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Bullock to chair board

Robert N. Anthony '38, L.H.D. '63, announced at the Board of Trustees' October meeting that he would resign as chairman in January. His resignation coincides with his retirement as Ross Graham Walker Professor of Management Control at Harvard Business School and will enable him, he explained, to do more international consulting. Anthony, a Colby trustee for 22 years and chairman since 1978, will remain a member of the board.

He will be succeeded as chairman on January 10 by H. Ridgely Bullock '55, who also chairs the $25 million Colby 2000 Campaign. An attorney and president of UMC Industries, a corporation in Stamford, Conn., Bullock has been a trustee since 1977. He is also chairman of Electro Audio Dynamics; director of State National Ban­corp, the National Automatic Merchandising Association, and Knoedler Modarco, S.A., international art galleries; a national director of Boys' Clubs of America; and a trustee of the American Shakespeare Festival Theatre.

Other changes on the board include the appointments of Robert S. Lee '51 and Edward H. Turner, L.H.D. '73, to regular four-year terms. Lee, who has served as an alumni trustee since 1975, is president of Hotwatt, Inc., in Danvers, Mass. Turner is a 1936 Harvard graduate, well known to the Colby community through his 25 years as director and then vice­president of development. These trustees replace Anne O'Hanian Szostak '72 and Robert A. Bruns '56, both of whom resigned in October, on the 32-member board.

Cornerstone laid

On October 15, under a tent President William Cotter explained was erected "so that it wouldn't rain," members of the Colby community filled the cornerstone box for the four-story, 38,700-square-foot addition to Miller Library. With Cotter presiding and Chairman Robert N. Anthony '38 officiating, special guests at the cornerstone ceremony deposited articles ranging from a computer logic chip to pictures of the original 1938 groundbreaking for Miller Library and the 1939 cornerstone ceremony. Wilson C. Piper '39, who chairs the Trustee Planning Committee, contributed perhaps the most interesting item: a copy of the 1866 Colby University Catalogue, removed from the cornerstone box of Memorial Hall, which housed the library on the old campus. The hall was torn down in 1966, but the cornerstone box remained unopened until preparations for the October 15 ceremony were begun. Other articles from the Memorial Hall box, including coins and currency, a copy of the Bible, and press clippings, were displayed in the library addition. Above, Anthony, Piper, and Cotter enjoy a symbolically important moment after placing the cornerstone into the addition.

Tenure quota rejected

The Board of Trustees has approved a new tenure policy stating that who receives tenure at Colby is a more important consideration than how many persons are awarded tenure. Rather than placing a strict quota on the number of faculty members who can be given continuous tenure in any one year, the policy states that "an average of two-thirds of those eligible each year may be granted tenure over the next twenty years."

Projections of changes in the composition of the faculty during that interim predict a rise in the number of tenured faculty during the 1980s and a decrease during the 1990s. Although the trustees declined to specifically define what constitutes a balance between the academic freedom allowed by continuous tenure and the institutional flexibility allowed by untenured faculty, the board called for a regular monitoring of the ratio between the two categories of faculty at Colby. This will include an annual review of tenure policies in light of long range projections of the number of tenured faculty.
**Campaign receives magnificent support**

Colby 2000 Campaign Chairman H. Ridgely Bullock '55 announced on October 15 that the fund raising drive had passed the $9 million mark on the way toward its $25 million goal.

Recent progress in the "Commitment to the Future" is attributed to several forms of generosity to Colby. Trustee Alida Camp of East Bluehill, Maine, enlarged upon her outright gifts to the campaign with a charitable lead trust bringing her total contributions to the capital portion to $75,500. A bequest from the late Jere Abbott, D.F.A. '70, a longtime friend of Colby, Bowdoin alumnus, and director of the Smith College Museum of Art before he returned to the family business and Dexter, Maine, in 1946, created a $1.6 million surge toward the campaign goal.

A third recent gift was the Surdna Foundation's addition of $50,000 to the endowment, which also provides matching funds toward the $200,000 challenge grant announced by the William and Flora Hewlett and Andrew W. Mellon foundations last year. The Surdna Foundation, based in New York City, has created a special fund, the income from which will be applied toward faculty and curriculum enhancement.

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**Archibald heads faculty**

Douglas N. Archibald, newly appointed dean of the faculty and vice-president for academic affairs, employed a narrative of history, individual tragedy, and literature to express to the September con­vocation of Dana and Bixler schol­ars the three "burdens" he believes individuals should accept.

Drawing on his expertise in Anglo-Irish history and culture, Archibald delineated complexities in the lives of particular Irish and British leaders from the year 1172 forward, noting the relationships and ironies that developed across time. He then explained how the poetry of W.B. Yeats drew paral­lels between Irish political and Yeats' personal histories, pointing to the poet's philosophy that con­sciousness is conflict.

The purpose in studying history and literature, Archibald con­tended, is threefold: First, "we have a deep and unremitting obligation to try to understand as much as we can." Second, we have a burden of concern, because "we deny our humanity when we remain indifferent to the humanity of others." Third, we must be committed to improve conditions that have created tragedy.

Archibald, a specialist in prob­blems of literary influence and intel­lectual history, joined Colby's faculty as chair of the English department in 1973. Prior to that he was assistant dean of the Col­lege of Arts and Sciences at Cor­nell University.

In addition to his six years as head of the English department, Archibald served two terms on the College educational policy committee and worked on several other review, planning, and search com­mittees. During 1980-82 he was the faculty representative to the trustee educational policy committee. He is currently a selection committee member for Mellon Foundation Fellowships in the Humanities for the district encompassing New England, New York, and eastern Canada.

Archibald has written two books: *John Butler Yeats*, published in 1973 by Bucknell University Press, and *Yeats*, a book on John Butler Yeats' poet son, William Butler, to be published next spring by Syracuse University Press. He and J. Fraser Cocks III, director of special collections in Colby's library, are now editing Yeats' "Autobiographies" for the "Collected Works" to be pub­lished by Macmillan of London. The author of numerous essays, Archibald plans a complete study of Edmund Burke.

The new dean, whose appoint­ment was approved by the Board of Trustees on October 15, graduated with distinction from Dart­mouth in 1955 and received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Michigan. He was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow, a Horace Rackman Fellow, and a Junior Fellow in Cornell Univer­sity's Society for the Humanities. He replaces Paul Dorain, who resigned to devote himself to his ongoing research with a multidisci­plinary team of scientists at Yale.
Council proposes trustees

The Alumni Council has nominated Rae Jean Braunmuller Goodman '69 to become an alumni trustee and has nominated current alumni trustees Warren Finegan '51 and Patricia Rachal '74 for additional three-year terms.

Goodman, who was appointed an overseer in 1980, is an assistant professor of economics at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md. She received her master's and Ph.D. degrees in economics from Washington University in 1971 and 1976, and was named a Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellow in 1972.

Finegan, nominated for his second term on the board, is a senior account executive with First Commodity Corporation of Boston. The 1964 graduate of Northwestern University's School of Financial Marketing and Public Relations has a long record of Colby activities and honors, including past service as chairman of the Alumni Council, president of the Alumni Association and the Boston area alumni club, and a Colby fellow. He received a Colby Brick in 1973.

Rachal, who is also nominated for her second term, is an assistant professor of political science at Queens College in New York. She received her Ph.D. in political science from Harvard University. She holds the alumni trusteeship reserved for a recent graduate of Colby.

If no petitions nominating other alumni as trustees are received by February 1, these three nominees will be declared elected at the winter Alumni Council meeting. A petition must carry 150 signatures in favor of the additional candidate and must be sent to the council's executive secretary, Pen Williamson, at the Colby alumni office.

Honor thy classmate

Each year the Colby community salutes outstanding individuals by bestowing upon them one of an array of special awards. Three honors—the Ernest C. Marriner Distinguished Service, the Distinguished Alumnus, and the Colby Brick awards—are given to persons chosen specifically by the College alumni.

Of the three, the highest possible tribute is the Marriner award, given to a member of the Colby family whose exceptional commitment to the College has been evident in lifelong dedication and support for Colby and its goals. The Distinguished Alumnus is selected from men and women whose professional accomplishments and distinctions since graduating from Colby are outstanding.

The Colby Bricks recognize members of the Colby family who have demonstrated their loyalty through consistent and dedicated service to the College.

R. Dennis Dionne '61, who chairs the Alumni Council awards committee, has issued an immediate and ongoing request for nominations for these awards. In addition to the name of the nominee, the committee needs to know specific reasons why that person is suggested for a particular award. Committee members carefully review the information submitted and that on file before designating the individuals to be honored on Reunion Weekend.

Recommendations should be mailed to the Alumni Council Awards Committee, in care of the Office of Alumni Relations at Colby.

Mark Your 1983 Calendars!

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Over 1,100 parents of freshmen and upperclassmen visited campus on the two weekends designated in honor of them. Among the several informational and cultural events parents could enjoy on the first of the two weekends was a luncheon with faculty members. Above, biology Professor Art Champlin, left, converses with junior John R. Gagne and Dr. and Mrs. Robert A. Gagne, residents of Middlebury, Conn.
No Place to Be Somebody, Charles Gordon’s 1969 Pulitzer Prize-winning play, was the première 1982 production by the Performing Arts Program at Colby. The October production stimulated great interest on campus, as Colby’s first cast of nearly equal racial mix presented conflicting realities experienced by blacks and whites who frequent a New York City bar. The central figures in the play’s candid scenes are bar owner Johnny Williams, played by David Mitchell ’85 (Dorchester, Mass.), and playwright and poet Gabe Gabriel, played by Leon Buck ’84 (Philadelphia, Pa.). Johnny fights ruthlessly for criminal power, while Gabe tries to persuade him to move beyond personal and racial conflicts to create a better world. Pictured above from left to right are: Veda Robinson ’84 (South Bend, Ind.), Mitchell, Charmongenee Williams ’85 (Washington, D.C.), and, in the mirror, Kevin Collins, an exchange student whose home is in Bosque Lomas, Mexico.

Williamson accepts new responsibilities

Charles P. Williamson, Jr., ’63 has accepted new responsibilities as director of development at Colby. The director of alumni relations and annual giving since 1980, he will continue to oversee functions of the alumni office but will also become director of the Colby 2000 Campaign at the outset of 1983.

In this new position, Williamson will work closely with Sidney W. Farr ’55, vice-president of development, to steer both the capital and Annual Fund portions of the campaign. Over $9 million had been raised toward the overall $25 million campaign goal as of mid-October, and the Annual Fund is progressing toward a record $1 million goal for the current fund year.

Williamson’s fund-raising experience includes nine years as director of development for the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School in Rockport, Maine, before he joined the Colby administration. Certified by the National Society of Fund-Raising Executives, he recently coordinated a conference for New England school fund raisers, sponsored by the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education.

Earlier, Williamson was director of admissions for Hurricane Island. He also served as a member of the Colby Alumni Council and its executive committee and as president of the Knox County (Maine) Alumni Club.

Letters

Bixler’s contemporary participation

Editor: The Colby Alumnus is invariably welcomed and thoroughly read by me. It not only touches the bases with interests of alumni but contains significant articles revealing Colby’s involvement with society at large.

We are all most grateful for your printing Dr. Bixler’s commencement address. He accomplished something rare today—a commanding statement on a continuing faith in the liberal arts that ranged from vital views on Socrates to nuclear challenges—which reveals Dr. Bixler’s contemporary participation in the immense intricacies of today’s life. For those of us at Colby during his presidency, it was a refreshing reminder of how much his contributions to us have meant.

An account from the Talmud tells of an elderly man seen planting a tree. A younger man pauses and then comments, “Why do you plant that tree, old man? You will never live to eat its fruit.” “Someone will,” the elderly man replies, and returns to his planting.

Julius Seelye Bixler planted, nurtured, and invested in others a liberation of the mind and spirit that is ongoing. Thank you again for sharing the address with all its richness of value.

Gilbert Y. Taverner ’48
Newport, R.I.

Colby alumni, parents, and friends are encouraged to send succinct letters to the editor on topics relating to the magazine’s content or the College in general. All letters must be signed, and should be addressed to the College Editor, Colby College, Waterville, Maine 04901.
Highly Determined to Stay Highly Selective

by Jane Venman '79

Alumni prepare to recruit the best and the brightest in local areas

Across the nation, the hallowed, ivy-covered halls are buzzing with concern over declining enrollments, demographic shifts, and population decreases, not to mention rising costs, federal funding cuts, and other factors threatening the very existence of some institutions. Unlike many colleges, Colby has not had to sacrifice its rigorous admissions standards for the sake of survival, but, as the article on page 8 indicates, this status is not guaranteed to continue.

Recognizing that demographic shifts will have enormous impact in the Northeast, from which the great majority of applicants to Colby come, the admissions office has stepped up its efforts to attract bright students from all areas of the country. Expanded staff travel to high schools and college fairs, toll-free telephone lines into the admissions office, and a newsletter to secondary school guidance counselors will increase the amount of information about Colby available to prospective students.

The boldest initiative to encourage excellent students to consider Colby is a cooperative venture by alumni and the admissions staff. Although the alumni interviewer program, begun in 1965, is familiar to the Colby community, gradual growth and recent restructuring of the program have strengthened the influence its participants will wield in the composition of future freshman classes.

The program, which now includes over 400 alumni in 34 states and 3 foreign countries, has traditionally been a conduit providing interested students with the opportunity to ask extensive questions about Colby and to enjoy personal contact with someone thoroughly acquainted with the College. The interviewer then submits a report on the meeting to the admissions office, which provides the admissions committee with information that would otherwise be unavailable for students who cannot travel to Mayflower Hill.

The impact of these alumni has been remarkably helpful to Colby's goal of selecting classes composed of top students with diverse perspectives. For example, one of this year's Presidential Scholars mentioned to President William Cotter that her choice of Colby was based on her alumni interview, and another student from Germany was initially attracted to the College and ultimately enrolled because of the positive personal contact she had with an alumni interviewer in England. As demographic imperatives force the College to draw students from more distant locations and to actively recruit students of the caliber best suited to Colby, the importance of the alumni interviewers' assistance is radically increased.

Realizing that a network capable of significantly increasing public awareness of Colby's strength requires more support than alumni interviewers received in the past, the admissions office recently developed a new structure for the program. After dividing the United States into 59 areas based on
population density and the interest in Colby that could be expected from students in each area, the admissions staff consulted with Colby faculty and administrative colleagues to select "area chairpersons" for 38 of the divisions. Volunteer chairpersons will be designated for the remaining 21 areas as the program gains momentum.

The area chairpersons will continue to interview prospective students, but will expand their recruitment activities and will act as liaisons between the admissions office and the other alumni interviewers in each area. Recruiting prime students involves many activities, which range from simply mentioning Colby in conversations with friends and neighbors to speaking with high school guidance personnel. The ultimate goal is to provide, through personal media, specific and accurate information that will assist a student in making an appropriate choice of a college. By virtue of their volunteer status, alumni can be particularly credible sources of such information, so long as they avoid "hard sell" tactics that tend to discourage students from inquiring further.

The area leaders will play an essential role in developing the resources of the alumni network. Initially they will concentrate on coordinating the distribution of interview requests and information from the campus to others in their areas, providing feedback to the admissions staff, and organizing informational workshops for area interviewers with assistance from staff members traveling in the vicinity. The leaders will also be pioneers in expanding the role of Colby’s alumni interviewers, contacting high schools, answering questions at college fairs, identifying qualified potential applicants through local newspapers and word of mouth, and acting as hosts at receptions for possible applicants and admitted students.

A September 24-26 workshop was held on campus to reacquaint the area chairpersons with Colby's facilities and community and to

One Man's Colby
Sharing what he believes in could not come more naturally to Jack Deering

John W. Deering '55 is one of many Colby alumni who have invested tremendous amounts of time to direct good students to the College. Not only does he give southern Maine high school students and children of out-of-state professional colleagues an insider's view of Colby, but he provides support and feedback to them throughout their application processes. He and his wife, Ann (Burnham '55), play hosts to prospective Colby students in their home, peruse Portland newspapers to identify other potentially strong applicants, and raised a couple of Colby students themselves: Janet Deering Bruen '79 and Richard '86.

These activities are a continuation of "a love affair that began 30 years ago," according to Deering, one into which he unwittingly stepped in 1947, when he entered Colby. "I feel blessed to have been in downtown Waterville in the ambience of the old campus," he said in September, referring not to the charms of the encroaching railroad tracks but to his association with the diligent and unpretentious students he considers typical of that era.

Deering, however, was restless during his freshman and sophomore years and left Colby to attend Southern Methodist University in Dallas. That institution failed to satisfy him, but "Uncle Sam" intervened at that point for two years. When Deering was discharged from the Air Force in 1953, he returned to Colby with new perspectives. "I was a different guy, 23 going on 99," he recalled. At first, on the new campus, he felt like an anachronism, but he gained a strong sense of community as he was recognized by former professors, became president of the Zeta Psi house, and met his wife.

