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## Students, Faculty Deliver Statement On Plagiarism

The statement on plagiarism printed below was drawn as a result of discussions among faculty, Faculty E.P.C., Student E.P.C., and Judicial Committee:

The problem of plagiarism is one which confronts every institution of learning, just as, in a different setting, it confronts every publisher. Bennington has been no exception. There is no reason to suppose that we have the problem in more acute form than do other colleges—in fact, we may have less trouble of this kind than do many other schools. Nevertheless, it is a matter of basic educational importance, deserving serious consideration by the community in the light of our stated aims.

Plagiarism, as defined in a standard dictionary, is "the act of appropriating the ideas, writings, or inventions of another without due acknowledgment; especially, the stealing of passages, either word for word or in substance, from the writings of another and representing them as one's own." When it is detected in a published work, it may be made the basis for legal action. When it occurs in a paper for a college course, the situation is technically, though not morally, somewhat different.

As a college, we need to be aware of plagiarism not so much because of any alleged injury to another person but because of what it does to the person who commits it. The meaning of conscious, surreptitious plagiarism in terms of intellectual integrity is obvious. Equally important, this kind of stealing, regardless of the circumstances, results in a product which is not the student's own work. We need only remind ourselves that Bennington is committed to the value of growth through personal exploration, creative originality—in short, everything that plagiarism is not.

A student may on occasion commit plagiarism without fully realizing what it implies, even though she knows that she is copying someone else's words and pretending that they are her own. She may be panicky and think she is merely saving time. One reason for bringing the matter into the open is to prevent this sort of heedless stumbling into a dishonest technique.

In another case, a student may produce the same result quite inadvertently by using notes which were in fact copied from a book but which she now believes were her own words jotted down at the time of reading. No one denies that plagiarism can, under some circumstances, be unintentional. The only sure remedy is careful note-taking and, incidentally, the ability to recognize one's own style as distinguished from someone else's.

It should be added that acute awareness of these dangers may produce some bad results of its own. If a paper is nothing but a series of quotations slapped together to meet an assignment, garnishing it with quotation marks and adorning it with footnotes will not make it a good job by the student herself. The other extreme is to reject all justified use of authorities and to write a paper based on simon-pure intuition but not much else. These pitfalls can be avoided, however, if one relies on the guidance of intellectual honesty, which clearly includes common sense.

The present statement is not intended to suggest that we are in

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## Labor Problems Conducts Tour

Mr. Soule's Labor Problems' class toured the E-Z Mills and the Polygraphic Company of America, after Mary Vallas, chairman of the committee organized for this purpose, arranged the tours as part of a program to better understand working conditions in the surrounding area.

The E-Z Mills is a highly organized, non-unionized company manufacturing knit underwear, which, the class was told on its two hour tour, comes about by the following procedures: the fabric is knitted, washed, dyed, inspected, cut into patterns and sewn together. Because this is a highly competitive field, an incentive plan was introduced to the employees whereby various teams record the number of garments made on a daily chart; as piece workers they are paid accordingly. The chart is at the head of each team and employees are free to compare one team's progress against another's. The plant employs almost all women, which may explain the reason for the neatness, cleanliness and cheerful surroundings throughout it.

At the Polygraphic Company of America, a lithographic plant in North Bennington, the class was informed that along with brochures, books, greeting cards and lithography, diagrams have been prepared for the atom bomb and war maps prepared for Korea. There are only two plants of this kind in the United States and it has in use the largest camera ever made. The various processes necessary for lithography and greeting cards were explained to the class. At the end of the tour along with a number of sample greeting cards, Mr. Werblow, president of the company, offered as refreshments whole chocolate milk obtained from his dairy farm which the class eagerly accepted.

## Exhibition Presents Christmas Designs

A large and varied sampling of Christmas gifts, chosen for their good design qualities by the Institute of Contemporary Art's Department of Design in Industry, is being assembled for the Third Annual DESIGN FOR CHRISTMAS exhibition. It will be held from November 20 through December 22 at the Institute's galleries, 138 Newbury Street, Boston. More than 200 articles, including glassware, china, pottery, silverware, kitchenware, appliances, fabrics, furniture and toys will be on display to help the shopper make a thoughtful selection of Christmas gifts.

Throughout the exhibition, the emphasis is on good design rather than new-as-tomorrow novelty. Items have been selected from American and foreign sources, and range from luxurious hand-crafted pieces to inexpensive mass-produced goods. None of the products will be for sale at the Institute, but prices and information on where to obtain them will be available.

