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SHORT TERM CHANGES PROPOSED

by Brad Fuller

The Committee on Educational Policy (EPC) has presented two proposals to the faculty which, if approved, will change the manner in which short term is presently credited.

Beginning with the class of 1982, students will no longer be given the option to complete 30 courses and 3 short terms. Instead, each candidate for the baccalaureate degree must complete the following requirement: 32 courses, 2 short term units, and 68 quality points.

The second proposal will become effective with short term 1978. If approved by the faculty in their December meeting, grades earned in this year's short term unit will be included in the QPR. Each short term grade will carry the same weight as a single semester course. When a unit is graded on the satisfactory/unsatisfactory system, as in several internship programs, the grade will not count in the QPR.

Dean of the Faculty Carl Straub feels that the EPC "has given great care to the study of short term," and hopes "that the Faculty will understand the recommendations of the Committee." In response to the EPC decision, the student Representative Assembly has forwarded a letter to all faculty members voicing their displeasure over the new proposals.

The decision to eliminate the 30-3 option was based on two

arguments. First, the EPC sought to eliminate a "clear curricular trend" which they argue was never intended by the Faculty in the original short term proposal several years ago. This trend is for seniors to enroll for only three courses during one or both regular semesters, graduating with the acceptable 30 courses and 3 units. The Committee cites the following statistics as evidence of this trend:

NUMBERS OF SENIORS COMPLETING 3 COURSES PER SEMESTER

Class of 1975: Fall 85 Winter: 92
Class of 1976: Fall: 107 Winter: 102
Class of 1977: Fall: 108 Winter: 122

Secondly, the EPC wants to change the degree requirement in order to "emphasize that registration in two units is the normal expectation for students." By only requiring the attendance two short term units the EPC feels that high enrollment in short term may be cut down. The Committee hopes that lower enrollments will "enhance the opportunities for fulfilling the purposes of the short term." However, students will still have the option to take three short terms.

The main reason for the proposed change in short term grading is the EPC's conviction that "academic work in the short term should be understood by Faculty and students as having just as much significance to the educational process as work in the

regular semesters." According to Dean Straub, "students who do exquisite work during short term are cheated by not having it count toward the QPR." He added that "if what is done in the short term has academic validity, why shouldn't it come to bear upon the QPR."

Some members of the Bates community, including a high ranking member of the Administration, have observed that the quality of short term has improved over the last few years without

external pressure like changing the crediting process. Possibly, some say, short term will become more "academic" without changing the way it is credited. Others prefer short term independent of the QPR because it creates an unpressured academic atmosphere.

On March 25, 1977, a questionnaire was given to the student body concerning short term which brought 620 responses. To the question "how would you feel about the inclusion of STU grades

in the cumulative grade ratio," the following responses were given:

SENIORS-20 very much favor, 16 favor, 29 neutral, 24 opposed, 30 very much opposes. JUNIORS-7 very much favor, 18 favor, 35 neutral, 16 opposes, 0 very much opposed. SOPHOMORES-8 very much favor, 24 favor, 35 neutral, 31 opposed, 41 very much opposed. FRESHMEN-16 very much favor, 24 favor, 39 neutral, 33 opposed, 33 very much opposed.

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R.A. ACTS

Responding to the Faculty-Student Educational Policy Committee's proposals, the Representative Assembly drafted a letter reflecting their dissatisfaction that was given to each faculty member as they entered the faculty meeting to consider the question on Monday, November 7.

The letter is as follows:

To: The Faculty of Bates College

From: The Representative Assembly (R.A.)

RE: EPC proposals

The Representative Assembly has been informed that a proposal is being submitted to the faculty concerning a change in degree

requirements and the academic status of short term. On Monday, October 31, after deliberation, the General Assembly of the R.A. expressed an overwhelming dissatisfaction with the proposals. On the first issue, concerning changes in the baccalaureate degree requirements, the R.A. expressed disapproval by a vote of 39-0-2. Student sentiment was also clearly stated on the issue of grading short term by a vote of 37 opposed, 2 for, and 2 abstentions.

