Apostrophe
to the young dude

Before we said we'd take the job, we swore to eschew the longwind & axe-grind commentary. The name of the paper is, tho, The Student & if we are to begin someplace, we will begin with you, the student. Set back. (Sukie, another glass of gin.)

Long ago writer Tom Disch proposed a sign to hang over the gates of Hell: “Here is where everything leaves off.” We feel that such a sign hangs in the gray air over Campus & College & we're getting mad about it.

To our mind, the present zeitgeist of Bates College is epitomized in 1 dude whose act we caught in the dinnette the other day: a skinny young man, wire rings, long (but not too long, son) hair, some slick plaid bags, trendy layerd-look & prolly high-heel wingtips of red, white & blue. Now, dig, we don’t ordinarily judge somebody by appearances, but, see, we asked this dude his opinion, like, what he thought & he looked right thru us. Like was the word anyway, or a street kid asking spare change. We don’t know the dude’s name, but he does, & he knows we’re talking to him, the Spirit of Bates ('74). A college is a civilized place, right, but in another time, and at another place, slick, that kind of trash would of got you up against the wall wunderin’ Jésus. Who Put You To that Sweet Floatin’ Oblivion. Look me up, suck, & we’ll talk Turkey.

To return, however reluctantly, to the Editorial Stance.

This poor clot, his instance this inauthentic light which is mere symptom of the greater malaise (N. B.: means “unease, depression, nausea”) creeping thru Desolation Row. Other symptoms? How about prize-winning essay that describes the situation of Bates college on a blank piece of paper? How about that sweet black Sister who said she never bothers to read the paper? How about trying to find a Batesian who doesn’t think of himself (as (ugh) a “batesie”)? How about the Student “Nickname the Library Contest” that had real prizes that yr. Editor ended up eating (ever eaten a “contest” that had good prizes)? How about the editorial “axegrind commentary. The name of the paper is tho. If we have the student. Set back. (Sukie, another glass of gin.)

The second in a weekly series of Bates Student polls:
Question: If beer were served on campus, would you rather see it served in the Den, or somewhere else?

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>In the Den</th>
<th>Somewhere else</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Number</td>
<td>138</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Percent</td>
<td>37.6%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(Five hundred students were arbitrarily selected to provide statistics for this poll, which went down in Tuesday’s dinner line.)

If you would like to see certain subjects covered in future polls, leave suggestions in the Publishing Association Office Box in front of the P.A. Office, Lower East Hothorn. We also solicit opinion, articles, book notes, poems, lewd women, haiku, shotgun cartridges (12 gauge), good photographs, items of general interest and strange parcels that tick ominously. Lewd women should be typed & double-spaced.

A Clockwork College

By Karen Olson

What this campus needs is more self-actuating personalities. In other words, more students who get up off their asses occasionally.

Well, actually it was sort of fun having the Hathorn bells out of whack those first two weeks of school. Once you got adjusted to the fact that the noon and 4 p.m. camillon concerts were still on pre-daylight savings time, most possessors of average Bates perspicacity could discern that it was actually 1 and 5 p.m., respectively. And when the bells belched ballads at 6:43 p.m. and other odd times well — we’ll, we was rather stimulating to have something to wonder about.

But hell’s bells! Think of all those poor profs who had forgotten to wind up their gold-plated 50-year service award watches that morning and thus forgot to wind down their logoclastic lectures at five minutes of the hour. Think of all those poor Batesians who had to explain to the potentates of their following forums (who had wound up their gold-plated 50-year service award watches) that their preceding profs were wired to the chimers.

No, there’s no question about it, Bates is nowhere without its bells. Some subservis kink was uncoupling the very mechanisms by which we operate. In watchmaker lingo, the balance was uncrowned.

Well, I wanted things screwed like usual again. Bates isn’t Bates when people unwind in their own good time doing what comes naturally. I point to the singular success of this year’s rowdy Winterval as proof of Academe’s recent unbalance.

So last week I marched to the Ministry of Maintenance to file my gripe. Not only had they no notion of the wanton belling in our midst they was nothing to explain to the people unwind in their own good time doing what comes naturally. I point to the singular success of this year’s rowdy Winterval as proof of Academe’s recent unbalance.

So last week I marched to the Ministry of Maintenance to file my gripe. Not only had they no notion of the wanton belling in our midst they was nothing to explain to the people unwind in their own good time doing what comes naturally. I point to the singular success of this year’s rowdy Winterval as proof of Academe’s recent unbalance.

But I suppose you can’t expect self-actuating personalities in a clockwork college. (Or maybe everyone was having a marvelous time while Hathorn was ding-dong?)

The Student

Managing Editor S. F. Williams
News Editor Karen Olson
Tech Editor Joe Gromelski
Layout Editor Laure Rixon
Sports Editors Claudia Turner & Bill Cuthbertson
Feature Editor Bethune Blount
Production Crew John Balletto, Jim Bunnell, Eric Bauer
Don Orifice, Jim Anderson, Crazy Chris Richter

Published weekly during the regular school year, by the Bates Publishing Association, Box 304, Chase Hall, Campus Avenue, Lewiston, Maine 04240. Subscriptions $6.50 per year. Printed at Twin City Printers, Lewiston. Second Class Postage Paid in Lewiston.

