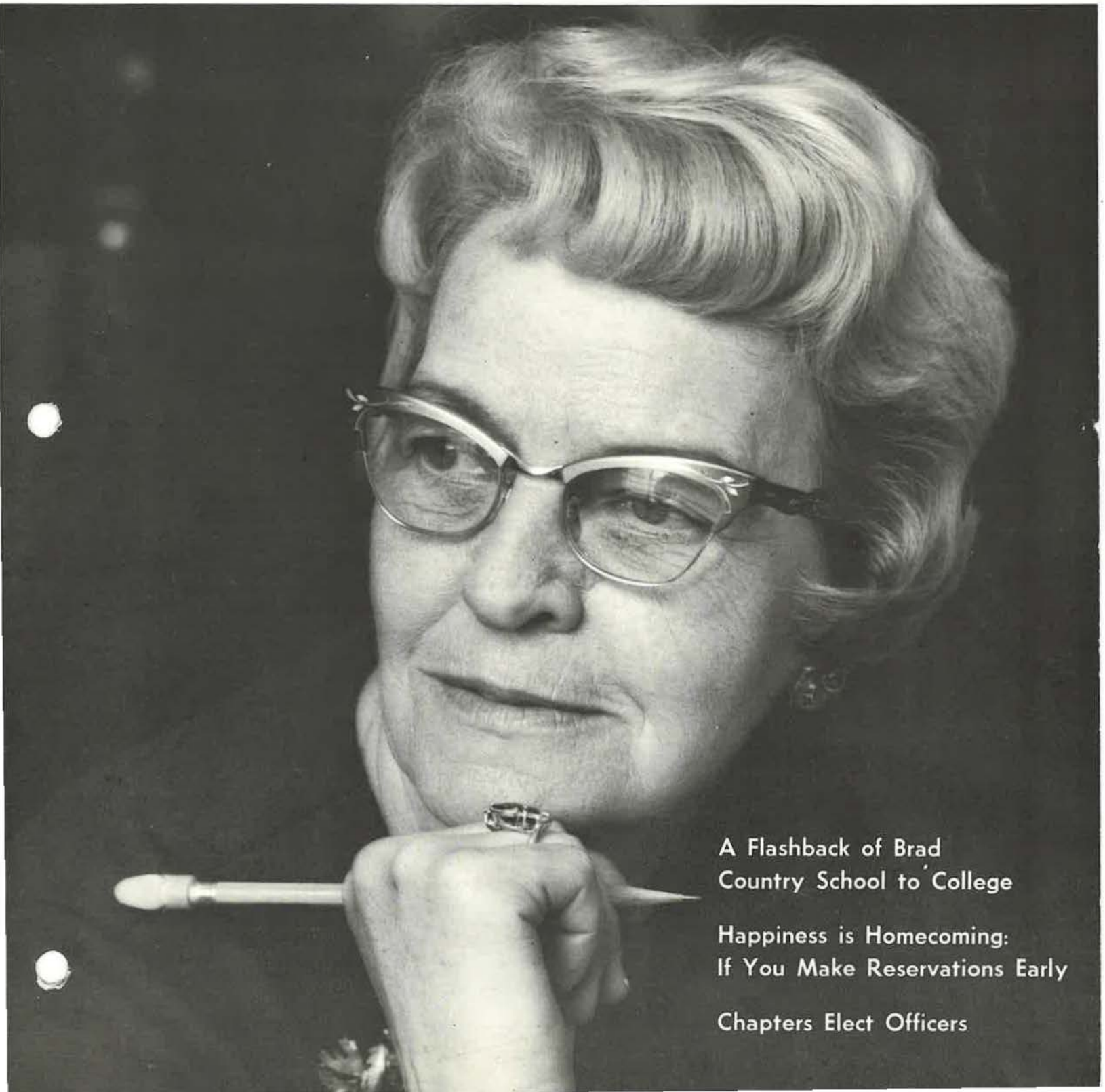
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EDITORIAL

College Will Be 'Home' To Alumni

The time seems right for a factual glimpse at the activities and philosophy of our Alumni Association, the Alumni Office, and plans for the future of Husson Alumni.

