By JOHN HOWE

William Thompson, a successful professional architect, will begin a week long visit to the Bates Campus Monday Jan. 31. The visit includes panel discussions, a seminar in Environmental Psychology, and small group meetings with students.

Thompson is the first of two visiting professionals selected to come to Bates this semester under the Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellows Program.

A busy schedule of activities will begin Monday night at eight o’clock p.m. in the Chase Lounge when Mr. Thompson joins Professor of Art Donald Lent, Assistant Professor of Philosophy Mark Okrent, and Assistant Professor of Psychology Drake Bradley in a panel discussion titled “A Dialogue on the Future.”

The schedule for the week includes lectures, informal meetings, and consultations with senior proctors and individual interviews.

After the appointment of the head proctors has been made and their area assigned to them, the rest of the proctors will be announced. Where the rest of the proctors will be assigned is yet to be decided by the deans with the aid of senior proctors and individual interviews.

Details as to the special duties of the new head proctors are still being discussed. Suggestions from the entire campus are welcomed and should be addressed to Douglas Dosh, Carl Straub, or Debbie Thomas or Brian Fitzgerald.

Established New System

By RICK DWYER

The Proctors Council is now working out the details on a new Head Proctors System. Dean Isaacson presented the proposal to the proctors at their last meeting, and now the various duties which will be assigned to the head proctors are being ironed out.

The new system does not increase the number of proctors, but does delegate more extensive and time-consuming responsibilities to ten head proctors. These head proctors will be distributed geographically around the campus. Large dormitories will have their own head proctor, while others will be assigned to clusters of houses.

These ten head proctors will most likely participate in a training program in the fall. This will be done in order to enable them to counsel both the other proctors and students. They may also be expected to act as referral agents in manners dealing with students academic or personal problems.

A very important reason behind the establishment of head proctors is that they will be easily accessible to the deans and ad hoc meetings will be called whenever the need arises. Such ad hoc meetings are a near impossibility with the complete proctors Council encompassing some fifty members. Under this system the head proctors can meet with the deans at a moments notice and relay any necessary information to the other proctors.

Because the duties of the head proctors will consume a great deal of their time, probably including arriving early in the fall and responsibility for opening and closing of residences, they will be compensated with a substantially salary.

The head proctors will most likely be appointed from a group of seniors who have shown excellent leadership as proctors in the past. They will be appointed by the deans after the proctors elections take place. Those elections will provide input for the selection process. Further input will be provided by consultation with senior proctors and individual interviews.

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RA News & Events

New RA President Todd Webber has an important goal he wants to achieve during the upcoming year: to make the RA more viable and influential organization by bringing it directly to the students.

Webber plans to hold meetings in which the RA executive officers and the dorm RA representatives will meet with each dorm’s students to get grassroot feeling on campus issues. It is his opinion that: “The role of the RA is for students to be involved in the RA, directly in the student’s dorms.

Newly elected Representative Assembly vice president Steve Dosh would like to see more involvement and responsibility on the part of the representatives.

Dosh feels that the R.A. does not represent the student body because members do not discuss the policies and issues brought up at the meetings with the people in their dorms. Most people outside the R.A. are not aware of what the R.A. is doing.

Days of Snow Artistry Gone

By JIM CURTIN

Snow sculpture bring out the artist and dorm pride in most students. This year there were 12 such sculptures and a single effort by outside students. The judges noted that the turn-out was not up to that of previous years, but were still pleased with the number and quality of entries.

The judges, both seniors, were Steve Wicz, a three time veteran, and Mark Goram. The criteria of judging was based on originality as it applies to the theme of transportation, depth and detail in carrying out the theme, and finally the use of available man-power. The last criterion is a great advantage for the small houses of the campus.

The winners are as follows: Chase/Frye - “Invention of the Wheel”; Women’s Union - “Gondola”; Page - “Cinderella’s Pumpkin”; J.B. - “Tank”; Tie - Woodstreet - “Coming tower off submarine”; Tie - Cheney - “Noah’s Ark”; Adams - “Buddha, the way to enlightenment”; Smith - “Bong”; Tie - Smiths slider; Parker - “Covered Waggon”; off campus - “Swan”; Parsons - “Foot”; Roger Bill slide.

The winner was clear-cut in this reporter’s mind but there was only one vote separating the first, second, and third place finishers. The winner was a 20 ft. statue to the inventor of the wheel complete with black hair and beard. The statue is sitting on a throne with a perfectly wheel and scattered rejects at his feet; this work should not be missed if at all possible.

