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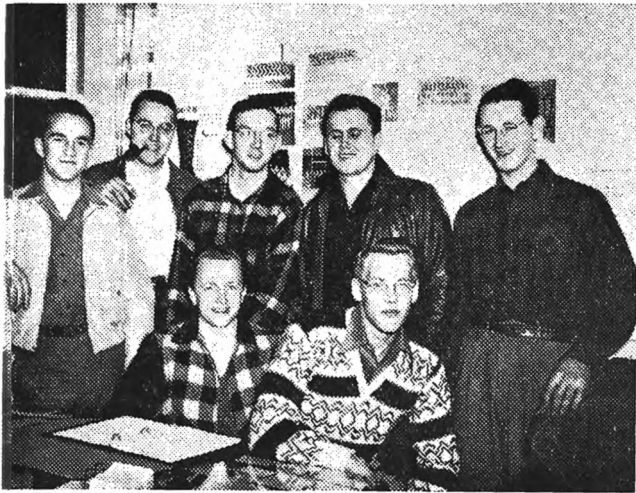
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Christmas Ball Tonight!!

Fifty Girls Coming From Gorham State Teachers' College



Dance Committee from left to right, Don Barber, Don Knox, Fred, Roger Briggs, Harvey Lord, Carroll Young, and John Findlen. Missing from this picture are Vic Maria, Oliver Jackson, Vance Norton.

Tonight's the big night!

After two weeks of careful planning and preparation, the Christmas Ball is being held tonight at 8:30 in the Student Union Building.

Refreshments will be served, but it was reluctantly announced today by Don Barbour, in charge of the various committees, that a small charge would have to be made for them.

About 55 women are being imported from Gorham Teachers' College to supplement the local supply in an effort to help out those students whose 'steady' isn't in this area.

Music will be furnished by the well-known Gordon Howe Orchestra, of Lewiston. That's a guarantee of good dancing music!

The various committees have been working hand in hand with the base electricians and working crews to prepare the Student Union and get it decked out in true holiday spirit and it's promised that everything will be set come dance time tonight.

The tickets have been on sale all week, and if you haven't gotten yours yet—get it now! You'll need it to get in. Don Barbour will have them, or if you can't locate him, one of the following can tell you where to go in a hurry: Don Knox, Jim Elliot, Vic Maria, Robert Young and Oliver Jackson.

So grab your partner and let's go!

Camera Club Elects Norton, Cates, Dickey

The Camera Club held a meeting Tuesday night and elected the remainder of its officials and made appointments to the various committees which it had been decided were necessary for the success of the organization.

Elected president was Vance Norton, 80 Deyo Hall. Other officers chosen were Richard Oates, 15 Dawson Hall, vice president, and Kenneth Dickey, 25 Dawson Hall, secretary.

Among the various committees drawn up was one for the drafting of club by-laws. It was decided that this group would consist of the president, Vance Norton, and Richard Sedgely, Kenneth Dickey and Charles Gifford. Their constitution will have been prepared by the next meeting.

It was decided that the publicity committee and the photo salon and contest committee should consist of the same persons, Roy W. Nickerson, Vance Norton and Richard Sedgely.

Elected to the maintenance committee were Charles Kendall, John M. Longley, Gene Gammon and headed by Vice President Oates.

Placed in charge of field trip planning were President Norton, Gene Gammon and Robert Barter.

The executive committee, to act upon matters of importance when the entire club could not be assembled in time, were chosen to include the four officers, Fred Oleson, faculty advisor, Robert Boothby, (Continued on page two)

State Of The Union To Be Presented Wednesday Eve

Maine Masque Production Stars Townsend, Genest, Phocas in Political Roles

The long awaited presentation of STATE OF THE UNION comes off Wednesday evening at 8:30. It's free to students, faculty and guests, and without a doubt, you're in for an evening of entertainment such as you'll rarely find in a sub-professional production!

Starring in the Maine Masque presentation are Emile Genest as Jim Conover, Bob Townsend, as Grant Matthews, and George Phocas who plays the part of Spike McManus.

Emile Genest, who is playing Jim Conover, the smooth party-politician of the play, says that "It is a good thing for all of us that there aren't more Conovers in real life." Perhaps Emile is right about this, but regardless of his feelings in the matter, his portrayal of Conover will gather for him plenty of the honors if this reporter is any judge. Emile comes from Waterville, Maine, and, as he put it, played supporting roles in the high school productions there of "June Mad" and "Janie". He is majoring in journalism but if he could eventually tie in with the theatre in this same field, he would, he says, be very happy. When asked about "State of the Union" as a play, he was very definite. "It will give anybody who sees it a much more real picture of America and what it's like. No one can see this play without getting both emotional pleasure and a thought-provoking stimulus."

