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A FOREWORD

In the following pages will be found the sincere attempt of a few to preserve for many the cherished memories of this year at Portland Junior College. Speaking for the staff, I certainly hope that we have accomplished this. We have spent minutes and hours trying to set on paper, in print and by picture, the memorable incidents of a whole college year. The time that we spent is relatively short, but it will have all been wasted if in the years to come the men who thumb through this book do not feel their hearts swell with pride and beat faster because of the bitter and the sweet recorded on these pages.

When a child is born he has a unique set of God-given characteristics, and so every man at P. J. C. has his own set which, when combined with every other man's creates a truly strange but wonderful situation. This situation can never be duplicated; it can only be recalled by those who were a part of it. The purpose of this, the 1955 STAG is to create a memory that will long linger in the minds of the men whose personalities are injected into its pages.

Our book has no definite theme, but drawings of stags are spread out through it. These animals have the combined characteristics of men and stags. It is proper that they should because the college animal is the stag. The stag will symbolize the college for the men who were a part of it. Therefore, the combination is further justified. These stags are shown in various stages of development, which indicate the progress of the students. Each stag has his own characteristic; together these make the college. Without these things the college would have only the physical attributes which contribute nothing to mankind.

These stags that seemingly romp and frolic through the book are the pen and ink conception of the personality of the college. This personality can be likened to that of a man; as a man ages in years so does he grow in significance, and such is this book: it continues to grow in significance as long as there is a man to read it and be affected by its contents.

That which has been said thus far is in the name of the whole STAG staff; now as editor I shall say a few words of my own.

I feel that the staff has done all within its power to accomplish a goal that was set high, and this is the major factor that will make the STAG of 1955 a success beyond the staff's anticipation. I am certain for this reason that they have done a task which will be appreciated more by their classmates as the sands of time form great pyramids in the lives of all of us.

Your editor,
Thomas Merrill
The class of 1955 of Portland Junior College wishes to show its appreciation to Mrs. Elizabeth W. Eastman who has long been a friend of the college. She served the college during its first twenty-one years as secretary to the dean; this official post was only a small part of her contribution to the college. When Mrs. Eastman left the college last June she left with us something of herself. Her love for and loyalty to Portland Junior College will long be appreciated and remembered.

It is with deepest sincerity that we of the class of 1955 dedicate this, THE STAG of 1955, to Mrs. Elizabeth W. Eastman.
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This year the seniors saw fit to re-elect all their freshmen officers to lead the graduating class, and, in addition, voted representative posts to Norm Richards, John Smith, and Norm Mogul. Continuing the influential leadership which had marked the previous year’s administration, the officers took immediate action to alleviate a serious parking problem here and set the social wheel in motion by staging an early fall Cabaret to which all were invited.

Leadership qualities were not restricted to the officers alone. Under the guidance of seniors new clubs were born and some already organized were rejuvenated by second year students whose interest in school spirit was beyond the “yea” stage.

Popular Frank Stein, with the assistance of Lloyd Mudie, formed the Pinochle Club which sponsored monthly suppers to which all students were invited.

Seniors Dick Winckler and Paul Bankson gathered together the many fellows interested in the art of jazz and came up with one of the college’s most successful organizations, the Jazz Club.

To Clem Bernier fell the task of gathering interest in a club charted to be of assistance not only to the college but also to the community, a club beset with various misfortunes since its original inception here a few years ago. The Circle K, a branch of the local Kiwanis has developed to become a most influential voice on campus.

Television celebrated its first birthday at P.J.C. and with seniors Dick Kilbride, Bill O’Gara and Earl Hyler at the helm, continued into another year discussions of public issues on a level that all could understand.

The After Dinner Club was organized for those who consider eating and talking an inseparable pair in the proper promotion of good fellowship. Dick Winckler was elected to lead the new group, the first club at P.J.C to invite the alumni to active membership.

A new journalistic voice was added to the college atmosphere this year with the introduction of The Rag, a weekly newspaper edited by George Linscott with the assistance of both seniors and freshmen.

The Newsanee went into its second year of publication under the guidance of seniors Norm Richards, L. R. Mudie, and John P. Smith.

The untiring efforts of editor Norm Pierce and the assistance of an able staff placed the monthly publication P.J.C. News on a higher informative plane than many papers of colleges twice this size.

The work of the STAG staff under the leadership of Tom Merrill is herewith presented for your consideration.

That is part of the story of this class of fifty-five. We have a record of achievement unequalled in the twenty-one year history of Portland Junior College. But this has been but the groundwork of what we hope will be a new era of great good fortune for our beloved college and Alma Mater, as the result of enthusiastic participation by students in extra-curricular activities.
LEIGHTON BROWN  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Camera Club Secretary-Treasurer  
Future plans — Portland University  
Leighton should be a competent accountant in the near future for the frozen fish industry.

FRANKLIN O. COBB III  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
STAG Business Manager 2, Basketball 1  
Future plans — college  
Another fine resident of Cape Elizabeth. Frank should do well in life.

WILLIAM F. DODGE  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — business  
Biggest man in the school, with a big voice. Never in the way but always willing to help.

