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**A FEW CANDID OPINIONS**

**NOTE: THE COMMENT specifies these articles as opinion, since we want to be certain not to upset the reader.**

**Tom Rush: Unmixed Feelings**

Tom Rush performed beautifully considering the very large surrounding audience—Bridgewater. It seems that to this "fair" town of Bridgewater if you want to go uptown you have to wear a yellow harriman, white socks, short hair and have an air of respect about you. Tom Rush doesn't fit into this category, so when he went out for supper he was received with a pre-concert view of "Sweaty" Bridgewater. I must confess that Tom Rush would be a visiting celebrity. I listened with the widespread apathy toward the 1968 Elections on the part of many Americans, Bridgewater State College showed its lack of concern by ignoring a student strike initiated by a handful of concerned students.

The purpose of the strike was to protest the war in Vietnam and the lack of choices in the presidential candidates given to the American public. No major political party offered a true peace candidate, but rather ignored the feelings of many concerned Americans.

But only about six students had enough courage to show their concern and sit huddled in a group on the Ad Building steps shivering against the cold. Only 16 people were concerned enough to sacrifice their classes to stand up for what they believed. Many felt that the strike failed. If you look only at the number of participants you would have to say that it was a ridiculous failure, that it had the courage and the sincerity to stop the war. It's a success, for they can still feel a personal satisfaction in the feeling that they had the courage and the strength enough to show their dissatisfaction with the present system. They freed themselves from hypocrisy and had the courage to follow their conscience, regardless of the consequences.

**Secondary Education Motorcade Visits Plymouth**

by J. Robert Maccri

The Secondary Education Motorcade traveled through the city of Plymouth in an effort to publicize the issues of secondary education. The motorcade was led by the Norwood Debonairs, a dance and drill team. The Homecoming football game will get under way at 1:00 p.m. Saturday, November 16. A primary election will be held on Monday, November 5. Don't forget to vote for your choices, so that you have Homecoming '68! It's success depends on YOU.

**The Happenings**

The Happenings, under the leadership of four golden records, will put the finishing touches on Homecoming Weekend with a live concert in the gymnasium on Sunday, November 17, at 3:00 p.m. Advance tickets are now on sale at the Rotunda at $1.50 for students. Admission at the door is $2.00.

**TODAY'S POLITICAL MIX-UP**

by John McCarty

Contrary to public belief, the presidential campaign was not an all-out effort to elect someone else. It is an attempt to get a certain number of people elected, at least. It is a matter of fact, the show that the candidates put on during the campaign would have been considerably decreased if one of the three didn't have to be elected on Nov. 5, 1968. Unquestionably the philosophy of this fantastic joke was really not so funny. Our disenchanted voter said, "As moke who's elected, everybody else loses." This feeling has caused considerable intervention in the campaign by the so-called "anti-Presidential" hecHDe. This relatively new personality reversed the common procedure of passively listening to a candidate while he spoke off running. In the past campaign, the candidates appeared as the candidates rally and make their presence quite well known. Now of the three candidates were free from the public abuse. George Wallace seemed to be the only candidate endorsed by the slogan of "Yes George, tell it like it is baby!" However, even Wallace soon realized that he was the subject of great public psychology (or don't say that Wallace can't add two and two and sometimes get four.) After Wallace finally came to the conclusion, the candidates began to really bother him. Shouting in his highest official, Wallace would say, "You'd better start now cause when you're President, there'll be no more of it." George's blown cool added more fuel to his rejection.
Does DSA Really Exist?

This newspaper has, at various times in the past, published articles highly critical of the Student Association and of its seemingly unsubstantiable inalienation. Although the reaction has often been for DSA and its executive board to react with shocked hurt at the sudden unfavorable publicity that they have received, and to dash off an indignant letter of bulletproof denunciation of their position, the COMMENT has again decided to boost this dog which claims to represent over half of the student body.

Though it may seem iniquitous and impolitic to speak of a body which has the second largest membership on campus (only SCA is larger) and among the largest freshman membership (over half of whom have hit the dorms, fees and vending machine complaints), but what precisely does the Day Student Association DO? That is, in addition to dispensing parking stickers and lockers, collecting contributions and providing seventeen more offices to be held, every other host of student government - SCA, the dorm councils and house boards and the class executive boards, most of which operate with less personnel and all of which operate with less financial resources and far more commitments on those resources - are quite functional and active, within their respective limitations.

The answer, in any case, is that DSA runs the annual Commuter’s Banquet, and participates somewhat in the general planning of Christmas week activities. This is usually a big job, which involves employing a caterer and attending to the thousand details that are attached to such an activity. In an important service of genuine material value to the college community, on which DSA annually takes a large financial loss. In this area of activity, to critics, however barehanded, can boss DSA on a difficult job almost entirely by nothing. Absolutely, undoubtedly, irrevocably nothing. DSA elections might as well take place in late October for the purpose of establishing a Brooks question only to have DSA immediately get back to sleep next year, for all the actual creative tangible WORK that its council does after Christmas. We didn’t even dare mention the infinitely more active class executive boards, and a large treasury.

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Letters to the Editor

Ode to the Traingle

To the Editor:

Thank you for highlighting the supposedly progressive high school classroom in your current issue. I personally believe that the key to success in teaching is understanding and respecting the students. The best teachers are those who are able to make their students feel comfortable and appreciated. It is truly a shame to see that the days of the traditional classroom are numbered.

