**Library Grows In Capacity**

The library has been extremely busy this year, according to Throop Mr. Koppang and others. The students have taken a great interest in the library, even borrowing books from other branches like the Freshman Division Library.

**FROSH OFFICERS DISCLOSE PLANS**

The recent freshman elections were highlighted by the special run-off victory of Roy Stay as President. Despite the efforts of James H. Alcock as Vice President, the only news from the Freshman Student Senate was the official announcement of the SLATE meeting of Stevenson, one of the Student Life teams.

**AAUP DINES**

The Lowell Tech branch of the American Association of University Professors in consultation with the Student Teachers’ College sponsored a dinner held at the A. A. U. P. Chapter at Boston College.

**APPOINTMENTS**

The Boston State College School of Education has been appointed to the Undergraduate Intercollegiate Panel.

**PLACEMENT SERVICE ARRANGE INTERVIEWS**

**MILITARY BALL SUCCESSFUL**

The Military Ball Weekend was a great success, according to Tech playing Tonne. Though hard fought, Lowell emerged with the win. After the game, the audience gathered in the fraternity houses. Many fraternity men and freshmen with their dates danced until early in the morning.

**NAME BOARD OF VISITORS**

Twelve of New England’s public affairs, educational, state, and industrial leaders have received appointment to the Board of Visitors of Lowell Technological Institute, it was announced by President Martin J. Lyon.

**Nudeus Meets**

The members of the Nudaeus Incorporated, a group of Lowell students, gathered at 8:00 p.m. at the W. R. Kelly house. The meeting was attended by many people, including the president of the Student Council, who discussed various issues related to the group’s mission.

**PAPER MEN ASSEMBLE**

Recently, President Lyon has sent to the Editorial Board of the Lowell Student Press, a special letter inviting the students to participate in the running of the school newspaper. The students have been encouraged to express their ideas and opinions through the pages of the paper.

**SMART START**

The Lowell Tech Players held their Annual Christmas Party for orphans on Sunday in the Lowell Tech Theatre. The children were brought to the theatre by the staff of the Salvation Army, and were entertained by a variety of singing groups and dance performances. The party was a great success, and everyone had a wonderful time.
FACULTY VIEWPOINT

By Professor LESTER H. CUSHING

(PROFESSOR CUSHING is a member of the faculty of the student interest).

SPORTS AT LOWELL TECH

A Year's Summary

Since December 1, 1953, Lowell Tech has played complete sports schedules in the Intercollegiate Athletic Association. During this time, L.T.I. played in 102 games, won 23, losing 31, and tying 48. Of these, three teams with a majority of their athletes from outside ecological boundaries, 1954:

W. L. T.

Basketball (1953-54) 5-4-4

Tennis (1954) 4 1

Golf (1954) 2

Lacrosse (1954) 2

Basketball (top 10) 6 2

Source: (f) of 1954 6 2

Membership

Lowell Tech is a member of the four-fifteen interconnected athletic groups, namely, the New England Athletic Association, College for Colleges with 25 active members, and the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Union, which has 11 member institutions, 5 of which we joined last year. This group of three makes possible for us to participate in all sports. (1954) membership is taken only by New England colleges and universities, and average of 20 members. We have not yet won enough games to place our team in the second division of the New England Intercollegiate Athletic Association.

Third, the Intercollegiate Athletic Association, has a great deal of success in any given year, we do feel that we will definitely bring a greater degree of success during the next year. We are planning to bring our Atlas Mother to the lion's gate of Lowell College.

UPON GRADUATION

The basis for this editorial is an article appearing in "Textile Industries," August 1943, CONGRATULATIONS!

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Friday, December 17, 1954

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Spring in the
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Season's
Greetings
And our sincere
best wishes.
1954
JUNIOR CLASS

JOLLY
HOLIDAY
1955

May the new year be kind to you.
SENIOR CLASS
I Talk Too Much

By J. JOEL BERGER

“Movies are better than ever—says who? Certainly not me. Even though I subscribe wholeheartedly to the theory “Movie Time U. S. A.” almost all the time, I’d gladly sacrifice, Chimesapop, Vittorio, StereoVision sound and the lot, for a plate full of black and white film with an adult story, sincere portrayals, and good direction.