Volume 101 No. 3 7 Feb 1974
PIRG - The Last Gasp

By Laurie Lister

The Maine Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) is not dead, just defunct at Bates. The institution of PIRG will not have its representation on the Bates campus, but the state body remains a strong force. PIRG is alive and active on the campuses of UMO, UM-Fortat, and the University of Southern Maine. Bates is the only school in Portland that has a PIRG chapter. People interested in this type of contribution are asked to contact David Webster. The statewide office with its director and staff of professional researchers and lawyers can put energy, commitment, and talent to good use.

Sue Hawkes, another former Bates representative to the state, does not feel as if the issues have been resolved. Both Sue and Dave use expressions like "too bad" or "a shame" when discussing the fate of the one and a half year old group. After great expenditure of time, energy, and commitment, they wonder how much was wasted effort.

Sue also feels that it was unfortunate that funding was the biggest issue. They remain firm in their conviction that the ethics involved were sound and the goal an important one.

Another year, Sue maintains, "changes will occur so that Bates could become active again. We got lost in the red tape this time. The person who is attracted to PIRG and its projects is the energetic, resourceful type who couldn't wait much longer for the group to get to a point where it could begin to work on actual projects."

ENERGY WATCH

By Fred Grant

There has been considerable discussion concerning the relationship of the policies of the oil companies to shortages of fossil fuel. After a week of hearings by The Senate's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, during which time the executives of the seven largest oil companies testified, the Chairman, Senator Henry Jackson, conceded that "the" hearings had turned up any hard evidence that the major oil companies deliberately created the scarcity. It would also seem that the major oil companies have not conspired together to profit from the energy crisis. (Time, February 4, 1974)

Yet, the statistics on rising costs are rather impressive. The Commerce Department announced some rather startling cost jumps for December ranging from 4.4% for gasoline to 11.4% for home heating oil. Americans now pay about 20% more than a year ago for gasoline and motor oil and nearly 49% more for heating oil. Where are these soaring costs going? I, for one, am not sure. The Internal Revenue Service agents find that four out of ten stations -- New York are over-charging by as much as $0.06 per gallon. We shouldn't complain about the $0.39 per gallon that we are currently paying in Lewiston.

Naturally, colleges and universities across the country are feeling the increasing pressures of their heating bills. Dartmouth estimates increases of about $1,000,000 for oil and electricity this year. Yale has experienced an increase of $11.48 per barrel from a base of $1.29 per barrel forty months ago. Bates is certainly not immune to these cost increases. In September 1973, we were charged $0.0777 per gallon and on January 28, 1974, we were charged $0.2571 per gallon - a four-fold jump in four months.

As we all attempt to discover more about the energy crisis, do not hesitate to address your questions to members of this ad hoc energy watch team - Dean Cangan, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Pettengill, Ms. Demers, Mr. Webster. I affirm your efforts and encourage you to answer the questions in this space each week.

RA Chief Airs Views

By John Rogers

A week and a half ago the Representative Assembly elected four new dormitory representatives. Reflecting student apathy towards the organization, only one candidate was nominated for each position. Sue Damais became president and John Pothier vice president.

Sue's goal is mainly to turn the RA into an effective organization. In theory, the RA is the Bates student government. However, most students do not seem to recognize this. Sue believes that a substantial number of students are unable to name their RA representation. Yet the RA should be the focus of student interaction with the administration. Sue says.

Sue has studied the RA for a student a complaint against the administration, he or she should bring the complaint to the RA. She emphasizes that all RA meetings are open to students and she hopes that more students will take advantage of this fact in the future.

Sue sees two major ways to increase student involvement in RA.

First, she believes that stairway committees should get acquainted with students in their dorm and find out from the students what their grievances are. Secondly, she views special investigative committees as a badwagon for student involvement.

Sue also feels that it is essential for the RA to win the right to appoint members of the Committee on Committees and to hold the meetings responsible to RA. She feels that more contact is needed between the student-faculty committees and RA. She suggests that the number of students on student-faculty committees should be increased.

The new president is aware of the strong feeling among some RA members that if RA is not allowed to control student appointments to student-faculty committees, their only effective action would be to dissolve the RA. She feels optimistic, however, that the RA can become more dynamic and active in the future, with more student participation.

My comments should not be interpreted as those of a reporter. I am one who entirely enjoys a drink, but nevertheless adheres to Bentham's concept of the "greatest good for the greatest number." Both Den and envisioned Den/Pub serve distinct purposes -- ones that do not mesh well.

So long as students have more nights of sobriety than inebriation, I believe they will be better served by a Den without beer. If no other place really can be found for it (and I'm not certain I entirely believe that line), then we ought to consider whether we need it that badly after all.

Sidelight. On the matter of the Men's Rooming Questionnaire, I am unconvinced that it is not slanted. It seems very neatly planned, and question number 14 ("Should the rooming system be designed to perpetuate tight-knit groups in dormitories or to allow new students to occupy these dorms?") is loaded. The results of the poll will be interesting.

Closing note -- regarding last week's column. The editor has me, in the last sentence, "glad," that Bates has a serious condition "only worsens when ignored." I would like it understood that I sure as hell am not glad. If anything, we are all here for an education. That this education is not all the prospective student is led to believe is evident but is nonetheless no excuse for slipping into smug self-satisfaction. Man is, after all, the master of his own destiny.
TONITE!