When interviewed early this week while in the throes of rehearsal, Bob Townsend had this to say of the play itself. "It's a fine vehicle; one which shows more thought in planning than most Broadway productions. 'State of the Union' is not light and airy, but has a definite message."

Bob is from Chevy Chase, Maryland, is married and drives to and from Lambert Park in his cream colored convertible. Of his own role in the play, which happens to (Continued on page two)

Senate Appoints Executive Posts

By Robert Cormier

Election of Officers for the Student Senate was held Thursday evening. Erroll E. Murphy of Weller Hall was elected president. Chosen vice-president was Burton DeFrees of Dawson Hall and secretary-treasurer, Richard Singer of Weller Hall.

In case you haven't already heard who was elected to the Student Senate here are the names. George Paradis, Ray Trabold, Ken Murphy, and Russell Noyes are representing Building 25. Over in Building 20, Dick Barney, James DeLois, Clyde Card, and Bob Maroon were elected. From Building 17 Don Barbour, Dick Singer, Erroll Murphy, and Clint Fecteau were picked to represent their wings. Right next door, in Building 18, Jack Berman and Burt DeFrees were elected. The commuters elected Rolvin Riska and Albert Brown.

These men have been elected by you, the students; they are to represent you on the Senate. If anything comes up that you don't exactly agree to and you think that (Continued on page three)



GENE KRUPA

Gene Krupa At Bowdoin Next Week

Highlight of the gala festivities planned for the Christmas house parties is a formal dance with Gene Krupa and his orchestra at the Sargent Gymnasium at Bowdoin on Friday evening, Dec. 19.

Maine men are invited to attend. Price of admission is \$6.00 per couple.

Other activities next week at Bowdoin include the Masque and Gown presentation of Noel Coward's "Hay Fever", and Beta's will start the houseparty with a dance featuring the Maine Black Bears on Thursday.

Annex Dance Band Turns Professional

If you should happen to wander past the Student Union any Monday night, the chances are that you will hear the Maine "Cubs" having their weekly rehearsal. Maine's own dance band was started several months ago by one Robert Smith and now has a total membership of eleven.

The band will make its debut tomorrow night when it will play at a dance at Farmington State Teacher's College. Next Wednesday night it will play at the Bath Community Center. More engagements are being planned and he boys should be kept busy once they really get rolling.

They are operating under several difficulties at the present time. One of these, the lack of a large variety of music, will be taken care of in the very near future. The other problem, the lack of a piano player who lives on campus is quite serious. (Continued on page three)

Coffin's Talk Creates Sensation

Robert P. Tristram Coffin's talk Wednesday morning at the Student Union Bldg. was something we don't forget for a long time. Rarely will you find a speaker who can completely hold his audience or as can deliver what was actually a sermon in such a delightful way. Coffin read several of his ballads which he explained were written during the war when he felt it necessary for the poets to turn their attention from the big things of the world to the small things of the country that we so often take for granted.

Coffin said that there are so many things in America that one takes for granted, until he is away from home and sees how the rest of the world lives. Therefore, he wrote about the little things that make up America. Most of these products of his war writing can be found in his book "Primer for America". (Continued on page four)

Commuters Elect High Officials

By Don Povich

The Commuters Club met on Monday the 8th of Dec. with the purpose of electing a slate of officers. Action on this subject has been delayed until this time in order that the members might get to know one another better.

The following were elected: Pres. Paul Flaig; Vice Pres., Ralph Niles, Sec., Ralph Boss, and Treas., Ken Johnson. Two appointments were also made. They were chairman of recreation, Lionel Roy and chairman of the Off Campus Lounge, Don Povich. Two men from the committee in charge of the coming dance were on hand to sell tickets to those who wished to have them. Robert Brown and Rolvin Riska, Commuter representatives to the Student Senate, distributed Student Activity Cards at the meeting. The last chance for commuters to obtain these cards will be between the hours of 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. (Continued on page four)

The Case Of The Frustrated Student

By John L. Borodko

Monday morning bright and early I forth from the warmth of my socks (17) and started on what would be a hazardous journey as torture chamber across the expanse of snow. A path had been made leading to the house of my father but its width would accommodate just one man. The path was packed quite hard and the going was nice though somewhat treacherous. Everything was fine and I encountered a six-footer and came back from his hour on the path.

The first thought that entered my mind was, "Shall I stay on the path or shall I move?" I finally reached Building 30, and I felt the snow out of my shoes, and I was while muttering, "It's a good thing I didn't tell that big palooka that he would have known the extent of my wrath." Verbal that is. My hour of orientation con-

cerning the wonderful possibilities of the "Iron Maiden" and its various uses, I started for that warmth and cheer that is found only in Weller Hall. Before making that rash and impulsive mistake of trying to cope with a bulging bruise, I deliberately looked up the path. I was overcome with joy. There was not a soul. Happily I trudged for the room and each step took me farther from the horror and the nauseating odor of formalin and fetal pig. When I had crossed about half the length of the field I saw a little fellow coming toward me. Oh happy day! I would get my revenge. At long last the look of frustration would transform the features of another.