The need to communicate with alumni is a recognized essential in college and university planning. Last fall Husson Alumni received the Annual Report of the President for the first time, and will continue to receive it each year. The HUSSON ALUMNUS is being published twice during the 1966-67 academic year. The response to the magazine has been excellent and indicates that we are on the right track—that this is what our alumni have been anticipating. Next year, the magazine will be published three times.

Current addresses of many alumni are missing from our files. We can account for this in two ways: first, the college has only recently had a full time alumni secretary to maintain a current address list; second, some alumni have not taken the time to keep the college informed of their professional growth and new addresses. To locate the missing is the most pressing task before us. To date we have located approximately 3,000 alumni out of a possible 6,500.

We were reluctant to ask our alumni to participate in the recent capital gifts campaign, and if the need had not been so urgent, we would have preferred postponing solicitation. However, we did ask and the response from those who participated was more than gratifying. Total contributions from alumni amounted to $52,694.02. Of this total, alumnae sorority sisters of Epsilon Delta have pledged in excess of $25,000 for construction of the Pi Rho Zeta Bell Tower to be located in the center of the new campus.

As Chief has said so often and so appropriately, "The students of tomorrow, your sons and daughters, will never appreciate the crowded conditions of the past and present, the way of life that you and I experienced. The way has been smoothed for them and they will be happier for it. You can take justifiable pride in knowing that you are helping to provide quality education for literally thousands of our present and future citizens. Our thanks to you are warm and sincere."

Communicate we will. Organize we will. And eventually we will establish a strong alumni association that will provide a mutually beneficial exchange of services between the college and its alumni.

If any recently chartered non-profit institution ever needed the loyal support and participation of its alumni, Husson College does. College and university boards of trustees, administrators, and corporate executives clearly recognize the significant role of alumni. These include such areas as scholarships, recruitment, placement, public relations, financial support, to name but a few. And, the College can continue to be a source of pride to its alumni by maintaining its high standards of education for youth—possibly for our own sons and daughters. The College can also provide continuing education facilities for alumni (and other adults), as well as placement and recruitment for employees of an alumni's particular company. And, finally, the college will always be "home" to its alumni—a place to renew friendships and to participate in academic and physical development.

We urge you to join us this June when the Alumni Association will sponsor the Third Annual Homecoming. We have much to show and tell. Let us be counted among the strong alumni bodies throughout the nation who endorse higher education and who proudly proclaim the contribution their particular college has made, is making, and will continue to make.



Bangor Chapter Host

Husson Homecoming June 9 - 10

Preparations for the Third Annual Homecoming of Husson Alumni are nearly complete according to a report received from the Alumni Association Board of Directors. The two-day event begins on the evening of June 9 and ends the evening of June 10.

Homecoming is planned to coincide with the College's June Commencement Activities to enable alumni to attend. Awards Night, which was inaugurated by the College three years ago, is devoted entirely to recognition of the outstanding scholars and citizens in the graduating class. The awards include the valedictory and salutatory trophies, the watch awards, Tau Epsilon Scholastic Certificates and others. Awards Night will be held Friday, June 9, 8:00 p.m., in the John Bapst High School Auditorium.

On Saturday at 10:00 a.m., friends, parents, relatives, and alumni will gather at the Bangor Municipal Auditorium to witness the academic procession as members of the Class of 1967 march into the auditorium for commencement. Governor Kenneth M. Curtis will deliver the commencement address. An invitation is being extended to the governor to attend the alumni noon luncheon in the gym. Following graduation, new graduates and their parents will be invited to participate in various alumni activities during the weekend, including the Saturday luncheon in the College gym and the banquet and dance Saturday evening.

