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The annual Tech Smoker was held in Alumni Gym, Wednesday Evening. The freshmen intermingled freely with upperclassmen who were representing the various engineering clubs on the campus. It was a good-fellowship social with plenty of cider and cigarettes.

Pledges to the honorary engineering fraternity, Tau Beta Pi, to which only those whose ranks are exceptional are invited to join, were announced as a customary feature of this yearly smoker. An additional award was the Tau Beta Pi slide rule awarded to the Tech sophomore who received the highest rank during his freshman year.

Professor "Jimmie" Moreland, as speaker of the evening entertained his audience in true Moreland style. Humor was the order of the night and the walls resounded with laughter from a highly appreciative audience. The meeting was brought to a close at nine-thirty.

Military Ball

Well Attended

Over two hundred couples thronged to the Memorial Gymnasium Friday evening to attend the annual Military Ball under the auspices of the local chapter of Scabbard and Blade. The spacious gym was gaily decorated with red, white, and blue streamers dangling vertically to the floor. The orchestra gave an impressive appearance from its raised platform ornamented with the national colors. Each fraternity on the campus was represented by a booth on the floor.

(Con't next Col.)

Outing Club

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The Maine Outing Club held a successful overnight camp at Fitts Pond, East Eddington, on Saturday and Sunday. Thirty members with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wallace and Ted and Mrs. Curtis, left the campus at two o'clock Saturday in a special bus bound for Camp Roosevelt of the Katahdin Council of the Boy Scouts. The cabin is located on the edge of beautiful Fitts Pond.

After a supper of corn fritters and coffee served by the efficient camp cook, Win Robbins, the campers spent a gay evening doing everything from the "Virginia Foel" to "Spin the Cover". Sunday morning, the group split into two parties, one hiking to Snowshoe Pond and up Snowshoe Mountain, and the other going to Little Burnt and Burnt Ponds. The latter group suffered three cases of frozen ears.

Chef Robbins did himself proud when he prepared a Sunday dinner of most inviting food. Camp closed at three o'clock, and everyone expressed himself as having had a most enjoyable week-end.

There were eight freshmen present.

(Con't from last col.)

At twelve o'clock, John Quinn, president of Scabbard and Blade, announced the winner of the Honorary Lieutenant Colonelcy, Charlotte LaChance. The newly initiated members of Scabbard and Blade were awarded the insignia of "Aine," honorary Military Fraternity. Color was added during the intermission by freshmen waiters clad in white coats and equipped with huge trays. They served the assembly with all the efficiency and dignity of kings stewards.
At the weekly freshman forum held Sunday evening, a most timely and enlightening topic concerning international affairs was given by Professor Peterson, professor of Spanish and Italian. The topic was on the 7th Pan-American Conference. "This conference may amount to nothing, and again it may produce results affecting the peace and prosperity of the United States," he stated.

The professor outlined the relationships of the Pan-American countries and characteristics of their peoples. "Although the countries are weak, they must not be regarded as small or insignificant. They represent at present the era when the United States passed through at the close of the Civil War. In order to understand the problems of Latin-American countries, it is necessary to understand the people," the speaker stated. "The aristocracy is educated," he added, "but the masses are ignorant."

The conference contains a certain European element which may tend to break up the Monroe Doctrine, and supplant a principal wherein the United States acts in cooperation with the South American Republics.

The next Forum speaker will be Dean Mullenberg of the College of Arts and Sciences.

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**Frosh Numerals Awarded**

At a meeting of the Numeral Club last Wednesday, George Bullard of Rutheford, N.J., was elected honorary captain of this year's frosh grid outfit. Numerals were awarded to twenty-eight members of the squad, and sixteen members of frosh barriers received blue '37's.

Football men who received numerals are: Alberti, Bessom, Brolly, Brewster, Brown, Hon. Captain Bullard, Butterfield, Childs, Colbert, Crozier, Dodge, Dow, Durost, Hanlin, Houston, Hutchings, Koogan, Lancaster, Mck, Miuniti, Morrison, Parsons, Pfuntner, Proctor, Swat, Tapley, Spooner, and Williams.

Cross-country numeral men are: Bennett, Corbett, Dalot, DeWick, Dinsmore, Gatti, Hayson, Heald, Hirschman, Hooper, Hunnewell, Kelley, Mayo, Murray, Shaw, Webb.

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**Winter Sports to Start Soon**

If favorable weather conditions continue, tryouts for the winter sports team will be held Thursday. Mr. Ted Curtis, faculty manager of athletics, hopes to have a fairly large group of men report. There will be several meets this year, including the big winter carnival at Lake Placid, New York, at the end of Christmas vacation. Six of the best skiers and snowshoers from Maine will participate in this meet. Froshmen have gone to Lake Placid several times in the past and shown up well in the events.
Members of the freshman class showed outstanding performance in the annual Christmas Handicap track meet sponsored by the Maine Palo Blue Key Society last Saturday afternoon in the armory.