The main objections cited in the deliberation of the first issue are as follows: 1. The allegation that the seniors have a lightened work load with three courses is not valid; most seniors are writing theses, taking graduate and entrance exams, heading student organizations, and seeking future

employment.

The trend cited in the proposal, indicating an increase in the number of seniors taking three courses cannot be used as a basis for argument if absolute numbers are not included in the study. The numbers cited do not reflect the parallel increase in class size and the lower attrition rate. 2. A 32-course requirement necessitates that a student dropping a course take a 5-course semester. a. A 5-course semester, for the average student, may hinder his or her overall performance. b. The increased work load lessens free time for extra-curricular activities. c. Students will be apprehensive about taking a course in an area they are unfamiliar with because if it proves to be to

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4 Stars Coming to Bates

By PATRICK MURPHY

The Campus Association has the honor of bringing to the Bates Campus General William Westmoreland on Wednesday the 16th of November. The main feature of the general's stay will be an 8:00 p.m. lecture to be held in the chapel where the retired Army Chief of Staff will speak on United States involvement in the Vietnam War and our military interests throughout the world.

Westmoreland represents a perspective new to most of us and certainly of interest to all of us. The general has been affiliated with the military since he entered South Carolina's Citadel, or military college, in 1932. Spending only a year there, Westmoreland was off to West Point where he graduated as a second lieutenant in 1936. Westmoreland's first assignment was Fort Sill, Oklahoma. From there he continued west to the beautiful Hawaii Islands where he was stationed when Hitler invaded Poland in 1939.

In the early stages of American

involvement in World War II Westmoreland Commanded a field artillery battalion in North Africa and later moved it through Tunisia and Sicily. As part of the 9th infantry division, Westmoreland led forces across Utah Beach, through France and Belgium. Once into Germany he was appointed Chief of Staff of the 9th division. Westmoreland remained in Bavaria and Germany heading occupational forces when World War II ended.

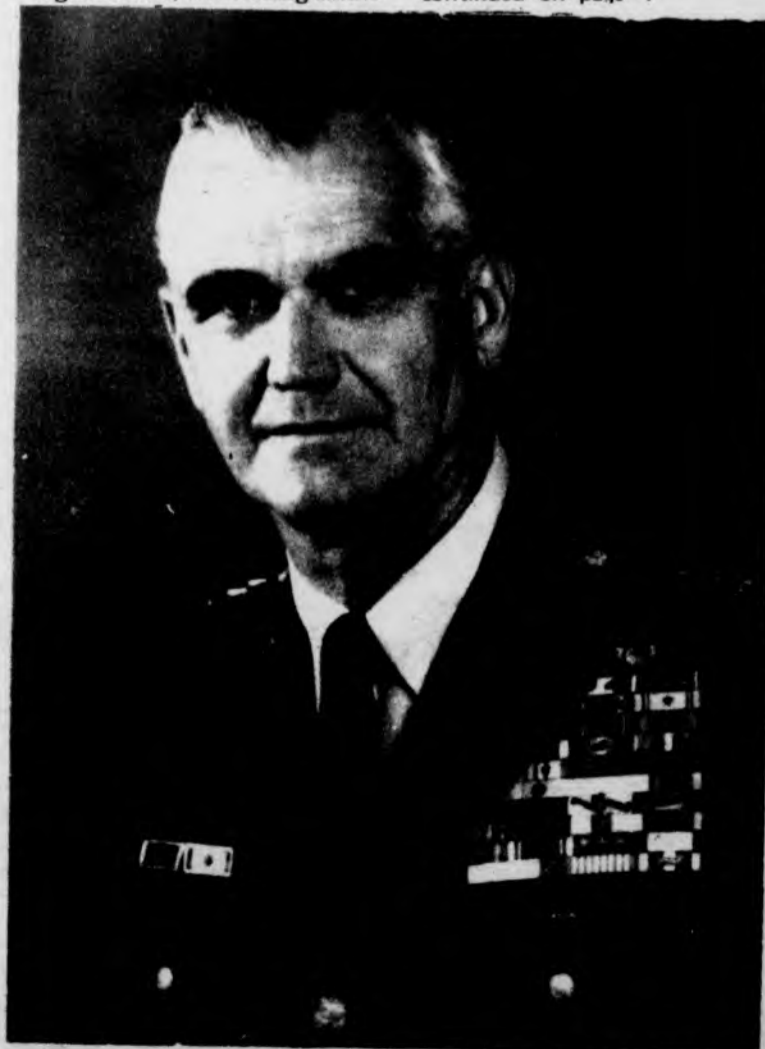
When stateside in 1947, Westmoreland taught at the Army War College until 1952 when he assumed command of an airborne combat team over Korea. In 1953 at 38, Westmoreland became a brigadier general and by 1956 he had earned his second star. Prior to the Vietnam War, Westmoreland commanded the airborne "Screaming Eagles," and in 1960 became Superintendent of the West Point Military Academy.

