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EDITORIALS

ABSENTEE QUESTIONNAIRE (a) FAILURE

On March 16 and 17 the Faculty Senate presented the students with a questionnaire concerning the "Absentee Policy" at Husson College. The theory behind this questionnaire was to exam what the students along with the faculty members would like to have for a cut system in the coming academic year. This was the first time the college has ever approached the students to see what they wanted. This I feel was a step in the right direction. Attempts are finally being made to communicate with the student, who is a vital part of a college atmosphere. This was a very commendable act, and those people responsible should be congratulated.

There were two factors that I found rather disappointing about the questionnaire. First, I feel that student apathy is still very much a part of our community. Many people think that the 50 percent turnout of the student body was good. They may say that in other elections we never get as much as a 50 percent turnout. Maybe so, but a questionnaire of this nature which effects each and every student should have had much better results. I'm sure that over 50 percent of the students at one time or another had complaints about the present system, but when they were given a chance to do something about it they found the short walk from the Wigwam to Tyler Lounge to far to travel. The arthritis in their fingers also prevented them from pushing the elevator button. I do want to commend the students, however, who did take the time and effort to do something about the present cut system.

My second grip as you probably can imagine is the questionnaire itself. After reading the questionnaire and carefully examining the nine proposals, I felt it was a complete failure even though a section was left for each student to write in his own proposal.

The following points are why I think the poll was a failure:

1. The questionnaire failed to take into consideration the human nature factor which makes this poll invalid. An average student would put an X in a box rather than write in his own proposal.
2. The committee didn't give us anything to vote for. The first choice was the cut system as it stands under present conditions. The other eight were basically the same with the exception that each choice took away from the first. The proposals didn't improve the system; they only made it worse. I feel the questionnaire didn't serve what it was intended for, and is invalid and unreliable. A new and better poll should be formulated.

On the other hand the other survey held Friday by the Sub-Committee of the Student Affairs Committee seems to have presented a different feeling. I personally feel it was a much better planned and executed survey. I would like to commend the people who put the poll together and also congratulate them on presenting it to the students. I also feel it is a good idea to survey the parents, alumni, and other colleges, although I do not feel that many will show interest in the survey.

EDITOR

SPRING IS A CALL TO ACTION

by Cyril Connolly

The Unquiet Grave

Isn't it nice how we, here at Husson, sit and talk about all our problems? Everyone has such grand ideas on how our school should be changed. Talk, and No action. Has Husson ever seen an active student organization, not an SDS Chapter or anything, but a group of students acting as a block to try and get some of the policies changed? (It sounds Communist or something to me.)

With all the talk, has a group of students ever tried to get their ideas brought up to the Student Senate? If it is an instrument of the Administration, can't the students change this by becoming involved? If both of these questions can be answered a negative we need not go any further.

But, if the second can be answered in the positive, why aren't we doing it. Because of fear from the administration?

So if apathy it is, don't cry to me about policies. I don't want to hear it. Things can be changed, not with cheap wigwam talk but with action. (It sounds Communist or something to me.)

CHIEF-FOR-A-DAY

by Jim Flahive

With the beginning of the second semester at Husson, the students can participate in activities that are not only a benefit to them individually, but are also a benefit to the student body as a whole. Students have at their disposal the right to elect one of their constituents to the highest office held at this college. This is a monumental decision, and it involves much thought and personal evaluation of the candidates by the Husson undergraduates. The Chief-for-a-Day Campaign is not only a time to attend parties and social functions, but also to elect a student who the majority feels is worthy of occupying the position of "Chief." After the fun and parties have long disappeared, there will be one man, and one man only, chosen, who will seek the reforms and improvements needed for the betterment of Husson College.

I wish to extend at this time, the best of wishes to the candidates running for Chief-for-a-Day with full realization that everyone is working and striving for the same cause. May this be the best campaign ever, and remember, above all, get involved!



If you have ever been in an outhouse, then you know what I mean when I say it is quite an experience. This is the main reason I have headed my column as Biggy's Outhouse. This column is going to be an experience. All thoughts will be "flushed" from my brain and will "septic" with aroma and class. Not to sound distasteful I will cover or uncover all the crud around here. So if you have a beef and want to get it off your chest come see me about it. Ya can't miss me cuz of my prominent figure.

I don't care if your name is SWAN you're not parking here.

Who knows? Maybe this man is suffering from Bird cage mouth.

FACULTY SENATE QUESTIONNAIRE

by Tim Tyler

On Monday and Tuesday, March 16 and 17, the Faculty Senate presented a questionnaire to the Husson students on keeping the present cut system or establishing a new one.

Approximately 50% of the student body backed the ballot by filling it out, but they didn't back the ideas which were presented on the questionnaire. Out of the students that voted, about half wrote in their desired cut system.

From the nine alternatives stated, the best one was the one we presently have. For a school that's getting more liberal, almost everyday, it was poorly designed.

If they're going to give us a questionnaire why not put on it what most students want, unlimited cuts, instead of evading it.