RONALD J. CURRIER  
Westbrook  
Business Administration  
Basketball 1, 2, Baseball 1, 2  
"Butch", an athlete, loves W. J. C. best.

GERALD N. DAVIS  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
Future plans — University of New Hampshire  
"Gerry" carries a lot of weight around here. We predict that he will supplement Col. Lawrence in the National Guard.

GEORGE W. ELLINGWOOD, JR.  
Rumford, R. I.  
Liberal Arts  
Future plans — Colby  
Typical "Joe College" from the little state.

ROBERT JOSEPH DOHERTY  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Future plans — college  
"Where there is laughter there is bliss." Bob is a cheerful, well-liked fellow from South Portland. His humor will help pave his way to success.

DONALD L. GATTI  
Wayne  
Business Administration  
Outing Club 2  
Future plans — Miami University  
"Don't worry about that test, we can always study tomorrow." Good luck, Don, on the sunny sands of Florida.
ALTON J. GRENIER
Winslow
Business Administration
Service Company 1, 2. Longhair Club
Future plans — College
Well known and liked by all. Another Tripoli Campaigner who likes good times and Pendleton shirts. For a laugh ask Al about Sgt. Keregg. "To know the world — travel it."

L. EVERETT HAWKES, JR.
Portland
Business Administration
Jazz Club Director 1, 2. Wind-jammers Director 1.
Future plans — business
"Where there is music there is laughter." Ed is one of the real "cats" on campus.

WILLIAM J. HODGKINS, JR.
South Portland
Business Administration
Future plans — college
"The Hunter" "I saw a pair of eyes in the bushes and shot." Good luck Bill.

EARL S. HYLER, JR.
Portland
Liberal Arts
Future plans — college
Radio Club 1, 2. T. V. Club 1, 2.
Dean's List 1A.
"Good evening Mr. and Mrs. America" Ear is a natural for radio and T. V.

GERALD JOHNSON
Portland
Business Administration
Future plans — undecided
You are liable to find "Gerry" almost anywhere on campus. With his ability to get around he is bound to succeed.

RICHARD S. JOHNSON
Cape Elizabeth
Liberal Arts
P. J. C. News 2
Future plans — undecided
Ought to make a good sideshow Barker. He looks collegiate.

ROBERT ARNOLD KELLY
Westbrook
Liberal Arts
Service Co. 1, 2. Basketball Captain 1, 2.
Future plans — college
Popular friend to all. Teams with Dick in English Lit. and History of the Americas. His yellow Chevie is a common sight here and W. J. C. If ambition and personality are any criteria "Bob" will go a long way. "To teach an example, set one."
THOMAS RICHARD MERRILL  
Raymond  
Outing Club, Chairman-hunting and fishing 2, EDITOR-IN-CHIEF, THE STAG 2, P. J. C. News 2. Longhair Club 2, Independence Plus 2. Future plans — Miami or the service

"Uncle Tom" was our gain and Bas­
dain's loss. He thinks nothing of swim­
moving Panther Pool, eating huge loads
of ice cream or shooting game rabbits. "I
need a girl!" "Put your cigarettes on
the table men," Likes most to be liked
best.

LLOYD R. MUDIE  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
P. J. C. News-songs 2, Jazz Club 1, 2. Pinochle Club 2. Future plans — Boston University and then Advertising.

A quiet efficient organizer who likes to
get things done. Lloyd will be a good ed­
tion near day.

NORMAN A. MOGUL  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Student Council 1, 2, Radio Club 1, Public Relations Committee 1, Assembly Committee 1, Baseball 1, Deans list 1B  
Future plans — Boston University

"From ideas are born accomplish­ments." Norm's college activities have been har­
morning for his wife but B. U. will get a
good men.

JOSEPH J. NELSON  
Portland  
Liberal Arts  
Future plans — undecided

A quiet studious veteran who's lost at
P. J. C. without Bill and Billy. His com­
mmon sense end wit are assets which will
carry Joe far. "Reach for the moon."

WARREN W. NOYES  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Outing Club 2. Future plans — undecided

Easy going sportsman who gets his deer
the first day. Collects guns, fishing rods,
and many friends. "The way to play a
sport is to be one."

WILLIAM H. PALMER, JR.  
Westbrook  
Business Administration  
Jazz Club 1, 2  
Future plans — Boston University

"Man dig that Ted Heath Jazz. Willie
is the future "Cool Baron" of West­
brook."

EDWARD H. PERLEY  
Lewiston  
Future plans — undecided

A man of knowledge and humble ways.
His results speak well for him.
NORMAN E. PIERCE
Future plans — Northeastern University School of Liberal Arts for Journalism.

NORMAN V. RICHARDS
Future plans — University of Maryland. School of Public Relations.