Kenneth Ireland and James O'Connor, both sophomores, won first and second place respectively in the individual scoring honors. Bill Runnewoll '37, winner of the National and New England freshman cross-country champion easily finished 20 yards ahead of Lawrence Osgood in the one-mile run.

The outstanding race of the afternoon proved to be the quarter mile which resolved itself into a battle for honors between Gatti and O'Connor. Gatti, starting from scratch, failed by inches to overcome O'Connor's 2 yard handicap as the latter put on a 50-yard sprint at the close of the race to take first place.

A major upset occurred when Alton Bell '37 took first place in the javelin and second place in the pole vault.

The freshmen who placed in the meet were as follows:
- 1 mile run—Runnewoll, 1st; Osgood, 2nd; Adams, 3rd.
- 440 Yard run—Gatti, 2nd; Dinsmore, 3d.
- 45 yd. high hurdles—Wobb, 1st; Swasey, 2nd;
- 100 yd. dash—no freshman.
- 2 mile run—Runnewoll, 2nd; Corbett, 3rd.
- 100 yd. low hurdles—Dow, 1st; Hojnower, 2nd; Wobb, 3rd.
- 880 yd. run—no freshman.
- 220 yd. dash—tie for first, Mullen and Perkins.
- Shot Put—Boislic, 1st; Swab, 3rd.
- High Jump—tie for 3rd, Swab and Grady.
- Pole Vault—Bell, 2nd.
- Javelin—Bell, 1st.
- Discus—no freshman.
- Broad Jump—Webb, 2nd.

The schedules for the "A" and "B" frosh basketball teams of the University were announced last week by Theodore Curtiss, faculty manager of athletics. Winslow High School, winner of the University of Maine interscholastic basketball tournament for the past two years, has been added to further stiffen the schedule.

Coach Bill Kenyon's Palo Blue outfit will inaugurate its season January 10, with Brewer High School and play 11 home games before the club makes its annual trip through Aroostook county.

Team "B" has a six-game schedule drawn up which includes a game with Bar Harbor at Bar Harbor.

Sixty-one freshmen reported to Coach Kenyon's call and valuable material is being weeded out. Practice will be held every day and a good club is expected to be formed.

Following is the schedule:

| Jan. 10 | Brewer at Orono |
| " 13  | Higgins Classical |
| " 16  | Coburn |
| " 19  | Kents Hill |
| " 20  | Finslow |
| " 27  | Millinocket |
| " 9  | Stephens High |
| " 10  | Waterville High |
| " 12  | John Bapst |
| " 16  | Hebron Academy |
| " 17  | Lewiston |
| " 19  | Pending |
| " 20  | at Presque Isle |
| " 21  | at Caribou |
| " 22  | at Fort Fairfield |
| " 23  | at A.C.I. |

Following is the schedule for Team "B":

| Jan. 5 | at Old Town |
| " 13 | at Dexter |
| " 20  | at Bar Harbor |
| Feb. 19  | at John Bapst |
| " 17  | at Guilford |
| " 23  | at Ricker Classical |
This is the tenth of a series written exclusively for the Freshman by various members of the Faculty of the University. The following was written by Edith G. Wilson, Dean of Women.

Everett Dean Martin has said that our civilization is like an express train rushing through the night without a headlight. We worship speed and action. We have attempted to distinguish between men of action and men of thought until the general impression has spread that thought hinders action. This idea appears to me to be a hangover from the pioneer days when action-quick action was often essential to life. As Martin adds, "Of course it is only foolish action that right thinking ever discourages, but in the world of a busy little people, any business at all may seem preferable to inaction, just as to such people any human association seems preferable to solitude." It is not sufficient in our times for one to work for a cause, or to secure a large following. Action, after all, is only a means to an end. The place of thought is to determine ends and to evaluate them. We ought to judge people not by the mere number of their actions, but according to the maturity of their deliberations. Let us not make the mistake of over-valuing the "busyness" we see around us.

Debating for Fresh Women

A debating society for freshmen girls has been formed by Mr. Bricker. Two senior debaters, Ruth Walenta and Eva Bisbee, act as chancery. These out for the team are: Lois Widrow, Deering; Irene Olson, Patten; Alice MacIver, Old Town; Florence Shannon, Bangor; Alice Stewart, Brunswick, and Celia Cohen, Portland.
The Freshman

Forty-Four Freshmen on Dean's List

Forty-four freshmen made the half-semester Dean's list or approximately eleven percent of the class.


One of the most unusual events of the year was the presentation of "The Taming of the Shrew" by the Orono Puppeteers last Monday evening in the Balentine Gym, sponsored by the freshman girls at the Maples and Balentine.

