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Colby wants something. It is always wanting something. We can't be too thankful for that. An institution is like a person. When there is no longer a need, when nothing more is wanted, it is time to call the embalmer.

That is not the plight of Colby at this time. The college that mothered us, that indorsed us, that followed us out into life with its benediction wants $500,000 for a new gymnasium. The writer entered Colby in 1880. The gymnasium was inadequate then. Colby has the same gymnasium now. It is no more adequate now. The need and demand, however, for suitable athletic facilities have increased fourfold. It would be absurd to attempt to show in this day of progress the need and advantages of electric lights as against candles for lighting purposes. It must seem just as absurd to explain the need of a new gymnasium to replace the diminutive and antique structure which has served so faithfully during the years. We may shed a tear over its displacement, but a college gymnasium today should have something besides antiquity and sentiment to recommend it.

The opening of the intensive Development Fund Campaign affords opportunity to attest our loyalty to the college. It is call to the colors. Many of us need such an opportunity. Many of us need such a call to waken afresh our loyalty to the institution to which we always refer with affection, and to which we have always been able to point with pride. In this campaign we hope to accomplish something more than raise $500,000. We hope and expect through its appeal to develop a spirit of devotion to the college and its interests that will weld all of Colby's sons and daughters into a phalanx of loyal and active supporters.

The appeal of this campaign is not to a select few. It calls to every Colby graduate, every Colby undergraduate, and every Colby friend—to all who are acquainted with its history, its record and its potentiality for good.

An Army captain, who was very popular with his company, was brought before a court-martial, charged with a military offense. The officer detailed to defend the captain was suddenly called away. A junior lieutenant was detailed at short notice to prepare the defense. He had had no opportunity to study the case. Looking about for evidence that might possibly assist the defense he sent for the first sergeant of the accused captain's company. The defense counsel asked the sergeant to ascertain if any of the members of the company knew anything about the charges. If any of them had information that would help the captain the sergeant was ordered to bring them to the court. Shortly thereafter the solemn deliberations of the court were disturbed by the tramp of marching feet. Then the sergeant appeared, saluted the
court, and announced to the defense counsel that the entire company had reported as witnesses.

"What can they testify to?" queried the surprised counsel.

"Anything the captain wishes, sir," was the prompt reply. There were no slackers in loyalty to the captain in that organization.

In this campaign there must be no slackers. We must present a united front. We have 4,000 graduates, and 630 undergraduates. The sum of these two should measure the number of contributions from that source. Besides these we have many friends and well-wishers whom we must inspire by our loyal response to join the ranks of builders for Colby.

During the World War the slogan was "Give till it hurts." That should be our rallying cry in this campaign. We will not measure up to our opportunity and duty with an easy payment. When we can look back at our own personal contribution and see that it meant a real sacrifice only then have we adjusted our account with the college.

Forward!

We Must Go Forward

By HERBERT E. WADSWORTH, A.B., '92
Chairman Board of Trustees

As we grow old we are inclined to think that we can get along with the things we have been accustomed to use for a long time and perhaps believe that they are good enough for the young for the reason that they were good enough for us. Youth is the opposite in their demands. Youth wants progress, not only in education but in equipment as well. The world owes youth much. It is this pressure of the young men of Colby that has brought the great need of additional facilities at Colby to our attention. We know that they are right in their demands and we have shaken off the lethargy of more mature age and intend to give the boys and girls of Colby what they want and what they are entitled to have. We demand that they take Physical Training and we must provide the place for it. We intend to do it. We must be square with them. The demand and the need for a gymnasium has been apparent for some years and we have intended to provide it "some-time." Two young men in Colby a few years ago influenced their father who was a trustee to take some action at a meeting of the Board and at the suggestion a vote was taken and a committee appointed to work out some method of financing this programme. This committee selected Dr. Roberts, our late President, to collect funds for this purpose. It was his ambition to have this building constructed before this. He made a supreme effort but as you know his health failed and he died working for this necessary improvement. It was his last great effort and we believe his sympathy is with us in completing the work he began. Later in order that his effort should not fail, Prof. Libby was appointed to go
along with the work and he met with success. Still later it seemed to the trustees' committee that the completion of this work demanded the fulltime service of a good man, and Charles S. Brown of Augusta was engaged to go on with the campaign. He is meeting with much encouragement and has developed a live interest, not only among the graduates of the college but among a large circle of people who realize that Colby is one of the institutions necessary for the training of the youth of the State. We should succeed and we will because the cause is just and right. We have made few requests for funds from the public in the past and it is possible that our needs have not made an appeal to them. We want the public to know that we have been training good men and women for over a hundred years and that they have taken their places among the workers for better things among our people. We are going right on training the present and coming generations that come to our doors, and we expect to provide facilities for the best training we can give them and which they rightfully demand. We owe it to them. It is up to us to go forward.

*Colby's Past Achievements Warrant Appeal for Development Fund*

**By Franklin Winslow Johnson, L.H.D., '91**

President-elect

A college bases an effective appeal for support on what it hopes to accomplish only as these hopes are warranted by the actual achievements of the past. Colby confidently presents its record of more than a century as a basis for the appeal now being made for funds for development of which the present objective is a half million dollars. One has only to read the list of names of those who are identified with the raising of this fund to realize the quality of the men who have received their college training here. The recent graduates in increasing numbers are starting out in every form of professional and business life with high promise of success. The students come from a wider geographical area and represent more varied social types. Forty-six per cent of the men in college last year came from outside Maine.

It is not so much because the number of students has increased that added funds for development are needed. It is rather because of the broadened scope of the curriculum, of the need of more and better trained instructors, and of the necessity for a more adequate equipment to meet the standards of present day education.

The objective of the effort now under way is to provide equipment for a modern program of physical education. There are two possible objections that may be raised to the plan by those who are sincerely interested in the success of the college. It may seem to some that this program aims only at the development of athletic teams and that no such sum of money should be devoted to that
purpose. If this were the end sought, I should be in full sympa-
thy with anyone who opposes the plan on that ground. But the
purpose is far broader than this. It looks to the development of a
broad health program, with suitable physical activities for all the
men of the college, whose aim will be the dissemination of health
information and the development of ideals and habits of whole-
some and effective physical activity which will function throughout
life. Better college teams may be the result but these will be not
the main purpose, but rather a by-product of a comprehensive
plan of physical education.

The other objection that may be raised is that this provision
for physical education will be quite out of proportion to that made
for other activities quite as important, perhaps more important.
This is true, but instead of being a valid objection, seems to me to
make the full success of the undertaking all the more desirable.
We Colby men need to have our imaginations stirred. We ought
not to think of what the college will be in ten years or twenty-five
years; we should think in terms of centuries. If this college is
worth maintaining now and those who are in charge now and in
the years to come fulfill their tasks with wisdom and devotion,
Colby College ought to be going strong five hundred years from
now, meeting the changed conditions which will exist then as we
are trying to meet them now. This new unit in our equipment will
give us a pattern to which we must measure up. We must expect
to make the other needed units consistent, not with the old build-
ings which they will replace, but with the physical education
buildings which we are so soon to erect. Many of us will not live
to see it in reality, but we should have the imagination and the
faith to picture to ourselves a new Colby, a bigger Colby, not nec-
essarily in respect to numbers, but a better Colby, more adequately
and beautifully equipped, with an improved and better paid fac-
culty, to carry on the work of more than a century already past, in
line with the fine traditions of faith and sacrifice which have been
growing stronger with the years.

The term "development fund" has been used instead of "gym-
nasium fund" in order to convey the idea that this is only a begin-
ning and represents but an initial step in a larger and more com-
prehensive program of which this is a part. In the equipment of
Colby, which its friends now picture in imagination, are other units,
no less important, perhaps more important, than that for physical
education. Additional units on a similar scale should include an
administration building to house and make more efficient the va-
ried types of administration now required; a building to provide
not only a beautiful and adequate chapel for the religious services
of the college but also for the varied social activities that find a
legitimate place in the community life of the modern college; and
a building to house the art treasures and the library which consti-
tutes the correlating center of the intellectual life of students and
faculty. For none of these is adequate provision now made. Our
effort at material development can not cease till all these ends are
met.
SKETCH OF COLBY'S PROPOSED NEW GYMNASIUM

ANOTHER VIEW OF COLBY'S NEW ATHLETIC PLANT
Editorial Notes

Glancing through the list of alumni and friends of the College who are enlisted in the Development Fund campaign, one becomes greatly impressed with the type of men named. Here is the Director of the Bureau of the Budget of the United States, one of the very highest of our government officials; here are two famous editors of two of the country’s great periodicals, George Horace Lorimer of the Saturday Evening Post, and Merle Crowell of The American Magazine; here is the Director of the United States Geological Survey, George Otis Smith, long established in Washington as the head of a very important bureau; here is Jeremiah E. Burke and Randall J. Condon, each the head of school systems of two of the country’s great cities; here is a Senator of the United States, the distinguished head of the Public School System of Maine, a Maine member of the United States House of Representatives, Justices of the Supreme Court of Maine, editors of important Maine newspapers, heads of large schools, leading business men, financiers, eminent doctors, famous lawyers—in all more than 200 graduates and friends of Colby enlisted in the far-reaching campaign to increase the material resources of this more than hundred-year-old institution. No such volunteer army was ever assembled under the college banner before, and no such army of volunteers was ever marshalled in a campaign of dollar-raising. It would be a very blind individual indeed who could look this list through and see failure written above their names. Two hundred such men in action, each doing his fair share to contribute to the grand result—out among the people of wealth speaking a good word for the old College that has nurtured so many young men and women—means but one thing, namely, the easy raising of the half million dollars set by the committee as the goal of its achievement. Fail? Never!