At last I made it back to sanctuary, to carefree studies, and to my beloved sack. But first I had to take the snow out of my shoes, out of my hair, and hang my clothes up to dry.

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THE EDITOR'S DESK . . .

As far as fish goes, this has been a quiet week. One of our staff members, however, didn't know about my article on Germany last week—he was about the only one I hadn't asked if he could write in opposition to it—and of course, he could! So he gets his chance this week.

Emile Geneste spent part of his army career in Germany, so he has a few first-hand reports to back up his arguments. As for me, I stand silent, to give him a chance, but firm in my already expressed opinions.

Several zoology students have asked me various questions about the process in which that noble study is carried out. One, why the long waits every morning until 8:00 o'clock to get in? These chilly, sleety mornings aren't exactly conducive to out door activities!

I asked Dr. Barden and he said: "I've inquired about it several times myself. It seems that the chemistry department has the only key to the chemistry lecture room, next to the zo lecture, and the janitor doesn't have one. He doesn't have one to the outside door to the zoology lecture room either, so the only way to get in is thru the chemistry room. I'll make arrangements to either get a key or have the doors unlocked earlier."

What brought most of the howls was Monday morning, in the sleet, when no one had a key and we had to find another lecture room. All worked out for the best, though, and Dr. Barden will seek the cause to its source and give it the formaldehyde a la fetal pig treatment.

Another question raised in relation to zoology was, why can't we have fewer and shorter tests rather than two or three long ones to test our knowledge over a long period with so many strange names, and locations for them, to know?

Says Dr. Barden, "we are following the rules as laid down by Orono as closely as we can here. The system used thus far is that of Orono. I am also of the opinion that quizzes are not feasible for a large group, such as we have here. If it were a smaller class, say of 20 or 30, it might be good to have short quizzes to keep students on their toes, but with such large groups as we have here, the quizzes could not meet their purpose."

And that, I guess, is as fair an answer as one would want.

There's really no place like Maine to go to college. I fully expect to see people snowshoeing and skiing to their classes by the next snow fall. And I hope something is done about those slanting cement walks into the Arts Building, 'cause I can't skate!

For further details of college winter hazards, see Johnny Borodko's story on the front page!

We've been pretty rough on the mess hall in the past. I'd like to say here that this week (and this was written before Friday) either I'm getting used to it or the meals have been superior!

State Of The Union

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be that of Grant Matthews the lead, Bob also said, "The role of Grant is an excellent one. I feel much as Grant Matthews does regarding the issues on labor and therefore enjoy playing the part very much indeed." Bob was in several productions at prep school, Gould Academy, Bethel, Maine, and though he is majoring at the University in the export-import business, he laughingly admits that he would like to try acting as a profession. From what we saw of Bob's acting in rehearsal, he might do worse.

When anyone yelled "Spike" at rehearsal, I soon learned that they meant George Phocas. And as Spike MacMannus, Washington news correspondent for a New York paper, George is easy both to watch and to listen to. Contrary to the usual conception of big-time newspaper men, Spike has, as he says during the play "A very wide streak of decency. And if I don't watch it it gets in my way." Of the play itself, George was brief, quick, and definite. "It is the best play ever produced. Period." George comes from Starks, Maine, and was more or less involved in dramatic productions in high school.

When I left rehearsal, George, Bob, and Mr. Emile Hanson, the director, were involved in one of the discussions which I suspect take up much of the time at rehearsal. It went something like this:

Mr. Hanson: There must be some human characteristics in Conover."

Emile: "Oh, sure. Sure there are. But you don't find his kind in real life very often."

George: "Oh yes, you do. They are much too common in real life."

Bob: "Well, Grant is really very fond of Conover and Grant thinks pretty straight. He wouldn't like Conover if Conover were all villain."

Mr. Hanson: "The thing I'm asking you to do is decide for yourselves. Know your characters; you can never know them too well. Remember, always, that the audience reads your mind. And if you don't believe me, see a play and, with this in mind, find out for yourselves."

Camera Club Elects

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Walter Thompson and Donald MacKinnon.

When the business of the meeting had been completed, Vance Norton gave a talk on photographic composition. He based his talk on personal experience and rules learned at photography school. He used some original photos as illustrations.

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FACULTY FACTS

By Dave Powers

Albert Barden, Jr., received his early grammar and high school training in Rhode Island's City of God, Providence. He graduated from Classical High School in 1928 and went immediately to Brown University to major in Biology. Although graduating from Brown in '32, he remained there until 1935 in order that he might receive his B.S. in Biology. Upon acquiring his degree he next worked in the C.C.C. as forester until early in 1936. His prime duties with this organization were the prevention and control of tree diseases, but he also helped plan and construct roads for forest fire control.