The new Bangor Chapter of the Alumni Association, as one of its first service projects, will be the host chapter for Homecoming weekend.

Costs to alumni for the various festivities have been kept to a minimum. Early registration by mail offers still further savings.

Lodging accommodations will be available at Husson Hall on Exchange Street with bedding provided for a total charge of one dollar per person per night. These include single and double occupancies for Friday and Saturday nights.

The Association, although not new in concept, requires alumni thinking and participation to implement a bona fide alumni program that is indeed theirs in philosophy and practice. In keeping with this philosophy, Homecoming will afford Husson Alumni an opportunity to renew friendships with classmates and faculty, to attend the annual meeting, to approve a revised constitution for the Alumni Association, to nominate and elect new Association officers and directors, and to see the construction progress on the new campus. Buses will be chartered to transport alumni from the main building to the construction site following the annual meeting on Saturday afternoon.

At 7:00 p.m. Saturday, Alumni will gather at the Main Building for the banquet. Both Alumni and College officials will salute Mildred Bradford, Chairman of the Department of Secretarial Science, in recognition of her 25 years of service to the College.

Following the testimonial for Miss Bradford, tables and chairs will be arranged in cabaret style with adequate space provided for dancing. Light refreshments will be available throughout the evening. Music for the dance will be furnished by a five piece orchestra under the direction of Steve Gould of Orono.

A registration desk will be open in the lobby of Husson Hall on Friday evening, June 9 at 6:00 and Saturday morning from 8:00 until noon. Tickets for any or all events may be purchased at the registration desk.

A pre-registration form, Homecoming program, and return envelope are included in this issue of HUSSON ALUMNUS. Checks should be made payable to Husson College. The Alumni Office at the College will acknowledge all reservations promptly and tickets and name tags for the weekend will be mailed to those making advance reservations.

Mildred Bradford fooled them all

Alumni this June will honor a long-time friend and teacher whose career has spanned the past 36 years . . . 25 at Husson College



1931 — *The 17-year-old country school teacher had her share of problems, but "I had enough energy to overcome most of them."*

"It's a funny thing, but when I was in high school someone asked what I was going to do after graduation. I remember saying that I didn't really know, but I knew what I wasn't going to do—and that was teach school."

Seventeen year old Mildred Marie Bradford, after six weeks of summer school at Farmington Normal School, walked into a one-room schoolhouse at Clifton, Maine. Brad's students that first semester were 13 rural youngsters; their school served kindergarten through eighth grade.

"I drew some criticism from the superintendent that first year," said Brad. "She was a bear, but I was athletic and I had enough energy to overcome most of the problems."

The youngsters loved recess and noon hour, especially with a teacher who was a "kid" herself and knew enough about sports to nail down the regular shortstop's job. But Brad's first real test came a month later.

The Clifton fathers decided that hot lunches were in order and the students brought milk, butter, potatoes, and other ingredients from home. A committee was formed to prepare a menu and do the cooking.

"It was some committee," said Brad. "It included two seventh graders and an eighth grader—the only girls we had."

With four-foot cord wood sticks stuffed in the central heating (and cooking) plant, the little ones reading down front, and the spry, young teacher stirring a pot of soup with one hand and holding a book in the other, the great society was born.

"That first meal was a problem," related Brad. "My superintendent visited that day, but we underestimated our stove. At 11:30 that morning we were supposed to serve the lunch but it wasn't hot enough. So I faked it by telling them we would eat during our first afternoon class."

The superintendent's report to her that night read: "NOT VERY GOOD PLANNER."

But home economics had been her speciality in high school. In fact, from her earliest years Brad was bent on "becoming a good homemaker, a good wife and mother." She was told in high school that she could not go on to college if she pursued home economics, but Brad, doggedly, reversed that thinking. It took over seven years of one-room school houses and summer studies to do it.

In 1940 she enrolled as a fulltime student at the Bangor Maine School of Commerce.