The DESIGN FOR CHRISTMAS exhibition is a logical outgrowth of the Institute of Contemporary Art's increased activity in

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## Dance Weekend Suffers \$60 Loss

The Fall Dance Week-end suffered a financial loss of about sixty dollars, according to Solveig Peterson, Chairman of the Recreation Council.

The Recreation Council hopes to make up this amount through student support in the planned activities for the rest of this year.

Forty-eight couples plus members of the faculty attended this dance which was only one-half the size of the Spring Dance last year. The recent Fall Week-end was also less expensive than the Spring Week-end.

"The poor attendance at the dance was due to the bad weather and also to the indifferent attitude on the part of the students," said Solveig.

## Art Department Shows Film

A twenty-minute film on the works of Daumier, Gavarni, and other artists of the time, entitled 1948—France's Third Revolution will be presented on Wednesday afternoon, November 14, by the art division.

The next film program arranged by the art department will be on **Aubusson Tapestries and Matisse**. These films will be shown on December 6.

## Mr. Soule's Lecture On New Deal Economics Was Highly Interesting

by Helen Schenker

Mr. George Soule, in the second of this year's American Response To Crisis series, spoke about the "Economics of the New Deal". He first referred to the years between 1921 and 1933 in which time occurred the biggest boom and biggest crash on record. This was the period when the Republican Conservatives were returned to office again and again; when Harding and Coolidge let business go as it pleased and believed that little governmental activity and little taxation was the key to prosperity. It appeared as if the United States, during this time, was enjoying one of the greatest periods of wealth and prosperity in its history.

Despite a short, minor depression in 1921, the following years brought increased production, prosperity and welfare to everyone but the farmers, who were left with a tremendous debt and low farm prices. Increased efficiency in production methods made possible lower costs and more profits. Wages were raised but not as fast as the low cost of production made possible. Profits grew with amazing rapidity, and as they did "the rich grew richer faster than the poor." Although business was expanding and investing rapidly, there was so much idle cash available that from the period of 1923 to 1929 there was no increase in loans.

The inflationary boom had its greatest effect upon the Stock Market and real estate. Stocks rose so high that the income drawn from them was not sufficient to pay for interest on loans used to buy the stocks. As long as the upward trend prevailed there was more and more speculation on how high it would rise. One misleading factor in the per-

## House Meetings Offer Suggestions To Alleviate "The Problem"

### E.P.C. Proposes Oral Evaluations

We suggest that the written student evaluations be replaced by group discussions held at least once a month during the term in which each class E.P.C. representative will discuss with the instructor and students the following:

1. Material covered to date in the course.
2. Any general student problems arising from the material.
3. The aims of the course, and whether they are being satisfactorily met.
4. General attitude towards the material, i. e., shown by amount of time students spend on class assignments and outside work, and any further constructive criticism about the course offered by the instructor and students.

### Former Student Enrolled At Katherine Gibbs

Miss Katharine E. Edwards, who received her degree from Bennington College in June, 1951, is now a student in the Special Course for College Women at the Katherine Gibbs School in Boston.

A request was made by Executive Committee at house meeting this week for constructive suggestions to be made concerning general community improvement. These suggestions would not simply look for, but would perhaps attempt to alleviate "THE PROBLEM" which evidently exists at Bennington. In other words the job now need not be to decide if there is "A PROBLEM" or even to discover what "IT" is for "IT" has turned out to be many "ITS" and it seems generally agreed upon that the community might be improved upon in many ways if it is to remain a "COMMUNITY".

The following suggestions were made by students at house meetings. These are not all the suggestions made by any means, but they are examples of the type of criticism which is being offered these days.

1. It was suggested that a Community Workshop be held once a week with discussions covering such topics as current events, educational aims, and interdepartmental programs. This would effect a greater unity and amount of community participation as a group.

2. Many girls felt that our present system of Freshmen orientation might be more elaborate. It was suggested that a definite kind of coordination exist between freshmen and upperclassmen both before the start of school and after arriving. Some people felt that a "big sister" plan could be instituted. Freshmen also felt that they were given a "wrong slant" about some of Bennington's social policies before entering. This was further emphasized by a complaint of the so-called "communications" between Bennington and the outside world.

3. This problem of communications apparently exists within the college, too, and is exemplified by the comments about the lack of coordination between the committees, groups and houses, as well as the fields of academic interests.

4. Many suggestions were made for more formal organization in community meetings. There is a want of more effective parliamentary procedure. It was further suggested that minutes of committee meetings be posted on a designated bulletin board, thereby bringing the committees closer to the rest of the community.

