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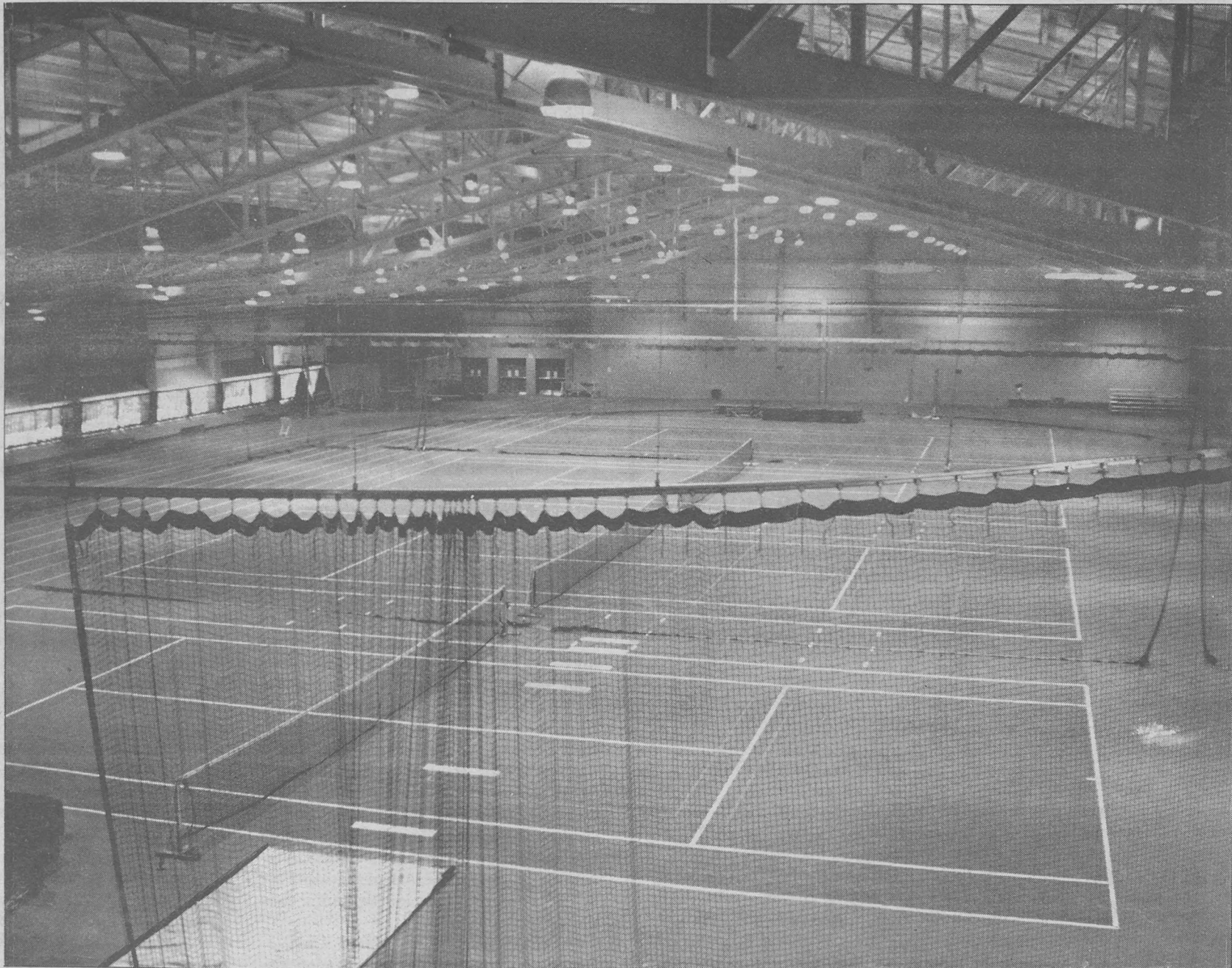
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News

School to Institute Whistles

by Katherine Reisz

A little over a month after the report of two rapes here on the Bates campus, precautionary plans to try to keep similar incidents from occurring again have begun to become reality. While such plans have started to take shape, Dean of Students F. Celeste Branham commented on Tuesday that "I feel there is no active investigation underway," to find the perpetrator(s) of the reported rapes.

Branham explained that since both women decided not to file charges neither the Lewiston Police nor the Bates

Students may get a free whistle at the Concierge desk.

Security could proceed with an investigation. The Deans Office did make a few inquiries as to if anyone visiting the college had seen or heard anything, but they have failed to produce any new information.

The administration will soon make whistles available to any student who wants one. The distribution of the whistles will begin as soon as the school printers complete production and assembly of a short explanation of rules for the whistles' use. The Administration will levy a \$75 fine in cases of the misuse of the whistle.

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The Athletic Department plans to resurrect a self-defense course that they had aught in the past, although not with any

regularity. The department has begun negotiations with an outside expert to teach the course.

Once instituted, a male expert will co-teach the course with a female member of the Athletic Department. "I think that's very important given the nature of the course," Dean Branham commented.

While the course may begin in the fourth quarter of this year's physical education schedule, it will definitely be instituted by next fall. Students may take the course for gym credit.

According to Branham, the Student Escort Service, which began the weekend subsequent to the report of the two rapes, has seen "a declining pattern of usage." Nonetheless she has "no thought of discontinuing that service," but rather plans to try to increase student usage.

Once the ground thaws the college will install additional emergency security telephones in areas such as the Quad and in the vicinity of the Olin Concert

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Hall and the Wentworth Adams and Smith Dormitories. The thaw will also allow for the installation of three additional light posts along Bardwell Street.

Some lighting around campus already has been upgraded. Maintenance has installed stronger light bulbs in some locations. In other places lights have been moved up a story so that they will cast a wider beam. □

Club Bulletin Board

Friday

4:00 p.m. **Friday Forum:** *The State of the College*—an informal conversation with President Don Harward. All are invited. Sponsored by Chapel Board. Skelton Lounge.

4:15 p.m. **T.G.I.F. Program:** "Future Scenarios for the Soviet Union."—Ben Slay from the Economics Department will speak. Muskie Room, Muskie Archives.

5:30 p.m. **BCTV Weekly**—News from Bates and around the world as well as sports and weather. Channel 4.

Saturday

7:00 p.m. **International Club Dinner**—All welcome. Tickets will be sold outside of Commons. \$5.50. Chase Lounge.

Sunday

7:00 p.m. **Open Forum**—A look at issues regarding harassment on the Bates campus. A student panel will feature members of GLSA, Womyn's Awareness, Afro-Am, and International students. Sponsored by the Community Relations Council. Chase Lounge.

Submissions

The Woman's Voice—Submit creative writing to Box 347 by March 31. See posters and fliers for details.

The Garnet Foldout Section—Submit creative writing to Box 347 by March 16th. Selection to be featured in the March 23 Student.

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College Beat

by Kristen Pierce

Posters Offend Colby

Colby College

Recently students hosted an "easy access" party in the Colby College student center. After the party, a group of four students posted signs around campus protesting that the party's theme insulted many students. These signs indicated that students thought, "the label perpetuates the stereotype of women as nothing more than sexual objects to be conquered or 'accessed'."

In response to these signs, another group of anonymous students put up signs reading "Many obese and undesirable women of the Colby Community are considered heinous by the men attending this weekend's long-awaited student center party known as: The 'Easy Access' party. This label excludes the women who are correctly stereotyped as dykes."

"These women are not among those that men want to conquer or 'access.' This type of subtle and insidious sexism will continue to offend unwilling girls because they are ignored by their male counterparts on campus. THIS OFFENDS EVERYONE'S SEXUALITY! THEY MUST BE POPPED!"

Many students and the deans became

outraged about the second set of signs, and one of the deans called the signs an "an atrocious diatribe," and he helped students draft a letter calling the signs "sexist and homophobic."

Wesleyan University

Students disapprove of the job recently inaugurated President William Chace is doing at Wesleyan University, the *Wesleyan Argus* reports.

A recent poll indicated that three percent of the students strongly approve of the job he is doing, 18% on the students somewhat approve of the job he is doing, 33% neither approve nor disapprove with his performance, 34% somewhat disapprove, and 12% strongly disapprove.

Possible reasons for the results include that the students do not trust the new president, and the way the students feel about the college's handling divestment in South Africa and their approval or disapproval of President Chace show a direct correlation.

President Chace said that the poll results did not faze him, and another Dean indicated that the results just showed that being a college president is a tough job. □

Batesies Taste Third World

by Alexander Lofft

On Tuesday, February 13 most of the students participated in the Chapel Board's Hunger Awareness Meal. And other than the lucky 10% who indulged in fine dining, everyone probably took advantage of other means of subsistence: probably "a record night for Domino's" joked Chaplain Richard Crocker.

Many students criticized this project as a weak attempt to understand the feel-

figures, 10% of the students received the "first world meal" and was a wonderful meal. 15% drew the "second world meal," a vegetarian dish normally served in Commons. 75% of the participants received a plate of dry rice and a glass of water, yummmmm!

The last Hunger Awareness Meal was served in 1988. The money saved by serving most of the people rice was over \$300, and students filled a donation bucket in Commons with an additional \$100. The proceeds went to a local hunger relief charity which was the most important aspect of the project.

On Wednesday, February 28, the Chapel Board sponsored Comic Relief II. Jeff Snell, '91, hosted another all-star cast of student entertainment. Chaplain Crocker said that after the rather distressing *American Pictures* by Jacob Holdt, and the emotional speech of Homeless activist Mitch Snyder, Comic Relief represents a more light-hearted face to the anti-hunger campaign.

The proceeds of Comic Relief II went to the Good Shepherd Food Bank in Lewiston which helps redistribute unsalable food to over 500 relief agencies in Maine and Northern New England. They receive support from local food donors as well as national food companies. For more information call (207) 782-3554 or write to P.O. Box 3308, Auburn, Maine 04210. □

Probably "a record night for Domino's."—Richard Crocker

ings of extreme hunger. But whatever your feelings, this project did help to raise money from the food saved and from student donations to further assist local hunger relief agencies.

Rich Taylor '91 and Katharine Wise '92 coordinated this project with Director of Food Services, Craig Canedy. According to Taylor, Canedy "has really streamlined this project this year with a specific layout of the cafeteria, waiting people, and well developed menus for the three grades of food.

While the population of the United States has remained fairly constant, the population of the those living in abject poverty has risen. With relation to these

Poll Sample Explained

In *The Bates Student* February 9, 1990 issue we failed to print an explanation about the responses gathered for the Junior Year (and Semester) Abroad survey. The responses came from 41 returned questionnaires that we sent by mail to all of those who have participated in the program in the past year and a half.

School Costs Rising Faster Than Inflation

by Mark Freeman

With the recent tuition rise of eight percent for Bates' school year 1990-91, pushing the figure to just under \$20,000, the student body has been drawn to inquire as to the forces that cause such increases, especially in light of the college's already relatively high tuition fee.

"We're not happy that (the comprehensive tuition fee) is as great as it is," said Bernard Carpenter, Treasurer and Vice President of financial affairs at Bates. Continuing, he said, "... we look aw-

"We're not happy that (the comprehensive tuition fee) is as great as it is."—Bernard Carpenter

fully hard at things we could say 'no' to in next year's expense, to do our level best to keep the cost as it is."

Carpenter, commenting on the common complaint that tuition raises should parallel inflation in the national economy, but generally exceed them, noted one major reason, "... you look at the Consumer Price Index (CPI) ... it goes up 5%, while (Bates' tuition) goes up 8%, and it seems unfair ... but the significant cost of ... professional journals ... books, scientific equipment outstrips the CPI four or five times ..."

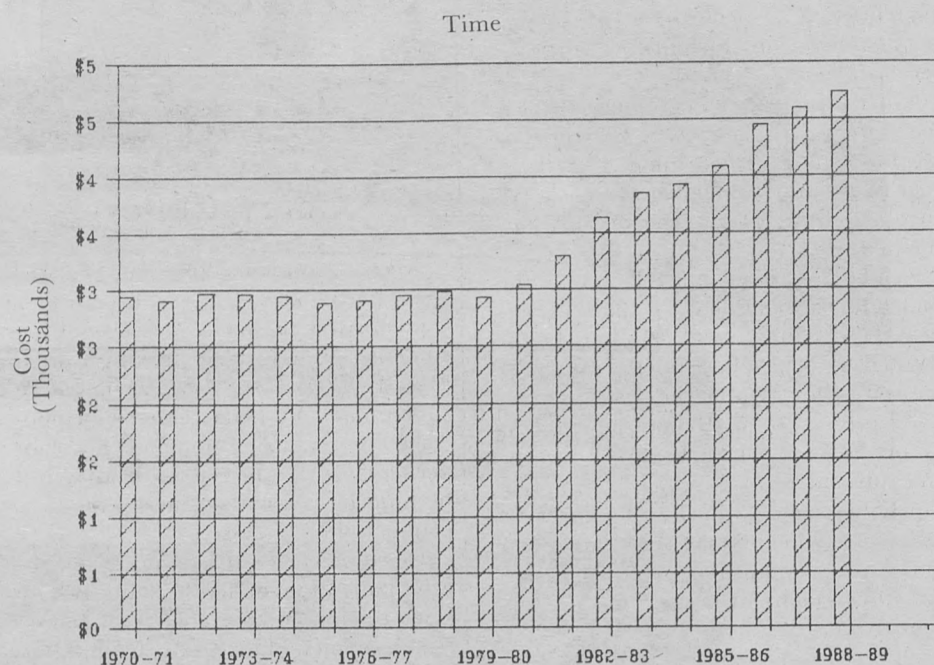
"The kinds of things (needed) to make it worthwhile to go to Bates ... aren't tuned in to the CPI indexes," added Carpenter. In other words, the rise in the CPI does account for the struggle to maintain the facilities at Bates, but keeping the facilities up to date requires new acquisitions, their expenses represented by the additional increase beyond the CPI.

Tuition at Bates reflects fluctuations in budget allocations especially well because student tuition supplies 85% of the budget.

New facilities and programs that did not exist in the past require financial attention as well, accounting for another additional expense. Carpenter mentioned, among others, the electronic card catalog in the library, the women's studies program, the affirmative action program, increased financial aid programs, and increased security on campus.

Noting perhaps the most expensive new facility, Carpenter said, "Computerization is a major expense ... Bates has

Real Cost in 1967 Dollars



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made great progress in terms of 'hands on' availability to students." Carpenter added, "... we have several people who do nothing except help students with ... computers," these representing a sizable expense.

Financial pressures from outside the college have also motivated the increase, "(Bates has had) ... heavy (financial) impacts from outside areas; some that we have some say over, and a lot that we don't."

"(Good teachers are) ... not as plentiful ... there was a period where young people weren't thinking about academia ... (now) we have a smaller pool (of teachers) to draw upon. We are faced with what other colleges are willing to pay ... it doesn't matter that the CPI is only 5%."—Bernard Carpenter

Health insurance for all the people employed by the school has gone up "a half million alone" this year, said Carpenter.

National Science Foundation (NSF) grants given to the school to promote the research projects of individual faculty, seemingly a source of income for the school, actually represent another expenditure. The NSF finances half the expense of a project, requiring the school to produce the rest.

These expenses exact their toll on an annual basis. Over the years, Carpenter

has observed an expense that seems to increase on a more long term basis: professor's salaries.

Carpenter proposes the cause of this steady increase as founded in changing American attitudes towards the value of teaching as opposed to the increasing valuation of material wealth.

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pool (of teachers) to draw upon. We are faced with what other colleges are willing to pay ... it doesn't matter that the CPI is only 5%," said Carpenter.

Carpenter spoke of young people interested in teaching, and pointed out that, materially, there are much better opportunities that exist. "You have to be dedicated," noted Carpenter.

Carpenter continued on the subject to assert that Bates is "blessed with a wonderful faculty," the majority being very dedicated to the value of education.

The tuition increase, in drawing at-

tention to the forces involved in determining the school's budget, has similarly sparked popular interest in another controversy that the college faces. Some wonder about the increase's relation to the recent government investigation about the existence of a trust between several schools, and any price fixing that may have resulted.

The trust under investigation allegedly exists between 55-60 schools that call themselves "overlap colleges" because they all receive applications from generally the same applicant pool.

"These colleges meet to confirm that

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they have the same understanding as to families' ability to pay," said Carpenter, continuing, "... to insure you wouldn't get a better grant from one place or another ... to insure all (colleges) had equal opportunity to compete (for students)." Bates does not participate in these meetings, Carpenter said.

"This has been perceived as restraint of trade ... or price fixing," said Carpenter.

This restraint of trade would prevent students from "getting lucky," getting a large grant from one school. Such action short-circuits the potential student's ability to "shop around" for the best deal. The price fixing part bothers people because it is not capitalistic for two businesses to set prices.

Carpenter said that an obscure article in the Wall Street Journal where a woman complained that she had gotten identical financial aid grants from five different colleges probably spurred on the investigation. Presumably a government official picked up on it and decided to investigate that and any other indication of possible collusion between any schools.

"What seems ludicrous," said Carpenter, "is that we're trying to figure out how much we can give (students in need of financial assistance) to reduce the amount (they) have to pay." In other words, the government is not in any way involved financially in the grant process, so Carpenter asserts that they

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Gilman Lecture Examines AIDS and Media Stereotypes

by Chris Carson

Sander L. Gilman, Godwin Smith professor of Humane Studies at Cornell University, spoke about "Imagining a Person With Aids: A Crosscultural Experience" on Monday, Feb. 26th in 104 Olin, courtesy of the Bates Lecture Series.

Professor Gilman's pioneering work on the history of stereotypes now centers on the images that society creates of disease and its people. His lecture dealt with the reaction by media and society to the victims of this deadly virus.

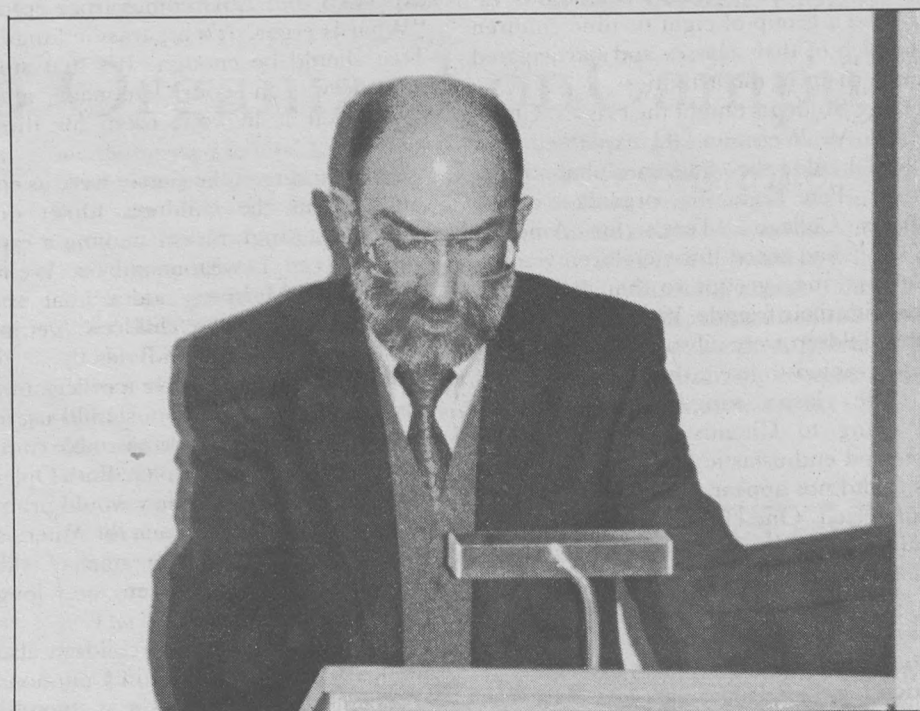
Gilman has examined closely the depiction of disease in various media, including the fine arts of the Italian Renaissance and illustrations in contemporary newspapers and magazines. According to his studies, images of illness consistently shape society's reactions to new diseases.

These images result, Gilman asserts, from our need to organize a chaotic,

frightening world and define our place in it as separate from the diseased element. His research leads him to conclude that because we can not regulate where and how disease manifests itself, we attempt to delineate it within the spheres of culture and science—spheres over which we have some control.

Gilman finds that while the powerful iconography of the sexually transmitted disease patient haunts our understanding of AIDS, other images, such as depression, have begun to enter the character construction of AIDS, much as they did with syphilis. He describes the public reaction to AIDS as an attempt to place the disease within our structured understanding of the world.

The lecture itself, though sparsely attended, provided an interesting forum for discussion of the elements comprising the AIDS image. It also offered a unique outlook upon the effects of stereotypical behavior in our society. □



Sander Gilman lectures on AIDS. Marlan Proctor photo.

Parking Shortage Puts Crunch on Cars

by Michael Lieber

Many issues surrounding the topic of parking have caused controversy for years on the Bates campus. Once again this year students have clamored about the limited amount of parking.

Complaints include the high cost of parking permits, the lack of available parking, and the frequency of ticketing and towing. In recent months many people in the college community have called for increased parking which might include a multi-level parking garage.