WILLIAM IRVING PETERSON
Westbrook
Future plans — undecided

PLUTO POULOS
Portland
Business Administration
Student Council 1, 2. Class Treasurer 1, 2.
Future plans — University of New Hampshire

ROBERT V. SAWTELL
Portland
Business Administration
Future plans — Boston or Northeastern University

ROGER PAUL ROBERGE
South Portland
Business Administration
Future plans — business

CLARE EDWARD RIPLEY
Cornish
Business Administration
Future plans — business

ROBERT V. SAWTELL
Portland
Business Administration
Future plans — business

GEORGE FRANK SCAMMON, JR.
Saco
Business Administration
Basketball Manager 2, Baseball 1, 2.
Future plans — Portland University

Future plans — business

Hardworking, well-liked, influential rabbi-shouting Editor of the NEWS. How far is it to Westbrook, Norm? P. J.'s answer to Westbrook Pagler.

Mr. Freundlich's chief "aide". Rip knows more stories than he cares to relate. His knowledge is graced by the smile of contented youth.

"Silence is golden."

The hard working journalist who's greatest asset is the art of winning friends. "Where there is music there is the heartbeats of true character." Norm loves music, sports, humor, and writing. He possesses that essential talent for success.

Quiet, unassuming veteran of the Tripoli Campaign. He will hear wedding bells in the near future! We wish them well.

"Hi."
CHARLES VAUGHN SCOTT  
Bathurst, N. B., Canada  
Business Administration  
Dean's List 1A, 1B.  
Future plans — University of Maryland  
A real student. P. J. C. needs more like "Scotty".

MAURICE E. SHARPE, JR.  
Cape Elizabeth  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Business  
A portrait of sincerity, his hand clap is sure and firm.

FRANK R. STEIN  
South Portland  
Business Administration  
Dean's List 1B  
Future plans — Boston University  
A tremendous worker and good student. Those who think a guy can't work his way through college should take a look at Frank; he is bound to succeed.

JOSEPH E. TIERNEY  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Baseball 1, 2, Basketball  
Likeable but reserved Korean veteran whose smile is a familiar sight to all. Has made most of the school dances and all of Clem's parties.

ELLIOT BRADBURY TOWLE  
Hollis Center  
Business Administration  
Future plans — Boston University  
It's not where you come from but where you are going that counts. The quiet man.

JOHN P. SMITH  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Student Council 2, P. J. C. News- ance 1, 2, (Co-Editor) Pinacle Club 2, Radio Club 1.  
Future plans — Boston University  
"What's the matter with you guys? Let's get on the ball!" He's a go-getter who is bound to succeed.

NICHOLAS PRAXITELIS VAMVAKIAS  
Portland  
Business Administration  
Service Co. 1, 2, Dean's List 1B  
Future plans — Boston University  
Vitality, dependability, high quality will never be without a friend.
JAMES K. WARBURG
Falmouth
Business Administration
Future plans — Navy
The Navy will get a good man; years of clam-digging have made him familiar with the sea. A determined worker ... will find success.

RICHARD E. WINKLER
Portland
Business Administration
Jazz Club Treasurer 2, Radio Club
Future plans — Boston University School of Public Relations
A friend to all suited to his every task.

THE BEST IN THE CLASS

Most Likely to Succeed
Most Popular
Best Personality
Best Looking
Best Dressed
Best Student
Hardest Worker
Wittiest
Sleepiest
Biggest Bluff

Clem Bernier
Pluto Poulias
Norm Richards
Frank Cobb
Dick Winkler
Charlie Scott
Frank Stein
Clare Ripley
Bob Andrews
Gerald Davis
When the Freshman Class invaded Portland Junior College in September of 1954, the upperclassmen stood aghast at their number. Following the trend set by their predecessors, the Class of '56 boasts a majority of veterans. With the largest enrollment in recent years the Frosh soon began to follow the example of the Senior Class. Political murmuring led to the establishment of two strong slates of candidates for the Student Council.

Under the leadership of Paul L. Caron, class President, the freshmen who were placed on the Council were Joseph J. Murphy, class Vice President; W. David Derepentigny, class Secretary-Treasurer; Edward L. Logue and James A. Caselden, class representatives.

Clubs and other organizations on the campus attracted a considerable number of the class, and the fact that freshmen have added talent to these activities is now a matter of record. Some who have stood out as examples of good college citizenship are, Donald Linscott, a candidate for the Editorship of the News next year; Dale Elliot, whose humor contributed to the morale of the Outing Club; Robert Barber, mainstay of the Golden Key Player's Dramatic Club; Bruce Laughlin, STAG Art Editor; and Frank Moore, a key figure in the Radio Club.

With a little incentive the freshmen of Portland Junior College should prove to be more than capable to carry on the traditions of the college in the coming year.
Seated (left to right), R. Marsh, H. Moody, D. Nunan, P. Mahony, H. Strom
Standing (left to right), D. McGonagle, F. Morrison, R. Morrison

Seated (left to right), F. Moran, G. Contreras, E. Parker, J. Taylor, R. Brown
Standing (left to right), R. Vanney, J. Hansen, B. Sadler, J. Tierney

"Could this be our Director of Admissions at work?"

"Coeds! No, just some more actors."
Seated (left to right), P. Roberts, R. Morrill, R. Renshaw, G. Brooks, E. Fexcklis
Standing (left to right), F. Torrey, R. Thurston, R. Bryson

"Closer, my dear, come closer....."