Women’s Union was next with a large gondola complete with cockpit for the adventuorous snow sculpturer. The next two were sleepers. Page’s pumpking and mice were well done and totally unexpected by the judges. Likewise, J.B.’s tank was well done.

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To the editor:

But as I said before, it's not that things to do other than the lack of solid interaction have never been sacrificed in the pursuit of 4.0. Bates has consistently turned out solid middle-class citizens, which is fine. However, many people take advantage of their own academic opportunities here at the expense of other pursuits which are just as important to one's development. Batesies climb higher and higher into the pinnacle of the Ivory Tower until we are unable to see the world which lies around us.

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It is not because there really isn't anything to do in Lewiston or at Bates. Although Lewiston will never be considered the cultural capital of the world (or even Central Maine), that doesn't mean that Lewiston is just a poverty pocket of a disaster area.

People take advantage of the GPL series, the cheap movies, the sundry establishments around the nearby ski areas, the locally sponsored lecture series or various other things. Likewise, some people have things which could be taken advantage of.

In total, however, the endless bitchin' continues. It continues because Bates is a very incestuous place. You talk to the same people everyday at lunch or in the Den. You take courses with the same people (or have the same students each term). After a while everyone becomes emasculated in petty things. They discuss the faculty, the "Batesic Couples", campus policies, and the administration. It is easier to be a cynic than an optimist, positive.

It is unfortunate because there are a lot of good things to be had. But it means ignoring the idiots that one runs across, petty rules, etc. People do not seem to be passionate about anything.

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To The More Than Great Bates College Basketball Fans,

Considering the academic and other assorted pressures which you face here at Bates, I would like to personally and as a representative of the entire Bates Basketball Team, thank you for your fine performance as fans at the January 19th meeting between Colby and Bates. You not only displayed your full support of your team but also showed a lot of class and let the Colby fans know what true sportsmen are. You proved that you were more informed about the game of basketball itself and that you were genuinely behind your team. Thank you; Bates athletics has been strengthened by your performance. It goes without saying that you all had a lot to do with the success of the team against Colby. All I ask is that you continue to show your spiritual support, we need your help and thank you. When we have to go up to Colby we're expecting you. You are the greatest.

Sincerely,
T. Barhoe

P.S. You deserve a 4.0 for your support.

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I refer to Article VII, entitled “Meetings and Voting”, especially sections 4 and 5. These sections define a voting member as one who signs the Secretaries roll, and in section 5, in order to vote in elections, in particular, one must have attended at least 2 meetings previous to the election.

I would now, after developing the rules, like to discuss, subjectively, their possible violation by the Democratic Caucus, and its attendant president who vows to increase “student awareness.”

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Mules Apologize

Bates students and Faculty.

We would like to apologize for the unsportsmanlike behavior at the conclusion of the Colby-Bates basketball game of January 19. The actions of these students is not indicative of the sportsmanship of the Colby student body. Many students expressed embarrassment after the incident and we hope that this will serve as a general apology from the Colby spectators.

Our sincere congratulations to you and the Bates basketball team for a game well played.

Janet Deering
J. Philip Bruns

Campus Complaints

By ROBERT COHEN

the administration and faculty should ask is, “Why is there apathy?; could it be partly our fault?” Now please don’t try to picture your favorite staff member saying this to himself because the odds are about 100 to 1 against. Maybe if someone did start to think about it, they would realize the following things:

1) Bates College is one of the few colleges left in this country that does not have a campus pub. A pub might possibly reduce the number and size of keg parties because it would give Batesians an alternative. It would also fill the need for a local place to meet your friends where you can order something other than a coke.

2) It is very difficult to be ungodly when you have four courses on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and you have to go to labs with them. Even if some students would like to get involved in certain activities, their excessive work loads prevent them from doing so.

3) I was once told that college students are supposed to look up to their professors and that the professors, in turn, are supposed to stimulate academic and un-academic interests in the students. This just does not happen at Bates.

4) It is also very difficult for a student that is not a member of a clique to become involved in certain clubs or activities.

5) Dorm spirit isn’t doing so well either (look at the number of completed snow sculptures). This does not help much in eliminating apathy.

6) The feeling that one student or a small group of students is totally powerless to correct a matter by one object to any school policies is also very discouraging.