Lil Charron, acting director of security, points out that the number of cars on campus belonging to students has exceeded one thousand at points this year. An exact number of parking spaces on campus does not exist because the Smith-Adams parking lot has incorrectly painted lines and the Merrill Gymnasium lot does not have a clear cut parking pattern. Charron believes that there are enough parking spaces exist; however, many of those spaces rest in the Merrill lot.

"You can go out to the Merrill Gym lot, and there are plenty of spaces on any given night, but I feel sorry for kids who have to go out there," says Charron. Merrill does appear to be a safe haven for those who accumulate more than five tickets. Charron says that Security rarely tows cars from that parking lot.

Security has had many cars towed this year. Some students have amassed as many as eighteen tickets already this year. Students who have more than five violations are placed on a "tow list." Towing costs the student between \$45 and \$65 plus five dollars a day then the car is impounded.

Security has written nearly two-thousand tickets since the beginning of the academic year which averages out to more than two tickets per car. Charron adds that Security tries to make every effort to contact students and avoid



Vandalism in the Olin parking lot over Christmas vacation. Kate Miller photo.

towing.

Charron believes that the basic problem arises because everyone wants a "front door spot." She argues that faculty, staff, and students all want to have spaces provided for them close to where they live or work. Faculty often parks in visitor and guest parking in front of Lane Hall, and Security must contact them to move their vehicles.

Vandalism represents another problem that has occurred in conjunction with parking. Over twenty cars this

school year have received damage in excess of two hundred dollars. Damages include broken tail-lights, slashed tires, and broken windows. Charron suspects that local school children might bear responsibility for these incidents.

Additional parking would not necessarily solve the problem says Charron. It would be a nice thing to have she agrees. The suggestions for improved parking include opening up faculty and admissions spaces to students. Earlier this year the admissions lot opened up sixteen

spaces for students.

A parking garage is another suggestion that has gained popularity among students and others. Charron says, "They need a garage, but where are they going to put it? I'm definitely for it." Charron and others feel that the Pit (the parking lot between Lane Hall and the Puddle) represents the best location for a multi-level garage. Concerns for aesthetics do come into conflict with this and other ideas. □

"Teach For America Day" a Rousing Success

by Fawn Johnson

On Saturday, February 10, 100 college campuses across the country kicked off the first event of *Teach for America*, a national teaching corps that will recruit top graduating seniors to teach in inner cities and rural areas of the U.S. that have persistent teacher shortages.

Bates College participated in "Teach for America Day," the start-up event that its organizers hope will spark new interest for the program.

By 9:30 in the morning eight nine-year-olds from the Lewiston-Auburn area filled Chase Hall. Chaperons escorted a group of eight or nine children to each of their classes and participated with them in the activities.

Bates Students taught the classes. Chaperon Ali Weisman '92 explained that they divided the children alphabetically first. Pete Light '92, organizer of the Bates College "Teach for America Day," had asked if the children wanted to rearrange groups so that they could be with their friends. Weisman said that the children were all so excited that "no one wanted to leave their groups."

The classes ranged from Creative Writing to Chemistry. The children seemed enthusiastic throughout the day and did not appear tired, bored, or uninterested. One child even suggested to a foreign language teacher to "be funny and hilarious."

In one Creative Writing class, the children defined syllogism as "a gangster who beats up all of his friends (girlfriend included) and eats cats. His diet

also includes kids. He lives in a sewer and smells like dirty diapers. He also provides a service to the city by eating rats. When he was young, he ate a poison rat, which is why he's bad."

The fifth graders also studied important social issues. Julia Opler '91 and Jennifer McInnes '92 taught a health class dealing with drugs. They explained to their pupils about hard drugs and alcohol. Most of the children knew little about hallucinogens.

Opler described it to them as a substance that "literally makes you see things that aren't happening." She also explained that LSD comes from ergot. "What is ergot? It's a parasitic fungus. That should be enough. It's that stuff that grows on your lemonade after you've left it in your room for three weeks."

The teachers of the classes were as enthusiastic as the children. Opler described the program as "making a rapport between Lewiston and us. We're kids too." McInnes added that she would like to see these children "get interested in a college like Bates."

"I think when you have a college in a community like this, they should use it more. Kids should feel comfortable coming on campus," said Opler. Both Opler and McInnes said that they would probably apply to become Teach for America teachers. "It seems like one of the neatest programs I've seen in a long time," Opler commented.

Along with classes, the children also had the privilege of dining in Commons for lunch. They described it as "good"

and "fancy." One child stated that it was the "best cafeteria food I ever ate." He noted that at his school, "they don't even give soda."

WRBC also opened its doors to the fifth-graders. As the groups of children arrived at the station with their chaperons, Sheri Pizzi '91 divided them into three groups. They toured the production studio where each group made a promotional cart with scripts such as, "We're a group of kindergartners and fifth graders taking over WRBC . . ." and "Don't forget your milk money."

The kids also toured the news room and read news on the air. Finally, they saw the broadcasting studio, where they worked with the DJ's. Each child requested a song and then announced it live. The favorite requests included Tone Loc, Paula Abdul, Poison, Aerosmith, and Def Leppard.

Derek Tucker's '92 Physics demonstration with lasers represented another highlight of the day. Amid exclamations of "ooh" and "cool" he banged chalk dust from an eraser over a red laser beam so that the beam would become visible.

"I'm really just playing with Physics toys," he explained, "I think that the children are more entertained with it than really learning." He said that he wanted to spark their interest in Physics in addition to teaching them something about light.

The children also expressed their enjoyment of the Environmental Studies class where they recycled paper. Each group made their own batch of new pa-

per from old newspapers and newsletters. Josarie Molina '93 explained the experience, "They see the paper before, and then they see the new paper they made." Molina hoped that they would remember that they can recycle resources recycled.

The grade-schoolers got a chance to see different organisms under microscopes in the Biology class. They guessed what organisms were under each set microscope.

The Chemistry class also did its share of entertaining the children. Using liquid nitrogen, the teacher froze a banana and then used it to hammer a nail into a 2-by-4.

When the day drew to a close, the children and parents gathered on the steps of Carnegie gave a loud roar of applause. One parent chimed that her son had been "shook up about this all week." Another parent explained that she had brought other friends of her child because "they were so excited."

"This day came up so much better than I expected," Light noted as the last child found a parent and headed home. "We expected 25-30 kids, but we got 60. Light says that he plans to organize another Teach for America day that will take place during Short Term of this year.

"One of the girls I interviewed said, 'I think I want to be a teacher,'" Light recalled, "and I said, 'Why?' and she said, 'because then I could teach other people, and make them want to be teachers.' And I thought, 'Yea, that's what it's all about.'" □

Premier Homeless Advocate Addresses Bates

by Michael Lieber

On February 8, Mitch Snyder, the nation's foremost advocate for the homeless in America, spoke to a crowd of about three hundred in the Olin Concert Hall. Snyder spoke for more than one hour on the topic of "Hunger and the Homeless in America" and entertained audience questions after the speech.

The 46 year old resident of Washington D.C. helped form the Community for Creative Non-violence in 1972, primarily to protest the then ongoing Vietnam War. That same year the organization opened a soup kitchen to feed the hungry in the nation's capitol.

At the time Snyder thought that the war not only caused ill-will half way

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across the world, but also that the war would bring home that same spirit. "The war's going to come home one day" he would remind his friends. "The roots of war are found in the differences between one and another, and we must create a bridge between them."

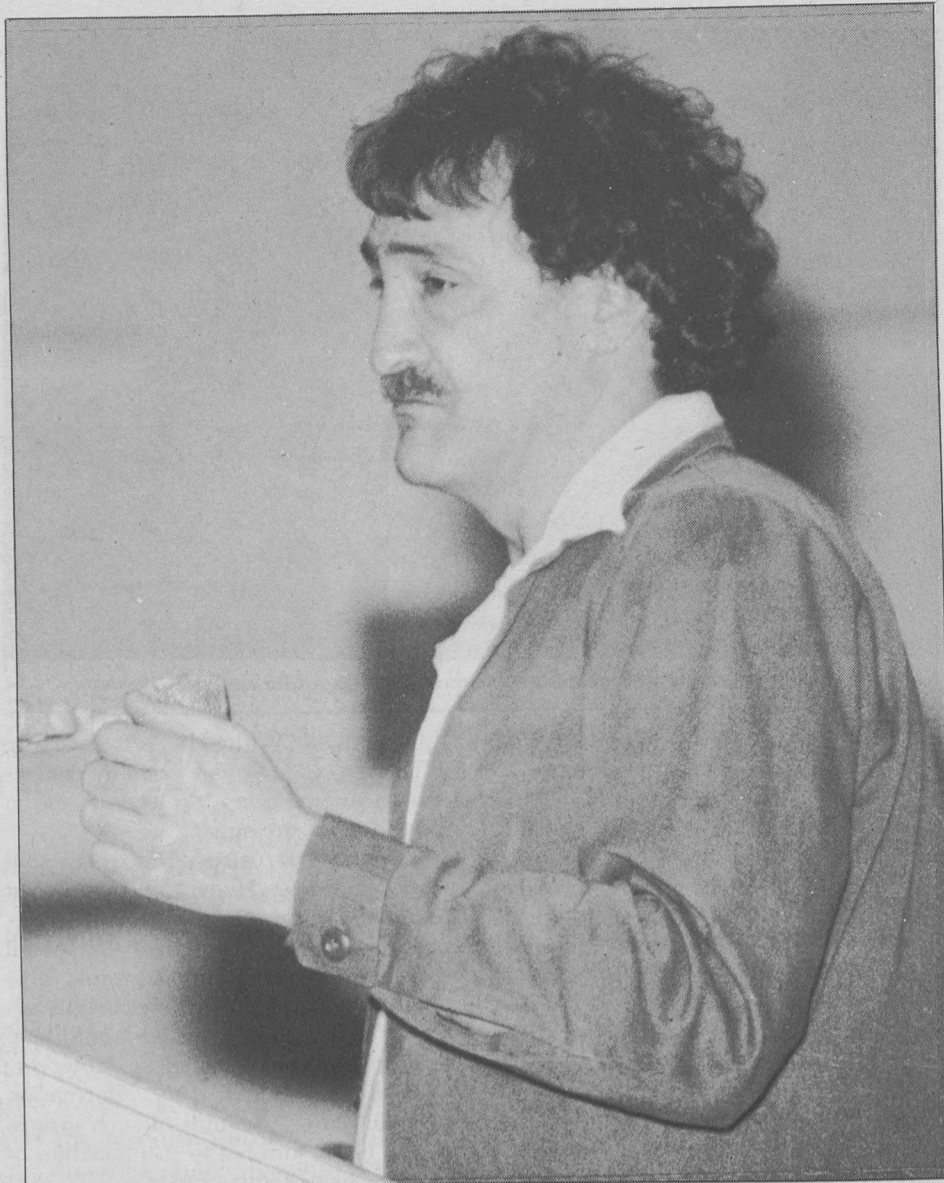
He went on to describe his interpretation of what we have done to our country. "We tried to turn the nation into a parking lot." Snyder points out that currently citizens of our nation own over a half million automatic weapons.

Washington has taken the dubious prize of the murder capital of the western world. "But you don't just find it in the big cities. In Fort Wayne, Indiana—heartland of America—driving into town there is a big sign that says, 'Got a problem with crack, call this number.'"

According to Snyder, most experts estimate that our country has three to four million homeless people. "Where have all these folks come from?" he asked his audience. Snyder gave four reasons for the upsurge in homelessness in America.

First, he points to the minimum wage—a wage that has remained constant for over nine years while the price of living has risen. "You can't even get a room in Washington for five dollars an hour—a room without a kitchen or bathroom."

Second, he cites increased unemployment in the heavy industries. "In Pitts-



Mitch Snyder discusses the problem of poverty. Scott Pim photo.

burgh men who worked in the steel mills are now shoveling garbage at the city dump. These men were laid off sometimes just weeks or months before having reached retirement age at the steel mills. Now they are fifty or sixty years old, and their families have fallen apart because of this."

Mental hospital policy changes represent the third reason for increased homelessness. Snyder says that because of the unconstitutional nature of holding patients in hospitals when they pose no risk to society, hospitals released thousands of patients, yet no group houses were provided for them. "They had to fend for themselves," and they ended up homeless.

Finally, Snyder argued that cuts in affordable housing have caused more people to wind up on the streets. "One of Ronald Reagan's first acts as president was to cut the housing budget by 80 percent." Snyder pointed to one

study that predicts in fourteen years 19 million people will not be able to find affordable housing and will either have to double or triple up or simply end up homeless.

Snyder continued his crusading rhetoric for more government involvement in housing, "in 1949 the nation committed itself to affordable housing for all. A conservative Republican senator from Ohio suggested the proposal because it is good government, good business, and good sense to make sure people have places to live."

"Today, affordable housing isn't as profitable as building shopping malls or condos. The private sector won't do it, and the state governments can't afford to do it. California has an affordable housing shortfall of 43 billion dollars, and it has an annual budget of 46 billion dollars."

Snyder recalled his personal experience on the streets, "in 1980 I moved to

the streets from the first day of winter to the last day of winter. I slept on the heat grates. For four months I walked four blocks to the only bathroom open at night."

"It was a scene out of Dante's Inferno. Every stall was full of people sleeping. People were asleep propped up against anything. Many of those who were outside froze to death. Many many froze to death."

Snyder continued and talked about the state of our nation and our world. "We are 5 percent of the world's population, and we're eating up 50 percent of its wealth. . . . Forty thousand people worldwide die of hunger each day. . . . One trillion dollars a year is spent on defense. A man said to me, 'you're a communist,' and I said, 'no, I'm a Christian.'"

Snyder addressed the issue of what we can do to solve the problem he describes. He attacked materialism by saying, "anyone with two pairs of shoes is a thief. . . . What gives us the right to gorge ourselves while forty thousand people starve to death each day." The homeless advocate pointed to the problems of isolation and distance we create.

"Universities are almost always isolated. You can go into this bubble and escape the world. . . . The distances we create between ourselves and others

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"What does it take to make sure this all stops? I don't have the answer for this" says Snyder. He has tried to help by creating a shelter in Washington. "The shelter I run cost 14 million dollars to renovate. As far as shelters go it's one of the nicest, but before the renovation holes in the wall were bigger than doorways."

"Two bathrooms for one thousand people in a block-long building. People would defecate anywhere. It had become a sewer, a human sewer. There were

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World Hunger Group Organized on Campus

by Rebecca Sanferrare

On February 12, Diana Sanzone, a representative from *Results*, an international group which battles the issue of world hunger, spoke to eleven Bates students and a few members of the community. Interest had been expressed in beginning a chapter on campus. She charismatically ran what the group calls an Education and Action meeting.

Begun in 1980, the group has grown into over 150 groups in the U. S., as well as numerous others in Canada, Germany, Australia, England, Japan, and the Soviet Union, the group's purposes include overcoming citizens' beliefs that they alone cannot make a difference, and creating the political will to end hunger.

A local chapter holds a similar monthly meeting to inform members of

recent *Results* developments, to educate people about a new hunger issue, and to take any necessary immediate action. This action usually means writing letters to politicians, and other influential groups concerning the month's issue.

Sanzone also described the inner workings of a *Results* chapter. Each chapter is quite small: often it only has four members. These members, known as partners, attend three meetings a month.

These include a meeting to study the issues, a monthly Education and Action meeting, and a national conference call including all other partners as well as government leaders and experts. The partners also attend weekly calls to share updates.

The group does need outside participants to attend the monthly Education and Action meetings to learn and gener-

ate the needed letters. Sanzone then recited success stories but prefaced them with the remark, "In one way or another *Results* has gotten everything we've gone after."

Pressure generated by their numerous letters has caused congress to act more quickly on legislation. Despite a Presidential request for a 40% cut in UNICEF funds in 1989, pressure caused an increase by five million dollars. In 1986 it directly helped in more than doubling the amount spent in the Third World. *Results* members have acquired over 220 congressional cosponsors and editorial support in newspapers worldwide.

The current issue of concern to the group is the upcoming World Summit for Children held at the United Nations in September 1990. During the meeting students wrote letters to President Bush urging him to address certain issues and

educating him on the facts of world hunger—including the prediction that 100 million children will die in the 1990's unless actions are taken.

"You're the political will of this nation," Sanzone urged. This will, she pointed out, has caused the recent Eastern Bloc upheaval. A *Results* chapter has been organized on campus and will begin research after break. □

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O'Reilly Lectures About FBI Activities

by Michael Lieber

This past Monday Kenneth O'Reilly, author of *Racial Matters* and a professor at the University of Alaska, gave the keynote address of the day's examination of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. O'Reilly spoke for about one hour on the FBI's policies during the 1960's regarding the civil rights movement.

Professor O'Reilly highlighted the contradiction between the FBI's attempt to protect civil rights leaders from violence while at the same time spying on

**"It was more than just activists the FBI spied on."
—Kenneth O'Reilly**

them. "It was more than just activists the FBI spied on. It spied on the Black community—the people." He pointed out that the nation was leaving the era of Joseph McCarthy and entering a time of coming apart.

O'Reilly argued that leaders of this movement underwent surveillance as early as Woodrow Wilson's Presidency. He stated that observation continued in the following decades and that, eventually, "Surveillance became a necessary part of government during the 1960's because you (had) civil unrest. You (had) riots in Watts, Detroit, and Newark, and you (had) an unpopular war in Southeast Asia."

While many of the members of the Kennedy and Johnson administrations favored the ideals of the civil rights movement, they could not influence those in charge of the FBI, primarily J. Edgar Hoover. Hoover and others in the FBI, O'Reilly argued, muscled the ad-



Kenneth O'Reilly talks about the transgressions of the FBI. Marlan Proctor photo.

ministrations into accepting the Bureau's way of dealing with the situations.

When the Kennedy administration asked the FBI to drive the buses of the Freedom Riders in the South, Hoover responded that the FBI does not provide a chauffeur service. Frequently the FBI would give southern police forces information about civil rights activities in order to protect the activists. However, the police forces would pass this information on to Ku Klux Klan leaders.

Later in the speech, O'Reilly showed that the FBI justified not protecting individual leaders or groups of activists because that would overstep the bounds of the constitution; however, they frequently overstepped its bounds when it came to surveillance. O'Reilly states,

"the Kennedy White House took spying as a given . . . No one saw any contradiction between no protection and a great deal of spying."

The professor also pointed out that while J. Edgar Hoover did not trust many of the movement's leaders, he actively sought many of them for official liaisons. These informants would give the Bureau information on current activities with the idea that it would help to protect civil rights leaders. However, O'Reilly continued, this information often fell into the hands of such groups as the KKK and led to brutalization of activists like Medgar Evers.

Moreover, O'Reilly commented, the FBI spied on its informants within the movement. He concluded that Robert

Kennedy, the Attorney General at the time, was "ineffective in the protection of civil rights leaders."

O'Reilly further noted that the FBI also denied their partnership with groups like the NAACP, The Congress of Racial Equality (CORE), and the Southern Christian Leadership Council (SCLC). These groups often sought the aid of the FBI to run checks on persons who applied for jobs at their organizations.

The searches primarily focused on possible communist backgrounds of these potential employees. O'Reilly stated that the FBI wanted to appear detached from these civil rights groups even in such causes as fighting communism.

The speaker continued to discuss the actions of the FBI recounting that at one point the FBI learned that two known communists planned to start a CORE chapter in the San Francisco area. The Bureau wrote a letter to the CORE headquarters notifying them but signing the letter as though it had come from the NAACP.

The Bureau then had Strom Thurmond, a segregationist senator from South Carolina denounce these communist CORE members on the floor of the Senate—drawing media attention.

O'Reilly stressed that many in the White House wanted more civil rights for blacks and supported the movement, but they did not have enough control on the FBI. The Bureau had a different agenda. They also supported civil rights, but they wanted a mainstream, nonviolent movement on their terms, on their timetable. □

Students Explore Political Humor

by Steve Ryder

On Monday February 12, Frank Luntz, a Professor for the Washington Semester Program at American University in Washington D.C., gave a presentation entitled "Humor in Politics." The event, co-sponsored by the Bates

College Republicans and the Politics Club attracted a sizable audience.

Defined by Luntz as "a chance to laugh about politics," the hour-and-a-half event consisted of video clips of political commercials, a lengthy sketch depicting Danny Devito running for a United States Senate seat from New Jer-

sey, and old Saturday Night Live skits.

The widely publicized "X-rated" political commercial came from the 1978 Congressional elections. A Republican ad, it showed two rhinoceroses having sex in a field, and asked the viewer if they wanted the Democrats to continue doing this to the country.

The Devito sketch showed the slimy maneuvers of a cement magnate as he

"A chance to laugh about politics."—Frank Luntz

successfully bought his way into Congress. The sketch became quite monotonous, and would have been aided by commentary from Luntz.

The SNL clips included older ones, such as Chevy Chase as Gerald Ford and Dan Akroyd as Jimmy Carter in the 1976 Presidential debate, and more recent skits of the 1988 Presidential Primary debates.

The presentation fulfilled its goal of offering those in attendance an opportunity to laugh at politics. However, many of those present thought that had Luntz, a knowledgeable and humorous man, provided more of his own experience to the program, the event would have been enhanced.