Raised in a home with a father who was a strict disciplinarian, Brad learned that the many injustices meted out through life can be turned to help shape a future. "My father, not too long ago, told me teasingly that he was strict with me, the oldest of five children, and not with the others because after seeing how I turned out he felt there was no use with the others."

That stern superintendent from the Clifton School Department, admits Brad, was just another person trying to guide her towards professional expertise. Her decision to attend college in 1940 was influenced by a person with the same desire to succeed.

"I first met Clara Swan when I played guard for the Bangor High basketball team and Clara was guard on the Brewer squad. It was a good thing we



1945 — *Mildred Bradford was bent upon becoming a home economics teacher, but was told she could never go to college if she pursued it.*



1967 — *A pleasing mixture of brains and humor has endeared "Brad" to several thousand students over the years.*

were on opposite ends of the court because I am sure we would have killed each other."

If the two were adversaries on the court, they failed to show it a few years later when they were faculty members at Dover-Foxcroft. It was Clara who convinced Brad to apply for admission to Bangor Maine School of Commerce. Brad couldn't type, knew nothing about secretarial training, and only after one of Clara's "talks" did she make the decision.

"She can be a pretty convincing person," said Brad. "But I questioned that friendship when I played basketball under Coach Swan at Husson College. I thought for a time she was picking on me, but she actually was going overboard to help me and not show partiality."

In 1942, with diploma in hand, Brad was set to find another country school with the children she loved so much. Before she had a chance to find one, President Husson called her to his office.

"Young lady," he started, "you have poise, personality, and knowledge, I want you on my staff."

But Brad, who openly admits to having an inferiority complex, answered "you don't want me; I'm not ready for anything like this."

"Young lady, don't tell me what I want," Chief fired back.

With that Mildred Bradford began a college teaching career that would span the next 25 years.

"President Husson said I could take time to work on my Bachelor's degree, but what I didn't know was that 'time off' meant classes late Thursday afternoons, Saturdays, and summer schools." But she had found her place on a staff that was devoted to placing its college among the best in its field.

In 1948 Brad received a Bachelor of Science degree in Commercial Education from the University of Maine. In 1951 she was awarded a Master of Education from Maine.

Now head of the Department of Secretarial Science and a full professor, Brad's administrative schedule allows her only eleven hours for classroom teaching each week. "I'm happiest when I am teaching," she said. "As you grow older you store up a few things that make learning a little more meaningful. When I look back to those early classes I wonder how those kids ever learned shorthand."

But it was "those kids" who really sparked her. "I remember a little girl, with big blue eyes, who was in one of my first medical shorthand classes. I had them study the pancreas earlier in the week and to open the class I asked her where the Islands of Langerhans were located. She answered by asking, 'somewhere in the Pacific?' "

"Well it just broke me up. I know you shouldn't laugh at a student, and I hadn't intended to laugh. But I couldn't help it."

As advisor and confidant to probably two thousand students over the years, Mildred Bradford has found them and their parents the truly high points of her career.

Devoted to her college, her colleagues, and students, Brad never married. But she confesses that her life has been a full one.

"My father wanted me to get married right out of high school and mother was afraid that would be the first thing I would do.

"I guess I fooled them both."

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

CARL E. DELANO ('28) has been named assistant to W. Gordon Robertson, president of Bangor Punta Corporation. Carl started with Bangor & Aroostook RR in 1932, was named personnel director in 1949, and has held personnel responsibilities with member companies of Bangor & Aroostook and its successor, Bangor Punta. He is a member of the Husson College Board of Advisors.

PRESCOTT GARLAND ('33) spoke on "The Field of Retail Accounting" before the Husson College Accounting Society recently. Pres has been controller of several Sears, Roebuck and Company stores since joining the firm in 1935. He now lives in Hampden Highlands with wife Ginny and son Robbie.

