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CAMPUS COMMENT

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STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE AT BRIDGEWATER, MASSACHUSETTS

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Color Features Newly Decorated Auditorium

Color is synonymous with spring and this color is usually confined to natural vegetation, but this particular season, color will be the feature of the newly re-decorated auditorium. For the first time since it was built back in the mid-twenties, the Horace Mann Auditorium is being completely redecorated. Unfortunately some of the entomological creatures, more familiarly known as termites, found the wooden panelling of the auditorium excellent nourishment. They were forced to evacuate by a timely but unsympathetic fumigation, but not before they had succeeded in consuming several sections of the panelling which is now being replaced by the college carpenter.

New Stage Equipment

Work is also under way on the stage where 400 dollars worth of much needed equipment is being installed at the expense of the Dramatic Club. When the project is completed, the walls of the stage will be hidden by a cyclorama which will be so designed that its upper portion can be drawn back when the organ is in use.

The auditorium itself will be completely repainted from foyer to proscenium arch. The redecorating committee, consisting of Dr. Maxwell, Miss Crowley, and Miss Reinhardt have decided that it is high time that the perennial gloom, resulting from the combination of drab browns to which we have been accustomed, be replaced by some brighter colors.

Attractive Color Scheme

The upper walls will be done in a pale chartreuse which will contrast with the new cream woodwork. Even the ceiling will be tinted with a delicate shell pink. The proscenium arch will glow with grayed shades of green and rose accented by gilt edges and cartouches.

Outstanding, however, will be the new stage curtain and window draperies. A cloth of velour, in a shade which could be called deep red, Burgundy, or claret, has been chosen. The new window drapes will allow more light as they will be the type that will allow for the elimination of the present window shades. They will be on transverse rods which enable them to be opened and closed when desired.

The murals, which have grown perceptibly darker with the years accumulation of grime, will also be cleaned as will the entire hall before the painting even begins as scheduled on March 24th.

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ELECTION SPECIAL

S.C.A. elections are here again. All the students are expected to vote both in the primaries, on March 31, and in the finals, on April 7. So that the voters may decide for whom to vote, the staff is presenting a list of the duties of each officer and a list of the qualifications of each candidate.

The duties of the officers are:

The President will have to enforce the constitution, preside at meetings, appoint committees and extend hospitality to visitors to the school.

The first Vice-President takes over for the President in case of absence, or when the President is in training. He or she also acts as chairman of the Social Activities Committee.

The Second Vice-President takes over for the first V.P. when the first V.P. is absent or in training.

The Secretary keeps records, attends to correspondence and checks student participation in extra-curricular activities.

The Treasurer accounts for the money.

The Assistant-Treasurer executes the duties of the Treasurer in case of absence or abscension.

In the past, student participation has been about one hundred percent in the

S.C.A. elections, due to the fact that you had to vote. Now that we are operating under come-when-you-feel-like-it-program, in chapel it's up to the candidates to persuade the voting population of Bridgewater Teachers College to show up for the primaries. They have listed enough qualifications to give the student body a well rounded picture of their abilities.

In the manner of the nation's newspapers at the time of the recent election, we're urging you to vote — 'We don't care how you vote, but vote!'

On second thought, we do care how you vote. We don't care who you vote for, but we want you to acquaint yourself with each of the candidates and use your heads when you get into the assembly hall. Eliminate snap judgments or personality clashes, get the most for your money. Unlike the nation's newspapers, we can't dig back into the past of each or any candidate and come up with a scandal or two to liven up the issue. Not that we'd sell more papers, we can't supply the demand now. Personally I doubt very much if we could find the slightest trace of a scandal — even if we did we

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History Of Art Group Visits Boston Museums

The Junior Art Class, accompanied by Miss Mary Crowley, visited the Museum of Fine Arts and the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston on Tuesday, March 10.

At the Fine Arts Museum, the group studied the paintings of the early Italian Primitives and compared them with later Italian Renaissance Art. Of equal interest were the frescoes on the walls of a small chapel transported from Catalonia, Spain. The group also viewed paintings by the Dutch Masters, the French Impressionists, and the Flemish and Italian Schools.

In the afternoon, the group visited the Gardner Museum on the Fenway. In an atmosphere of informality and breath-taking beauty, perfect setting for such fabulous treasures, Miss Crowley conducted the group through rooms containing the masterpieces of Sargent, Raphael, Van Dyke, Durer, Rembrandt, Rubens, Titian, Tintoretto, Botticelli, Vermeer, Giotto, and Della Robbia. The Museum, a Venetian palace, partially brought from Italy, also contains tapestries, mosaics, statuary, and furni-

ture. The courtyard of the palace was filled with flowers. Of special interest to the group were the mosaic in the center of the courtyard which belonged to Nero's mother; the priceless Cellini chalice and Cellini bust; and Titian's "Rape of Europa," the most valuable painting in the United States, valued at over a million dollars.

Gay, Gay, Paree . . .

"Gay, Gay Paree," the original musical comedy sponsored by the Sportive Gentry Association, is rapidly approaching a "first nighter" — come May 1 and 2.

The production is being directed by Robert Forest, the author of the script and lyricist of fourteen original songs composed by the most capable and talented Muriel Balthazar.

The dances are being staged by Larry Ware, Dick Menice and Leo Mulready — all of whom have been responsible for the excellent choreography displayed in our two previous shows.

As assistant director Arnie Almquist is responsible for the numerous committees—the backbone of a successful show

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BTC Student Conducts Life Saving Course

About the middle of January, a few of the men students got together and asked Guido Risi, a junior at B.T.C., if he would teach them life saving. Guido, who is an authorized Red Cross Life Saving Instructor, was happy to comply; so a sign-up sheet was posted for interested men. A rapid response was made and arrangements were made with the Brockton Y.M.C.A. to obtain the use of the pool on Wednesday afternoons at 3:30.

Since February 18, the group has been going to the Y-pool once a week. There Guido instructs them in life saving techniques as prescribed by the Red Cross Senior Life Saving Course. The men will complete the course this spring and will receive a life saving certificate valid for three years and provided by the Red Cross.

Instructor Is Well-Equipped

Guido, who is teaching the course, is well equipped to do so because he has taken two courses at the Red Cross National Aquatic School at South Hanson, Mass. There he obtained the Red Cross instructor's certificate in first aid, swimming, life saving, and small craft.