Luntz also used the opportunity to promote the Washington Semester Program, which is offered every semester by American University in Washington D.C. Through their seminars, coursework, and internships participants gain exposure to all that Washington can offer, and obtain valuable work experience. □



Frank Luntz gives a presentation on humor and politics. Marlan Proctor photo.

Committee Sets Goals

by Alexander Lofft

With the election of Bates College President Harward, a selective group of administration, faculty, and students have formed a committee to draw up a list of priorities for Bates' future growth.

Dean Straub heads the 19 member Priorities Committee that discuss a tentative list of needs for the next ten years. The funding aspect of such plans is of less concern than actually conceiving plans for improvement.

The Committee hopes to distribute a primary list of priorities in survey form to the college community in early March. They strongly encourage new ideas and comments. After they review the responses to the list, they will draw up a second list to present to President Harward and the Trustees for final approval.

This obviously does not mean that after this list gains approval new ideas will not be looked into. Bates College will always seek to advance the "mission of Bates"—as stated on page 1 of the *College Catalogue*.

Paul Wason, Assistant for Foundations and Corporations in the Development Office mentioned a few items on which the committee has a consensus, although these items are by no means final or in any order. He said Bates would like to more actively seek qualified applicants, in both student admission and faculty positions, with more diverse ethnic and religious backgrounds.

The committee also would like to see increased Financial Aid, increased and improved student housing and academic space, and solicit a larger endowment for what looks to be a long list of ambitious projects. □

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The Parking Shortage

In light of the shortage of parking spaces on campus and the repeated clamors by members of the community to address this problem, we at *The Student* would like to see the current parking policy changed.

Currently, anyone who registers a car on campus can park in any of the student lots. This policy leads to cramped conditions in every lot, except for the dimly lit Merrill lot. Without the Merrill lot, which is not convenient for any students, the school would not have enough parking spaces to accommodate all of the cars on campus.

This shortage augments the problem because students who get good spots—basically anywhere other than Merrill—do not use their car out of fear of losing their spot, therefore there is a low turnover of spots. Due to the recent incidents of vandalism which have occurred at the Merrill lot, Security should make more frequent passes by this outpost.

The policy concerning who may have cars among Bates Students differs greatly from that of many other colleges. At other colleges, such as Williams, freshman are not allowed to have cars on campus—except in a few, special cases. This policy serves to limit the number of cars on campus.

Many at Bates argue that such a policy violates the egalitarian nature of our institution because it discriminates against those in the freshman classes. However, such a policy, while it does discriminate, also affects every student the same in that each student (except transfers) must pass through a freshman year.

A policy which does not allow freshman to have cars at all, may be a bit extreme, but the school could require freshmen with cars to park in the uncrowded Merrill lot. Such a policy would reduce the parking crunch on the campus.

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Letters to the Editor

Sensitive Men Still Uphold Myths

To the Editor:

I am scared. Recently after the two rapes of Bates women were reported, I overheard the arguments of a guy in my dorm who said that if a woman dresses in a sleazy way, gets drunk and dances around, it's just as much her fault if she gets raped as it is of the man who attacks her.

"Some guys just get out of control and it's the girl's responsibility to take care of herself. She should know better."

I had considered this guy a sensitive 90's man. He's on "our side" and would willingly get up at any moment of the night to walk a girl home. He cares. That such an open, liberated person could have such a distorted view of a woman's right to personal freedom worries me.

Does this mean I have to wear itchy wool turtlenecks and sip coke at Pierce? Must it be my responsibility to make certain I don't attract the "out of control" libido of excited males?

I can hold back from hugging every cute guy I see at the salad bar. That men are in a crazed state of unstoppable pas-

sion when they rape a woman is a myth.

To force a person physically into sex gives power and control to the pursuer. It is an act of violence. It is not like "mugging" as my sensitive male friend suggested. That a woman would enjoy her protests being ignored and one of the most intimate parts of her—violated, destroyed and a portion of her soul—shattered and beyond repair—is an outright lie.

I know that some guys out there don't comprehend the seriousness of these two incidents. Those two girls are not only victims of a violent crime, but also may feel ashamed, distraught and may never be able to walk without fear again. I cry for them.

And I hope Bates—if not society as a whole—can lose this false perception of rape as a form of sex. It is not loving, sensual or sexy in any way. Rape, whether by a stranger or a "friend," is a hateful, hurtful and a murderous crime.

Thank you for listening.

Sincerely,

Maria Bamford '92

RA Asks for End to Vandalism

To the Editor:

It has come to our attention that there has been excessive damage to Ladd Library. This damage has varied from using wastebaskets as spittoons and graffiti, to intentional furniture breakage and yogurt thrown against the wall.

While some of the incidents may not seem serious or might be considered amusing, they are costing students both money and study space (the all-night study was closed temporarily due to incidents there).

The library staff and the administra-

tion have been frustrated with these incidents, and they see the only solution being one which comes from the students. We ask you, as fellow students, to consider this problem, and to make sure that the intentional damage to our library is brought to an end.

The library is a valuable resource and study space for all of us. Continued damage to the facilities there can only hurt us.

Thank you,

The Representative Assembly

Chem-free Party a Success

To the Editor:

Regarding the recent letter concerning the lack of parties without alcohol:

The Outing Club, in its tradition of remaining on the cutting-edge, recently sponsored a "Chem-Free" party in Skelton lounge. It was chem-free for a number of reasons, including the fact that we felt we could not throw a party that was not in-line with our own (unwritten) chem-free trip policy.

We charged no admission and spent very little money on the affair. It was both for our own pleasure as well as that of the campus at large. I have received solely positive comments about the affair. People said it was wonderful to see

an event at Bates that did not revolve around alcohol. I have never personally seen more people dancing at any party in Skelton. People who do not usually attend parties came, as did people who are regulars at all Chase Hall events. It was a tremendous success in all ways.

I have also heard many calls for a repeat performance. If the calendar allows, we will try again later in the semester. Certainly we are prepared for great times during Short Term, as we celebrate our 70th anniversary.

Sincerely,

Lane Bourn '90

President, Bates Outing Club

Service Leads to Happiness

To the Editor:

With the recent announcement of next years tuition, many of us are probably once again wondering why we are spending so much money to come here. What lessons are we supposed to be learning? I do not believe that they are purely academic.

Thomas Jefferson wrote that we are all entitled to "life, liberty, and the pur-

suit of happiness." I think that a large part of the reason we all come to Bates is to begin looking for happiness.

So where can we find genuine happiness? I believe Albert Schweitzer had the answer when he said, "I do not know what your destiny will be but one thing I do know, the only ones among you who will be truly happy are those who

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Life Could Be Worse than Winter at Bates *Oil Spills on the Beach and Grandparents in the Dormroom*

It's that time of year again—when the main topic of conversation around campus is how much Bates sucks. What is it that makes everyone think they want to be someplace else?

Is it midterms? Post-break disillusionment? Six-more-months till spring depression? Another half-year gone horror?

Whatever it is, I think everyone should stop complaining for a little while and appreciate their Batesie blessings. There are much worse places to go to college than here.

Consider, for example, California. Most of us New Englanders have an idyllic vision of life at California schools: a four-year beach party at Fiesta Ahora State U. with people named Biff, Kiki and Sundog.

People at California schools never have to wear Bean boots. They don't have to ask for windshield scrapers for

Jesseca Timmons

Christmas. They can ski in shorts. They can wear flip-flops and bathing suits to class. They can drive non-four-wheel drive vehicles. In the dining halls, they have gourmet Mexican and vegetarian cuisine.

They can tan all year round. People at California schools study sitting under palm trees, getting blonder by the minute, while we fight over carrels in the Dungeon of Ladd Library, light years from the sun.

But — while we Batesies are frolicking in the snow awaiting the gentle arrival of Spring—Biff and Kiki's beaches have been destroyed by an oil spill and they're saying, "Why the hell did I turn down that quaint little school in New England?"

Then there are those of you who are still recovering from not getting into that Ivy League where the last nine generations of your family went. Had you got-

ten in there you could have roomed with your cousin, taken a class from Uncle Harold, and eaten in the dining hall named after your mother. You would never have to pronounce the name of your school followed by a mandatory question mark. ("I go to Bates?")

But consider the life of your cousin. Every time the smallest thing goes wrong at that school it's on the front page of USA Today. They have to take finals after Christmas. Everyone's social life consists of chem labs and stress support groups.

Your cousin's R.C., who is married and has a baby and three small dogs, has

The winter does bring out severe cabin fever—nearly every one complains that Bates is "too small". (But for those of you who are fixated on this—didn't you know how big Bates was when you applied here?)

Anyway, I don't see the appeal of huge schools. Sure you can choose from a wider range of classes: Scuba 101 for gym credit; art classes you can get into without dedicating three days of your life to Limited Enrollment (Erotic Etruscan Pottery 234); languages like Urdu and Suburban American Dialogue; and Biology of Very Small Things You Don't Want to Know Live In Your

but I wouldn't know; I never see him because he's on a different meal plan, lives seven miles away on the other side of campus, and is busy pledging the Thermal Physics Majors fraternity," and "I sat with someone I had never seen before in my life yesterday at lunch who turned out to live on my floor."

Think about parking. If Bates were the size of a state university, the remote parking lot would be somewhere behind Marden's. If the campus were that big, we'd have a genuine Police Force, who, if you called them for a ride home when drunk, would want to know how you got that way, crash the party, take all the beer, and arrest all your friends. Think about that the next time you want to complain about Chase Hall Committee.

Another recurring complaint I've heard is from people who feel they are too far from home, not realizing it would be such a problem with our vacation schedule. Think of it this way. At least if you're far from home your parents won't drop in on you on their way to church.

One person I know was surprised by her grandparents on a Saturday morning and had to visit with them for two hours with her boyfriend and six cases of empties hidden in the closet. Another person stumbled into her living room one Sunday to find her parents with three security officers and their R.C. trying to get the hockey team off her couch and her roommate's head out of a beer-ball. Both these people wish they went to school in a city their relatives would not normally pass through—like Lewiston.

Here at Bates we have no oil spills, nobody interfering with our social life, and a campus that does not require taking a bus to get to breakfast. So, bummed-out winter people, the next time you wish you were at school on another part of the planet, try to remember it could be a lot worse. □

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declared the entire dorm a Quiet Zone. The same R.C. confiscates people's beer. Friendships are difficult because everyone is competing for the same internship at Chase Manhattan Bank.

When you and your cousin get together over break, you are tan from skiing every Tuesday and Thursday and geared up for Short Term. She is emaciated, sick and already worried about MCATs. Upon seeing you, your cousin admits she wishes she had gone to a mellow little school where everyone says hi to everyone else, strangers fold one another's laundry, and your boxmate screens your mail—like Bates.

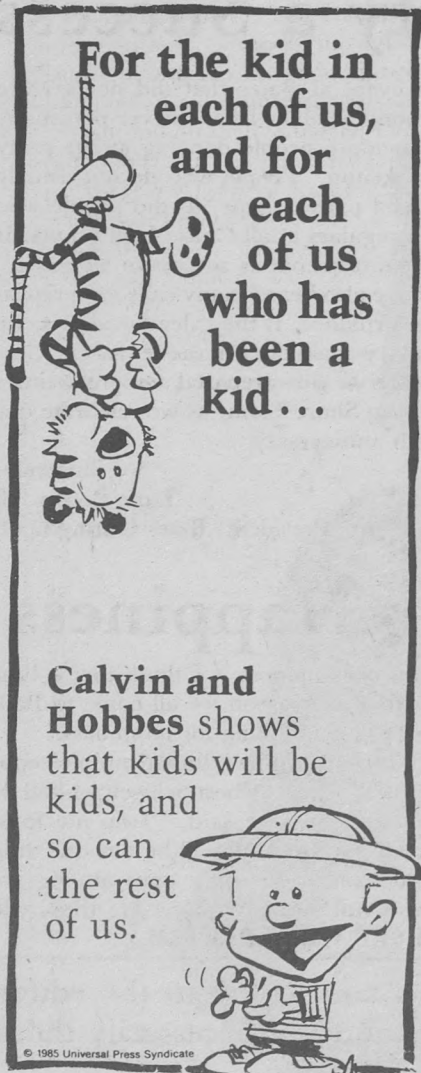
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But consider the bad points of living in a community of 30,000 people. Imagine if Bates were that big. Would you want to share a Hedge or Small House shower with a complete stranger every morning?

Think of the odds of finding someone to sit with at dinner if you only knew 1/100th of the student body. Not only that, you could never identify people with references like: "Bob went out with that red haired girl last night," or "I sat with the loud guy at lunch today."

You'd have to settle for "Bob may have gone out with someone last night,

For the kid in each of us, and for each of us who has been a kid...

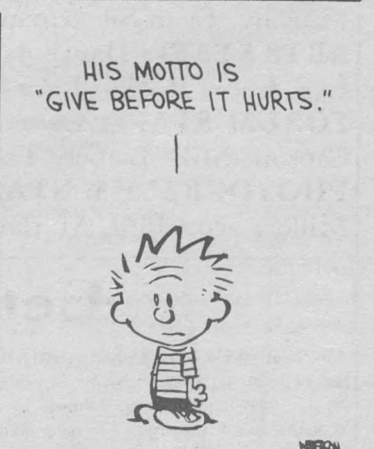
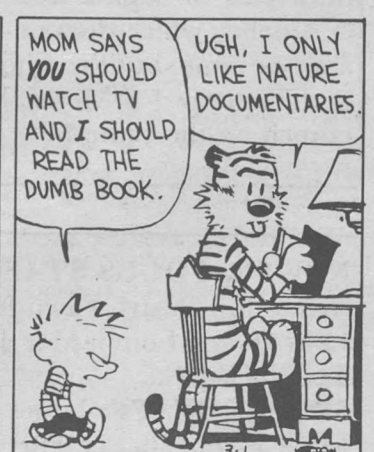


Calvin and Hobbes shows that kids will be kids, and so can the rest of us.

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Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



The Paradox of Protecting the Environment

Unfortunately, many members of the Green movement dogmatically embrace a governmental approach to environmentalism.

According to this view any and all ecological threats should be met immediately with increased governmental regulation, spending, and management. Although the government should certainly have a prominent role in protecting our precious flora and fauna, experi-

Lyle Cutchin

ence proves that well intentioned bureaucratic forays into the environment are often more of a hinderance than a help.

In 1977 the Sierra Club heralded the passage of the Clean Water Act as an important answer to the pollution of America's waters. One major component of this law capped oil company's liability for water pollution at 100 million dollars. If the cost of the cleanup exceeded that threshold, then the federal

government would pick up the rest of the tab.

Environmentalists correctly argued that excessive liability might bankrupt a company and thereby derail the effort to secure the needed cleanup funds. The new law would serve to punish polluters sufficiently (\$100 million is nothing to sneeze at) while ensuring that the gov-

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ernment could provide cash in the case of a gargantuan accident.

It looked great on paper, but ultimately the liability limitation may have decreased the incentive for oil corporations to implement preventive safeguards. For example, in the early 1980's Exxon had an opportunity to convert all of their tankers to a more sound double hull style.

Secure in the knowledge that they would "only" be responsible for 100 million, Exxon calculated that it would be cheaper to forgo the expensive safety measure and keep their fingers crossed. If the liability for an accident had remained unlimited, the cost of reconstructing the tankers would have been much more appealing. Who knows,

maybe the Valdez fiasco could have been averted.

In another context the ivory trade has spurred high levels of poaching that threaten the African elephant herd. To combat this threat environmentalists have prevailed upon the United Nations to agree to an absolute trade ban on all ivory products.

It sounds good, but will it work in

practice? It is highly unlikely that this law will dry up the market for ivory any more than prohibition curtailed the demand for liquor. In all probability poachers will continue to kill elephants and sell their products on the black market.

Indeed, past experience proves as much. Kenya's elephant herd declined by 70 percent during the eighties despite a strict hunting ban. Meanwhile Zimbabwe's herd increased by five percent.

Rather than attempting to curtail the trade, the Zimbabwe government allowed private groups to harvest a set number of elephants each year. In this way the ivory hunters had a vested interest in keeping the herd healthy. It may sound paradoxical but it worked.

Just because a law is cloaked in high minded terms does not mean that it will work by magic. Rather than unquestioningly accepting each environmental proposal that comes by, we should resolve to vigorously analyze each one with a critical eye. □

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Custis Highlights Unsung Heros

As I sat down with my lunch several Saturday afternoons ago, I witnessed an invasion of young people into our midst.

They were bubbling with excitement and wonder at a new experience for them. Their chaperons guided them to tables and a television crew entered to tape a glimpse of the commotion.

It was all part of Teach for America Day, an event that was intended to show

Jon Custis

these children a little bit of what higher education is like. The program itself holds a great deal of promise, because it is so tragically true that the dismal state of our education system is at the root of so many of the problems facing society today.

To all the Bates students who participated in this event, those who are Big Brothers or Sisters, those who tutor, and

to anyone who volunteers time to the youth of this area, you are unsung heros.

It may not always be easy to devote time and energy, outside of the regular studying for exams or writing of papers, to others who need it very much. Still, there is something very good about the people who do make sacrifices to make someone's life just a little bit better.

In this place of the privileged few where the BMWs and Saabs roam, where we often spend six dollars for one night of revelry at Chase Hall, and where computers on campus are commonplace, it is pleasing to see that there are still some who realize just how fortunate they are.

You are proof that the part of us all that cares and loves can go out and touch others not as fortunate as ourselves. You stepped forward, fully realizing that you probably wouldn't get much recognition

for your actions, and decided to try to make a difference in the life of a boy or girl.

Whether it's in the streets of Lewiston, the projects of Chicago, or the Indian reservations of the West it's people like you who are making a difference. It is said that we can be whatever we want to be, that we can go as far as we dream, but a child doesn't know that unless someone not only tells them, but also shows them.

You are showing them, and through your time, support, and caring you are in a very big way making this world a better place. Although I cannot say that I have personally done the things you have, I nevertheless have to express some semblance of thanks for restoring in me a faith that human beings can really be good people after all. □

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Letters... Women's Week

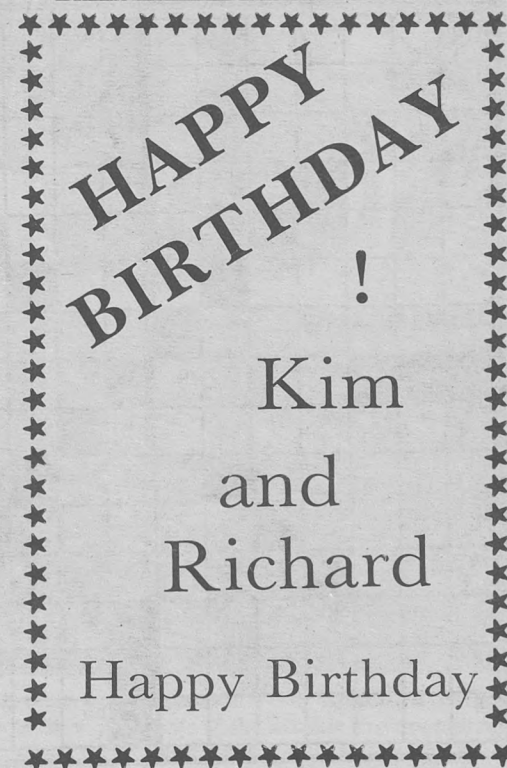
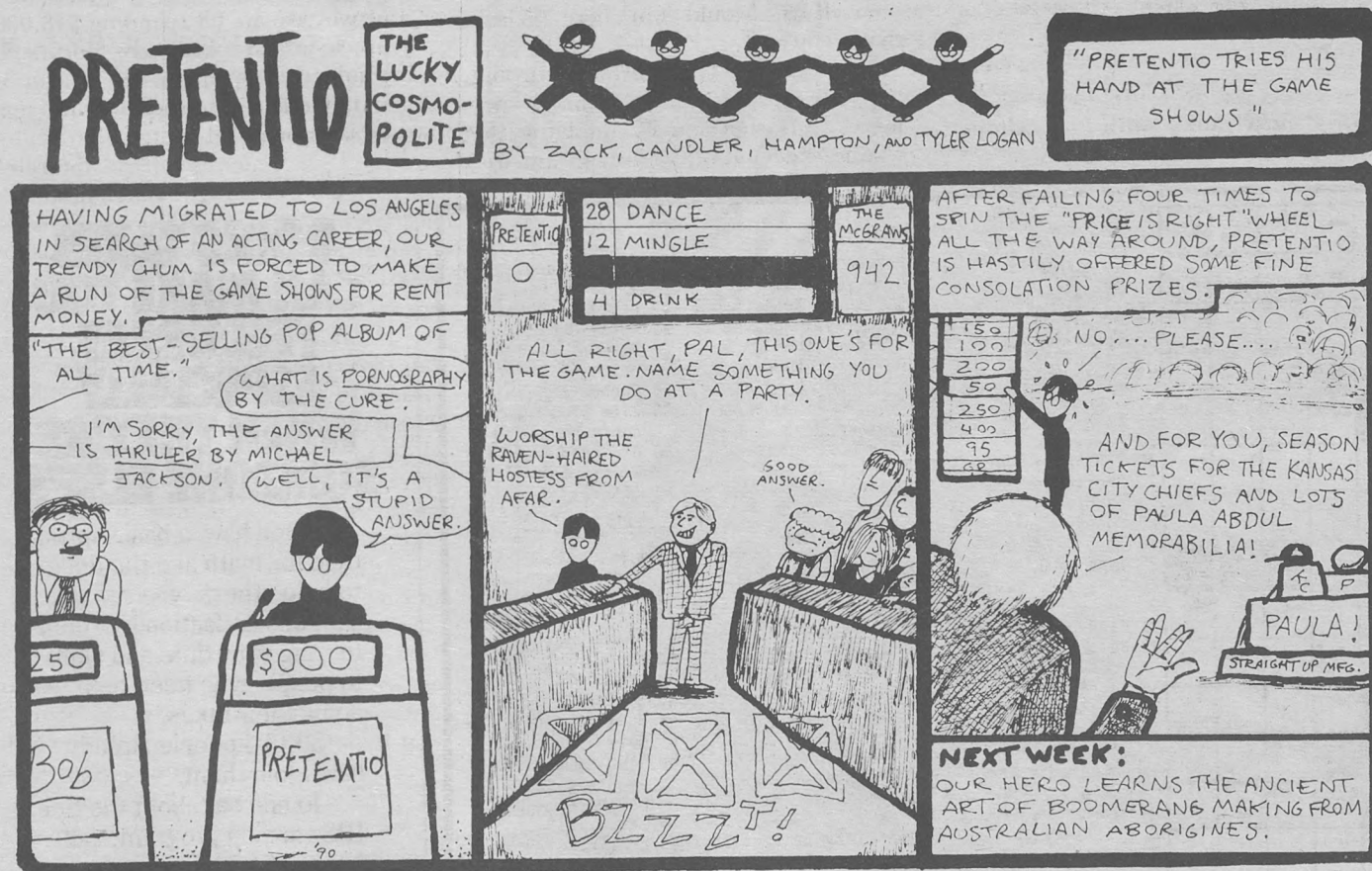
To the Editor:

Bates will be celebrating International Women's Week from March 8th to March 15th. The purpose of this years celebration is to examine some of the diverse approaches to feminism and women's issues. Thus, the week is entitled "Perspectives." All of the events are open to everyone, and the entire Bates Community is encouraged to participate.