"Prospects." It is not always possible for graduates of the College to give to Colby as much as they would like, but it is within the power of every graduate to furnish the Development Office with the names of men and women who are desirous of making the greatest investment possible, namely, an investment in our youth. The one great need today is a long list of so-called "prospects" (the term "friends" is vastly better)—possible givers of money. It is the purpose...
of the Development Fund committee to see to it that to such friends literature concerning the College and the campaign is sent that through such presentation of the appeals all may be encouraged to give. No notice that reaches ALUMNUS readers is more important than this. All that is required is the expenditure of a little time and energy in listing up the names of men and women whose generosity is known. A few names of men and women such as any graduate might send in, may mean the success of the campaign.

If ever there was a time in the history of the College when the alumni should doff their wide hats to the fair ladies, that time is now here. The alumnae have succeeded where the men have hitherto failed. They have, by hook and crook, by food sale and sticker sale, by magazine subscription-taking and much bridge playing, by every means the modern church employs to raise the pastor’s salary, sought to find the dollars with which to build their building. And they have gathered in from their alumnae over $100,000. Not only that but they have passed through the ordeal of getting the pledges collected, of approving architect’s plans, of seeing construction started and carried through to the last brick laid. And not only that, but by quick and intelligent work they have raised money enough to furnish the building throughout! And how very quietly and persistently it has been done. No flaring of trumpets, no extensive organization, no wide-spread drive, no large publicity. Just a little company of loyal souls whose vision was clear and whose enthusiasm never dimmed! If all this is not something of a challenge for the other side of the human family, the ALUMNUS is at a loss to know what is. We therefore sweep wide and low the large sombrero!

**Congratulate the Alumnae!**

The next Colby Commencement set for June 14 to 17, Friday to Monday noon, promises to be in many ways an historic occasion. On Friday will occur the formal induction into office of our new President, and in attendance on that occasion will be a large company of special guests and official college delegates. Saturday will witness the formal acceptance by the College of the Alumnae Building, and, undoubtedly, the laying of the corner-stone of the new gymnasium. Monday should witness the announcement of the raising of the half-million dollars which is the object of the Development

Fund committee. These events, singly or combined, are of such importance as to make the Commencement of 1929 a distinctly memorable occasion. If graduates have been looking forward to an opportune time to return to Commencement, now is that time. Already indications point to a very large attendance, and a large attendance invariably means enthusiasm, and enthusiasm usually means achievement of high aims. Jot the dates down—June 14 to June 17.

**Some Lost Are Found.**

Through the splendid efforts of our graduates, hundreds of corrections have been made in the long list of 4,000 sons and daughters of the College. In some few instances, a graduate has sent in as many as 25 or more corrections. This has meant real effort on their part and is deserving of public acknowledgment. The mystery still remains why so many graduates persistently fail to keep the College informed of their whereabouts; and the mystery deepens why so many of the alumnae who have changed their names deliberately persist in keeping the fact a secret. More than 30 such corrections have been made on the records in recent weeks. And marriage is an honorable estate! By much writing and searching the long list of nearly 400 “Lost Graduates” with which the ALUMNUS was
faced six months ago has now been cut to about 125, and the list is shortening each day. By the loyal help of the alumnae the number of "Lost" among them has been reduced to a dozen names. Such an achievement speaks well for the fine spirit of coöperation which many of our graduates have shown. The Graduate List as it now stands will form an excellent basis for the work that must presently be undertaken in the re-issuance of a new General Catalogue.

Electing Alumni. The present method of electing alumni to the Board of Trustees may be the best method that can be adopted, but for several reasons it does not so appeal to the Alumnus. The present method requires that a committee shall be elected by the General Alumni Association whose duty is to find, if possible, four graduates of the College who will consent to become candidates for two vacancies on the Board. This seems on the face of it like a very simple matter, and yet it is not proving to be the simplest thing in the world to find four men who are available, and to persuade them to become candidates. It is never a very pleasant experience to go through a battle of ballots and find oneself hopelessly buried, and yet that is precisely what two good men must experience year after year. Take as an illustration the present year: here we have four unusually strong candidates. Two will be elected, and two will fail of election, and the two who fail of election will naturally enough feel that for some reason their college mates prefer others to them. The chief objection to the present scheme is therefore that men of the highest ability and worth are needlessly offended, and that this offense is given by a very small percent of our graduates who go to the trouble to cast their ballots. It would seem to the Alumnus that by far the better method would be the simpler one, and the one less open to criticism, namely, for the General Association to name a larger committee of their number, this number to meet and select from the graduate body two men who shall be placed in nomination for the important offices and voted upon in annual meeting. Such candidates would have the great satisfaction of knowing that they were the deliberate choice of their associates, and few would hesitate to accept such an honor.

Reunions. Nothing contributes more to the real joy one experiences from attendance upon Commencement than to find oneself a member of a reuniting class. The usual spirit of aimlessness experienced by the unattached graduate is gone, and one has the infinite satisfaction of
feeling that he is a vital part of a recognized group. Great joy comes from fellowship, and there is nothing quite comparable to the depth of fellowship born of class associations. Perhaps 25 or 40 years have swiftly passed, and the time has come when the old class is expected to hold its long-heralded reunion. It may be that the membership of the old class has been widely scattered: some have achieved a measure of fame, some have acquired riches, others have struggled against great odds but have won out, and still others have been lost from the class rolls. Now the reunion days have come when the faithful and the prodigal may be expected to journey home. What hours of speculation! And then what handclaps, and what stories, and what experiences, and ah, what changes the years have wrought! Some have kept young while the lines of others have not been cast in easy places, and they show it. But there is the old-time hearty laugh and the genuine spirit of interest and affection. There's no gainsaying that there is a touch of sadness in class reunions, but curiously enough it is that same touch that gives a meaning to it all that one would not do without. Class reunions replenish the fires of youth; they give depth and color to life. The college man or woman who "never comes back" is the loser in the great game which we are all seeking, in most clumsy fashion, to play. This is the year when the College has every right to expect to see back hosts of 1904, 1909, and 1899, and 1894, and 1889, and 1884, and 1879. The Alumnus is already informed that 1889 and 1879 have their reunion plans well underway, but the other classes must not lag far behind. We pass this way but once.

The Inauguration. It is not the purpose of the committee appointed to make the necessary plans for the inauguration of a new president to undertake something so elaborate in detail as to be out of keeping with the spirit of our College. But it is the solemn purpose of the committee—Trustees' willing—to plan such a celebration of the great event as will make memorable the day and will gladden the hearts of all Colby men and women. The committee is proceeding on the assumption that it is not an every-day occurrence, this induction of a new President, and they propose to make the most of it. By gentle pressure they have gradually enlarged their field until a quite respectable number of possible delegates are on the lists. A larger number of colleges and allied institutions will get an engraved invitation than was at first planned. In the beginning the committee was informed that
there would be a "few special guests", but by continued gentle pressure that list has very easily and naturally increased in number so that a considerable number of invitations will go to a wide area. The day of Friday, June 14, will open with a forenoon devoted to welcoming special guests and delegates from other colleges. At 2:45 of the afternoon a gay company of these folk, in habiliments befitting the occasion, will assemble on the College campus, and in Academic Procession form in line for the opera house, where at promptly 3:30 o'clock, the next President of Colby will be properly inducted into office. The prescribed form, ancient in its origin, will be used, with key and charter as symbols of possession. The chairman of the Board will lead the way. Then the new President will be asked to tell the packed auditorium how it feels to be elected to a high office, and somewhat how he proposes to go about fulfilling the task assigned him. All hands will then march back to the campus. At 6 o'clock a dinner will be served to about 125 people, including trustees, faculty, special guests, and delegates, and at this dinner a dozen representatives of various groups will be invited to speak very briefly in wishing the new President God-speed. Then at 8:30 the President will hold his reception in the new Alumnae Building

where each and all can pass along to shake his hand and wish him all that good people wish one another. Thereafter until midnight or beyond the committee will be busy in saying farewell to the delegates, when the day shall have ended. This is the program. Not elaborate, but befitting the occasion and the College. No one would wish it otherwise.

Indifference. One of our graduates sends the ALUMNUS a marked copy of one of our weekly magazines in which is discussed at some length the general subject of what makes college men of value in the world. A common fault is touched upon, that of indifference to opportunity and demand and obligation. The article points out that some colleges stamp that spirit of indifference upon the very hearts and minds of their students, so that they go out into life rather unhappily equipped to cope with a rather indifferent world. On the whole it is a bad combination, this indifferent world and an indifferent individual. Neither attracts the other. Both starve to death for want of mutual regard. But this Colby graduate who happens to be an employer of human talent, and on a somewhat large scale, writes a long letter on the subject to the ALUMNUS, and toward the end draws the comforting conclusion that it has been his experience that Colby men, as a rule, do not carry out from college halls the chilling spirit that so characterizes many other college products. Thank God for it! The ALUMNUS has always believed that Colby should seek to produce the genuine type of trained men and women, that is, the truly human type, educated not away from but straight toward their fellowmen; men and women able to discover in the world about them real opportunities to serve. No college man or woman ever grew to greatness through the adoption of a narrow conception of life's richest obligations, that of keen interest in what benefits the race.