By Brian Sawyer

The Bates Democratic Caucus has scheduled a wide variety of informative and provocative events for the upcoming weeks. Principal among these is a lecture program jointly sponsored by the International Committee to Bridge the Gulf next door. "What I do BDC to be held in the Flene Room on Tuesday February 12, 1974 at 9:45 PM. The speakers are novelist Algonson Rudson, who will discuss "The Socio-Political Implications of Campaign Buttons", and Prof. Elkhin, professor of French at Bates College in Danahoune, Georgia, who will explore an item of current interest, "Grass Roots Politics in America." Admission is free, and refreshments will be served.

Also, on Saturday, February 23, 1974 in Hathorn 203 at 2:10 PM there will be a special showing of G. Preceot's highly touted film "Should President Nixon be Impeached, and Why?" A 50c donation will be collected at the door (proceeds go to the Ad Hoc Committee to Prevent the Extinction of the Rocky Mountain Mule). Finally, the BDC is seeking volunteers to conduct a survey concerning the use of cahals of baghane among area senior citizens. All those interested should contact either Fred Grant or Jody Flare.

TONITE!

by Anne Greenbaum

On February 1 the Bates varisty badminton team started its 1974 season with a victory over the University of Maine at Presque Isle. The match started off with the second singles game. The winner of the match was set in this game with Leslie Dean of Bates defeating Kathy Woters of UMPI by scores of 11-1 and 11-8. This was followed by the first singles game between Ann Donaghy and Linda Reynolds of UMPI. Ann started off with a resounding 11-0 win and finished with an 11-7 win. Ann's victory wrapped up the match for Bates; however, this did not deter the Bates doubles team of Sandy Peterson and Carolyn Sauer, who scored the most impressive victory of the day defeating the UMPI team of Ms McNelly and Donna Crosby by scores of 15-0 and 15-3.

The Bates team is stronger this year than ever before. Ann Donaghy, who this year is playing 1st singles, was a member of last years doubles team that was number 1 in the state. Carolyn Sauer, a member of this year's doubles team, is the three time Maine State singles champion. Last year the team had an undefeated season with a 6-0 record. Next week the team travels to the University of Maine campuses at Portland-Gorham on Wednesday and Farmington on Friday in an effort to continue this year's winning ways.

WHAT'S

By Rich Pettengill

The creative music scene on this campus is at an all time low. For you frosch who have come to accept this state as the norm, I'm sorry. For those who haven't, don't! May I attempt to inspire some of the more impressionable young fads by describing some exceptional folk we had around here last year? Does the name of Steve Tapper sound familiar? Al Gould? Steve was (still is) a jazz flautist/composer who, besides being quite competent at the aforementioned pursuits, had the rare ability of Getting People Together, of Instilling Impetus! His musical fanaticism was not only exciting, but also quite entertaining. What's missing now, how 'bout deciding to offer what you've got that others need, to make an impact, to assert yourself, to make a difference! This is your chance to sit back, close my eyes, smile, and see how I do it! I'm sorry.

QUICKIES!!!

By Mitzi LaFille

Thirty to forty avid Francophiles savored the delectable delicacies of French cuisine on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 in Hirasawa Lounge. Drake Bradley will host an informal seminar on the energy crisis at Bates Statistics on our energy consumption and possible means to save energy will be presented. All are invited to participate in the discussion. The seminar is sponsored by the Campus Association.

by Anne Greenbaum

On February 1 the Bates varisty badminton team started its 1974 season with a victory over the University of Maine at Presque Isle. The match started off with the second singles game. The winner of the match was set in this game with Leslie Dean of Bates defeating Kathy Woters of UMPI by scores of 11-1 and 11-8. This was followed by the first singles game between Ann Donaghy and Linda Reynolds of UMPI. Ann started off with a resounding 11-0 win and finished with an 11-7 win. Ann's victory wrapped up the match for Bates; however, this did not deter the Bates doubles team of Sandy Peterson and Carolyn Sauer, who scored the most impressive victory of the day defeating the UMPI team of Ms McNelly and Donna Crosby by scores of 15-0 and 15-3.

The Bates team is stronger this year than ever before. Ann Donaghy, who this year is playing 1st singles, was a member of last years doubles team that was number 1 in the state. Carolyn Sauer, a member of this year's doubles team, is the three time Maine State singles champion. Last year the team had an undefeated season with a 6-0 record. Next week the team travels to the University of Maine campuses at Portland-Gorham on Wednesday and Farmington on Friday in an effort to continue this years winning ways.

TONITE!