As a part of this celebration, Womyn's Awareness has invited Ana Kissed, a lesbian separatist, to come and speak at Bates. Lesbian Separatism is a movement which encourages women to separate themselves from men, and to associate only with other women. In accordance with these beliefs, Ana Kissed has requested that the men in the audience not ask questions.

This lecture is meant as a presentation of one particular approach to women's issues. Ana Kissed's ideas do not necessarily represent those of Womyn's Awareness. However, we are pleased to provide this community with the opportunity to learn about this aspect of women's culture which is seldom addressed.

Sincerely,
Womyn's Awareness



Letters to the Editor

Maine Offers Cultchah

To The Editor:

Mother and I have just returned from Bates College, where we picked up a copy of *The Bates Student*. Being natives, our attention was immediately drawn to Tina Gibson's article. 'Course, we don't usually write letters to the editor, but we reckoned Ms. Gibson's article warranted a reply.

Now up here in The County, we've not much in the way of cultchah (that's "culture" for you out-of-staters), leastways, not the type Gibson would want. That's why Mother and I get in the Ford and head to Bates when we want some cultchah. Methinks if Gibson wants to find herself some cultchah, she should open her Bates calendar. It's a dandy invention, and so convenient, too. Moreover, Ms. Gibson mustn't forget that Jimmy Hendrix played at Bates in '67. That was cultchah if I ever saw it.

Now, Ms. Gibson, Mother is standing over my shouldah as I write this, and she says not to forget the U-Turn. "Ayuh, Mother," I says, "I plum forgot about it." Anyway, it was rumored a few years ago that a member of the Maine Department of Transportation suggested they install a U-Turn down at the New Hampshire-Maine bordah. Most unfortunately, howevah, there were not adequate funds, and it was nevah installed.

Now this leads me to anothah point. Ms. Gibson, you obviously got into Maine (pity about that U-Turn, huh?)—why do you stay? You obvi-

ously haven't taken to the great Pine Tree State, so why don't you just visit L.L. Bean one last time and head home? Or, you could go to anothah state. You do have forty-nine to choose from.

Now listen closely, young lady, because the following is wicked important. Marshall Dodge (of "Bert and I" fame), Tim Sample (another fine example of Maine humah), and I were all born in Maine. Therefore, we all have a right to publicly make fun of Maine. Furthermore, we all know that we really love Maine. You, on the othah hand, are not from Maine. Get the pictchah?

Now concerning your references to Maine weather, Ms. Gibson, you've got it all wrong. We've *three* seasons in Maine—Fourth of July, winter, and Mud. What's more, in regards to your comment about dressing for Maine's longest season, I have a tip for keeping warm during the long Maine winter, yet still looking sexy. I've invested in a red Union suit from Bean's with a drop-flap bottom. It makes my trips to the out-house in the dead of winter a little quickah, and Mother says I look fetching in it. You might try one yourself.

Well, it's a gettin' on, and I'm off to bed. Mother says you have a nice trip home. And next time, if there is a next time, don't miss the U-Turn.

Sincerely,
Bert Martin
East Overshoe, ME
(alias Darcy Wakefield)

Drop Maine Bashing

To the Editor:

As a Maine resident and a student at Bates College, I have been completely offended by (Tina Gibson's) last two columns about the state of Maine. It is obvious to me that *you* didn't want to go to school in Maine, because your writing skills reflect those of a person more interested in a good suntan than in the expression of originality.

I, for one, believe that L.L. Bean is more of a pain in the butt than anything else, and the ethnocentrism expressed by your statement that all Maine natives mispronounce the English language is totally unfounded. To me, it seems, everybody who comes from out of state sounds a little funny.

You even had the nerve to call the other

members of the student body "fools." To be honest Tina, the trite humor of your articles puts you at "the bottom of the barrel" (an old Maine phrase) in a crowd of your so-called "fools."

Yes, I do believe that Maine is "The Way Life Ought to Be" because its just a bit cleaner and a little less crowded than most other states that I've been in and, the fact of the matter is, I'll probably end up living here. So drop the Maine-bashing and write about something worthwhile before you start "straddling the lines" between good and bad journalism.

Sincerely,
Cory Theberge '92
P.S. Pennsylvania ain't no Utopia either.

Maine Defended . . . Again

To the Editor:

A thought occurred to me this week and I know I'm not the only one who had this thought. WHY THE HELL WOULD ANYONE WRITE SUCH AN INSULTING ARTICLE?

Of course, I am referring to (and mimicking) Tina Gibson's column entitled "Welcome to 'Vacationland'". In her column, Ms. Gibson proceeds to rip apart the state that I not only attend school in, but that I live in as well.

I realize that the article is an *attempt* at humor, and therefore should not be taken too seriously. In fact, I wouldn't have minded the article had Ms. Gibson tacked on some sort of disclaimer at the end. However, her commentary concludes with the implication that Maine has nothing to offer, or at least nothing that Tina Gibson can think of.

The first of her sardonically stated reasons to attend school in Maine is its "two seasons: Fourth of July and winter." That's not even original, for God's sake. I've heard that joke countless times, and I suspect that it originated with Maine humorist Tim Sample. If she's going to slam on a state, she should at least do it creatively, and without plagiarizing someone else's comic material!

Number 5 on her list is equally irritating. "You wanted to learn a new way to mispronounce the English language." I assume Ms. Gibson is not referring to the French-Canadian influence in this portion of the state (I'm giving her the benefit of the doubt, as that would be completely tasteless in light of Lewiston's high population of Canadian born citizens).

Instead, I imagine she is talking about the type of Maine accent characterized by the omission of final r's and such 'rustic' phrases as "ayuh" and "can't get there from here." Again, she relies on an old, stale joke. Furthermore, I doubt Ms. Gibson has even heard much of this accent, since none of the Maine students I've met here speak that way.

This particular dialect is most commonly heard in the Downeast region of Maine (where I happen to be from). No, watching *Pet Cemetery* doesn't qualify Tina as an expert on the Maine accent, though she's certainly entitled to comment on Fred Gwynne's wretched version of it.

How about Number 6? "You wanted to spend your time with other fools like yourself who would come here." Gosh, that's witty.

Number 7 is really disturbing. "You're into culturally enriching experiences." Is she actually implying that Maine is devoid of culture? Granted, it

may not be a mecca for the arts, but Maine does host numerous dance troupes, art galleries and museums. Believe it or not, we Mainers don't consider L.L. Bean a cultural center, and our creativity is not limited to our participation in Alka Seltzer commercials, as Ms. Gibson intimates.

On the contrary, quite a few Mainers have contributed significantly to the literary scene. No, I'm not just talking about Stephen King—Sarah Orne Jewett, Elijah Kellogg and Henry Wadsworth Longfellow all hailed from Maine as well.

In addition, though they were not natives, Henry David Thoreau, E.B. White and Harriet Beecher Stowe were all inspired here and wrote many of their best works in this state. Today, many highly acclaimed writers continue Maine's tradition of literary excellence.

Funny how we clam-hoein', lobster-trappin', potato-diggin' hicks can read and write. Some kind missionary from a civilized state must have taught us.

Number 8 ridicules Maine's admittedly corny slogan—"Maine, the way life should be." Yes, it's tacky, but why is this notion a "truly . . . scary" one? Does the Maine lifestyle (not that Ms. Gibson has probably experienced much of it) seem that dreadful and, indeed, that terrifying?

I know this letter makes it seem like I'm incensed by Tina Gibson's article. I'm not—I'm merely annoyed. After all, I poke fun at Maine too, but I think living here gives me some license to do so. And it's not as if her slams are justified or even funny, for at times they are unquestionably rude.

One paragraph of her article strikes me as particularly offensive: "The more I thought about it, the stranger it seemed that anyone would voluntarily come to a place like this for the supposedly best four years of their life. Now I don't mean specifically coming to Bates, but rather coming to Maine in general." Remarks like these don't strike many of us Maine citizens as either complimentary or entertaining.

As a writer, Ms. Gibson should keep her readership in mind. She is writing for a Maine-based college publication, and a sizable percentage of her readers are from Maine.

At the end of her article, Ms. Gibson rightfully asserts that, though *she* doesn't know any, there must be "plenty of reasons why we are all spending \$18,000 a year" to attend school here. For me, being subjected to inane, unfounded and blatantly offensive criticism of my home state isn't one of them.

Sincerely,
Lori Haskins '92

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Bates Hosting Symposium on the Arctic

by Katherine Reisz

This weekend Bates plays host to the Northeastern Undergraduate Arctic Studies Symposium entitled "The Arctic Environment and Environmental Change." The symposium seeks to interest undergraduate students in arctic research.

Organizers expect the symposium to provide undergraduates with a "good overall picture" of past, present, and future environmental changes, according to Mike Retelle, assistant professor of Geology and one of the three co-organizers of the symposium.

As the first of what organizers hope will become a yearly conference, Retelle says that "we're breaking ground . . . as to what to do in the future." He believes that future conferences will see an

increase in student involvement.

Retelle cites the interaction among human, biological, and geological forces as crucial in the study of environmental changes. For this reason the symposium seeks to create an atmosphere of interdisciplinary collaboration.

Scientists coming to Bates from across the northeast will include climatologists, glaciologists, and archaeologists. Retelle explains that the symposium includes anthropologists so as to add a "humanistic aspect" to the research presented.

50 researchers—faculty, students, and members of government agencies—will gather in the new Carnegie Science Center this weekend. 30 faculty and graduate student speakers will share their arctic research results in the form of overview talks. Retelle urges the general public to attend the conference

events free of charge.

Today's oral presentations center on climatology, archeology, and anthropology. Andy Chase, Skipper of the Schooner "Bowdoin" will present the last oral presentation of the day; at 5:15, when he speaks on upcoming plans for scientific use of this Bowdoin College owned ship.

Researchers, including undergraduate students, will also participate in poster presentations Friday evening from 8:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. in the Carnegie lobby. Three of these posters will document research carried out in the Northwest Territories of Canada by Retelle and Bates students.

The Saturday presentations will focus more on environmental changes documented through geology and paleoclimatology. This will include a 10:15 oral

presentation by Retelle entitled *Glaciation and climate in the Canadian High Arctic: evidence from the glacial and lacustrine records.*

Speakers at the symposium will represent Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, University of Maine, the Smithsonian Institution, the Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory, Arctic College in Iqaluit, Baffin Island, Canada, and other academic institutions throughout the northeast.

The Division of Polar Programs, a part of the National Science Foundation (NSF), and the New England Consortium of Undergraduate Science Education (NECUSE) have agreed to sponsor the symposium this year and then again in March 1991. Retelle has organized the program along with Peter Lea of Bowdoin College and Al Werner of Mount Holyoke College. □

Scientists and Students Scrutinize Arctic

by Katherine Reisz

"This (the Canadian arctic) is a critical environmental site that warrants our attention," comments Bates Assistant Professor of Geology Mike Retelle. He equates the arctic areas to the rain forests as endangered regions on the Earth's surface.

In the past decade public and scientific concern over global climate change has increased. This concern has led to a renewed interest and research in environmental changes occurring in arctic areas.

Retelle explains that most climate research takes place in the mid-latitude regions of the globe, thus offering only a myopic view of critical environmental changes. Since scientists need more global data, research has begun to track climate changes in arctic and antarctic regions.

A major concern rests in the melting of the cryosphere (Earth surfaces covered by ice) as heat transfers from the Equator to the poles. The increase in water that would result from large scale melting could potentially devastate the Earth's ecosystem.

The much talked about "Greenhouse Effect" involves an increase in the temperature of the heat traveling to the arctic regions. The sensitivity of the arctic

to such human-induced environmental changes and a comparable lack of past research has led to the current intensified scientific inquiry.

Retelle has done research in climate change and sediment records in the Canadian arctic since his graduate studies. In the past year he has established a work station on Baffin Island in the Northwest Territories of the Canadian Arctic. Last year he led a Geology Short Term to the station where Bates students worked alongside students from Arctic College in Iqaluit, a settlement on Baffin Island.

Retelle will spend this coming summer at the station. Then he will again take students to the field site for a Short term course in 1991. Together these two trips will document a complete melting cycle at the site as the glacier on Baffin Island will have no snow in the summer, but will again by the following May.

By making such studies over several years the field researchers will discover melting patterns. They will also document the amount of sediment that accumulates in the lake below the glacier located at the work site.

By analyzing past sediment deposits in the lake and comparing them to recent data the researchers will come to understand how the climate behaved in

the region in the past. This information will allow the scientists to predict future climate patterns that will have an immense affect on the environment globally.

Retelle plans to continue making research trips to Baffin Island for as long as he can find the financial support. Currently the program receives backing from the New England Consortium of Undergraduate Science Education (NECUSE) and from a segment of the National Science Foundation (NSF) named the Division of Polar Programs.

While Retelle and his students will use the program to monitor how the climate and environment change at one site over a number of years, archeologist and anthropologists concurrently have begun research to understand past cultures that lived in the arctic regions. People of Norse origin had migrated to the area and settled there until the Little Ice Age, 1300-1800 AD, destroyed them.

Retelle and his co-organizers planned this weekend's Northeastern Undergraduate Arctic Studies Symposium here at Bates, and a similar symposium scheduled for March 1991, in conjunction with the field work in the arctic. They want to involve northeastern undergraduate students in the continuing arctic program from the onset. □



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people with no limbs, elderly, people whose only crime was they weren't mentally capable. Children."

"I said to God, 'what the hell did they do to deserve this? Do something. Do whatever you have to do to change this.' God was saying to me just what I was saying to him. God said, 'do whatever you have to do to end this pain.'"

Snyder raised his voice a notch and said, "You don't have to go to Washington. You are in Lewiston. You are in the middle of it. All you have to do is look, and in so not doing anything you cease to be human . . . Stop doing whatever you are not doing and start doing whatever you are not doing."

Finally, Snyder encouraged students to make sure all perishable and nonperishable food left over in Commons is distributed to the hungry. "Every state has a Good Samaritan Law which makes it illegal to distribute this food only if it is knowingly poisoned."

When asked about government programs that didn't seem to make sense to the questioner, Snyder responded, "Government is neither rational nor reasonable." □



Dean James Carignan, State Representative John Nutting, the legislator sponsoring clean-up legislation, Peter Rubins, a citizen organizer, and Mickey Coombs, a representative of the Department of Environmental Protection, panel one of the Muskie Environmental Lecture Series in the Muskie Archives. Scott Pim photo.

Hiss Spells Out Admissions' Handling of Athletes

by Mark Freeman

Athletic talent, as Dean of Admissions William C. Hiss explains, "is one of the (non-academic) weights in a college's admissions process," adding that it represents but one of thirty to forty other potential non-academic weights.

Other weights that may be considered include talents in dance, music, debate, theatre, or art; minorities, international students, and students from geographically distant places may also be favored for the diversity they bring to the student body.

"We make no pretense of evaluating the skills," said Hiss. The weight, or importance, of any talent, in this case an athletic one, is determined exclusively by Bates faculty/sport coaches.

William Leahey, coach of Bates' baseball team, said, "we have a so-called 'ratings system' (to assess) how we feel (a particular student-athlete) could contribute to Bates . . . it is a subjective judgement each coach makes."

The ratings system represents a quantifier through which an applicant's potential, in this case athletic potential, gets assigned a corresponding high or low numerical value. This information is then included in the student's file.

The college's need for specific types of athletes, as well as pure athletic skill, determines the rating. As Leahey explains, "each coach is interested in positional (athletes) for each sport . . . (there is a) need to zero in on specific positional people . . . pitchers in baseball, goalies in soccer . . ."

Leahey and other athletic coaches at Bates on occasion invite athletes to spend time at Bates to get acquainted with the coaches and the rest of the school.

"If (applicants with athletic talent) give indication of a very substantial interest, we naturally invite them to come up . . . we don't have any 'formal' programs . . . we make ourselves available so we can meet and get to know them."

Observing an NCAA policy, Leahey concluded that, "no formal tryouts are allowed . . . (we) can't say, 'go out there and swing that bat.'"

Admissions takes it from there. As Hiss explained, "Once we have the ratings . . . then we make a decision. Coaches do not make a decision, nor do they have access to (an applicant's) folder . . ."

Hiss made clear his point that those with excellent academic records are generally assured admittance, non-academic factors only assuming importance with the remainder.

However, Hiss added that, "There is

no automatic 'trump,' no automatic 'admit,'" continuing, ". . . we have to be assured that someone can do the academic work . . . (prospective students) must understand that the big square center is academics."

Admissions also receives ratings from other non-academic fields like dance, music and art, from the associated department faculty.

Debating the variety of all the various talents and ratings, Hiss commented on one of Admission's most important roles, saying, "we ought not to be saying that we value violists higher than soccer players or vice versa . . . the college needs both."

"There is no automatic 'trump,' no automatic 'admit,' . . . we have to be assured that someone can do the academic work . . . (prospective students) must understand that the big square center is academics."—Dean Hiss

Hiss added this proverb: "people who value philosophy, but not plumbing, will find that neither their pipes nor their philosophy will hold water."

"We try to listen to all the different voices to see what's needed (at Bates) . . . we need to grow in diversity," said Hiss, illustrating the struggle of Admissions to enroll a varied student body.

Addressing the popular conception that outstanding athletes get in on the basis of athletic talent alone, Hiss said, "a serious athlete . . . (gets) in even though their academic credentials weren't as strong . . . (its) sometimes true, but for every student like this, there are other students who have fine academic records . . . who wouldn't come here if it weren't for (Bates') sports programs."

This category of students, ones who might not apply to Bates if the school lacked a respectable sports program, by no means represent the minority: Hiss said, "approximately half of the applicant pool . . . is interested in sports."

Interest and dedication to a sport can sometimes overlap into one's academic endeavors: long-distance runners, for instance, tend to apply the same discipline required by their sport to their academic studies, usually maintaining steady, relatively high GPA's.

"People with athletic talents have



Dean Hiss explains admissions' policy regarding treatment of athletes. Marlan Proctor photo.

learned discipline, self-confidence, and teamwork. Those qualities (sometimes) . . . have carryover value into academic lives, other times they don't," said Hiss.

While a Bates diploma represents purely academic achievement, Hiss observed that athletic success is taken into account by some employers, usually those involved in business, seen as an exceptionally valuable skill.

"Many employers are interested in . . . athletic success, as well as other (activities)," said Hiss, "because they have found that people who have played on teams have learned teamwork, the ability to take orders . . . to learn skills, and to make those skills useful to the team

effort."

Apparently, admission's search for good sports teams, as well as its desire to maintain high-caliber academics, helps graduates in the job market.

Here Hiss points out again the kind of problems Admissions deals with: does today's world need more businessmen? If not, then should Bates acknowledge athletic skill in Admissions, since athletes seem to be the most successful as businessmen after graduation?

"This . . . topic of Bates' admission policies and athletics," said Hiss, "becomes this broad concern: 'what kind of values does Bates want to . . . cultivate?'" Not an easy problem, you say? "Welcome to Admissions," says Hiss.

Will Bates Build A Hockey Rink?

by Gary Lombardo

For over fifty percent of Bates students, athletics represent ways to stay in shape, relieve stress, create new social ties, and many other individual benefits.