This Edition of The Alumnus. This edition of the ALUMNUS will be mailed not only to the thousand subscribers, but to a thousand and more other readers whom the Development Fund Committee would wish copies to reach. This means that, on the usual basis judged, more than 10,000 graduates and friends of the College will look through its table of contents, will read here and there some article that especially attracts their eye, will, in most instances, glance at all the illustrations, and will, it is deeply hoped, lay the magazine
down after inspection with the feeling that they have been reading what some expert judges of college magazines have chosen to call "undoubtedly one of the finest college publications printed in the country". If this shall be the judgment rendered, no one will, not even the Editor, find the slightest fault. It will be rich reward for earnest purpose and long labor. But if the magazine shall accomplish another purpose, that of interesting some new friend in the College, then its immediate mission in the world will have been in large part met. No greater compliment could be paid it than to gain for the College some word of commendation. If in its dress, and general appearance, and the spirit of its pages, and the general purpose that runs through its issues, it shall cause some casual reader to say, "Well, if that magazine typifies the College it represents, then that is the kind of College I like", its cup will be full. Its whole mission is to make warm friends for the College it seeks to serve year in and year out, and to bind more closely to the heart of the institution those who have studied within her sacred walls.

Return of Prof. Professor William J. Wilkinson was appointed to the head of the department of history in 1925. He resigned his position in 1928 to accept a place on the faculty of the University of Vermont. During his stay at Colby he proved to be a very inspiring teacher, attracting large numbers of students to his courses and furnishing them with the necessary incentives to good work. His decision to leave Colby came without warning and was the result of a combination of circumstances over which neither he nor others had control. His going to the Vermont institution was most natural for he had taught at its summer sessions and Vermont had made overtures to him. So sudden was Professor Wilkinson's leaving that the Colby authorities were obliged to resort to rapid work in order to find the right type of man to take his place. This duty fell to the President of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Wadsworth, who, within a very short time, had secured an admirable man for the position in the person of Dr. George Loveland Ridgeway. Dr. Ridgeway began his year most auspiciously but a serious illness came upon him and he was forced to resign. Temporarily his place has been filled. Taken all in all, the College has suffered, and the department of history especially, through the going of Professor Wilkinson. With the election of President Johnson to the presidency and his strong desire to have everything in excellent condition for the opening of another college year, a permanent head for the department was sought. When he learned that Professor Wilkinson might be willing to return to Colby he offered him the position, and the former teacher has accepted it and will be in full charge of the department after June next. This will come as welcome news to those acquainted with the situation. With Professor Wilkinson's return there would seem to be no reason why students who intend to major in the subject of history cannot be reasonably sure of permanency in the head of the department and a settled policy in its conduct. It may be reasonably expected that Professor Wilkinson will find his work most congenial, and that he will enter upon a long and useful career at the College.

Graduate Organizations. The publication in the next two issues of the Alumnus of the geographical distribution of our graduates should encourage an increase in the number of graduate organizations. It is not at all true that only those cities where many Colby men and women naturally center should become sole centers for graduate organizations. Where two or three may be gathered together, there may the voice of authority and there influence may be felt. If it shall come to be discov-
ered as the names are combined by states and towns, that here and there are little groups of a dozen or even less graduates, a meeting should be called by some one of the group, and a simple form of organization perfected. That organization can readily serve the College in most useful ways. It is a link in the chain. It can become the means of interesting men and women in the College, and it can, through literature and in other ways, direct youth toward the College. The Alumnus would very strongly urge that wherever it becomes possible to form such an organization that it be done, and that prompt notice of the accomplishment be sent to the College. The College should have a hundred groups scattered all over America, and the publication of the geographical lists is intended to serve the College in this very useful way.

Rating the Professor. Whether or not the average college professor can ever gain for himself respect for his judgment and sincerity of purpose and clarity of thinking on questions not immediately concerned with his classroom instruction remains, and may long continue to remain, a moot ques-

tion. In his inaugural address, President Arthur S. Pease, of Amherst, made the fact entertainingly evident that in almost every department of human endeavor certain very precious preserves are maintained; and, according to popular notion, woe betide the man who dares venture into his neighbor's sacred precinct! Thus the teacher of economics comes to feel that he lives within sacred walls and no one without a degree obtained in a pursuit of that subject has any right to venture within the enclosure. So it is with the man of science. Only scornful attention is given to unlettered folk who dare mention the simplest reactions in the field of chemistry. The physicist has a field that no student of another subject dares encroach upon. The popular notion is that no one is expected to know anything outside his own little world of meditation and investigation. This same notion in regard to sacred preserves unhappily goes over into the field of politics, and there a certain class of quacks or so-called "professionals" or legal "lights" whose services are "retained" for a fee come to regard themselves as sole guardians of certain inalienable rights that they hug most jealously to themselves. Thus when it comes to the point where a college

THE FACULTY OF COLBY COLLEGE—Taken on the Steps of Chemical Hall, April 24, 1929
professor — the classroom nonentity — touches upon any subject not directly connected with his classroom work or upon a subject of politics, that moment a very host of the quacks and the professionals and the "retained" pounce upon him as unlettered, unfit,—a fool. One is not even permitted to discuss the most elemental—the commonplace things, inherent rights, general conceptions of government, personal liberties, or freedom of speech. Each field has its self-appointed guardians. And the war-cry goes forth: "What can a college professor know about politics? Let him keep to his text". And the pity is that all too many college teachers feel that their only concern is to play the part of the monk, to shrink from the crowds, and to leave to the self-appointed guardians the direction of all those forces that shape our social ends, and permit the "professionals" to have a free way in directing the sinister forces that have for all too long determined the condition under which teachers shall sweat out their daily bread. College teachers—too many of them—have for all too many years taken for granted that the world judges them as narrow-minded, cloister-loving, wholly disjointed pedantic types, living in the world and yet aloof from its currents of thought and action. Sound advice, intelligent warnings, and wise instruction to the youth are not the fruits that grow on such a tree.

Attention is called again in the ALUMNUS to the fact that those immediately charged with the raising of a half-million dollars for the College are not at all blinded by immediate needs but, like the true prophet and seer, are taking the long look. As expressed by President-elect Johnson, they are thinking in terms not of what the college will be in a dozen years hence but in centuries to come. This fund that is now being raised is not solely for a gymnasium—an immediate and pressing need, but for one unit of a larger institution whose better material equipment will make for increased efficiency. This is as it should be. Countless graduates will approve the general principle. In truth, the largeness of the vision behind the present fund-raising is the very thing that is making strong appeal to men of wealth. Happy should we feel, too, in the fair certainty that the organization now perfected is not for today alone, but for the years. It were a sheer waste of time to perfect such an organization, to secure so many valuable "contacts",

**The Long Look**
and then allow it to melt away into nothingness. Our graduates and our many friends of the College will find increasing joy in lending their support to something built upon permanent lines.

*Service of Tribute.* Nothing could be more appropriate than on Sunday afternoon of Commencement Week to hold brief services of tribute to the late Dr. Small and the late Dr. Butler, two of Colby's former presidents. Both were highly valued sons of the College, strong men in their special fields of educational work, and both rendered excellent service to the College and to the world. While they may have differed in their methods of conducting the affairs of the College, each seriously and indefatigably sought to do his work well. Dr. Small's term of service was not long, only three years, but he packed into those three years an ambitious program of development and achievement. Dr. Butler's term of office lasted over a five-year period, and they were days full of readjustments when his wisdom and firmness accomplished a vast service. It is interesting to note that both were called from Colby to the
new University of Chicago, Dr. Small to head the department of sociology, Dr. Butler to become professor of Education. Dr. Small graduated from Colby in the class of 1876, and Dr. Butler in the class of 1873. Dr. Small passed away in the spring of 1926, and Dr. Butler in 1927. Both brought great renown to the College and they were rightly counted among us as two of our most distinguished graduates. It would have been most natural to hold services to their memory at the Commencement following their death but circumstances, not the least of which was the illness of President Roberts, conspired to defer such tribute. That the desire in the hearts of a great company of Colby graduates to pay tribute has kept strong through the intervening months is most striking evidence of the hold that these two former presidents have upon the graduate body. Fitting therefore is it during the days of a great Commencement when all are looking into the future, so bright with promises, that for a brief period on a Sabbath day Colby men and women should meet to pay humble tribute to those who gave out of the abundance of their lives that the College might achieve somewhat of the aims that inspired those who founded it. It is of little importance just when the tribute shall be paid; but it is all-important that the College pause sometime for a brief hour to pay it. As President-elect Johnson has so beautifully expressed it: "Such services have a value in deepening the spirit of the living toward the College." And that is precisely what the two former presidents would want tributes to their memory to accomplish.

**The Development Fund**

*By the Editor*

The long weeks of preparation for the intensive effort to secure a half million dollars for the College have ended, and from May 15 to the end of the college year all those directly and indirectly charged with the success of the campaign will be in action. It has been a season of preparation, from late Winter until early Summer, and in that period of time a vast amount of work has been done by comparatively few men. The mapping out of the campaign was one thing that required long hours of study and conference; the presentation of the claims of the College to scores of men, graduates and friends, has required even more time. The few
active workers have done a vast amount of traveling, a few of them going as far west as Nebraska, with trips to the larger centers where contacts have been made with men of influence and of means.

To no one has the campaign meant more than to Herbert E. Wadsworth, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Week after week he has given of his time and strength to the details of the effort now in the making. He has spoken often, travelled much, and kept in closest touch with those upon whom he is depending for the success of the undertaking. No man could have given more of himself than has he, and when the campaign is over and the dollars have been counted, invested, and the achievement is real, then somebody should propose a rising vote of thanks to Chairman Wadsworth. It is not often that the chairman of a Board of Trustees is expected to give the major part of his time to such an undertaking, but that voluntarily Chairman Wadsworth should do so is very much to his credit.