In 1964, Westmoreland entered Vietnam as Deputy Commander. By 1965 he was calling the shots and continued to do until 1968

when he was appointed Army Chief of Staff. The general had that job pinned down until 1972 when he retired according to military law.

I was under the impression that Campus Association led a diversified existence. Westmoreland's realm makes ours look like a north woods hermit's. What Uncle Sam says is certainly true; "Join the Army and see the world." Don't be surprised when General Westmoreland addresses his audience in a business suit. He has enough awards and medals, including the Boy Scout's Silver Buffalo, to sink a battle ship.

Following the lecture Westmoreland will be available for a question and answer session open to all. Not since Mohammed Ali has a fighter been to town, but Westmoreland's appearance on the 16th of November will provide an opportunity to see and hear a fighting man of a different nature. I urge one and all to reserve that evening for an enlightening lecture in the Bates College Chapel.



Retired Army Chief - of - Staff, General William Westmoreland

Commentary

Within the last year, student disenchantment with changes in both residential and academic policy at Bates has been expressed. Yet most of this disenchantment has been expressed after the changes were already approved--witness the Freshman Center, the new grading system, and the "Sadie ultimatum." Students claimed they were not informed of the proposals until it was too late for them to do anything.

The blame for this ineffective communication process between the Administration, student groups, and the student body, cannot be leveled at one group or person alone, but is a result of carelessness of all the parties involved.

As a consequence of these errors, the latest proposed change to College policy is being treated more intelligently. I am referring to the proposed changes to the short term credit system which have been proposed by the Educational Policy Committee, and will be voted by the faculty on December 5th. (see article pg. 1)

Students have ample opportunity to express either approval or disapproval of these new proposals. Faculty members are open to student ideas concerning the changes and it is up to students to seek them out. The RA has already acted by sending a letter to faculty members giving reasons to vote the new legislation down. (reprinted in this issue).

In previous decision making, the student body had a viable complaint--they were not properly informed. But they have no excuse this time. If you have something intelligent to say concerning the new proposals, write a letter to the Dean of Faculty, talk to faculty members you know, and above all get off your ass.

BF



In watching the Bates-Colby football game two weeks ago, I had the unique and encompassing experience of viewing the contest from both the home and visiting stands. The major difference in perspectives, however, was not merely the angle of vision, but rather the contrasting degrees of spirit displayed by each crowd.

While not mentioning any names, "Grandpa" Jeff Starrett led an uproariously enthusiastic Bates crowd in several outrageous cheer. The antics of Don Manter, whose identity I have sworn to protect, again cleverly disguised himself as a ferocious bobcat, adding to the carnival-like atmosphere. Furthermore, a completely unidentifiable and totally anonymous male Batesie, whose name of Paul McGovern I shall never divulge, pranced acrobatically over, under, around, and through the Bates fans, masquerading as a ballerina.

The atmosphere of the Colby crowd, however, was in sharp contrast to that of Bates'. Understandably, it was a visiting crowd and, therefore, a significantly smaller one. In talking with several of the Colby fans, however, the message soon became clear: The fans

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Forum

The Best Is Yet To Come

Dear Editor,

First of all, I'd like to thank the persons who have signed the letter about "Emmanuelle" in the last issue of THE STUDENT. This letter has indeed been the best publicity the International Club could expect for this film -- a lot of students, after reading the letter, decided to check by themselves what it was all about. Thank you again! Now I'd like to answer some particular points of this letter.