PARENTAL RESPONSIBILITY

Some parents seem to feel that their responsibility to their children is met when they tell them the difference between right and wrong; when they compliment them for an achievement; scold them for doing something wrong. Nothing could be farther from the truth.

Parents should guide and lead. Pointing the way is not enough. Parents should avoid using the excuse that it's "different" when adults argue or engage in some strictly adult" behavior. Parents who do not maintain a certain amount of parental dignity, who are inconsistent in their attitude towards one another and towards their children are in a poor position to tell their children what is right and what is wrong. Children are able to see as well as to hear. Clear logic tells them that a thing which is "bad" and "wrong" for adults as well.

In summary, there is no substitute for a proper example. Parental acts and parental attitudes set the environment in which children must cope with the serious business of growing up.

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What's Happening Elsewhere

Logan, Utah (I.P.) "The one thing we don't want is to simply produce a lot of verbal garbage or garbled verbiage. Studies of undergraduate education at other universities have resulted in a heck of a lot of neat documents but little real action.

I'm convinced that if we don't come up with a single thing on paper, but create an atmosphere of change, we'll have done something. That's Ross Whaley, chairman of the new Utah State University committee on improvement of undergraduate education, talking. Dr. Whaley makes other interesting observations on the subject, too.

"I think there are some really unusual opportunities at Utah State, because Utah State is an unusual university," he says. "For one thing, there is a natural conservatism here. USU students are atypical. Their attitude toward authority is such that they're more amenable toward it. To some extent, we can sit back and learn from troubles elsewhere, making reasoned improvements in a tranquil atmosphere."

("Our innovations, because they are not made in panic or under duress, can be better thought out." Farrell Edwards, chariman of the subcommittee on General Education, phrases it. "We can do what we ought to, not what we have to.")

"A second advantage." Whaley continues, "is that we have a new president, Glen Taggart, who is unusually receptive to new ideas. Third, Utah State has what I would call a 'wholesome' atmosphere, which makes it a nice place to work. That enables us to keep and recruit good educators we wouldn't otherwise be able to attract."

Begun last spring at the suggestion of President Taggart and Provost Gaurth Hansen, the committee is now moving into direct experimentation. It has organized its objectives into four areas–improvement in teaching, learning and living in the dormitories, General Education (broadening courses outside the student's major field) and education toward a vocation–and is accepting advise from a large number of sources in each area.

Action has already been taken on some recommendations. When the learning-living subcommittee quickly decided that conditions at Richards Hall were too barracks-like to be conducive to study, eight of the quads housing eight men were remodeled to accommodate only six men in better circumstances.

This was done by carpeting and furnishing one room in each quad as a study area. The committee also recommended converting another floor to single-occupancy rooms.

As the most active of the group thus far, the learning-living subcommittee has also arranged for a library in the High Rise dorms and plans to make such facilities as faculty offices, classes, films, and perhaps a bookstore available in dormitories.

Teacher evaluation and the use of teaching aids like video tape are the two main goals adopted by the teaching improvement subcommittee. Better "grading" of teachers, both by students and by the administration, has a high priority.

"We have no Grand Plan," says Dr. Whaley. "We're proceeding by way of small but real experiments. We're more interested in action than in waiting to polish our articulation of the subject. When we get recommendations from some of our many sources–travel to other institutions, consultants, faculty, students–we immediately try to found a student-faculty group interested in that aspect of the problem.

"Interestingly, the better share of the innovative ideas come from the students rather than faculty. I'm quick to add, most of these come from a very, very small percentage of the student, but working with those individuals has been a real reward for me. I hope they'll always be my friends."

Why aren't other students more interested, considering that a college education is probably the second biggest purchase they'll

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Fred Dowd, Treasurer; Jim Sdioti, Secretary; George Mann, President; David Holmes, Vice-President

CIRCLE K ELECTION

Circle K Club of Husson College held its election of officers for the academic year 1970-71 Tuesday evening. The slate included: George E. Mann, President, of Lewiston; David Holmes, Vice President. of Cream Ridge. N.J.; Jim Sidoti, Secretary, of Staten Island N.Y.; Fred Dowd, Treasurer, of Charleston. Members of the Executive Board – Paul Roberts, Lewiston; Paul Violette, Lewiston; Dick Nadeau, Millinocket; John Gleesettle of Glen Falls, N.Y.; Ned Foster student senate representative.

Circle K is an affiliate of Kiwanis International and the Club renders service to both the College and the Bangor area.

Each year Circle K sponsors the Husson Winter Carnival, one of the major social events on the campus. The boys also work for St. Michael's Childrens Home in Bangor which has included grounds maintenance, picnics, and parties for the children.

LEDGER FIVE

Now is the time for all Americans to step back and to look at their reflections in life's historical mirror. We must now analyze what is right and what is wrong - it could be either the conservative element or the liberal element, or possibly even both that are wrong. Whatever course of action that is taken though should have the inherent knowledge that it too may be subject to error and misconceptions. As Americans we have the responsibility to analyze protest with an open mind or we will find that protest can be fatal to the society that was so troubled while making its debut.