The list could go on for pages. A committee could be formed, but its members would probably be among the most active students, the most interested professors, and the most caring members of the administration. With all of their good intentions, I doubt that they would accomplish anything. It would be like: ..

By BRAD FULLER

Most Bates students would likely describe Roger Williams Hall, affectionately known as Roger Bill, as a unique dormitory. This description is fitting, even when we trace the building’s history back to the beginning.

In the year 1870, the young Bates College established a theological school on its Lewiston campus. This was consistent with the school’s connection with the Free Will Baptists, the group which had a great deal to do with the original funding of the College. In 1888, the theological school was named Cobb Divinity School in honor of J.H. Cobb of Lewiston in appreciation of his generous contributions to the funds of the institution.

Seven years later, because of the $25,000 contribution of one Dr. L.W. Anthony, the Cobb Divinity School had its own building -- the one and only Roger Williams Hall. That’s right, Roger Bill had its beginning as a haven for the clergy. The 1894 cornerstone laying ceremony was attended by local pastorates and many students, described by the Lewiston Evening Journal as taking place majestically under the “glorious sun.”

The cornerstone itself, which is probably located in the old granite which runs around the present first floor line, contains many objects which will be revealed only when the sweep of progress takes the life of Roger Williams away. Among other souvenirs of the day, included inside the cornerstone are a Constitution and by-laws of the Free Will Baptists Minister’s Conference minutes of the Maine Free Will Baptists Association in 1894, and of course a photograph of Mrs. Brittany Franklin Anthony, wife of Lewis W. Anthony.

In 1900, the sacred walls of Roger Williams were shaken by an incident which has haunted the building ever since with its mysterious reappearance through the years. On the afternoon of October 9, 1900 certain students of the College attended Roger Williams as a body and with intent to draw a picture of the building, in response, the angry members of the Divinity School issued the following resolution which read in part:...

...whereas said building has been dedicated to the service of God in the preparations of men for the highest of all callings.

And, whereas the students of Cobb Divinity School have purposed to have regard for that fact in their conduct about the building:

Therefore, it be resolved by the occupants of said hall that we condemn the outrage above referred to...

And so the tradition of Roger Bill had begun, that majestic building with the most noble of roots.

But how does the modern student know who is watching over it today?

In 1908, the Cobb Divinity School vanished without a trace from the Bates Campus, never to be heard from again. But the mark it left on Roger Williams Hall is everlasting.
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No Pi In The Face With Our Math Department

By ANDREW KIRSCH

In the near future, bulletins will go out to all mathematics majors announcing sweeping changes in the Mathematics Depart- ment's curriculum and departmental requirements. The impact of these changes may well be felt by every department in the college.

The curricular transformation has been a broad one. Five new courses will be added next year. The topics covered in these courses will be Differential Equations, advanced Linear Algebra, Applied Abstract Algebra, Computer Science, and mathematical Modeling. In addition, courses such as Probability Theory which were in the past offered only intermittently, will now be regular course offerings. In all, twelve elective courses at the 200 level or higher will be offered bi-annually, allowing a student to choose between six different electives in any year. Also to be added is a short term unit entitled Symmetry, intended for non-majors.

Departmental requirements have also been altered. Future math majors will be required to complete Math 105, 106, 206, 301, 309, 321, and any four electives chosen from among the math courses of 200 level or above.

However, one of the required elective courses may be a math-related course in some other department. The department's approval will be required. Finally, a math major will have to take the Graduate Record Examination as part of the Math Department's TEN (the Math Exam administered by the Math Department). Those students who have already declared themselves to be Math majors need not view the changes with concern. Any such student may choose to fulfill either the old or new set of requirements.

Most of these changes have come about as a result of recommendations made by Professor David C. Haines. He conducted a study of the depart- ment's workings two years ago while on a Mellon Fellowship. Following the publication of his findings, the department has begun to move toward imple- menting his recommendations.

I asked Professor Haines what the department's reaction to the changes had been. He replied: "Great! It's been going through with a great amount of depart- mental cooperation." He also mentioned that student reaction, while limited, has been positive. Dr. Haines indicated that more changes may be on the way. One of the most intriguing is a suggestion that a major in math with a concentration in some other field be offered as an alternative to the ordinary major in math.

Even the venerable Math 105 and Math 106 may soon be changed. According to Professor Haines: "We're going to re- structure Math 105-106. My hope is that we can do it so there's less formalism; more emphasis on the flavor of applications of the material."