Tonight (Feb. 7) at 7:30 in Hirasawa Lounge, Drake Bradley will host an informal seminar on the energy crisis at Bates Statistics on our energy consumption and possible means to save energy will be presented. All are invited to participate in the discussion. The seminar is sponsored by the Campus Association.

by Mitzi LaFille

Thirty to forty avid Francophiles savored the delectable delicacies of French cuisine on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 in Hirasawa Lounge. Drake Bradley will host an informal seminar on the energy crisis at Bates Statistics on our energy consumption and possible means to save energy will be presented. All are invited to participate in the discussion. The seminar is sponsored by the Campus Association.

by Anne Greenbaum

On February 1 the Bates varisty badminton team started its 1974 season with a victory over the University of Maine at Presque Isle. The match started off with the second singles game. The winner of the match was set in this game with Leslie Dean of Bates defeating Kathy Woters of UMPI by scores of 11-1 and 11-8. This was followed by the first singles game between Ann Donaghy and Linda Reynolds of UMPI. Ann started off with a resounding 11-0 win and finished with an 11-7 win. Ann's victory wrapped up the match for Bates; however, this did not deter the Bates doubles team of Sandy Peterson and Carolyn Sauer, who scored the most impressive victory of the day defeating the UMPI team of Ms McNelly and Donna Crosby by scores of 15-0 and 15-3.

The Bates team is stronger this year than ever before. Ann Donaghy, who this year is playing 1st singles, was a member of last years doubles team that was number 1 in the state. Carolyn Sauer, a member of this year's doubles team, is the three time Maine State singles champion. Last year the team had an undefeated season with a 6-0 record. Next week the team travels to the University of Maine campuses at Portland-Gorham on Wednesday and Farmington on Friday in an effort to continue this years winning ways.

by Anne Greenbaum

On February 1 the Bates varisty badminton team started its 1974 season with a victory over the University of Maine at Presque Isle. The match started off with the second singles game. The winner of the match was set in this game with Leslie Dean of Bates defeating Kathy Woters of UMPI by scores of 11-1 and 11-8. This was followed by the first singles game between Ann Donaghy and Linda Reynolds of UMPI. Ann started off with a resounding 11-0 win and finished with an 11-7 win. Ann's victory wrapped up the match for Bates; however, this did not deter the Bates doubles team of Sandy Peterson and Carolyn Sauer, who scored the most impressive victory of the day defeating the UMPI team of Ms McNelly and Donna Crosby by scores of 15-0 and 15-3.

The Bates team is stronger this year than ever before. Ann Donaghy, who this year is playing 1st singles, was a member of last years doubles team that was number 1 in the state. Carolyn Sauer, a member of this year's doubles team, is the three time Maine State singles champion. Last year the team had an undefeated season with a 6-0 record. Next week the team travels to the University of Maine campuses at Portland-Gorham on Wednesday and Farmington on Friday in an effort to continue this years winning ways.

by Mitzi LaFille

Thirty to forty avid Francophiles savored the delectable delicacies of French cuisine on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 in Hirasawa Lounge. Drake Bradley will host an informal seminar on the energy crisis at Bates Statistics on our energy consumption and possible means to save energy will be presented. All are invited to participate in the discussion. The seminar is sponsored by the Campus Association.

TONITE!

Tonight the Medical Arts Society will present a discussion by the Faculty Medical Studies Committee on "What you should be doing now: a timetable for prospective applicants to medically-related professional schools." The presentation will be at 7 p.m. in Dana 119.

by Mitzi LaFille

Thirty to forty avid Francophiles savored the delectable delicacies of French cuisine on Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 7:30 in Hirasawa Lounge. Drake Bradley will host an informal seminar on the energy crisis at Bates Statistics on our energy consumption and possible means to save energy will be presented. All are invited to participate in the discussion. The seminar is sponsored by the Campus Association.
GRADING THE PROFS

By Fred Grant

Bates students should soon have a systematic evaluation of courses available to them, thanks to the efforts of a new campus organization. This group, calling themselves the ISC (Independent Students' Committee), met last Thursday night in Carnegie. At this meeting, plans were laid to organize and fund the coming effort.

According to present plans, students will fill out a questionnaire on every course they took the previous semester, returning it to their proctors. The ISC will then organize the returns, evaluating them and preparing a report that will be published with the support of a major campus organization. The Independent Students' Committee requires much assistance in this undertaking, which will start as soon as problems with distribution and funding are worked out. At the very minimum, it is hoped that people will take this matter seriously and return forms quickly.

Students from every major and department are invited to help with evaluation, and others are welcome to join the ISC. All those interested in helping should contact Wayne Fletcher at Box 305 or Page 402.

ROOMING QUESTION

By Fred Grant

Within the last two weeks two major rooming questionnaires have been issued to Bates students. The first, which was due in on Jan. 23 (though some students did not receive theirs until later), was sent to men only by "a committee of men's proctors and the deans." The second, issued by the Means of Students on Jan. 28, went only to residents of coed dorms.

The men's rooming questionnaire was concerned with satisfaction and degrees of importance students attached to various items. The questionnaire was, according to Joe Glannon, issued to determine what students thought of the present rooming situation if there is any deep resentment, desire for change, etc. Early returns from this poll apparently favor the present method of assigning rooms.

The coed dorm questionnaire went out less than a week ago and returns are not in yet. There were three questions on it, primarily dealing with the technical aspects of converting old dorms to coed living. The implication is that more than one new dorm will be going coed next year.