Love has a ring to it: an engagement ring, a wedding ring and suffering.

Professor to Speak

THE BANGOR FORUM announces the appearance of Professor O. Hobart Mowrer, Research Psychologist from the University of Illinois as the Forum's coming attraction Monday, April 13, at 8:00 p.m. at Peake's Auditorium,Bangor. Tickets may be available by writing to the Bangor Theological Seminary, Bangor, Maine, or may be purchased at the door. To make this lecture available to the general public, ticket prices are $1.00 students, and $1.75 non-students and special group rates. Discussion groups are especially invited to take advantage of this unusual lecture.

Dr. Mowrer is author of two widely discussed books: The Crisis in Psychiatry and Religion and The New Group Therapy; contributor to many scientific magazines, popular lecturer in the field of Sensitivity awareness, Group Leader in group therapy sessions, Psychological Consultant at many hospitals, and Associate of the Lilly Fellowship program for Seminary Professors at the University of Illinois. Dr. Mowrer does not hesitate to challenge Freudian psycho-analytical therapy techniques. His own group therapy advocates recognition of real "guilt" in human disorders, and stressed the critical importance of honesty and radical openness in inter-personal relationships. He has been highly critical of Churches adopting the Freudian beliefs, and by so doing, negating their ability to be of significant help to people in psychological need. Knowledgeable, articulate, sincere, Dr. Mowrer does not hesitate to be the center of controversy.

The Bangor Forum is enjoying its third year of economical projects, sponsored by both laymen and clergymen in the greater Bangor area. Its main purpose is to present distinguished lecturers who will offer significant insight upon our present day culture to the public-at-large.

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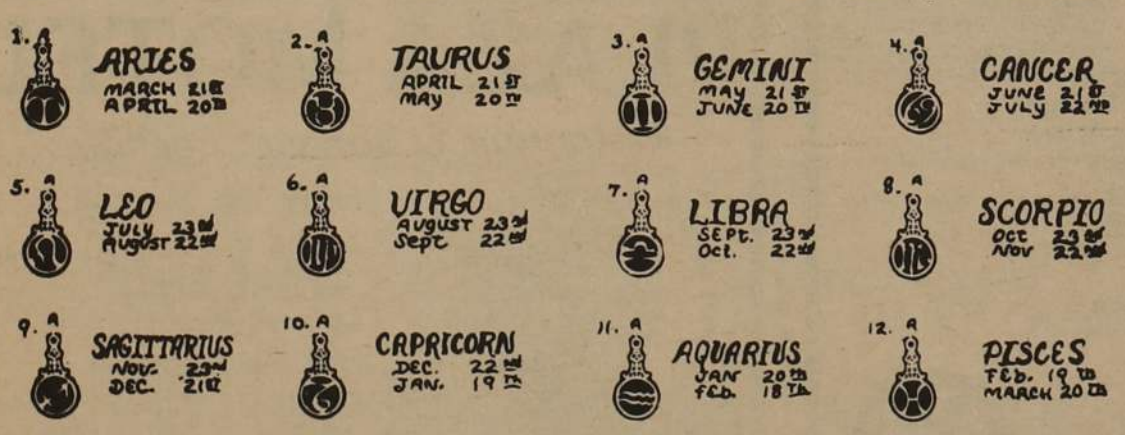
International Club Presents

If your studies turn you off, or you turn TV off, come to where the action is, Kominsky Auditorium. Miss Nancy Speirs, an A.F.S. student from Bangor High School, will take you on a 45 minute guided tour of Portugal. Share with her the excitement and confusion of coping with life in a foreign land. Flight time, tonight at 7:30. Faculty and students alike will enjoy this trip.

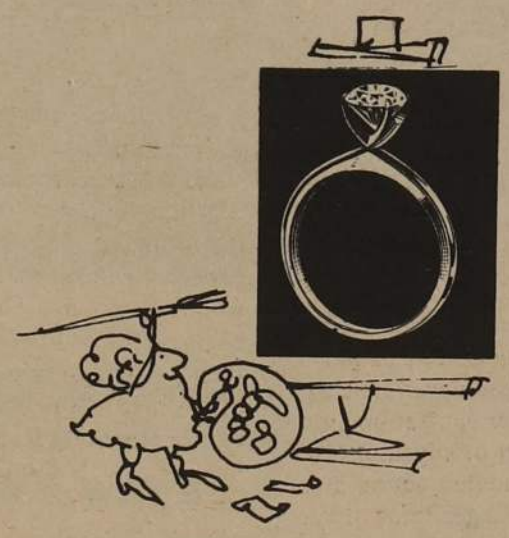




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MEX Active

On Monday, March 16, MEX held its first rush meeting for the prospective pledges. We appreciated the fine turnout and look forward to a fine new pledge class. For those who could not attend the first meeting you may come to our next pledge meeting tonight at 6:30 in S 118-119.

On the social scene, MEX plans to sponsor several more parties open to the entire student body. The first of these parties will be April 11, after Easter and before Chief Week to get things started. Watch for more details.