Seated (left to right), O. Breau, E. Choote, P. Conn, W. Densmore, R. Bowen
Standing (left to right), R. Barker, R. Cornwalli, P. Anderson, W. D. Derepentigny, R. Davis

"What's this, the music stopped?"
Seated (left to right), R. Drapeau, D. Elliot, L. DeCoster, A. Greene, G. Vachon
Standing (left to right), N. Gault, M. Dion, J. Coshiden, J. Rondeau, E. Leque

Seated (left to right), W. Goss, O. Hoffman, C. Hartford, R. Hooper, W. Gagnon
Standing (left to right), J. Murphy, F. Hinemen, R. Leighton, O. Fogg, D. deDries

"Relax, Bill, he's not your judge, just an assembly speaker."

"Look Ma, I'm dancing."
Seated (left to right), W. Keup, J. Goble, C. Keefe, J. Levesque, F. Howard
Standing (left to right), W. Johnson, N. Kelley, W. Kellaway


Seated (Left to Right), R. Ward, K. Atherton, J. Parker
Standing (Left to Right), B. Nero, W. Wyland, F. Tanggren

"Smile pretty, this picture might be in the STAG."
THE VOICE OF PRE COLLEGE

The pictures on the following pages show but one of the attributes of the Pre College class of Portland Junior College — its ability to dress well when the occasion calls for it. This, however, is minor when compared with its school spirit.

Pre College men attend most college activities, are active in all campus clubs and organizations, and what is more they have more classes than freshmen or seniors. The only regrettable thing about this class is that too many of them will be leaving the college this spring for other callings.

Richard Bouchard and Norman Shaw are but two of the many examples of spirited students. Dick is active in the Outing Club, Camera Club, was chairman of the Sno-Ball dance (a huge success), and has taken a series of colored slides for college promotion. Norm is active on the News and STAG, is an officer in the Drama Club, and always has a good idea when one is needed.

The impression that this year's Pre College class has made will certainly outlive the names connected with it.
Seated (left to right), W. Beaucage, P. Hutchinson, O. Knight, C. Champeon, W. Golder
Standing (left to right), W. Malone, D. Wirta, T. McCarthy

Seated (left to right), R. Turner, J. Ouellette, P. Daoutakos, D. Smulley, R. Jendrasko
Standing (left to right), O. Gillis, W. Ledger, J. Berube, R. Woodside, J. Gobeil

The following men were not present when pictures were taken: R. Carleton, R. Kelson, F. McCrum, P. Nizza, J. Parker, S. Pieper, and N. Shaw.

"Dancing in the dark."
At an October supper meeting in Cumberland Center at the home of Dean and Mrs. Luther I. Bonney, officers of this year's outstanding Student Council were elected. Bill O'Gara as president of the Senior Class was given the post on the council traditional with the office, that of President of the Student Council. After assuming the position O'Gara presided at the election of the remaining officers.

Joseph Murphy gained the Vice-Presidency while Edward Logue was appointed Treasurer. Richard Nutting and Richard Kilbride were given the respective posts of Recording and Corresponding Secretaries. Harry Staples assumed the duties of Recording Secretary early in the year upon the withdrawal of Nutting from the college.

The biggest problem facing the new Council was to get the clubs on campus activated, and with this end in sight a committee was appointed to investigate each request and report back to the council. Dick Kilbride, Ed Logue and Harry Staples served on it the first Semester with Clem Bernier, Dave DeRepentigny and Joe Murphy becoming "budgeteers" for the second half of the year.

When it became obvious last semester that some students were losing interest, not only in school activities but in the Student Council itself, an emergency session was called to meet in the Roma Cafe and after a very delicious roast supper the Council decided to sit back and see what happened.

The reaction by the students was quick, decisive and exactly what the Council had hoped for. Rather then see their activity fund money "squandered" by the Student Council the men joined the various clubs in large numbers and school spirit at P.J.C. rose.

Council sponsored dances and a special dinner for the entire student body held in the school auditorium highlighted the special social functions of this year's group.

A serious parking problem was alleviated on Campus with the addition of a part of the ball field for this purpose. We have related here but a small part of the story of one of P.J.C.'s most active Student Councils. It is generally felt that this group will rank high in the annals of P.J.C. history when the chapter dealing with Student Councils is unfolded.
The Portland Junior College News, under the editorship of Norman E Pierce, concentrated its efforts in the continuation of the newspaper's motto, "A Mirror of Student Minds". Throughout the year, the NEWS had ample opportunity to indicate its mind in editorials and feature articles. The NEWS was retained on a high standard, and more serious news was present to the students of P.J.C. in 1954 under the editorship of Louis T. Maguire and Norman Pierce.

The newspaper is a member of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, an agency that has devoted itself to the encouragement and analysis of scholastic publications. In competition with other college newspapers of the same class, the Portland Junior College NEWS is among the top-rated. In conjunction with the Columbia Scholastic Association, the NEWS sent two delegates to New York City in October to attend a press conference of collegiate publications.

Another 5-6" by this year's staff was to increase the number of pages of some editions from four to six or more. We found that despite the fact that the NEWS has a weekly log between deadline and publication date, there were many instances where the paper was able to present original news not "broken" by other newspapers in the interim. The reason the P.J.C. NEWS is able to do this is that its relatively small number of reporters were able to dig up news from sources not usually "covered" by the other papers.