When asked how the class was progressing, Guido replied that he was very much satisfied with their accomplishments so far. "The general attitude and cooperation of the group," he said, "is excellent. The boys are taking the course quite seriously and are very eager to learn. This is a tremendous help to me and makes it much easier and more pleasurable to teach."

Guido furnished us with a list of names of the men in his group. The members, incidentally, represent all four classes at B.T.C., namely the freshmen, (continued on page 7)

WRA-MAA Square Dance Is Again Successful

"Swing your partner, do-se-do, alle-mande-left-and-right," and other equally esoteric phrases to the uninitiated echoed in the Boyden Gymnasium on Friday the thirteenth of this month, proving conclusively that a Friday the 13th need not be unlucky. For Bridgewater saw another successful square dance sponsored jointly by W.R.A. and M.A.A.

It wasn't long before everyone in the gym, freshman through faculty, had formed squares and was weaving his way through seemingly intricate patterns to (continued on page 3)

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It's Up To You

Up until 1952 participation in primary elections at Bridgewater was negligible. Students would march into chapel, be handed a ballot, and told to vote for two candidates for each office. Even with compulsory attendance, only one-half of the eligible voters in the school voted.

Last year, with the most spirited and most unusual campaigning ever witnessed at Bridgewater, fewer than 400 students voted in the primaries out of a possible 566. As a result of this lack of interest, the voting in the finals was held in the rotunda with the polls open all day.

The final vote was held during the fourth quarter when there were no seniors training. With the polls open in the rotunda all day, 50 people didn't bother to vote. Every one of the students enrolled in the college had to pass by the polls at some time during the day. However, it was too much trouble to take time to vote for the S.C.A. officers—the most important officers in the school. Yet these same people are the first to complain about the lack of school spirit. They are certainly blessed with an overabundance of it.

This year promises to have more very interesting and spirited campaigning. The candidates once again are showing their determination to be elected to these important offices. Now, it is up to you, the voters, to respect their enthusiasm by voting both in the primaries and in the finals.

These officers are going to run your student government. Make sure that you vote for the ones which you feel will administer it most wisely and efficiently. Don't vote for personalities, vote for ability, but most important of all—VOTE.

B.T.C. Student Offers Constructive Criticism

In your 27 February 1953 issue of Campus Comment you ask for constructive criticism. I am certain that of the number of remarks that you receive several will fall into the destructive class. Others could be assumed as the work of honest thinkers. I hope that the following items that I'm offering will be considered as constructive, if not creative.

The items that I wish to discuss are outlined mainly by you in your article.

First, may I discuss your readers' intelligence? I would like to start here because I believe that a paper is only as good as its readers. You have only to look to them for the intelligence needs of your paper.

The student body of Bridgewater includes men and women, athletes and artists, sober and lighthearted, English and Math-Science majors. (It does have one common denominator, Education.) The background influence of the students are also different. Therefore your paper should appeal to all of these groups at one time or another during the year. It should not impose a mid-west Junior College standard on an eastern Teacher's College. This weakens the appeal and stimulates lack of interest.

Second, may I discuss the types of material presented?

I have taken your suggestion and have read the facsimile of Vol. I. In it is stated that one purpose for Campus Comment is "to stimulate writing for Normal Offering." This statement infers some interesting conclusions:

1. The Normal Offering was of a high standard of literary merit,
2. The Normal Offering fulfilled a creative function,
3. The Normal Offering was even then on the decline, And
4. The Normal Offering (later) failed because of the lack of "literary minded people."

It can be assumed from experience that it failed, not because of a lack of creative people but because the 1888 standard imposed by the attitude of the leaders of the college tended to discourage if not stifle contemporary expressions.

Our thirty-six year old Campus Comment did supplant the Normal Offering and failed to stimulate or fulfill the functions served by the former paper in respect to literary contributions.

Another purpose of your paper was to "give news of current happenings in the school which, by the time Normal Offering is published, have lost their interest." Thus we assume that the news is interesting and current. To be interesting it must be presented interestingly and not just to fill space. For instance: Name dropping is interesting and fulfills the function of crediting worthy achievements, but an excess is discouraging to readers of such pages as the sports section and club activities (to mention only two).

Also from the above statement can be concluded that one aim is to provide current news. One wonders how a paper published once in one to two months can do justice to current and not-so-current news.

In the above I have attempted to touch on a few items that your staff should have in mind while publishing. I have pointed out that the background of your reader is varied and must be satisfied and stimulated to interest. I have said that an outmoded standard (no matter how idealistic or ethically correct) tends to discourage the current stimulating creativity that is being denied to us by that standard. I have also said that current functions of the paper are not interesting nor newsworthy. It is for these reasons that I would like to offer the following suggestions.

1. A weekly newspaper of the same size, printed on a cheaper grade of paper — (newsprint?)
2. This paper should contain:
 - a. School news — similar to the present set-up.
 - b. Articles of interest to the students on Education and the Humanities.
 - c. Short stories, satires, and poetry that are appealing to intelligent readers.
 - d. A gossip column containing jokes and other useless information.
 - e. Guest editorials from other college papers (not necessarily Teacher's Colleges).
 - f. More pictures and cartoons.
 - g. A sophisticated philosopher's corner — wherein the ideas of the day could be discussed with intelligence and immunity by both faculty and student.

As impossible as all this seems I believe that it and more can be accomplished by the Campus Comment. Bridgewater has always been a pioneer, we are told. In 1846 it was a radical institution. In 1956 what will it be? The evidence seems to point to mediocrity.

Sincerely for a better Bridgewater and Campus Comment,

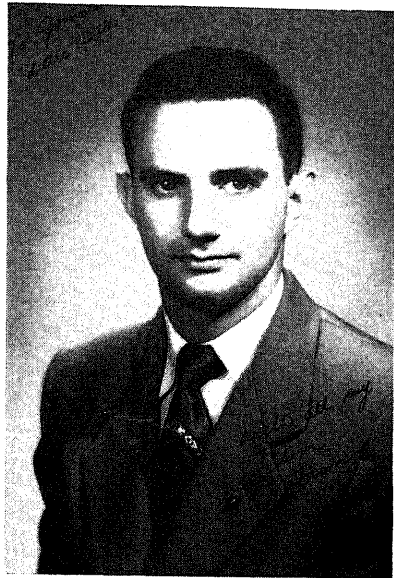
WILLIAM J. FLYNN

EDITOR'S NOTE

We appreciate the time that Mr. Flynn spent in writing this letter¹. We intend to follow up his suggestions and do something about it. We would like to point out that the "Normal Offering" did not fail. It is now continued as "Alpha."