I don't need to refer to any dictionary to ascertain my views about what culture is or should be. The culture of a society is the society itself -- the people, the way they behave, what they create . . . and this includes sexual matter. In this respect, I just can't see why a film which depicts the sexual "depravation" of a certain group of people shouldn't be called a cultural event! I put the word "depravation" in quotation marks because I'm not sure I agree with it. As an individual I have no right whatsoever to judge the behaviour of other individuals. We are born free, let's use what freedom the society has left to us!

Let's come back now to the subject matter of the film. Emmanuelle, a young woman who

has had, so far, "ordinary" sexual relationships with her husband, is thrown into a society of colonialists (diplomats, businessmen . . .) who keep searching for new interests in their life of erotic subject matter and the photography makes it impossible to class the film as pornographic boredom. These people are on a never-ending quest, similar to the quest of the decadent Roman society (c.f. "Satiricon" by Petrone wonderfully depicted in Fellini's film "Le Satiricon") or to the post World War I society depicted by T.S. Eliot in his "Wasteland." In this environment, Emmanuelle is lost -- she has no time for rest, no time to think about the meaning of her life. The pressures she undergoes are akin to the pressures we undergo in this so-called advanced civilization of the western world: no time to have a talk with one's inner self!

This state of mind is wonderfully enhanced by the excellent photography of the film. The outdoor scenes are all overexposed so that the outlines of the persons and the objects are lost in an atmosphere of vagueness. This is just the vagueness in which Emmanuelle's spirit is struggling.

This harmony between the

movie: it has nothing to do with cheap and "hard core" porn like "Deep Throat" that the International Club could have chosen if its sole purpose had been to "exploit the sexual relationships for financial gain" (sic).

I'm not saying that Emmanuelle is to be considered as a work of art like T.S. Eliot's "Wasteland"; far from it! I'm only saying that if you are willing to put aside for a while your prudish puritanism, you may be able to discover, behind the violent imagery, the real purpose of the artist, which is a satire of a certain society more than a praise of different sexual relationships! This is most exemplified by the lack of pleasure which Emmanuelle retains from her new sexual experiences.

I wonder why this obvious element has been overlooked by the people who signed the previous letter. (Could it be that they criticized the film before seeing it?)

I, the undersigned, would, therefore, like to express my personal satisfaction with the presentation of the movie "Emmanuelle," an integral part of the culture which I represent, even if it is not the best part.

The best is yet to come!

Sincerely,
Jacques Beaumont

Bates: Will it be a good place to learn?

To the editor of the Student:

It is exciting to think that Bates is going to get a new swimming pool and squash courts a new field house, new gym, new ice rink. Maybe we will even get new badminton courts, which I myself will very much enjoy. And Bates may then be a great place to come to if you want to swim, ski, skate and run. Whether it will be a great place to come to if you want an education is something else again.

Mark Define said in his article last week that the future expansion of facilities at Bates is often discussed among faculty and

students. What Mark Define may not know is that the faculty as a whole has not been consulted on these matters, has not debated them, has not expressed an opinion on what the goals of the capital campaign ought to be. There is a faculty committee on the arts center made up of people with a special interest in such a center, and there is a long range planning committee that the President heads and that otherwise consists of several faculty members; but neither committee has brought its thinking to the faculty at large for discussion and debate.

Most of the planning for the college is done behind closed doors at Lane Hall. Is it good planning? Maybe. Are there other things Bates needs as much as it needs a swimming pool and an ice rink? Maybe. (Such things as a greatly strengthened cultural activities program, greatly strengthened scholarship aid.) Is it a disgrace to Bates that the aims of the capital campaign--the aims of the college generally--are not discussed in open and formal debate? Maybe.