In the fall of 1936 he went to Northwestern University via a fellowship to obtain his Ph.D. degree. He studied and taught there for five years until 1941 at which time he went to the Pennsylvania Women's College Hospital. After a short time there, Dr. Barden received a position with the United States Immigration Service. His capacity there was chiefly as an inspector of incoming foreign ships' crews. His auxiliary duties consisted of issuing passports and the registering of aliens.

In October of 1942 he went into the Army as a private and was stationed at Fort Jackson, North Carolina. There he worked up to a personnel sergeant and was primarily concerned with processing veterans of European service.

Upon discharge from the Army in December of 1945, he once more returned to the Immigration Service for a short time. He then discovered the way of fame and fortune and came to the Brunswick Annex in the fall of 1946.

LIBRARY NOTES

Some timely sports books in Library or on order:

- Basketball—796.32**
 Allen: Winning Basketball.
 Bunn: Basketball Methods.
 Holman: Championship Basketball.
 Jordet & Haskagen Modern Basketball.
 Murphy: Basketball.
 Basketball Play Situations, 1948.
 Seal-o-San Coaches Basketball, 1948.
 Tobey: Basketball Officiating.
 Carlson: Basketball Illustrated.
Skiing—796.93
 Manual of Ski Mountaineering.
 Fawcus: Swing into Skiing.
 Lang: Downhill Skiing.
 Lineaweaver: Let's Ski.
 National Skiing Guide, 1947.
Hockey—796.96
 Jeremiah: Ice Hockey.
 Official Hockey Guide, 1947.
 Dutton: Hockey.

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CAMPUS CURRENTS

By Dave Macken

Well sir, it almost pleased me to see one fellow pushing his flivver on another day. I can sit back and say "I told you so." I just know somebody has got to get busy and establish that anti-freeze depot. Maybe Aroostook County didn't succeed in becoming a separate state, but it surely sent quite a detachment of favorite sons down this way to represent that vast territory. I guess we know where the hoop men come from though. One theme came back to one of our friends a short time ago with a rousing "E" planked on the inside. Underneath, in what I asked for the minute like a week of irony, were the words "We don't enjoy ourselves." I'm sure a student didn't enjoy the "E" dinner, but of course the professor referred to an error in construction. Perhaps a set-back or two, but it looks as though Coach Zabski will produce a smooth running court machine. The boys really rattled the mesh at a lively game for the first game with 70 points. One hundred and thirty-four points in an opener surely points to wide open basketball on part of both teams. A week in a day and we'll be home for some play: seven weeks and a day and we may be home to stay. No, to reconsider, I guess it isn't as pleasant as that. . . . Shades of Earl Harbor! It sounded as though the boys were re-enacting that awful day with whitened missiles on Sunday, the seventh. . . .

THOUGHTS WHILE SHOWING: Too bad that the fellow who made the speech the other day in class concerning Tucker wasn't an agent. He might have sold half a dozen of those models with all the new innovations. Finally got a peek at one of the professors edging into the ship's deck not long ago. That partially solves the problem of where they sit and keep themselves after class. . . . Intramural football, oops should say basketball, has its ups and downs alright. There may be some game for what the fellows play, but it's hard to call it basketball any case. It is difficult to glance around and see ten men on their feet the same time. Oh well, it is a way to get a little exercise. . . . It is peculiar that just when we're satisfied with your work on a test, a disastrously low mark comes back at you? . . . Did you ever wonder why they have you separate the silver when passing it after chow, and then dump it together themselves? . . . Join scouting club, buy a dance ticket. High pressure salesmanship has really been on for the past week.

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CAMPUS CUTIES



By Alvan Mersky

Povich can keep his bodies! When I see a face like the one pictured above I've got a good enough imagination to realize what goes with it—and believe me what I envision this time would make no advertisement for a deep freeze unit! This particular gorgeous visage belongs to Frances Castle of Methuen, Massachusetts, our "Campus Cutie" for this week.

While staggering from room to room on the second floor, East wing of Weller Hall with two million virus germs playing war in my throat (I was sipping from my personalized cough medicine of 1 part bourbon to 2 parts brandy, in every even-numbered room) I saw her—shining like a Christmas star

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from the desk of Kenneth Rogers in Room 75.

Here's the information about that which all you bedroom eyes are squinting at. Said Miss Castle is 5 feet 3 inches of (I'll give odds on) 105 well placed pounds. She's got the grey matter to back up a fast conversation too, being a graduate from Chamberlain's School of Merchandising in Boston and being presently employed as a script writer for station WLAW in Lawrence, Mass. Ken has been going steady with beautiful Frances for two years, which puts the swammy on all those fancy plans you guys are probably dreaming up.

Well, there is the story for this week—but I'm one step ahead of "Arts and Models" fans; I've got her telephone number. By the way, all you Dawson Hall lovers had better start dusting off your lithograph lovelies cause I'll be bothering you for the next four weeks.