The feature offered at the local cinema (Lowell, Law rence, Nashua, Haverhill, and even Manchester—sometimes Positively desperate) range from exquisitely marvelous to hide ously mediocre. Occasionally a good film sneaks out of its confines in Hollywood, where they are undoubtedly well guarded, and is presented in the theater. We anguish one must endure to see it in virtually unreadable.

Invariably the cast—whether you’re unlucky enough to see it—and most people do, because they simply have to kill the evening) is second rate. Second rate, why one time (we (they’re usually Lippert, Allied Artists, Monogram, or Republic pics)—so beware! I feel that a new, low, even lower, than seaweed, has been reached.

Just think of a choice between Bonnie (the Jungle Boy vs Secret Agent 96 (these films are so far behind the times, he’s fighting Nazis in plot variation HO on a standard copy and rubs them thru at one theatre); and the Lone Gun, The Gauntlin, Gunfighter, Gunsmell, or Gunny Sack at the other. And don’t forget the Bowery Boys, those masters of subtle humor, who are entirely too ubiquitous for my tastes. The Unright abominates me. Yet these films, which must be rated in minus powers, captivate their audiences. I wish I had a nickel for every woman who sighed in the rear. I wish I had a lead TCG-TCH when the darkness here was tricked by the treacherous villain. The gauntlets of laughter which escaped in the theatre when Leo Gorcey bits Hardy Hank (the Bowery Boys) in the face with a wet mop are enough to draw out the poker of the master Merrickland.

When Carmen Jones, a modern dramatic story based on the classic, supplemented by Linton’s immortal music appears, I know that the Bowery Boys and the Purple Gang are probably there to see the Western with it simply because it depletes scenes and people foreign to them. And, of course, Binet’s music could not measure up to the latest mass terpieces, Opp Shhop and Sh-Bomb.

Behrman’s Choice, a refined, sophisticated comedy featuring one of the greatest character portrayals of our era, Laser, empty seats while the Great American Suicide, Betrayed packs the blonde on two rows of seats. That’s what you get when you have a weak story with a love triangle (always successful in all Hollywood productions) thrown into, in case anything was missing. Lana Turner’s the girl, and Victor Mature completes the trio. Now the whole idea of this slapstick modern drama (al’ it is that one of the three is the hypnotist. Some en passant: If you know Hollywood, you know that Clark Gable always shows up in a very, very happy ending. So by using reasoning taught in deductive logic 101—he leaves Victor Mature at last. Surprised? I wasn’t, but the audience was.

And so it goes, or rather it goes to the worst trash ever paraded before the paying public. Why? Just in the hope of obtaining a mental abasement on our part, the Bowery Boys often place in Box 52 will help bring mature, intelligent films to LC at reasonable costs. No, they don’t include French Films.

We take this opportunity to thank you for your friendship during the past year and send you the Season’s Greetings.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Convocation Question

by Noel T. Veal

Just gone to the Thanksgiving service the First Annual Honors Convocation was held. Much to the dismay of the administration, only a handful of students appeared at the Convocation. Of those that were there, the majority were scholarship holders who were requested to appear. Let us delve into the seemingly apathetic response of the student body towards this program.

A student that attends such a Convocation is there because either 1) he is requested personally to attend (as is the case of the scholarship holders), or 2) he is interested in the program that is being presented, or 3) he just has nothing else better to do.

In the first case, most of the scholarship holders attended, but in the event of any future convocation it is difficult, if not impossible, to request that certain students be there. Collecting the second case, all due respects to Reverend Short, I doubt if 20% of the students in school have ever heard of him, and if they have heard of him they have no idea on what he was going to speak. In the future, it may be worth considering to have more widely known lecturers speak on topics of more popular interest. Now for the last point—of the 45 class groups in school, approximately 40% of them had a chance to entice stimuli either before or after the convocation. The remaining 60% of the class groups either had to do without entirely as postponements or it is later in the day, when the program is really worthwhile presenting, it isn’t worth calling off classes so that the students may attend the program? If it is not worthwhile presenting, why bother to present it at all?