That "Colby connection" is the primary benefit of the Colby experience, Deering tells prospective students. "The education is a given. We all know it is superior, not only in the books but in the art of living." But the student must also consider the network of peers and associates that will influence his or her life's progress, according to Deering, who believes those relationships are largely set by one's college experience.

The Portland financial advisor normally spends three times the recommended half hour with the individuals he interviews. "You can't cut it short," he emphasized.
equip them with the information necessary to perform such a broad array of responsibilities. Twenty-six alumni were able to attend, representing 20 areas in Oregon, Arizona, Idaho, Texas, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Georgia, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Maine. Some had attended Colby at the downtown campus, graduating in 1948, and others graduated as recently as 1979.

In an opening night speech, Robert McArthur, dean of admissions and financial aid, said he had found that the quality of a Colby education is not so widely recognized as the College community would like to believe. Even in areas of the country where Colby’s name is well known, the general public is not aware that Colby is superior in several respects to many of its competitors. Citing examples of Colby’s excellence, McArthur pointed out that science students work with better equipment and facilities than do undergraduates at most large universities and that articles written or coauthored by current students of English, biology, psychology, and several other departments have been published in nationally recognized journals, unusual achievements for undergraduates. A true testimony to the quality of Colby’s academic program, special grants from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and the William R. Kenan, Jr., Charitable Trust recognized the College’s educational prowess. Recognition of the economics department as one of the top 14 undergraduate departments in the country and other examples underscored the degree of esteem McArthur said Colby warrants among the nation’s liberal arts colleges.

The interviewer workshop gave participants the opportunity to hear from and fire questions to representatives of all major College areas: academic departments, financial aid, career services, residential life, and athletics. In sessions throughout Saturday morning, each speaker fueled the area

“Sometimes I do nothing but listen while they talk. They don’t know whether they’re trying to impress me, their parents, or themselves until they talk it out. Then we get down to what I call hard ball.”

The alumni interviewers provide “a bridge to help students from high school to college,” in Deering’s mind. “I’m no threat to them like their parents may be; I can only facilitate. These kids need someone to talk to like it is. Unfortunately, that’s one of the great gaps—most high school guidance counselors don’t help break down barriers. ... I have to empathize with these kids. They’re nervous about meeting with a big shot; they have sweaty palms; they’re worried about leaving their girlfriends. When they realize I’m being candid, they open up.”

Deering, who believes senses of humor and humility are two of the greatest qualities an individual can have, looks for sincerity in the students he interviews. Occasionally he stuns an excellent high school student by announcing that he’s sure Colby would not be a good college for that person. Alternately, when he senses that Colby is the right choice for an apt student, he gives his “maximum support,” which includes counseling.

Jack Deering’s stock advice is to sit up front and listen “to see who’s smart”; to be extremely careful in choosing associates, but not to the extent of snobbery; to make a point of becoming a friend of professors; and never to cut a class. He believes the same principles apply to business and tells students, “Those four years are just your baptism.”

His immense loyalty does not blind Deering to Colby’s weaknesses, which he discusses frankly. He hopes to influence several kinds of change on campus, yet realizes that Colby, like the world itself, will never be perfect. Although he is critical, for example, of fraternity members who do not assume responsibility for the adult privileges they demand, he encourages students with reservations about Colby’s fraternity system not to discount the College because of them: “These are real people and this is the way the world is. You either deal with it or you don’t.” Those who choose not to deal with “the world” are not those whom Deering hopes to see at Colby.

Such intense interaction holds many rewards for Deering. In a sense, it keeps him young. “I almost prefer that age as a state of mind,” he said. It provides him with means of extending the community he has so vastly enjoyed, influencing decisions on who enters that community, and exposing talented young adults to perspectives that will help them glean as much as possible from their college years. His apparent success is demonstrated in the letters he receives from alumni, years after he interviewed them, announcing their professional progress and thanking him for his substantial assistance along the way.

Deering’s service to Colby is outstanding, as is that of the other alumni interviewer chairpersons and those whose efforts they coordinate. Each has an individual style and both intuitive and acquired awareness of which students are likely to thrive at Colby. Some have the advantage of proximity; some traveled thousands of miles to become thoroughly reacquainted with Colby at the September workshop. Most important, they are not just talking about Colby’s assets, but they demonstrate the one Deering values so highly: “the Colby connection.”
Alumni interviewers from the Northwest debate the fate of admissions candidates. Shown from left to right are Gayle Nicoll Drew '75 of Salmon, Idaho, and Harriet (Parker '70) and Douglas G. Smith '70 of Ashland, Oreg.

Higher Education: A Buyer's Market

In the late 1950s and early 1960s, when high schools were bursting at the seams and students could more easily finance their educational expenses, colleges were in a position to pick and choose their students from a wealth of qualified young men and women. Demographic and financial factors have turned the tables, however, to create a new phenomenon in higher education. Today colleges compete for students, while those they woo may pick and choose among the nation's finer schools.

The major factor in this reversal is the country's diminishing 18-22-year-old population. Colby and other colleges have reaped the benefits of the "baby boom" that followed World War II and are faced with data that predict a 22 percent decrease in the number of high school graduates between 1979 and 1995. Colby is in a favored position in this picture, attracting an average of six applicants per entering student, but such an advantage is not guaranteed to continue. The heaviest decline in the college-age population will occur in the Northeast, from which Colby draws 70 percent of its students. The number of students graduating from high schools in Colby's "feeder territory" is predicted to drop by 38 percent between the same years of 1979 and 1995.*

Whereas supply and demand theory would suggest that the prices of educational services will become more competitive, colleges and universities are also confronted by the escalation of their own costs and the reduction of federal support for higher education. At best, this milieu renders it increasingly difficult to maintain a healthy endowment, to provide faculty salaries that are competitive with those at peer institutions, and to expand academic programs and facilities in pace with the increase in human knowledge. At worst, it will force some colleges and universities to close their doors.

Together these factors threaten Colby's ability to remain the highly selective institution it is, by decreasing not only its number of applicants, but also the number of applicants who can afford a Colby education. The College is striving to increase an endowment that was underdeveloped during the years when financial support was needed instead for bricks and mortar, but Colby has been forced to levy substantial tuition increases at the beginning of this crucial period. Combined charges for tuition, room, board, and general fees for one year at Colby have risen from $6,210 in the 1978-79 academic year to $10,450 in the current year, increasing by 15 percent in the past

*High School Graduates: Projections for the Fifty States, a joint publication of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, the National Institute of Independent Colleges and Universities, and the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association.
Saturday afternoon featured discussions of a more “nuts-and-bolts” nature on how to encourage broader alumni involvement, initiate contacts with area schools and students, interview students effectively, and communicate knowledge of Colby to students, parents, and guidance personnel. By that point the exchange of ideas between the interviewers and the admissions staff was flowing freely.

The highlight of the weekend was a mock admissions committee meeting, which provided a chance to apply the substance of earlier sessions and to experience the process the admissions staff goes through after the alumni interviewers have completed their role. The alumni gathered Sunday morning around a conference table to debate the fate of six admissions candidates. Animated discussion ensued over the relative weight that should be given to such tangible factors as legatee status, Scholastic Aptitude Test scores, class rank, geographic location, and special talents, compared with more subjective information regarding personality, initiative, and motivation. Each case generated a new set of questions and cast a new light on the complexities of a personal selection process such as Colby’s. The area chairpersons left the meeting with a clearer sense of what combination of academic qualifications and personal traits contribute to a successful match between the student and Colby.

Because the interviewers reviewed files of actual applicants with the names changed, the alumni also departed with a sense of pride in knowing that their judgment concurred with that of the actual admissions committee. The applicants favored by the alumni not only were accepted but are currently enrolled at Colby.

In the next two decades, the quality and healthy flow of Colby’s lifeblood, its students, will be increasingly dependent on the extent to which members of the College community are able to convey the personal concern and accurate information that are so persuasive of Colby’s merits. With the help of alumni in recruiting students in their local areas and in informing their communities of Colby’s commitment to excellence, the College not only will survive through the 1990s but will thrive.

Jane Venman ’79 is assistant dean of admissions and coordinator of the alumni interviewers program.
High Achievers Enter 165th Freshman Class

President William Cotter welcomed the 490 members of the class of 1986 to Colby on September 4, urging them to banish "all fear of new ideas." Reviewing Colby's traditions of academic rigor and free inquiry, he quoted Lewis Thomas: "You either have science or you don't, and if you have it you are obliged to accept the surprising and disturbing pieces of information, even the overwhelming and upheaving ones, along with the neat and promptly useful bits."

The class, the first to be challenged with the reinstatement of the freshman book program, immediately encountered disturbing information in the context of Garry Wills' book, The Kennedy Imprisonment. Asked to read the book before arriving at Colby, the freshmen gathered during orientation for a faculty symposium followed by small group discussions. Student participation was both lively and serious, and examination of the controversial book has continued in various courses throughout the fall. Author Wills may have grown inured to the substantial criticism of his work, but he is assured of new challenges when he discusses it with freshmen and other members of the Colby community in January.

As true of the 164 classes that preceded them, this year's freshmen demonstrate academic talent along with a broad array of individual interests and accomplishments. One who taught himself to program computers in six languages may stand as a model for classmates more intimidated by Colby's computer system. Other enterprising freshmen have started businesses in silversmithing, landscaping, and jewelry making; published books; and directed and produced films. Although 70 percent come from the Northeast, including 12 percent from Maine, they are bound to hear varied perspectives from classmates from 30 states and 14 foreign countries.

The class also contains the inaugural group of Presidential Scholars, 33 students selected for outstanding achievement in secondary schools. At an interdisciplinary seminar held in Southport on the weekend of September 24-26, they examined issues relating to technological advances. The scholars then researched technological topics of individual choice, completing term papers submitted to special advisors while also carrying the normal course load for freshmen.

The talents and initiative of these students are, indeed, welcome in the Colby family. Some, however, are not newcomers; their earlier ties are recognized in the accompanying list, which includes February freshmen.

Colby Sons and Daughters
Terry Lynn Appleton
  John A. Appleton '49
Amy Arbuckle Barnes
  Sally Spall Barnes '61
Gretchen R. Bean
  Susan Fairchild Bean '57
Stephen Chase Bridge
  Mary Ellen Chase Bridge '58
  Peter G. Bridge '58
Laurie Jean Brown
  Nancy Weller Brown '54
  Theodore L. Brown '55
Mark William Burke
  Edward J. Burke '60
  Betsy Perry Burke '61
Andrew William Burns
  William H. Burns '57
Heather Alicia Cameron
  John W. Cameron '53
John Franklin Church III
  John F. Church, Jr. '59
Richard Burnham Deering
  Ann Burnham Deering '55
  John W. Deering '55
Michael Peter Hill
  Kevin Hill '50, M.D.
Michael Edward Hipson
  Herman A. Hipson '64
Jay Williams Hooper
  Jill Williams Hooper '61
  John R. Hooper '61
Scott Paul Humphrey
  Donald S. Davenport '59
Paula Louise King
  John T. King II '54
William Allen Langhorne
  Allen F. Langhorne '50, M.D.
Wendy E. Lapham
  Beverley H. Lapham, Jr., '61
  Elizabeth Rowe Lapham '63
Andrew Jennings Maley
  Elisabeth Jennings Maley '50
Michael E. Marchetti
  Edward R. Marchetti '60
Patrick M. Martin
  Joseph Edward Martin '51, M.D.
Pari Ansari, a freshman from Soc Karachi, Pakistan, made a special contribution to Colby's cultural life when she performed classical dances of India on October 6.
Outdoor Orientation
Yields Sense of Belonging

by Kathryn Soderberg '84

Hamming it up on the Belgrade Lakes are, from left to right: Cindy Jeck, Ethan Wiesler, Dave Jakober, Gretchen Bean, John Kelemen, Kara Schwartz, Mike Shauck, and Molly Couch. The photographs accompanying this article were taken by Susan Conant '75 on the 1982 version of the trip author Kathy Soderberg led the previous fall.
Colby Outdoor Orientation Trips were conceived in 1975 to help freshmen in their transitions to Colby in several ways: by providing inside information on Colby life through upperclassmen and faculty members; by promoting close friendships quickly; by introducing students to the Maine environment; and by promoting growth of skills, teamwork, and confidence. Conducted during the week preceding orientation, the trips have been extremely successful, this year enabling 152 freshmen to choose one of 16 expeditions involving various levels of canoeing, biking, climbing, trail grooming, photography, fishing, or sailing skills.

Have you ever wondered how those well-known, everlasting, trouble-free (well, almost trouble-free) friendships actually form? I learned from five days of backpacking in the Maine wilderness how some evolve.

As a freshman, I was introduced to eight classmates and the great New England state in which I was to spend my next four years through one of Colby's five-day orientation trips. Two upperclassmen and an admissions representative were also members of our expedition to meet the challenge of Mount Katahdin.

My experience on that trip was so personally rewarding that I decided to lead a similar outing the following year. I did not have enough confidence in my backpacking skills to lead a mountain-climbing trip. I had, however, taught boating skills at a summer day camp and decided that my experience would lend itself to a well-planned canoeing trip.

Enthusiasm is contagious. My co-leader and I inspired each other with ideas on how to create the best Colby Outdoor Orientation Trip (COOT) that had ever taken place. Rob and I wanted our freshman companions to become familiar with the basics of campcraft, to learn appreciation for the great Maine wilderness, and most important, to develop strong friendships that would help them enjoy their first uncertain weeks of college. We had carefully organized strategies for meeting all of our desired goals.

Rob and I had practically been strangers before the COOT committee selected us to lead the flatwater canoe trip but, before school ended that spring, we met several times to plan our expedition. We also sought out our faculty leader, chemistry Professor Tom Newton. He seemed like the typical Maine outdoorsman, dressed that day in a flannel shirt, Levis, and L.L. Bean boots. I heaved a sigh of relief before he said a word.

Tom was pleased that we had stopped in, but his comments on his former COOT experiences caused us to feel a bit apprehensive. On a similar trip the previous fall, he had found the canoes faulty, the tents inadequate, and the food unpalatable. I realize now that his remarks were a blessing, provoking Rob and me to use extra caution and painstaking effort in the organization of our trip. We did not want to see Tom disappointed, nor did we wish to disappoint ourselves.

When Rob and I met again for leadership training in late August, there was still a great deal to accomplish before the freshmen arrived. The water in the Belgrade Lakes had been unusually low, and we were warned to construct an alternate route in case the streams we expected to travel were dry. Meanwhile we had a brief refresher course in first-aid, every piece of equipment had to be checked, and every tent had to be pitched and sealed against leaks. We made phone calls to confirm our campsites and to borrow the canoes. After much deliberation, we decided to take the risk of sticking to our original route.

Shopping for food was our final task and one of the most enjoyable. Rob and I had panicked when we discovered the miniscule sum of money allotted to purchase five days' food for thirteen hungry canoeists. By purchasing damaged, overstocked, and generically labeled food, we bought not only the essential but marshmallows for toasting and even hot chocolate—with 84 cents to spare!

The eventful Saturday morning arrived abruptly, as did the freshmen. I felt myself slip back a full year as I watched the freshmen and their parents awkwardly carry their belongings from cars to the dormitories. Could it be that exactly one year earlier I was in their identical situation? I, too,
was filled with immutable excitement and uncertainty that accompanied a college freshman’s entry into this new world. The past seemed irrevocably closed and the future exciting yet so uncertain. I sympathized with the freshmen but was also glad for them, knowing many of the discoveries and experiences they would enjoy that year.

After a brief ride by van, we “put in” on the southern tip of East Pond. Our opening day’s agenda was sparing. Rob gave a brief lesson on how to correctly paddle and control a canoe. The students combined what they already knew and had just learned as we canoed to our first campsite, Matoaka Island—affectionately named by girls at Camp Matoaka, from which we had launched. The canoeing was effortless, for there was no wind. The group was in good spirits and seemed unusually compatible.

We arrived at the deserted isle with hours to spare before nightfall. Part of our contingent systematically unloaded the canoes and started a small fire, while others searched for firewood or helped me prepare the first dinner. I had been nervous that day, because it was so important to me that everyone enjoy a smooth trip. “I hope everyone likes tacos and tossed salad,” I said as casually as I could. “If they don’t, they will never survive at college!” one freshman assured me. Annette’s reassurance was just one of many kindnesses expressed throughout the trip. Each student demonstrated his or her capacity to care for others many times.

Darkness approached soon after dinner. Rob and I found ourselves answering questions and assuaging fears. I felt so old and wise as the freshmen unwittingly provoked me to relive my own first college year. The group’s greatest concerns were those of peer pressure and academics. Roy asked casually about the amount of drinking that occurred. Steve asked about the typical course load for freshmen.