The Brothers are looking forward to "Chief Week" and are working diligently to come in first place again this year. The Brothers would also like to urge everyone to join one of the campaigns and back their candidate all the way. For all of the new students at Husson who have never been through a "Chief Week," we recommend that you join one of the camps and we will guarantee that you will enjoy one of the best, most fun-filled weeks in your life.

MEX is cooperating fully with the newly formed Greek Council to acquire a stronger union between Greeks at Husson. The Council will be working on many projects in the future such as: interfraternal athletic events, civic projects, Greek Night and Greek Weekend. The Greek Council is gradually gaining a stronger voice in student government and social functions.

Business wise, MEX has just elected new officers who are working on next semesters program and an efficient alumni chapter. The new officers are also forming a completely new system for running the fraternity with better public relations.



What's the price of eggs downtown

GREEKS

KAPPA KORNER

by Ralph Kennedy

The Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi would like to congratulate the students on their fine turnout on voting for the desired cut-system. This shows an interest in the College, and also for students who will be attending Husson in the future.

Watch for the interfraternal basketball games to be held right after our spring vacation.

Best of Luck to All Pledges as you Strive to become Greeks!

TeKE Talks

by Paul Cranford

Congratulations to the men who received bids and are now pledges of Tau Kappa Epsilon. The brothers want to wish you all much success as you are striving to become Greeks, especially Tekes. We hope all pledges of every fraternity will work for a better and stronger Greek System here at Husson College.

TKE I, with a 4-1 record made the playoffs in intramural basketball. Hats off to the Teke's who represented TKE in basketball. Intramural handball has started and TKE has entered seven brothers. Best of luck to you as you help bring the Intramural trophy for 69-70 to Tau Kappa Epsilon.

Spring is here and TKE has a lot going. To start things off we held the first TeKE Invitational Basketball Tournament. Planned for the future are a lot of fun filled events with the brothers and the pledges. There will be many parties in which the students of Husson will be able to participate in. Chief-for-a-Day is on the way with Bob Tomasion as "Batman" and Janet Marr as "Batgirl". We are well on the way to VICTORY! All students are welcome to work on Batman's campaign. Greek Weekend brings the Greek Games and TKE will be after the trophy. Last year TKE tied for first place in their first year in the Greek Games. As time goes on we will announce more future plans.

This past weekend the TeKE Invitational took place here at Husson College. The brothers would like to thank the students for their support. Much thanks goes out to Husson College for letting Teke's stay in the dorms and for the use of the Newman Gym. Those students who went saw some great basketball and also saw why TKE became and still is the largest college fraternity in the world. The reason for this is TKE stands for personal worth and character and has true brotherhood. Special thanks must go out to the Teke's from Maine, Gorham State, and Plymouth State.

TeKE Invitational Basketball Tournament

U. of M. Over Husson 72-50 In Championship Game

Plymouth State downs Gorham State 42-35 In Consolation Game

Maine - 1970 TeKE Invitational Champs

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ever made? "I don't know," Dr. Whaley says. "Maybe they're too busy. Maybe it's because the pay off doesn't show up until the next generation of students, three or four years in the future. In some cases, maybe they've thrown in the towel. That reaction may be caused by the same thing that makes other students riot.

Dr. Whaley partially defends instructors' sometimes greater resistance to change, particularly to teacher evaluation. He also sharply criticizes parts of the education the student is buying.

"With the exception of some extraordinary lectures, by and large a lecture is the worst means of teaching ever devised," he observes. "And, in any class larger than 20 to 30, a lecture is all you have. The most efficient use of teachers is either in small classes below that size or in huge lectures.

"There's some figure, about 50 students, beyond which I'd just as soon lecture to 1000 people. "To me, this whole area is sadly neglected. The academic community never thinks of bringing in a learning theorist to give us a better measure of effective size."



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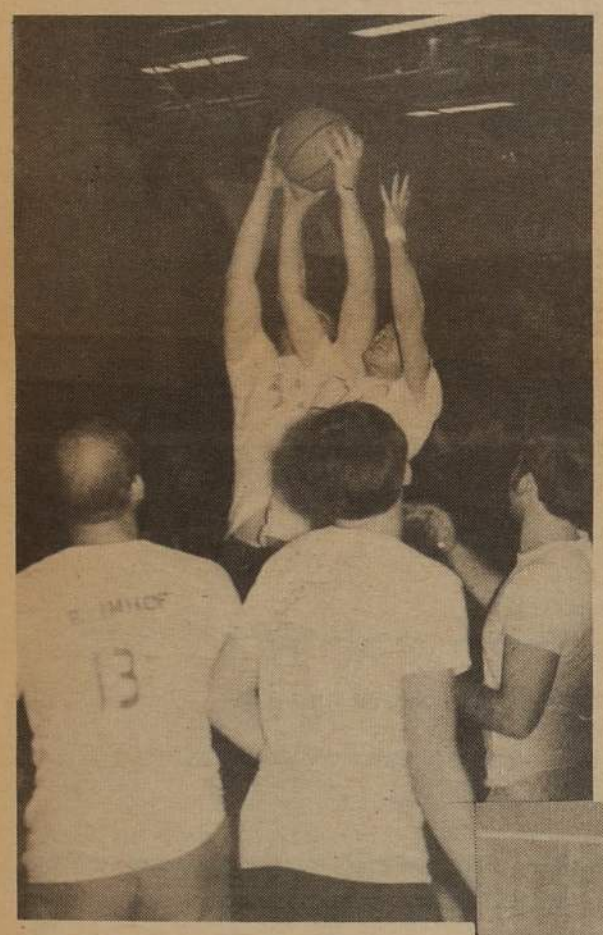
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WHO WILL GUIDE US?
by David Levine