The details of the campaign are in the hands of Mr. Charles S. Brown, of Augusta, a man experienced in raising funds for ellemosynary institutions. He has been through the mill on many another campaign, and while others are getting more and more concerned he remains outwardly calm. His confidence in the success of the undertaking is inspiring. His presentation of the plan of the campaign, as he has presented it to men of vision, has their immediate hearty approval. It appeals. It is not on the two-by-four basis. It has vision in it. The response has been almost invariably satisfaction that the lines are well laid and the accomplishment certain.

Heading the Committee is our own General Lord, and his name alone gives everyone the absolute assurance that the whole project is no half-baked affair. General Lord never gives his consent to head an organization that is not built on solid granite. He is convinced that the large group serving with him mean business, and he means business, and that should be enough to make the most indifferent become aware that the undertaking will succeed. That General Lord's part in this far-flung campaign will

GEORGE HORACE LORIMER, LITT.D., OF THE CLASS OF 1899
Editor of The Saturday Evening Post and Vice Chairman Development Fund Committee
encourage men and women everywhere to give generously of their means is a matter of common agreement.

One fact needs emphasis: The salary of the director, Mr. Brown, is paid by Chairman Herbert E. Wadsworth in order that it may be said that no money given by an individual goes to the Director. All other expenses, of course, must come out of the money that has already been raised, but this sum is being kept at the lowest possible figure consistent with the large undertaking. Thus it happens that those who give may have the satisfaction of knowing that every one of their dollars will find the college till.

Action is the word from this time on. Every member of every committee must now measure to his task. The contribution of each will mean the certain success of the great undertaking. It is a time and occasion when every man who loves his College can serve her in ways quite beyond calculation.

Committees to Raise Development Fund

BY THE EDITOR

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Member Development Fund General Committee
Statement in Regard to Development Fund

Charles S. Brown, Director

The Alumnus Editor has asked for a statement from me in regard to the Development Fund, and while my own desire is to keep in the background in this wide-spread effort to secure funds for the College, I am glad to make the following observations:

When I was first interviewed and asked to undertake the raising of funds for the College, I promptly accepted the invitation. I acted promptly because the undertaking had many challenging features. There is something about Colby, now more than 100 years old, that makes a strong appeal. It has gone on quietly through the years turning out well equipped men and women, and it has never complained because it lacked in physical equipment. It is little short of remarkable that the College has accomplished so much with so little to do with. It impresses one afresh with the truth that there is something to the College besides mortar and bricks.

Having accepted the invitation, then came the scope and plan of the undertaking. The more this has been developed, the more interest has been aroused, and the stronger has grown my faith in the ultimate success of the campaign. We first talked about $100,000, then $300,000, and now we are talking $500,000. The higher the figure, the greater grow my faith and courage. And interestingly enough, the courage and faith and determination of a great army of graduates have also grown with the larger challenge. There is enthusiasm all along the line, from the humblest freshman in the College to the oldest living graduate.

I want to say very frankly that I firmly believe that the amount of money we have set our hearts upon getting will be raised, but I want to say in the same breath that we shall fall far short of the goal if we trust wholly to faith and forget to work. There must be no spirit of over-confidence in this undertaking.

The challenge therefore is clear. It is a challenge to every Colby graduate. From this time on we must, each and all of us, exert every effort to gather in this fund. We must be willing, first of all, to give what we can individually, and then we must go out among our friends and tell them of Colby and her needs. Happy should we be in the assurance that in asking friends to give we need never do so in any spirit of apology. We shall be asking them to support a tried and true institution, of long and honorable record, with more than 4,000 sons and daughters scattered all over the world and rendering splendid service in every walk of life. Happily, too, those who give may have the infinite satisfaction of knowing that their money will be wisely handled by the college authorities, and that money invested in youth will yield ever-increasing returns.
Colby College's Needs

Editorial Portland Evening News, April 6, 1929

The program for Colby College outlined by President-elect Franklin Johnson before an enthusiastic gathering in Portland Friday night should commend itself not only to every Colby College well wisher and alumnus, but to every citizen of Maine. Professor Johnson made unmistakably clear that the important task of supplying higher education to the youth of Maine was one that belonged jointly not merely to our state university, but to the three colleges, which although technically private institutions are essentially part of our educational system, dependent upon the public good will and aiming solely to serve the best interests of the entire community.

Dr. Johnson brought out what is already known to every Colby alumnus and to others, that the Waterville college has been sadly under-equipped for many years. Given the limited mechanical and material facilities under which the institution on the Kennebec has labored, its achievements have been nothing short of remarkable. In order to serve successfully, it must have at least, as Professor Johnson pointed out, four “correlating centers” around which the work of a college is organized.

1. An administrative center to cost not less than $200,000. At present the various administrative offices, the president’s, the registrar’s, the treasurer’s, are scattered in as many buildings.

2. A library. The library is the center of the college’s intellectual life. Under the guidance of Professor Marriner, Colby has utilized to an extraordinary degree the supply of books which it now possesses, but that stock is wholly insufficient, and the building in which it is housed is not fireproof. It is wholly inadequate for the needs of the student body.

A new library costing not less than $400,000 is imperative.

3. A center for the social and spiritual life of the college. A chapel is urgently needed and adjoining room for student gatherings. Everyone knows, as President Johnson pointed out, that the various lesser centers of college activity, such as the classroom and the fraternity house, are “divisive”—in them a fraction alone of the college body congregates. A place where the entire college may meet, may enjoy social
relationship, is essential to the spiritual growth of the college.

4. A gymnasium. For this plans have already been drawn and were exhibited to an enthusiastic audience Friday night. They include a gymnasium proper, a cage and a swimming pool. Modern education emphasizes not so much the selection of winning teams composed of a few as the training of an entire student body in physical health so that it may be properly equipped physically throughout life.

Here is a program which should appeal not merely to Colby alumni. The Colby Development Fund Committee may properly feel justified in going to all friends of education and to all public spirited and philanthropic citizens both within and without the state. This deserves unqualified success.

Meanwhile, Colby College is to be congratulated on securing Dr. Franklin Johnson as a successor to the late President Arthur J. Roberts. Dr. Johnson stands high in the educational world. He has made a mark in pedagogy, but in addition to that, is peculiarly qualified for this college presidency. Himself a Colby alumnus, a son of Maine, he made it clear that he would find himself happiest in returning to his own people to work out the problems of higher education among the sons and daughters of those among whom he was reared, for whom he has the profoundest affection, and in whom he harbors the deepest faith.

Colby Development Fund

Waterville Morning Sentinel, January 26, 1929

It seems to be the fate of most new presidents of Colby College to have to start their administration by the raising of a large sum of money for some special purpose. President White devoted a large share of his time to getting fresh funds, but this did not relieve President Roberts of a heavy financial burden when he took charge. The endowment had to be increased by him and the regular budget put on a sound business basis. He did this with notable facility and left the ordinary requirements well provided for.

But a good small college like Colby is always increasing its needs and so President-Elect Johnson starts, as so many of his predecessors have, with a money raising job. This time it is for an enlargement of the physical plant of the college that has long been very badly needed—a new gymnasium for men. Colby is now the only Maine college lacking this very necessary accessory. Maine has partially completed a building that will compare with any in the country, paid for largely by the alumni. Bates has a beautiful and splendidly equipped gymnasium she can show anyone with pride. Bowdoin, always more fortunate than the others in this respect, has been constantly replacing and rebuilding until at present she has one of the best anywhere. All that Colby has or ever had is a little brick box fit for quarters for the mascot mule and little else.

Colby women, with very little help from the men, have secured a building admirably adapted to their needs and just completed. While this drive was in progress the larger project of the men’s gym has been held back, although considerable preliminary work done. A respectable sum has already been pledged and ultimate success assured. With the coming of the new president the drive has been renewed and the full alumni strength mustered for vigorous and
sustained effort until the goal is reached. This makes rather an impressive showing.

General Lord, who is so largely responsible for the budget under which national finances are now handled, is general chairman and has selected his aids from all over the country. His list includes Merle W. Crowell, editor of the American magazine, George Horace Lorimer, editor of the Saturday Evening Post. Professor Shailer Mathews of Chicago, George Otis Smith of Washington and other prominent alumni to whom special sections of the country or special work have been assigned. Charles S. Brown of Augusta, who has had much experience in such work, has been secured to have direct supervision of all technical details. So, as is to be seen, this is a real drive from which no Colby man can hope to escape and in which there will be a chance for all the friends of the college to do something.

When Dr. Johnson assumes his duties as president next fall he will find interest largely centered in this effort and already is doing much to help with his advice and enthusiasm. It's a big job all right, but doing big jobs well is what makes a little college like Colby so admirable.

April Meeting Board of Trustees

By Edwin Carey Whittemore, D.D., '79, Secretary

The Board of Trustees of Colby College met in regular session at the Falmouth Hotel at 9:30 A.M., April 6. A special feature of the meeting was the presence of President-elect Dr. Franklin W. Johnson, who was completing his service as alumni trustee and at the next meeting will be the recognized head of the institution. His evident grasp of the situation, his friendliness and his suggestions for the future assured all present that great days are ahead for Colby.

Chairman Herbert E. Wadsworth, than whom Colby has no better friend and who proves his faith by his works, presided.

Dr. Charles E. Owen of the fifty year class of '79, offered prayer.

Letters of regret and explanation for the absence of several trustees were read, and on motion of Dr. Padelford a special letter of sympathy was sent to Mrs. Mower and family because of the continued illness of Dr. Mower.

The report of the Committee on Professor-ships was that all changes in the faculty should be in the line of addition and not subtrac tion.