¹ We wish more of you had done the same.

Spotlight On Francis Curran



Meet the editor. This month, situations are reversed and we are spotlighting the editor-in-chief of Campus Comment, Francis Curran. Fran graduated from Hyde Park High School in 1949, after which he came to Bridgewater. During his four years, Fran has been on the soccer team, basketball and baseball teams and has been a member of the Audio-Visual Aids Club in addition to reporting for Campus Comment and serving as Business Manager last year. He has also participated with the Sportive Gentry and will appear in "Gay, Gay Parce" this spring.

During his spare time, when he has any, Fran enjoys music, especially instrumentals and Dixieland, and also plays the accordion.

His plans for the future aren't certain at present although he may join the Air Force in September. Fran would like to obtain his Master's degree in Education sometime and also get a Master of Arts.

Often called a radical, because as Fran says, "I never let anything rest," he hopes that someday "there will be more school spirit in all functions participated in by the faculty and students." A men's dormitory and a compulsory mathematics course in the freshman year are also on Fran's list of ideas he hopes will someday be realities.

Many of his fellow students have noted his aggressiveness and determination both in athletics and in the classroom, and are sure that if he carries these traits over into later life he cannot possibly fail to do the same excellent job that he has done as our editor. Good luck, Fran.

COLOR FEATURES—

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The new foyer has also been designed with the idea of pleasing the eye. There the walls will be in two tones of deep rose, set off by chartreuse door recesses and cream woodwork.

Work should be completed sometime in May. The new auditorium is something to which we may all look forward.

B.T.C. Student Wins Time Award

Edwin Texeira is the winner of the Current Affairs Contest sponsored throughout the nation by TIME, The Weekly Newsmagazine. The test which covered the news events of the last four months of 1952 was conducted by Miss Olive Lovett in Freshman D. TIME is awarding each winner a book of his own choice.

This is the 17th year that TIME has sponsored its Current Affairs Contest in schools. So that the test is fair to all news-readers of varying ages, it is based on general news topics and not necessarily TIME itself. A similar test for TIME-readers appeared in the magazine in the issue of February 23rd. This year the test was used by over a thousand teachers and 977 of these teachers entered their classes in the Contest itself. As awards, TIME offered each winning student his choice from seven books which included an atlas, a dictionary and LIFE's "Picture History of Western Man." According to the latest returns, "Western Man" was chosen by almost twice as many students as any other book. Mr. Texeira chose Toynbee's "History of Civilization."

WRA-MAA SQUARE DANCE—

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the accompaniment of rollicking folk music, provided by the caller. It was impossible to distinguish the devotees from the novices by the end of the evening, which to the happy company, seemed hardly begun. Eleven-thirty found most people completely exhausted but thoroughly satisfied.

Decorations were in a suitable bucolic mood designed to give the gym something of the barn-yard flavor with farm implements borrowed from the state farm scattered here and there. On the walls were clever silhouettes of familiar barn-yard animals which provided souvenirs at the conclusion of the dance.

Denise Goslin provided a delicious punch, non-alcoholic of course, which was nectar to the parched throats of the thirsty dancers.

Credit for this successful event and many thanks for a wonderful evening goes to the committee of Judy Lancaster, Nancy Fears, Charles Barber, and Richard Binney, and all the others who contributed their time and talents. Let's have more square dances!

GAY, GAY PAREE—

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—which have recently been formed.

The show headlines a host of stars, all favorites of the B.T.C. stage. Fran Bennett, Reese LeVasseur and "Daddy" Fletcher portray three Frenchmen, whose conflicts with Harriet Rowe, Mathra Moquin, and Bunny Misner, three Americans, provide amusing entertainment. So reserve the evening of May 1 or 2 for B.T.C.'s annual musical comedy.

Heard Around

(ACP News Feature Service)

What? So Late?

Closing Hours for women's houses at Kansas State College have been extended a half-hour to 10:30 p.m. on week nights. The ruling was made despite strong opposition from frosh coeds. The freshmen feared a time extension might hurt scholarship, result in less sleep. Upperclassmen had no such doubts — they voted for extension.

Do Teachers Have Any Learning? . . .

Teachers' Colleges—sometimes called education's stepchildren — are again under fire, according to the New York Times. Students preparing to be teachers, says the Times, did worse on the draft deferment test than any other group. More than 400,000 students have taken this test.

Students in engineering, the physical sciences, and mathematics were in top positions. Business and agriculture were just above education, at the bottom of the list.

On the verbal part of the test, where education students would be expected to shine, the engineers were still first, the teachers still last.

Comments the Times, "The educational world has reason to be greatly disturbed at the conclusion contained in the report. No matter how one looks at the data, the performance of the education group is conspicuously poor."

"The conclusion is inescapable that a large number of low-ability students are preparing to enter the teaching field."

Slipped Her Mind . . .

A coed at Drake University, Iowa, rushed into Spanish class a few minutes late, threw her coat off and started to sit down. Students began to chuckle. The coed looked down horrified, then quickly threw her coat around her again and ran out. She'd forgotten to wear a skirt.

Stop The Music . . .

Listeners of the University of Oregon radio station KVAK found a music program rather monotonous the other day. Station staff members were accidentally locked out of the control room while a turntable went round and round playing the same record.

By Way Of Explanation, A Court Martial . . .

An ROTC cadet at Emory University, Ga., is charged with "slugging" a superior cadet officer. He faces Court martial, but it's all in fun.

The incident was staged by an assistant professor of air science who wanted to illustrate military law to the cadets. Witnesses to the slugfest were not in on the secret.

Question From Kansas . .

What do I as a college student know about Russia, its government and people? What class is offered that will teach me about these things? My professors would rather not discuss the subject either in class or in private, and with good reasons, too.

Look at the number of teachers who have been labeled Communist sympathizers and lost their jobs. American college students are having a vital part of their education purposefully ignored.

Let's take a backward glance at Brotherhood Week, and see some recent happenings that affect us.

For A Bias Clause, Serious Consideration . .

The Williams College, Mass. chapter of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity has been suspended by its national council for pledging a Jewish student last October.