Senate Appoints

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The Student Senate can make some agreement with the faculty board, then talk to your representative. In turn he will present it to the Senate and it will be discussed and voted upon.

The Student Senate was created so that the student body would have some means of representation among the "higher-up". It is a serious thing and should be thought of in the same way.

The men that you elected are in there to do a job, and it's likely to be a tough one. They are all capable, or should be, of carrying out this undertaking to the maximum limit. They will have to be on their toes all of the time; the men that elected them expect them to do a good job and to give everyone a fair break.

Annex Dance Band

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It is almost imperative that a piano player who can tell "C" from "F" be gotten by the band. At the present time a man from Bath is holding down that important position. It is also doubted if a trombone player will be turned away from the doors if one should turn up at rehearsal.

At the last rehearsal there was only one trombone player, Stan Christianson. They have Donald Hawus, William Goodrich, and Hubert Woodsum on the trumpets; Ed Cogan, Ozzie Ellis, Stan Ellsworth, and Carl Farnham—who runs the band but won't tell anybody—at the sax. There is also Bob Smith at the drums, Don Johnston at the bass, and Ray Vachon at the piano.

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WORLD EVENTS ROUNDTABLE

By Emile Genest

Had I but known what the topic of discussion was to be in this column last week, I would gladly have replaced one of the two similar views that appeared here with my own contrary opinion. Both Roy W. Nickerson and Erroll Murphy took a negative stand on this statement made by the ANNEX editor, (Nickerson): "We should not conserve food for our poor, starving 'ex'-enemies the Germans' at our own expense." I disagree with them. And as I set forth my reasons to substantiate my opinion, I should like also to criticize some of the various bits of reasoning they advanced.

"Well, if you think for one minute the Germans like us," wrote Nickerson, "you better go back and read your history books another time."

I think the Editor is absolutely right. Generally speaking, the Germans don't like us, and therein lies my major contention. Like the clever politician who passes out cigars, we must win the good will of the Germans before we can accomplish anything else of consequence. Please permit me to quote from an article which I wrote in Ludwigsburg, Germany, on July 4, 1946. (Of course I hadn't taken Freshman composition yet!)

"... if we had lost the war and the Germans were occupying the United States, unless they took strong measures against my family and friends, I would not submit to either partial or complete government by them. Rather, I would try to wreck their supply trains and destroy the buildings and land areas which they had confiscated. It would take strong measures or a great deal of logical argument to convince me that it was all for our own good and the good of the world.

"What difference does it make if they hate us or not? We hate them, too," some soldiers say.

"They are the type who, after several failures in an intricate and difficult task, throw their work to the ground and throw up their hands in despair... They haven't disciplined themselves to their weaknesses.

"The purpose of the occupation is the prevention of future wars, by demilitarization, denazification, and re-education. Although they may be more difficult to accomplish, demilitarization and denazification can be done without the cooperation and good will of the German people. But the most important phase of the occupation, that of re-education, cannot be done without their willing it. We must not merely remove the means of making war, we must also remove the inclination for waging it, and this task can be accomplished only thru complete re-education."

Now let me epitomize the main points of my major contentions. 1. Only through complete re-education can we prevent future wars with Germany. 2. We cannot educate them against their will. 3. We'll not obtain this good will by letting them remain a hungry and crippled nation.

My motive is not humanitarian. Although aid to Germany will bene-

fit us only indirectly, the benefits are certain and gigantic. The sooner we rebuild Germany, the sooner we abrogate the expenses of maintaining its people on a "bare subsistence level."

The restoration of German economic soundness is a necessary step toward establishing a sound world economy that is too closely related to the independence of nations.

And nations don't wage war because they are healthy, nor can they wage it with health alone. The means of making modern murderous war are big guns, tanks and planes. We are policing the country as we try to re-educate it, and we could easily prevent industrial conversion to the means of making war. Once we were certain that Germany wanted what we wanted them to have—a democracy of thinking, peace-loving people—we could withdraw police and education forces. Then it would be the task of the U. N. to see that industry would not convert to the production of war materials.

Insofar as I can see, Mr. Nickerson, you advanced no real and logical reasons for believing as you do. You did make a powerful appeal to one's emotions, however.

When shall we, as a people, realize that emotions displace reason. That democracy can only live in a mortal world when its peoples' emotions cannot be played upon? You say it wasn't the German leaders but the people. Ah yes, the people. Their leaders played upon their emotions with a masterly touch and even two years later they are slow to return to reason.

Approached through emotional channels, the solution to the problems of the world are simplified. Lined by reason, a complex task is revealed. Yet in my opinion, Mr. Nickerson, not until every last German and American has become willing to exchange his public emotions for a rational outlook, can we begin the actual work toward



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that better and peaceful world of which you speak.