We encouraged everyone to go to bed early on that delightful evening. Although the day had not been strenuous, the next day’s route promised greater challenges. Nonetheless, I stayed awake in my tent, feeling the extremes of anxiety and tranquility. Who could think of sleep with so much to be done in the next few days? I listened to the crackle of the fire, the murmur of soft voices, the drops of dew falling from trees, and the croaking frogs. It was so peaceful; where else could such utter serenity exist?

I learned a new application of the old adage, “You can lead a horse to water, but you cannot make him drink,” during my own freshman COOT trip: You can introduce a potential relationship, but you can’t force friendship between two individuals. With the obvious intention of creating new bonds, Tom suggested that we all change canoeing partners for the second day’s jaunt. The group was open to the idea, but it did not proceed quite as planned. The two-member teams, after hours of canoeing together, would rejoin their original friends at the rest stops—not to engage in private conversations, but to draw their new companions into their rapidly growing bonds of trust. The plan worked even better than we expected!

THE MIDPOINT OF OUR JOURNEY through the chain of Belgrade Lakes was, without a doubt, a test of our group’s unity. The day introduced itself innocently. My fairly decent attempt at fireside scrambled eggs—with pine needles—provoked some good humored mockery of my culinary talents. Then we broke camp and boldly launched into the rushing stream, paddled energetically while we sang and joked, and occasionally plunged into the stream for a refreshing break.

It was around noon when Rob and I noticed that our leadership skills would soon be pressured. The current had subsided, the lake floor was clearly visible, and our ongoing route looked questionable. Rob consulted the map as I “confidently” surveyed our surroundings and assured the group that we were precisely on schedule and would perhaps even arrive early at our designated camping spot.

“We are?” I quietly asked Rob. “Kath,” he sighed with a weak smile, “We’re right where we should be, but the water isn’t.”

I studied the map once more. This stream was, at most, four miles long, but with scarcely any moving water, low branches, and... who knows what?... we would have to work feverishly to move the group through before darkness crept in.

We explained to the others that we would have to support each other and stay together for the entire stretch of the stream, as we probably would need extra hands to move the canoes over particularly narrow passages and shallow clearings. The freshmen were open-minded and treated our explanation almost as if it were the ground rules for a new type of game. I was relieved by their apparent confidence.

The stream was unpredictable and challenging to even the best canoeists. There was little room for error in turning corners, and we often waded awkwardly beside the canoes through brush too dense to pass in an upright position. Mud and rocks filtered into our clothing. Occasional turtles, frogs, and schools of fish kept us aware that open water was somewhere in the distance.

“How much longer is this stream?” asked Eric, for the seventh time, with a tinge of anguish. “It’s just a little longer,” I answered as I had so many times before. Group morale was strained. We had paddled straight through lunch, and everyone was understandably weary.

As the sun descended, the brush
thinned out, and suddenly the brilliant August sunset shone upon our faces. Ahead was the clearing and Great Pond. We had made it! The bushwhacking was behind us and our campsite was actually visible from the mouth of the stream. The group was as joyful as Columbus's sailors when they sighted America. We set foot on solid ground less than an hour later and the group was merry as stories sprang from the day's accomplishment.

Our campsite that evening was Camp Bomazeen, a boy scout camp on Great Pond, which we had presumed deserted after the summer camp season. As quickly as we spotted land, we also spotted smoke and about forty people. That day marked the Central Maine Postal Workers' Annual Lobster Bake, and we dropped in just in time for dessert. The men and women welcomed us with smiles and laughter as we related our day's adventure.

As the other canoeists chatted gaily with the postal workers, I proceeded to cook my "masterpiece of meals." Our menu of shish kebobs, corn, baked potatoes, soup, baked apples, and marshmallows was the perfect reward for the hard day's work.

That night, more than ever before, I was certain that the trip was a success. The freshmen, Rob, Tom, and I felt as though we had really accomplished something of significance. We had met a challenge and mastered it. We had learned more about each other in the previous three days than many roommates learn about one another in a year. We had supported each other, and we had begun honest friendships. The nature of our group and the joys and rigors we had shared were the perfect blend of conditions for discovering friends.

Two days later I felt a sense of great pleasure as well as a tinge of sadness as we pulled our canoes out of Messalonskee Lake. The experience had been an adventure never to be forgotten, but like all adventures, it had to end. The new friendships with Colby students and acquaintances with Maine's wilderness, however, would continue.

Kathy Soderberg, a junior from Lynnfield, Mass., is a Spanish major studying in Madrid this year. As last year's COOT leadership chair, she helped select student and faculty leaders for this fall's orientation trips.
New Fund Chairperson Tackles Record Goal

Susan Comeau

THE NEW CHAIR OF COLBY'S Alumni Fund, Susan Comeau '63, has not only a "great fondness" for Colby to motivate her work but also a substantial and practical understanding of finances. Although she acknowledged in October the "significant challenge" of steering the drive toward its record goal of $630,000 in the 1982-83 fund year, there is no doubt that the State Street Bank vice-president is equal to the task.

The native of Bangor said that she sees her Alumni Fund mission as one of "fine tuning" the fundamental structure established by her predecessor, David Marson '48, who now chairs the Alumni Council. Marson's effectiveness in leading the volunteer efforts of almost 60 class agents is clearly demonstrated in the U.S. Steel award for sustained improvement in alumni giving to the Annual Fund, recognition which Colby received in July.

Comeau defined the most important qualities of a class agent as "a personal commitment to Colby, an understanding of its needs, and the ability to translate that into personal contact."

"If people recognize that [Colby] is a private institution and want to keep it, then there must be private support. The College is not in a desperate situation and won't be, as long as it continues to receive the level of support necessary from alumni," she said. That support, in turn, requires faith in Colby's administration and that "every dollar I give will be well spent and invested."

Encouraging participation in the Alumni Fund will be Comeau's major focus. Because the percentage of alumni giving to the College is persuasive to foundations and corporations that also contribute to Colby's annual operating budget, even the most humble gift is important. She noted that members of recently graduated classes, whose incomes tend initially to be lower, seem to be highly aware of this fact and well motivated by it.

Comeau evaluates her second challenge as inspiring alumni to carefully consider what they can afford to give to Colby. "Our minds haven't caught up with inflation," the banker explained, pointing out that a $25 gift five years ago is commensurate to a $50 donation in today's economy.

Committed to spend many hours working for Colby beyond those already demanded by her duties as head of State Street Bank's corporate marketing division, Comeau sees a relationship between the two responsibilities. The economics major, who graduated with distinction, credits Colby for providing her with the understanding of people and dynamics that has been essential to her career success. "I basically turned from a child to an adult at Colby," she said.

Comeau took a brief detour through Europe on her way from Colby to State Street, where her career has been firmly based. She began working there in 1963 as a research correspondent in the mutual funds division, of which she eventually took charge. In addition to the various positions she has held within the Boston bank, she has served on several committees of the Investment Company Institutes. She is currently treasurer and an executive committee member of the National Investment Company Services Association.
What Do Colby and the National Gallery Have in Common?

An impressive gift has added "Mrs. Metcalf Bowler" and other portraits to Colby's permanent collection.

The portraits reproduced on these pages are among twelve eighteenth and early nineteenth century works given to the Colby Museum of Art last spring by Mr. and Mrs. Ellerton M. Jette. Longtime patrons of the museum, the Jettes established the American focus of Colby's collection, and this gift, worth over $1 million, greatly increased the collection's comprehensiveness and importance.

Portraiture was the major form of painting in America during the eighteenth century. As museum Director Hugh Gourley III recently explained, the portrait served as a visual record of the sitter's beauty or wealth, a prominent item in the decoration of the home, and an heirloom usually passed through generations of the subject's family. Ten of the twelve donated by the Jettes are oil on canvas, but the two by Gilbert Stuart are oil on panel. Those two are also the smallest, "Mrs. David Greenough" measuring 28 inches by just over 23. The largest, "Mrs. Metcalf Bowler," is 50 inches high and 40 wide.

The portrait artists whose works are now represented in Colby's permanent collection are among the most prominent of the period. They include John Wollaston, an English painter who worked in the colonies for ten years; Stuart, Ralph Earl, and Charles Willson Peale, three Americans who studied in England or Scotland and returned to establish successful careers here; John Singleton Copley, Robert Feke, and John Greenwood, all of whom worked in the Boston area but subsequently moved abroad; and Joseph Badger, who appears to have been based in Boston throughout his life.

"Mrs. Metcalf Bowler"

One of the most prestigious and intriguing pieces in the Colby collection, its subject was painted twice by John Singleton Copley (1738-1815) before he moved to London in 1774. Copley achieved more convincing representation of three-dimensional form than any other pre-Revolutionary American artist. Anne Fairchild Bowler first sat for Colby's portrait about 1758, when the self-taught artist was 20. The portrait of a somewhat older Mrs. Bowler hangs in the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. Her husband was speaker of the Rhode Island House of Representatives from 1767 to 1776 and chief justice of the Rhode Island Supreme Court in 1776. He was considered a leading patriot until evidence was discovered in this century that he sold intelligence to the British during the Revolution. Little is known about his wife but that she was a charming woman with an excellent sense of decorum. Her taste in art and design was also apparently fine; the paneling from the living room of their destroyed home is in the American collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art.
"Hannah Gould"
Almost nothing is known about the circumstances of this young girl or of her adult life as Mrs. John Middleton Lovell. She had at least two sisters, Elizabeth and Sarah, whose portraits were also painted by Joseph Badger (1708-1765) about 1759. Badger was a major painter in the Boston area. Born nearby in Charleston, Mass., he always worked in that area and is thought to have died in Boston. Although some speculate that Badger is self-taught, the influence of London-trained artists is apparent in his work.

"Homer Boardman"
Ralph Earl (1751-1801) studied abroad before returning to his native land to paint portraits of this country's leading citizens. Homer Boardman was one. A farmer at Boardman's Bridge, Conn., he was well respected for his broad knowledge and moral integrity. In 1787 he married Amaryllis Warner, whose portrait by Earl is in a private collection in Massachusetts. Boardman served as a state representative and senator, as well as a member of the Electoral College in 1824. The physical strength for which he was noted as a boy sustained him until 1851, when he died at the age of 86.
"Mrs. David Greenough"

Gilbert Stuart (1755-1828), one of the most important American artists of the eighteenth century, is most widely known for his portraits of George Washington. David Greenough was born in 1774 in Boston, married Elizabeth Bender in 1799, and died in 1836. They were parents of Horatio Greenough, the well-known sculptor. For many years the subjects of these por-

"David Greenough"

traits were confused with David Stoddard Greenough, Jr., a first cousin, and his wife, Maria Foster Donne Greenough. The mistake was recently corrected with detailed assistance from Laurence Curtis, former U.S. congressman from Massachusetts and great-grandson of David and Elizabeth Bender Greenough.

The twelve portraits were displayed as part of a summer exhibit honoring the Jettes' contributions to Colby over the last 26 years. In 1956 they gave the American Heritage Collection, approximately 100 primitive paintings and watercolors, to the College, and in the following decade donated about 50 other works to the museum. The Jette Collection of American Painters of the Impressionist Period, 95 works by artists closely associated with New England, joined the permanent collection in 1975. The Jettes' cumulative contributions are an excellent resource for art historians and students.

Ellerton Jetté, LL.D. '55, the former president and current honorary chair of the board of the C.F. Hathaway Company, is an honorary life member of Colby's board of trustees. He became a trustee in 1955 and chaired the board from 1965 to 1970. In addition to serving Colby in many other capacities, he has been a trustee of the Skowhegan School of Painting and Sculpture and of Thayer Hospital, now part of Mid-Maine Medical Center. A former member of the Maine State Commission on the Arts and Humanities, he and his wife have both received awards from the commission for their significant contributions to Maine's cultural environment.

Edith Kemper Jetté, M.A. '62, an interior designer, is a Colby overseer and chairs that group's visiting committee for the museum and the art department. Her efforts as a cofounder of Friends of Art, former chair of that group's advisory council, and a member of the museum committee have helped to strengthen the assets and reputation of Colby's museum.
RELIGION PROFESSOR GUSTAVE H. Todrank died of cancer on September 8 in his Waterville home. He was 58.

Born in Huntingburg, Ind., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Christian W. Todrank, he served as an officer and navigator in the Air Corps during World War II. In 1948 he graduated Phi Beta Kappa from DePauw University, and in 1951 he received a bachelor of sacred theology degree from Boston University. After serving five years as pastor of the North Congregational Church in Newton, Mass., he joined the Colby faculty in 1956, the same year Boston University granted him the Ph.D. degree. He was promoted to associate professor in 1962 and to professor in 1970.

In addition to his two books, he was the author of many articles on the topics of religion and the environment. He also served as chair of the religion and ecology group of the American Academy of Religion.

Professor Todrank is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, his mother, a daughter, a son, two granddaughters, and two sisters.

A library collection is being established in Professor Todrank's memory. Books on ecology and the environmental crisis from his own library will form the core of the collection, and memorial gifts from his Colby friends will become an endowed fund, from which proceeds will be used to add new publications on his major areas of interest to the collection.

The death of Gustave Todrank represents a very great loss for generations of students who knew him as a beloved mentor and friend, as well as for his many other friends in the College and the community.

For Gus, the study of religion was not just an abstract examination of esoteric, theoretical material; it was also an activity through which persons seek and find values to which they are willing to commit their lives. The topics that he treated in his courses were the great issues that the world’s religions and truly religious persons have always regarded as the core of human concern. He sought to bring his students to a dynamic awareness of how these issues bear not only upon the lives and happiness of individuals, but upon the very survival of our civilization and the community of inhabitants of planet earth.

These issues were central topics in his first book, *The Secular Search for a New Christ*. In this book he discussed the Christ role in the lives of individuals and in societies, pointing out that our Christs are the individuals to whom we look for guidance, inspiration, example, and salvation. They are the persons who put us into touch with our supreme values and who either become or point us toward that which functions for us as the deity. He discussed the traditional Christs such as Jesus, Moses, Buddha, Mohammed, and Luther, but he also pointed out that, in our day, the persons through whom we tend to find our saving relationship with humankind and the cosmos are less likely to be the leaders of the great religions and more likely to be political or social leaders.

During his early years at Colby, the religion faculty consisted of Gus and the College chaplain, who only taught half-time. Thus Gus taught the whole range of courses from the introductory survey of Western religion up to those dealing with theology, religious ethics, and philosophy of religion. In those days Colby had no clinical psychologist, and Gus spent untold hours helping students unravel their personal and religious concerns through individual counseling. He served large numbers of students as advisor, pastor, counselor, and friend. He performed weddings for many, and even baptized the children of some.

During the last ten or fifteen years of his life, Gus was preoccupied with the global crisis facing humans because of our habits of wasteful consumption, pollution, and irresponsible overpopulation of the planet, and our proclivities for the kind of conflict that leads to destruction, possibly even to the holocaust of nuclear war. He was convinced that some of our cultural and religious myths contribute attitudes that promote our reckless treatment of the fragile environment and that we must therefore strive toward new ways of conceiving our relations with one another and our planet. In his recent book, *The Eden Connection: A Study in Cultural Euthenics*, he proposed cultural and religious images that would lead us away from our habitual efforts to "fill the earth and subdue it" and toward habits of tender care for one another and for the world.

Gus wrote and lectured with a passion that spoke eloquently of his sense of urgency about the issues he treated. His courses during these more recent years were so popular that he often taught a fourth of Colby’s student population within an academic year. Few persons, even among Colby’s dedicated faculty, have taught with such concern and conviction.

Many of his students became passionate advocates of the reforms he insisted were necessary for human survival. Even those who did not agree with him were greatly affected by his teaching. To study with Todrank was to be profoundly challenged, and those who took his courses were never again quite the same.

YEAGER HUDSON
Professor of Religion
"Consider the Lilies, How They Grow"

Edwin Merry '29 has found a lifetime of joy and guidance in contemplating the "everyday experience"

Nuthatch
I'm sharp. I'm sharp.
I hang on bark
And hear your cant of blunder.
But can this world be all that bad?
Try looking up from under.
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In Jude the Obscure, Thomas Hardy created the prototype of Father Time, the boy who "was Age masquerading as Juvenility." Edwin D. Merry '29 may have had a streak of Father Time in him as a lad, but today he is striking in his sheer boyishness. His integration of the two is charming.

The two play prominently, sometimes vibrantly, in his poetry and prose. Since retiring from public school teaching in 1963 and returning to his "ancestral acres" in South Newcastle, Maine, Merry has published a book of poetry, The Reach Road and Other Lightly Traveled Trails; published poetry in and edited Maine Captured in Color and Verse; and recently published a book of short stories, Neighborly Relations.