A clause in the national constitution — "The Bond of Phi Delta Theta" — limits membership to "men of white and full Aryan blood." Last week 57 members of the chapter unanimously reaffirmed the decision to admit the Jewish student. Said the chapter president, "We have seriously considered the moral implications of the clause and feel strongly that the discriminatory clause is incompatible with the principles of friendship and ethics as espoused in the bond of Phi Delta Theta."

The fraternity's next national convention is in August, 1954, at which time three-fourths of the delegates must uphold the suspension ruling in order to make it stick. Meanwhile, Phi Delta Theta at Williams College is unaffiliated.

Incident at LSU . . .

A negro couple, both graduate students at Louisiana State University, have had their windows shattered in a recent rock-throwing incident. The couple lives in a campus housing area called "the Hutments."

A University spokesman calls the incidents "unfortunate and inexcusable." He adds that "it was a tribute to the other 6000 students that only one person saw fit to do such a thing." This is the first time a negro couple has lived in the Hutments.

Who's Who On Campus Comment

I would like to thank all those who had anything at all to do with this issue of "Campus Comment." I would especially like to thank Peggy Rattray, our head typist, who changed her plans about taking a 10:15 to type half of this paper; Ann Trask, who typed the other half, proof-read, and wrote articles; Don Wormwood, who wrote four articles; and Fran Curran, our editor, who wrote, proof-read, advised, and gave me invaluable assistance in getting out this issue.

JOSEPH PAULEY



Guido Risi

What does student government mean to you? Have you given it serious thought or contemplated taking part?

Be student government what it may, it is still a personal honor to the student elected and a splendid opportunity in leadership where the individual has the privilege to exercise the right of formulating the student laws.

Remember, this is our college, a college given to us by the members of the commonwealth so that we in turn may become servants to its many communities and though we may lack the glamour of larger institutions, we the students make it what it is. Therefore, give the right people the right to govern us.

Remember, S.C.A. elections are in no way a popularity contest. Be true to yourself and to the worthy candidates on whom you may decide.

GUIDO RISI FOR PRESIDENT.

Edward Pietnik

Edward Pietnik is a candidate for President of S.C.A. His efficiency as a leader can be shown through the various organizations he has headed here at Bridgewater. As the competent President of Dramatic Club and the faithful Vice-President of Alpha Psi Omega this year, he has proven himself to be well prepared to handle such a responsible position.

Eddie is well-known in his home town for his intent service to the Whitney Players, an active theatre group of Taunton. Edward Pietnik's leadership background definitely qualifies him for the President of Student Council.

ROBERT FOREST

Jeanne Di Paoli

Through the years student government has gained its influence and there has been a great gain in cooperation between the faculty and student body. The leaders in the past have been both men and women who have had the utmost in qualifications. The influence of their fine character has helped to propel S.C.A. to greater and greater success.

MEET YOUR CANDIDATES

A new year is coming—a new slate of officers must be voted upon—and these officers must possess the qualities of leadership, foresight, and most of all interest.

I believe I have the necessary qualifications to lead Bridgewater's student government to a bigger and better year. I was elected by my division to represent them in S.C.A. this year, and I enjoyed and fulfilled this responsibility to the very best of my ability. I was also elected by S.C.A. to serve on a committee whose purpose was the discussion and planning of a judiciary board to work with President Maxwell.

I feel that next year could bring this board into being; could bring a greater participation by members of the student body in governing; and could bring more student-faculty social activities. I would appreciate your support in helping me to achieve these ends.

It is my sincere hope that a healthy competition will ensue and that the student body will give its utmost support to the victor.



Mary McGlynn

Mary McGlynn, candidate for the office of Second Vice-President is a Junior Kindergarten-Primary Major from Weymouth and Tillinghast. A transfer student, she came to B.T.C. from St. Joseph College, Maryland, where she was active in Glee Club and other Campus Organizations. Since her arrival at B.T.C. she has been active in the W.R.A. sponsored athletic programs, the Newman Club and has served on activities committees for the Junior Class. Despite the fact that she is comparatively unknown to many of the underclassmen, her abilities as both leader and worker are well known to the members of the Junior Class. With these few lines we recommend her for your careful consideration in the coming elections.

BILL HUGHES

ELECTION SPECIAL—

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couldn't print it. All our fellow students seeking election are of the highest moral and ethical fibre, as are all the students here. So, we can't lure you in by sensationalism, and we can't force you in by police action. That leaves it



Madlyn Ann Crawford

The office of 2nd Vice-President of the S.C.A., the largest organization in the college, is a very important one. It is an office that entails much responsibility and hard work. It is up to you to vote the person into office that you honestly think is the best candidate.

I sincerely believe that I have the qualifications and capabilities to fulfill that office. Active participation is an important factor for consideration. Do you want an active participant who will offer suggestions and criticisms, or do you want a passive candidate who is afraid to defend his own views? I have actively participated in clubs and other activities since my freshman year. Such activities would include Red Cross Club, A Capella Choir, French Club, and Glee Club, as well as participation in at least five sports per year.

It is not my intention to make a lot of empty campaign promises of free beer, pizza and unlimited 10:15's, but if elected I pledge my active support to the office and promise faithfully to fulfill any and all obligations connected with it.

Marie Delahanty

As a candidate for the office of Second Vice-President of S.C.A. for the coming year, I realize that if this organization is to continue to function most effectively, each of its leaders must work diligently toward the fulfillment of the wants and needs of the students which it represents.

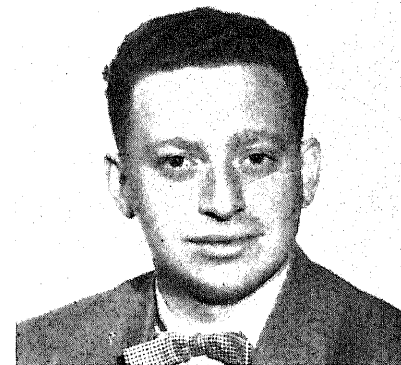
I sincerely believe that we cannot stand still, for to do so is to slide backward. Therefore, we must steadily move forward if we want to produce the kind of teacher that continues to reflect credit on B.T.C.

Since coming to Bridgewater, I have participated in various activities, namely, Newman Club Board, Newman Club secretary, Chairman of Publicity for

up to us to appeal to your nobler motives — democratic action, etc. — get in there and vote! If you're looking for information on your candidates look them up in this issue. Every one of them is a hard worker, as you can see by walking down any corridor with your eyes open.

W.R.A. Conference, Upper Elementary Club, Red Cross Club, and various club and class committees.