(Editor's note: I promised to let this go through without any challenges in this issue. So be it. However, I hope to have prepared for next week a short, brief, digested and concise answer to Emile, who, through several possibly unintentional half-quotes, makes my thoughts a misinterpretation!)

The way to a man's heart is through his stomach, but who can afford to pay the check?

If all the turkeys in the world were laid end to end, that's the part we'd get.

A finished musician
Is Octavius Platt;
He got caught playing
In the wrong flat.

Auto buyers are put out over the lagging out put.

What's needed right now is a Columbus to discover a new world.

A wink is a whether signal.

The best proof of a mother's love is your photo taken at the age of twelve.

Love is the only fire against which there is not insurance.

We've won two world wars. Let's quit while we're ahead.

Commuters Elect

(Continued from page one)

on the 18th of Dec. in the Off Campus Lounge.

The Commuters Club has been a very active organization. It represents some 130 students at the Annex. It might be well to note what the figure represents. One out of every eight men here is a commuter. However, the attendance at the meetings has not been very large. The officers wish to urge all commuters to come to the meetings if it is at all possible. Meetings will be held on the first and third Mondays of the month.

The organization was formed by the commuters for the commuters and it is hoped that these men will take full advantages of the services offered them by the club.

Lasting peace hinges on trust and goodwill, and the hinges are rusty.

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Dr. Coffin's Talk

(Continued from page one)

Besides the war period, his writings cover the area for which I am most famous, Maine, the coast of the sea. As he read, if you can't such an expressionless word torp manner of presentation, his bale to us, he blended the serious with the humorous and came to a happy medium. His wit tickled the innermost portion of our funny bones.

Dr. Coffin is one of those American writers whose name whose books you can mention across the continent and it will be recognized. He was no stranger to most of you, who have read before either his books, poems or says.

Reviewed in last week's MAIN ANNEX was his latest book, "Yonkee Coast", which you should enjoy even more now that you have heard him talk about some of the things mentioned in it. "Lost Paradise", the story of his boyhood on a Maine saltwater farm is another which you will enjoy. "Portraits of an American", his father, has also been well received, and his collected poems, such as the already mentioned "Primer For America", another war edition, "Poems of a Son With Wings", you should also want to add to your library.

The latter, besides containing poems about his son who served in the air corps, has typical Coffin poetry about the Maine coast and is a good introduction to his poetical writings, and a good sample of his style.

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Maine Annex Trips Bates And Colby J. V.'s

Coach Zabilisky's Maine Annex combine, rolled to their second consecutive victory as they trounced Colby J. V., 66 to 26. Paced by the lanky Don Kelsey who jumped in eight points, the Annex kept to a 10 to 6 lead at the first official time out. Continuing a blisping pace the Bears alternate went took over where their teammates left off to pile up a commanding 26 to 14 lead at half time.

Continuing to out pass, out play, and out shoot the Colby Mules, the Annex again led by Kelsey loaded the hoop with 16 points. The Mules fought valiantly for seven points, but their cause seemed hopeless as they trailed 42 to 21 at the three quarter mark. Not to be denied, the Annex combine continued to pass an amazing total as the whole team caught fire. With everyone of his uncle hitting the mesh, the Annex went on a 24 point scoring spree while holding Colby to four points. The final whistle found the Annex running away from a hapless Colby team to the tune of 66 to 26.

Don Kelsey garnered the team's string with 21 points and played a beautiful floor game. Adams, who played a great game, was next scoring honors with 13 points. At, Mahaney, and Dentramont set up many a scoring play. Caswell led Colby with ten points. The Annex was fast, aggressive, and proved in their defense. Their passing attack needs a little more practice to iron out the flaws in what was otherwise a perfect game. Annex partisans certainly are justified in feeling that their team is heading for another great season under the skill of Coach Zabilisky.

MAINE ANNEX (66)

	fg	fs	tp
Dentramont, lf	1	0	2
Jewette	2	3	7
Clark	1	0	2
Folsom, rf	2	0	4
Goodie	2	0	4
Kelly, c	8	5	21
Morrell	1	0	2
Mahaney, lg	6	1	13
At, rg	2	0	4
Caswell	0	0	0
Total	28	10	66

COLBY (26)

	fg	fs	tp
Folsom, lf	1	0	2
Caswell, rf	4	2	10
Atkins, lg	0	1	1
Clinton, rf	0	2	2
Total	7	12	26

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Maine Spills Bates In Season's Opener

After spotting the Bates Bobcats a 14 point lead in the second half, the Maine Bears held Bates to one point while they collected 16 points to put Maine ahead. Maine had to fight all the way to down the favored Bates by a score of 62 to 59.