5. Another group of girls suggested that perhaps a "Bennington Week" be set aside for the purpose of clarifying and reaching "The Problem" and specifically defining the policies and aims of the college.

6. Many people felt that academic reports were not serving the purpose they should. Some people claimed that they did not think teachers really give clear enough reports. They are vague and in some cases thought unnecessary, for the first mid-term reports are sometimes misleading to both teacher and student.

7. In the way of governmental improvement, a suggestion was made to reconstruct the present governmental structure (essentially the by-laws). This plan proposes an executive committee made up of two people as chairman and secretary and a body of the twelve house chairmen. This plan also includes a community council, composed of executive committee and all other constitutional committees which would make up a group of 40 people.

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**EDITORIAL**

It would seem natural for a group of people who have come together to build, temporarily at least, their lives on a common purpose, ideally the search for understanding, to want—had they the opportunity to do so—to find out how others in the group are working toward that purpose. It would seem logical that they would want to see this in practice in fields other than or combined with their own.

Out of the many earnest suggestions made at house meetings last Wednesday, there was one in particular that strikes us as possibly being able to cure, to some extent, the unnecessary ills which it is said the community is suffering from: the idea of a community workshop.

There has been considerable thought and planning on this idea, plus discussion with many members of the faculty who have added to the list of possible programs for the workshop. Meeting once a week, the community would listen to and partake in discussions on world affairs, educational aims and practices of Bennington and other colleges, interdepartmental correlations, and other subjects of general concern.

Not only would a weekly meeting of this kind result in a greater exchange of ideas, but there might also develop a feeling of rapport between individual members of the community with one another, and possibly with the community as a whole. This would work toward a better understanding of Bennington and of education in general.

The success, however, of such a workshop is entirely dependent upon the community's attitude toward it. Only through the active cooperation of everyone will the meetings have meaning.

## Letter to the Editor

This is a proposal to amend the By-Laws of the Bennington College Constitution and to revise the Election Procedure, which shall be brought up at the next community meeting for community consideration.

Preliminary initiation of this proposal began before the first Community meeting devoted to the "Bennington Problems", with active work being done in the last three weeks. The formulation of this proposal was the result of our desire to in some way devise a more communicative, representative, coordinated, and definitive government; and has been done with the solicited aid of faculty members who have advised us on methods of procedure, wording, framework, and definition.

The reasons for our presenting this proposal are based on beliefs that:

1. Bennington's present student government framework is one of the many problems confronting our college.
2. All aspects of our community problems can be approached, defined and minimized with greater facility through a more communicative, representative, coordinated and definitive student government framework than exists at the present time.
3. A major weakness in the present student government framework is that the existing By-Laws do not provide for an adequate, easily manageable and accessible channel of communication within student government, and between student government and the student body at large.
4. The student government committees do not have sufficient inter-coordination.

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## The Corruption of Longfellow

Here the legend of the hunter  
 Brave but gentle Instant Postum  
 He who lived in Minnesota  
 Ere accountant, banker, merchant,  
 Yet had learned the ways of commerce.

In the prophylactic forest,  
 On the shores of Coca-coia  
 Dwelt the Moxies in the wigwams.  
 Old Sapolio, the Chieftain,  
 Aquascutum, the grizzled prophet,  
 And the warriors, young and eager.

In the lodge of the old Chieftain  
 With Uneeda more than mother,  
 And Victoria, old and feeble,  
 Lived the warmest of the maidens,  
 Musterole, Sapolio's daughter,  
 Musterole, the Sunkist Chicklet.  
 All the young men sought her favor,  
 Left their trophies at her wigwam  
 Brought her Thermos skins for raiment,  
 Brought her Tarvia for ointment;  
 And sweet Musterole smiled on them,  
 Smiled on Vasoline and Tintex,  
 Smiled on Listerine and Valspar,  
 Smiled but left them unrequited  
 For her love she gave to no one.

Then from the Multibestos mountains  
 From the heights of the Texacos,  
 Came the young chief Instant Postum  
 Mightiest hunter of the forest,  
 All superb in strength and beauty.  
 He it was who trapped the Kodak  
 He who shot the great Sears-Roebuck,  
 Shot him with his swift Pierce-Arrow  
 Eversharp, his trusty hatchet,  
 Every arrow had a Hot-point.

On him gazed the Moxie maidens.  
 Nujol poured her glowing glances,  
 Bold Carbona sought to win him.  
 Gimbels brought him cakes and honey.  
 But for Musterole yearned Postum.  
 No Pyrene could quench the ardor  
 That she kindled in his bosom.