I am willing to contribute the utmost of time and effort in order to uphold the high standards that S.C.A. has built up and to help make this vital organization an even better one.



Murray Kalsberg

Most of the student body has seen Murray Kalsberg, a candidate for second vice-president of S.C.A., participating in one activity or another. He has been assistant manager or manager of soccer, basketball and baseball besides serving as assistant intra-mural director. He has been in Young Howard for the past two years and is in "Gay, Gay Parce" this year. He is a member of Menorah club, the Audio-Visual club and is active in Men's club and M.A.A. He served as ticket chairman for the sophomore weekend and is assistant ticket chairman for the Junior Prom. He has also assisted the Dramatic Club and Modern Dance in several enterprises.

It is evident from this report that he has the spirit and qualifications for fulfilling the duties of second vice-president of S.C.A.

BOB RYAN

Ed Keller

"Fight team fight!" echoed across lower campus this fall, not "fight, Zoi-no," or "fight, Christie," or "fight, Souza," but "fight, team!" Three years of soccer have taught Ed Keller the ever-important value of teamwork, a quality necessary not only to the soccer field but also to the governing body of B.T.C. The ability to work with others is a very necessary qualification, one in which Ed believes and excels.

Two other necessary traits, the ability to organize and the ability to act by one's self, have aided him in achieving membership in Kappa Delta Pi.

These are the bases of Ed Keller's qualifications—organization, self-action, and team work.

JACK GREEN



Ann Fletcher

My candidate wishes to offer herself to the responsibilities of the office of Assistant Treasurer of S.C.A.

For two years, Ann Fletcher has been a staunch supporter of all school activities from sports to social affairs. She is a member of Newman Club and Dramatic Club; she was the girl behind the scenes, producing props for this year's outstanding Christmas play. She has also served on various tea and dance committees.

Ann has willingly accepted and done to the best of her ability all tasks, regardless of their importance, that have come her way and now would like to assume active participation in S.C.A.

I feel that Ann Fletcher, if elected, will perform her financial duties with a quality of efficiency that will benefit every student in the college.

PEGGY ANN McELROY

Charles Christie

Charlie Christie is a candidate for First Vice-President of S.C.A. His qualifications will prove that he is definitely the right person for this position.

In high school, Charlie was the President of Student Council during his senior year at Natick.

At B.T.C. he has efficiently filled the position of division representative for two years and has been a member of the S.C.A. board for two years. During his sophomore year he was a delegate to the New England Teachers College Conference at Swampscott. For two years he has faithfully served the class of 1954 as its diligent Vice-President and coordinator of social activities.

In sports Charlie has been outstanding in varsity soccer and basketball for three years, being Captain-Elect in basketball for the 1953-54 season.

These qualifications serve to affirm all convictions that Charlie is the only choice for the responsible position of First Vice-President.

ED KELLER

Jack Green

Jack Green is fully qualified to accept the responsibilities of the office of Secretary of the Student Cooperative Association.

Most of you know that Jack has willingly participated in school activities here at B.T.C. While serving as treasurer of the class of 1954 and headline editor of Campus Comment, he has been a member of many activity committees, diligently promoting social functions here at the college. A member of Men's Club and M.A.A., Jack has been Bridgewater's varsity first-baseman since his freshman year. In addition to his varied extra-curricular activities, he has managed to maintain an excellent scholastic average.

During the summer, Jack is employed as head food-checker and cashier of a large Cape Cod restaurant, where he has gained valuable experience which further qualifies him for the assumption of the responsibilities of student government.

WALLY MALONE

Barbara Roach

I offer you Barbara Roach, my candidate for the office of Secretary of the Student Cooperative Association. "Barb" needs little introduction for she is known to both commuters and dorm students by her friendly smile and willingness to help others.

This cooperative spirit cannot be stressed too strongly for it is one of the fundamentals on which the organization was founded.

Her interest in student activities has been exemplified by her active participation in Glee Club, Dramatic Club, and Newman Club.

If you elect Barbara Roach to this office you can be sure she will fulfill her duties with capability and efficiency. So in casting your votes for Secretary of S.C.A. — remember — ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS.

MYRA POWERS

Jean Dumont

In an election, a candidate's qualifications for the office are the prime requisite; Jean has the qualifications.

While at Bridgewater, she has been active as S.C.A. division representative, K-P Club president, Alpha assistant business manager, and member of Kappa Delta Pi, Dramatic and Red Cross clubs.

In these activities, she has shown her capability and willingness to assume responsibility.

In high school, Jean held the offices of class secretary and S.C.A. secretary which are comparable to the office for which she is now campaigning.

The experience gained in these capacities, in addition to her participation in B.T.C. organizations, make Jean a wise choice for this office.

If you want an efficient, reliable, spirited Secretary of S.C.A. — vote for Jean Dumont.

ANDY HOFER

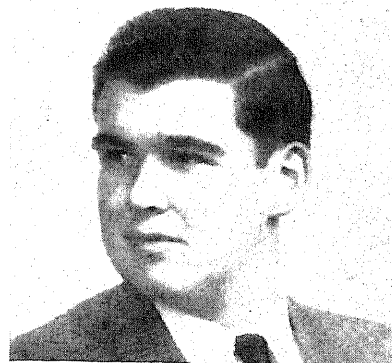
Wesley Club

Reverend Fred Dykeman gave an excellent talk on the subject concerning the problems that a Christian encounters while a student and later in a classroom.

The spring council meeting of the New England Methodist Student Movement in Stoughton was attended by Jean Stevenson, President of the club, and Greta Tyson on March seventh and eighth. Representatives from many New England Colleges including Bates, Harvard and Tufts, were also present. A spring conference was planned for all members of the Student Movement.

The Topic "Judaism and Christianity" was discussed on March 10th by the club members. Sandy Schwartz was the student leader. This consisted of a brief outline followed by an extensive question period.

"Protestantism and Catholicism" was presented the 24th, led by Edna O'Reilly, at an open meeting.



Alfred Langis

He who works with money knows the value of the all mighty dollar. In regard to this statement it would be well to note that Alfred Langis is well qualified for the position of S.C.A. Assistant Treasurer. His having ably handled money in the Book Store confirms his ability and his honesty.

Al or Fred, whichever you call him, has school spirit and interest as shown by his participation on various committees of the Sophomore Class. He is eager to give his all to the school.

He is dependable, a requirement which is a necessity for any office. If there's a job to be done he'll do it with utmost care and sincerity. What other qualifications does a person need?