Significant poll results, as they become available, will be published in The Student.
What's the matter with you people? Don't you believe in anything? The cause is not lost, we hope. There is the matter of the people who ran from Augusta just to make a fire. Holkey as it sounds, there are those people who set monuments in the snows of Time & upown Lewiston. There is the matter of the 4 or 5 wacks who pastep this paper for mere beer & damn little else. Consider CAS, CIS, SIS, a good school to be ashamed of. We should consider the Deansmen, who sang for the telhong about coke & throwing their ball (Lads, contact the Duke when in such contingencies). Even as this commentary is being written, we are watching the Lovely & Beautyful Ladies of the Merimanders sing "White Bird" & it is 4-30 in the morning. (Ladies, you are some kind of Alright & we are dazzled by the sweet symmetry of young voices. & what fantastic teeth!!) Consider Mike Corry, who ran for intramural track & took second as team Hericke.

One of the things that has made this place unique is that sense we have of Bates sufficiency. We are somewhat removed from the mainstream of What's Happenin Now Baby (for this, many thanks) & we possess the plant, the people, & the potential not only to survive our Education, but to enhance it. That sense of specialness, of "place-ness" so sadly lacking here may come in time; its elements are present, & its necessity is imperative.

This is Vol. 101, No. 3. We have pushed the stone up the hill 3 times; it has fallen back; it will fall back again. We want you to be here when we leave it s-o-w-y to rest on the top. Together we will stand there, & you can kick it hard & we will be laughing like hell, watching it bound down the side of Mt. David to vanish in the mark of the Puddle forever.

HOLLOW

from p. 5

HOLLOW

from p. 5

energy up, there is something to be said for experience. Another contributing factor was that most of the rehearsal period was to be during our vacation period, so that ideally, he could be reviewing this, and the new production, Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream, which will be presented in mid-March, at the same time. Unfortunately, this did not happen, but there will be no hiatus between productions, as rehearsals for the other will start before The Hollow Crown opens.

PUBLIUS

from p. 2

While I am not trying to imply that Watergate-like abuses occur at Bates (e.g. wiretapping authorized by President Reynolds, a burglary of Dr. Levy's office by Cher Economos' plumbers, breakins at the R.A. offices, etc.), we can make certain analogies as it concerns an indifferent citizenry (i.e. students) allowing malfunctions to occur in their institution (i.e. Bates). Karen Olson, in last week's issue, lamented the death (or perhaps long-sustaining coma is more precise) of PRG. She tends to place the blame on administrative inaction; however it is (or was) student inaction that spawned and allowed administrative inaction. All organized groups on campus seem to suffer from this apathy. The political and social action groups, The Student, the R.A., the C.A., etc. all suffer from this lack of interest.

Most of us "Batesies" are apathetic and indifferent to problems which must be solved, whereas we do get activated, our attention span is short. The classic example of this is the short term controversy last year. Several hundred showed up to an open EPC meeting and expressed near unanimous disapproval of the proposed legislation. However, we do not follow it as quickly as we activated the same time. Unfortunately, this is a very few students, and the faculty felt safe in rambing the short term change down the passive throats of the student body. (Ah! What obscene imagery!)

What is it that we accept things so passively? Perhaps, we are so immersed in academics to notice what's going on around us. Perhaps we're worried about graduate schools and/or jobs and don't want to "rock the boat." Perhaps the type of student who comes to Bates is seeking an escape and an environment where everything is directed and planned for him, where learning is following a syllabus to the letter and copying down everything a professor says, and where individual initiative is discouraged. Certainly all of these contribute to the inability of the apathetic Batesian, but in my opinion the central factor is a much simpler one. We view ourselves as being victimized by institutions. This is also applicable to the Watergate example mentioned at the outset of this essay. The people in this nation feel that the government has been screwing them, but more importantly, they feel as if they are helpless to do anything about it.

What is essential to realize is that such discussions imply the separation of people from institutions. We speak as if the two are exclusive. It is we, the people vs. them, the monolithic institutions (be they Bates College, the Federal government, the economic institutions, etc.) These sinister forces, we believe, are out to get us.

People are not divorced from their institutions. We created them and they depend on our support or acquiescence. We, the collectivity of students, faculty, administration, and alumni, are Bates College. We, along with 210 million other people, are the United States. We also create and sustain and can modify or destroy many other political, economic, and social institutions. However, somewhere along the line, our culture began dictating the fiction that it is we vs. they. Since then, we have regaled in a national masochism at the hands of the institutions that have become our masters.

Enough! It is too easy to get carried away. This exercise in self-deception is supposed to have a positive side to it. It is not a cure for anything, it is just an escape. It is not a panacea to our problems. We are all to blame, but we all can change. Certainly I am not a naive idealist advocating that we all embark on Quixofic journeys to bring about world peace, social justice, an end to starvation and poverty, racial equality, and universal brotherhood. We must set our sights lower. We must set our sights lower. We must try where we can. Opportunities for effective action present themselves often. If they don't, take the initiative and create them. Don't be quiet or passive. Although it may sound incredibly true, get involved! We cannot continue on our own; the institutions will continue to atrophy. If we don't, we have forfeited the right to complain. If we don't, we will realize too late the dictum of the late Walt Kelley: "We have met the enemy, and he is us."
Ask Answerman

(Editor's note: Answerman has just returned from a fact finding tour of Botswana. It seems that there is only one more fact that Answerman has to find before he actually does know everything. He won't say what it is but judging by the way he's been kicking dogs and stepping on cat's tails, he returned, we guess he hasn't found it yet. We keep hoping one of our readers will come up with that one question that Answerman can't answer. Don't forget that your questions can be sent to Answerman c/o The Student Box 309, or simply dropped into the Student mailbox just outside the P. O. Student answer. Don't forget that your question that Answerman can't answer, stepping on cat's tails, since he does know everything. He there is only one more fact that readers will come up with that one returned, we guess he hasn't found the way he's been kicking dogs and got to talking about next Christmas question, they will be his honored guests spending next Christmas there.)