Twenty-seven collegiate, intramural and club sports exist for Bates students to take advantage of. The athletic department has a little over a million dollars to cover the costs of maintaining these teams.

Recently there has been a lot of speculation on the possibility of constructing new dormitory, social, as well as athletic structures on campus. President Harvard has assembled a priorities committee in order to deal with these ideas. They will decide which we need more—for example, a new social center or more basketball courts—and will consider how

many people will benefit from each.

The demands for additional athletic facilities are high. We all know how hard it is to get basketball courts when we want to shoot around, and the same can be said about the tennis courts. There are also a shortage of field space. Another big demand, however, is the petition for an ice rink.

In the early 1980's, a large sum of money was donated by a Bates alumnus and it was clearly stated that it was only to be used for the construction of an ice arena. It is estimated that over two million dollars is available for this project and the money is still drawing interest. Merrill gymnasium was built to facilitate the construction of an ice rink.

Then why does not Bates have an ice rink? There are many reasons why a rink does not exist quite yet. Bad timing

was part of the reason. When the money was donated, the administration wanted important academic buildings, like Olin and Carnegie and then the athletic building of Merrill to be constructed.

Also, inflation over the past ten years has brought the construction costs higher than the amount of money available. According to Bernard Carpenter, the Treasurer of Bates, the College must have enough money to "build, equip, and maintain" an ice arena. Right now the donation is not sufficient to satisfy these requirements. Colleges usually will not build a building without a built-in endowment cost coverage.

The group most affected by the lack of a hockey rink is the Bates hockey club. At the present, the hockey club must use the Central Maine Youth Center for an arena. They must find their

own rides to the arena and cannot get enough practice because of limited ice time.

Someday, the Bates hockey club would like to become a varsity team. But, according to the Director of Athletics, Robert Hatch, "President Reynolds had always been supportive of the hockey club, but had stated that Bates would not have a hockey team until we have an ice rink."

The construction of an ice arena may not be too far off into the future. The priorities committee will consider the possibility of an ice arena and how it will fit into the budget. There is money available for the construction of a rink, and the priorities committee will probably give the ice arena a great deal of consideration.

Hatch Speaks About Proposals for Improved Athletic Facilities

by Dan Cantor and Bob Cole

With the start of a new decade the Bates' athletics department has several goals for future development. Director of Athletics Robert Hatch sees the college's most urgent athletic needs as the renovation of the Alumni Gym complex, the finishing of the outdoor track, and the construction of a synthetic playing field.

Alumni gym is in dire need of repair. According to Mr. Hatch, "The lighting is horrendous, the seating is inadequate. It is no longer a good facility."

More specifically, Mr. Hatch would like to reconstruct the entire complex with the exception of the Muskie Archives. He says, "We would like to see the field house converted into something that could be used by the whole campus."

Renovation would include the gutting of the cage, the tearing down of the balcony, and the addition of an artificial playing surface. Harvard initiated a similar project with great success. The facility is used by the basketball team during the winter and by intramural organizations during the rest of the year.

An artificial outdoor playing field is another priority of the athletics department. It would be about twice the size of a regulation field and used primarily for practices. The field would particularly benefit teams which need to practice during the late fall or early spring.

Furthermore, the construction of an artificial playing field would improve re-

lations between Bates and Lewiston. Then, says Mr. Hatch, "Bates could be more gracious to the town. Presently, if we start scheduling town events, the fields would be down to dirt."

In addition, with the busy summer programs schedule, maintenance has no chance to fix and properly water the fields. An artificial surface would allow the natural fields to recover over the summer and be in immaculate shape for fall sports.

The third priority of the department is the completion of the outdoor track. Hatch adds, "All we have is the base. That needs to be completed with a complete running surface."

On the subject of adding more intercollegiate teams, Hatch sees the eventual establishment of a crew team and an ice hockey team. This is contingent upon petition by the clubs, approval by both the department and the president, support of the standing athletics committee, and a supporting vote of the full faculty.

Hatch says, "Crew is a very good sport for a college like Bates. It needs more attention. It is a dangerous sport." He feels that the addition of a full time coaching staff would greatly improve the program.

All of the plans of the Bates' athletic department require substantial funding. Mr. Hatch realizes that his requests are in competition with many other needs of the Bates' community. He is making the needs of his department known and he hopes they will eventually be met.



Director of Athletics Bob Hatch. Scott Pim photo.

Coach Leahey Reflects on the Role of Athletics at Bates

Bates College, as an original member of the New England Small College Athletic Conference adheres to three basic

Coach "Chick" Leahey

principles in formulating its intercollegiate programs:

I. The program as intercollegiate athletics is to be kept in harmony with the essential educational purposes of the institution.

II. Competing players are to be representative of the student body.

III. The academic authority in each college is to control intercollegiate athletic policy.

Bates has seven intercollegiate sports which provide students the opportunity to strive for excellence and achievement. During the 1988-1989 academic year, 276 men and 176 women participated in one or more athletic programs.

These members indicate that Bates is meeting the needs in the intercollegiate athletic realm, off a very long number of

students. All who participate do so as a free choice; there is no athlete forced to participate in any athletic program.

The faculty protects the interests of the student by limiting the length of seasons and number of contests that may be played when classes are in session. No student has to suffer through a long drawn out season in any sport.

The support of intercollegiate athletics in the areas of equipment, transportation, training room staff and many other factors are appropriate to our NCAA Division III program status.

The pressure that is often spoken of by athletes in our athletic program is the result of the individual wanting to improve his/her performance, achieve his/her goals and contribute to the team effort. It is not mandated by the college, the coaches, or the fans.

The athletic experience at Bates offers a challenge to the mind, body and spirit—not unlike the innumerable other challenges that are present at Bates.

Coach Leahey is the head baseball coach and will be retiring after this season.

No Credit for the Outing Club Trips

The Outing Club currently has only one program operating for gym credit, a course titled "Winter Backcountry Travel." This is a series of smaller workshops, each detailing one aspect of winter travel and camping, such as snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, clothing and protection, and crampon use and self-arrest. This is culminated with a hike up Mount Washington, where most, if not all, of these skills can be tested.

Lane Bourn

There is no question that many of the other activities of the Outing Club are physically demanding and rigorous. However, there are also those trips and excursions which do not require specific skills, knowledge, or experience, or are overly technical. In fact, almost all of our trips are de-

signed for people in only moderately good physical condition, and do not require specific skills. If such skills are to be used, they are taught as part of the trip. The best example of this is snowshoeing, which most people have not done; it is a simple skill which is easily learned—it can be picked up in about five minutes.

The athletic department is looking for . . . skills that can be used well after Bates is just a memory. . . . However, say we have an overnight trip There has been between four and five hours on the trail each way, and perhaps three to four hours spent cooking, setting up and taking down camp. This averages to over ten hours per trip on "life skills" alone, with a generous portion of this time involving physical exertion.

The athletic department is looking for "life sports" or "life skills"—skills that can be used well after Bates is just a

memory. They do not want to give credit for simply hiking or canoeing or ice climbing a given number of times. They also prefer to grant gym credit for "courses" organized around a central principle. The skills involved in hiking or canoeing should certainly be considered "life skills."

This is where the problem lies. Many people have attended two or three or even more trips, and have probably

hiked well over 20 miles, and cannot receive gym credit for this.

The athletic department's attendance policies are very explicit. They require at least eight hours of participation per person, over a quarter.

However, say we have an overnight trip which goes out in the winter for one night. The people hike for at least four to five miles each way. They also have set up tents, carried packs, cooked their meals, and learned about how to stay warm and alive in the wilderness.

There has been between four and five hours on the trail each way, and perhaps three to four hours spent cooking, setting up and taking down camp. This averages to over ten hours per trip on "life skills" alone, with a generous portion of this time involving physical exertion. Well over ten hours have been invested on the trip, because there is also time in-

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Female Athlete Charges Local Media with Sex Discrimination In Team Coverage

Few Bates athletes can imagine the joy of beating a Colby team in a come-from-behind upset. Few Bates athletes, too, will encounter something so personally rewarding as a broken school record.

Yet, Julie Roche and her teammates experienced this euphoria after beating Colby at a basketball game recently in Waterville. Not only did the lady bobcats defeat a superb women's basketball team which is currently seeded #2 in the ECAC tournament, but Julie Roche tied the school record for the most points scored in a single game.

Adrienne Shibles

Unfortunately, this victory was not mentioned in the February 2nd issue of *The Bates Student*. According to the paper, the results were "unavailable at press time." On the other hand, the men's team, which played just after the women that same evening, received extensive coverage of their win over Colby in the same neglectful *Student* issue.

The injustice cited above is merely one example of a much larger discrimination which occurs against women's athletics at Bates College. The most domineering aspect of this gender discrimination is a pervading attitude that women's teams do not display as much high quality play, and are not nearly as exciting to watch as the men's teams.

I find this outlook baffling, considering the reputations and respect which all of the women's teams take to the New England athletic circles. As one male student remarked half-jokingly, "Everyone knows that the only successful winning teams at Bates are the women's teams." Thus, this chauvinistic-like perspective could not possibly exist because it is deserved. I can only conclude that the outdated attitude persists because of certain signals which are continually being sent to the public by different institutions.

Ed. Note: *The Bates Student* requested that Adrienne Shibles write a column for this section because we believed that in a series of articles on athletics at Bates the newspaper should address the issue of how much support women's teams receive oppose to men's teams. We welcome the angle Shibles decided to take on the issue, but we would like to expand upon a few points she raised.

The Men's Basketball team only received extensive coverage of their win over Colby because the reporter who filed that week's story decided to rewrite the article just hours before layout of the

The Bates media have consistently given women's sports a back seat. *The Bates Student*, for example, failed to submit an article about the women's basketball team until the 26th of January. By this time, the season was at least half finished. More disturbing, however, was the lack of coverage on the women's biggest basketball game of the season—the Colby game.

I remain firm in my belief that all forms of media have a responsibility to make an effort to avoid discrimination. I believe there is a bidirectional correlation between those items which the media emphasize, and the popular reaction towards them. In other words, if the media gives women's athletics a back seat to men's athletics, then a certain impression is being made upon the population which will in turn create new prejudiced beliefs or reinforce already archaic ones.

BCTV, too, has shown a bias in their broadcasting. While they have aired at least five men's basketball games, the organization has made only one poorly-publicized broadcast of a women's basketball game. Difficulties in scheduling, lack of people power, and a lack of organization which stems from being a new enterprise are just a few of the understandable explanations which I received from BCTV spokespersons. However, I remain firm in my belief that all forms of media have a responsibility to make an effort to avoid discrimination.

Chase Hall Committee is another organization which has shown a bias against women's sports. This (allegedly) egalitarian institution provided a fan bus which traveled to the men's Colby game last season. Unfortunately, the fans arrived at Colby too late to witness the women's victory just prior to the men's game.

Sports section began. Unfortunately, seldom can a reporter manage to do such a last minute rewrite for any sports team. While we do accept the criticism for not covering the women's game that week we did run it as our lead the following week in acknowledgement of its importance.

The second point that Shibles' raises involves our not covering the Women's Basketball team until January 26. That was our first issue this semester, with our previous issue appearing on November 16. In that November issue we did not cover Women's Basketball, but five

CHC also recently sponsored a refreshment table for the fans at the half-time of the men's basketball game versus Bowdoin (12/6/89). Fliers were placed on the dinner tables at Commons announcing the complimentary snack table, celebrating the starting players for the men's team, and encouraging a large fan turn-out. However, the fliers

neglected to mention the fact that the women were to play immediately before the men's game.

The last grievance which I wish to air at this time is my complete disregard for the *Lewiston Sun-Journal*. As a freshman from Maine, my parents subscribed to the paper to remain updated on the results of my basketball and softball games. However, they soon learned that their own local papers covered the Bates women's sporting news as adequately as the *Lewiston* publication. Thus, my parents cancelled their subscription. This is indicative of the deficient coverage which women's sports receive in the *Sun-Journal*.

There is one brick in the wall which I have encountered many times and from many people. It is the importance which the media places on those items which it believes that the people wish to read or

of the seven articles reported on other women's sports—two fall and three winter teams.

We have tried very hard not to give "women's sports a back seat." Of the eleven issues we have published this year six carried more articles about women's teams than men's teams, and a further two issues carried the same number of articles.

Thus in only three of the issues did women's teams take anything near a "back seat." Our first issue in September did not have one article in the Sports section about any men's team. Finally,

hear about. As *Morning Sentinel* journalist Ernie Clark explained, "We go to where the audiences are."

While I can sympathize with this point of view, I believe there is a bidirectional correlation between those items which the media emphasize, and the popular reaction towards them. In other words, if the media gives women's athletics a back seat to men's athletics, then a certain impression is being made upon the population which will in turn create new prejudiced beliefs or reinforce already archaic ones.

While I am relatively certain that there is no clandestine, chauvinist plot lurking in the depths of Alumni or Merrill gymnasiums, I do feel that there is a biased lack of support for women's athletics which must be rectified. The media has an immense power in today's society; it can change attitudes or it can continue to reinforce existing, outdated beliefs. I am merely asking for such people in positions of influence to ac-

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knowledge their immense responsibilities, recognize the problem and make an effort to change.

Adrienne Shibles is a member of the women's basketball team.

for the first time in recent memory both of this year's Sports Editors have been women. While in the past Shibles' charges could easily be applied to *The Student*, this year we have if anything practiced reverse discrimination.

The Bates Student will continue to strive to equally represent both men and women's athletics here at Bates because we do support the belief that in no way is one more or less deserving of our coverage and support. Like Shibles, we believe that the media may have power to influence its audience and that this power should not be used negligently. □

Coach Leahey Explains P.E. Requirements

by Tabitha Sparks

Two aspects of athletics at Bates, one voluntary and the other compulsory, are the Intramural Program and the Physical Education Requirement.

According to Charles Leahey, Director of Club Sports and Intramurals and Baseball Coach, the Bates Intramural Program is an ideal compromise between the rigors of a varsity sport and the more informal participation of the P.E. requirement.

The fact that Intramurals are meeting a significant interest group at Bates supports Coach Leahey's opinion: last year, over one third of the student body participated in at least one Intramural sport; some of whom also played a varsity or club sport as well.

The flexibility of the Intramural program is one of its greatest assets—Coach

The P.E. requirement at Bates consists of four activities courses, which are expected to be completed during a student's first year at the college. These five week courses aim to appeal to all members of the student body.

Leahey emphasized that the program is always open to suggestions of new sports in addition to the traditional offerings, as long as there is significant interest.

Softball and flag-football continue to be among the most popular Intramural sports, but Coach Leahey is pleased at the response to the coed teams, especially volleyball and soccer, and would not be surprised to see a new coed flag-football program organized in the near future.

The P.E. requirement at Bates consists of four activities courses, which are expected to be completed during a student's first year at the college. These five week courses aim to appeal to all members of the student body. From contrabanding to aerobics to badminton, the courses offer a diverse selection. Elective participation, past the requirement, is encouraged by the P.E. department.

Varsity and Club sport credit can be exchanged for the P.E. requirement of-

Elective participation, past the requirement, is encouraged by the P.E. department.

ferings. Participation in a Varsity or Club sport for at least 75% of the season counts for two activity courses. Testing out of the requirement is also an option for students: the procedure to do so demands both active proof of sufficiency in a particular sport and a true/false exam in the rules of that sport. □

NESCAC Has Tough Rules Regulating Bates Athletics

by Bob Cole and Dan Cantor

The New England Small College Athletic Conference, (NESCAC), oversees the various athletic programs offered by the eleven participating schools. The conference was formed in 1971 by Amherst College, Bowdoin College, Wesleyan University, and Williams College, based on an agreement first drafted in 1955. Bates College, Colby College, Hamilton College, Middlebury College and Connecticut College have since joined.

Limitations for sports events are strictly enforced by NESCAC.

NESCAC differentiates between a game and a scrimmage by the following: 1. Admission must be charged

2. The event must be advertised

Scrimmages may not be substituted for games.

The number of sub-varsity contests

may not exceed the limitations for varsity teams.

Foreign competition is allowed with Canada and Mexico and will not count against the maximums established by NESCAC, but are subject to NCAA regulations. Sports teams, or individuals participating in that sport, are limited to one foreign trip in a four year period.

In regards to out of season practices, individuals participating in NESCAC sports programs, may not take part in out-of-season sports clinics without consent from NESCAC athletic directors.

In a multiple purpose facility, activity limitations cannot be restricted to varsity athletes, but must be opened to all members of the student body.

Captains may not conduct technical practices out of season.

During the post-season, all teams, with the exception of football, may participate in one post-season tournament.

The tournament must be conducted within eight days of the end of the regular season schedule.

NESCAC recruitment policies prohibit organizing any off-campus meetings with student athletes or encouraging alumni to visit secondary school athletes for the purpose of recruitment.

A coach may speak to prospective students or relatives as long as he or she did not arrange the interview.

No NESCAC affiliated institution may reimburse coaches, alumni, friends, or organizations for evaluation of athletic talent.

Robert Hatch, Bates College athletic director, says that NESCAC has the strictest athletic regulations in the United States. The sports programs established by NESCAC allow sports to play a major role in the everyday life of these small schools while leaving priority to education. □

Outing Club

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involved packing and preparing for the trip, and travel and sleeping time too.

This is on a single trip, not a series of trips. Many people do not have time to get off campus for three overnights each quarter. They may be able to handle one or two, but then schoolwork hits, they want to go to parties, or they have athletic competitions to attend.

Snowshoeing, backpacking, and hiking are strenuous activities. However, the people who sign up for our trips come from all levels of fitness, from the completely out-of-shape to the most fit athlete.

The average walking pace on flat land is about three miles per hour; the average snowshoeing pace is one to one-and-a-half miles per hour. Backpacking paces average about one-and-a-half to two miles per hour. With all the work people are putting into a trip, they deserve to receive gym credit.

Lane Bourn is President of the Bates Outing Club.

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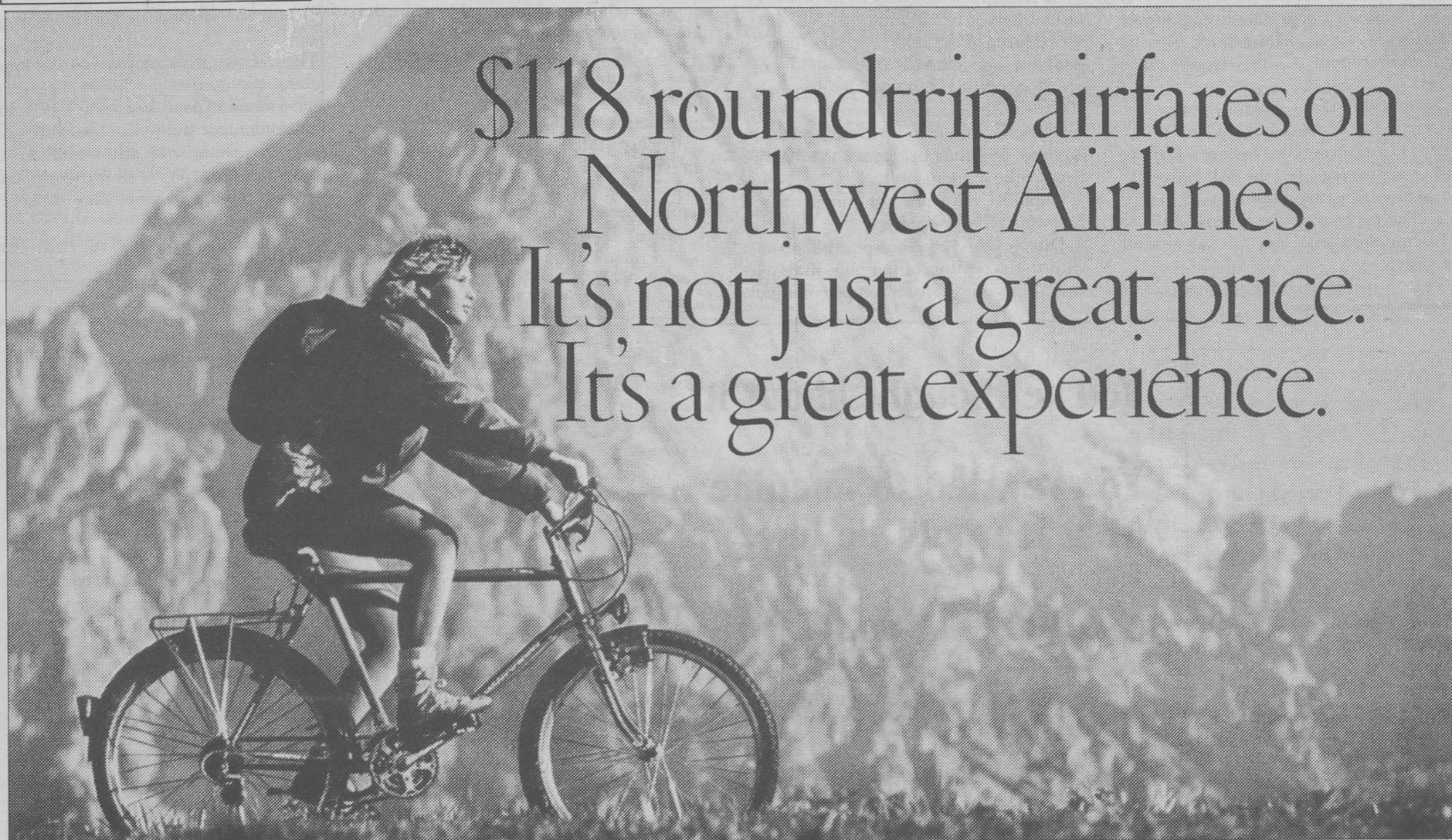
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Sports

He's Outta Here:

Coach Leahey "Hangs 'em Up" After 35 Years

by James Ash

This year's Bates baseball season will see the Bobcats trying to rebound from a very disappointing 4-13 record last year. The team has 6 seniors, among 16 returning players, who will be wearing the Bates uniform for the last time. But there is one Bobcat veteran, in his last season, who will be missed more sorely than the rest. This season marks the last at Bates for longtime head coach and one of the most respected members of the Bates community, William J. "Chick" Leahey.