DICK BINNEY

Newman Club

The Rev. Francis Greaney spoke on the "Catholic Church in Modern America" on March 11th at a very well-attended meeting. In his interesting talk, Father Greaney pointed out the fact that although much progress in science, etc., has been made since the founding of the Church, the Church has remained constant and unchanging.

A retreat for the men has been planned the week-end of April 24th.

On March 25th a film, "Are You Ready for Marriage?" was shown to a large audience.

W. R. A.

A College Co-Ed Field Day was planned for April 11th. The committee includes Judy Lancaster, Pat Buckingham, Ann Burgess and Ann Shields, who will work along with M.A.A. committee.

Upper Elementary Club

The excellent films, "The Little Red Schoolhouse," and "The Wilson Dam School" were shown to the club on February 19th by Joe Bruno. Everyone enjoyed them.

The idea of selling coffee and doughnuts to the Extension classes on Saturday afternoons was discussed at a business meeting called by President pro-tem Joe Bruno on March fifth.

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Student Fellowship Plans Spring Program

During the Lenten Season, Student Fellowship, in cooperation with Canterbury Club and Wesley Club, has sponsored a program of morning worship led by students of the three participating organizations. These services, held each class day at 8:10 a.m. in the Gammons Methodist Church, will be conducted until Easter.

Sunday evening, March 15th, saw another of Student Fellowship's popular "hymn sings" at the Central Congregational Church to the organ accompaniment of Mr. Moss.

Tentative plans have been laid for the coming months that will complete the college year.

Easter Oratorio

An Easter Oratorio at the First Baptist Church in Brockton on Sunday, March 29th, will be attended by Fellowshippers and any one who wishes to go along.

Beginning Wednesday afternoon, April 1st, and continuing for six consecutive Wednesdays until May 13th, the ministers of the six Protestant denominations of Bridgewater will speak on their particular sects. The purpose of this series is to emphasize the common heritage and foundations of Protestantism.

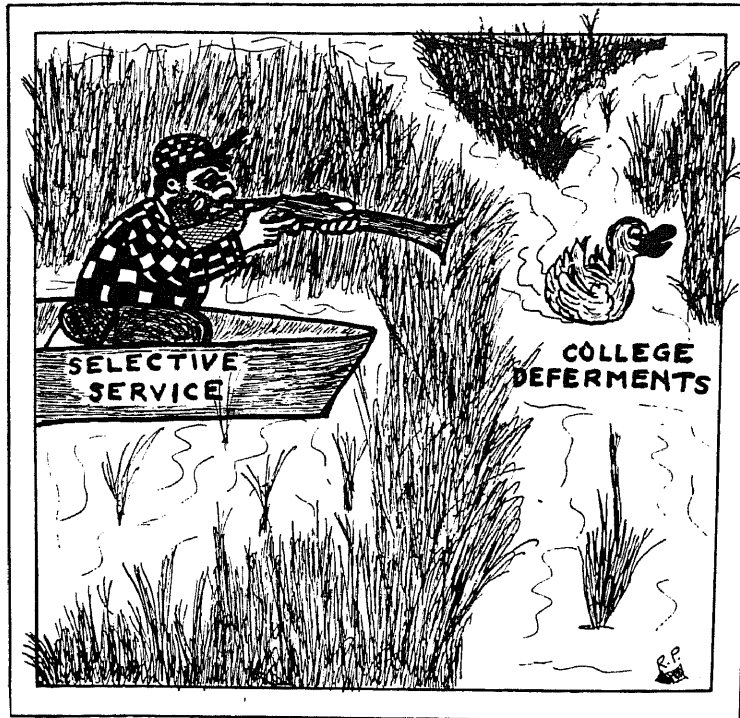
On May 13th Rev. Robertson will address Student Fellowship and illustrate his talk by his unique "magic sermonettes."

Spring Picnic Planned

Continuing on into May, filmstrips are in store for the afternoon of May 17th. The annual Spring Picnic is also planned for May as is the installation of newly elected officers, which will take place on May 24th.

Finally on June 7th there will be a Communion service for the seniors followed by a Communion breakfast.

Student Fellowship hopes to see a large and responsive turnout at these meetings. Everyone is welcome.



DEAD DUCK

Married Men Hoop Victors Over Bachelors

Faculty - Single Men's Basketball Game

Under the capable direction of Ralph Fletcher, as social director of S.C.A., the married men and the single men of the senior class staged a very successful basketball game. Dr. Meier and Mr. Rosen represented the faculty on the colorful married men's team; while the single men were composed of bachelors from the senior class.

Bachelors Handicapped

The single men were handicapped considerably during the entire contest by a strict set of rules. The rules of this game demanded they wear rubber boots with stockings while playing. For warm-up suits, the bachelors wore their senior caps and gowns, to add more interest to the game. The single men also had to wear a hat during the game, and if their hat fell off while in the process of making a basket, the two points were disregarded.

Spouses Victorious

The married men won the game by a 37 - 34 verdict before one of the largest crowds of the year. The fans thrilled at the shooting of Dr. Meier, who led the married men in the scoring department with ten points; and were favorably impressed with the aggressiveness of Mr. Rosen. Other members of this team included: Carl McCauley, John Zoino, Charles Christie, "Gus" Antonakas, John Motha, Ralph Fletcher, Al Saulino and Toby Monte. Many of these men hadn't played basketball in years and it wasn't unusual to hear them groaning and complaining about their aches and pains the next day.

Boiselle Stars

The single men were well represented in this contest. Don Morcy, this year's varsity basketball captain, led an aggregation of players that had participated in varsity and intramural basketball during the year. Armand Boiselle ran wild with the individual scoring honors, netting sixteen points and passing off for many others.

The married men's cheerleaders, which were composed of the faculty women, also got into the act to add even more laughter and enjoyment to the game. The versatile Mrs. Rosen led the cheering group which was made up of Dr. Moriarty, Miss Comeau, Miss Caldwell and Miss Decker. Their original cheers and acts had the crowd in an uproar of laughter. The B.T.C. cheerleaders also displayed their talents by cheering for the single men.

Thanks and a tip of the hat to Mr. Huffington and Ulysses Souza who did an excellent job of officiating the game.

To conclude the evening's entertainment, a dance was held after the game and music was furnished by the very capable Leo Mulready and his orchestra.

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In answer to a query as to the color of Jeanne's hair, a friend described it as cocker-spaniel colored (?) (Flattery will get you nowhere).