"Poets are dreamers," Merry observed, half apologetically, in a recent letter. He is, indeed. As a boy he dreamed of the great mysteries surrounding him and in the world beyond. Today he dreams back on youthful discoveries and writes vividly of a world seen through a boy's eyes. The second child and older son of Byron and Addie Tibbetts Merry, he was the grandson of sea captains, one drowned at sea. His paternal uncles were also sea captains, "Cap'n Jim Merry" being the greatest model in Ed Merry's life.

As a youth, Merry's closest companion was his brother Irving, who figures prominently in Merry's creative writing. Today the men live alongside one

Merry set up his camera equipment for this photograph at his September 19 poetry reading as he would for his Audubon-quality bird photos. Since he had to make the scene instead of capturing it, an assistant waited for the right moment and engaged the shutter by electronic remote control.
An Old, Old Story

"The hills," she said at 88,
"Are marching to the north.
I've watched those pines,
My grandma said, "since I was 17;
The hills have luggered them one pane north
So the tall one can't be seen
At all from this old sofa couch.
I know the hills have shifted north—
There's nothin' stays the same."

All this I thought was foolish talk
Of an old one long ago;
But I was ten and biased then—
Today I do not know.

The Connecticut teacher usually managed to spend summers back on his father's farm in Maine. He is shown here, about 1940, cutting wood to fit the small cookstove placed outside to avoid overheating the tiny cottage in which they slept and where he now writes.

MUCH of Merry's writing is nostalgic, combing back through those years. From the feathers flying off heads of courageously slain Indians in the free verse of "The Dandelion Massacre" to the rhythmic deathspell of "Damariscove Island" revisited through a seasick waif's eyes, Merry vividly paints and orchestrates a young boy's tidewater world. The detail of his youthful recollections simply
reflects a youngster’s capacity to absorb the world through every sense, according to Merry. “Those are things I’ve never experienced more richly. The young are so sensitive and vulnerable to hurt.”

Yet the poetic wonder and contemplation are also well cast from adult perspectives. Merry’s real and vicarious experiences merge in the communion of “Thomas Hardy and the Barrens.” In “Vilanelle with Variations,” the father struggles anew, this time in a notoriously difficult poetic form, with the issue of his daughter’s vulnerability.

“These poems of Edwin Merry’s are honest perceptions and the essential Maine,” Elizabeth Coatsworth Beston wrote of The Reach Road. “... As I read them again and again I thought, ‘That is the perfect way to say it.’ And by that I would mean that an everyday experience had been lifted into a clear light that is not that of every day.”

On the threshold of his adult life, the Lincoln Academy graduate left Maine to attend Norwich University, which was then an engineering school. “I don’t know why I didn’t go [to Colby] in the first place. All my bents were poetry and literature, although I did well in physics and math.” On the other hand, Norwich boasted ROTC range practice and saddle horses that students could ride on Saturdays. Once there Merry found that a good deal of hazing, which he considered “sadistic,” was part of the bargain. “I always was soft hearted,” he explained. “I couldn’t stick a brad into an ox to make him come around.” He dropped out of college for two years, first driving a milk route and then teaching in North Newcastle’s one-room school.

In the fall of 1926, Merry rode to Colby’s downtown campus on his motorcycle. “I didn’t know anyone there; I literally didn’t know anyone.” But the College catalogue looked appealingly full of literature, education, and history courses, and Colby was reputed to be “particularly kind to young people if they were earnest and willing to work hard.”

Merry was willing to work. He had saved money and refused assistance from his father, and he made arrangements to trade work for a room and supper at Colby Trustee Albert Drummond’s home and for a midday meal at Professor Cecil Rollins’ home. He also worked in the library for 30 cents an hour. “I was very shy and had an intense determination to stay with the books, not to play around.” He dropped his one extracurricular activity, cross-country, because after practice he fell asleep at his studies. Married at the end of his sophomore year, Merry described himself as “an off-campus shadow” and “a bookworm.” He collected little more than friendly smiles from his classmates, but the finest wealth Colby gave to him was in the persons of his professors.

“It was inspiring to see them, to hear them, to be with them,” Merry exclaimed, turning his thumbs up and down as he paced in imitation of history Pro-
Ann, made her debut into this world, and his family lived, "half starving," in a one-room apartment. That spring, on his way to his Uncle Jim’s funeral, spring mud so badly immobilized his motorcycle wheels that a truck driver had to rescue him and drive him back to Waterville.

Yes, he became seasoned. Listening to a painfully circumspect explanation of the demise of his marriage, one wonders how many years of struggle carried him toward his gentle understanding. He gained custody of Ann and was remarried to a wonderful woman who shared his life until her death in 1976.

He experienced “almost bliss” in his several years of teaching at Torrington, Conn., his greatest feeling of accomplishment coming from the poetry club he started. “All my life I have loved poetry,” he wrote in the March, 1949, Clearing House. “As punishment for this sin I have been assigned to chain-gang work in the math department, the science pits, and the horrible halls where simmer the social studies.” His emancipation came with the poetry club, an idea that “caught on like the mountain laurel which clings to the steep slopes of our nearby Berkshires.”

The names of the other periodicals in which he published articles and poems during his teaching career create a tattoo of his interests: Outdoor Life; American Rifleman; Flying; Skyways; Reader’s Digest; American Agriculturist; American Mercury; Down East Magazine; the Boston Post; Read; and National Poetry Anthology. He maintained his boyhood interest in hunting and fishing and coached a rifle club at Torrington. He taught aeronautics during World War II and then decided to take up what he’d taught. He was terrified the first time he flew over the tent-covered tobacco fields, but “by the third lesson I was hooked.” He frequently took students up in his plane and later worked in the Civil Air Patrol. And he dreamed of Maine on paper, homesick no matter how busy he was.

When Merry returned to South Newcastle in 1965, he had taught in elementary and secondary schools for 30 years, interrupted by five years spent writing and editing educational publications for Wesleyan University Press. His career was overlaid with graduate work at Middlebury’s Breadloaf School of English and at Trinity College, from which he received his master’s degree in English in 1959. He had never put down his pen and had equal difficulty surrendering the lecturn, teaching composition for the University of Maine through 1967. At that point his hearing loss finally forced his retirement.

Like his literary avocation, Merry’s teaching career bore the imprint of Captain Jim. “He was one of the finest teachers I ever knew—always absolutely sincere, no hypocrisy at all, never used words for effect. . . .” He always hoped his students could look up to him as he had his uncle. “If they respect you and admire you, then they’ll listen to what you say.” Many of his Colby professors were also great models, “dignified, friendly, and totally dedicated” to their work. In Ed Merry’s mind, it is not credentials but a willingness to admit one’s own perplexity, to “walk the extra mile,” and to deal with matters that creates a good teacher.

In a small cottage on the land “lovingly caressed by the Sheepscot’s upper waters,” Merry now concentrates on his poetry. He and his bride of five years, Alice, live in a newly constructed house up the slope. In these places he rediscovers Maine’s mysteries and lightly manipulates them, persuading hummingbirds to pose naturally for photographs from his window and building chickadee feeders that close to uninvited bluejays.

He frequently submits poetry and photographs to Maine newspapers and magazines, but Merry intends
to publish no more books through "Vanity Press," meaning publications financed by the author. The first, *The Reach Road*, was published only through Merry's initiative, although "I did sell enough copies to make a little profit on it; I guess I'm that much of a Yankee." Likewise, photographer Mary Calvert bore the expense of their joint enterprise, *Maine Captured in Color and Verse*, but the delightful and "mostly true" short stories in *Neighborly Relations* were published by the Thorndike Press in Thorndike, Maine.

The latter work is so lively and humorous that it surely holds the most universal appeal, but even so, "Some of the weirdest things that did happen have not been narrated in this book," Merry said in its introduction. "I shall quote Dr. Morse Allen, one of my English professors at Trinity College, 'Merry, your story is implausible. Just because an event actually did occur does not insure its plausibility.'"

His poetry is more somber. "Solemn things inspire me: sunsets, nightbird calls, sounds of water, the strike of a fish on a line, stars, eclipses, flowers, wild things. . . ." He also contemplates aspects of his fellow humans, several poems in particular addressing his special relationship with his daughter.

Ann Merry Yarmey's childhood differed drastically from the youth of Merry's poems and short stories. "Farm life could be a pain," Merry wrote in the folksy tone of *Neighborly Relations*. "Maybe Maine fathers were what made it so painful. At any rate, when a fellow got older, and married to a girl (not a woman), he was sure he'd not be like Pop. Ike and I were afraid of Pop." (He spoke strictly for his own aspiration; at the September poetry reading he quoted Irving as saying, "Our father never raised us for marrying.") Whereas Merry explains his father's inadequacies with loving empathy, Yarmey recently introduced her father with unmitigated admiration: "Dad typifies, to me, the successful person . . . integrated . . . peaceful . . . reflective . . . unquestioning but marveling . . . and carrying on an unsatisfied search for knowledge."

Merry's poetry is part of that quest. The 78-year-old experiences a dichotomy of feelings about his ongoing work, speaking of poetry in Keats's words, "the lady without mercy." Although some regard Merry as their favorite poet, he says he writes for himself: "The greatest reward of poetry comes from the writing of it." Yet frustration emerges in conversation despite his disclaimer; his poetry expresses his search for meaning among his most intense feelings of awe, whimsy, and perplexity in life, and the reward would be greater if others, like Coatsworth, felt his words lifted the mundane out of the fog and into a clearer light.

While he culls, reworks, and adds to the collection of poems in his "Doomsday Book," his solace lies in the experience of his most beloved authors: Hardy, whose work was vehemently criticized and rejected by many during the author's life, and Emily Dickinson, whose brilliant poems laid unread in boxes and drawers until after her death. His daughter speaks truthfully of Merry's integrity; he intends to live many more years, exploring life each day, and his perspectives and values will remain solid no matter how few or how many share them.

_Some Day. . . ._

Some day I may be off there beyond Orion—
Perhaps a part of that ghastly early morning warrior—
Maybe just a lint of moth wing
Taking dew from pre-dawn milkweed,
Maybe less than that—
Just leafmold on the old Reach Road
Making heavy the forest air
And helping hard to shove up
Trailing arbutus tendrils.

Close by a wall.
How would you know?
Well, that last assignment's
Quite all right with me:
Another poet once wrote,
"They also serve who only stand and wait."

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Homecoming 1982: Lifelong Loyalties and Lifelong Sports

Traditionally, alumni gathered for Homecoming weekend honor one person as the "C" Club Man of the Year, but this year the honors were shared among four: Bob Clifford, Jack Kelley, Lee Williams, and John Winkin. Each emphasized that sharing the tribute with the others, all outstanding coaches, was the greatest honor of all.

Boisterous celebration and genuine affection marked the Colby Night Banquet, where the awards were presented. Amidst anecdotes and reminiscences, each former coach recounted strategies and other lessons he had learned by working with the others. The teamwork between them as they assisted in coaching one another's sports may explain their concurrent abilities to build winning squads, as their former players deferentially testified, from athletes whose individual talents were often unexceptional.

Victorious years

Clifford was head coach of Colby football teams from 1956 to 1962, six seasons that comprise the most victorious period in Colby football. With an overall record of 25 wins and 17 losses, as well as two Maine State Series championships, Clifford left Colby to become an assistant coach at Williams. In 1967, he became head coach at the University of Vermont for eight years preceding his retirement. Likewise the most successful coach in Vermont's history, his combined record as head coach here and there was 62 wins, 46 losses, and a single tie.

The only coach to win both college and professional national championships, Kelley began coaching Colby hockey in 1955, the same year his team moved into the Alfond Arena. During the next seven years, Colby received national recognition and its skaters, All-American honors; those teams compiled an overall record of 93 wins, 48 losses, and 5 ties. In 1962 Kelley was named NCAA Coach of the Year, and he moved on to Boston University. Fourteen years later, he left BU and the New England Whalers, which he coached concurrently for four years, to spend one more season at Colby. His son, Mark '80, played for him that year. Kelley returned to the Whalers as club director of hockey operations until 1981, and he is now general manager and director of arena operations in Glens Falls, N.Y.

Williams coached basketball at Colby from 1946 to 1965, compiling an outstanding record of 113 wins and 40 defeats within the Maine State Series and a total of 252 wins overall. During his 19 years of coaching, Colby's basketball teams won ten state titles and tied for another. Williams also served as Colby's athletic director from 1952 to 1966, and was president of the National Association of Basketball Coaches in the 1963-64 year. Since leaving Colby, he has been executive director of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass.

Winkin also worked athletic administration into his long coaching career at Colby, not to mention 301 victorious baseball games, 13 Maine series titles, and participation in eight Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference and National Collegiate Athletic Association championships. Encouraged to come to Waterville in 1954 by his former Duke coach, Colby Jack Coombs, Winkin served as head baseball coach for 20 years and department chairman for 13 before moving upstate to the University of Maine at Orono. During his Colby years, he was also president of the ECAC, the National Association of College Athletic Directors, and the American Association of College Baseball Coaches, as well as member of the prestigious NCAA executive council. At UMO his teams have played in the College World Series in
Lee Williams

John Winkin

1976, 1981, and 1982, and during the same years he was honored as the Northeast Regional Coach of the Year.

Athletics today

Although many at the "C" Club festivities celebrated what they considered the bygone "golden age of Colby sports," Athletic Director Richard McGee and Assistant Director Gene DeLorenzo presented encouraging perspectives on current athletic activities at the following morning's Alumni Association meeting. In short, varsity, intramural, club, and personal sports include so many participants that the excellent facilities of the athletic complex are, at times, barely adequate.

During the 1981-82 academic year, 315 men and 251 women participated in varsity sports, while nearly three quarters of the Colby students, faculty, and staff took part in intramural (I-PLAY) competition. In the I-PLAY program alone, 39 softball and 22 soccer teams were organized by members of the Colby community. The additional playing field included in the Colby 2000 Campaign goals will be an improvement essential to coordinating the multitudinous competitions, according to McGee. He added that this winter Johnson Pond will be cleared as an additional resource for Colby skaters.

Women's athletics are another source of pressure on the athletic facilities, which only a visionary could have predicted when the complex was built. DeLorenzo, who oversees both the intramural and women's varsity programs, noted that "the level of competition, interest, and participation in women's sports has increased a thousandfold" at Colby. He predicted that women preparing for careers will benefit in the same ways men traditionally have from "the spirit of camaraderie, trust, and love" fostered by team competition.

McGee noted satisfaction that Colby, unlike many peer institutions, steadfastly refused to drop its physical education requirement for graduation. Even with society's renewed emphasis on physical fitness, other schools have not been successful in reinstating that requirement, according to McGee. Meanwhile Colby has broadened its courses to encourage more lifelong sports, as well as outdoor activities and traditional physical conditioning.

The department is also encouraging members of the Waterville community to pursue lifelong recreational opportunities. For the second year, Colby's indoor track is open, free of charge, to senior citizens who want to remain more active than winter normally allows. From 6 to 10 a.m. throughout the cold weather, 270 senior citizens walked around the track last year. McGee said that one day alone, over 110 of them took advantage of Colby's athletic facilities.

The concept of "The Whole Man," as the statue by Clark Fitz-Gerald in the lobby of the fieldhouse is entitled, has also been strengthened by the New England Small College Athletic Conference's philosophy that the college athlete must attend to academic considerations as seriously as to sports competition. McGee pointed out that after NESCAC ruled that coaches refrain from off-campus recruitment to pressure athletes' choices, homecoming opponent Union withdrew from the conference. Once the scholar/athlete has chosen a NESCAC school, the conference limits the extent to which the student must juggle dual demands by confining tournament play to seven days within the close of the regular season. Thus most NCAA championships are, by self-imposed definition, no longer within the reach of NESCAC members.

If Colby cannot wave competitive superiority as a carrot in front of the prospective mule's nose, it does offer the benefits of a community with well-balanced priorities. When alumni asked how they could help the athletic program, McGee answered that beyond the obvious financial support, the most important assistance alumni can give is to convey to students considering Colby the sense of community pride so evident during the "C" Club awards presentation.
New pep and cheerleading squads helped generate enthusiasm at the homecoming football game, as they will at other sports contests throughout the year. At left, Dave Mitchell '85 (Dorchester, Mass.) performs halftime antics with Dan Kramer '84 (Washington, D.C.), Electra Webb '84 (New Canaan, Conn.), and Rick Craig '83 (Concord, Mass.). At lower left, Alton "Tee" Laliberte '42 punctuates his point in a tailgate luncheon exchange with Steen Meryweather. Below, the cheerleaders enjoy antics of their own.
Quarterback, kicker, and punter Jay Kemble '86 (Farmington, Maine) puts Colby on the scoreboard with a 42-foot field goal scored three seconds before the end of the first half. Above, Athletic Director Dick McGee (left) presides over the halftime dedication of the new electronic scoreboard, given to Colby by Ludy '21 (center) and Pacy Levine '27. The final score was 14-3 in favor of Union College.