P.J.C.'s weekly newspaper, the Newsance, has completed its third successful year of reporting the latest happenings, gossip, and club activities of the school. Copies are available every week in the cafeteria and library for the student body and faculty. The items are written in an informal, easy-going style that seems to appeal to most students.

The staff of this weekly paper is comprised of three editors: Norm Richards, John P. Smith, and Lloyd Mudie. These journalists handle the writing, editing, production, and distribution of the paper. The three profess to be staunch individualists, and they never hesitate to air their opinions and views in the NEWSANCE editorials, even though these editorials have sometimes been the subject of controversy and have drawn wrath from some quarters. The editors disagree with each other occasionally. During the hotly-contested senior elections last fall, Editor Richards and Edith Smith ran on opposite tickets for election to the Student Council. (The NEWSANCE stayed neutral.)

Editor Mudie touched off quite a stir around campus in January when he "exposed" the fact that the Student Council had held a steak dinner at the expense of the student activity fund. Considerable controversy raged about campus until the Student Council announced that a big ham and turkey dinner had been arranged for the entire student body. The affair proved so successful that it may now be held yearly. So, peace and contentment returned with full stomachs. However, Editor Mudie was presented with the "Steve Wilson Memorial Illustrated Press Award" for his "crimebusting" reporting, in front of a packed, cheering assembly.

In October, the Newsance sponsored a "World Series Contest". Students were asked to predict the outcome of the World Series - the winning team, number of games, and probable scores of the games. The winner, who correctly predicted that the Giants would take it in four games was a freshman named Guy Pesce, and he was presented with a prize by the NEWSANCE staff at an assembly.

The above report illustrates some of the accomplishments of this year's Newsance staff. We have done our best to serve both the students and the school by satisfying their desire for weekly, "on the spot" coverage of the news. We hope that the NEWSANCE will continue to serve the students of P.J.C. in years to come.
The Outing Club of Portland Junior College, which is known as one of the most active and diversified clubs on campus, has continued this year in its traditional capacity. Alfred E. Clarke, the club adviser, made it possible for the club to acquire a cabin at Dyke Mountain on which many hunters, skiers and fishermen were seen throughout the year. The organization of the club this year proved to be a little different from past years. We had a general chairman, in the person of Richard Bouchard. Under him there were three chairmen, Norman Pierce who served as chairman of camping and hiking, Thomas Merrill acting as chairman of fishing, and, serving as a "spare chairman" to use Al Clarke's phrase, was David Silsby.

After the struggle to organize and deputize, the mighty Outing Clubbers struck out for the north woods during the hunting season. Numbering fifteen strong, and including the mighty freshman wit Dale Elliott, the hunters invaded the Carrying Place Plantation area that was "excellent deer country" and came home four days later looking like the defeated Confederate army, having achieved about as much as the fellow who spent his life shoveling dust into the teeth of a gale, (that is, no deer).

Occasionally the out of door woodsmen would strike off for Dyke Mt., on a weekend to "cut wood for the winter months". On one occasion, two brave members faced a howling early morning blizzard and struggled over some five miles of mountain road with certain supplies that were later consumed by a fellow member of the club now considered an ingrate. Merrill wants to know how he dared to even touch these cans.

Other members of the club who deserve more than passing mention for achieving the honored award of a certain distinction were Bill Hodgkins, and Tom Merrill. Some of the less honored but equally renowned members who rate mention include Ken Taylor, (who got his squirrel) and John Berube (who went home).

The few winter weekends that were blessed with snow saw many members exercising their "abilities" on skies, while others were formulating plans to invade all of Fasham this spring with lures and skills uncountable.

These are some of the many occasions that will remain in the memory of the members of the Outing Club for a long time. This has indeed been an active, successful and fun-filled year for the Outing Club.

YOUNG KIWANIANS

City-wide interest was focused on Portland Junior College last March when the Circle K Club, an associate of the Portland Kiwanis, staged a three week beard-growing contest in an effort to stimulate interest in the club-sponsored "Beavers Ball" which was held in the college auditorium on the eighteenth of that month. Norm Mogul was the winner of the grand prize and proof of the contest's success and popularity was attested to by the fact that the dance was a sell-out, a rare occurrence in this college's activities. Faculty members John F. Jacques, Alfred E. Clarke and Dean Bonney and their wives served as judges.

The proceeds of the Beaver Ball were put into a special fund to be used this summer to send needy children to Camp. This was but one of the many worthwhile projects tackled by this unselfish group in their efforts to better both P.J.C. and our community.

Last Christmas the Circle K, under the superb leadership of its president, Clem Bernier, distributed food baskets to the needy families of Portland and vicinity.

A successful supper to benefit the Community Chest, and the collection of out-grown wearing apparel and toys for use on the Kiwanis Radio-TV Auction were among other worthwhile activities of the Club, all of which have given the college a fine reputation for participation in community projects.

Robert Brown has assisted Bernier in the capacity of Vice-President with Edward Logue, the club's Secretary and Joe Murphy holding the treasurer's post. The Executive Committee members are David DeRepentigny, William Gagnon, Donald DeDoes, John Berube, Lawrence Bernier and Fred Pinxman.