Jeanne has been Vice President of her class for the last three years, is Secretary of Kappa Delta Pi, Treasurer of Newman Club and a member "in good standing" of Glee Club.

When asked where she lived before coming to Bridgewater, Jeanne advised sticking a pin into a map of Massachusetts several times and listing the places hit upon. Although she graduated from Durfee High in Fall River, she was born in Melrose and has lived in Malden, Worcester, Lowell, etc.

Jeanne considers her life at B.T.C. a "marvelous experience." This statement was substantiated by explaining "I mean meeting people like Joan Gnecco, Debby Duffy, Ann Noyes and all the other members of Pogo's Place."

In the line of hobbies, Jeanne can't decide what she would rather do: play toy pianos in Times Square or hold class meetings.

In retrospect, Jeanne decided she committed her top faux pas in thumping someone (she thought it was "Bub" Richardson) on the back while getting some water from the bubbler. She still blushes when she tells about one of the women in the office turning indignantly around.

In past summers, Jeanne has been a camp councillor in Somerset where she met quite a few Bridgewaterites.

An elementary major, she plans to teach a third grade in New Rochelle, New York, next year.

We know Jeanne will succeed in whatever her future holds and only wish graduation in June wouldn't come to deprive B.T.C. of a wonderful gal.

Music Notes

There are several interesting musical events occurring in the next few weeks. The first is the orchestra concert. The Cavaliers, famed male quartet, are going to sing at the orchestra concert in the gymnasium on March 27. This group is composed of Ray Smith, first tenor; Joe Kling, second tenor; William Henry, baritone; and John Walmer, basso. Earl Weidner is the director and accompanist.

All of these gentlemen have wide backgrounds in opera and "long hair" productions; however, their selections for their concerts are as varied as it is possible for them to be. For example, they offer selections from operas, musicals, spirituals, folk songs, liturgical and semi-classical numbers.

They have appeared here many times so far, and all those who have heard them have marvelled at the brilliance of their harmony and have sat spell-bound as they listened to their beautiful renditions. Don't miss the concert. It will be well worth attending.

Another item of interest is the Glee Club Concert coming up April 10. This concert will feature the Bridgewater Glee Club augmented by the Worcester Tech Glee Club. These groups are featuring a wide variety of selections, from operatic strains to light pieces from musicals.

The Worcester Tech Glee Club is under the direction of Clifford F. Green and has made many appearances throughout the country. The Bridgewater Glee Club is under the direction of Miss Frieda Rand and has Barbara Vose and Patricia Butler as accompanists. This is a must for those desiring an enjoyable and entertaining evening.

A third item concerns the surprising number of students (45) who have purchased tickets to attend the performances of the Metropolitan Opera Company during the week of April 20-26. All seven operas have been chosen, but a decided preference has been shown for *Carmen* and *Aida*. Very much to their credit, they were able to save enough money to attend. Congratulations opera lovers!

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By JAYE NERNAY '55

Three of our classmates have recently become very proud fathers. Mr. and Mrs. John Zoino have welcomed a baby daughter to Brockton. The Edward Falk's are also new parents—of a son. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fletcher have an infant son too, born on St. Patrick's Day. Congratulations and best wishes from the entire student body to all of you!

Wesley Club Nominee

Jean Stevenson of the Junior Class has been nominated by the local Wesley Club to run for the office of Secretary in the New England Methodist Student Movement. This nomination is a great personal honor for Jean and one in which the college may share. Her qualifications for the job are many. She is very active in affairs on campus, being the Vice-President of the Upper Elementary Club and the President of the Wesley Club. She has taught Sunday School and has served as an officer during high school in the M.Y.F. She has been a camp counsellor and has attended many conferences which have aided her to conduct the meetings here at BTC more ably. We all wish you success, Jean.

LIFE SAVING COURSE—

(continued from page 1)

sophomores, juniors, and seniors. They are as follows: Dick Bridgwood, Bill Warrell, Pete Lane, Chuck Haller, Bob Lange, Tony Kula, Bill Gauthier, Dick Meserve, Arnie Almquist, Dick Pinel, Wayne Thomas, and George Weygand. Although only twelve men are in the group, it is about the maximum number that can be accommodated because the size of the pool at the shallow end, where preliminary practice goes on, is limited.

Course Has Carry-Over Value

The life saving course has definite aims and carry-over values for the participants. They are: 1. Water-safety consciousness is instilled in the individual; 2. Principles of water safety are to be passed on to benefit other individuals; 3. Proper knowledge of life-saving procedures and techniques are learned; 4. Ability to perform life saving dexterously and automatically, and 5. The course will enable the person to work as a water-front director, life guard, pool

This Side Of Music

Hello again music lovers! Among this column's following I am certain that there are many potential song writers who, occasionally, dabble at the piano, repeatedly banging out self-composed melodies, attempting to fix a catchy lyric to the tune. When both song and lyric are complete, the dabbler undergoes a metamorphosis to become a proud composer—and justly so!

But what are the possibilities of having this new song published? To quote Stan Richards, "Chances are one in a million." The newcomer is readily rejected from the vicious closed circle that prevails. To have a song accepted, the writer must be firmly established in the music world; and to be firmly established, the composer must have at least one "hit" to his credit. All chances are practically nil — dependent on Lady Luck, persistence, and one's ability to withstand the pangs of starvation.

The best advice that any qualified person has for the new writer is discouraging — and there are over a million unrecognized song writers to be discouraged. So if you are a new song writer, enjoy your songs yourself and leave the "recognition" (and profit) to the established composer.

Looking at the newcomers to the wax world, I think Johnny Ray (contradicting my hog-calling association to the Cry Boy) has a clever treatment to the "oldie," "Somebody Stole My Gal." The most impressive instrumental to date is Edmund Ros's "Marching Strings" which has rapidly paraded into the top ten. Stan Kenton's new release "Hush-a-bye" is my choice for the number one hit newcomer of the month.

Well, music fans, that sums up the column for this issue. Incidentally, don't miss M.A.A.'s original musical comedy, "Gay, Gay Paree," which will be presented May 1 and 2 — we think it's great.

"Musically" yours,
BOB FOREST

supervisor, or swimming club director.

Next year Guido hopes that more men at B.T.C. will be interested in taking the life-saving course. He will be only too happy to conduct another class if enough men show an earnest desire to have such a course.