JAMES E. REGIS ('36) was recently the recipient of a 30-year certificate of service from Wright-Patterson AFB, Dayton, O. Jim was a photographer with the Flying Tigers prior to World War II, but changed to civilian status with the Air Force in 1941.

NORMAN E. DREW ('42) is serving as personal representative to Maine Second District Representative William D. Hathaway. Norman has served as Penobscot County Committee Chairman the past two years.

CLINTON K. GERRY ('47) has been named vice president of the Merrill Trust Company in Bangor. Clint joined the staff in 1947 and has management responsibilities in the installment loan department. He and wife Marilyn and their four children live in Hampden.

LINWOOD W. LITTLEFIELD ('47) has been named manager of car service for Bangor & Aroostook RR. He was chief clerk in the company's car service department before moving to assistant manager of car service in 1966. Married, the Littlefields reside in Hermon and have three daughters.

LEON S. TRENHOLM ('48) was named resident manager of the Bangor office of Hornblower and Weeks-Hemphill, Noyes, investment brokers. Mike has been with the firm 12 years, and has been through a training program. He has also passed the New York Stock Exchange manager's examination. He and wife Pamela have two children, Steven and Lee Ann.

WALTER W. CHUTE ('50) has been appointed superintendent of wood procurement for Oxford Paper Company at the Rumford plant. Walter was in the woodlands department of Eastern Corporation of Standard Packaging for 16 years. He served as assistant general manager of woodlands.

JAMES R. RUHLIN ('53) was recently named vice president of Eastern Trust and Banking Company in Bangor. He is past president of the National Association of Bank Auditors Comptrollers (Maine Conference), and has attended the American Institute of Banking and Stonier Graduate School of Banking at Rutgers. Jim, a widower, lives in Bangor with three of his five children.

LOUISE MORGAN ('56) recently was named assistant trust officer at the San Diego District Trust Office of Bank of America in San Diego, Calif. The appointment placed Louise among the selected few women to achieve officer status with the world's largest bank. She resides in Spring, Calif.

CECIL D. WILSON ('56) was moved up to assistant business manager by Bangor Daily News Publisher Richard K. Warren. Cecil, who served last year as president of the Alumni Association, started with the NEWS in 1956 as an accountant, was promoted to office manager in 1958. Cecil, wife Pauline, and children Dexter and Linda reside in Brewer.

JOHN J. WHITNEY JR. ('57) is now assistant treasurer at Union Trust Company in Ellsworth. John is concerned with developing the bank's operations division. After Husson, John added a degree from the Williams College School of Banking. He and wife Elizabeth, along with Brenda, Susan, John III, and Brent reside in Ellsworth.

ALDEN E. STUART ('58) has taken new duties as assistant to the treasurer at the University of Maine in Orono. Alden was controller at Barrington (R.I.) College for over eight years. Alden, wife Beth, and sons Douglas, Mark, and Gary are living at 91 Silver Road, Bangor.

RICHARD A. HOBSON ('59) is now terminal manager at the Fox & Ginn Waterville Terminal. A driver and freight handler during school vacations, Dick rose to office manager after joining the firm on a permanent basis in 1961. He and wife Donna have three children.

RICHARD C. TAYLOR ('60) is now operations officer at Valley Bank and Trust Company in Springfield, Mass. Dick has served as teller and then supervisor of the installment loan department for the bank. He resides at 49 Taft Street, Palmer, Mass., with wife Joan and one son.

FRANK G. MORONG ('61) is assistant to Office Manager Kenneth Goodman at Tibbetts Industries in Camden. Frank was a loan teller at the Camden Branch of Depositors Trust Company. Frank lives in Camden with wife Janice and son Christopher, age four.

JOHN H. LYNCH ('63) has been named Somerset County Chairman of Business and Industry for the March of Dimes. Jack is an administrative assistant at Northeast Shoe Company in Pittsfield, Me.

DENNIS J. YOUNG ('65) has been elected assistant secretary-treasurer of Augusta (Me.) Savings and Loan Assn. He is an assistant manager and loan officer with the firm. He and wife Rebecca live at 32 Patterson St., Augusta.