Coach Leahey will retire after this, his 36th year at Bates. It is difficult to realize all the quality years and effort coach Leahey has given. Since his appointment in 1955, he has served as the head baseball coach every year. He has also assisted for 33 years of football, headed 15 seasons of sub-varsity basketball, been intermural sports director for the past 8 years, and the coordinator of club sports for the past 4 years. In the classroom, he has reached the level of associate professor of Physical Education.

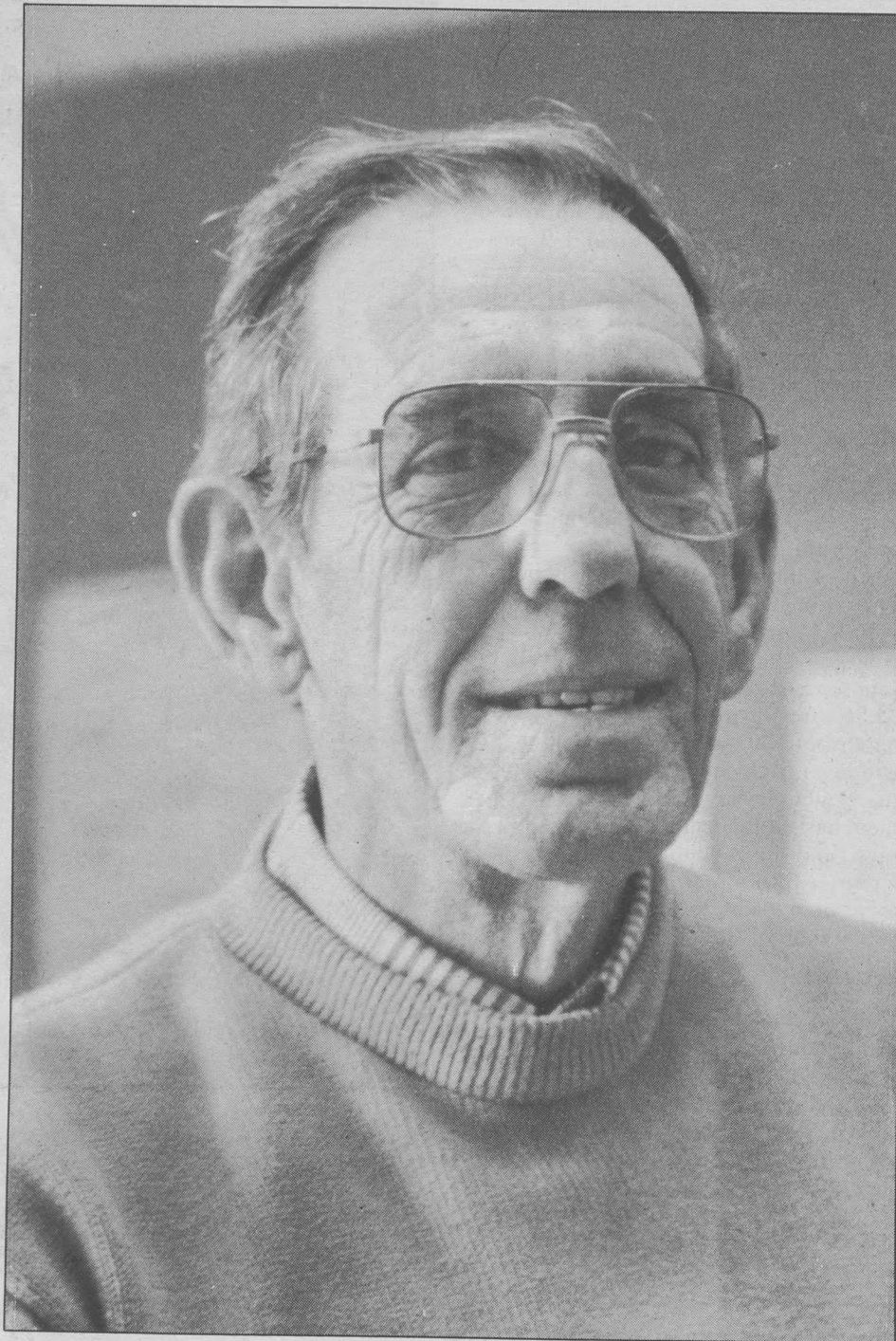
Sports Profile

Born and raised in Lewiston, Coach Leahey traveled many interesting paths before settling in at Bates. Throughout his life, he has distinguished himself as a standout athlete. In his days at Lewiston H.S., aside from being a member of the National Honor Society, he captained the undefeated football team and one of the two state champion baseball teams.

After high school and a few years serving his country in the Marine Corps, he signed a contract with the N.Y. Yankee organization, completing 2 years of professional minor league baseball. During his minor league stint, his teammates included future Hall of Fame pitcher Whitey Ford.

After two years, Coach decided to stop playing baseball, return to his hometown, and enroll at Bates. He mentioned several reasons for quitting pro baseball. "I realized the reality of the challenge," referring to making it to the big leagues. "There were many more minor league teams in those days, so many players were already levels ahead of me." Many of his high school friends were well into college and he had a GI Bill from his days in the service to use toward his tuition.

During his years at Bates, while majoring in economics, he could not play



Coach Leahey retires after this upcoming baseball season. Scott Pim photo.

school sports because of his professional experience. Instead he helped coach freshman football and baseball, and during his summers, led the Auburn Asas, a semi-pro baseball team, to two championships in 1950 and 1951.

After graduating from Bates in 1952, he moved on to receive his MA from Columbia the following year, and remained in Mamaroneck N.Y. for 2 years as a coach for Bellows H.S. In 1955, "Chick" had the opportunity to return to his hometown and alma mater. He

has been here at Bates ever since.

His career at Bates has by no means been shy of success. His baseball teams have made post season tournaments 4 times. In 1976, they won the ECAC Div. II & III tournament. In 1962, his 'cats finished second in the NCAA Eastern Regional Tournament. The 1982 squad was runner-up in the ECAC post season. Most recently, in 1988, Bates once again made it to the ECAC, only losing to the eventual champion, Brandeis. In another incredible season, the

1984 team led the Div. III nation (over 300 teams) in team batting average (.355) and in runs per game (11.3).

As a result of all his individual and team successes and contributions to the sport, coach Leahey was inducted into the Maine Baseball Hall of Fame in 1982. Along with this honor, coach entered into the Auburn-Lewiston Sports Hall of Fame several months ago. There is no doubt coach greatly deserved both prestigious honors.

His peers showed their respect for him when he served as president of the New England College Baseball Coaches Association for two years. During his time as president in 1986, he began a nationwide campaign to prohibit the use of smokeless tobacco by collegiate players.

Thinking of the athletes best interest, he wanted players to realize "the health hazards that can result... from the use of tobacco in any form." He issued a directive to ban tobacco in the spring of 1986, and the majority of the 80 teams in the area have abided. Since then, the ECAC has picked up the idea, and the majority of schools participate in the ban.

What does a man do after coaching for 36 years. Undoubtedly he will miss the crack of the bat (or should I say "ping" of the aluminum), the smell of freshly cut grass, and the snapping of leather gloves. "There are certain stages in peoples lives," coach explains, "and you should not be afraid to move along to other things when the time is right."

Now that his 4 kids are grown, he and his wife Ruth, plan to undertake travels to Europe and an annual trip to "see more of America." His involvement in church activities will continue, as will his enjoyment of Bates activities. Aside from that, he plans to "just see what happens."

Bates will miss coach next year and in years to come. His cheerfulness, laid back personality, and willingness to chat have made him a popular man among students and always will be bright spot in the days of many people. Co-captain of this years baseball team, Mark Clizbe, described coach as "a good guy to play for."

Let's all back the baseball team this year for coach's last season. Hopefully, it will be one he can remember positively for many reasons. Regardless of the record of this years team, coach has had a great career on and off the field. We all say "thank you" for your dedication. He will definitely retire a winner, the way he most certainly deserves. □

Sing a Song of Praise for the Unsung Hero

The word "competition" is a familiar challenge in the life of a Bates student. Going to a college where personal success and accomplishment are emphasized can be a difficult adjustment. Just when you think you have become the best at something, someone else comes along and tops your achievement. This struggle for accomplishment affects all areas of interest from job decisions to sports recognition.

In all aspects of life there is always going to be someone who is as good or better than you. There are those who seem to receive everything in life without much frustration. Others feel even if they try, they will never be rewarded

and therefore do not give their best effort. Somewhere in between these two extremes is the person who gives it his all, yet never seems to gain anything, no matter how hard he tries.

Kim Small

This type of person is most commonly known as the unsung hero; the person who contributes so much without a great deal of recognition. It is this type of person who must gain his reward through personal satisfaction rather than outward praise.

An area that exemplifies this desire for accomplishment and praise is that of

sports. In every sport there are always a few athletes who have worked extremely hard for their rewards and become the stars. In team sports, these athletes act as role models for the other players.

The rest of the team consists of a group of athletes who either do not wish to work very hard and those who give their best each time they approach their particular sport. In sports such as football, the number of players can often make it difficult to stand out as a truly talented individual.

To those of you who work hard, disappointment can be almost devastating and you can lose hope in the old saying: "If you work hard, things will pay off." This type of situation can leave you

wondering if there is any justice in the world.

Surprisingly, there is hope. Experience has lead me to realize that some time, perhaps not immediately, the disappointment or failure you have endured will be rewarded. If you don't believe me, take a look at many of today's great athletes.

Remember Vinny Testaverde? He has not been blessed with praise since the beginning of his football career. Until his senior year, he did not even start for his high school football team. Instead of giving up, he thrived on determination and today this hard work has paid off. He became a Heisman Trophy win-

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Bobcats Dunk Polar Bears, Outrun by Mules

by Andy Cerillo

In a quest for their first season sweep since 1967, the Bobcats hosted Colby College this past Wednesday in a contest to decide the CBB title. The Mules, who entered the game at 22-1, had revenge on their minds after suffering their sole loss of the season at the hands of Bates on January 31.

Colby jumped out to a 6-0 lead following the tip-off, only to have the Bobcats knot the score at six and then again at eight. From there, however, the Mules went on a 21-8 run to gain a lead that held for the remainder of the game. Bates could not contain two-time All-American Matt Hancock, who entered the game certain to finish with the fifth highest career scoring average in NCAA Division III history. Hancock scored 31 points on the evening, 19 in the first half. His career point total now stands close to 2,600.

At the horn, Colby had survived a late second-half surge that brought the Bobcats within seven points with just under five minutes left. The final score stood at 86-74. Highlights for the 'Cats included a perfect evening from the free-throw line (12-12) and a career-high 14 points for Keith Ferdinando '93. Erik Johnson '90 led Bates scorers with 16 points.

With this victory, Colby grabbed its 13th CBB title in 16 years of formal CBB play. In a series that began in 1908 with a 21-7 win, Colby now leads the competition between the two schools, 90-34. The White Mules head into the ECAC tourney this weekend.

The Bobcats traveled to Brunswick this past Monday, where they stole the show from host Bowdoin, 88-77. Sean McDonagh '92 led all scorers with 19 points and 12 rebounds. Jake Murray '92 followed closely with 17 points. Erik Johnson, Keith Ferdinando and Brad Adams '92 also shot in double-figures on the evening.

Bates held a lead for the majority of

that contest, and was up at the half, 39-29. From the free-throw line, the successful Bobcats hit 22-of-25 as a team for 88%. The 'Cats have shot over 60% from the line in every game this season. Bowdoin fell to 11-13 with the loss.

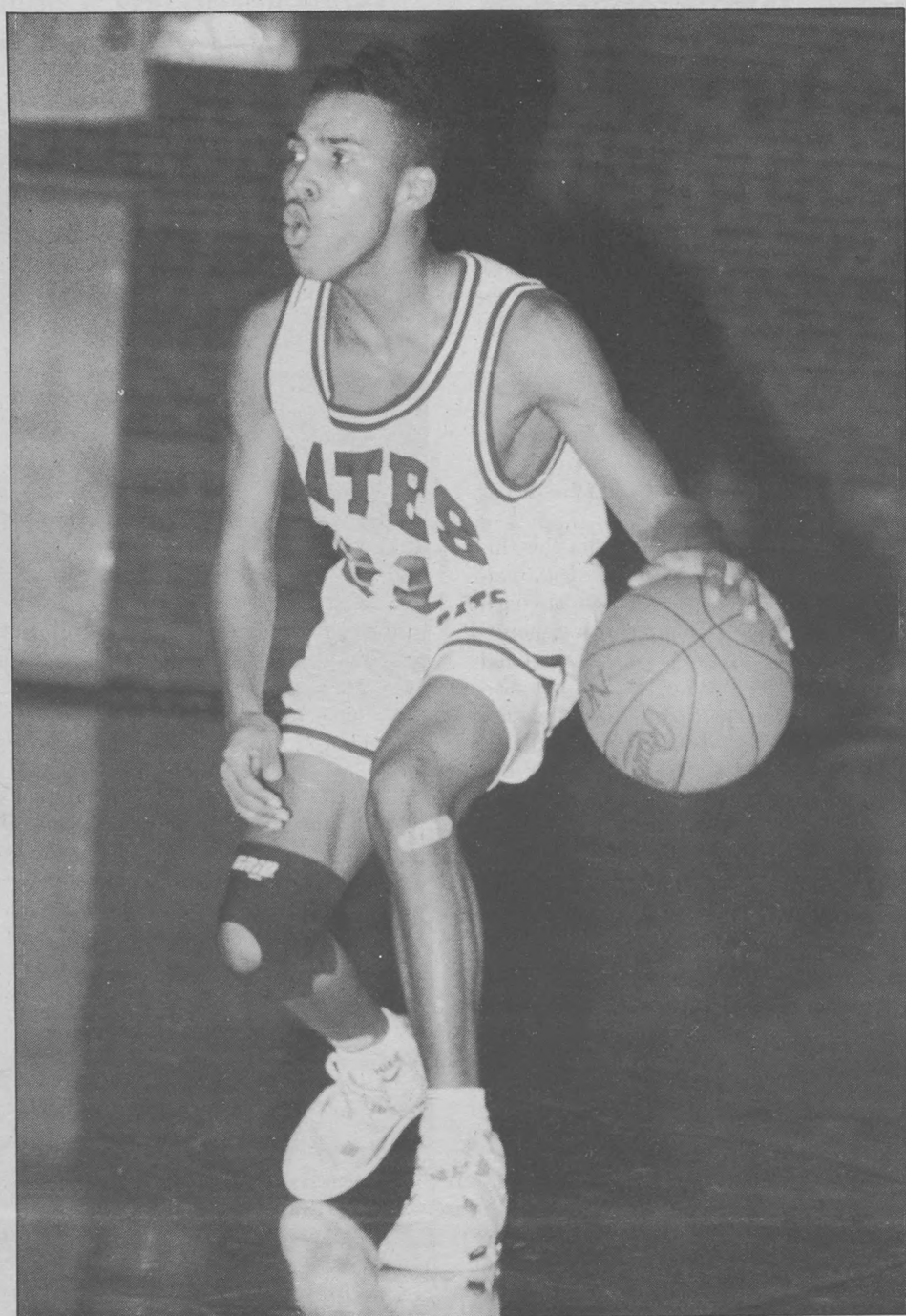
The victory at Bowdoin ended a four-game losing streak for Bates, which came up short in contests against Wesleyan, Norwich, Middlebury, and Connecticut College, all played on the road. This season, the Bobcats posted a road-record of 7-7, a considerable improvement from last year's dismal 1-9 performance.

The Camels of Connecticut College were in town last weekend, and once again it appeared early on that this game belonged all to Bates. Sitting atop a 45-40 lead at the break, the Bobcats came out for the second half and simply ran out of gas. Conn. capitalized on several Bates turnovers to storm back and out-score the 'Cats 50-42. Although the game still remained within reach for much of the period, the Camels put it away in the closing minute, 90-87.

Erik Johnson led all scorers with 24 points and was perfect from the line. Johnson, who leads the squad with an 83.3% free-throw percentage, recently hit a record 30 straight. Tim Collins '92 and Sean McDonagh joined Johnson in the double-figures production. McDonagh has led the team in scoring at 15.4 ppg. and in rebounding at 8.1 rpg. Conn., which rose to 13-11 with the victory, now leads the series between the two schools, 7-3.

On February 9, the Bobcats traveled to Hartford where they faced Trinity College. Bates capitalized on poor Bantam shooting, winning the game, 86-75. Trinity hit under 40% on the evening. Both Johnson and McDonagh tallied 24 points, followed by Jake Murray's 14. Brad Adams grabbed 13 rebounds in the contest.

The Bobcats finish the season at 10-14, as compared to last year's 6-17 mark. □



Darrell Akins looks for open man against Amherst. Scott Pim photo.

Bobcats Keep Pace with Opponents

by Ben Drew

On Feb. 9, the women's track team headed up to Orono for the MAIAW championships. The Bobcats had a very strong showing, finishing third with 56 points. The University of Maine won the meet, Colby finished second, and Bowdoin and St. Joe's finished fourth and fifth respectively.

Assistant Coach Tracy Penny said, "I really did not expect that we would accumulate that many points. This meet really showed the depth of our team." Many individuals showcased their talent at this meet for Bates.

Romalda Clark '90 continued her winning ways for the Bobcats as she broke the school record in the mile run, 5:05.5. Senior Maria Kourebanas came in second in the 55m hurdles with her best time of the season, 8.90. Andrea DiGeorge '93 finished second in the 400m with a personal best time of 61.2. Also contributing to the strong team effort were Andrea Elder '92, who placed fourth in the 3000m, and Allison Quinby '92 who came in third in the 600m. The 4x400 relay team composed of Kourebanas, Kim Hall '92, Quinby, and Kelly Frazier '93 won in spectacular fashion, as Frazier ran the last leg in 60.8. In the field events, Lynn Barker '92 paced the Bobcats with a second place finish, 41' 9 3/4", in the 20 lb.

weight throw.

Coach Penny saw this, "as a real team effort. It was a very encouraging showing going into the championship meets." The overall strength of this team is proven by the fact that all but four members of the team qualified for the championship meets that take place in the upcoming weeks.

The women's track team had a very strong showing at the Div. III Championships. The Bobcats finished second with 106 points, just 17 points behind first place Colby. Coach Carolyn Court said, "This was another solid team effort. Anytime you can set more than one school record the meet is a success."

When we talk school records, Romalda Clark's name always seems to pop up. She won the 5000m run in a time of 17:37.96, outdistancing the second place finisher by almost two minutes. Allison Quinby set another school record in the 600m with a time of 1:42.43. Three Bates runners, DiGeorge, Frazier, and Hall set personal bests in the 400m.

The strength of the team came in the relays. The 4x800 team of Quinby, Harper, Elder, and Clark won in a school record time of 9:59.57. The 4x400 team of Frazier, Christy, Kourebanas, and DiGeorge blistered the field in a time of 4:10.01. The team also picked up important points in the Penta-

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Squash Looks to be More Ripe Next Season

Becky Farr

It has been a while since we've heard from the Bates Women's Squash team and they've been busy in the interim. On February 6, they faced Colby, losing 1 match to 8. Yet, Coach Herbert Bunker was not disappointed by his women's squad. He stated that Colby has had a good year, "their best season in years".

The weekend of February 9, 10, and 11 they travelled to the Howe Cup. Coach Bunker said they "had a good time, but didn't do as well as he expected." They beat three teams and lost to two. On the winning side, they beat Mt. Holyoke eight matches to one, Wesleyan five matches to four, and Cornell six matches to three. John Hopkins and Smith defeated Bates three matches to six and two matches to seven respectively.

On February 14, they fell to Bowdoin 3-6, February 24 brought a win over Wesleyan and a loss to Connecticut Col-

lege. Their season finished with a record of seven wins and thirteen losses.

Coach Bunker was very positive about this season saying it was "much better than he expected." Many players from last year's team graduated, although they received some good freshman and had some talented returning players. Next year looks positive with many strong veterans returning and hope for new talent next year.

This year they will lose Kristin Stewart and Joanne Walton to graduation. Stewart is the number one player and Walton plays at the third position. Looking back on the season their coach is "real proud of them." He says these women were a "nice team to work with, it's been a lot of fun."