Homecoming
1982
Raoul Bott on Marston Morse

Marston Morse '14, D.Sc. '35, made outstanding contributions to mathematical theory, working throughout his life on calculus of variations in the large. One week before his death five years ago, he wrote to Colby mathematics Professor Lucille Pinette Zukowski '37: "I hope that our present world of stress and strain of military and economic uncertainties will pass in due time so that more of the young can study the way mathematics is opening up as an art and a science."

In this article, Professor Zukowski comments on the life and work of Morse as they are presented by Raoul Bott, professor of mathematics at Harvard University, in a new collection, Marston Morse: Selected Papers. A copy of the book has been given to Miller Library by Louise Morse, widow of Dr. Morse.

Dr. Raoul Bott performed a difficult task in selecting the 35 papers included in this book. Marston Morse was a prolific writer and had to his credit some 176 papers published in prestigious journals, as well as seven books. His first publication was produced in 1916, when he was just 24 years old, and the papers on which he was working when he died in 1977 at age 85 were published posthumously. Bott's introduction to the book comments on the significance of Marston Morse's place in the mathematical domain and also presents a picture of Dr. Morse as a person.

The Morse genius was recognized early in his life when in 1935 he was invited to join the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton. His name was already associated with Morse theory, and during his lifetime his associates were destined to be the people whose contributions to mathematics were outstanding.

Bott gives a very vivid picture of Marston Morse as a superb teacher, both in the classroom and on a one-to-one basis. He quotes Maurice Heins, who knew Morse as a student, collaborator, and friend: "What was very impressive about Marston in the 20's and 30's was that he was devoid of the bigotry that paraded in the guise of gentility during that period. He valued one's worth and integrity, not the accidents of birth. He had enormous drive and the physical capacity for many hours of work. Twenty hour work days were common."

'The intensity of his devotion to scholarship was coupled with uncompromising standards of rigor imposed both on himself and his collaborators...'.

Marston Morse was proud of his Maine heritage. He was born in Waterville in 1892 and completed his undergraduate work at Colby in 1914. Three years later he received a Ph.D. degree at Harvard. He returned to Maine as a summer resident for many years, bringing his family to their cottage on China Lake.

In 1949, Morse was invited to deliver a lecture at Kenyon College during a conference honoring Robert Frost. He chose the topic "Mathematics and the Arts." This is the only non-technical paper that Bott has included in the book. It is appropriate that this was done since it paints such an impressive picture of his Maine background and the influence that his parents had on his career. The essay gives us insight into his underlying philosophy of mathematics, not as a handmaiden of the arts, but, in his words, as a sister of the arts.

Bott details the man who was honored by his colleagues, decorated by foreign governments, a consultant to American presidents, and the recipient of honorary degrees from twenty institutions in the United States and abroad. Colby honored him with a degree of Doctor of Science in 1935. Yet we also see the family man, devoted to his wife, Louise, and his seven children. He was a musician, an athlete, and a charming host.

The mathematical essays will delight those whose background permits their understanding. The biographical details will interest the many Colby people for whom the name of Marston Morse has always commanded respect and admiration.

Lucille Pinette Zukowski
Professor of Mathematics, Emerita
Class Correspondence

50+ First: With so many classes in the Fifty Plus Club and constant restrictions on space, my editorial pencil has to be sharp. Please understand. Thanks for your responses. Keep them coming! Mary Jordan Alden '18, Phelps, N.Y., describes her place of residence as a "lovely, small, New York town." She keeps busy with church and library work. Philip L. Ely '30, West Hatfield, Mass., spent three months last winter on the Costa del Sol, Spain. An accomplished violin player, he is a member of the Pioneer Valley Symphony out of Greenfield-Deerfield, Mass. Donald C. Freeman '26, Haverhill, Mass., says that, at age 80, he has cut his activities to: trustee of the John Greenleaf Whittier birthplace, director of the Haverhill Historical Society, member of the Haverhill Who's Who, chairman of the Haverhill Arts Commission, trustee of the Haverhill Public Library, and dean of First Church of Christ, Bradford, Mass. Hazel M. Gibb '17, Augusta, Maine, after 49 years of teaching (46 of them teaching at Haverhill High School), and Augusta) and 16 years of retirement, is still active in the American Association of University Women and the Business and Professional Women. She has traveled extensively abroad and in the U.S. Nellie Potte Hanks '25, Oxford, Maine, is working on a volume of the Yale Research Edition of the Boswell Papers. In connection with this work she has made numerous trips to Scotland to research the eighteenth century Boswell estate. She is the recipient of the Joseph Coburn Smith Best Overall Performance Award made to the class agent whose class has had the largest percentage of participation and dollars contributed to Colby. Eleanor Butler Hutchins '29 and her husband, Brad, are now living in Nantico, Conn. Eleanor explains that it was their desire to be near their daughters that caused them to leave Maine in their retirement. They will continue to spend summers in York, Maine, and near Waterville. Helen Robinson Johnston '27, China, Maine, sends her greetings. Dorothy Daggett Johnston '28, South Dennis, Mass., is engaged in research for the Cape Cod Genealogical Society and in writing about early New England history. She is also a painter. The Johnstons have a granddaughter who graduated from Ohio State in June, 1982, and a grandson, who is a Naval ROTC junior at Tulane University. Richard Benson '29, Southbury, Conn., reports that the inconvenience of surgery kept him from the 1982 club dinners. He promises a psychic tune-up for 1983! David F. Kronquist '29, Fort Meyers, Fla., keeps busy in retirement as a Christian Science practitioner. His recreational activity includes enjoying the tropical climate at the local swim club. He congratulates Jean Watson '29 on her organization of the Fort Meyers Colby Club, which sponsored a luncheon for Colby Floridians in that area. John H. Red Lee '30, Scarborough, Maine, led the group singing at the club banquet. He reports that his son, John, is tennis instructor in the New Milford, Conn., high school, and that his granddaughter is a top tennis player. Elizabeth Libby '29, Waterville, former assistant librarian at Colby, made headlines last winter when she induced a cut Christmas tree to put forth new shoots long after its normal period of decoration should have expired. Dr. Leonard W. Mayo '22, Charing Cross, is now connected with Case Western Reserve University, where he served on the faculty during the 1940s. He and Lena (Cooley '24) have two children, four grandchildren, and two great grandchildren residing in the same area. Dr. Mayo plans to publish a book in the next few months. He also travels extensively for the university. Edward M. Nee '28, Plymouth, Mass., reporting through the agency of his wife, Lillian, because of temporarily impaired eyesight, has restricted his activities to contract bridge and TV. They plan to be present at the 1983 reunion. The article cited his many distinguished awards and his civic service to the area of his practice. The article noted that they will have to break his addiction to library work. As you do? Who have you seen? What's new? Have you any ideas for our fiftieth reunion? Hope you have been reading the communication called "Colby Currents." It is a welcome addition, interesting and informative. This year is our opportunity to make an impressive contribution to the Alumni Fund before our fiftieth reunion! If we can't be number one in monies contributed, let us try to be number one in contributors. If you have not given lately, do it now. If you have given before, give more. Bert Hayward, our Alumni Fund agent, has been working hard and doing a great job. Let's all help him put '33 up at the top.

Our time is growing very short, Reunion '83 will be here. Anticipation fills our heart, We wonder who'll be there. How will they look, how will they feel, Is this a dream or is it real? What have they done, what do they do? Recall the old, reveal the new, And reminisce in the past. And hoping it could last, Until the time to leave arrives And we prepare for 55.

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33 Mal Wilson has been honored with the Waterville Area Chamber of Commerce's Distinguished Community Service Award. Mal was selected because of his efforts in the formation of a SCORE/ACE chapter in the greater Waterville area. "His volunteer efforts in such areas as the United Way, the YMCA, the field of mental health are in a class by themselves." Charlotte Blomfield Auger mailed the following letter recently. "It bothered me to see just your name after the '33 in the last Alumnus. Not that I have anything against your name—for I haven't. It seemed odd to me that no one had sent in any news. Then it dawned on me—that I was as guilty as anyone else. Why hadn't I written? Well, probably like some others, my husband and I don't do much to write about. We live comfortably and quietly, which doesn't make news. But perhaps if I, a stay-at-home person, should write, maybe some others would, too. Here goes. I have one son, one daughter-in-law, one grandson. My son is a chief in the Navy and at present is stationed at the sub base in Groton, Conn., which is 16 miles from here. This past February, I had a cataract removed and the other will be removed early next year. Both my husband and I have arthritis, but who hasn't? We grow, freeze, and can our own vegetables. I do needlepoint and knit, and also manuscript typing for authors. I'm busy most of the time. As I reread this letter, it seems pretty dull, but at least my conscience won't stab me quite as hard. Regards to all of our '33ers. I would like to hear from any of you who also suffer from "pangs of conscience." What are you doing? Who have you seen? What's new? Have you any ideas for our fiftieth reunion? Hope you have been reading the communication called "Colby Currents." It is a welcome addition, interesting and informative. This year is our opportunity to make an impressive contribution to the Alumni Fund before our fiftieth reunion! If we can't be number one in monies contributed, let us try to be number one in contributors. If you have not given lately, do it now. If you have given before, give more. Bert Hayward, our Alumni Fund agent, has been working hard and doing a great job. Let's all help him put '33 up at the top.
summer days filled with good times, too. A big thanks to the few faithful who wrote to tell us about them • Frances Palmer continued her travels. In addition to visits with her sisters in Florida, this year she also made a “birding tour” of the state of Oregon, with a group of nine in station wagons. They enjoyed exploring on the Columbia River, the rugged coastal cliffs with their colonies of puffins, lava caves, Mount Hood and Crater Lake, the desert, and the cattle ranges. Sounds great! • One day the Waterville Sentinel carried a smashing picture of our president, Ford Grant, with a sample of his photography. This has been a hobby of Ford’s since his high school days. He is secretary-treasurer of the Greater Waterville Camera Club and competes on a regular basis in the All Maine Color Circuit and New England Camera Club Council. Recently he tied for second prize in an all Maine competition. His photographs are exhibited widely. Congratulations, Ford! • George Mann and Brooksmine attended son Jay’s graduation from Harvard Law School, and then enjoyed four days of rain and relaxation on Cape Cod. Daughter Georgia was to be married in August to a junior at the University of Texas. You may find this hard to believe, but George had received a letter from Harold Plotkin, and he claimed that it took four people all weekend to read the handwriting. So that is why the “Old Master of the Quip and Jest” never writes! (George claims, too, that he can read the Old Testament in Hebrew and translate it, and that goes from right to left.) The good news is that Hal and Priscilla Plotkin have bought a cottage in Newagen, near Boothbay, Maine. Any time, Hal, that you care to write, I’ll be very happy to try to decipher your letter. Better still, now that you are nearby, how about coming by to deliver the news in person!

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INAUGURATIONS

Periodically, Colby is invited to send a representative to special academic events at colleges and universities. The following persons have represented the College at inaugurations in the past months.

Charles C. Leighton ’60, M.D., at the inauguration of Peter James Liacouras as president of Temple University.

Earl H. Smith, Dean of the College, at the inauguration of Judith Swazy as president of College of the Atlantic.
When Helen Watson Boldi '44 received her B.A. in English, her aspirations were in journalism. Yet when she appeared this year on the cover of the University of Connecticut's Health Center Report, it was not as a writer but as a baby cuddler!

Boldi, who is responsible for coordinating the basic sciences curriculum for medical and dental students at the university, volunteers her lunch hours to give emotional and sensory stimulation to babies in the intensive care unit of Jack Dempsey Hospital. The infants to whom she and several other volunteer "cuddlers" attend are usually premature, seriously ill, or suffering from birth defects, often needing apparatuses to help them breathe and eat. Because the parents are from Massachusetts, New York, and other states in addition to Connecticut, it's difficult for many of them to maintain frequent contact with their hospitalized children. The cuddler program was established to ward off developmental problems such infants may encounter when deprived of the warmth of loving, human contact.

Boldi, however, is more than a surrogate mother. Each volunteer is taught special exercises that will condition the infant's muscle tone and help develop important muscle skills. In addition, Boldi likes to sing to her tiny charges, her repertoire ranging from Stephen Foster songs to Christmas carols and football marches.

It may have been many years since Boldi engaged in her delightful nighttime activity with her own son and daughter. The younger, Corinna, graduated from Colby in 1979.

reunions continued throughout the day to culminate at Roberts Union at 6:00 p.m. for a social hour. Promptly at 7 o'clock we began our dinner (superior to that of the preceding evening due to close collaboration between Kye and the head chef). It was a smashing success! At the conclusion Wayne "Sandy" Sanders, outgoing president, offered succinct comment and announced the newly elected officers: Lucille "Kye" Pinette Zukowski, president; Margie Gould Murphy, vice-president; Norm Beals, class representative to the Alumni Council; and your correspondent as secretary-treasurer and class agent. Kye was presented with a suitably inscribed school bell as a class "thank you" for her good offices. It was a wonderful experience to be caught up again for a few brief hours in a reasonably true facsimile of undergraduate days. Everywhere were friendly, familiar faces remarkably unchanged by time. It appeared some 60-70 of us attended some part of the reunion. Members of the classes of 1936 and 1938 joined us at dinner. Letters updating your writer as to your summer activities will be welcomed. We will be in Clearwater again following England and Scotland in July and August. All good wishes!

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We are "back in the news!" Within four days from the date of my questionnaire, your replies were arriving, and I'm pleased to report that, as of July 20, I've heard from 34 of you. Thank you! Am happy to have seen some of you.

Thibodeau Madore dropped by in July, when she and John, both retired now, were entertaining their children and grandchildren at a cottage resort on Rangeley Lake. Mildred now gives three days a week to the Lewiston, Maine, volunteer program at an elementary school. Kenneth R. Bickford, also retired after 40 years of teaching, is now legislative chairman of the local Retired Teachers Association. He's also active in Maine state and county Republican party committees and in the affairs of the Episcopal Diocese of Maine; and among his other interests are the Masons, the Grange, and the Bowdoinham Historical Society.

Edith "Billie" Falt Favreau, retired English teacher, and husband Paul, retired National Park Service naturalist, still call lovely Northeast Harbor home, where they work at Thuya Lodge and Garden of Asticou Terraces during the summer; and then they travel. This fall they plan to fly to Vancouver for a cruise through the Inside Passage of Alaska, when, having visited Hawaii two years ago, they can say they have been in "all the 50." During the winter, Billie reports that she loafs and plays and "acts like a tourist," while she and Paul are at Laguna Beach, Calif., where they have many relatives. Their son, John, has settled in San Diego, where he is a pharmacist, but he and his bride chose to come to Northeast Harbor for their summer wedding. Their daughter, Julie, mother of their three grandchildren, lives in Surry, Maine. Peg Schnyer Bostelmann, Billie's freshman roommate at Dutton House, and her husband, of Long Island, N.Y., came for a visit last year. Phillips B. Henderson and wife Barbara are just retiring, he as minister of Memorial Baptist Church in Hartford, Conn., and she as executive secretary to the dean of students at Tunxis College in Farmington, Conn. They plan to do some traveling. Phil will be preaching as an interim minister in the Boston area. They have four children and six grandchildren, and enjoyed a visit with their oldest son and family in California last year. Sigrid E. Tompkins has been an active Colby trustee and is still practicing law in Portland. She's written most interestingly of her January trip through Egypt. I thought I was fortunate to visit the King Tut exhibit when it opened in Washington, D.C., several years ago, but Sigrid actually was at the site. Besides visiting the pyramids and Egyptian Museum in Cairo, she flew to Luxor and the Aswan Dam, saw the temples that had been raised from the banks of the Nile out of reach of Lake Nasser, and had a day trip to Alexandria. Back home, she enjoys seeing classmates at Portland area Colby gatherings. She saw Martha Wakefield Falcone for the first time in 43 years at the home of Nat '39 and Helen Carter Guphill '39, at Prince's Point. Another Portland resident is my lifelong good friend Marie Tibbetts Slovak. She is an associate in the city office of audit and evaluation. Three daughters and six grandchildren in Germany, California, and Long Island have given her good reason to enjoy traveling in recent years. Margaret Whalen '39 visited her last year, when they attended the "Symphony by the Sea." George L. Ricker continues to call Puerto Rico his official home, but business travel as vice-president of customer service for the airlines brings him to the States frequently. He keeps in touch with Charles R. "Moose" Dolan. Enjoyed a personal note from Margaret "Peg" Higgins.
A MATTER OF WILL POWER

Colby College gratefully acknowledges the receipt of an unrestricted bequest of $10,000 from the Estate of Joanne Bouton Fry ’47. The gift has been added to the endowment, with proceeds to be used as the trustees deem appropriate.