With hearty approval of the new President, Professor Ernest C. Marriner, who has served efficiently as Chairman of the Executive Committee since that position was resigned by Dr. Taylor, was elected Dean of the Men. The election was unanimous and when Dr. Crawford brought in Mr. Marriner whom he introduced as Dean Marriner, there was great applause.

The announcement was received with great favor that Dr. William J. Wilkinson would return to Colby as Professor of History, in which position his ability and popularity had been abundantly shown in his previous term of service.

Mr. Bingham R. Downs, A.B., University of North Carolina, 1926; B.S. School of Library Science, Columbia University, N. Y. C.; M.S., same, 1929, was elected Librarian with rank of Assistant Professor.

The report of Treasurer Hubbard had certain
elements in common with the most of his reports, namely, that all bills against the college were paid, that the semester bills for the first period of the year had all been paid and that the balance for the second semester would be by May 1, when the books close. This report as well as the energy and faithfulness of the Treasurer, are much appreciated by the Board of Trustees.

The report of the Finance Committee, George C. Wing, Frank B. Hubbard, Carroll N. Perkins, George G. Averill and Chester H. Sturtevant, was rendered in print and was accepted with appreciation. It showed liberal and increasing appropriations for education and for operation but with the assurance that they would all be met from current receipts.

Professor Marriner, Chairman of the Executive Committee, reported the progress and steady working of the College with sundry suggestions as to continued improvement.

The Committee on Scholarship listing, student aid, etc., reported by Carroll N. Perkins. The recommendations were accepted and referred for execution to the new President and Treasurer Hubbard.

Reports from different academies were presented showing progress and emphasizing the importance of provision for the continuance by these schools of their service to the college and the state.

The Committee on New Gymnasium made no special report as it is much in the minds and purposes of Colby people at the present time.

The announcement was made that Colby is now seeking, not merely a new gymnasium, but a Colby Development Fund, which would provide the Gymnasium and many things more.

Those interested in the Committee on Honorary Degrees should attend the Commencement Exercises on June 17, and see certain important degrees very worthily bestowed.

The Commencement Committee reported by its Chairman, Prof. Lester F. Weeks, and presented a program for Commencement which was accepted.

The Inauguration Committee, Dr. Herbert C. Libby, Justice Norman Bassett, and Dr. J. Frederick Hill, presented a program for the inauguration exercises which will occur on Friday, June 14, and will involve the attendance of many noted men from other college.

Although President-elect Johnson desires that the exercises be kept simple, there will be not a little of the academic splendor befitting to such occasions.

All friends of the College will be interested in the announcement that the Bangs property on College Avenue has now been acquired, but the uses to which it will be applied in the development of the College are not yet determined.
COLBY INSTRUCTORS RE-ELECTED FOR ANOTHER YEAR

ELMER CHAPMAN WARREN, B.S.
Instructor in Mathematics

ARTHUR CLEARY WALLACE, B.A.
Instructor in French

HAROLD SOMES FISH, B.A.
Instructor in Biology

WALTER NELSON BRECKENRIDGE, M.A.
Instructor in Economics
The Commencement of 1929

BY LESTER FRANK WEEKS, A.M., '15, CHAIRMAN COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE


9.30 A.M. Annual Meeting, Board of Trustees. Chemical Hall.

2.45 P.M. The Academic Procession, composed of the Board of Trustees, the Faculty, the delegates and guests of the College, the Justices of the Supreme Court, other State and city officials and representatives of the graduate and undergraduate bodies, will leave the college campus and march to the City Opera House.

3.30 P.M. Induction exercises, including addresses by Dean William F. Russell, Ph.D., of Teachers College and President Franklin W. Johnson, L.H.D., 1891. Tickets required. City Opera House.

6.00 P.M. Dinner at the Elmwood Hotel for trustees, faculty, State officials, delegates and guests.

8.30 P.M. President's reception. Alumnae Building.

SATURDAY, JUNE 15. Alumni Day.

9.00 A.M. The Commencement Chapel service. Speaker, Robert H. Bowen, Ph.D., 1914, Professor of Zoology, Columbia University. College Chapel.

9.30 A.M. Senior Class Day Exercises. Addresses by members of the class. College Campus.


11.00 A.M. Annual Meeting of Alumnae Association. First Baptist Church.


3.00 P.M. Dedication of the Alumnae Building.

5.00 P.M. Annual Meeting of the Colby Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Professor Clarence H. White, A.M., President of the Chapter, presiding. Chemical Hall.

6.00 to 9.00 P.M. Class reunions at various designated places.

7.30 P.M. Band Concert. College Campus.

9.00 P.M. Fraternity reunions at the several fraternity houses.


3.30 P.M Memorial Services for Albion Woodbury Small, of the class of 1876, President from 1889 to 1892, and for Nathaniel Butler, Jr., of the class of 1873, President from 1896 to 1901. Speakers: Professor Julian Daniel Taylor, LL.D., '68, and Reverend Edwin Carey Whittemore, D.D., '79.


MONDAY, JUNE 17. Graduation Day.

9.00 A.M. Academic Procession from the College Campus to the City Opera House.

9.30 A.M. Commencement Exercises, including Commencement Address by Professor Herbert S. Philbrick, Ph.D., 1897, of Evanston, Illinois. Tickets required.

11.30 A.M. Return procession to the College Campus.

12.00 M. Commencement Dinner. Tickets $1.25. College Gymnasium.

EDWARD F. STEVENS, LITT.D., '89
Guest of Honor, Senior Class
Portland Dinner to President-elect Johnson

BY THE EDITOR

Colby's pressing need of three new buildings in addition to the proposed new gymnasium was stressed by President-elect Franklin W. Johnson, speaking at a dinner tendered him by the Colby trustees at the Eastland Hotel, Portland, Friday night, April 5. Dr. Johnson declared that material expansion alone was not to be considered as paramount, but that a chapel, a library, and an administrative building were needed with the gymnasium to round out the four necessary correlative centers of the college. He estimated the cost of these buildings at between $800,000 and $1,000,000.

The dinner was attended by about 200 Colby graduates, and graduates of other Maine colleges, including President Clifton D. Gray of Bates and President Harold S. Boardman of the University of Maine. Presidents Gray and Boardman pledged their friendship and cooperation to the new Colby executive, and he in turn pledged his, expressing his pleasure and honor in returning to his native state.

The toastmaster, Fred F. Lawrence, '00, was introduced by Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, of Winthrop. Mr. Lawrence termed the dinner more than a perfunctory tribute to a new college president, significant of the new re-awakening in the small colleges of America of their task in teaching how to use the new leisure which progress has brought about.

In introducing Walter S. Wyman of Augusta, Mr. Lawrence said that when Maine exports her human material all too often, Mr. Wyman stays at home and applies his talent to his state.

Relief from manual toil, Mr. Wyman said,
meant passing misery, each new invention meaning temporary starvation for some. The task of the small college, he declared, was to teach the world how to take fullest advantage of the inventions that lead to progress. He said that he welcomed Dr. Johnson as one of his neighbors of 24 years ago, and that he was sure he would mould Colby into a place from which a strong bright light would be shed down the pathway of the future.

Professor E. C. Marriner of Colby spoke briefly in place of Dr. Julian D. Taylor, who has taught at Colby since 1868. He termed Dr. Taylor, who was unable to be present, as the strongest link between Colby’s great past and her glorious future. Citing the energizing effect of Dr. Johnson’s elevation to the presidency, Prof. Marriner turned to the president-elect and said, “We bring to you, Dr. Johnson, no morituri salutamus,—rather, we who are about to live, salute you.”

Henry J. Carlson of the firm of Coolidge and Carlson, Boston, described Colby’s new athletic plant, illustrating his talk with slides, showing plans and sketches of the buildings.

At the head table, as guests of honor with Dr. Johnson, were Lieut. Commander A. Lincoln King, representing Gov. William Tudor Gardner, Chief Justice Scott Wilson of the Supreme Court, President Gray, President Boardman, Chairman Lester F. Wallace of the Portland City Council, Warren C. Philbrook, president of the Colby Alumni Association, Hiram W. Ricker, chairman of the Maine Committee, Colby $500,000 development fund, the Rev. Frank W. Padelford of Newton, Mass., Thomas G. Grace of Brooklyn, N. Y., president of the New York Alumni Association, George Otis Spencer of Augusta and Charles C. Stetson of Bangor, chairman of the Maine Development Commission.


The Alumnae Building

By Florence Elizabeth Dunn, Litt.D., '96

If modern historians prefer to record, rather than to judge, past events, how should a prophet dare to speculate on futures? When the Editor of the Alumnus asked me to discuss the relation of the new Alumnae Building to the general development of the Women’s Division of Colby, I said promptly that he was asking me to expound a riddle which might baffle Apollo himself. It hardly needs a sybil, however, to reveal the plain immediate intention of the building. Human plants, like the flowers of the field, need space and sunlight in which to grow to perfection. What the alumnae have tried to obtain through their seven years’ endeavor is more space and sunlight for Colby girls. The fact that the gymnasium constitutes the center of the building would indicate that the main purpose is physical education and play under healthful conditions. Though Colby does not advocate intercollegiate sports for girls, we must not forget that the harmonious development of the body is a very old and noble ideal in education. The Greeks built mental poise upon a physical foundation. Play, moreover, has recreative and social uses which cannot be safely ignored.

Besides the play which pleases and develops the muscles, there is the initiative play which we call drama, affording an opportunity for youthful actors to go a little beyond their own depth in lively and emotional expression. Emotions need exercise and training and various opportunities for release. The gymnasium in the Alumnae Building has a stage at one end so that the room may be used on occasion for more or less formal dramatics.