Maine opened the game with a snappy passing attack and rang up a 13 to 4 point lead in the first few minutes of play. Bates began to draw blood as they made their long shots count. Slowly at first, Bates began to overhaul Maine and tied the score 26 to 26. The Bears lost control of the rebounds, and their passing attack fell apart as they continued to throw the ball away carelessly. Bates with excellent shooting soared ahead to lead Maine 42 to 33 at the half.

At the beginning of the last half, Bates continued to roll as they built up a 14 point lead. However, the Bears began to set the pace and held Bates to one point while they tied the score and went ahead 55 to 52.

With three minutes to go Bates came back strong and went into the lead 59 to 58. From here on in it was all Maine. Buz Fenney, who played for the Annex last year, dropped in a long shot that whisked through the netting to give Maine a one point lead. Bates, trying desperately to score committed a foul and Maine took the ball out of bounds instead of trying for the foul shot. They skillfully froze the ball and kept it out of reach of the Bates players. Two more fouls were called, and again Maine took the ball out of bounds. With ten seconds left in the game, Fenney worked his way under the basket and dropped in the final clincher.

Gates was high scorer with 22 points while Boynton was greatly responsible in setting up the plays. Hopkins played brilliant ball by snagging most of the rebounds. Bailey was high scorer for Bates with 17 points.

The Maine Annex opened its 1947 basketball season last Saturday night at Lewiston, when they played a thrilling game against Bates Javees. The two teams battled on almost even terms, but the Annex finally outlasted the Bates squad to win by a score of 70 to 65.

In the beginning of the first period, the Annex held a slight lead over Bates. Mahany, Gott, and Kelsey were key men in setting up many plays while Dentramont and Folsom combined to run up a 12 to 6 lead. Slowly at first, the Bates team crept up on the Annex. The Bates J. V. then unleashed a fast breaking offensive and finally tied the score 15-15. The score changed hands several times during the rest of the half, but the Annex nosed in front by a score of 34 to 32.

Throughout the second half both teams fought on fairly even terms. The score continued to shift back and forth throughout the half. In closing minutes of play, Bates grabbed a 63 to 62 point lead. With three minutes left to play, the Annex poured on the coal and Kelsey and Folsom began to hit the hoop. Kelsey broke up several attempts of Bates to get the ball down the floor. Folsom dropped in the final clincher to give Maine a well earned victory.

Folsom was high scorer with 14 points followed closely by Kelsey with 13 points and Mahany with 11.

	fg	fs	tp
Dentramont, rf	3	5	11
Jewette	1	2	4
Clark	0	0	0
Adams	0	0	0
Folsom, lf	6	2	14
Goodie	2	0	4
Kelsey, c	5	3	13
Morrell	0	0	0
Mahaney, rg	5	1	11
Chase	0	0	0
Gott, lg	3	0	6
Small	1	4	7
Total	26	18	70

The following men were awarded numerals at the Fall Sports Banquet last week: Richard Green, Clyde Card, Clinton Fecteau, Philip Dube, Joseph Godin, Richard Butler, Richard Jordan, Lionel Roy, Frank Goodie, Leslie Leggett, Russell Noyes, Joseph Pruett, Maurice Nelson, Robert Butler, Herbert Noyes, Winfield Brown, George Besson, Richard Farney, Donald Kelsey, Ross Bickford, Donald Green, Donald Pert, Roy Webber, John Squires, Robert Franchetti, Harry Lent, Robert Morrell, Paul Flaig, Albert Bergeron, Norton Sawyer, Norman Cummings, Ralph Mahonry, George Brown, Alvin Mason, Edward LeGere, Hartwell Dowling, Mgr., football; Irving Smith, Robert Eastman, George Reed, Robert Branford, Roger Bailey, Hubert Hersey, Richard Pinkham, Robert Becker, Myron Hardy, Leslie Duran, Mgr., Cross Country.

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Sport Sidelights

After watching the Bates game in Lewiston it appears that the Annex has a crack basketball team. Folsom and Kelsey were high scorers with 14 and 13 points respectively. Mahoney, Gott, and Dentramont played top flight ball in their defensive game and setting up of many scoring plays. Small and Jewette did a grand job in their relief work. The Annex has a team to be greatly proud of. There is no one man on this team, but a group of hard working boys. The Annex tackles the Bowdoin J. V. this Saturday night at Bowdoin College. It is hoped that there will be a large following at this game to see the Annex and the varsity play. At Lewiston the majority at the game said that the Annex had the best team on the floor. We thought so too.

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The Annex Ski Club, "The Burns", recently elected officers. The men elected to office were Emil Winter, President; Lee Prince, Secretary; Paul Beandry, Treasurer, and Robert Comier, Manager. The ski team has a partially completed schedule which is as follows:

- Jan. 23-24, Holderness School at Plymouth, N. H.
- Jan. 30-31, University of Maine at Orono.
- Feb. 7, Hebron Academy at Hebron.
- Feb. 13-14, Dartmouth Winter Carnival at Hanover, N. H.
- Feb. 27-28, Bowdoin J. V. at Bridgton.