James Hepburn
Chairman, Department of English

Noisy Library Not Amusing

To the Editor
Bates Student

I suppose Gilbert Crawford was supporting the idea of a pub at Bates when he suggested that the library, after nine o'clock in the evening, was a social club. I am not amused, however. The library is a place where students ought to expect and have a quiet place to study and to learn. It ought not to be a social club, and if it is, Bates students in their disregard of the rights of others using the library

have made it so. I have visited every major student organization at Bates asking for student help in keeping the library quiet. Apparently without results. In fact, recently when a freshman student asked another person in the library to be quiet, the freshman got slugged in the mouth. Yet it was the freshman's right to study quietly in the library, and it was no one's right to carry on a loud and disturbing conversation. What ails the student body,

anyway? Do you want librarians who act like directors of concentration camps? Perhaps the "social club" ought to close its doors at nine o'clock if young women and young men at Bates cannot control their urges to make the library unpleasant for students who wish to learn a little IN QUIET.

Sincerely,
Joseph J. Derbyshire
Librarian
October 28, 1977

DUE TO RECENT INCIDENCES, WOMEN ARE ADVISED TO TAKE PRECAUTION WHEN USING THE FEMALE LOCKER ROOM FACILITIES AT NIGHT...i.e. SHOWER WITH A FRIEND!



Battling Betsy Williams fights her way for ball during game earlier this season. (Yvonne Van Bodergraven, left) News Bureau Photo

Field Hockey:

A disappointing end, but an impressive season

by Betsy Williams

The Bates Field Hockey squad ended its season last Friday, losing to the Bowdoin Polar Bears in the finals of the state tournament, 2-0.

Bates had every reason to be confident going into the tournament. They sported a 7-3-0 record in regular season play, facing some of the toughest competition that a Bates squad has ever faced, and with five starting players from last year's team gone.

The week before the tournament was mostly successful. A three-day stint going into parent's weekend brought an increase of three to the "wins" side of the Bobcat's record. It was a tiring Thursday, Friday, and Saturday for the creaked cats, delivering defeat to the University of Maine at Farmington, Tufts University, and Bridgewater State College respectively.

The Bridgewater game, played on the Saturday morning of parents' weekend, could be described as nothing less than outstanding. Bates hosted on a very soggy hockey field, and simply outthussed and outplayed their opponents through the sludge. The mostly phys. ed. major Bridgewater team suffered one of their very few losses of its season, 3-0, in front of a rain-dampened Batesie crowd. Two goals were scored by junior Allyson Anderson, and one by freshman starter Yvonne Van Bodergraven.

The following Tuesday, October 25th, the overconfident squad stepped back onto the field to face Bowdoin, in a match that was to determine who would be seeded #1 in the state tournament.

In front of a large crowd, the cats just couldn't seem to get moving. The Bowdoin team did not look strong, but Bates didn't even seem to be playing.

With two minutes left in the game, a frustrated Bates team watched Helen Pelletier of Bowdoin put a goal in off her body (illegal in field hockey), to give the Polar Bears an edge which the Bobcats had no time left to revenge. Bowdoin was seeded #1 in the tournament.

Angry about the miserable display of Tuesday, on Thursday, October 27th, the stickers faced a strong Plymouth State team. Like Bridgewater State, this team was largely made up of phys.ed. majors, and had tied Bates in last year's action. They had also only lost to U.N.N. 3-0 earlier this season, a team that crushed the Cats 7-0.

The Bates team was again spectacular, dominating the play. About mid-way through the first half, Renata Cosby scored the first Bates goal, and the score remained 1-0 Bates through half-time.

Twenty-five minutes into the second half, Julie Geary of Plymouth came up with a tying goal, and the game remained tied

until Sue Doliner, an attacking Bates freshman, scored the winning goal with only two minutes left in the game.

The following day was the state tournament at Bowdoin, and the players were confident and ready. The four top teams in the state had been selected to play, and because of their loss to Bowdoin earlier in the week, the Bobcats were seeded second.

The day started with a 10:30 A.M. game versus U. Maine Orono. Though Bates dominated during the first half, they just couldn't seem to get the ball in the goal, and the halftime score stood 1-0, Orono.