Various social uses for the gymnasium and the rooms which adjoin it readily suggest themselves. Parties and receptions may here be held under pleasant and safe conditions. Sev-
eral alumnae and friends have coöperated in making the Social Room, with windows toward the west, attractive and livable, with none of the formal chill that hinder the true purpose of such a place.

A Y. W. C. A., or Assembly Room, upstairs will accommodate religious and other gatherings. Many clubs are now formed under the different departments of the College, and these organizations will often be glad to use such a dignified and suitable room. Some meetings of the alumnae will also be held here.

Perhaps I shall not be misunderstood if I say that one great secret of life is how best to be happy. If the girls who use this building leave it after four years with a more discriminating understanding of happiness, its determining causes and social relations, the outside world will gain something by their presence. It is to be hoped also that they may sometimes use the Assembly Room for meetings that concern the problems of citizenship which women must now face.

One can hardly open a magazine nowadays without finding some study of women in various new relationships and occupations. Some writers, seeming to expect more rapid adaptation to new opportunities than is wholly reasonable, come to very gloomy conclusions. One realizes, at least, after reading such essays, the complexity and challenge of a woman’s life in the modern world. If the modern woman’s problem of adaptation is more difficult even than that of the modern man, surely the educational experiment must take due account of women’s needs and possibilities in the new order. The home is still the basis of society, platitudinous as that may sound, and it is a mistake to think of college women as educated primarily for professional and business life. Though women should be able at need (and the need is not always a purely financial one) to realize themselves and serve the community by means of effective labor, the present social conditions indicate that both men and women must first of all gain a fairer understanding of the fundamental human relationships. Then both must be trained to be citizens of the twentieth century world. In Maine, if not in Tennessee, one may believe in social evolution without danger of being banned.

In the educational world of Colby both men and women have a share. The loyalty and determination of the alumnae, as shown in their present achievement, have won in larger measure the interest and support of the trustees. Perhaps it may not be too much to hope that in future plans for making Colby a college of opportunity and progress, we may all work together for the things that we need. The more generous policy is almost always more fruitful in enduring results. Patience and fairness on both sides will do much to further the best interests of the College as it goes onward toward a broad and hopeful future.

A Proof of the Loyalty of the Alumnae

By Rose Adelle Gilpatrick, A.M., '92

The test of loyalty is not in words but in deeds. For the last nine years the loyalty of Colby women has been put to the test and the Alumnae Building to be dedicated at Commencement is the proof that such a spirit is not lacking. The effort to secure this building has meant more than the mere giving of money; it has involved much labor and self-sacrifice on the part of many. The motive that prompted this was love of the college combined with the earnest desire that the girls of the future might have better opportunities for development than those of the past had enjoyed.
Roberts in which the request was made that such a department be established. The President agreed that this would be most desirable, but said, "If the trustees should establish such a department, there is no place in which to carry on the work, and the college cannot provide a building." In the zeal of their enthusiasm the committee replied, "If the trustees will establish the department, the women will provide the building." President Roberts accepted the challenge and at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees held in April, 1921, the department was established. The responsibility of raising money for a building then became the duty of the women who never hesitated to make this their supreme task. The campaign was launched at the following Commencement, which was a most auspicious time as the fiftieth anniversary of the admission of women to Colby was celebrated that year. We did not know how such an undertaking was to be carried out but we had faith that a thing that was so much needed could be done. Fortunate it was that we could not foresee how long and hard the struggle was to be.

Not the least of our reasons for rejoicing today is the fact that we "have kept the faith" and fulfilled our promise. Our deepest regret is that our beloved President is not here to share in the joy of fulfillment. However, his faith in us and his cooperation together with that of the whole Board of Trustees have made it possible for the women to do what has been done. Through these years we have been learning how to work together for the highest good of each other.

The campaign for this building has been significant for the reason that it has been carried on entirely by the Colby women and with very little publicity or expense. Those who directed the work willingly gave their time and service. While the struggle has seemed a long one, the story of the achievement can be told very briefly. The first thing that was done was to get the alumnae organized into local groups. At that time, besides the general organization, there were only two local associations, one in Portland and the other in Boston. Associations were formed in New York, Connecticut, Aroostook, Augusta, and Waterville. These associations raised funds in whatever ways they could. In addition, gifts and pledges were solicited from all the alumnae and non-graduate women and from some people outside. Too much credit cannot be given to a few women who have given most generously. The first boost was given by Miss Louise Coburn who contributed $10,000 at the beginning. Others gave freely according to their means. It had been hoped to secure some large gifts from outside to complete the fund, but those did not come. Meanwhile, the task of securing small gifts and collecting pledges went steadily on until in 1927 the Treasurer was able to report $47,583.35 in money and pledges. The goal had been set for $100,000 and our courage was beginning to wane. Then through the influence of Dr. Padelford a pledge of $20,000 was received from the Educational Board of the Northern Baptist Convention. This was followed by a gift of $25,000 from Florence Elizabeth Dunn, who already had contributed generously. The fund was completed quickly and plans made for the erection of the building, the corner-stone of which was laid last Commencement.

The building is well named the Alumnae Building for seven hundred and thirty Colby women have had a share in the work and seven Alumnae organizations have made contributions. With the exception of the $20,000 pledged by the Educational Board and $7,000 given by friends all the money has been given by the Colby women. Thus the women have proved their loyalty to their Alma Mater.

The building not only has been erected by the women but it has been
equipped and furnished adequately and in excellent taste. This has been accomplished very easily, for everybody has been so delighted with the building that friends have taken pleasure in making it as useful and attractive as possible. Five hundred chairs for the large assembly room have been provided by Miss Louise Coburn. The class room has been furnished by Miss Dunn and the social room also by Miss Dunn assisted by Mrs. W. M. Dunn. The furnishings for the small assembly room on the second floor have been provided by Mrs. Grace Coburn Smith. Many other smaller gifts have been made toward the furnishings.

Any historical account of this building would be incomplete without special mention of the large share that Miss Florence Elizabeth Dunn has had in bringing the plans to a realization. From the beginning she has given liberally not only of her means but of her time, for she has served on the Alumnae Council which assumed the responsibility of raising the money for the building. By her wise counsel and faith in the undertaking as well as by her generous gifts she has furnished inspiration for carrying on the work. To her in a very large measure is due the success of the endeavor. Colby girls now and to come owe to Miss Dunn a great debt of gratitude. Miss Alice Purinton also deserves special credit, for she has served as treasurer throughout the whole campaign, without remuneration save for the joy of service. One can hardly realize the hours of painstaking work that she has put into the bookkeeping or the patient drudgery involved in the collection of the pledges, most of which ran over a period of several years. We also should pay tribute to her keen financial ability, for she never lost a cent, but rather by wise investments increased the fund from year to year. Such loyalty wins few plaudits, but without it this building could not have been constructed.

These are outstanding examples of loyalty, but there are countless others whose sacrifice and service have gone into the making of this building. While we rejoice in the possession of a structure that will contribute greatly to the physical, social, and moral development of young women, we are even more grateful for the spirit of devotion that has united the women in this first great endeavor and that has bound us more firmly to the college as a whole. This is the loyalty that makes an institution great.

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**Financing the Alumnae Building**

**BY ALICE M. PURINTON, A.B., '99**

On June 29, 1920, with courage in our hearts and $89.21 in our coffers, the Alumnae Association started on the first united effort Colby women had ever made to meet in a large way some of the pressing needs of the Women's Division. These needs were many. The acting Dean in her address that year had mentioned the desirability of a campus for women, larger and better dormitories, an infirmary, a gymnasium, a music hall, and a central heating plant. No graduate present questioned the need of all these improvements, but we knew that with a few exceptions, our alumnae were women of limited means scattered from the Atlantic to the Pacific and beyond, and without any central organization. However, with the appointment that year of a committee of Promotion under the enthusiastic and able leadership of Adelle
Gilpatrick, ’92, and the provision for an Alumnae Council which would function between the annual meetings of the Association, the foundation was laid for the undertaking which culminates next June in the dedication of a $100,000 building for Colby girls.

The first gift entered for the credit of the Building Fund was that of Bertha L. Brown, ’88. Then came the gift of a Liberty Bond from Prof. Amy Homans, of Wellesley College, and somewhat later a pledge of $10,000 from Miss Louise Coburn. It became evident that we should need a more adequate system of accounting and a place of deposit for our securities, so a double entry system of bookkeeping was installed and a safe deposit box hired at a local bank and by June, 1921, with a checking account of respectable size to our credit, we were well started on our campaign.

As our funds increased we sought advice in regard to their safe investment and C. N. Perkins, Esq., and Mr. A. F. Drummond were appointed by the Board of Trustees to advise with us. That their advice was sound may be seen from the fact that when the College Treasurer sold the securities which we had turned over to him on June 27, 1928, a net profit of $997.25 was realized.

From what source has the money come? Principally from Colby women, who, to the number of 681, have contributed a total of $65,424 in cash. Besides these gifts from individuals we have received from Alumnae Associations in Aroostook, Boston, Connecticut Valley, South Kennebec, New York, Waterville and Western Maine and from classes and small groups of undergraduates the sum of $5,172. This amount will be appreciably augmented before Commencement. Plays and concerts, teas and parties have been held for the benefit of the building. Subscriptions to magazines have been solicited and the commission turned in towards the fund. Through the efforts of one college girl alone $227 was realized in this way. From the first Dean Runnals has been untiring in her efforts for the building. Her enthusiasm proved to be contagious among the undergraduates and subscriptions from many girls in college resulted. Friends, too, gave us financial support to the extent of $7,320. Our second largest subscription was that of the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Convention through its chairman, Dr. Frank W. Padelford, who gave us assurance that we might reasonably expect to receive $20,000 during the next four years.