Joanne, a Colby English major, received her master’s degree in journalism from Seton Hall University and then worked with Prentice-Hall. Prior to her tragic death in a 1981 automobile accident, she served for 25 years as associate editor of Bell Laboratories’ technical journal.

Joanne and her husband, Wallace, were world travelers who also contributed their personal energies to assist the admissions program at his college, Fairleigh Dickinson University. After his untimely death in the late 1970s, Joanne maintained her activity in that area and worked informally on behalf of Colby admissions as well. Her bequest is a thoughtful and generous continuation of her dedication to her alma mater.

Williams, and she looks forward to seeing news of the class, encouragingly hoping I receive “bundles of mail” • All of your responses and kind comments are inspiring, and as space permits there’ll be continuing news of 1938ers in these pages.

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Nannabelle Gray Carter from the far north, Presque Isle, Maine, has been heard from. Nan has a full teaching schedule all year and this year had a show, and she has also developed a new product involving watercolor on bisque cast clay. I wonder what she does in her spare time? • Albert Poulin retired in 1975 from the National Weather Service and lives in District Heights, Md. He and his wife have five children and three grandchildren • Gardner Husted says he leads a very quiet life since his retirement and our fortieth reunion, but he looks forward to our fiftieth. He has a good collection of old jazz records, which he tapes forward to our fiftieth. He has a good collection

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By the time you get to read this news, it will be colorful, cool fall, but as I write this it is a sweltering day in July! Do you remember them? And do you remember the Reverend B. Stephen Topalian? It was good to get a news clipping about him. I believe we all knew him at Colby as “Bennie.” Last spring, the Reverend Topalian was guest priest at St. James Episcopal Church in Lacomna, N.H. He retired from the ministry in December, 1980, and moved to Concord, N.H., after serving 35 years in the Diocese of Ohio. He has specialized in prayer, meditation, and spiritual and emotional growth groups. I remember, and there must be some more of you who do, going on some delegation trips with Bennie as undergraduates • Hiram Macintosh wrote that he spent two weeks skiing in Austria last winter. By the time you read this he will have been reunited with World War II shipmates of the U.S.S. Thomas in Indianapolis. Both he and his wife are retired, so he finds time to volunteer for the Red Cross and as a guide at Morris Arboretum at the University of Pennsylvania • It was great to hear from Helen Bradshaw Henderson. She has retired as medical assistant and office manager, and her husband, John, from teaching. They have three grown children and three grandchildren. They enjoy “trailing” and spent the summer with their trailer in Maine and the Maritimes. Back in 1976 they took a trailer trip for 16 weeks around the entire U.S. and loved it • From Wisconsin, John Daggett wrote that they were so disappointed not to attend his wife Nalene’s (Moore’s ’42) fortieth reunion as they had planned. John has taken on the staff of Ohio as a sales area for his accounts, and this new venture made it impossible to get away. Last spring John and Natalie did get to Massachusetts for the arrival of their ninth grandchild and helped to care for their daughter’s other five children. They are busy grandparents, aren’t they? • Alta Estabrook Yelle and her husband, Henri, attended the alumni meeting in Dedham, Mass., last fall when the three Colby presidents were present. Alta was delighted to see there Linwood and Joanna MacMurtry Workman and Henry and Jane Russell Abbott • Although the news has already appeared in the Alumni about the death of Gordon Burr Jones ’40, I would like to express here the deep sadness I am sure our class members feel in this loss to Colby and to his wife and family, since she, Geraldine Stelko Jones, is a member of our class. Gordon and Gerry have done so much for Colby over all these years. We will sorely miss Gordon! Our class is still looking for some “lost members.” Does anyone know the whereabouts of Richard C. Johnson, Frank R. Leonard, Elmer S. Marshall, Jr., John M.

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Our fortieth reunion is now history and was soul-satisfying to its participants. In the blink of an eye, our fortieth-fifth will be upon us, so plan now. Thanks to Bob Rice, you already have news of its highlights, some of which will bear repetition • Our congratulations to Sue Rose Bessey, recipient of a Colby Brick, well-deserved and overdue • The new class officers are: president, Clifford F. Came, Jr.; vice-president, Sue Rose Bessey, secretary-treasurer, me; representative to the Alumni Council, Ann Jones Gilmore; class agent, Robert S. Rice • Our Miss Marjorie Duffy masquerades as Mrs. Phil ’30 Bisher, but remains the trim and merry darling of yesteryear. She reported the Comparatiss in good health, enjoying retirement • I talked with Shirley Wagner Lerette in Northeast Harbor subsequent to the reunion. She is a widow these past few years, but well and busy • Lorraine Delslesi Reifel ’43 is to be married again this summer • Lin Palmer clearly is not finished with politics and has a new position by this time with the State Board of Environmental Protection, a natural parlay • Barbara Holden retired from teaching this year, in favor of what, please? Heretofore I have thought of our class as the one that came in with a hurricane and went out with a war. President Cotter, when informed that a few of us had lived on the Hill as against the railroad tracks, remarked, “Oh, the class on the cusp….” Such distinction! • As you see, I now equal Betty Anne Royal Spiegel in names. Charlie and I were married the May, and I seem to be starting a new career managing a garden supply business just as I anticipated retirement. Anyway, mail to any of my names will reach me at the Wellesley address. Please write your news, especially you men. I don’t care to write a column for women only and have yet to find any treasurer’s minutes to write a little about your life and in what you are doing greater as your classmates are really interested in what you are doing • Did you wonder about Ron Lupton, our diligent class agent? He was one of the last Reds. W.W.II graduates who started out in the class of ’44, went to summer sessions, and was graduated in August, 1943. Ron comments that possibly he should be “43%.” Ron is retired, plays golf, and planned trips to Maine, Florida, and the Caribbean this year.
FROM MALIBU TO MANSFIELD ...

Walter E. Sherwood ’52 has been named executive vice president in charge of regional operations for Lumbermens Mutual Insurance Company of Mansfield, Ohio. He has also been elected to the company’s board of directors. Sherwood and his family were residents of Malibu, Calif., where Sherwood was western regional manager for Lumbermens, and planned to move to the Mansfield area following his promotion.

Walter E. Sherwood ’52
since my wedding almost nine years ago, since he now lives out in Scottsdale, Ariz., where he is retired from both government service and private practice as a psychologist. Dwight earned his Ph.D. shortly after graduation and, after a stint in the Air Force, he spent most of his career in the civil service working for the Air Force. He is now divorced and is most proud of his 12-year-old son, Benjamin, and 10-year-old daughter, Sarah. On the holiday his old fraternity brother and roommate Richard M. Martin '49 and spouse joined us for a cookout, and we all had a great time reminiscing • Congratulations to Gerald D. Baker, who has just been named president and chief operating officer of Lumiscope Company. Gerry's picture and write-up appeared in Retailing and Home Furnishings May 31 • Ralph H. Field has just been named senior vice president of operations at Keyes Fibre Co. He will be responsible for manufacturing, technical services, product development, and quality assurance at the firm's six fiber plants and three foam plants in the United States. The Reverend Philip Shearman seems to be busy on the lecture circuit, having given one to the Lewiston-Auburn professional secretaries on April 21 and at the Livermore Extension on May 20 • Received a long letter from Richard M. St. Clair, who informed me of an interesting fact, that in 1982 two more Bowers brothers graduated in the same class. They are sons of George N. Bowers, Richard's brother. He wonders if that is some kind of a Colby record, so while the rest of us take the rest of the summer off, the alumni office can look through their records and see • Hope you all had a great summer.

Class secretary: ALAN E. SILBERMAN, 769 Rockrimmon Rd., Stamford, Conn. 06903.

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It's August as I write this class letter and still no word from Pete Valli and Paul Christopher. I did hear from John Gilhooly. John and his wife, Suzanne, live in Hong Kong. John's occupation is Consul, Foreign Service, U.S. Department of State. John's daughter is married to a local banker and also lives in Hong Kong. During the past year they have made several trips to China, Japan, the United States, Macao, Taiwan, and Thailand. To top it all off, he planned to spend summer this year in Australia and New Zealand • Maury Ronayne has been elected president of BCL, Inc., a small investment group that holds land in Leesburg, Va. • Mickey Rosenberg-Rolland and her husband, Alan, live in New York City. They have two children, Jack and Ann. Mickey is a production coordinator and Alan is a vice-president of FloroNet. Mickey writes that they moved to the city a year ago, bought a loft, and have finished with all the building. Mickey has changed jobs and now is working for a firm called Mrage and often visits their factories, which are in the Orient • Had a note from Bob White who is retired and lives on the Cape in Bass River. He writes that he occasionally talks to Nancy Hinckley Hugbarg • Dick Bich and his wife, Nancy, live in Hollis, N.H. They have four children; their daughter Carol graduated from Colby this year. Dick is materials manager for Edgcomb Steel and Nancy works for a real estate agency • Sue Rees Cowley and her husband, Jack, live in Osburn, Idaho. They have six children who range in age from 24 to 10. Jack is the personnel director for Sunshine Mining Company. Sue has a master's degree in librarian science from the University of Arizona. Their son, Jason, is a student at Colby this year. They are proud of their 12-year-old son, Benjamin, and 10-year-old daughter, Sarah. Dick is retired from both government service and private practice as a psychologist. Dwight earned his Ph.D. shortly after graduation and, after a stint in the Air Force, he spent most of his career in the civil service working for the Air Force. He is now divorced and is most proud of his 12-year-old son, Benjamin, and 10-year-old daughter, Sarah. On the holiday his old fraternity brother and roommate Richard M. Martin '49 and spouse joined us for a cookout, and we all had a great time reminiscing • Congratulations to Gerald D. Baker, who has just been named president and chief operating officer of Lumiscope Company. Gerry's picture and write-up appeared in Retailing and Home Furnishings May 31 • Ralph H. Field has just been named senior vice president of operations at Keyes Fibre Co. He will be responsible for manufacturing, technical services, product development, and quality assurance at the firm's six fiber plants and three foam plants in the United States. The Reverend Philip Shearman seems to be busy on the lecture circuit, having given one to the Lewiston-Auburn professional secretaries on April 21 and at the Livermore Extension on May 20 • Received a long letter from Richard M. St. Clair, who informed me of an interesting fact, that in 1982 two more Bowers brothers graduated in the same class. They are sons of George N. Bowers, Richard's brother. He wonders if that is some kind of a Colby record, so while the rest of us take the rest of the summer off, the alumni office can look through their records and see • Hope you all had a great summer.

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I am looking forward to being class secretary/treasurer, and I expect to hear from all of you at one time or another • As Paul Aldrich mentioned in his thirtieth reunion report, 55 of us had a grand time renewing old acquaintances. Just so you will know who you missed seeing, those attending were: Al and Joan Martin Lamont, Martha and John Waalwyn, Thornton '51 and Betsye Smar Merriam, John and Vicky Vaughn, Roger McCoy, Norm and Norma Bergquist Garnett, Paul and Mimi Russell Aldrich, Joan and Paul Cote, Bill and Barbara Chesness Hooper, Ben and Nancy Ricker '50 Sears, Bob '51 and Joan Kelby Cannell, Sara and Dave Lynn, Earl and Nancy Newman Tibbetts, Ed and Mary Sargent Swift, Nat and George "Tim" Terry, Charlotte and George "Lum" Lebergh, Sheila and Don Haier, Nancy Copeland, Carl and Muffie Morgan Leaf, Judith and Herb Nagle, Herb Simon, Bill Gardner, Dave Robinson, Scottie Livingstone Field, Al and Nancy Ferguson Thomas, Ann and Bernie Laliberte, Janet Perrigo Brown, Chuck '53 and Sandy Perrigo Anderson, Lois Thorsdiek Brown, Warren Finegan '53, Bob Lee '51, and Joan and Bob Wulfing '53. America's health care programs must be working; we all looked pretty well • Again, keep in touch. We would like to know how things are going with you.

Class secretary: DONALD HAILER, 28 Forest Rd., Glen Rock, N.J. 07452.

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Again, there is lots of news. Some responses still from my November, 1981, letter. Received a long, newsy letter from Gail Pendleton Schultz, who hasn't been called "Penny" in years. She and her husband, Lyle, have lived in Portland, Ore., since 1970, when he was transferred there by Merrill Lynch. After five years as a Girl Scout professional and years of involvement in political campaigns, the League of Women Voters, and AAUW, she spent three years with Pitney Bowes. Then Gail became involved in the western mining industry, doing executive search contracts, and loved it until the industry collapsed. After a vacation, including painting her house, she was helping a friend start a new business in laser printing. Her two boys are Kurt, who is a junior at Oregon State and is interested in writing, and Erick, a junior in high school whose major interest is sports. She is in touch with Carol Carlson Van Alstyne, who lives in Connecticut, and "Mike" Pike College, who lives in Seattle. My last article continued the news that Alan Efroymson was unemployed. I'm glad to report that he is working again and in the area of his expertise • Ginnie Falkenbury Murphy's eldest daughter, Betsy, was married to Kenyon Erickson in May, in Ithaca, N.Y. Both are Cornell graduates

• Marcie Laverdure O'Halloran still is very busy with hospital activities and has been appointed to the New England Hospital Assembly Trustee Council. Her eldest daughter, Lilibeth, was married to John Richardson at Colby last September and is residing in Hingham, Mass. Son, Daniel, who graduated from Colby in 1980, is living in Philadelphia and working at Union Mutual. Red '50 and Marcie are still actively involved with Colby alumni activities and look forward to welcoming returning friends to Homecoming and our reunion. Won't be long 'til our thirtieth • Dick Hawes continues to lecture and give consultations, both in Los Angeles as vice president of the Institute for Reality Therapy and on the circuit.

ALLEY AT SANGAMON

Brian Alley '56 recently left Miami (Ohio) University to take charge of the Norris L. Brooke's Library at Sangamon State University in Springfield, III. Alley, who majored in art at Colby, received his master's degree in library science from Florida State University.

Prior to his appointment at SSU, Alley had served in the libraries of Miami University since 1968, first as undergraduate librarian, then as assistant director for technical services, and finally as assistant director of libraries. He has also worked in the libraries at Elmhira (New York) College and Portland (Oregon) State College.

His research and writing have dealt with areas of library acquisitions, bidding, contracts, and budgeting. Alley is the editor of the nationally recognized periodical for librarians, "Technicalities." He formerly edited and published "The Inter-University Library Council Technical Services Newsletter" for academic librarians in Ohio.

Brian Alley '56
He, too, plans to be at our thirtieth reunion • Head from Arthur and Jean Lyons Shulkin from their new Tucson, Ariz., home. They spent three weeks crossing the country from Boston, enjoying the scenery and seeing their children and grandchildren on the way. They are in touch with Russell '51 and Elaine Mark Goldsmith and asked about Anne Quin Olney • Bobbie Studley Barntte wrote an update. Her son, Dennis, was married in January, 1981, and is an assistant vice-president for Wells Fargo Bank. Dean and Bobbie have two daughters at the University of the Pacific; Mary Lincoln, a junior, spent a semester at sea going around the world, and Katie completed her freshman year. Bobbie and Dean traveled to France, New York, and Cape Cod, where they had dinner with Dick '52 and Joan Leader Creedon and caught up with their news • Priscilla Eaton Billington writes that she and Ray '54 celebrated the graduation of their third and last child when Steve graduated from Springfield College. Dianne and Greg graduated from Colby in 1975 and 1978 respectively. Ray has retired from town government and last year they both enjoyed a Caribbean cruise. Their grandchild, Daniel Billington Ashton, was born to Dianne '75 and Peter Ashton '76.

Class secretary: MARTHA FRIEDLANDER, 382 Central Park West, New York, N.Y. 10025.

54 Congratulations to James A. Rapaport on being elected to the board of directors of the northern National Bank. Jim is an auto dealer and busy, civic-minded citizen in Bangor, Maine • Lin­don Christie was in town recently from Sidney, Maine. Richard C. Randlett has been named president and board chairman of Milwaukee Electric Tool Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation. He is executive vice president of the parent firm • Besides being co-owner of a motel in Potsdam, R.I., Dawn Dunn Cavallero is a part-time stu­dent at Rhode Island College • We have an inventor in our midst: Barry Lewow has developed a "microprocessor-based imped­ance analyzer-puretone audiometer screening device" being marketed internationally. It is used primarily in school screening programs for hearing impairment and by pediatricians. • Judith Jenkins Totman is a part-time faculty member at Rhode Island College, director of aerospace education and extension division of Husson College, director of extension education for the Maine wing of the Civil Air Patrol, and treasurer of the Maine Vision Service Plan • Georgia Roy Eustis is ecstatic about receiving her B.S. in nursing from the University of Southern Maine • Cindy Rampil, vice-president and supervisor of the Jefferson County school system and Chuck is with the U.S. Geological Survey • A new career for Robert "Whitey" Thurston: he is teaching junior high math at Ortington Central Drive School in Buckspurk, Maine • Gerald L. Roy, who is with Kerr Glass Manufacturing Corporation in Lancaster, Penn., has been promoted to director of research. He earned an M.S. at Brown Univer­sity and worked for Armstrong World Industries before going to Kerr • Strict limita­tions on column space are frustrating. Watch for a class letter soon to catch up on the rest of the recent news.