In all-out team effort in an extremely fast-moving second half, Renata Cosby finally tied up the score, twenty minutes into the half. This was quickly followed with two goals by Sue Doliner. But with five minutes left to play, U.M.O. scored again, and started to put on an impressive and threatening attack, with the score standing 3-2, Bates. Finally, in the waning minutes, Sue Doliner put in a hat trick goal to put it away for Bates, and place them in the finals against Bowdoin that afternoon.

At 3:00, the tired Bates squad faced the Polar Bears again, and

defense held the successful Farmington spikes to a minimum. This was the only two-game match that the team was to play all day. UMPI and Bates played a first-year player match, again giving the newer members a chance for more experience. UMPI, edging out Bates in the first game 16-14, dropped the next two, 11-15, 4-15, losing the match. Successful spiking by Alice Winn and Sue MacDougall led the Bobcats to a victory over home-team Machias, 15-9, 12-15, 15-8. There was no stopping Bates now as they went into their last and toughest match of the day opposing UMPI. The tension built, as the lead went back and forth in the first game, eventually ending in Bates' favor 15-11; however, UMPI was not to be beaten easily as they fought hard to gain the second game, 15-12. The consistency of the Bates team rattled Presque Isle in the final game, who were unable to maintain an aggressive offense surrendering 15-5. Daphne Topouzis had an extremely well-rounded match, excelling in both offense and defense.

This coming weekend the volleyball team will be entering the state tournament at Presque Isle with an overall record of 18-13.

Bellschime Volleyball Victory

Hathorn's bell chimed out the victory as the Bates volleyball team returned home late Saturday night from University of Maine at Machias with a first place finish.

Prior to Saturday's meet, Bates hosted a tri-meet, Wednesday, which boosted their record over the 50% mark. Unity and UMPG played the first match, which allowed the Bates team to have a preview of their strong points and weaknesses. This proved to be advantageous as Bates overpowered Unity 15-0, 15-2 in the second match of the afternoon. UMPG posed more of a problem but Bates took the match in three games, 15-2, 10-15, 15-5. After this match, Bates and UMPG agreed to play again, giving their newer members more experience. Bates, being the more aggressive team, stole the match 15-7, 15-6. The team's total record, after the tri-meet, had been pushed up to 14-13, giving them a slight edge going into the pre-state tournament.

Bates was one of four teams to participate in Saturday's tournament. Key serving by Val Paul and Joanne Brambley helped Bates win the first match against UMF, 15-5, 15-13. The tough

Stevens sheets on workers

Justice vs. J.P. Stevens was the title of the film and lecture discussion presented by the New World Coalition on Tuesday, October 25. Michael Schippani, New England director of the J.P. Stevens products boycott, spoke on the attempts of workers to unionize the mills of the second largest textile company in the U.S. He also spoke on the organization of a boycott in the Lewiston area.

Since 1963, the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) has found the J.P. Stevens Co. guilty of violating the National Labor Rela-

tions Act on 15 occasions, more than any other company in American history. During the same period, the company has been

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compelled to pay more than \$1.3 million in fines and back pay in connection with the discrimination against and firings of pro-union employees.

"It really shocks you, doesn't it," said Schippani, "that one of the basic things to American labor, the union, is still being denied people today." The Stevens Company owns 85 plants and employs 44,000 people, mainly in the impoverished regions of North and South Carolina. Schippani noted the corresponding low wages, high rates of racial and sexual discrimination, and "abysmal" health and safety conditions which went along with working at a non-unionized J.P. Stevens plant.

In the days following the presentation, New World Coalition member Anne Mullins decided to check out the extent of Bates' involvement with J.P. Stevens. She found that Bates indeed does buy sheets manufactured by the company. What

follows is her report.

"After talking to the laundry service and to Maintenance, I found out that Bates buys all their sheets from J.P. Stevens. I went to talk to Dean Carignan about the boycott, about buying sheets from a different company. He told me to speak to Bernie Carpenter (Vice-president for Business Affairs).

"I can't remember the exact words he [Carpenter] used. I was really angry. He told me that although he personally would support the boycott, he did not think that the college should. He said that the college means many things to many people, and could not take a stand on anything."