At the present time the human
race is not just thinking about
conquering outer space.
Since wars are fought around the
world that prove nothing but
dirt of the earth to be hurled,
and soldiers to be buried in their
graves
where they finally find peace
and serenity for the rest of the
days.
In times of stress, conditions get
tighter and tighter
and one-time peace-loving men
turn into fighters.
But you may say that the power
of a country
should be known and should be
expected
and should be used to protect
the country's boundaries
which you say should never be
neglected.
But I say peace in this world is
the most important thing
and a country protecting herself
should not be some wild fling.
We should all get together a-
round the table
making world peace a truism
and showing that we are able.
to keep us all very much alive
and free
without first dropping bombs
in a wild spree.
These bombs used in a type of
warfare creates a terrible ring
with death, destruction, and the
complete ending of every living
thing.
What is this world coming to
will all of its hate be affecting
you?
Will you soon demonstrate as
students are doing
or will you calmly sit back and
watch the trouble start brewing?
Will you write a letter to your
government
that could hardly be classified
as a compliment?
I send out a plea to everyone
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VARSITY SPORTS

by Danny Carubia

The Husson swimming team completed its first varsity season. The team finished up with a 3-2 record under Coach Blokker.

It is hoped that next year will bring an increase in swim matches from this year's five to fourteen for the 1970-71 season. There is also a possibility of competing with teams in the New York and New Jersey area. With the exception of John Kearney, all members of this year's team will be returning.

In brief, here are the scores of the matches and the school and pool records that were set this year.

Husson 44	Nichols 38
Husson 34	U of NB 61
Husson 48	Bridgewater 47
Husson 42	Colby 51
Husson 49	Nichols 45

Records

Event	School Time	Pool Time
400 meters: Relay		4.26.6 Bridgewater (Dawin, Pelate, Crothy, Walker)
200 free style	2.06 Gendron	
50 free style	.24.8 Davidson	
200 Individual Medley	2.31.5 Davidson	
Diving		Same
Clifford	112.60 points	Same
100 Butterfly	1.04.4 Davidson	
200 Butterfly	3.51.9 Kearney	Fumia 138 points (Nichols)
100 free style	.557 Davidson	Same
200 Back Stroke		2.30 Crothy (Bridgewater)
		Same
200 Back Stroke	2.33.2 Maloney	2.25.5 Ryzaw (Nichols)
500 free style	5.58.0 Gendron	same
200 Breast stroke		2.41.4 Pelate (Bridgewater)
400 free style	3.52.2 Gendron	
Relay	Maloney, Peterson Davidson	Same

These records will no doubt be broken either next year or in the near future, as this was Husson's first year of varsity competition. Coach Blokker was pleased with the progress that the swim team made. Although the team will no doubt play a tougher schedule next, year, the outlook for a winning season is good.

I spoke with Tom Peryea upon his return from Missouri where he took part in the collegiate wrestling finals. Tom came away impressed with the many wrestlers that he watched. Most of them in his opinion were quick and had good knowledge of the wrestling techniques that are used in college wrestling.

Although he lost by a 9-2 score, Tom was only two points down when he tried to get his opponent on his back in order for him to win the match. It was a gamble, all or nothing, and Tom came up short handed; but the mark of a good competitor is the risks and gambles that he takes in order to make himself number one.

SHORT STOPS:

Ron Soucie's arm looks good after operation. . .Keith Brown hitting against batting machine. . .Soccer team will probably have spring workouts after vacation. . .Kevin Baker joins the Air Force this week. . .Will the cheerleaders cheer for the baseball too. . .Al Caston and Dick Giroux in all-star games. . .Golf team starts after vacation. . .Don Myers playing baseball same for Dana Wilson. . . Coach MacGregor named New England's small college Coach of the Year. . .Baseball team might take Southern trip next year. . . Question! Will the baseball field be ready, and will the girl's basketball team play another game???

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INTRAMURALS

Men's

By J. M. Roods

The mens intramural basketball league ended tonight with the Frogs, the G. P. V.'s and the Faculty winning and remaining undefeated.

The faculty by virtue of their professionalism and their superior playing ability will not be allowed in the all school playoffs. However, they have issued a challenge to play the all school champions. This is only with the understanding that the faculty is allowed to chose the officials for the game.