Your reporter is taking this course himself. Take it from one who knows, fellows. If you want to have a lot of fun and learn something useful, take Guido's life-saving course next year.

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Men Form Weekly Bowling League

The men of the college have formed a bowling league to help instill further the spirit of friendship, especially among the boarding students.

Eight teams have been organized by the men, and at the end of the five-week period, there is a four-way tie of three wins and one loss — in this case, the winner of the league will be determined by the total pin fall of which the Celtics lead with 3570; close behind are the Bombers with 3505; the Brewers are next with 3481; and not to be discounted by any means, are the Zollners with a total pin fall of 3044. By skimming the scores, one can notice that there is a great deal of competition in the league and that the climax ought to prove a real thriller.

Frank James Leads Field

At this point it might be well to introduce the bowling stars of the league. High single honors go to A. Boiselle — 137 — Celtics; high-team singles — 518 — Celtics. Copping the high double is F. James — 229 — Brewers. The Celtics are also on top for the high team double score. Frank James, playing for the Brewers, has maintained an average of 102 over the five week period.

Credit is due A. Boiselle and W. Warrell for their splendid work in organizing the league and the teams, and also in keeping the records up to date and in order.

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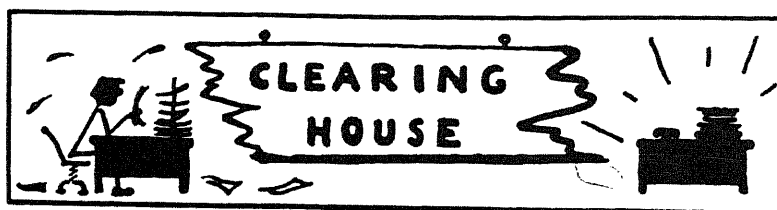
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Since this is an institution for the training of future leaders in the educational field, your inquiring reporter has devoted this month's column to giving some of our local aspirants the opportunity to reveal their executive talents. Each and every one of the following was encouraged to give to his imagination full rein on the question, "What would you do first if you were elected president of B.T.C.?" Scan the following quotations and you will have a first-hand view of the way various students will react if and when they are entrusted with executive positions.

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—ED FERRITER

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—"SAM" AVERY (JANITOR)

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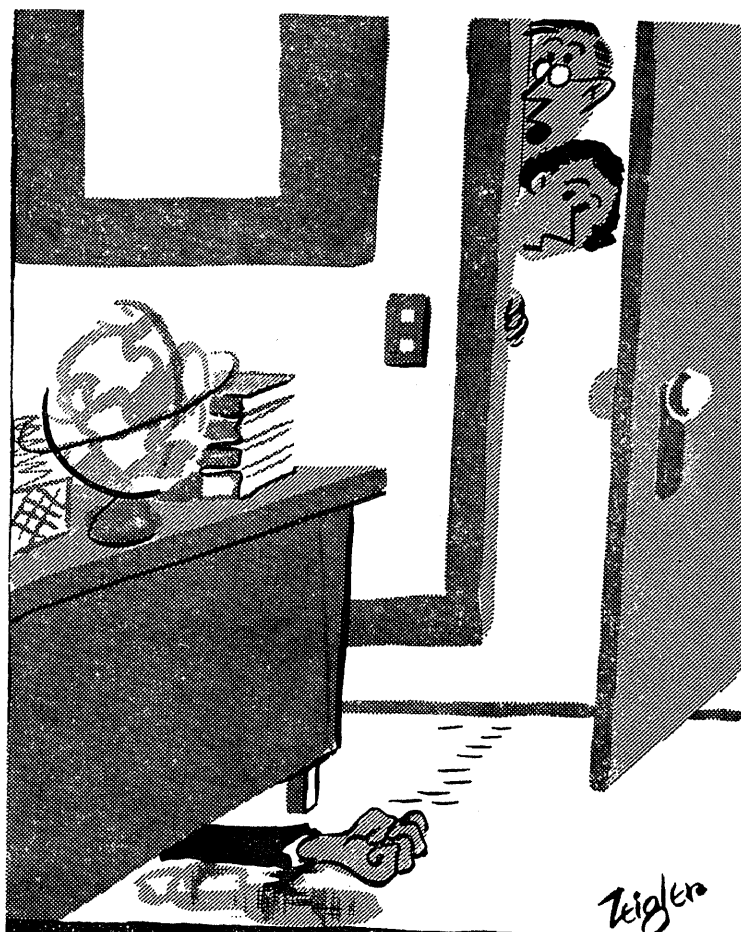
"Install a large, new, self-service bookstore for the students with a public-address system continually droning—"Sorry, that book hasn't come in yet."

—DON WORMWOOD

A Realist

"Buy a giant-size bottle of aspirin."

—"DOC"



"Like I always said, you could get away with murder in his class!"

Intramural Sports

Next month the intramurals will present a varied sports program which will include softball, a horseshoe tournament, and tennis. This program is under the capable leadership of Guido Risi and Murray Karlsburg, and forecasts greater things in the future.

In softball the seniors have dominated the picture by winning the championship for the past two years, mainly on the superb pitching power of Fran Bennett. One team to watch this year as the underdog, however, is the present freshman team. They are led by a speed-ball artist in the person of Paul Hickey. Besides Hickey there are a dozen other ball players who have been affiliated with other organized softball teams. So don't be surprised if these freshmen knock the daylights out of the upperclassmen this spring.

For those men who are not interested in softball or tennis, Intramural Director Risi plans to introduce a horseshoe tournament very shortly. Games can be played during spare hours or after school. More details on this tournament will be given by Guido Risi in the next few weeks.

Tennis Tourney Planned

The tennis courts have been finally completed and this year the men have been given a section of their own in which to play. A tournament in tennis looms as Risi's objective, and if the turnout is great enough, special coaching will be given to those who wish to learn more about the fundamentals of the game.

Let's make this intramural program a successful one. Be a member in one sport or another, and help to make this organization an effective one at B.T.C.

When you read this article, the Intramural basketball champions will have been decided for the year. The Warriors, the first half champs will have met the Bombers, the second half champs, in the finals. Both teams were comprised of sophomores. The Warriors team consisted of Sprague, Hackett, Lord, Currier, and Tomlinson. The men who played for the Bombers were DiTullio, Mahoney, Meserve, Warrell, Haller, and Callaghan. The Senior and Junior teams put up a good battle for the second half championship, while two Freshman teams showed promise of being strong in the coming year.

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