Bermuda Bash Big Bang

By JIM NUTTER

Friday night's "Bermuda for Two" party was an overwhelm- ing success for the culmination of winter carnival week. A good time was had dancing to the 8 piece disco band, drinking, wear- ing costumes and getting excited about possibly spending four days in Bermuda.

The elimination process really helped the party mood, letting the party continue strongly into the night, instead of dying out slowly. The band's inter- mission consisted of a fish-bowl - those picked days in Bermuda. A drawing of only 10-20 names at a time, until the very end when 100 or so were reeled off quickly. With two people left in the competition, the band played another song causing further excitement. Finally, at 2:30 a.m. the last person was drawn, leaving the table of Fritz Foster and Sue Morse as the lucky winners, when told of an expense paid trip to Bermuda.

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The foreign students proved very entertaining.

By KRISTEN ANDERSON

Wednesday evening, January 19, the Parker first floor lounge was the scene of the International Club Coffee Hour. Claire Bossuette, '79 and Steve Dosh, '78, the International Club's American Represent- atives hosted the coffeehouse, consisting of an unexpectedly large turnout of students, faculty and foreign student host parents.

Jonas Nycander, of Sweden, began with several Swedish folk tunes played on the violin. This was followed by Arne Schaberg, who read poems from his native Netherlands in Dutch, and a poem he wrote himself and had later translated to English.

Henriette Visser, also of the Netherlands, sang some child- ren's songs while accompanying herself on the guitar.

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Foreign Students Prove Very Entertaining

By DANA FORMAN

A crowd estimated to be in the hundreds of thousands gathered in Rand Hall before vacation to witness the Purple Piggers in an outrageous rebellion against all logic and sanity. Purple Pigger is, in the indelicate, art of transport- ing oneself throughout a given structure (such as a dorm) without touching the floor. Chan- dellers, doorknobs, overhead pipes, sprinkler systems, tapisseries, inconspicuous ledges, and unsuspecting wall tele- phones may all be in play.

Representatives from all over the world paired off to form grueling head-to-head compet- ition in the annual event. Scott Copenhagen, one of Denmark's finest and the eventual winner, teamed up with Great Britain's Dan Hartley. Among other car- riers were such notables as Chris O'Callahan of Ireland, Switzerland's John Zawalsch, Fritz Foster of West Germany, Bill Heiniz the infamous ketchup hei, Dwight Lalleffe of France, and Lars Ortega Garcia Julio of Japan. America's lone yet brightest prospect, Satch Sanders, proved a bitter disappointment, taking an ill-fated step within the first six seconds of the two-hour event. (Get 'em next year, Satch!) Odor control was a major issue.

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usually via the ceiling pipes. O'Callahan emerged unscathed.

Fritz Foster was literally knocked out of the competition when he was beaned by an errant spindye while attempting to bal- ance himself on the bannister between the second and third floors. Foster drew blood resulting in a five-man major delay.

Two hours later the match turned into a game of stamina and endurance as only two contestants remained: Copenhagen of Denmark and Llorente of Spain. In the end, however, it was Copenhagen's wiry frame and tremendous stamina which pre- vailed. Upon his victory, "Copy," as he is affectionately called by his loved ones, remark- ed, "It was a close Pig." "Copy's" goals are learning to act in a socially acceptable manner and to grow a moustache by the end of next year.

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Lynn Chang, Violin and Richard Kogan, Piano, February 2 at 8:00 p.m. in Chase Lounge.
Keith Carreiro-Classical Guitarist. January 28 at 8:00 p.m. in Chase Lounge.
Film
"Cubism" and "Picasso," February 1 at 11:00 a.m. in 202 Halls. Sponsored by the Art Department.
"The Story of Adele H," January 30 at 2:00 p.m. at the Empire Theatre (Lewiston).
Theatre
"A Streetcar Named Desire." Through February 13, Wednesday-Sunday at 8:15 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the Profile Theatre (Portland). For information and tickets call 774-0484.
Art
Disc and Talk
By JEFF BURTON
David Bowie - LOW.
This is Bowie's first appearance since his leading role in THE MAN WHO FELL TO EARTH. The front cover photo is taken from the film. The whole cover implies a certain strangeness and surrealistic quality reminiscent of the film. During the time period between the film and this album Bowie has solved time in prison implying that his mental state is, as the title states, at a "low." The production demands alot from the listener. Most of the time the vocals are muffled just beneath the instrumentals. When the vocals are listenable Bowie seems dull, lacking range and intensity. What's Happening | THE BATES STUDENT | Page 5

This effort, though muddled and ineffective, is interesting to the Bowie fans as a part of his growth and coming as a recording artist. One can only hope Bowie finds whatever he is searching for and returns to the vitality and power of HUNKY DORY and ZIGGY STARDUST.