While final accounting cannot be made until pledge accounts are closed, the following statement as of February 14, 1929, may be of interest:

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The total expense in raising this amount, including printing and postage, filing supplies and books of account, auditing and soliciting expense, was $4,585.63.

Those who have worked on the project from the beginning will recall the occasional periods of depression when it seemed that our goal was hopelessly beyond us, but members of the Council will never forget how courage was renewed more than once through the quiet announcement of one of our number of her intention to give another thousand, or two thousand, or ten thousand dollars. If we are indebted to any one person more than to another for the success of our undertaking it is to Florence E. Dunn, ’96, who contributed over $31,000 to the cause, besides giving unstintingly of her time and strength and counsel.
But there are others who deserve our thanks as well and Miss Dunn has been insistent on the fact that this building is the gift of the alumnae rather than of any individual. We have had one gift of $4,000, two of $1,500, one of $1,000, two of $500, several in amounts between $100 and $500 and a great many smaller contributions ranging from one dollar to one hundred. One's interest in a cause is not always determined by the size of one's gift and many contributions which have come in, though small in amount, have represented real sacrifice.

Formal Opening Alumnae Building

By Nettie May Runnals, A.M., '08, Dean of Women

One of the dates which Waterville Alumnae will always remember in connection with the Alumnae Building, is February 18, 1929—the day on which the Building was formally opened to the public. This date came much closer to the original date, February 4, set some months ahead by the Waterville Alumnae group, than quite long-awaited dates usually do. They had planned that the grand and glorious Fourth should be in February this year, rather than in July. But the eighteenth served very well as a day of celebration and rejoicing.

It was decided months in advance that the opening should take the form of a silver tea, to which the public should be most cordially invited, and that the proceeds should go towards furnishing. The President of the Waterville Association, Mrs. Catherine Clarkin Dundas, 1917, was chairman of the committee on general plans for the day. The other members were: Mrs. Harriet Vigue Bessey, 1897, Mrs. Mabel Dunn Libby, ex-1903, Mrs. Eleanor Creech Marriner, 1910, Mrs. Ethel Merriam Weeks, 1914, Miss Meroe Morse, 1913, and Miss Gladys Welch, ex-1915.

There was well-organized division of labor, for the details were rather numerous. The Building was open from three o'clock in the afternoon to nine in the evening. Groups of undergraduates, with a changing personnel every hour or so, greeted the guests at either entrance and brought them to meet the receiving line. Miss Adelle Gilpatrick, ex-1892, of Hallowell, President of the General Alumnae Association, stood at the head of the line. With her were: Dr. Florence Dunn, 1896, whose generous gifts made the building a reality, Miss Alice Purinton, 1899, Treasurer of the General Association, and Miss Nettie Runnals, 1908, Dean of Women. Miss Gilpatrick was unable to be present in the evening, and Mrs. Bessey and Mrs. Marriner helped with the receiving.

After the guests had been received by these hostesses, undergraduate ushers were ready to show them through all parts of the building. Still other undergraduate women found seats for the guests and served them with tea, sandwiches and cakes, generously supplied by local alumnae. The ushers were in charge of Miss C. B. VanNorman, the physical director; and Miss Sarah Partrick, dietitian at Foss Hall, directed the group of girls who served refreshments. Fruit punch was served in the evening in place of tea.

During the afternoon and evening the following acted as hostesses at the tables: Mrs. Grace Webber Bartlett, ex-1896, Mrs. Lois Hoxie Smith, ex-1903, Mrs. Annie Harthorn Wheeler, 1908, Mrs. Mary Caswell Carter, 1904, Mrs. Antoinette Ware Putnam, 1916, Mrs. Bertha Terry Arnold, ex-1918, Mrs. Bertha Cobb Choate, 1922, Mrs. Harriet Eaton Rogers, ex-1919, Mrs. Clara Carter Weber, 1921, Miss Harriet Parmenter, 1889, Miss Nella Merrick, ex-1900, Miss Jennie Smith, 1881, Miss Alice Clarkin, 1916, Miss Margaret Totman, ex-1919, Miss Helen Springfield, 1924, and Miss Mary Warren, 1924.

The tables were arranged in the west end of the gymnasium, near the opening into the serving room and kitchen. Flowers were on these tables, and beautiful bouquets sent as greetings from Mrs. Eleanora S. Woodman, the Ladies of the Faculty, the Federal Trust Company, Alpha Sigma Delta Sorority and Mr. and Mrs. Gilman decorated the stage and the fire-
place mantel in the social room. A good many of the 500 folding chairs, the gift of Miss Louise Coburn, 1877, were arranged in the gymnasium, so that the guests might be seated during the program.

The only room furnished was the class room. The chairs in this room were the gift of Miss Dunn, and the room was opened for recitation purposes on this famous 18th of February.

An excellent musical program, arranged by Miss Meroe Morse, was presented under the guidance of Mrs. Mary Berry Manter of the Department of Vocal Music of Coburn Classical Institute. The following took part: Gwendolyn Johnson, piano; Harriet Johnson, 1930, vocal; Muriel Lewis, 1928, and Marion Lewis, 1932, vocal; Mrs. Mary Berry Manter, ex-1904, Mrs. Mary Abbott Stobie, 1908, Mrs. Gladys Meservey Ferrell, ex-1916, vocal trio; Jessie Alexander, 1929, piano; Ruth Daggett, 1929, vocal; Mary Wasgatt, 1930, piano; Marion Morrell, 1932, violin; Ruth Bartlett, 1929, vocal; Ruth Park, 1930, violin; Helen Paul, 1930, piano; Martha Holt, 1929, Dorothy Donnelly, 1930, and Mary Wasgatt, 1930, instrumental trio; Miss Viola Rowe, 1932, was accompanist.

A large number of the citizens of Waterville and many out of town guests visited the building. Senator Herbert E. Wadsworth, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the College, and Mrs. Eleanora S. Woodman of Winthrop, a well-known Colby benefactor, were among those from out of town. Others were: Miss Adelle Gilpatrick of Hallowell, Mrs. Ethel Hayward Weston, 1908, of Augusta; Mrs. Maude Hoxie Martin, 1899, of Springfield, Mass., representing the Connecticut Valley Alumnae Association; and Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith, 1924, of New York City.

The contributions, counting a few gifts that came in later, but were specifically designated for the tea, amounted to $414.00. The largest gift of the day was a check for $200.00 left by Miss Exerene Flood. It wasn't exactly silver, but it was counted! And we rejoiced!

Expressions of approval, satisfaction and enthusiasm were unanimous. Again and again were heard remarks like this: "We didn't expect it would be as fine as this!" "Won't the swimming pool be wonderful?" And "When do you expect to have the swimming pool?" All had expected much, but had found more. When "the lights were out, and gone were all the guests." it might have been said of each tired but enthusiastic alumna, "He is well paid that is well satisfied."

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**Colby Graduate Gatherings**

**At Boston**

*By Stanley Goddard Estes, A.B., '23*

At the University Club in Boston on Friday evening, February 1, the Boston Colby Alumni assembled for their forty-eighth annual meeting and dinner. Promptly at six forty-five the retiring President, John B. Pugsley, '05, escorted the guests and speakers of the evening into the English Room, where the members had already gathered about the dinner table.

Doctor Donovan, '92, pronounced grace, and dinner was served in the excellent University Club tradition. A good dinner the most of us called it. One anonymous and dyspeptic alumna, however, dissented, and later wrote the President of the Club that a worse dinner he had never tasted and that he would dine there no more.

Stephen G. Bean, '05, author of Alma Mater and Stephen B. Berry, '26, known to recent un-
dergraduates for his able cheer-leading, together aroused such enthusiasm in the singing and cheers indulged in between courses that everyone was seething with college spirit at the close of the dinner.

At the close of the dinner in a short business meeting the following slate of officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Linwood L. Workman, '02; First Vice-President, Everett C. Herrick, '98; Second Vice-President, Clayton K. Brooks, '98; Treasurer, John T. Mathews, '08; Secretary, Stanley G. Estes, '23; Assistant Secretary, Everett C. Marston. '24. Members of the executive committee for four years are: George A. Gould, '08; Percy F. Williams, '97; and Arthur F. Bickford, '15.

The guests of the association were Professor Parmenter, Coach Roundy, Mr. Henry J. Carlson of the firm of Coolidge and Carlson, architects, the Honorable Benedict F. Maher of Augusta, Chairman Wadsworth of the Board of Trustees, President-elect Johnson, and that genial friend of the Colby family, Mr. Charles Brown. Mr. Sturtevant and Mr. Drummond, of the Board of Trustees, came down from Maine to attend the meeting.

Professor Parmenter, representing the faculty, gave an admirable resume of the changes and advances made at the college during the past year, while Coach Roundy reviewed the athletic season and outlined the prospects for the baseball team. Mr. Maher, himself a graduate of Georgetown but long actively interested in Colby, spoke with great feeling of the contributions of the college through its graduates to the life of Maine and the nation. Architects' sketches and plans for the proposed gymnasium were presented and explained by Mr. Carlson, the designer of them. Chairman Wadsworth summarized the extended work of the committee of the trustees appointed to secure a new president. He said that the selection of Dr. Johnson for the position had been received everywhere among the alumni with complete approval and heartiest enthusiasm. He then presented Dr. Johnson whose remarks, because they relate so vitally to the future of the college, are here quoted somewhat at length.