Selections from Robert Frost were given by Professor Flewelling of the English department Wednesday afternoon in South Stevens.

Among his readings were "The Witch of Coos", "The Death of the Hired Man", and "The Road Not Taken"

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Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 12
5:00 Worship Service, M.C.A. Building
6:00 Carol singing in front of President's House
7:00 Play by Le Cercle Francais "La Malle Sanglante"

Wednesday, Dec. 13
4:15 Reading

Thursday, Dec. 14
8:00 Maine Night at the Chateau

Friday, Dec. 15
11:30 Christmas vacation begins

Second Masque Play Successful

The Maine Masque presented its second production of the year in the Little Theatre Wednesday and Thursday evenings. The play, "Death Takes A Holiday" has received much favorable comment.

Freshmen included in the cast were: Hope Wing, Ruth Kimball, Howard Staff, and Robert Norris. They played their parts competently and enthusiastically. Ruth Kimball was especially convincing as the charming Alda.

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Makin' good in college is a duty that we owe to our high or preparatory school, to our parents and to our college. Consequently it is a duty that should not be considered lightly.

Let's return from our Christmas vacation to settle down to real conscientious work. WE WANT MORE FRESHMEN ON THE DEAN'S LIST.
The Branding Iron

Heigh-Ho--Ho-Ho, and a couple of Eada's or vice versa--------
contributions this week have been conspicuous from their absence
and not being the old slue, the outlook is pretty seedy--------
Anyway it seems that we have a
girl in the class who cut Helen Thompson's throat to the extent of
four weeks---------Isn't
such one can say about that kind
of person--------why waste time???
-----Fine showing, II percent
makes the Dean's List--------Someone
ought to buckle down to work--------
Jobs will be awfully scarce in
February---------besides wrapping
up shoes in Hacy's basement or
truck driving aren't paying jobs----
-----Business is picking up for
the trolley cars lines------they just
installed fourteen conductors on
each car to chase the cow-catcher
brigade off the cars--------Phyl Dimitri
is forced to retire at 6:30 each
evening---------some kid, hey fun??!!??
You can't eat your cake and have it
too!---------and the cold
north wind has it that Fran Austin
plays a wicked "second riddle"------
-----a la Nero style------Rome wasn't
burned in a day--------Barry Klein
is offering to sketch anyone's(Al
Bisco's especially)map gratis-------
Home, Barry, you can't even draw your
breath--------You didn't do so
badly drawing a crowd at the Book
store one day--------Oh, and Lav
tery really went for a ride at the
Valentine Thanksgiving dinner-------
The two girls they kidded about
living in Boston really came from
Boston--------"Is my fez red," said the
turk--------"Chesterfield" Crab
tree carries the mail to Bloody
Bulch everyday at the bookstore-------
Phil Phillips fits in somewhere-------
Yowah--------Bob Laverty is nursing a
bar as big as a ham--------Next time
you will think twice before you land
your toque---------After all Sir
Walter Raleigh didn't pull his
staff in a blizzard--------Joe
Collinson has gone "outdoors" in a
big way--------so has Betty Hart---------
Tak---------Connie and George are singing

"Let's call it a Day"-------who got fed
up??? Don't tell me, I can't guess
---------Will somebody please tell
Madeline Roussin why milk doesn't
taste like water?? Yeah, what would
you rather do or go on a picnic???
Incidentally Muriel Perkins is
back in circulation, so she says------
but ma dimming eyes don't deceive
---------where did you get the truck
madal, Perkie???? Slim Seavey went
on a four day hunger strike------
and still he doesn't look like an
advertising agent for the coming
famine--------Who is this Ralph
Russelle keeps raving about??
---------How many don't???
--------Ekback
was seen tripping up to the front
door Valentino Saturday night------
all these squareheads--------all the
moxie doesn't come in bottles------
Red Bullard is still walking in
a trance--------someday you will be
awfully disillusioned--------ah me, a
laugh, a sob, that's life--------Emily
Elmore is losing sleep over some
distant stranger(?)--------why don't
you save it and lose it Christmas
vacation--------Don't you think it's
about time you started wearing your
freshman hat, Barbara?--------about
everyone on campus thinks so------Some to
you, Mary Divey------"Commuter"
Cavanaugh and a few of the boys had
quite a battle trying to get "Little
John" Driscoll on the trolley car------
It finished with Commuter taking the
well-known "Bandwagon" down State
Street hill------sit on the spur of
the moment, Tommie??--------Some of the
Trash boys don't know their own
strength when it comes to donning
the "soup and fish"--------it
took Hutchings, Crabtree, Dewick, and
Tartlet into effect, an hour and a half
to jump into theirs------and then
they looked as if they had been into
them------With best wishes to all
for a Merry Christmas I say don't
do anything you can't do on a
bicycle.--------------------------------------------

The "Iron"