Anne says that she then mentioned to Carpenter that the College had supported the United Farm Workers by boycotting non-union lettuce at the insistence of NWC petitions. "I remember exactly what he said to that. He said, 'That was something different. It was 3000 miles away.' He

also stated that he felt that the cost factors — a few cents a sheet — were more important to students than the people who were making the cloth."

[Note: Mr. Carpenter was out of town at the time of writing this article and could not be reached for further comment.]

Carpenter's comments stand in stark contrast to those spoken by Dennis Blais, a Lewiston resident who came to the Tuesday evening presentation on the basis of a newspaper announcement. "This is a moral issue as well as an economic issue," said Blais. "Do we as a society permit a company because of its economic strength to run over human beings? As the factory worker in the film said, 'Well, we're interested in higher wages and all. But a little self respect would go a long way also.'"

When asked what her next step

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of Colby display far less enthusiasm than those of Bates. "I wish something like this would happen at Colby once in a while," remarked one distraught co-ed. Indeed, many of Colby's fans were genuinely impressed by Bates' vigorous support of their team.

School spirit is something which should not be taken for granted. It is an element which every school desires, but one which not all can attain. In a college which places academics well ahead of athletics, we are truly fortunate to have such a high degree of enthusiasm.

Isn't this the Bates spirit there? Yes this is the Bates spirit there.

DF

would be, Anne said that the New World Coalition was planning to send a fact-sheet out on the J.P. Stevens Co., and that there would probably be a petition over Bates' refusal to stop buying Stevens

sheets. She also expressed the hope that students would help out in the organizing of a boycott of Stevens products in Lewiston stores.

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again suffered defeat. Never really able to sustain a threatening attack, the Bobcats were outhusled to the ball, and sustained their final loss of the season 2-0. Last year's champs reclaimed the State Title.

Though it was a disappointing end to a successful season, the team sported an impressive 8-4-0 final record. They had an equal number of offensive and defensive corners, 91.

Goalie Marty Pease had made 102 saves, against 71 by opponents, and Bates had scored 25 times, while their opponents had scored only 19 times against them.

After the state tournament, Sue Doliner led the team in scoring, with 10 goals, closely followed by Allyson Anderson with 8, while Cappy Djerf scored 5, Renata Cosby 4, and Yvonne Van Bodengraven and Betsy Williams each tallying one.

Anderson led the team in assists with six, followed by Williams, who had five, Djerf with four, and Doliner, Brown, and Cosby each with one.

Next year's team will probably be making some massive adjustments in their line-up, as they are losing six seniors from the starting varsity squad. But congratulations are extended for an impressive season, and best of luck wished on them for next year!

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difficult the dropping of it will necessitate a 5-course semester. 3. Short term, six weeks of intensive study, can broaden a liberal arts education and enhance a specific interest. a. Discouraging such a learning experience is not in keeping with the tenants of a liberal arts education. b. A double major requiring two short terms eliminates the option for exploration in another field. 4. The 30-3 option is a unique characteristic of Bates College. This option provides a flexible curriculum enticing to perspective students. The major objections to the second issue are as follows:

1. Grading short term will only contribute to the pervasive academic pressures. 2. Emphasis

Short Term

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 posed. TOTAL-51 very much favor, 82 favor, 138 neutral, 94 opposed, 104 very much opposed.

Student opinion in this question at the time of the questionnaire works out to the following percentages: 28 per cent favor the inclusion of the STU on the QPR, 43 per cent oppose it, and 29 per cent are neutral.

Referring to the proposals, Dean Straub emphasized that there is "no attempt to rush this thing through." The faculty has been provided with the EPC report, and has discussed the subject at last Monday's faculty meeting. Because the proposals are considered "deliberative legislation," the Faculty will not decide the matter until their December 7th meeting.

on grades will discourage students from exploring unfamiliar fields of study.

The Representative Assembly views the proposals of the Educational Policy Committee as detrimental to the liberal arts education and urges their rejection.

The Representative Assembly

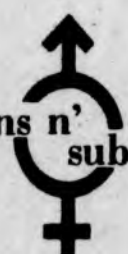
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