The C. U. of N. Tenn. team is seeded No. 1 to win the tournament with G. P. V.'s, M. D. P., and T. K. E. to follow in that order.

Final Standing

Mens Intramural Basketball

	W	L
Red League		
Green Division		
C. U. of N. Tenn.	5	0
K.D.P. I	4	1
Animals	3	2
H. G. S.	2	3
Stags	1	4
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G.P.V.'s	5	0
T.K.E. I	4	1
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Camel Herders	1	4
Dirty Dozen	0	5
Blue League		
Green Division		
Frogs	4	0
K.D.P. II	3	1
Pitney Bowes	2	2
The Zoo	1	3
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White Division		
Faculty	4	0
Roaring 20's	3	1
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WANTED: The Return of The Square

by Paul Harvey

"Square"–another of the good old words–has gone the way of "love," "modesty," and "patriotism." Something to be snickered over or outright laughed at. Why, it used to be there was no higher compliment you could pay a man than to call him a "square shooter."

The adman's promise of a "square deal" once was as binding as an oath on the Bible. One of these admen, Charles Brower, says he's fed up with this beat generation distorting and corrupting our time-honored vocabulary. Some of what I'm going to say next, he said first, but I second the motion.

Today's "square" is a guy who volunteers when he doesn't have to.

He's a guy who gets his kicks from trying to do a better job than anyone else.

He's a boob who gets so lost in his work he has to be reminded to go home.

A "Square" is a guy who doesn't want to stop at the bar and get all juiced up because he prefers his own home, his own dinner table, his own bed.

He hasn't learned to cut corners or to goof off.

This creep we call a "square" gets all choked up when he hears children singing, "My Country, 'tis of thee. . ."

He believes in God–and says so–in public!

Some of the old "squares" were Nathan Hale, Patrick Henry, George Washington, and Ben Franklin.

Some of the new "squares" are Glenn, Carpenter, and Schirra.

John Glenn, that "square," says he gets a funny feeling down inside when he sees the flag go by. Says he's proud he belonged to the Boy Scouts and the YMCA and learned in Sunday School how to pray. How square can you get?

A "square" is a guy who lives within his means whether the Joneses do or not, and thinks his Uncle Sam should too.

He doesn't want to fly now and pay later.

A "square" is likely to save his own money for a rainy day, rather than count on using yours.

A "square" gets his books out of the library instead of the drugstore.

He tells his son it is more important to play fair than to win. Imagine!

A "square" is a guy who reads Scripture though nobody is watching, and prays even when nobody's listening.

A guy who thinks Christmas trees should be green and Christmas gifts should be handpicked.

And he wants to see America first–in everything.

He believes in honoring father and mother and "do unto others" and that kind of stuff.

He thinks he knows more than his teenage about car freedom and curfew.

Will all you gooney birds answering this description please stand up? You misfits in this brave new age, you dismally disorganized, improperly apologetic ghosts of the past, stand up!. . .and be counted!

You squares who turn the wheels of industry and dig the fields and move mountains and put rivets in our dreams.

You "squares" who hold the thankless world in place.

WHITE WATER!!

from the annals of the Husson College Outing Club

Have you ever been canoeing? Have you ever been white water canoeing? These were the two questions asked last year of members of the Husson College Outing Club. These two same questions were later put to a couple of individuals other than members with about the same response as I gave to the original questions, Yes and No, respectively. Unfortunately, the question as to when was not asked. And where the question of when was neglected, so equally was the question of how much.

The questioning was for the purpose of finding a number of enthusiasts to venture the annual "Kenduskeag Valley Stream Canoe Race" held in the spring of the year. We ended up with four willing members plus the advisor. And the training began.

The first time down the monstrous stream was disappointing. We found that there was very little white water for the first ten miles or so. The last six or so had nearly all of the challenges that were necessary. A chronicle of the obstacles and results:

1) Six mile falls - one leg bitten by a dog, one leg cut by a barbed wire fence, a half dozen ribs broken in the canoe.
2) Three miles of rock avoidance and fast water - more ribs broken and a couple of small gashes in the canoe.
3) Old Flour Mill Dam - one member in over his head, canoe sunk with nobody aboard. (All we tried to do was take the canoe around the obstacle.)

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Question (?) of the Week

by Shifty

"What is your opinion of the Absentee Committee's questionnaire on a cut system?"

Marie Adams–The questions weren't what the students wanted.
John Agnew–I though that it didn't give to much of a variety.
Carolee Bryant–The only good alternative is the one we got.
Howard Blum–It gave the students a good choice, but it lacked unlimited cuts for all.
Donald Lagrutta–The way it was set up, it was unfair. One of the choices should have been unlimited cuts for all.
Gil Stone–The choices were all basically the same.
John DeGrass–Why should the questionnaire require a signature to be valid?
Carol Labbee–I think the alternatives they offer are an insult to the intergrity of Husson students.
Pat White–There weren't enough alternatives.
Jim Frost–The alternatives offered weren't worth filling in.
Al Caston–The questionnaire was a good idea. I feel the alternative is not the best.
Dave Bouchard–I thought it was a farce. It didn't offer anything appealing to the general student.
Don Hurley–It lacked having unlimited cuts for all.
Howie Egalka–It all boiled down to the same thing; there was no wise selection.
Roland Moreau–The questions were leading. They were looking for a certain question.
Jim Miller–Why have nine choices when everyone wants an unlimited cut system.
Mike Pelkey–I felt there wasn't a better choice offered than the one already in existence.
John Gleesettle–There weren't enough choices and there should have been more on underclassmen.
Frank Salas–It's a start in the right direction.
Eddie Hemmingsen–There should have been an alternative for unlimited cuts for all.