Dear Answerman:

We were sitting around the dorm the other night having one of those intellectual conversations that are so common here at Bates, when we got to talking about Irving Schwartz. We cracked our brains trying to remember that quote that you always attributed to him. Knowing how you know everything and all, we've decided to turn to you. Please tell us the quote before we lose another night sleep over it. Adams III

Dear Mr. Answer:

I've been teaching a course on Communism here for a number of years and one question keeps bothering me. What in hell does "dialectical materialism" mean. M. M.

Dear Mr. Man:

I am a recent immigrant to your country, and can't help noticing that students, faculty, and administrators treat me like an idiot. Could you please explain why? Big D.

Just a damn minute, pal. All western intellectual history is mere footnote to the works of Marx, Engels, and Lenin. The point of these intellectual exercises is to make available wider viewpoints through magazines and educational materials, and to fund self-help projects in underdeveloped areas of the world. These projects seek to work within the framework of the societies (such as village level industry in Tanzania) that they are in.

The "Green Revolution" is growing dependent upon the political-technological balance. An impending shortage of fertilizer may result in a probable ten percent decrease of India's rice supply this year.

Because of a tremendous drought in the area of former French West Africa (the Sahel) one million people and 35 percent of all animal life has already died. Yet US government aid to the Sahel has been less than the $435 million gift recently given to Portugal, for the use of the Azores as a naval base for "national security."

The New World's Coalition at Bates is under the belief that we live in the same world that millions of people are starving and dying in. Do you?
THE MAKING OF THE LIBRARY 1973

By Tom Paine

In the balloting for most talked about (relevant) issue on campus these days is the new Bates College Library. Although it falls short of the verbal outburst directed at the short ten unit, there is rarely a day gone by without some mention of this building. With such a large amount of interest focused on it, the library was explained to a small audience in the Chase Lounge last Wednesday by the chief architect, Mrs. Sara Harkness.

Mrs. Harkness first spoke about the present location of the library, and the reasons for putting it there. Another possible site was the field next to J.B., but the present spot was more central in respect to the rest of the campus. Also, there was no other place where the library would not be interfering with a present function of the college, or the expansion of one. Mrs. Harkness said that they were concerned about mining softball games and games of “skimmoo” (frisbee). She also showed slides of the area before, during, and after. For underclassmen, the sight of all that space took a little time to get used to. Imagine having to walk from Roger Bill or points beyond (one & the same), to Carnegie at 8 o’clock in the morning, and seeing your destination from your window.

“There is reason in my madness” would explain Mrs. Harkness’ attempt to tell about the slanting roof of the library. On one side it is faced by the athletic complex, with high roofs, as compared to the relatively smaller Coram Library on the other side. The slant is easier on the eyes that a split level lebrary would be. The slant itself is broken up by openings to avoid monotony. As Mrs. Harkness said: “Any building needs a little drama; if you follow the program word for word you end up with a box.”

To compliment the Athenian views of Mrs. Harkness, her co-architect, James Puffer spoke of the reasons for making some of the individual aspects of the library, striking a psychological note. The reason for having a narrow entrance on the side near Dana was that people become curious when they see a narrow opening, and they often want to explore it; then, when they get onto the court, it is open enough to keep anyone from feeling closed in. The library itself has a pleasant looking first floor, which is, like the court, wide open. The study area there has large windows for that effect. On the upper floors, the openings in the roof allow for a seemingly limitless ceiling. The ceiling keeps the rooms from looking like that dreaded square, along with the space cut out of each floor that is left open for direct contact between floors. Also, if someone is daydreaming on the first floor and looks up, the slant allows for unlimited daydreaming, a valuable asset for those who are inclined toward the ‘lofty thoughts’ in Education that only occur at such moments.

The windows on the side of the building facing the athletic complex increase the heat in the library, a saving factor that has not been figured out yet, because the thermostats have not, as yet, been turned down enough to make up for the difference in temperature.

Even things like the color of the furniture, and its spacing have been planned. The colors are picked for their warmth, not for lightness, because they do not need colors that would hit you like a slap. Instead they need colors that don’t excite people and don’t put them to sleep. The spacing of the furniture was planned to allow various degrees of privacy.

In the discussion period after, Mrs. Harkness talked about the outside stairs. There had to be a way to connect the two sides of the campus through the library, in order to draw people to it (not unlike the positioning of fly-paper). The tunnel effect of the stairs actually gives a sense of adventure to it; when someone ascends the stairs, the door to the library is a prominent feature on their right. This points to the other advantage of having the stairs there; there is only one entrance to the library, but it is easily accessible to people coming from all directions.