Leon Redbone - DOUBLE TIME (Vanguard). Redbone is one of those unique musician/singers that has developed a definite cult following. He has fixed time with present freshness that has joyous appeal. His music is characterized by good-time plucking and a nasally throaty voice. One can not help but smile as he recycles 40's tunes. He is a primitive, melancholy, and "We Never Meet Again" touch. Cuts such as "Diddy Wa Diddle." "Shine on Harvest Moon," "Melancholy Baby," and "If We Never Meet Again" lifted the overly docile crowd did not let their disappointment at Ace's monotonous performance get them down. An hour and a half after the commencement time, Robert Palmer and his band finally appeared. The crowd awoke from their stupor to give him a lively welcome. They were once again disappointed. The sound system Palmer brought with him was extremely poor. His lyrics were unintelligible and his Elvis Presley antics were tiering. The back-up band was really quite good, but the music was fairly sluggish, with little variety in tone and rhythm.

This basically uninspiring performance was a disappointment. It's a shame that the performers didn't live up to the hard work of the Chase Hall Committee.

Outing Club
Try something new and different at Bates...go on an Outing Club trip! Meet new people, get off campus, get some exercise and some fresh air, see a part of Maine's wilderness, and forget your books for awhile. The weekend of February 5th you have a chance to go on the annual QC winter overnight trip to the scenic Acadia National Park on the coast of Maine. Go hiking, snowshoeing, or cross-country skiing on mountain trails or on flat roads. You can also get beach walking. No experience is necessary. Go to Acadia and experience the outdoors for a weekend. Any needed equipment is available at the QC Equipment Room located behind Halleck's Monday and Friday from 4:00 to 5:00 and on Wednesday from 4:30 to 5:30.

By RACHEL FINE
As the final event of the 1977 Winter Carnival, the Chase Hall Committee presented recording artists Robert Palmer and Ace in concert. Although more than 400 Bates students attended, they were outnumbered by the nearly 500 people from other schools and from the Lewiston area. The Chase Hall Committee reports that they lost more money on the concert then they had planned. Their hit single, "How Long," was the only number to which there was any audience reaction.

By JUNE PETERTSON
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Also included on the menu are seafood, beef, veal and chicken. The vegetables and meats served are all fresh and the desserts are made by Seventeen Park's own chef.

The restaurant radiates class - rich carpeting, sunken bar and lounge, green plants, natural woodwork, dim lighting, stainless steel topped tables and secluded alcoves - all a part of a predominating modern Spanish influence.

Complete with strobe lights, a stainless steel dance floor and some of the best music ever recorded for dancing, Seventeen Park knows what disco is. A disco jockey situated in one corner of the dance floor chooses the music from numerous 45's and albums. Requests are played. The bar is readily accessible, and scattered wood tables and comfortable canvas chairs surround the dance floor. There is a balcony for those who would rather watch the dancing from above.

A much talked about feature of Seventeen Park is its friendly service. It is open seven days a week with lunch served from 11:30 - 2:00 and dinner served from 5:00 - 10:00. The cover charge for dancing is $1.00 per person, and single music lasts from 8:30 - 1:00. Drinks are not exorbitantly priced.

The management is presently considering a Batesie Wednes-day night out, during which the present $1.00 cover charge would be eliminated or one drink would be served free. The possibility of having a live disco band is also being discussed.

The disco crowd is basically under thirty, and the dress code is look presentable - definitely no jeans.

Tromino has it that various Lane Hall members and professors have already checked out Seventeen Park - don't miss it!
By TIM LUNDERGAN

"Student power at Bates is non-existent," claims Tarin Anwar, the outspoken student from Bangladesh. Although currently merely a member of the Representative Assembly, Tarin plans to resign soon because "the RA is a farce...a waste of time." He points to the RA meeting in which the budget for student public affairs was voted on. The three to four hour meeting delegated $60,000 to various student groups. However, the RA had to forward this proposal to the Extra-curricular Activities Committee (EAC) for approval, and anything resulting from an EAC decision would have to be approved by the trustees and President of the college. In the light of this, Tarin terms the RA action on the budget "insignificant." Also, Tarin feels that the RA leaders "Tow the Administration line."