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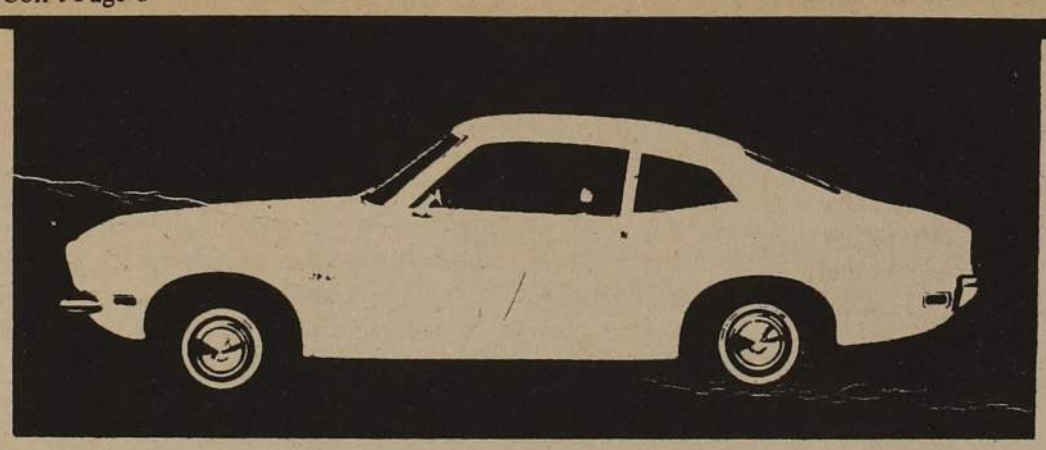
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4) Second Dam -portage required over it.

5) High fast water-water rushing over rocks causing wakes of up to four feet high-with three in the canoe we found it was impossible-we turned the canoe sideways and took on more water than the canoe could hold and over we went-did you ever go for a swim in a cess pool?

The Day of the Race

After some harrowing experiences and losing one of the original members of the six that had decided to enter we came to race day. We had three canoes entered. We were all scheduled to leave the starting gate within two minutes of each other. As my partner was relatively new to the game we decided not to hinder anybody's progress and to just do the best that we could under the circumstances. Results: 1) Started paddling backward on the start. 2) Got hung up on the first rock that we saw. 3) Put hole in the canoe. 4) Our steering was a bit on the awkward side and we turned around a couple of times in mid-stream. 5) The first white water the bow man yelled hard left, the stern man made a hard right (have you ever seen two grown individuals hung up on a rock in mid-stream trying desperately to get loose and at the same time laughing so hard that it was impossible to catch one's breath or to stand up?) 6) We hooked up in a race with two men about the age of 70 years and decided to pace ourselves with them. They beat us to Six Miles Falls. We did not like the idea of being beat by two men more than twice our age so when they took the long way around the water hazard, as did many that day, we took the more direct route. Down the middle. After extracting ourselves from two ledges that prevented us from advancing we pulled into the main stream of the obstacle. We had to go through a section about four feet wide in the shape of an S with an extra curve on it. The sternman, who, incidentally does the largest part of the steering, slipped on the bottom of the canoe and was lying on his back when the canoe entered the turns. Hairy wasn't the word for it. On the last curve the crowd was standing and the hand that they gave us made the whole day worth the effort. But the task was still at hand, to beat out the two old men. We got ahead of them at this point but because we took on so much water they had the opportunity to pass as we pulled for bailing purposes. 7) We caught them at the next white water but could not pass them because they had the advantage of hitting the faster passages first. (We thought of pulling up next to them and dumping them but every time we tried a rock would get in our way.) 8) And then Old Flour Mill. . .The two older men got out of the stream about 50 yards from it to go up over the dam and put in on the other side. We decided that it would be quicker to get closer and to take the canoe through a drainage pipe that cut through one section of it. The water near the pipe was the fastest that we had encountered all day. As we headed for the pipe we had to turn our canoe slightly. And the water took it for a ride upside down. That was not too bad, we recovered quickly enough. A little wet and breathing hard but still up for the final push to the finish. Going through the pipe wasn't too hazardous except that we had to jump about four feet into a pool of water that looked quite deep. It wasn't. One sprained toe and a few more scrapes on the canoe. Nearly tipped the canoe again trying to get into it in the middle of the river. As for the old men, they were still on the bank. 9) And away we went first to the next dam, over that with not too much problem (if you call exhaustion not too much problem.) 10) We were in the home stretch without any obstacles in our way for the next and last 400 yards. We thought. A ledge sprang up in the middle of the stream with no warning. The sternman got out to push off. As he took one step past the ledge he was suddenly over his head and under the canoe. The bow man with the sudden upswing of the rear of the canoe sort of lost his balance and fell out of the canoe. So there's two men in the water and a canoe floating free. Behind them the two old men were making slow progress in catching them. They clambered back into the ship just in time to save their position and to finish ahead of the two others.