With the state of education today, it is crucial that we focus on creating an environment where students can thrive. The recent surge in technology has provided us with new tools to enhance the learning experience. However, it is still up to us to ensure that these tools are used effectively.

Thank you for your continued dedication to making our educational system the best it can be.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Steady Grade System Improved?

How validly objective can a judgment be made of an student outside of the classroom?

If a teacher were to make a judgment of a student outside of the classroom, would the judgment be objective? This is a valid debate within the school system today. The question is, to what extent is a judgment outside the classroom relevant to a student's grade?

Is it necessary to make a judgment of a student outside of the classroom? Is it important to have any kind of judgment? These are questions that need to be answered in order to improve the steady grade system.

What is the current system of steady grades and how can it be improved? Is it necessary to have steady grades at all? These are questions that need to be answered in order to improve the steady grade system.

Grading System Improved?

The steady grade system is a widely criticized method of grading. It is often argued that this system is unfair and subjective. However, there are also arguments in favor of the system, stating that it allows for a more consistent evaluation of students. In order to improve the steady grade system, it is important to consider both of these perspectives.

This article discusses the potential benefits and drawbacks of the current grading system and offers suggestions for improvement. It also explores the idea of an alternative grading system that could be implemented to address some of the issues with the current system.

Grooming You For College

Okay, so you're in high school now. That means it's time to start thinking about college. But, did you know that there are certain things you need to do in high school to prepare for college? Here are some tips to help you get ready for college.

1. Take challenging classes:
   - Take honors and AP classes to challenge yourself.
   - These classes will help you prepare for college-level work.

2. Get involved in extracurricular activities:
   - Join a club or team, or start your own.
   - These activities will help you develop skills and make connections with others.

3. Maintain good grades:
   - High grades are important for college applications.
   - Make sure you're doing your best in your classes.

4. Volunteer:
   - Volunteering will help you develop a sense of responsibility and compassion.
   - It will also look good on your college application.

5. Learn about college options:
   - Research different colleges and universities.
   - Talk to guidance counselors and teachers for advice.

By following these tips, you'll be well on your way to college readiness. Remember, the key to college success is preparation. So start planning now!
Battle for the Presidency

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Our search for a presidential candidate among the Republican faithful had ended. Nixon had taken the lead, and we were finally at the stage where we could turn our attention to the general election campaign.

At 8:15 on the evening of November 12, 1968, the Drama Club of Bridgewater State College will present Thornton Wilder's OUR TOWN. This intensely moving play is considered by many critics as, "the most unconventional, intriguing and absorbing drama in the modern theater." OUR TOWN deals with a girl pupil from either the second, the Newman Center, or Grovel's Corners. The heroine's state of mind, her temporary minds. Life, love, joy are found in its heroine's state of mind, her temporary minds.

As we grow older, we become more aware of the fact that the only requirement needed, Christian Fellowship would like to thank both of Director of Service. Christian Fellowship sponsors Tutoring; Project.

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Spaceing of Sports by Chris Brady

I Ask That . . .

Bridgewater State is meeting ahead and taking advantage of all opportunities in a forward looking school. Taking advantage of all opportunities, that is, except one: the pool. As a physical plant, the pool is ideally suited for competition. It is twenty-five yards long, as A.A.U. recognized courses. There are six clearly marked lanes, the usual summer for sailboat competition. There are fixtures for-attaching lane markers. There are standards for flags used in the backstroke. There are glass enclosed offices on the deck where most officials could operate. There are goals which are important to breaststroke compet- ition in their form. There is a one meter board and a three meter board. Both are recognized heights for springboard competition. Yet with all of all these advantages there is no swim team. In fact it was only last year that for the first time swimming competition was in- cluded in the intramural program. Still the college will not move ahead and include swimming as a varsity sport.

The financial aspect would be minute. There are three things that would require spending. Swimsuits, which are not a big expense at all. Travel money for any meet, which could be lowered by keeping the team members on the road. There is no financial aspect of a swimming team.

However, the team cannot rush hirnself into a varsity sport which may fail all at once. As a pilot plan I offer this. Begin, highly organized practice sessions immediately to prepare for the op- coming intramural meet. In this way the numbers of students requesting to join will increase. Their ability and their progress may be measured. It is the hope of the intramural committee that the interested students can get a taste of what it would be like if swimming were a varsity sport. If the results of this pilot program a final decision should be made as to whether or not swimming is to be a varsity sport. It is only right that this decision, or a modifi- cation of it, at least be given an opportunity to work.

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The Valley Boys and the Bears are potentially competitive because a number of students have their eyes on the championship position. Students interested in intramural basketball should attend practice as they will be in the tourney and will be selected as team rosters into Mr. Marsh’s office.

The roster list is being handed out by Coach Kramer Powers of Bridgewater State and Kurt McKeon, athletic director, who is going to be at practice as they will be in the tourney and will be selected as team rosters into Mr. Marsh’s office.

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VRA Sports Day at Thayer Academy

Boo it on, B.S.C. bridge­ water State, the students of this year’s field hockey team, will be participating in the fall hockey sports day which will be represented by two teams.

Halloween Happenings at BSC

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Homecoming and the Bears: Rally Round the Team

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