The team is now taking a well deserved break until next year. The coach and many of the team members reflect on the past with positive feelings and look towards the future with optimism. Good luck next year. □

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Un“cage”'d Bobcats Head South

by James Ash

Spring Training—the time of the baseball season when everyone is a contender and every new face has potential to be the rookie of the year. It's the time when baseball teams travel south to the sunshine and warm weather to prepare for the upcoming season.

Since the Short Term calendar began in the early 70's, the Bates Bobcats have not had a chance to migrate south. This year, in Coach Leahey's final season, the returning players urged him to end his career in style. During February break, while most of us skied, found jobs, worked on thesis, or visited mom and dad, the baseball team, along with a fresh new attitude and some “fresh” new uniforms, prepared for the season in Winter Park, Florida.

In previous years, Coach Leahey hesitated traveling south, “because when you come back, you still have to practice in the cage (indoors). Also, any games you play down there count towards your overall record. If you do poorly, you begin the ECAC season at a disadvantage.”

At this time of year, teams from the south are generally stronger. Due to the nice weather, they benefit from fall baseball and practicing outdoors on regulation fields all the time. This year, however, coach seemed excited about the trip. “The seniors were very enthusiastic and wanted to end their careers with

a trip. It will also give us a sense of where we're at.”

Bates will try to rebound from last year's 4-13 record. Eleven players were part of the 13-4 team two years ago, and know what it takes to win. “Last year we were a little lackadaisical during pre-season and we didn't work as hard as we should have,” said co-captain Mark Clizbe '90. “This year we're doing a lot more drills and generally working harder. We want to be a fundamentally sound team.”

While in Florida, the Bobcats held practice, had two practice games, and played one regulation game, all against very tough opponents. Three regulation games were scheduled, but due to rain and poor weather throughout the week, two had to be cancelled.

The trip benefited the team in other ways as well. It marked the earliest date in years that the team has used a regulation field. At Bates, they have to practice in the cage, which lacks an outfield, has poor lighting, and has a very hard surface. Most importantly, said Clizbe before departing, “we're going to have fun. That's what Division III sports are all about.”

In the one regulation game Bates played, they faced a perennial Div. II powerhouse Rollins College, who entered the contest boasting an 8-0 record. Unfortunately, Bates fell to Rollins by a very respectable score of 9-4. Coach Leahey said, “We played well. We were satisfied with the pitching, hit the ball

against some solid pitching, and played good defense.”

Overall, Coach pointed out that in the three games, the defense committed only a mere three errors, showing quite a nice turn around from last season. Bates played with poise and confidence, which coach attributes to the returning seniors. “The trip was worthwhile, beneficial, and useful, despite the poor weather.” Leahey noted, but was quick to point out that there is room for improvement.

This year, Coach Leahey will rely on his six returning seniors to provide team leadership. Along with Clizbe, Bob Mischler, a four year starter, will captain the 'cats. Last year, Mischler hit .327 and led the team in five offensive categories, including hits(23), home runs(4), and RBI's(21). His Kirk Gibson-like intensity and hustle always seem to make things happen on the field. Look for Mischler to move from center to left field this year.

Clizbe will use his three years of starting experience to guide the pitching staff at catcher. He missed some time last year because of injury, but still managed to co-lead the returning players with a .345 batting average. The left side of the Bates infield will once again be anchored by third baseman Joe Heathco '90, and shortstop Troy Murphy '90. They have started together for three seasons, and are preparing to step forward and be productive and steady leaders.

Senior Gary Abbagnaro will start in

right field and possibly see some time at designated hitter. Along with Clizbe, he leads returning players with a .345 average. Expect to see Pete Carr '91 starting in center field and Dave Burr '91 to play first base. Jeremy Chase '91 and Aaron Wensley '92 will see time at second base.

The pitching staff will look to be more consistent and reduce the number of walks allowed last year. Pete Doucette, the sixth senior on the squad, will most likely return as the number one starter. Last year he led the team in innings pitched, ERA, and strikeouts. A control pitcher, he uses a number of different pitches.

Lefties Rick Landry '91 and Ian Smith '92 will also see time as starters. This year the staff will have a designated relief pitcher, a feature they haven't used in recent years. Returning after a year absence, Rick “Rocket” LaFleur '91 has been working from the stretch, and will serve as this year's closer. Other returning pitchers include Joel Bines '92, Chris Ryder '92, Brad Adams '92, and Tim Collins '92.

This season, the team needs to drastically cut down on errors and walks. If this improves, along with a talented freshmen group, the team will return to the fun of a season like 1988. They are working hard, and know what winning will take. The 'cats open the ECAC season at Babson on March 23. The home opener is April 4, vs. Bowdoin. We'll see you at the ball park. □

Ski Teams On the Right “Trail” to Future Success

by Peter Carr

The Bates Ski Team showed the worthiness of the “slow and steady” cliché during the 1989-90 season. Despite a lack of veteran talent, the Bobcats skied with consistency each week to place in the middle of a strong NCAA Division I pack.

“I am very pleased with our overall team results throughout the entire season,” said Coach Bob Flynn. “The team showed outstanding consistency for such a young, collegiately inexperienced squad.”

Throughout the ten week period, both the men's and women's teams battled St. Lawrence College for seventh place, not to mention the exceptional sixth place finish by the men at the Bates Carnival. This was also the case at the Dartmouth Carnival where both squads finished seventh, and the Williams Carni-

val in which the men scored 8th and the women 7th.

The Middlebury College Carnival was a testament to the solid performance of the Bobcats. The pressure of being in the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association Division I Championships never showed as the men again took 8th and women 7th out of a nineteen team field. Unfortunately, Bates did not place any NCAA qualifiers this year due to a lack of room for eastern skiers. Nevertheless, three Bobcat skiers were named alternates.

Junior co-captain Don Medd skied to his fourth top twenty finish in the 20k freestyle race taking 18th. Medd, who anchored the Bobcat nordic squad, also scored a 35th place finish at Williams in the 15k race.

Downhill specialist Jere Calmes '92 remained a key contributor to the Bates alpine team. Calmes placed 13th in the

slalom at the qualifiers, and also skied to 27th and 13th place finishes in the giant slalom and slalom respectively at Williams.

One of the brightest spots for Bates this season was the women's nordic squad and especially freshman Anna Louise Englund. In her first collegiate season, Englund barely missed qualifying with a 20th place score in the 15k event.

“We were a strong team this year because of our consistent team effort,” noted Flynn. “It was not just one individual who kept us in the middle of the pack, but a group of people who skied strong every week.”

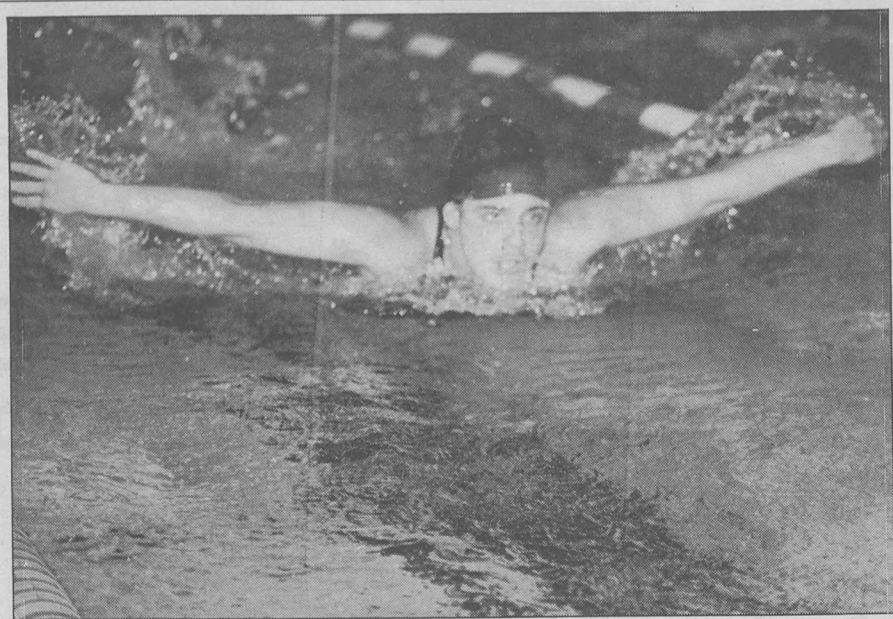
On the men's alpine side, Joe Safar placed 25th in the slalom, while co-captain Chris Fisher '91 and Mike Sidore '91 pitched in with points. Ron Lutter '93 made a strong showing with a 38th finish in the 20k cross-country event;

while Dan Manter scored points for Bates.

For the women, captain Vicki Gellert '92, Beth Widman '92, and Mooey Nolan '92 all scored points regularly for the Bobcats in the downhill events. Jessica Larsen '93 showed some promise for the future with a 22nd finish in the giant slalom at Middlebury. Deb King, the only senior on the squad, and junior Jen Boucher anchored the young nordic team which highlighted freshman prospects Laurel Stone and Kristi Gould.

In addition to his skiers, coach Flynn also noted the hardwork of his assistant coaching staff as reasons for this year's success.

“I am very optimistic for the future of our program. We have some young talent which should continue to make us competitive in the years to come.” □



A young women's swim team capped its 1989-90 season with a 12th place finish in the NE Swim Championships at Bowdoin. Katie Moran '93, Kate Killoran '90, and Dede Alexander '92 led the lady Bobcats. Scott Pim photo.

SKI REPORT

Head up North this weekend for a ski adventure at Sugarloaf, USA where they report having anywhere from 49 to 90 inches of snow on the mountain. Seven lifts are in operation and 65 trails offer options for all types of skiers. Packed powder covers much of the mountain along with loose granular conditions in some areas. After a day of skiing, venture over to the Carrabasset Valley Touring Center and participate in many of the activities offered. They have both a skating rink and cross country trails for your enjoyment. If it's challenge that you want, Sugarloaf is the mountain for advanced skiers with its double black diamond trails.

It's Mardi Gras at Sunday River this coming weekend with Cajun cuisine and a Torchlight Parade! Grooming operations continue daily and there are about 58 trails open to the public. According to reports from the mountain, “conditions have never been better.” This Saturday, access to the mountain will be provided by the Outing Club. They plan to leave by 7:15 SHARP so don't oversleep! □

Bobcats Hurdle Over Competitors

by Grace Murphy

The Bates men's track team wraps up a successful season this weekend at the Coast Guard Academy as they compete in the ECAC's. Hoping for a third place finish, Bates will try to place individuals high in the events.

Looking back over the 8-3 regular season record, coach Walter Slovenski comments it was "quite a success," and explains, "The team responded well to losing some key seniors last year - Matt Schecter (highjump), Craig Geike (400m), and Peter Goodrich (throws). We became a well balanced team and had every event covered nicely. The co-captains Dave Weatherbie '90 and Ted Dixon '90 were strong leaders and had very good seasons."

Slovenski recalls the highlights of the season as being the close victory over Division I Holy Cross, when Bates won the 4x400m and 4x800m relays. Another high point was the team's performance last weekend at Division III New England's at MIT, where they used their great depth to place seventh out of 18

teams. Comments Slovenski, "Although this is the first time in a long time we've had no champion, we stood in good stead. The meet was highlighted by the 4x800m relay." Relay members Ira Bird '93, Mike Leahy '93, Dixon, and Mark Thompson '91, ran a personal record for the year for Bates of 7:56.38.

ECAC's, according to Slovenski, "is a critical meet for Bates, and determines our position on the fence relative to our season's success." Finishing third out of 23 teams each year for the past 3 years, Bates aspires to place in the top three once again, although simply a good performance will put them in the top five. Another goal is to qualify Thompson for NCAA's at Smith next weekend. Thompson, with a 1:55.85 in the 800m, stands close to qualifying. NCAA's take the top 12 athletes in the nation, and Thompson ranks approximately 13th at this point.

At the ECAC's, Bates promises to make a good show of team depth and determination like they have done all year. Slovenski looks for a lot from his team, and once again he feels confident that they will represent Bates well this year. □

Women's Track

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halon, where Cathy Pendergast '91 and Ellen Dreagert '92 finished second and third respectively.

Last weekend, the team traveled to Boston University for the Open New England Championships. Bates finished fifteenth in the meet, which was won by UCONN. Romalda Clark once again led the Bobcat runners with a second place finish in the 3000m. Her time of 9:59.04 was her season's best and qualified her for indoor nationals. The 4x400 relay team of Kourebanas, Hall, Quinby, and Frazier also contributed, with a school record of 4:06.92.

This weekend is a great opportunity for all Bates students to get out and see

this talented team. Bates will host the ECAC Championships, with 32 teams coming from all over the east coast. The Bobcats finished fourth in the meet last year and Coach Court is hoping for another top seven finish this year.

This is your last chance to see All-American Romalda Clark run at her home track. It is also the last home meet for talented seniors Maria Kourebanas and Wendy Harper. Coach Carolyn Court calls this meet, "one of the biggest ever held at Bates College." She would really like to see some support for the Bates runners, so get out and support them this Sat. and Sun. in Merrill Gymnasium. □

Women's Basketball Sinks Many Opponents

by Mike Evans

Disheartened by not being invited to the ECAC tournament, the women's hoop team closed out the regular season Monday against CBB conference rival Bowdoin. The Bobcats did gain a NIAC tourney berth but do not plan to attend the competition.

In the Bowdoin game, six tie scores exemplified the back and forth nature of the first half. The Bobcats played well and enjoyed a two to five point lead for most of the stanza. Bates entered intermission up by one, 35-34.

Adrienne Shibles, '91, paced Bates with 11 points. Julie Roche, '91, and Leigh-Ann Smith, '92, contributed eight and seven markers respectively to the Garnet cause.

If the first half could be characterized as promising, the final 20 minutes were at the frustrating end of the measuring stick. Nothing seemed to click. Bowdoin grabbed the lead, 38-37, and never looked back. Halfway through the frame, Bowdoin scored seven unanswered points to increase their decisive lead to 10.

The Bobcats would get no closer than four the rest of the way. Bates had to resort to fouling, which resulted in the final score, 74-57.

Shibles finished with a team high 15 points, and Roche added 14. Shibles and Smith dominated the boards for the Bobcats.

The loss dropped Bates to 14-8, including 2-2 in the CBB. They split with both Colby and Bowdoin. For Rachel Clayton, '90, the only senior on the

team, this game marked her last in regular season play. With all but Clayton returning, next season looks extremely promising for the young Bobcats.

Bates hosted Connecticut College last Saturday in Alumni Gym. In what was probably a necessary win for the Bobcats' ECAC hopes, Bates fell to the visiting Camels, 83-69.

The Bobcats were nothing shy of cold from the floor, shooting a season-low 27 percent. Crashing the offensive glass can sometimes overcome frigid shooting, but the taller Camels limited the Bobcats repeatedly to only one shot.

Connecticut College jumped out to an early 10-2 lead and never let Bates climb back closer than four. At the half, the Camels enjoyed a 38-32 margin. The Camels extended their lead to as many as 19 points in the second frame before settling for an 83-69 victory.

Roche earned game high scoring honors with 28 markers and paced Bates with 10 rebounds. Clayton added 13 points and Amy Schrag '91, had a strong second half finishing with seven.

Despite injuries to centers Smith and Clayton, the Bobcats easily defeated Johnson State on February 17, 71-54. Roche netted 30 points for the victors, and Schrag added 25.

On the same Vermont road trip, Bates topped Norwich 61-56 the night before. Roche managed, 28 while Shibles and Schrag contributed 12 and 11 points respectively.

In other, earlier, action, Husson College tripped Bates in overtime, 95-92; Wesleyan outlasted the Bobcats 73-68 in Connecticut; Bates dumped Trinity 75-63. □

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Unsung Hero

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ner. Not bad for a kid who was not the star of his high school football team. And all because he was unwilling to quit.

In professional sports, there are always unsung heroes who come to every practice and play consistently in all the games. As a Boston native, I would mention Robert Parish, center for the Celtics, as a man who always "gets the job done" despite being constantly unrecognized.

Second baseman for the Red Sox, Marty Barrett plays solid defense at his position yet he too is not considered one of the "stars" of the team. Although these men have nothing to complain about; they make enough money and they are somewhat famous, they deserve

a lot more credit than they often receive.

For all of you who feel life in general is not going your way, do not give up hope yet. As the lyrics to a popular musical go, "life has a way of confusing us, blessing and bruising us," the day-to-day experiences of life can be trying. Sports is just one specific activity in life that carries its own struggles.

Being number one in life can be great but people should realize that being number two is not that bad either. Adjusting to degrees of failure as an adolescent will prepare you for the disappointments in life. As long as you know that you did your best, that is the greatest reward. So cheer up and remember, there is always a light at the end of the tunnel. It may be a dim one, but it is there. □

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A Winter's Tale of Bears and Ravens Poet Documents Native American Experience

by Bob Parks

Monday night, in room 113 of Carnegie Science, at 7:30, Robert Chute will read:

*Broken twice, twice self-set, his leg
begged the priest to stop. Snow loads toes
of snowshoes so every stride's
a test of pride. But the pain shows.
Bomaseen slow, stops, sucks some ice.
Worumbo-you-call-John check a tear
in his coat, point, suddenly overhead.
Three Ravens, in dead silence, fill the air.*

The stanza is part of "The Forest" in Chute's newly published book, *When Grandmother Decides to Die*. The small chap book of a few hundred lines of poetry tells the story of the Abenaki Native Americans and conjures nature images.

Chute is not just a nature poet though—he has a virtual textbook in his mind of animals and their true behavior. He is a poet of the language, but also a student of the land. Robert Chute is a professor of Biology at Bates with a textbook to his name. He said, "I know something about the animals . . . Bears don't really hibernate, the kinds of things that ravens do and don't do."

When Grandmother Decides to Die focuses on the lives and deaths of Black Mink and Bomaseen. They are members of the Abenaki, which still numbers 2,000 people of the underground community in Vermont. Chute begins the narrative saying, "It is the winter in the year

1723." Chute said, "The story is imaginary but what the characters do including the animals is hopefully historically accurate."

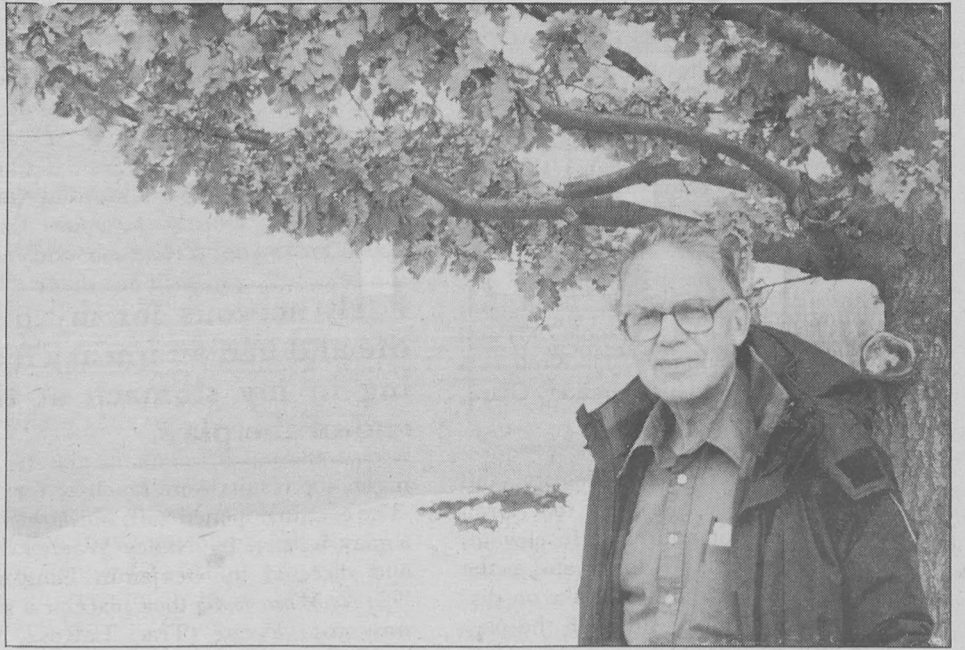
Joe Bruchac, poet and storyteller of Western Abenaki descent, wrote the introduction to the book. He says, "The directness of the language, the unsteriotyped portrayals of the native character, and the complex relationships between a white priest and native . . . make these poems powerful and memorable."

When Grandmother Decides to Die is not about nanas like yours and mine, but about bears, really. Chute says, "Most human-like of the forest animals, (the bear) was treated with great respect." The animals were even called Uncle and Grandmother.

The poems are easy to understand with spare, but very strong, language. Chute's lexicon is one of simple ideas engineered profoundly on the page. The narrative of eighteenth century events is conveyed with a respect for the characters human and animal.

*But Black Grandmother didn't wait.
It is late in winter and she also
has lost a cub, born dead. He burst
up, first a ghost, shrouded with snow,
shakes herself to blackness. Spotted Raven
Raised his gun. He hoped she'd understand.
Too weak to trust the old ways, he must
trust the weapon of the whiteman.*

Chute said most of what he does is verse but this story of grandmother, the vener-



Bears do not really hibernate says poet Robert Chute. Bob Parks photo.

able bear, needed to hold it together as a whole over so many lines. He explained, "This is about native American experience in the eighteenth century. So we're talking about a culture that didn't have a written language and therefore transmitted their information orally. In those traditions, form and meter and rhyme were much more common as aids of memory, aids of transmission."