CHESTER W. POOLE III ('66) was named assistant manager at the Boothbay Harbor office of the Depositors Trust Company. He began as a management trainee with the firm in November 1966. He resides at New Harbor with wife Mary.

ARTHUR C. VEROW ('66) has been named city clerk of Brewer. Archie is only the third clerk the city has had since 1906. He resides in Brewer with his wife and two children.

WAYNE HARTFORD ('67) left his post of executive secretary of the Bar Harbor YMCA in January to become recreation director for the Town of Houlton.



Wins Her Wings

L. Maurise Soper ('66) has been awarded silver wings of an American Airlines stewardess following training at Fort Worth, Texas.

The five-six, blue-eyed Maurise has been assigned to flight duty out of New York City. A Bucksport native, she holds an Associate degree in Secretarial Science from Husson.



Massachusetts-New Hampshire Chapter officers (above) elected March 15 were President Fred Cross Jr., Secretary Lois (Cross) Barber, Treasurer Jack Nendel, Vice president Martin McCluskey.



Greater Bangor Chapter officers (right) elected January 28 were Vice president Tony Picard, Secretary-treasurer Thelma Vining, President Larry Eaton.

Alumni Chapters Form Along Atlantic Seaboard

Formation of geographic chapters of the Husson College Alumni Association is well underway with two chapters already organized and five more organizational meetings planned before June.

An estimated seventy-five alumni and their spouses gathered at the Oronoka Restaurant in Orono January 28 to elect chapter officers of the Greater Bangor Chapter. Elected were Larry Eaton ('56), president; Tony Picard ('57), vice president; and Thelma Vining ('57), secretary-treasurer.

As one of their first service projects, the Greater Bangor Chapter will host returning alumni during Homecoming Weekend, June 9-10. A special meeting of the Chapter has been called by the Chapter Executive Committee for April 28 in the College Gym to discuss the Chapter's role during Homecoming. A portion of the April 28 meeting will be a presentation by the Husson Players in George Kelly's one-act play, "The Flattering Word." The play is under the direction of Al Weymouth.

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Thirty-six alumni and spouses braved a late winter snow storm March 15 at Valley's Steak House in Saugus to organize the Massachusetts-New Hampshire Chapter of the Alumni Association. Chapter officers elected for the year included Fred Cross Jr. ('62), president; Martin McCluskey ('65), vice president; Jack Nendel ('66), treasurer; and Lois (Cross) Barber ('64), secretary.

Following the dinner-meeting, the newly formed Executive Committee met to consider various projects, including attendance at Homecoming and updating the mailing list for the Massachusetts-New Hampshire areas.

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Plans are currently underway to organize meetings in Aroostook County in Maine, Kennebec County in Maine, and Cumberland County in Maine. Organization chairman for these areas include Peg ('64) and Ed ('61) Youngblood, Crouseville; Hugh ('57) and Althea ('57) Hamlin, Caribou; Bert Albert ('59), Augusta; and Marion Cheney ('35) Portland.

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Dick Pelletier ('61) in Virginia is heading an organizational committee for a greater Washington, D.C., Chapter meeting to be held during the early part of May.

Plans also call for a chapter in the Connecticut-New York Area sometime this spring.

Alumni Among Nation's Outstanding Young Men

MONTGOMERY, ALA.—Three Husson College graduates are among 10,000 of the nation's outstanding young men who will be listed in the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce publication scheduled for distribution on May 15.

Selected by a 14-man panel following nominations by local Jaycee chapters are Wayne Holmquist, Class of 1959 who now resides in Gray; Robert Lawrence, Class of 1959 whose residence is Brewer; and Louis Peters, Class of 1958 now living in Dearbon, Michigan.