Tarin also decries the lack of student influence on decisions regarding the awarding of tenure to faculty members. Currently, the only people on the school payroll who have any say in the matter are alumni, who Tarin believes are often reluctant to give someone a poor recommendation now that they no longer must face that person's courses. Tarin urges students to seek greater representation in all areas of decision making at Bates. "You're paying for it!"

What about the students themselves? Tarin sees "a lack of intellectual excitement at Bates. There's a lot of thorough and diligent scholarship, but hardly any that could be termed brilliant. Most people are here just to go to college, because they have to. They are too grade-conscious." He sees the students here as homogeneous, with no real differences of opinion. Also, the foreign students here seem very apathetic.

Tarin blames much of the problem on the students' view of Bates as the world. He believes Bates has little communication with other colleges. "For instance," he said, "how many people know that they can take a course at Colby or Bowdoin for credit if that course is not offered at Bates?"

Bates is not a member of the twelve college program, in which students from one New England college can spend their junior year at another. Also, Bates places its short term at the end of the academic year. While many students here approve of this system, Tarin believes that it creates problems for those wishing to take different courses at a college with a 4-1-4 program.

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Anwar Speaks Out On Bates

By TIM LUNDERGAN

"Student power at Bates is non-existent," claims Tarin Anwar, the outspoken student from Bangladesh. Although currently merely a member of the Representative Assembly, Tarin plans to resign soon because "the RA is a farce...a waste of time." He points to the RA meeting in which the budget for student public affairs was voted on. The three to four hour meeting delegated $60,000 to various student groups. However, the RA had to forward this proposal to the Extra-curricular Activities Committee (EAC) for approval, and anything resulting from an EAC decision would have to be approved by the trustees and President of the college. In the light of this, Tarin terms the RA action on the budget "insignificant." Also, Tarin feels that the RA leaders "Tow the Administration line."

Tarin also decries the lack of student influence on decisions regarding the awarding of tenure to faculty members. Currently, the only people on the school payroll who have any say in the matter are alumni, who Tarin believes are often reluctant to give someone a poor recommendation now that they no longer must face that person's courses. Tarin urges students to seek greater representation in all areas of decision making at Bates. "You're paying for it!"

What about the students themselves? Tarin sees "a lack of intellectual excitement at Bates. There's a lot of thorough and diligent scholarship, but hardly any that could be termed brilliant. Most people are here just to go to college, because they have to. They are too grade-conscious." He sees the students here as homogeneous, with no real differences of opinion. Also, the foreign students here seem very apathetic.

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By NILES BONDE-HENRIKSEN

The Bobcats improved their season record to 4-6 this past week at the alumni gym, taking two wins and dropping a heartbreaker by a slim 5 points.

On Wednesday the Bates squad came out gunning for the Mules of Colby in a game fraught with excitement. Coming off of an impressive win over the Ephs on Sunday, Maine, the Bobcats handed the Mules a hard fought 91-87 loss. Junior center Tom Goodwin scored 24 points and swept down 18 rebounds, while Jim Marois (18 points, 6 assists), Jay Bright (17 points, 11 rebounds) and Earl Ruffin (14 points, 4 assists) all contributed to a game which matched both teams’ defensive efforts in a thriller in both excitement and quality. The bitterly contested game was still in a far shot of the win, with just one second remaining, but a Colby foul put Jay Bright on the line for two, and the Bobcats made both free throws to end the game.

Bates captain Jim Marois, had a standout performance despite being double-teamed most of the game, winding up with 18 points. Goodwin also grabbed 11 rebounds, while senior forward Brad Smith pulled down 10. Forward Geoff Sather led Middlebury with 20 points and 11 rebounds. Middlebury led 41-36 at the half and never looked back. The best Bates could do was to pull it within one at 46-45. The following night it was the Bobcats in a 99-77 sleeper. W.P.I. came into the game with a 1-8 record and all the frustrations that go with losing 15 straight road games. The Bobcats moved to an 11-2 lead and stringing it out to 47-27 first half lead. Bates coach George Wigton had umpired his bench by the end of the first half. Marois and Ruffin led Bates with 10 points each in that half, while Bright pulling down 8 rebounds. W.P.I. was "flat" in the first half, hitting only 9 of 36 field goal attempt.