The narrative is broken into eight line stanzas with the two end rhymed pairs

and alliteration to hold the rest of the stanza together. The rhymes are not obtrusive, but sing the content sweetly.

Chute has published many books of poetry including one dealing with the Abenaki people, *Thirteen Moons*. He lives in Poland Spring, Maine. Bruchac says in his introduction, ". . . the winter land he shows us is obviously a land which he knows and has walked himself, a land as real as the sound of feet breaking through that snow crust . . ." □

Interview with Archie Shepp: Renaissance Jazz

by Dan Cantor and Dan Boylan

The music beat and the people stamped their feet. The horn blew and the audience knew that he had it! He had it!

Archie Shepp accompanied by Walter Davis Jr., Stevie McCraven, and Her-

man, performed Friday night the 9th, at the Bates Chapel. Shepp arrived at the Chapel minutes before show time. After taking a few tunes to warm up, the quartet got into a groove. The two sets consisted of music ranging from Shepp's early originals to "Backwater Blues", which was dedicated to Bessie Smith.

After the show and two bottles of Bordeaux, we had a chance to slip backstage and talk with Professor Shepp. The following interview was reconstructed from notes taken during our meeting.

Bates Student: Mr. Shepp, we heard that you just returned from a trip to Europe. Where did you go and where were

you well received?

Approximately what Archie Shepp had to say: We went to Austria, Germany, Switzerland, Italy and Holland. Our line-up was slightly different. Wayne Docary and Horace Parlan accompanied us. Yes, we were very well received. Many of the stops it was standing room only, people were turned away.

In Europe Jazz is much more popular, it is taken more seriously. The middle class in Europe accepts Negro music as a true aesthetic form. In America it is strictly working class music. Europeans have an easier time accepting outside cultures because they are more sure of their own identities, they are more homogeneous.

BS: How long have you guys been playing together?

AWSS: Herman has been with me for 17 years, and Stevie is my steady drummer. Walter is the newcomer on the block. We are all New York musicians.

BS: What do you like playing most?

AWSS: Originals, it's always good to explore your own potential on stage. A few standards are always good. I like Tad Dameron and Thelonious Monk. Blacks like Monk and Dameron are now accepted as standards in the Jazz world. I always like to play a few ballads, they are very challenging.

BS: What direction do you think that Jazz is going in?

AWSS: In America the word Jazz carries little commercial weight. The music is at a critical point now, it needs to be redefined. The old music is hard to get in this country. On the other hand, you can walk into any music store in Japan and find all of the Blue Note recordings.

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Archie Shepp plays original tune. Scott Pim photo.

Those Who Saw Just Pain Missed Redemption

by Isabel Roche

The Robinson Players' "Festival of One-Act Plays," produced by Richard Sautter '92, took place in Schaeffer Theatre the weekend prior to February Break. Divided into two programs, *Pain* and *Redemption*, the one-acts prompted the realization that human nature is inexplicable, although some of the plays did this better than others.

Program A, *Pain*, was composed of three one-act plays. The first was Arthur Miller's *Clara*, directed by Kaela Curtis '92. It is the story of the discourse between a police detective, Lieutenant Fine (played by Matt Nespole '93) and Kroll (Roger Benham '91). Kroll is a man who has found his daughter, Clara, murdered.

Some difficult questions arise—questions about war, beliefs, integrity, and honesty; they are questions that Kroll would rather not address. He elevates his avoidance to an art form, and as the play unravels the questions take on disturbing proportions. Although the play could have benefited from a bit more rehearsal time, there was some fine acting in *Clara*.

Peter Dee's *No One Wants to Know* was directed by Nancy Sandler '92. Edie (Ami Berger '92) is terminally ill. Her husband Joe (Joel Bines '92) has been shot and no one wants to know, literally, that anything is wrong with life.

Well-meaning neighbor Delia, (Amy Robbins '92) tells terminally-ill Edie to "roll with the punches". Nina Lynblane (Leyla Morrisey '92) who regards Joe's winning the lottery as the fulfillment of the American Dream, fails to see the reality of her loss. The play was called "painful comedy" yet elevating the plot to the absurd in no way lessened the

message; it hits home even harder.

The last play of the night was Yeats' *Purgatory*, directed by Richard Sautter '92. A boy (Lance Rozear '93) and his father (Richard Sautter '92) are standing in front of the shell of house where the father grew up.

In the charred frame, this father had killed his own father with the very same knife that he holds in his hand. He puts it to use again, slaying his son, after which he cries, "Twice a murderer, and for nothing." Exactly the point. I was ready for some *Redemption* the next

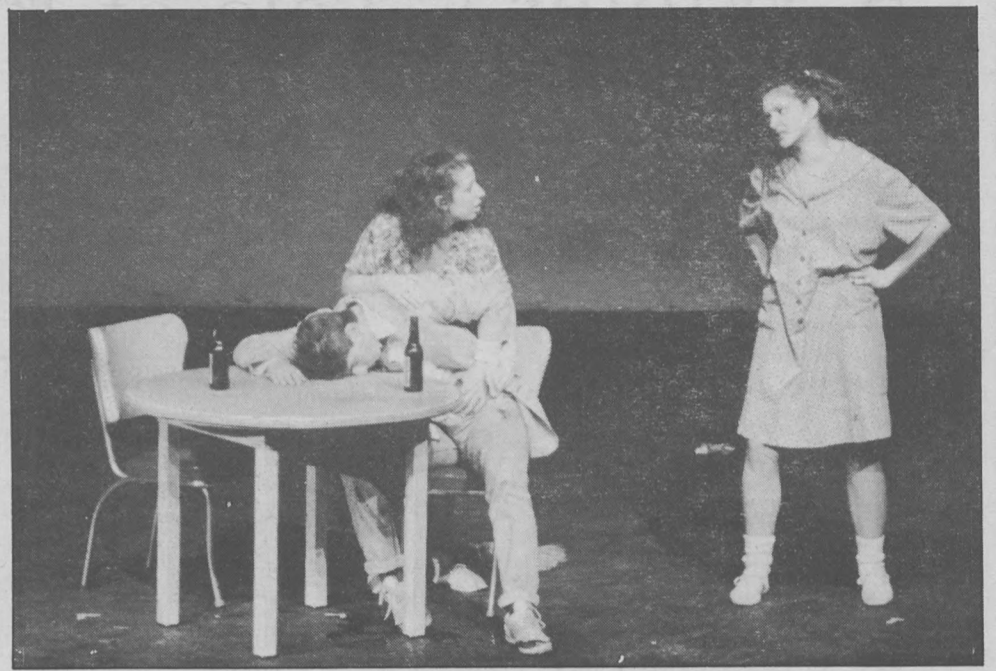
I felt nervous for my own life and had an uneasy feeling in my stomach at the end of the play.

night; the results were much better.

The evening opened with *Nowhere to Go*, a play written by Nancy Wagner '92, and directed by Benjamin Dinglasan '92. *No Where to Go* took place at a subway stop. Yvette (Traci LaRosa '90) had hair teased a mile high, two inch nails, a micro-miniskirt, and a undying love for mall life until her boyfriend dumps her.

She is on a bench at the subway stop with a stranger, Eliot (Tim Schmitt '89). Her superficiality glares at his philosophy; the only thing they have in common are their recent break-ups. This similarity is enough of a basis as they struggle to find something to like about each other.

There is something to be said about saving the best for last, as the festival ended on its highest note with James McClure's *Lone Star*, directed by Jon McLaughlin '91. *Lone Star* was excellent. Roy, (superbly played by the Theater



Ami Berger '92, Joel Bines '92, and Amy Robbins '92 in *No One Wants to Know*. Steve Peters photo.

Department's Technical Director James Casey) has been back from Vietnam for two years, and isn't quite sure where he stands, except that it has been in a small Texas town where, outside of Vietnam, he has spent his entire life.

He spends his time drinking beer and looking at the stars, saying to his bother Ray (A.J. Humphrey '91), "When your trying to go back to a place in your mind, you want it to be the way it was; not the way it is." Roy does not want to see the way it is: his brother has slept with his wife, his friends have left, and well-meaning Cletis (by Peter Getchell) has smashed up his 1959 pink Ford Thunderbird Convertible.

Roy would rather look at the sky, where

things never seem to change. Things do change—Roy comments on how they are really nothing more than an illusion; Ray realizes that "nothing is ever the same." The two brothers leave the stage under the shifting starlight.

The plays proved that human nature is inexplicable. We could see ourselves in the characters; pain and redemption are parts of everyone's lives, but we are unable to explain the "whys" of the human condition. □

Archie Shepp

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In Japan, Jazz is recognized as modern classical music. People like Walter Davis Jr. have no name in America. I hadn't played with him for a while, and tonight it was like a breath of fresh air. He has his own style. He is a classical musician.

BS: What are your plans for the future?

AWSS: Hit the lottery and make a few more films. I would like to do some more work with fiction and poetry. I went to Goddard and graduated with a major in film. I wrote and published in the *Black Theater Anthology* three one-act plays. Think Renaissance Man!

BS: How was it singing in a chapel?

AWSS: I have felt comfortable with the church. I was raised in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, and spent much of my childhood in the church listening to groups such as the Five Blind Boys. I take church seriously.

BS: Being a professor at UMass, have you experienced much racism?

AWSS: Blacks in America experience racism every day, at every level of our society. Generations change, but more needs to be done.

Speaking with Archie Shepp was an educational experience. Spending time with Archie Shepp it is obvious that educated classical musicians still exist. Despite the fact that Jazz is ailing in America, artists like Shepp are still blowing away.

In the words of bassist Herman, "What do you want me to say, were here to play a concert." Straight forward and down to earth, that's an evening with the Archie Shepp quartet. □

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There Is No One Way to Write About Maine

by Lara Strong

About two dozen people gathered in Chase Lounge last Thursday night to hear a reading of poetry, prose fiction, and non-fiction by three women writers from Maine: Patricia O'Donnell, Lee Sharkey, and Marjory Wilson. The women have their works recently published in an anthology by Acadia Publishing Company entitled *The Eloquent Edge: 15 Maine Women Writers*. Contrary to what one expected, none of the readings, except for one, were set in or about Maine. Furthermore none of the women present were native to Maine. "At least," said one of the women, "I can say that we are all women."

The event was sponsored by the English department. Anne Thompson, chair of the department, opened the evening with some brief remarks about

In the story, "Early November", a young woman goes running through the town where she grew up. As she passes familiar sights, she begins to remember important or meaningful times in her life.

Maine's strong tradition of excellent women writers. Thompson was pleased that an anthology now existed representing the diversity of experience Maine provides. The anthology proves that "there is no one way of writing about Maine," said Thompson.

Patricia O'Donnell, a resident of Wil-

ton, Maine, began with a short story called "Early November" which she described as a story about "movement and the experience of exercising." In the story a young woman goes running through the town where she grew up. As she passes familiar sights, she begins to remember important or meaningful times in her life.

The run is a metaphor for her journey into her past. The story effectively captured the rhythmic and meditative qualities of a run. By the story's finish we feel cleansed and soothed as it might after an hour of exercise.

Next, Lee Sharkey, a Bates graduate, read a selection of seven poems. Her first poem, "Without Art People Would Not Be Normal," was written especially for the occasion. Sharkey confessed that

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Stuff to Do

Sunday

Internationally renowned pianist Frank Glazer will perform his last concert in the three part series. The last trilogies of Haydn, Beethoven, and Schubert are on the playlist. Admission for students is 3\$

Monday

Poet Robert Chute will read in room 113 of Carnegie at 7:30 Monday night. Chute has published books including his new work *When Grandmother Decides to Die*. He is a professor of Biology at Bates. Free.

Tuesday

In this weeks Noonday concert, Lissa Schneckenburger, a ten year old violinist from Litchfield will perform classical and traditional selections with Greg Boardman of the applied music faculty. In Olin Concert Hall at 12:30. Free.

Friday

The Renaissance film board will present the films *Born In Flames* by independent Lizzie Borden and *A Girl's Own Story* by Jane Champion starting March 9 and continuing on over the weekend. Admission is one dollar. 7:30 in Olin Arts Center's Cinema 104.

The best selling and most popular flutist of our time, Jean-Pierre Rampal will play the Portland City Hall Auditorium on March 9 at 8:00. Tickets start at \$9. Call 772-8630 for information.

Blues Is Alive in Maine

by Bob Parks

The Saturday before vacation, three blues legends, Big Daddy Kinsey, Hubert Sumlin, and Pinetop Perkins played a show in the University of Southern Maine Gym.

The concert started with Little Mike and the Tornadoes, a back-up band whose big claim to fame is that they're from New York. Little Mike played harmonica (much too much) and sang in a southern rock/blues style. As the night wore, Little Mike grew a little tedious and drew the attention from the real stars.

Lightning Hopkins once said, "The Blues is hard to get acquainted with. It's kind of like death." The show was all about men well acquainted with the blues. The veracity of Lightning's judgement was never more apparent than when Little Mike stepped back for Big Daddy Kinsey.



Big Daddy Kinsey

He had a voice not like the mud of the Mississippi Delta, but much deeper, strong enough to fill the acoustically wanting gym. Big Daddy was a prodigious figure in a tan suit. Out of the three musicians, Big Daddy Kinsey had the strongest vocal style. To approach the audience from the mainstream, Kinsey sang Bo Diddley's famous, "I'm a man" to a huge bass drum beat:



Hubert Sumlin

"When I was a little boy, at the age of five, I kept something in my pocket, kept a lot of folks alive . . ."

Little Mike introduced Hubert Sumlin next. Clapton, Santana, Cray, Vaughn, and Hendrix have all emulated this man's leads and said so. They probably heard them on Howlin' Wolf records; Hubert Sumlin was Wolf's guitarist for 24 years. This is the Man.

One of Sumlin's songs was Robert Johnson's "I believe I'll Dust My Broom." He wore a black hat with a tiny red feather and a thin gold string on the brim. The strap of his Strat was slung



Pinetop Perkins

around a slim pinstripe suit; he made a tall cool profile. Sumlin picks Chicago leads with his fingers; Strong's diamond-studded hands changed positions up and down the neck. His pithy leads broke down into devastatingly worthy notes.

Sumlin's last song was a slow agonizing 12 bar, the kind where these turned on audience members get high-bend creases on their face. Sumlin has a recent recording on Blind Pig Records called *Heart and Soul*.

The preeminent blues pianist performing today, Pinetop Perkins, took the stage next. He had an exceptional stage presence. When Perkins sat down at the piano, the cuffs of his gold colored suit lifted slightly to assert orange socks. He was the piano player for the late Muddy Waters for 11 years.

Perkins played Muddy Water's "Hoochie Coochie Man." He smiled to the band, nodded to the audience, and cranked away on the keys. He brushed off tense notes with a jocular shrug. Pinetop's is a happy blues. He stopped between songs to converse with the audience and the band, "I just put out an album on Blind Pig Records called *Pine Top After Hours* . . ."



The Southern Maine Blues Society is a group "Committed to preservation of the blues idiom." They promoted and sponsored the concert. The society holds blues jams at Roules in Portland once a month and are showing documentaries of Blues history throughout April.

After the intermission, Big Daddy Kinsey, Hubert Sumlin, and Pinetop Perkins allied on stage with a set which should have put Little Mike out of business. Kinsey rested a telecaster on his knee and played slide taking turns on lead with Sumlin. I didn't write any of those songs down. I was dancing. After the concert, Pinetop even signed an autograph. He confided that he was a bit husky from a tour date in Canada. Because of a sore throat, he said, "I can't do it like I would like to. I'd like to holler." □

Costs Growing

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are poking around "where they don't belong."

The actual investigation took the form of the issuance of a Civil Investigative Demand (CID), or a listing of the financial information for the last five years, to be assembled within 15-18 days.

"Bates was one of the first to get the CID . . . we believe we were among the first to respond to the demand for information," said Carpenter. Carpenter noted that some schools under investigation banded together in protest of the investigation, observing that such action would only serve to confirm the reality of collusion. "We didn't question whether it was an unfair request," said Carpenter, ". . . we have nothing to be concerned about, so why should we make it appear that we (did)?"

Carpenter lamented the money spent on legal fees as a result of the investigation. "Twenty-three years ago," said Carpenter, "legal expenses were around \$800 . . . (now it is) upwards of a couple hundred thousand . . ." Carpenter added the statistic that, since 85% of the budget is comprised tuition fees, ". . . for every dollar that goes to legal fees, 85 cents of it comes from you (students)." □

Service

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will have sought and found how to serve." Only in serving others can we ever be really fulfilled ourselves.

Service does not necessarily mean becoming a Mother Theresa—giving up one's personal life in order to care for the dying poor. Most of us would not even be good at that.

Service means giving of yourself to those in some way less privileged than you. That could mean giving food to the hungry. However it also means taking time from studying to comfort a friend, or helping a fellow student who is having trouble in class.

Perhaps the highest form of service is in the spiritual striving to improve ourselves through meditation, prayer, or daily examining ourselves to see where we fall short of our ideals. I think maybe we can best serve by working to make ourselves the best that we can be.

This way we will be helping the world

by adding one more peaceful person to it rather than an angry one. We will also be serving by example. Finally, I think that as we find peace and happiness within ourselves these will naturally manifest themselves in more direct service to others.

Bates College and Lewiston offer so many opportunities to find the true happiness that service can bring. Both the Campus Association (CA) and the Volunteer Coordinator's Office function to help students get involved.

Programs include Hunger Clean-Up, tutoring, Little Brother/Little Sister, B-line, and volunteering at Abused Women's Advocacy, Hope Haven, or New Beginnings. Or you might want to try Chapel Board, Bates Christian Fellowship (BCF), or morning meditation.

I urge you—take advantage of the chance Bates gives you to help yourself and others in the search for happiness.

Sincerely,

Katharine Wise '92

Women Writers

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the poem might be a little rough since she had only written it the previous night, but she added, "I hope you'll all laugh." The audience responded positively as she described how "gray would be the color/ Orange would be outlawed," and people would "hail taxis in hopes of a monologue"—all in a world without art.

Marjory Wilson, also a Bates graduate, dedicated the final reading of the evening to her two sons seated in the audience; both are currently Bates students. The poem describes her own experiences as an undergraduate in the early sixties.

She describes her initial uneasy feeling as her parents dropped her off for the first time at Page Hall. She also gave some warm portraits of those English professors who were instrumental in her growth as a literary artist such as John Tagliabue and David Nelson. The poem was well received. People enjoyed hearing references to familiar people and places. □

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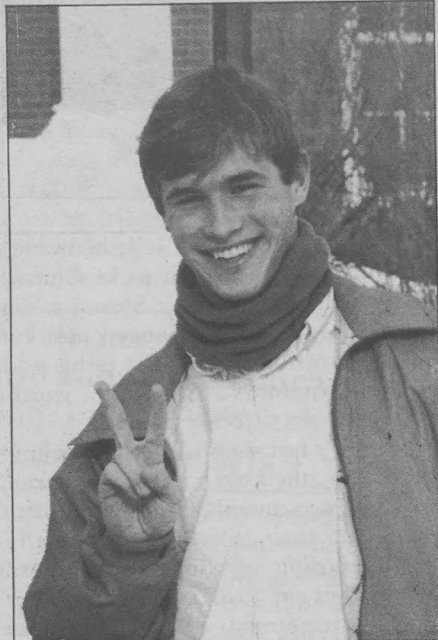
What Do You Think Bates Should Do About the Parking Problem?

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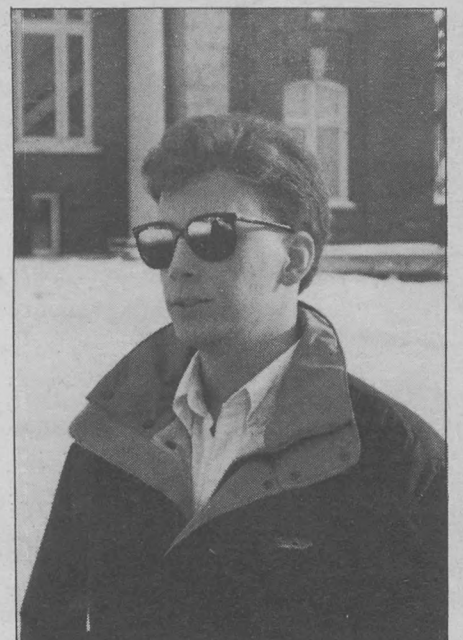
Andrea Bueschel '90 "I know that the admissions lot has been a big concern. I think that during the street parking ban we should be able to use the whole admissions lot, because people who are visiting admissions can park on the streets during the day."



Mark Thompson '91 "There's sufficient parking. I don't think there's a problem. I always find a spot over at Merrill."



Diana Emblar '92 "First I think they should probably reinforce the requirement that students have Bates parking permits and that students on financial aid should not have cars on campus. Besides that there really isn't more room for new lots, though I really haven't had a problem. Adams usually has a few spots."



Dana Dratch '93 "Maybe have a lottery to draw parking places held by class with seniors going first, then juniors, then sophomores, and finally freshman. That would help allocate the scarce resources better."

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