Doug Blankenship, chairman of the selection board and a past U.S. Jaycee president, said that the men selected "have distinguished themselves in one or more fields of endeavor to the point of being outstanding." The men chosen are between the ages of 21 and 35.



Frosh ace Al Caston flanks a flying Aroostook State player. Jack Chlopecki (30) is set to move in on the action.



Billy Spreng (21) guards a New Haven College player driving for the basket.

SPORTS ROUND-UP

Caston, Meyers Sparked Cage Comeback; Baum Swings Hot Mace; Vizard's Golfers on Go

Basketball Coach Del Merrill told newsmen at season's start that ". . . darn it, I'm excited about this year's team." At the final buzzer on February 18th he was ecstatic.

His young team (eight freshmen) started fast, hit a mid-season losing string, then bounced back to finish with a respectable 11-9 record. It was a far cry from the 9-15 mark of the 1965-66 campaign.

Nearly as elated as their coach were freshmen standouts Al Caston and Donnie Meyers. Caston, who stands six-six and got his court start as a Chicago high schooler, stole the show. Meyers was not far behind.

The final statistics had Caston with a 24.7 scoring average and 18.7 rebounding mark. His scoring spree was marked by a Husson record of 42 against Thomas College.* His rebounding placed him high among the nation's small college centers, although figures were not available from the NAIA when the HUSSON ALUMNUS went to press.

Meyers, from Long Island, N.Y., had the burden of keeping everything "go-go" from his guard slot. He too had first-year jitters, but managed 9.9 points per game, and most importantly led the Braves in assists.

Graduation will take Capt. Billy Spreng (17.9 per game) and Jack Chlopecki, whose scoring output dipped the past season despite his workhorse effort.

* Bob Cimbollek, now coach of the Orono H.S. state championship team, held the record, 40 against Maine Central Intsitute in 1956.

Spring, when a young man's fancy normally turns to love, means love of baseball on the Husson campus. This was backed by a record 52 candidates who reported to Del Merrill in early March.

Indoor drills conducted at the spacious Bangor Municipal Auditorium produced many pleasant surprises for a coach who faces an ambitious 24-game schedule.

Freshman Jim Cameron from Bar Harbor has been hailed by Major League scouts since his schoolboy days, and the talented youngster will play shortstop when not pitching. Another bright spot is Will Baum, a 180-pound third baseman who transferred from Buffalo.

Professional scouts are high on him, and according to Merrill "he can whale the ball."

Jim D'Agustino, a freshman from Waterbury, Conn., is the best catching prospect the college has had. Boston Red Sox officials say he has the moves of former big league backstop Jim Heagan.

Despite the accolades, pitching is thin, and even Merrill admits you have to make double plays to win games. Once these problems are overcome, and someone chases Major League "bird dogs" off the campus, the diamond season could be an interesting one. The schedule:

APRIL 20—at Eastern Nazarene; 21—at Nichols; 22—at Southeastern Mass. Tech (2 games); 25—at Curry; 26—at University of Maine in Portland; 27—at Colby Frosh.

MAY 1—at Farmington State; 2—Maine Maritime; 4—University of Maine in Portland; 6—Ricker (2 games); 10— Aroostook State; 13—at Aroostook State (2 games); 15—Colby (night); 17—Thomas (2 games); 19—Curry (night); 20—Eastern Nazarene (night); 23—at Thomas; 25—at Ricker (night); 27, 29—at Maine Maritime.

Coach Dick Vizard's varsity golf team will have the advantage of an 18-hole course with watered fairways when they open their home stand on May 5 against Washington State.

"Last year, when the course lacked the watering system," said Vizard, "we hosted the NAIA tournament and had nothing but rain." The schedule:

MAY 4—at University of Maine in Portland; 5—Washington State; 6—at Farmington State; 8—Ricker; 11—at Washington State (Ellsworth); 16—at Ricker; 17—Farmington; 20—NAIA Tournament at Providence, R.I.; 24—Maine Maritime; 27—at Maine Maritime.