It is with a great deal of indebtedness that the STAG staff thank the members of this fine organization who solicited the majority of ads contained herein, thus making it possible for the students to acquire their copies of the yearbook at a reduced price.

May the fire of the Circle K continue to burn through the years to come with the steady flame that benefits both the college and the community.

"The Outdoor Men"

The Outing Club of Portland Junior College, which is known as one of the most active and diversified clubs on campus, has continued this year in its traditional capacity. Alfred E. Clarke, the club adviser, made it possible for the club to acquire a cabin at Dyke Mountain on which many hunters, skiers and fishermen were seen throughout the year. The organization of the club this year proved to be a little different from past years. We had a general chairman, in the person of Richard Bouchard. Under him there were three chairmen, Norman Pierce who served as chairman of camping and hiking, Thomas Merrill acting as chairman of fishing, and, serving as a "spare chairman" to use Al Clarke's phrase, was David Silsby.

After the struggle to organize and deputize, the mighty Outing Clubbers struck out for the north woods during the hunting season. Numbering fifteen strong, and including the mighty freshman wit Dale Elliott, the hunters invaded the Carrying Place Plantation area that was "excellent deer country" and came home four days later looking like the defeated Confederate army, having achieved about as much as the fellow who spent his life shoveling dust into the teeth of a gale, (that is, no deer).

Occasionally the out of door woodsmen would strike off for Dyke Mt., on a weekend to "cut wood for the winter months". On one occasion, two brave members faced a howling early morning blizzard and struggled over some five miles of mountain road with certain supplies that were later consumed by a fellow member of the club now considered an ingrate. Merrill wants to know how he dared to even touch these cans.

Other members of the club who deserve more than passing mention for achieving the honored award of a certain distinction were Bill Hodgkins, and Tom Merrill. Some of the less honored but equally renowned members who rate mention include Ken Taylor, (who got his squirrel) and John Berube (who went home).

The few winter weekends that were blessed with snow saw many members exercising their "abilities" on skies, while others were formulating plans to invade all of Fasham this spring with lures and skills uncountable.

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Mr. Robert Goff, the faculty adviser to the music club, served as host several times dur­ing the year. As has always been the case with the Long­hair Club, one of the oldest organizations in the college, the meetings that were held—during the year proved to be interesting and informative. Discussions ranged from the music of Brahms, Beethoven, Tschaikovsky to the modern idiom music of Graf. Some of the albums of classical music that belong to the Longhair Club were pressed into use during several of the campus smokers held during the year.

In the second semester, the Longhair Club utilized some of their funds to purchase more classical albums thus increasing the now quite extensive library. One of the highlights of the club's activities was an informal and extemporaneous dis­cussion of organ music given by Dr. Rupert Lovejoy. At the same meeting, Dr. Lovejoy played several selections of music in the classical vein that he had composed himself. It has not been a project of the Longhair Club, but many of the members have been attending the various concerts held in Portland City Hall.

Besides a good library of records, the club owns a record player, thus making it possible for the club to have much to offer in the way of good music to future members.
The Camera Club has taken all the pictures for the News and most of those in this book. Leading it has been Scott Lovejoy, president. Other than these two activities the club has also found time to cover many other activities. Some of them are dances, basketball games, and political campaigns.

Some of the members, being veterans, have collections of colored slides that they took while in one of the four corners of the world; these provided many evenings of informative and enjoyable entertainment.

Occasional guests to the meetings gave the men a chance to exchange ideas concerning photography. Faculty advisor, Mr. E. B. Fred Clark was always on hand to give suggestions for projects.

Other members of the club include Alex Lindholm, vice president; Leighton Brown, secretary-treasurer; Richard Bouchard, Richard Morrison, Richard Marsh, Norman Shaw, and William Ledger. In this club all members are active.

There is more to this camera club than just taking pictures. They explore all methods of developing and printing pictures, try new lighting techniques, and experiment with new types of film. The darkroom has a new enlarger and with it many fine pictures have been printed.

Scott Lovejoy and Dick Bouchard are responsible for the faculty portraits in this STAG. Clubs in the years to come will find it a challenge to meet the standards set by the Camera Club of 1954-55 at Portland Junior College.

**AND ON STAGE**

For the first time in the recent history of this College a national fraternity has "invaded" the campus thus adding a high-level note of prestige to the recently revived P.J.C. Dramatic Club.

Delta Phi Omega, well known on all College Campuses, made its appearance here shortly after the successful presentation of our semi-annual stage production Our Town written by Thornton Wilder. To become a member of the Frat certain qualifications had to be met by each, the most important being an appearance in an official public stage performance.

Because of their efforts on behalf of "Our Town" and considering other associated outside work, seven men of the club were initiated into Delta Phi in a ceremony held on Campus last semester. Many new additions to the fraternity are expected upon completion of the second stage play of the year scheduled for presentation in May. As this is being written its title is not available for publication.