Class secretary: BARBARA GUERNEY EDDY (Mrs. C. Arthur), R.R. 1, Box 198, Lincoln City Rd., Salsbury, Conn. 06068.

55 Still no trickle or flow of news. We would like to hear from more of you '55ers • Congratulations to Peter Parsons, who was granted tenure as an associate professor of biology at Holy Cross in Worcester. Peter has been at Holy Cross since 1979. Last year he received a grant from the Research Corporation of New York City to explore newly discovered methods used by the body to prepare dietary or stored fat molecules for use in energy production • The rest of our class news comes from the ques­tionnaire sent out in 1981. I hope the news is relatively current Many thanks to

Class secretary: SUE BIVEN STAPLES (Mrs. Selden), 430 Lyons Rd., Liberty Corner, N.J. 07738.

56 Class secretary: JUDITH PENNOCK LILLEY (Mrs. Albert F.), 180 Lincoln Ave., Ridgewood, N.J. 07450.

57 Class secretary: ELIZABETH HAR­Dy GEORGE (Mrs. Donald), 80 Acorn Lane, North Conway, N.H. 03860.

58 Keep in mind our twenty-fifth re­union, June 2-5, 1983. The com­mittee will be sending more infor­mation in the coming months • A few months ago Gedeon Picher of Winthrop, Maine, was named director of the Maine De­partment of Transportation's planning bureau. He has a bachelor's degree in engineering and a master's in civil engineering from Carnegie­Mellon University • Gwendolyn Parker Dhesi lives in Santa Rosa, Calif., with her husband, Nirmal Singh Dhesi, a professor of English at Sonoma State University; daughter, Simrit, and son, Nikku. She and Simrit were in New Hamp­shire for a few weeks in the summer of 1981, while her husband and Nikku were in India • Recently Thomas Roy was named an assis­tant secretary in the consulting services divi­sion, data processing, at the Hartford In­surance Group. Tom lives in West Simsbury, Conn. • Jane Daib Reisman still lives in Col­umbus, Ohio, and is enjoying her part-time job in business after 15 years of volunteer ac­tivities. She talked by phone with Marietta Pane, who had recently been made com­mander of the naval base in Meridan, Miss. • Leo Famolare, executive vice-president of Famolare, Inc., lives in Kennebunkport, Maine, with his wife, Anne, three daughters, and a grandson. Daughter Lee-Anne is a senior at Colby this year • Brian and Carole Jelinek '59 Barn­ard live in Riverside, Conn. After 20 years with Burlington Industries, Brian left in 1978 to start his own business. "So far, so good." The Barnards met Bob '59 and Judy Garland Bruce and Howie Clarke at Parents Weekend at Col­gate, where their daughter Jill is a junior. • Sandra Doolittle Hunt is a school social worker for the Wallingford, Conn., board of education. Her husband, Buell, is assistant comptroller for the Meriden Gravure. Daugh­ter Alison attends Colby and son Skip, Choate. Sandy is happy that Allison will be ma­joring in music. They had a delightful visit with Peter Re • Although he lives near In­dianapolis, Ind., Leigh Bangs keeps active in college activities. He is a Colby recruiter and overseer and has worked on college nights in his area. On trips to campus, he has met Ernie Gauer, Bruce Blanchard, and John and Marian Woodsome Ludwig's daughter. "Remember all those scrappy trees in 1958? Well, they're really grown up! But the people at the Spa are the same—they even look the same!" • Marilyn Clark lives in Gray, Maine, where her husband, Donald, is a builder. She has a son and a daughter, both married, and is deeply involved in the activities of a charismat­ic church • Bob Hesse is in sales for Procter and Gamble and lives in Centerville, Mass. With three sons, at least one in college (at Col­
by), Bob listed under the category Recent or Anticipated Travels "the loan office." Doesn't that speak for itself?

Class secretary: MARY ELLEN CHASE BRIDGE
(Mrs. Peter), 78 Sandy Lane, Burlington, Vt. 05401.

Class secretary: MARY TWISS KOPCHAINS
(Mrs. Robert), 4 Kyle Rd., Somerset, N.J. 08873.

Class secretary: MARGARET BARNES DYER
(Mrs. Calvin), 140 Hamilton Dr., Terre Haute, Ind. 47803.

News of the class of '61 is scarce. Lee Holcombe Miliken completed a course this spring in neurophysiology designed to bring her up to date in the field. Then in August she headed for Wyoming for a month of backpacking with husband, Art, and their three children. Jan Haskins Mandaville came east in June to visit family and met Ginny Maher Hobbs, Ginny Wriggins Hochella, Claire Lyons, and Ellen McCue Taylor for lunch in Framingham, Mass. Jan has her own business back home in Oregon, an energy consulting business, and she is doing very well. Ginny Wriggins Hochella is a school volunteer. She is teaching science in her own inimitable way and reports say she loves it, as do the children. Claire Lyons sold her restaurant in Beverly, Mass., this spring and celebrated with a European trip, including stops in Italy, Greece, and England. Ellen McCue Taylor lives in Marblehead, Mass., and is volunteering at the North Shore Community College. She is also secretary for a newly formed organization for volunteer administrators on the North Shore. The organization functions as a professional society with workshops and programs for volunteer professionals.

Class secretary: SUSAN DETWILER GOOD-ALL
(Mrs. William), 88 Heald Rd., Carlisle, Mass. 01741.

Class secretary: COLLEEN "JO" LITTLEFIELD JONES
(Mrs. William), 24 Bailey St., Skowhegan, Maine 04976.

At the "Colby 2000 Campaign" kickoff dinner in Wadsworth Gym, the guests also saw the film, "The Three Presidents," produced by Peter Vogt. After an economics degree from Colby and two years in the Peace Corps in Panama, Peter Armstrong is now pruning trees in Maine. He heads a crew of four who have contracted to prune an estimated 1,200 trees in a Wilton orchard.

Class secretary: GAIL PRICE KIMBALL
(Mrs. Richard), 11 Fox Run Rd., Bedford, Mass. 01730.

Class secretary: JOAN COPITHORNE BOWEN
(Mrs. Richard), 91 Hamilton Dr., Hamilton, Mass. 01641.

Britt Carlson Anderson is an attorney in Portland. One of her highlights is the formation of her own law firm, Katch, Anderson, Madden and Wasserman. She reports sailing as a passion and listed her 1981 highlights as sailing in Guadeloupe, Dominica, and the French West Indies. Peter Anderson is living in California with his spouse, Elena, and working as a consultant. They made a trip to Buenos Aires, Argentina, last summer to visit Elena's friends and family. Kay Tower Carter wrote a long letter about her life in Maine, her family, two children, and husband. She and her husband work as a regional planner and a program administrator for the elderly. Claudia Fugere Finkelstein is a psychological examiner and jazz vocalist. She is also writing a novel and illustrating a children's book in her "spare" time. She lives in Portland, Maine, with husband, Bernie, and two children. Fran Finizio is a financial administrator for Computer Vision of Needham, Mass. Fran is '60's contribution to the "computer whiz kid" phenomenon. He mentions having recently seen Jay Fell, Dag Williamson, and Peter Lax. Lynn Seidenstuecker Gall is a mother of two in Augusta, Maine. She keeps busy with skiing, tennis, aerobics, and volunteer work while her husband, Jay, runs his own business. She lists as recent trips: Disneyworld in March, Colorado in April, and Hawaii in May. Lydia Barry Clark News is living in Portland, Maine, and has done some recent traveling with her husband, Bob. She is a social worker for southern Maine senior citizens. She mentions having seen Sue Makeham in Aspen, Colo., and wishes she had seen more friends at the fifteenth reunion. The twentieth is coming.

Gayle Johnson Hughes is a mother of two teenage sons. She is doing prep work in a feminist print shop and has finished her B.A. at Goddard College. She has decided to be an anthropologist "when she grows up." Husband Mike has quit his profession as an electrical engineer and is running a sawmill on the Hughes farm. Hall handbook mobility. Bayard Kennett lives in Conway, N.H., and is doing "real estate, logging, and truck driving." His leisure activities are listed as golfing and truck driving. His highlights include the birth of his son Bayard II, known as Chip. He has recently seen Jim Bither. Dennis Maguire lives and works in the London area. He is vice-president of development for the Sheraton Management Corporation. He has responsibility for expansion of a number of Sheraton hotels in his area. His office is in a 17th-century manor house in Buckinghamshire. What a way to go for a Colby English major. Linda Johnson Van Dine lives in Manchester, N.H., with her engineer husband and a two-year-old son. She is a part-time school social worker and a volunteer in pediatrics at a local hospital. She spends her spare time at Internet cooking, gardening, and sewing. I must thank all classmates for the overwhelming response on the questionnaire. I am still wading through comments and news. We'll have more in the next Alumnus issue. Keep writing.

Class secretary: JAN AHERTON COX
(Mrs. Thomas A.), 115 Woodville Rd., Falmouth, Maine 04105.

Our fifteenth reunion at Colby in June was extremely successful and fun! On behalf of the class of 1967, I would like to extend our thanks to Irving Faunce, who organized and coordinated the festivities! We especially enjoyed the presentation of Class of 1967 Colby Rocks to select members of our class, and we all walk with "bated breath" for categories, nominees, and Colby for class of 1967 reunion in 1987. Now that he is finished with reunion work, lrv has turned his sights to running for the Maine State Senate from District 15. He and his wife, Julie, and four children live in Gardner. Also running for political office this fall is Joel Irish. Joel, who received his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees at the University of New Hampshire, now teaches mathematics at the University of Southern Maine. He is running for school board director in Limington. Gil Congdon is athletic director and head baseball coach at Profile Junior-Senior High School in Bethlehem, N.H. At the time of this writing, Gil was contemplating a return to Reading (Mass.) High School, where he taught from 1968 to 1976. Rick Lund has been promoted to Casco Bank's Eastern Region. He has been with the Maine
bank since 1977. Newland Lesko has been promoted to mill manager of the Androscoggin mill in Jay, Maine, of the International Paper Company. Prior to the June reunion, I received a letter from Eric Meindl, who reported that after three-and-a-half years in Anchorage, Alaska, he had been transferred to the New Orleans area. He is still with the National Weather Service and has joined the Ocean Services Unit, "a new program being set up to better help industrial and recreational interests around the nation." They are definitely enjoying their return to the south. I received my master's degree in guidance and counseling from Providence College in the spring and have joined the ranks of the unemployed as the gal I replaced in a teaching position last year returned from writing her novel. I was also divorced in the last year, so I have entered the ranks of our class who are once again single. Please return your questionnaires so that I will have current news for this column. Thank you for your endorsement of my secretarial duties by reelecting me last June.

Class secretary: SALLY RAY MORIN. 243 Victory Highway, RR-3, Chepachet, R.I. 02814.

As I write this one month early for the August deadline, John and I are packing for an eight-week, cross-country camping trip. Maybe we'll see some of you on our way. Chris Austin Barbour and Wes '66 are still working on their passive solar home which they've been building for seven years in Cape Nedick, Maine. Chris has finally quit teaching and loves working with Wes on their home computer business. They have one daughter. Richard Foster has been appointed social service supervisor at Valley General Hospital in Vallejo, Calif. He's living in Berkeley. Phil Merrill made an unsuccessful bid for the Democratic nomination for the First District congressional seat in Maine. In 1978 Phil unsuccessfully sought the gubernatorial nomination. Since then he has served on the Democratic National Committee. We know we'll hear more from you, Phil! Sorry for the lack of news. Feel free to write any time.

Class secretary: BETTY SAVICKI CARVELLAS (Mrs. John), RD #4 Wilderness Rise, Chester, Vt. 05446.

Very little news has arrived from fellow classmates, but what has arrived is interesting. Cherrie Dubois is teaching in the English department at Wakefield (Mass.) High School. She has recently published in the English Journal. Cherrie has also had a piece appear in the American Wheelmen. The past two summers and again this summer she led students on biking trips, once to Cape Cod, and last year to Wells, Maine. W. Geoffrey Little is now regional manager for Continental Cablevision, Western Massachusetts operations. He and his wife, Esme, are relocating with their three sons in Springfield, Mass. Linwood Cross has received his M.B.A. from the University of Oregon. He and his wife, Gail, have moved back to South Portland, Maine. Linwood completed a marathon while in Oregon, congratulations! If you haven't let your class-mates know where you are in the post, please do in time for the next newsletter.

Class secretary: DONNA ALLEN. 95 Mt. Vernon St., Boston, Mass. 02110.

Judith Files McKean, staff assistant for development and public relations at Rivier College in Nashua, N.H., recently presented a photographic exhibit at the Nashua library. The photographs, all black-and-white prints from 35mm negatives, span six years of work in the medium. Margaret Swanson is a grants planner for the city of Bradenton, Fla. Judy McLeish Gordon, her husband, Doug, and young son, Robert, have been living in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, for the past four years. She was formerly a computer programmer for Aramco and is presently a full-time mother. She sends observations on the vastly different culture she is experiencing, such as that women are not allowed to drive cars! Todd Smith and his wife, Sarah Ewell, whose brother is Bob '71, are rehabilitating a 200-year-old Cape in Kennebunk, Maine. He is industrial relations manager for Maremont Corporation in Saco.

OPTIMAL OPTOMETRIST

Douglas G. Smith '70, O.D., was recently saluted as "Oregon Optometrist of the Year." Presenting the award at the Oregon Optometric Association's annual banquet, OOA President John Reslock cited Smith's many contributions to the profession, including instruction of continuing education classes, use of advanced testing and diagnostic instrumentation in his Medford partnership practice, and coordination of public communications for the OOA.

Smith is currently chairman of both the Jackson County Juvenile Services Commission and the Advisory Board of the Southern Oregon State College Multi-Disciplinary Learning Clinic. He has lectured extensively in southern Oregon and northern California on vision as it relates to learning disabilities. He also serves on the Jackson County Task Force for pre-school handicapped children and on the Headstart Medical Advisory Board.
live in Naperville with their three sons and would love to see Colby people passing through northern Illinois. • Steven and Joanne Weddell Magyar moved to Cleveland in August with Elizabeth, 6, and Paul, 4. Steve is manager of Connecticut General Life Insurance Co.'s Cleveland office. • Alan T. Sprague is a computer programmer in Silver Spring, Md. • Sharon DiBartolomeo Hennessy is the new principal of the Scarborough, Maine, high school. She and husband, Gary, who is about to retire from the Air Force, and their three children will move to Scarborough from Methuen, Mass., where Sharon has been working as a behavioral specialist in the high school. • Bert Brewster and his wife, Carol, welcomed their new son Donald last fall. Bert is a chaplain in Oakland, Maine. • Kathy Stoddard is attending medical school at the University of Vermont. • It was good to get a chatty note from Ann Lyle Rethleisen, who had just sold her home in Minneapolis, temporarily left her 4-year-old daughter with her parents in New Mexico, and settled herself and husband, John, in Downey, Calif., where he is in a graduate program in orthotics (fabricating and fitting of braces for legs, arms, spines, etc.), all in graduate school this term. She's on a year's leave from her teaching job in Minnesota. • Nick and Susan Harding Preston '74 bought "a lovely old inn in Compton, N.H., soon to be a ski academy—all visitors welcome!" Nick was in Squaw Valley, Calif., last March when 215 inches of snow fell in six days, a bit much for even the most avid skier. • Dave Rea is chairman of the English department at the Laconia, N.H., high school, and was planning an annual pilgrimage to Simsbury, Conn., to see Peggy and Tony Maramarco. Dave and his KDR conferences have been wondering about the whereabouts of Charles "Holly Litch" Rich, anyone know? • Cathy Delano Moss and her husband, Richard '70, are both teachers in Columbia, S.C. They were planning a visit to Michael Selh and family in Charlotte, N.C., last summer. • Debbie Wentworth Lansing is in group product development with Unum Mutual in Portland, Maine. She and her husband, Jim, have backpacking last year in Alaska's Brooks Range and have recently welcomed daughter Sarah into the family. • Ron and Pat Skilling's '73 Sills live in Norridgewock, Maine. Ron is principal of Mt. Blue Junior High School in Farmington. • Frank Apantaku and wife Leica are both busy surgeons in Chicago. More next time! • Class secretary: LESLIE J. ANDERSON, 30 Hall Ave., Somerville, Mass. 02144.