Both Mrs. Harkness and Mr. Puffer spoke of the possible uses of the rest of the library space and the ability to expand the library if such a move becomes necessary. The ground floor could be used for art exhibits or storage. The expansion could be done by building a separate building and connecting the two buildings by a covered passage. The probably site for an expansion of this type would be where Roger Bill now stands.

There were a few complaints registered about the new hole. One was the regulation of heat in the building. The top floor receives much more than its share of the heat. Also, the ‘overlapping’ of the floors causes voices to travel very well between floors. Another question asked was what the possible uses of The Treat Gallery would be if they used the library for art exhibits, but it is needless to worry about extraneous space in Pettigrew when the use of a whole building (the Coram Library) is still entirely up in the air.
By Bob Littlefield

Just about every grandmother in the world has been known to say "All good things must come to an end." The proverb could be applied to the track team last Saturday as a twelve year winning streak over the University of Vermont came to an abrupt end. A meet that was predicted to be close proved to be so as the Bobcats lost to the Catamounts 67-52 for the first time since 1962.

Lack of depth and improvement in certain events allowed UVM to score the points they needed to break the streak. Once again the consistent performers came through with victories. Bruce Wicks won the 600 for the fifth time in six races, Bob Cedron won the 35 lb. weight and Rick Baker took the high jump. However, there were no 'surprise' performances that it takes to win a close meet.

This week's Golden Goose Award goes to freshman Cris Taylor who, although not winning, registered an impressive performance in the 1000 with a 2:17 second place finish. He later ran a strong anchor leg on the two mile relay team.

Those same grandmothers previously mentioned have also been heard to say "You can't keep a good team down." The Bobcats will be out to prove their grandmothers right this Saturday when they will host the MIAA championships. They will be defending their 1973 title against a strong UMaine team and an equally strong group of Bowdies. The meet, to be held in our cage at 1:00, is guaranteed to be an exciting one. Please come, fill the balcony and have a good time. Your support really helps.

HATCH RETURNETH

by Bill Catherton

Assistant athletic director Bob Hatch has returned to the Bates College campus this semester after having been on sabbatical during the fall. While on sabbatical he was able to visit a total of 48 schools in thirteen different states in his quest to gather information concerning the total physical education department concept which includes intercollegiate sports, intramurals, as well as recreational and co-educational activities.

In order to take this sabbatical Hatch had to leave his head football coaching job and was away from football for the first time in his career. He decided to accept this opportunity because it offered him a chance to gain invaluable experience in regard to his "ultimate goal of obtaining an administrative position in a college athletic program." However, other factors did enter into his eventual decision to accept, not the least of which was the lack of success his teams had in his final three years.

Hatch described his reasoning this way, "The sabbatical opportunity was unusual because it was to be a mission for the president and I didn't feel that it would do Bates or myself any good to remain coaching for a few more years." He candidly admitted that "it was an appropriate time for a coaching change in order to bring in a fresh viewpoint and that the sabbatical would be more beneficial to me and to Bates."

The basic format of his trip was to visit each of the 48 schools for one day and interview both men and women coaches, athletic directors, completion of a standard questionnaire, observe the facilities in use, and to have general conversation with those connected with the athletic program. In this way coach Hatch was exposed to many different ideas and concepts but just as importantly his "exposure to a wide variety of people was invaluable" to himself as well as the school. The colleges he visited represented a wide spectrum of situations which ranged from the Ivy League to such schools as Coe College in Iowa.---

Bluefield State in West Virginia, St. Olaf College in Minnesota, and many others.

One of the most unique trends he encountered in his travels was the fact that "there is a vast difference between small liberal arts schools in the northeast and those outside the northeast. In the west, many athletic directors coach a sport which is rarely done in the east and their budgets are generally smaller." Schools in the east have larger staffs, less part-time help, and have a much greater interest in women's athletics. He cited the example of Iowa which is noted for its outstanding girl's high school basketball tournaments which draw over ten thousand people yet there are virtually no women's intercollegiate athletics.

Wherever coach Hatch visited, one of the important topics of conversation was the change which Health, Education, and Welfare bill No. 9 is bringing about. The bill requires absolute equality between men's and women's athletics. The bill seemingly is flawed because when followed to its logical conclusion it allows men to participate on women's teams which could conceivably mean a women's field hockey team consisting entirely of men! Another major problem in this same area is to bring women's athletic budgets into the proper perspective. Coach Hatch feels that the most important consideration should be that as many people participate as possible. "In the area of budget and other controlling factors, the sex of the team should be ignored and the program should be made fair in its own relative setting... It must not Hatch, p. 8
BASKETBALL GIRLS STARTS SEASON

by Claudia Turner

Well ens, the girls’ basketball team began its season, unfortunately with a loss, against a well-prepared St. Francis team. The game was played after only one week of practice as the 29-40 score showed. The team wasn’t really playing together and this, in addition to St. Francis ability to score accounted for the Bates’ loss. Sue Dumais had eight points and Claudia Turner had nine for Bates.

In the next game against St. Joseph’s, great improvement was shown. The team played as a unit on both offense and defense. It was a good game in the sense that everyone got a chance to play and get the game experience that could help later. High scorer for Bates was Priscilla Wilde with nine points. The final score was 44-27 Bates.