With the help of the Westbrook Junior College Dramatic Club and under the leadership of Miss Mary Lee Hugam, its director, Our Town played to near capacity audiences both evenings thus becoming a great financial success for both colleges in addition to inspiring new interest in modern drama.

Credit for the revival and resultant success of this year's Dramatic Club must go to its officers under the fine leadership of Robert Barber, who served as president. Helping him were Norman Shaw of radio-TV fame, the club's vice-president and popular Phillip Peters acting as secretary-treasurer.

It is the hope, not only of the members of the Dramatic Club, but of all who have appreciated their fine work, that with the coming of the fall semester another group will present themselves to carry on the splendid work that the Dramatic Club of nineteen fifty-five has so ambitiously revived.

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AND ON THE AIR

The novelty of television has not distracted from the steady progress of the second oldest student activity on the Portland Junior College campus, the weekly public service radio program prepared and presented by the students and their faculty adviser. This has been the second year of cooperation with WGAN, and the result has been a full schedule of fifteen minute presentations of "Campus Roundup," the weekly survey of headlines on college campuses in the Greater Portland area.

The guiding spirit of the show this year has been Frank Moore, a freshman who has been active also in the Portland Children's Theater and in the Golden Key Society. He has been on almost every program and has substituted many times for someone who was unable to make the deadline. Frank tried all parts of the program: he announced the opening and closing, he interviewed the guests, and he collected the news from other campuses. For such a busy fellow he did an outstanding job and certainly deserves special mention.

But the radio program is far from a one-man job. Over the years the policy of the staff has been to encourage as many students as possible to try their luck on radio. This year even the interviews involved students at Portland Junior College more than in past years. Among those interviewed were William Kelloway and William Gagnon, two students who earn money as professional musicians while they attend college; Donald Gatti, student assistant to our librarian; Nathaniel Kelley, the oldest student at the college; James Rondeau and William O'Gara, chairmen of dances and special events on campus. Most of the interviews were done by Robert Davis. The ones he enjoyed most were undoubtedly those with the only coed, the mathematics student from Westbrook Junior College, and Mrs. Carolyn Kasnier, a member of the committee in charge of the joint winter carnival.

The job of scouting the Stag campus for news fell on the shoulders of Earl Hyler, Kenneth Taylor, Frank Moore, and faculty adviser, John Jaques. But towards the end of the year Don Gatti and Robert Barber took over the job as their contract in public speaking.

Thus once again the college has benefited by the progression of Stags from neophytes to top-flight radio personalities. And while the students were thus developing, the college was gaining in reputation for its cooperation with other institutions in the community. Norman Luce and Frederic Hinxmon especially found the students and faculty very friendly and cooperative in supplying the weekly collection of news from other campuses. Certainly, for the year 1953, the program's theme song, "Gaudeamus Igitur," was well chosen.

"P.J.C. ON THE SPOT"

Former Governor Burton M. Cross, State Institution head Norman Greenlaw and Portland Planner Roger Creighton were among the many controversial personalities put "On The Spot" the past season by students of this college in a series of informative telecasts. During the Portland facilities of WCSH-TV, Organized last year through the efforts of Earl Hyler and Dick Kilbride and placed under the supervision of faculty adviser John F. Jaques, the TV Club has grown to mammoth proportions and has become a powerful voice through its expression of public sentiment on issues which concern everyone. The aim of the present series has been to bring to light aspects of the news which affect the ordinary man but are usually lost, if printed at all, in a mass of journalistic double-talk.

To Portland's new Deputy Fire Chief Carl P. Johnson the Club owes a great vote of thanks for his able and conscientious assistance in arringing what proved to be the season's most interesting program. This was a discussion of Portland's slum-clearance program and what was being done to eliminate slum areas. In addition to the Planning Board adviser, Roger Creighton, the panel of club members fired questions at Portland's Fire Chief, Harry W. Marr, and Mr. Roger Martin of the City Health Department.

Frank Moore, Norm Show, Dave DeRepentyng and Roy Leo have acted as moderators and announcer over this series of programs with the rest of the Club members alternating as panel members.

Art Antil, Bill O'Gara, Earl Hyler and Dick Kilbride are the tried and proved TV artists. They have been the backbone of the TV Club since its birth two years ago. These four men will be great assets to any organization, for their coolness, level-headedness and courtesy are the prized assets of young people who are much in demand in today's world.

As the STAG goes to Press the club is negotiating with the State House for a special program with Governor Muskie who is a personal acquaintance of a few of the members. Art Antil, Bill O'Gara and Dick Kilbride were his guests at the Inaugural Ball held at the Augusta Armory in January.

The State Highway Commissioner, Mr. George Stevens, was unable to fill a March 20th commitment because of the pressing business with the new State Legislature.

Because of Senator Smith's Formosa trip she has had to decline a repeat appearance. She was a guest on one of last year's programs.

TV Club program "On The Spot" has become a tradition in Maine television circles and when next September arrives a group will again be present to carry on where we left off.
THE CARDSHARKS

Another club is born at Portland Junior. Frank Stein and a few of his card-playing friends decided that it was about time that all men with this interest should organize for the benefit of all students. The club plays pinochle at various times at the members' homes and sponsors socials for the whole student body.