Another factor to consider might be the human element. The administration desires our support of their functions, and we desire the administration to support our programs. Why is there not a uniform code concerning the use of Convocation posters? Some groups are permitted to use it for their events, while others are not.

It all boils down to the fact that the students were not interested in the Convocation, there is no indication that it should be the faculty and administration need not RG- (1) Left to attend, at least, the opening basketball game of the season.

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MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR

1955

And a Merry Merry Christmas to one and all
Sportsmill
by TED HOFFMAN

A situation exists today which, in my mind, weakens the interfraternity basketball league comprised of the four fraternities on campus and not team representing the independents. The idea of intramural sports is to provide athletic competition for members of the undergraduate body, other than those participating in varsity athletics. Another concept is that in this program, the ideals of competition should be of fairly equal caliber.

The advent of an independent team threatens the first above mentioned principle but completely defeats the latter. From what I've seen the independent team is the class of the league for the very simple reason that they have ever three hundred students from which to draw their talent. On the other hand, the fraternities have but fifty or fifty men from which to draw for their various teams. I therefore feel that either a separate league for the independents be instituted, or because of the time element the two leagues should be combined.

From the large portion of the student body that is not featured I am sure that four teams can be formed. Three teams along with the four fraternity teams would comprise an eight team league. Because of the time which is so limited the schedule could be reduced from two games against each team to one game between each team. This would only increase the overall schedule by two games. From twenty to twenty-two games.

Another factor which also tends to destroy the equality of play is the fact that men who have earned varsity letters in basketball are permitted to participate in the league provided that they are not playing for the varsity or have not attempted to play varsity in their current season. In addition to weakening the equality of the league this rule also weakens our varsity teams. If a player is disqualified because of errors happening in the previous season and decides not to play varsity ball, he can then join an intramural team. For the present time the intramural teams in my mind is detrimental to the entire varsity athletic setup and in the future this rule should be trichked.

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Sportlite Features
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Merry Christmas
PHI SIGMA RHO

1954
FROM THE EMPLOYEES AND MANAGER OF THE CAFETERIA AND SNACK BAR.

Tech Hoopers Flash in Opener; Suffer Three Consecutive Defeats as Play Sags

Inter Fraternity Hoop Begins

The first game of the 1954-55 Interfraternity Basketball League was won rather decisively by Phi Psi. The men from Pawtucket Street really pinned it on the Ontario Pi quintet, by a score of 58-32. High scorer for the victims was Gerry Gallager with a total of 14 points. He was followed by Hank Powell with 10 and Carl Stone with 9 points. Mann scored 5 points for the losing 0 Pi five followed by Roger Richbold with a total of 7 points.

Phi Psi's overall height and experience told the story in the season's opener. The defending champs scored 20 times from the floor with 0 Pi hitting on 11 of their shots.

The second game of the season saw the talent laden Independent five trounce the Pi Lambda Phi quintet by a score of 54-34. The Independents took an immediate lead which they never relinquished and kept adding to it so as the Pi-Lams were unable to get any offensive thrust under way. outs were Yellman, Palm, and Rich survivors for the Independent.

Cutting off to a fine start in their opening encounter with Omega, the Tech hoosters dropped three straight contests to Merrimack, UNH, and Keene Teachers.

The Garden affair with Tech winning, 51-44, was highlighted by the debut of freshman Bernie Reusman. Reusman, who hails from Rocheseter, N. Y., won the accolades of the fans as he teared in 17 points.

Against Merrimack, the Tech squad outdistanced their opponents from the field, but suffered by lack of accuracy from the foul line, as they bowed 74-67. The contest against UNH at Durham, N. H. provided only one bright ray of hope. This lie in Reusman's excellent play and rebounding, as he scored 21, duplicating his feat in the Merrimack game.

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1955
May the year bring you peace and happiness.

Joyous New Year

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CLEARING THE BOARDS AGAINST KEEN

Photo by Reusman

We hope to be of greater service to you this coming year.

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