Through the fields of ripe Wheatena,  
 Through the Shredded Wheat they wandered,  
 To the White Rock by the river,  
 By the rippling Cuticura,  
 There beneath Palm Olive shadows  
 From the boughs they picked the Grapenuts,  
 There they saw the sun descending.

To him Musterole a-quiver  
 Listened and her heart gave answer.  
 All the warmth of love she gave him,  
 All her Moxie's young affection,  
 Gave her heart to Instant Postum.  
 There he wooed her, there he won her.

Passed the years in quick succession.  
 Small Post Toasties came to bless them.  
 Triplets, D. D. T., I. Magnin's,  
 Little Beechnut, Wrigley Spearmint,  
 Barbizon and Pluto Water.  
 These and other little Toasties  
 Filled the wigwam with their laughter.

Sue Means

**THE QUOTIDIAN REALM**  
 by Francis Golfing  
 I was in excellent spirits until  
 Stax arrived whose spirits were  
 even better: instantly I felt de-  
 pressed.  
 A sound student is one who pro-  
 ceeds along the well-paved road  
 from trial to error.  
 Every road of life displays at  
 intervals a large sign reading:  
 "This road unsafe for heavy traf-  
 fic."  
 The person who never starts  
 anything has a moral advantage  
 over the person who never gets  
 anything finished.  
 "Let us confine this discussion  
 to the larger issues."  
 Precision means despair, and  
 despair means chaos.  
 Prejudices that have been clari-  
 fied are still prejudices, as clari-  
 fied butter is still butter.  
 Man's nature abhors a vacuum,  
 and a plenum as well.  
 Y. has come out with an excel-  
 lent misstatement, to which I  
 have nothing to add.  
 In the bus. I put on my dark  
 glasses in order to be invisible to  
 my neighbors. But I have drawn  
 their attention instead; I am hit  
 by their concerted stare, and the  
 only person for whom I have be-  
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**Paul Hoffman, Alan Kirk Speak at Trib Forum; Discuss Foreign Aid and Voice of America**

Paul G. Hoffman, president of the Ford Foundation, proposed at the final session of the twentieth annual New York Herald Tribune Forum that the United States extend \$2,000,000,000 in economic aid each year to the nations of the free world.

Mr. Hoffman, former head of the Economic Co-operation Administration, added that if this nation should permit "chaotic conditions" to develop in friendly nations by withholding its aid, "we might be well on our way towards committing national suicide." The Forum session, held in the Waldorf-Astoria was concerned with a discussion of the topic, "World Morality Calls for Practical Action."

Extension of this aid—approximately three quarters of 1 per cent of the Federal government's annual income—might "lay the foundations for peace that will endure throughout the balance of this century," Mr. Hoffman declared.

The money should be spent only in those areas deemed to be of "special significance" to the national interest, Mr. Hoffman declared, and its expenditure should be hedged about with hard-headed restrictions. Only those who show a disposition to help themselves should be aided, and the recipients should assume responsibility

for planning and operating their own development programs.

Mr. Hoffman likened the role of this country in the projected aid program as to that of an investment banker "who puts up his dollar only after a program has been agreed upon and who also reserves the right to make an end-check to see that the dollars are spent as agreed."

Mr. Hoffman said that "we may be in grave danger of oversimplifying our problem" by assuming that the Kremlin is "the sole source of tension and distress" in today's world, and that if it were destroyed "all our troubles would be over." He said that the Kremlin is "a chief source of tension" but added that an "underlying" cause is the ferment of the man.

Americans have a responsibility to acquire an understanding of the people in the tension areas, Mr. Hoffman asserted. He mentioned Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India as a man who needs "understanding, sympathy and help from the peoples and governments of other free nations."

Though he made clear that he did not approve of Nehru's recognition of Communist China, Mr. Hoffman said "I am as convinced that he is an anti-Communist as you and I." Nehru is aware of the Kremlin's determination to

make puppets of the Asiatic nations, Mr. Hoffman said, "but he does not believe, as I do, that Mao Tse-Tung is manipulated by Moscow." On the contrary, Mr. Hoffman arrested, Nehru believes that Mao will break away from the Kremlin if Western nations show themselves as friends to him.

**Western Radio Blocked in Russia**

Adm. Alan G. Kirk, American Ambassador to Russia, who recently returned from his mission to Moscow, said at the Herald Tribune Forum that efforts of the West to project its voice into the Soviet Union are being "fairly successfully checked" by the distortions of the Soviet press, the iron control of the government over all forms of communication, and the jamming of radio broadcasts emanating from the Voice of America and the British Broadcasting Company.