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We did all right in our predictions of last week. So again we will try to do the same this week. The Annex should be capable enough to down the Bowdoin J. V. Saturday night. So we like the Annex to grab their second win by a 74-56 score. We also choose the Maine Bears over Bowdoin in a close game 65 to 60. Finally we like Colby to down the Bates Bobcats 75 to 68.

Meet Mr. Curtis

By Barnaby MacAulain

This week the spotlight turns to Mr. Staton R. Curtis Instructor of Physical Education, Faculty Chairman of Recreation, and Varsity Fennis Coach. During the past football season, Mr. Curtis aided Coach Raymond by serving in the capacity of trainer to the football squad. As advisor to our recreational activities such as the Outing Wives Club, and the Ski Team, Mr. Curtis has come in close contact with many of our students.

He graduated from Portland High in 1938 where he was active in swimming and Tennis. After undergraduate work at Gorham State Teachers College where he was a member of the varsity basketball, baseball, and track teams, he joined the Physical Education Staff of the Portland Y. M. C. A. He then entered the U. S. Navy where he served for three and a half years as a member of Commander Gene Tunney's Physical Fitness and Recreational Program. Upon discharge from the Navy, he was engaged as coach of the baseball team at the Lincoln School in Barre, Vermont.

He entered Springfield College where he graduated Magna Cum Laude with a degree of Master of Education.

Mr. Curtis is extremely interested in the field of recreation and feels that the worthy use of leisure time should be an important and integral part of college life. He believes that recreation must be centered in people rather than in activities, and recreational activities must spring from the interests and needs of the people who will participate in them.

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DAY DREAMS . . .

By Sid Folsom

As far as I can see, I'm a victim of circumstances. I really didn't mean to lose it, and after I got her letter, I—but, wait; I'd better start at the beginning, so you'll see what I mean. As I staggered into my room one day, still groggy from a physics lecture, I found a letter on my desk. Surprisingly enough, it was addressed to me. Eureka! The millenium must have arrived! Here was a letter all for me! I dropped everything on the floor, and went after the envelope. While I was opening it, thoughts flashed through my mind of all the guys in the other rooms who acted so smug when they got mail, and I didn't. Wouldn't I make them eat humble pie now that I had actually received a letter. No longer would I follow the proctor with my tongue hanging out when he delivered the mail. No longer would I need content myself with Encyclopaedia Britannica while everybody else was getting letters morning, noon, and night. No longer would I find myself cheered and comforted by nothing more than a printed circular informing me that I, too, could own a set of books in seventy-five years for a dollar down and a dollar a day.

Up to that time, the closest I had come to getting a real, honest-to-goodness letter, addressed to me, was the time I was sitting in somebody else's room reading the morning paper, when the proctor threw a stack of mail in my lap. At last, I thought, I had received one of those lovely little sweetscented epistles! But no, fate had other things in store for me. Alas, as I looked through the stack of letters, I found two or three for each guy in that room, but none for poor little me. Fate was cruel to me that day.

But by this time, all these thoughts having run through my mind, I had finally scratched and clawed away the envelope until the letter itself was in my trembling hands. I unfolded it shakily, and read the first enchanting words, Dec. 4 . . . Oh, no, that couldn't be it! Ah, there it was Dear Sid—I paused a moment over this, reflecting whether she really meant what those words implied. Sure of course she did. How could she help it?

I studied the various parts of the letter: It had been a long time since she had written (didn't I know it!); and she hoped I would not be sore at her (who, me?) Couldn't I just forgive her this once and write to her, and come to see her the next time I was in town? (Honey, if you only knew!). The rest of the reading was sheer pleasure. It was wonderful just to hear from her, to hear about her, to hear what she was doing, and how everything was. And the way she finished the letter—Love . . . and the way she signed her name. It wasn't like the ending on so many of the letters that are written. You could just look at those two words, and see that they conveyed more than any mere letter could ever tell. Ah, bliss. For what seemed

like centuries, I was floating on air, with my head in the clouds. I sat there at my desk, just gazing at the message of love, and inhaling the faint scent of her perfume. My room-mates came and went, chow-time came and went, class-time came and went, and still I sat there, my mind far, far away. Before long, I was dreaming of things to write in reply. In a short time I had a loving answer ready to

mail. As I turned to address the envelope, visions of her loveliness, and of her shining eyes as she would open my letter danced before me. I looked for her envelope to find the return address. Where was it. What had I done with it? When I remembered—I had torn it to shreds while opening it to get at its vital contents. There it was, in microscopic bits, strewn about the floor. Her address was lost. What

could I do? I was a broken man. How could I ever face her again? I could never answer her, left behind had been wonderful while it lasted, but now . . . disaster. You can't win.

The "Miss America" contest must be abandoned. It took the judges five days to find a place to pin medals.

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