The following game against Presque Isle was a tough one to lose; however, the girls did show more improvement as they have in every outing. Although the 43-34 score seems to indicate otherwise, the game was close until Presque Isle used a man-to-man defense that caused many bad passes and violations. High scorers were Claudia Turner with nine, Sue Dumais with eight, and Priscilla Wilde with seven.

Playing for the team this year, coached by Mrs. Larchapelle, are Co-capt. Beth Neitzel, and Peg Kern, Sue Dumais, Claudia Turner, Lee Burnstead, Marie Cote, Michelle Lombard, Priscilla Wilde, Candy Stark, Joyce Hollyday, J.V. co-capt. Dee Dee Grayton and Wendel Ault, Cathie Joyce, Pat “I can’t dribble!!” McNulty. Alyson co-capts. Dee Dee Grayton and Wendy Ault, Cathie Joyce, Pat “I can’t dribble!!” McNulty, Alyson Trico, Pam Welsh, Sue Fuller, Joan Lathrop, and Susanne Featherine. Managers for the team are Jane Goganian and Lynn C. Glover.

Bates College Hockey has had some fairly impressive weeks in its short life, but this week is probably one of the more memorable. Not only did the ‘Cats hold off a tough St. Francis team to a 3-3 tie, but they also tore apart U. Maine by a score of 10-4.

The St. Francis game was one which demonstrated that we don’t always play clean-living teams. The Knights amassed nine penalties, the highest individual point getter was Kelly Trimmer, of Milliken, who won the Long Jump (20’0”), 45-yard Dash (5.5 sec.), and the 45-yard Low Hurdles (6.0 sec.). Other individual winners were Mark Reddish in the 440 (58.5 sec), and the 45-yard low hurdles, and a point for being on the winning 6-lap relay team.

Sunday was a day for vengeance. Remembering last year’s 8-1 loss, the Pricemen (ugh, a cliche’) spotted U. Maine (Orono) a one goal lead, then took control for good. The first line of Comeford, Joel West, and Brian Staskawicz heated up for a total of six goals and five assists on the afternoon.

Meanwhile, the third line (Dave Godda, Mike Butler, and Dave Mansfield) ADDED four goals and five assists. Not bad for a Sunday afternoon. Goalies Mike Larkin and Fred Clark combined for 36 saves, and U. Maine went back to the tundra thinking toward next Sunday’s rematch between the two teams, again at 3:45 at the Youth Center. This game, be assured, will not be as easy.

HANNAH! I don’t even care.

Latest on all-girl fashions

At

The Cathay

Lewiston Main

junior fashions

great little tops

handcrafted sterling

192 LISBON STREET

HOCKEY CLUB IMPRESSIVE

THE WAREHOUSE

37 Park St.

DAILY Luncheon Specials 11:30 - 2

Dinners served from 5:00 P.M.

SUNDAYS OPEN 1:00 - 9:00 P.M.

CLOSED MONDAYS ALL DAY

Comfortable dining – Unique Atmosphere

Cocktail Lounge
into a receptive mood for studying, sensation and it's real energy. You whatever you want. "It's a real energy. We try to get to that higher mind energy to learn our dynamics," said Laurie.

A member of the audience asked her to describe Scott Green, a 1973 Bates student. "Witch," Laurie explained, "is a theory of what most Bates students might end." Her brand of "witchcraft" is based on "hermetic" laws. Laurie believes that Jesus, for example, was extremely sensitive to the energy of the universe. "Satanism," as opposed to "wicca," is based on anti-church rituals. People did not come into being until after the church did. Laurie does not believe that Satanists are real, but very few of us are in the way.

In order to visualize Scott, Laurie explained, she put her brain into a state of alpha waves. This is done by "counting down" the colors of the rainbow: red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet. This carries Laurie into a state of higher energy and allows her to see other energy states, such as that of Scott Green.

Certain tools, the "witch" explained, can help you attune yourself to a state. This is because she believes each object has an intrinsic energy level. "Frankenstein" and "the invisible man" are burned in churches because they keep out flak, they neutralize negative energy and keep a same energy level. "They" do not correspond with provisions in the Faculty Handbook. The Faculty Handbook states that the Committee on Committees shall appoint student members of student-faculty committees. There is no mention of RA approval.

The extracurricular activities committee has recommended to the faculty that the Representative Assembly be allowed to contain student appointments to student-faculty committees. Currently, the committee on Student-Faculty Committees, a student-faculty committee itself, recommends appointments of student members to all other student-faculty committees. RA wants to have final approval of their recommendents.

Bob Goodlatte, recent RA president who sent EAC the proposal, wants student-faculty committees tied to RA via the Committee on Committees so that a "small clique" couldn't override a majority mind into power. They also feel this would give RA some concrete power as representative of the student-faculty committees.

Sue Dunats, newly-elected RA president, agrees. "They" did ask the request on faculty approval because it does not correspond with provisions in the Faculty Handbook. The Faculty Handbook states that the Committee on Committees shall appoint student members of student-faculty committees. There is no mention of RA approval.

The committee will have to change their proposal to get RA final approval before RA can insert such a clause into its bylaws. This is because student-faculty committees are officially recognized as committees by the College, even though students serve on them. The executive board of student-faculty committees was delegated to them by the faculty, and the faculty's power was delegated to them by the college.