Besides card playing at these student socials, the club provides refreshments. The ordinary term refreshments is not quite up to the task of describing the "feeds" given free of charge at these Stag get-togethers. At the first "stag" in December all present were treated to hamburgers, coffee, and several kinds of delicious pastries. By the time that the club was ready to have another most of the students had heard of the good food and fellowship and turned out en masse and every one left with the hope that there would be more in the very near future.

And more there were, but the club did not stay within its own circle; they were active in the Sno-Ball dance sponsored by the combined clubs on campus. Some who gave of their talents for this endeavor were Richard Kilbride, William O'Gara, and Joseph Murray.

This club has a rather unique membership; its faculty advisor is Mr. Harold Lawrence, and it boasts another member who is not a student, Joe Murray. Members of this organization include Lloyd Mudie, Donald Linscott, Joseph Tierney, James De Gifico, Frank Scamman, John Smith, Kenneth Leonard, Joseph Kezal, Peter Tengren, Ronald Thurston, Robert Carleton, and Warren Clark.

With the several freshmen in the club it is likely to be one of the active clubs on campus in the future.

Stags' Defenders

A new group was added to the activities on Campus last year with the addition of a Service Company to serve not only the College but the State of Maine and our country as well.

Its purpose has been to provide training in military techniques and conduct to prepare its members for more advantageous positions when they eventually join or are inducted into the Service.

The entire College was introduced to the Service Company at a special full assembly held in the auditorium last fall. The demonstration and information presented a unique picture of the group and proved equally interesting to veterans and non-veterans alike.

John S. Berube has capably guided the group in the position of 1st Sergeant through the many meetings held during the year.

Philip A. Roberts was appointed Supply Sergeant by the Commander of the group and according to reports has been doing an excellent job.

Serving with the group are some names familiar to all students at P.J.C. Among them are Robert Kelly, Nick P. Vamvakias, Richard Leighton and Donald Munson.

Because of its great success this year it is generally felt that when September once again rolls round our Service Company will again be present to "answer the call".
GOOD EVENING GENTLEMAN

The after dinner, which encourages public speaking, has one distinctive feature that deserves special notice. It actively encourages alumni membership and participation.

The club was organized at the annual Public Speaking Class Banquet in February. The first semester's banquet was held at the Lafayette Hotel under the special handling of Dick Winckler and Ed Clark. About twenty members of the class and their guests ate steaks and made impromptu speeches as is customary at such occasions. The idea warmed into the suggestion for a permanent club. Some of the guests were students who planned to take the course in the second semester and they were made part of the organization to assure continuity. At the suggestion, and even the insistence, of Norm Mogul, who was an alumnus of the class, recently returned to the campus as an undergraduate, the alumni were represented in the officers of the club, as vice presidents.

The idea of the club is to encourage an interest in speaking, and eating. The present members of the club plan to have supper meetings at the campus during the semester as an initiation for the latest recruits from the one-semester speech class. Since about seventy-five or one hundred students struggle through public speaking each year, the club looks like a potential strength on campus, even if it may be mostly hot air power.

The most interesting feature to speculate about is the alumni participation. Since the official alumni organization of Portland Junior College has been somewhat limited to Commencement activity, this club may be a great move in the right direction. Perhaps the almost six hundred alumni whose address is still Portland or thereabouts will find this club an excuse to come to the campus and sample the good food of Mrs. Hibbard and Colonel Lawrence. At the same time the very nature of the club may allow the alumni to express themselves on the college life and work here on campus.

This new club seems to offer a chance for good growth for the Stags. Alumni cooperation may mean a lot to the students, and like the members of the Circle K, the After Dinner Speakers may find the older men helpful as well as stimulating.

Certainly public speaking is a recognized "must" for any college man. The fact that the local Toastmaster's Club has developed two more clubs here in the city proves that men in the community know that ability to speak before a group takes practice and pays dividends.

The STAG wishes the new club, its present members, and its future prospects continuing good luck.
These are the people who make our stay at Portland Junior College just a little bit better. Mrs. Hibbard's friendly smile is always in the cafeteria to greet us. Joe Murray is always ready to give a helping hand. Mrs. Stevens is a welcome addition to our 'Caf'; the faithfulness with which these people work is appreciated by everyone.
Led by captain Bill O'Gara the basketball team of 1954-55 carved deep its notch in this year at Portland Junior College. Little Bob Kelly proved to be one of the best ball handlers among the teams that the Stags played. O'Gara and Odie Kourapis worked the Backboards to give the team many of its winning points and "Butch" Currier fascinated the fans with his accuracy from the outside corners.

As a general rule the games were close, with the victor being decided only at the final gun. Ricker College shared the lead with the Stags off and on all through the game and eventually won by a slim three points. Gorham State Teachers' College JVs gave the team even a rougher time of it, but this time P.J.C. came out on top by one point.

Many of the other games were just as close and our team won in the total point column. The final game, with Portland University, was the most exciting because the game was all tied up at the end of regular playing time. In the overtime period the Stags managed to tally two more points to win the game.

This impressive record proved that the daily practice sessions and rigid training program under the coaching of John Kershaw "paid off" in the final analysis.
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