Final finishing position - next to last. I might add that the other two canoes entered by the Outing Club made strong showings but finished out of the money (or trophies, as the case was.) On comparing experiences, we found that many of the same things happened to the others. Touche! ! ! !

White water canoeing, anyone?

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OPEN LETTER TO AMERICA

My Dearest America:

I miss you, I truly do. Where have you gone? What have they done to you? You were the ideal, the new beginning - but they have changed you into a monster, yes a monster full of greed, destruction and contempt for human life. You have changed drastically my dearest, and I must add for the worst.

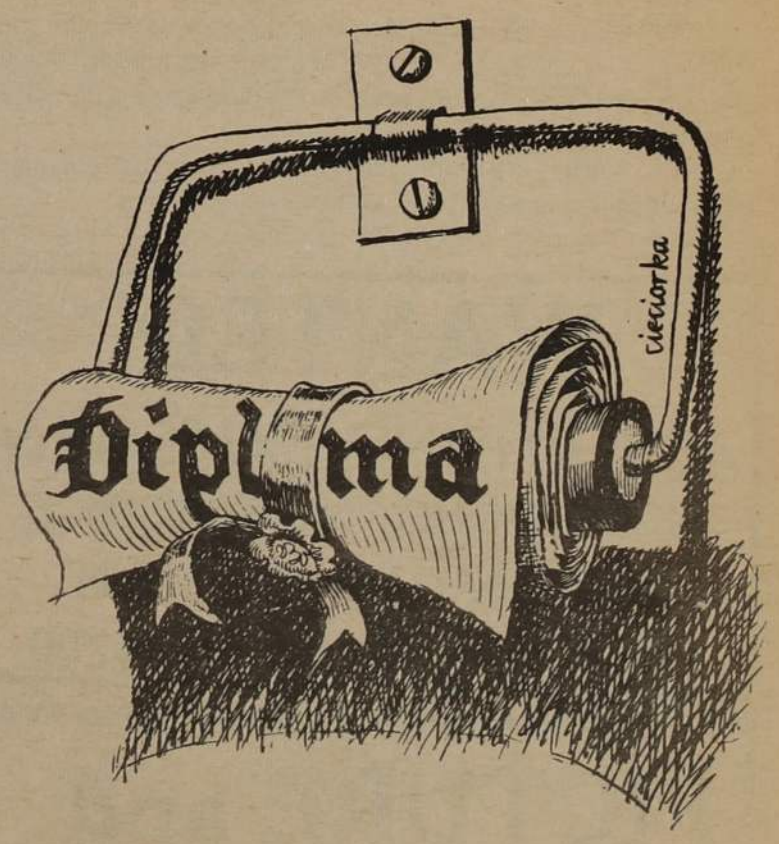
Remember, my dearest, when you held the people so close to your heart, then you believed in them and trusted in them. Remember when it was your people who governed you with the helpful aid of a few, then we all participated in your democracy. Remember in the beginning how your people were working together for a better you - an America that thrived on brotherhood, freedom, and hope. Do you remember how your people truly loved you then and would not forsake you during your most critical periods, no matter what the consequences were to them? My dearest, your people truly loved you then, they loved you because then you were pure and honest.

Now men have taken you for granted and they have over taken you with their lies. They have committed crimes against your people and they do not heed your peoples pleas for peace and brotherhood among all beings. Your overtakers are trying to mold you into their image of a power-hungry vampire. They are delighted when they see you such the blood of Vietnamese and do not care of the blood that is shed in abundance by your younger people who do this disgraceful task in your name - AMERICA. My dearest, they are traitors to your cause and ideals, for no longer do they let you hold the people close to your heart but they make you use them to fit their means.

My dearest, no matter how oppressed your people are there will always be many who will continue to work, live, pray, and demonstrate for your ideals - I will be one of them. We will continue to bring you back to the people and away from the nasty hands of big government and big business. Certain rulers of your people tell us to leave you if we don't like you now - do not fear, for we shall never leave you, not till your spirit from which you were conceived is reborn in you again. We cannot let you continue to be succumbed by heartless men. We will be your protectors so that your ideals may soon retake this country.

I must close now, my dearest, for the peaceful revolution is picking up force in the streets, and I must begin to help your rulers come back to their senses. You were loved in the beginning and you are still loved now by your people, for they know that deep down inside of you, you have not changed only your rulers have. America, I miss you and await your speedy return.

Yours in the pursuit of freedom,
a Patriot of 1776





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