The second half proved more exciting as Bates emptied its bench, giving several players a valuable playing time. It did not take long for the subs to show what they can do. Jack Malley scored 12 points and pulled down 10 rebounds; Tom Burke scored 8 and grabbed 8 rebounds; Steve Schmelz and Jeff Starrett scored 2 each while dishing out 4 and 5 assists for the hometown crowd.

Few Bobcats also scored while seeing a good deal of playing time.

Earl Ruffin led all scorers with 17 points, while Marois tossed in 15, Goodwin 14, Smith 13, and Bright 10. Bright finished the game with 14 rebounds while Smith had 10.

Jimmy Marano now needs but 10 points to hit the 1000 career point total. Just as impressive is Jim’s ability to pass the ball. In the last three games he has scored 56 points while dishing numerous assists. Out of 202 team points in the three games Marois was involved in 100 of them. This weekend the Bobcats take on teams from Tufts and Clark.

Titling Trayers Triumph

By JIM CURTIN

Traying to many is a mere diversion, a non-competitive ride for fun, but not so to about 20 or so competitors, to whom it is a true sport with strategy and tactics. Saturday morning the east slope of Mount David became the site of fierce assistive The annual traying tournament was held behind Cheney house where the top trayers are attempting to better their times and thus win the coveted title of Best Trayler at Bates, and go into the Bates Invitational North-eastern traying tournament.

Conditions were excellent: it was clear, and the track, for the most part was flat and fast. At the top there was a hard northern wind, but this didn’t effect trays as much as it did the trayers themselves. The consensus concerning the track was clear: it was far better than last year, although the turns at the top were brutal to many.

The following are the top three winners: Standard. 1 - Mark Diters, 2 - Peter Smith, 3 - Chuck DeLouis. Modified, 1 - Dave Campbell, 2 - Steve Hedge, 3 - Chuck DeLouis. Diters. 2 - Peter Smith. 3 - Chuck DeLouis. Modified, 1 - Dave Campbell, 2 - Steve Hedge, 3 - Chuck DeLouis.

The above-mentioned people will go to the tournament to be held at Last Valley or Colby’s own ski area. Last year Batesies distinguished themselves as by far the finest standard trayers and lost to Colby in the modified competition.

The other colleges involved were Harvard, UMO, North Eastern, M.I.T. and Colby. Even a larger number of colleges are expected to send their entries this year.

This year Mark Diters exhibited a true championship style, staying in an almost perfect phone position all the way down. Alas Chuck DeLouis in his more L-shaped position did well in both competitions. The nose first school was badly decimated by the feet-first competitors. The course did not lend itself to the former style because of the rapid decelerations after turns and before the final slope.

The modified competition was interesting from a more technical standpoint. The modifications ranged from simple strings tied to the tray to airline safety belts bolted onto the tray. One set back was that the modified trays tended to go too fast and go over the banks of turns and into unbroken snow. Some of the competitors found it easy to use unlimited modified trays on unmodified traying.

Even the slowest trays agreed with the winners that no matter how much time it took to get to the bottom it was a lot of fun. The Student will continue coverage of the tournament of trays. Those who did not enter the trays to many trays for the Commons reports a great depletion in trays.

Women’s Track Begins

Bates will host the first women’s track meet of the year on Thursday, Jan. 27. Bates, Bowdoin, and UMO women will participate in six running, three field and two relay events.

Bates’ track for women is now in its second year. The fifteen team members are enthusiastic and ready for competition. They have been training for two weeks under the supervision of coaches Harrison, Slovene, and Yaworski. There are only five women back from last year’s team, but the newcomers show great promise. Records set in last year’s meets have already been broken during practices.

The meet starts at 6:00 in the cage. Come support your team.
The Bates Advisor

Dear Dr. Dominic,

My problem is very unusual. I write to advise columnists about problems that I fantasize. Until recently I enjoyed this greatly, but now I cannot tell my fantasies. I have put many columnists through great ordeals and traumas. I can’t stop lying. In fact, this letter is completely false. I want to kill myself. The world is absurd. Reality does not exist. Should I end it all?

Jean "Boom Boom" Sarve

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In another opportunity for the Caucus “to be fair”, I strongly suggest the Caucus draft a letter of apology to “The Faculty of the Government Department and the members of the Government Club.”

The Government Club welcomes Bates students. I myself am an Economics major. I am perished with the assumption that all will abide by the rules.

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Blessed