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I was sorry that work responsibilities prevented me from attending our tenth reunion. From reports I have received, many people who were able to attend enjoyed the weekend. I am pleased that I will be serving as class secretary for another five years; I hope you will all continue to send me news. Without your input, I would not have a column to write. • Dash Crigler received his M.S. in broadcasting and films from Boston University in 1974 and his marketing from Columbia in 1980. He is currently an account executive for the W.R. Grace account, AT&T Longlines in New York. • Last winter Judy and Chris Sample spent two weeks teaching dance movements to elementary school students in the Bath, Maine, dance residency group. Performances of the group took place at schools as well as at the Performing Arts Center. Prior to returning to Maine, the Samples spent five years in the Netherlands teaching dance improvisation to Dutch students. • Stan Waldman is the assistant treasurer and E.F.T. control officer by the board of directors at the BayBank Norfolk Trust Company. He has been an employee of the BayBank since 1972. He and his wife, Nancy, live in Milton, Mass. • Carol Johnson has worked for Allstate Insurance since 1978. She began her career there as a sales agent in Augusta, Maine, and last year became the assistant manager in Augusta. She has moved to the Hartford area, after her promotion to the position of district sales manager for Connecticut and western Massachusetts. • Nora Lachapelle Cote received her M.Ed. in counseling from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash., and her husband will be moving to San Diego. Fred is a lieutenant commander in the Navy. They have two children, Lauren and Matthew.

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Several classmates have recently written from overseas. Merrilee Bonney is working in environmental modeling and public policy for the Rijnmond Public Authority in the Netherlands. She married Jacobus van der Vaart in April, and they have bought a 100-year-old house in Pijnacker, which is between Rotterdam and the Hague. • Ingrid Svensson Crook and Scott moved to Cabot in May, where Scott is a technical engineer in oil services. They spent the winter on their farm in Ohio and are savoring those cool memories in the African heat. • Mary Jane Kelly Tiedeman and Tom have moved to Fecamp in France, just outside of Geneva. They will be there for two years while Tom is with the European Commission of the United Nations. • Paul Dominis is assistant leader of the Evangelical Church in Malaga, Spain. He and Janet have a new daughter, Sarah. • Susan Jane Belton has won a painting scholarship to the Boston Institute. • Jack O'Brien graduated from Michigan Technological University with a B.S. in geological engineering and is living in Washington. • Lesley Leep Dezottell and husband Steve have relocated in Salt Lake City, where Steve is a telephone repairman and Lesley is a busy mom in toddlerhood. • Carol Walch and husband Lance Sandelande are moving to New York City, where both will be assistant professors at graduate schools of management, Jane at N.Y.U. and Lance at Columbia. Congratulations are in order on the birth of their daughter, Cara Anne, in November, 1981. • Barry Walch was Rodger Silverstein's best man at his June wedding. Both Rodger and wife Niki are ophthalmologists who began their joint practice in 1970. • Lynn Urban Robeger is a computer programmer for the United Nations Life Insurance Company in Portland, Maine. • Got a phone call out of the blue the other day from Rick Plasman, who recently started a new job as a nursing home administrator in Nashua, N.H. • Gary Millen and Ann Beadle '76 are busy with their new addition, Meredith. Gary is a high school social studies teacher and foot-
A recent award given to David M. Pinansky '75 suggests that he maintains his own harmony by composing music in the free time allowed by his legal career.

Pinansky received first prize in the second Biennial Jewish Composers' Contest sponsored by the Temple Sinai of Sharon, Mass. His winning work, "Entreat Me Not," was written for soprano and piano and is based on the Book of Ruth.

After graduating from Colby with distinction in music, Pinansky attended the New England School of Law in Boston. The onetime recipient of the Colby Glee Club award is now a partner in the Portland, Maine, law firm of Pinansky and Thein. He continues to sing in the Temple Beth El choir and "to compose when I have the time." His avocation appears to be thriving!

Pinansky and his wife, Harriet (Buxbaum '76), are residents of Cape Elizabeth.
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Amy Page Oberg is busy in Bar- rington, R.I., with her two kids, David, born June 17, 1981, and Kristin, born June 14, 1982. Marty Young-Stratton and Tom Stratton ’81 had a baby boy, Andrew Robert, on May 22. Rick ’78 and Sue Thompson-Sader are expecting a new family member on Christmas Day. Sue has been teaching in Arlington, Tex., public schools. Lobby Resnick, who teaches mathematics at a prep school in North Palm Beach, Fla., writes that Vicki Coates and Alec Danz ’81 were married April 17 in Natick, Mass. Other recent marriages include Brian Heneghan and Patricia Ann Blessington, April 24 in Riverside, Conn. They live in Quincy, Mass. Brian is an editor with New England Real Estate Journal, Accord, Mass. His wife, a Mt. Holyoke graduate, is a money desk administrator with a Bay Bank Har vard Trust, Cambridge. Kathy DeWitt, who teaches seventh-grade life science, and John Grant married on July 10. Robin Calthery and Kevin Sheehy, recent graduates of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, are expecting a new family member on Christmas Day. They live in Lawrence, Mass. And Mary Lynah and Peter Bishop ’81, in Wellesley, Mass., married on July 10. Mary worked for over a year at Colby’s computer center. They now reside in Sherbrooke, Quebec, where Pete works for the family business, Eastern Tanker, and Puerto Rico. People recently finished graduate work and are ready to face the “real world.” Diana Small got her M.B.A. from Boston University and has been working for Rittenburg and Ross law firm, Boston, while looking for a permanent job. Mark Smith got his M.B.A. at Carnegie-Mellon University, and is graduating in industrial administration, and is now a consultant/project manager for a Peter Gordon company, a small construction firm in Capitol Heights, Md. Warren Rosenthal, now out in the Rockies, got his M.B.A. in city planning at the University of Pennsylvania. Nancy Reed, coordinator of day program services for a mental health agency in Philadelphia, got her M.S.W. from the University of Pennsylvania. Julie Green wood got her master’s in physical therapy at Emory University. Many are just beginning graduate studies this fall. Lynne Seeley has moved to Boston for Tufts’ environmental policy graduate program. Kelley ’81 and Ann Nichols Kash are at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. Ann is pursuing the field of medical record administration and Kelley is in the hospital administration program. They hope to return to Maine in a few years. Tom Dailey is at Suffolk Law School. He and Maria are settling into the lives of homeowners in the house they bought in Quincy, Mass., last fall. Terry Weber is at North Carolina State University law school argumentation.


A daughter, Elizabeth Dickson, to David '75 and Susan Benson Turnbull '75; August 9, 1982. A son, Brett David, to Jeffrey and Paula Sacks Finegold '76, April 29, 1982. A daughter, Elizabeth Dickson, to Peter '75 and Joan Vicario Sweeney '78, July 27, 1982.

Deaths

Leslie Francis Jordan '12, May 31, 1982, in South Portland, Maine, age 94. Born in Cumberland, Maine, he was well known as a baseball and football player in the western league. He was an Aborn Coffee sales representative for 50 years. Previously, he had been with Salada Tea, Sunshine Biscuit, and DuPont, and was superintendent of Smith Mills at Sebago Lake. He was a member of the Blue Lodge in Standish and the Commandary Knights Templar and the Kora Temple Shrine in Lewiston. He is survived by a son, a daughter, three grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

Lynnette Phibbick Witham '14, December 15, 1981, in Canton, Ohio, age 90. A native of East Corinth, Maine, she had been active there and in Canton in philanthropies such as the United Fund, YWCA, women's clubs, and church organizations. Her survivors include a son.

Marion Steward LaCasce '15, May 19, 1982, in Fryeburg, Maine, age 89. She earned an M.Ed. at the University of New Hampshire, taught at other schools in the state, and then returned to her hometown to teach at Fryeburg Academy. Her husband was headmaster there, and they retired together in 1955 after 33 years of service.
service. They had also been co-owners of Camp Wawenock at Sebago Lake. She had been associated with the Order of the Eastern Star. Survivors include a daughter, four sons, and five grandchildren.

Robert Freeman Lord '20, April 18, 1982, Lake Placid, Fla., age 87. Born in North Brookfield, Maine, he joined the Navy in World War II. A captain in the Coast Guard, he was a member of the Methodist Church and the Masons. Survivors include his wife, Mable, two daughters, five grandchildren, several great grandchildren, a brother, and a sister.

Clar a Wightman Buck '22, June 1, 1982, in Wells, Maine, age 83. A native of North Berwick, Maine, she had been a teacher and was a member of the Grange and the York County Extension Association. She is survived by her husband, Willard, a son, and six grandchildren.

Bertha Gilliatt Moore '22, June 19, 1982, in Shelton, Conn., age 81. The native of Medford, Mass., lived for many years in Hartland, Maine, where she was a member of the Outlook Club, American Legion Auxiliary, a trustee of the Hartland Public Library, and choir director and organist at the Grace Linn United Methodist Church. Her survivors include two daughters, a son, two sisters, three grandchildren, and a great grandchild.

Chilton Latham Kemp '23, June 1, 1982, in Madison, Conn. A native of Deblois, Maine, he attended Colby, graduated from Brown University, and earned an M.A. at Columbia University. He had been a teacher and coach at Hartland Academy for two years and head of the science department for 40 years at Waterville, Maine, age 80. Born in Albany, Madison, Conn. A native of Deblois, Maine, he attended Colby, graduated from Brown University, and earned an M.A. at Columbia University. He had been a teacher and coach at Hartland Academy for two years and head of the science department for 40 years at Waterville, Maine, age 80. Born in Albany, N.Y., she studied music in New York and at the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia. She was a member of the Samaritan Department of the Waterville Women's Club. She is survived by an aunt and cousins.

Fred Levi Turner '27, July 8, 1982, in Thomaston, Maine, age 78. A Maine native, he received an M.S. degree from Bates and an honorary doctorate from the University of Maine at Orono. He was a teacher and coach at Hartland Academy for two years and head of the science department for 40 years at Cony High School, where he was also a submaster. He belonged to many organizations, including the Sigma Pi Sigma Society of physics, was a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge of Hartland, and had been a trustee of Erskine Academy. At one time the alumni president of the class of 1927, he was also a member of the Colby "C" Club. He is survived by his wife, Lura (Norcross '27), two daughters, a sister, three grandchildren, and a great grandchild.

Percy Fuller Williams, Jr. '29, July 18, 1982, Cummamquid, Mass., age 75. Born in Wollaston, Mass., he was a reporter in the Cape Cod area for the Boston Herald Traveller for 30 years and was also editor of the Barnstable Patriot in Hyannis. He served as publicity director for the Cape Cod Melody Tent and the Cape Playhouse. In addition to his wife, Barbara, survivors include two sons, a daughter, five grandchildren, and a sister.

Andrew Charles Klusick '30, May 14, 1982, in Rockaway, N.J., age 75. A lifelong resident of Rockaway, he was a teacher and football coach in the Dover school system. He was active in many community affairs. Survivors include his wife, Mary T., three daughters, and a sister.

Malcolm Small Weed '30, April 16, 1981, in Glen Rock, N.J. Before moving to New Jersey, he worked as a fish culturist for the Maine Department of Fish and Game. He is survived by his wife.

Earl Edgecomb Megguier '30, June 23, 1982, Scarsdale, N.Y., age 78. A native of Poland, Maine, he had been port captain for American President Lines. In World War II he served as captain of Port Command Armed Forces in the south Atlantic, and was a member of the Bronze Star and the Campaign Ribbon. Survivors include his wife, Hester, and a daughter.

Elizabeth Walker Edmunds '31, November 29, 1981, in Wells, Somerset, England. She had been a teacher and coach at Hartland Academy, and was active in many community affairs. Survivors include his wife, Mable, two daughters, and a grandson.

Virgil Connor Totman, Jr. '31, April 19, 1982, in Waterville, Maine, age 72. He had been plant chemist for Scott Paper Company and was past president of officer of all York Rite Bodies of Free Masonry and Grand Commandery of Maine. He was also a member of the Maine Lodge of High Priesthood, Silver Trowel Past Officers Association, Tamerlance Conclave Knights of the Red Cross of Constantine, Knights of York Cross of Honor, Priory No. 65, Royal Order of Scotland, Emeth Chapter of Rose Croix, Faith Court, Order of Amonar, and a thirty-second degree Mason. He was a 50-year member of Cascade Grange and had been a member of Waterville's Common Council. A member of Alpha Tau Omega, he received a Colby Gavel in 1970. Survivors include his wife, Elizabeth, and one son.

Thomas Earl James '32, April 19, 1982, El Paso, Tex., age 73. Formerly of Providence, R.I., he had lived in El Paso for 28 years and was employed by the Nunn Bush Shoe Company. He was a member of Kappa Delta Rho, the Harmony Masonic Lodge in Pawtucket, R.I., and, in Texas, the Scottish Rite Bodies, El Maida Shrine Temple, and a Worthy Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star. He is survived by his wife, Grace, a daughter, and three grandchildren.

Alfred Stoddard Ferguson '37, May 15, 1982, in Franklin, Mass., age 69. Born in Belfast, Maine, and a graduate of Bowdoin College as well as Colby, he was an engineer with Stone and Webster Company of Boston. He was a member of the Wollaston Lodge of Masons and Tabel Crotto. He leaves two sons, a brother, and three grandchildren.

Avon Hartwell Hersey '38, July 20, 1982, Saugus, Mass., age 67. He worked for the Textron and General Electric companies. After retirement, he was senior project engineer and consultant for the Dynetics Corporation of Woburn, Mass. He is survived by his wife, Roberta, a son, and two brothers.

Mary Bonnar De Puy '40, July 26, 1982, Raleigh, N.C., age 64. Born in Yonkers, N.Y., she had worked as a research librarian at the Burroughs Wellcome Company in North Carolina and was a member of many library associations, as well as the board of directors of the Raleigh Meals-on-Wheels. She is survived by her husband, Henry.

Richard Wayne Greenough '48, April 14, 1982, in Lynn, Mass., age 56. A salesman in the North Shore and Boston area, he is survived by a son, a daughter, and two sisters.

Barbara Norton Heymenn '49, March 6, 1981, in Wynnewood, Penn., age 53. She graduated as a medical technologist from the University of Vermont. She was a member of the board of directors of the Main Line Meals-on-Wheels and the Friends of Chamounix Mansion (Philadelphia) and was active in many hospital benefi- fit organizations. She is survived by her husband, Roy, her mother, a son, and a daughter.

Howard Burton Sacks '52, July 8, 1982, in Auburn, Maine, age 52. A native of Portland, Maine, he was active in many community affairs and was a member of the board of directors of St. Mary's General Hospital, both in Lewiston, and served on the Auburn school committee. Active as a Colby alumnus, he had also been a director of the Franco-American Festival Committee and a corporator of the Central Maine Medical Center as well as a member of Sister Harriet's Resource Center for the Visually Handicapped, Pathway's Inc., Jewish Community Center, Hebrew School and Federation, and the Maine Association for Children with Learning Disabilities. He also belonged to the Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Auburn Business Development Corporation, and Kora Temple Shrine. Survivors include his wife, Arlyne (Rosenthal '54), two daughters, a son, two brothers, a sister, and a grandson.

Barbara Adams Chandler '58, June 20, 1982, in Durham, N.H., age 45. She was born in Worcester, Mass., but had lived in Durham the last ten years, where she was first a real estate broker and later assistant head teller at the Durham Trust Company. She leaves two sons, her parents, and a sister.

Wade Kingsbury Crossen '65, April 25, 1982, in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Honorary

Jere Abbott, D.F.A. '70, July 9, 1982, Dexter, Maine, age 85. A native of Dexter and a graduate of Bowdoin College, he did graduate work at Harvard and Princeton. He helped to establish and then served as associate director of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City. Later he was director of the Smith College Art Museum. He had served on many art committees throughout the northeast and was a trustee of the Abbott Memorial Library in Dexter. At Colby he was on the Advisory Council for the Friends of Art since its incep- tion in 1959 and on the Colby Museum of Art committee since it was organized in 1972. He is survived by four cousins.
In the past few years, new Colby alumni clubs have sprung up around the country and in France to sponsor gatherings that range from sailing excursions and walking tours to the more orthodox cocktail and dinner parties. One theme, however, is constant: fun and conviviality. For information on gatherings of an existing club, contact the club representative listed. For assistance in starting a club in a new area, contact Susan Conant ‘75 at the Colby alumni office.

San Francisco area alumni congregated for “a day on the Bay” in October, a delightful event planned by Stephen Levine ’59.

The Florida clubs have extended warm invitations for northerners fleeing from ice and snow to join their luncheons on February 24 in Ft. Myers and February 26 in St. Petersburg.

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