committed two miscues on the field and quite obviously, this was a big part of the story explaining the defeat.

Cliff Boggis, started for Bates and went 6 1/3 innings, the longest pitching stint of any Bobcat hurler this year. He was impressive, despite the fact he was charged with the loss. He did give up 9 hits but the runs produced were more often unearned than earned. Dave Dysenchuk and Bob Keyes finished the mound chores for the Bobcats as Coach Leahey, again, let his freshmen pitchers see some action.

The Bowdoin and Maine losses threw Bates into last place in the State Series standings as they are now 0-2. Maine leads the league with a perfect 3-0 record. The Bobcats, now 1-5 on the year, were slated to meet Clark Wednesday at 2:30 and travel to Cambridge Friday to take on the Engineers of M.I.T. in a 4:00 contest.

## Golf

## Bates Finds Missing Links

A young Bates golf team launched its season during the semester break in a match against Merrimack and Lowell Tech. Although Lowell Tech would prove to be too much for Bates, strong individual performances by Tom Snyder and Bob Sullivan enabled the Bobcats to defeat Merrimack. Doug Moody provided the real excitement of the match when he holed out a 50 ft. chip shot for a birdie on the 19th hole sudden death. This provided the winning margin against Merrimack and Bates' record stood at 1-1.

The Bobcat's performance was especially strong considering the fact that due to poor weather conditions in Maine the team had only played 9 holes of practice before their first match.

The Bates record stayed at .500 after a match the next day as they lost to Tufts 6-1 but eked out a victory over Bentley by the slim margin of 4-3. Doug Moody was the only double winner for Bates, while co-captain Dave MacNaughton, Tom Snyder, and Joe Willett were able to defeat their opponents from Bentley.

The following day against Bryant the squad suffered a 5-2 loss. The match was uneventful except for good individual performances by Doug Moody and Bob Sullivan.

On the final match of the road trip, Bates was defeated by narrow margins against both Brandeis and St. Anselm's. Joe Willett and Tom Snyder provided points in both, while Doug Moody scored against Brandeis as did Bob Jarmak against St. Anselms. The Bates record stood at 2-5 at the end of vacation, with the important State Series matches yet to come.

Last Monday at Brunswick, in the first of the State Series contests, Bates defeated Colby 4-3 but lost to Maine by the same score. Bowdoin also registered a win against Bates by a margin of 5-2. Tom Snyder registered another strong performance, shooting a 78 and defeating 2 of his opponents while halving with the other.

Joe Willett garnered three matches for the Bobcats while Co-captains Bill Matelson and Dave MacNaughton each picked up 1 1/2 points for the Garnet. It should be noted that had ties been played off, Bates could have possibly also defeated Maine and been in a very strong position in the series' point standings.

This past Thursday at Martindale C. C. in Auburn, Bates played its latest match, also a Series contest. Bates beat two out of its three opponents, losing only to Maine and registering victories over Bowdoin (4-3) and Colby (5-2). Low medal for the match was a 76 by Joe Willett who won all three of his matches and thereby picked up three points for the Bobcats. Dave MacNaughton and Doug Moody also swept their matches by shooting identical scores of 80. Tom Snyder again contributed 2 points and proved himself one of the most consistent members of the team. The final point was won by Bob Sullivan who defeated his opponent from Colby. Point standings in the Series now have Maine in the lead with 37, Bowdoin close behind with 34 1/2, Bates in third with 23, and Colby in the cellar with 13 1/2.

The Bates record now stands at 5-8, and prospects for the rest of the season seem good provided the strong individual performances of Willett, Snyder, Moody, and MacNaughton continue. It should be noted that of these 4 top individuals, only one is a junior and the other three are sophomores.

This "youth movement" seems to bode well for the future of the team.

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