The Voice of America and other broadcasts from the West are jammed by the Soviet only when in the Russian language or in that of the satellite states, Adm. Kirk said. English-language broadcasts are allowed to penetrate behind the Iron Curtain.

Adm. Kirk asserted that the Voice of America "is probably the only medium, which can reach into the Soviet Union." "The Voice should be augmented," he said.



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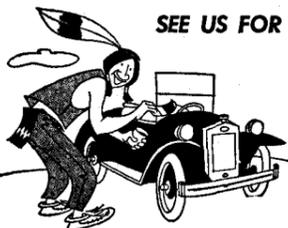
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This group will discuss all campus issues.

8. It was suggested that Workshops be announced in advance and should be scheduled with more concern as to what else is scheduled for the same time. It was felt that it is extremely important for the different divisions to work together and perform for each other rather than each for itself. There is much segregation between the fields and it is thought that this is not only unnecessary but also detrimental to the desired "Coordination" of community activities.

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the midst of an epidemic of plagiarism. We are not. Nor should it be taken as a threatening announcement of more "toughness" to be applied in the future. It is to be hoped that some regular procedure may be set up to deal with cases when they do arise; but emphasis will remain on prevention and remedies much more than on penalties.

An announcement of this kind should at least serve to call attention to the problem of plagiarism and to the sort of temptations and carelessness from which it springs. General consciousness of the problem can go a long way toward eradicating something which has no place in education defined as growth of both mind and character.

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the design field. Since 1948, a special Department of Design in Industry has been working to spur the collaboration between artist and industry. To date, the Department has placed 50 artist-designers with American manufacturing concerns. Its services have been retained by such leading American manufacturers as Steuben Glass, Shenango Pottery, Elgin National Watch Company, Reed and Barton, and most recently, by the Government of Israel.

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### Letter to the Editor

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5. The community-at-large is not sufficiently aware of the functions and members of student government committees, nor is it provided with adequate opportunity to observe the workings of student government.

6. The student houses, because of their size and number, are the basic unit of the student community and therefore should be utilized to a greater extent in student government.

7. The existing framework of the Executive Committee, through its present requirements of number of members and their nomination, does not provide for an adequate representation of opinion from the entire student community.

8. That the present election procedure should be simplified.

9. House Chairmen do not play an important enough role in student government.

10. The integration of the student community and government can be more effectively coordinated through a collaboration of House Chairmen, without an appreciable increase in the functions of House Chairmen.

This is only a summary of the reasons behind our proposal. A full discussion of why and how we approached the problem of student government will take place Monday evening, November 12, at 7:30 in Canfield living room. The entire community is urged to attend and we hope that all opinions pro and con will be expressed.

We want to stress that our proposal is not in any way a personal criticism of student government members, but is, however, a criticism of the actual framework of student government provided by the existing By-Laws and Election procedure of Bennington College.

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### Mr. Soule's Lecture on New Deal Economics

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activity and even predicted better times which never came. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation (RFC) was brought to life in order to provide credit, and its loans were granted to banks, railroads and big business. There was, however, no attempt to provide some sort of relief for the unemployed.

The bank crisis developed in spite of the RFC a few months before Hoover was voted out of office. As soon as Roosevelt took office he believed that the people wanted direct action and declared that "All we have to fear is fear itself." He proceeded to have all the banks closed, forbade any gold export, called in all gold from circulation and declared that dollars were no longer redeemable in gold. Two weeks later, most of the banks had re-opened and the depositors had put their money back. Said Mr. Soule, "the closing of the banks was action taken in the best conservative tradition." The New Deal, he said, had no definite, coherent policy. It was willing to experiment and try anything that might offer an improvement to the situation. Roosevelt set about to raise prices by manipulating the gold standard. The result was a somewhat increased market for goods and employment.

The expansion of relief was one of the more active programs of the New Deal. The Works Progress Administration (WPA) was established and provided work for more than two million people yearly and began some 250,000 projects. On the whole this was the most effectively executed program and contributed more to the unemployment program than all the other measures put together. The establishment of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Fair Labor Standards Act, the T.V.A. program, and the inauguration of reciprocal trade agreements were only some of the numerous measures of recovery and reform which were put into effect by the New Deal. Some of these were successful and others were not.

One of the central issues behind this governmental action was the question of government deficit spending. Many believed that a gross federal debt would be a retarding influence and that the national budget should always balance. Roosevelt, however, was an advocate of deficit spending to defeat depression. In closing Mr. Soule stated that public expenditures did not displace private investment and said it is doubtful that the confidence of business would have been greater if there was a balanced budget.

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