"I spent the first week in January in Waterville. My purpose was to learn all I could about the college. I soon realized that, while I was on a visit of inspection, I myself was under inspection quite as searching and severe. The service clubs of the city, the men and women students, the faculty members and their wives all had a chance to see me in action. I realize that again I am under inspection tonight; and tomorrow I am to meet the Boston women at luncheon. All I can say is that if the college, and by this I mean the trustees, students, faculty, and alumni are half as well pleased with me as I am with them, I am well satisfied.

"I have been much gratified at the large number of letters I have received from the alumni and friends of the college, expressing their loyalty to the institution and their desire to cooperate with us who are responsible for its work. In some of these letters there has been a note that I have not liked, indicating a misunderstanding which I wish to correct.

"Several have referred to my acceptance of the presidency as representing a sacrifice on my part. I wish to say that I am making no sacrifice. I am returning to Colby because I wish to do so. I consider leaving a professorship at Columbia University for the presidency of Colby College a promotion.

"Other letters have indicated that I am doing my duty. There is a group of expressions with a somewhat sombre connotation like 'the New England conscience', 'setting a good example', and 'doing one's duty'. Setting a good example has been defined as trying to get others to do what one does not like to do himself. Doing one's duty may be similarly defined as getting oneself to do what one would gladly escape. Now, I am not doing my duty in coming to Colby, for I am doing what pleases me most. I hope, of course, that I am doing my duty in the broader sense of the term, but not in the narrow sense in which the expression is so frequently used.

"It seems to be assumed that a man when elected to the presidency of a college must have new and striking policies about which he wishes to tell the world. If this is a test of fitness, I do not qualify. I have been engaged in education all my working life, but I have only recently been elected and am not yet a college president. I am going to devote the time between now and next June to an attempt to find out how good presidents administer their col-
leges and more specifically how Colby College has been administered. As a matter of fact, I have found the college so well administered by the executive committee in charge, that they do not really need a president. The only reason for my going to the college is that I may relieve these men from their administrative tasks in order they may devote all their time to the more important duties of teaching.

"What I am most interested in just now is the question of what a college is for. If we can decide with definiteness what a college and more specifically our college should undertake to accomplish, we could then address ourselves to our job with less waste effort and more likelihood of success.

"I have up to this time got no further than the rather obvious fact that the only reason for a college is that students may be taught. A college must have trustees and alumni, it must have material equipment and funds to provide for its work, but the only really essential factors are teachers and students. A college has obligations to the past and to the future but it is only as it gives the best possible education to the present students that it can fulfill these obligations. Reduced to its lowest terms then, it is for the students, here and now, that the college exists.

"Among other conditions which I placed before the trustees and which they accepted is this: that my chief function shall be regarded as the improvement of the college as an educational institution. To this end I shall endeavor to fill each vacancy that may arise in our staff with the best man or woman available. I shall try through observation in the classrooms, through faculty meetings and individual and group conference to improve our professional spirit and teaching technique. If I have any fitness for the position I am to assume, my interests and experience should qualify me to serve the college in this way. I have clearly outlined my purpose to the faculty. I shall approach this not in a spirit of criticism but of helpfulness. I shall wish to cooperate with them. Their cordial spirit, expressed in many ways, assures me that they will cooperate with me.

"There are important problems of curriculum as well as of teaching. Some of these the faculty are now taking up. We shall devote much time to a consideration of these problems, realizing that a changing society requires a changing curriculum.

"I can speak with more definiteness and probably with greater interest to you about some of the material factors that enter into the training of our students.

"There are four correlating centers around which the work of a college is organized for each of which adequate housing and equipment is necessary. No one of these is suitably provided for at present. I will speak of these not in the order of their importance.

"First, the administrative center. At present the treasurer's office is in the old recitation hall. The offices of the president and registrar are in Chemical Hall, as will also be that of the dean, a new office to be created next year. There is also needed a manager of buildings and grounds. A new building should be provided to house all these offices and thus provide for a more efficient administration.

"The library is the correlating center of the intellectual life of a college. Few of you realize the improvements that have been made in our library and the enlargement of its service. But the present building can never be made adequate to our needs. The other day I was going through this building with Professor Marriner who told me of the plan to improve the basement for stockroom purposes. The energy and ingenuity that are used to make inadequate equipment serve a very large purpose are highly commendable. But we can not be satisfied
with what we have. The thought of what irreparable loss a fire would cause makes me shudder. We could replace the building but we could not restore the valuable material which it houses. Happily there is a possibility that this need will be supplied.

"The Chapel is the correlating center of the social life of a college. Fraternities, class organizations, and to some extent the departmental organization of instruction are divisive in their tendency. It is in the common meetings of students and faculty that a college becomes an entity and finds its soul. In the old days the chapel was large enough to accommodate us all, men and women together. When I met the men of the college the other day there were many who had to stand around the walls. An imperative need is a new building to provide adequately for chapel and general student gatherings, as well as for various other social activities that are essential to a healthy college life.

"The fourth center provides for the physical activities of the college. The old gymnasium once met the needs. I need not tell you that it has long since ceased to do so. You will hear this evening the details of the plan that will soon supply our needs. The effort begun by President Roberts to raise $100,000 for this purpose was checked by his death. It has now been resumed on a much larger scale with every prospect of success. The plan involves an equipment to cost $300,000, perhaps $350,000. But these buildings, if we stopped there, would entail a financial liability for maintenance. To prevent this, it is proposed to raise a full half million dollars.

"Now I realize that there are two possible objections that may be raised to this plan by those who are sincerely interested in the success of the college. It may seem to some that this program aims only at the development of athletic teams and that no such sum of money should be devoted to that purpose. If this were the end sought, I should be in full sympathy with anyone who opposes the plan on that ground. But the purpose is far broader than this. It looks to the development of a broad health program, with suitable physical activities for all the men of the college, whose aim will be the dissemination of health information and the development of ideals and habits of wholesome and effective physical activity which will function throughout life. Better college teams may be the result but these will be not the main purpose, but rather a by-product of a comprehensive plan of physical education.

"The other objection that may be raised is that this provision for physical education will be quite out of proportion to that made for other activities quite as important, perhaps more important. This is true but, instead of being a valid objection, seems to me to make the full success of the undertaking all the more desirable. We Colby men need to have our imaginations stirred. We ought not to think of what the college will be in ten years or twenty-five years; we should think in terms of centuries. If this college is worth maintaining now and those who are in charge now and in the years to come fulfill their tasks with wisdom and devotion, Colby College ought to be going strong five hundred years from now, meeting the changed conditions which will exist then as we are trying to meet them now. This new unit in our equipment will give us a pattern to which we must measure up. We must expect to make the other needed units to which I have referred consistent, not with the old buildings which they will replace, but with the physical education buildings which we are soon to erect. Many of us will not live to see it in reality, but we should have the imagination and the faith to picture ourselves a new Colby, a bigger Colby, not necessarily in respect to numbers, but a better Colby, more adequately and beautifully equipped, with an improved and better paid faculty, to carry on the work of more than a century already past, in line with the fine traditions of faith and sacrifice which have been growing stronger with the years.

"This is not the occasion for an extended eulogy of President Roberts. Nothing that I might say would add to the love that all of us have for him and to the recognition of his service to the college. The only regret I have in coming to this position is that it was made possible only by the death of my friend Arthur Roberts. The warmth of the reception that Colby people are giving me everywhere is not so much an expression of your feeling toward me as of your love for the college which he inspired. He bound us all to him with enduring bonds, but more than that he bound us to the college which he loved and for which he laid down his life. His enduring influence is also seen in the fact that the students were never more loyal than they are today, the faculty were never more harmonious and devoted to their work, the trustees were never more interested in furthering constructive plans for the development of the college. The college has not been marking time in the interim following the death of the president; it has been going forward.

"The seeds sown by Arthur Roberts are
germinating and will bear fruit for many years. In very truth, I shall reap the fruits of his labors. For years to come I shall be given credit, by the unthinking, that belongs to him. I hope that I may, for my part, sow some seed that will bear fruit after I am gone."


AT CHICAGO

By William Joseph Pollack, A.B., '21

The annual meeting of the Chicago Colby Alumni, held at the Union League Club, Thursday evening, March 14th, opened with a real enthusiasm, which always marks a Colby gathering. It closed with an enthusiasm that was remarkable, even for the Chicago group.

Quite true to form, every Colby man in Chicago was there, or reported by telegram (Boston and New York Alumni Associations please copy). The undergraduates will be interested to know that Davidson, '28, came all the way from Omaha, where he is engaged in the advertising business, to be with us. Twenty-one were present.

The first event of the evening was instructions to the Secretary to convey to Mr. Frank D. Mitchell the regrets of the Chicago Colby Club at his enforced absence on account of illness. This dinner was the first Colby affair that Mr. Mitchell has ever missed. The Chicago Colby Alumni appreciate that Mr. Mitchell is not only a most staunch member of the Chicago Colby Club but that he is also a wise counselor and loyal friend of every Colby man in Chicago and particularly the younger men.

We have an old custom in our meetings, and it was adhered to at the opening. Each one introduces himself, giving his name, business, and length of time in Chicago. This gives rise to some game of oratory, often as unexpected to
the speaker as the listeners. Sullivan, '25, Sears Roebuck catalog expert, gave the sparkling effort of the evening. It included such unique facts as seeing a couple of people when he got off the train, on arriving at Chicago, and finding that it was Moose Cook, and the intimate details of his first robbery. Needless to say, he was the party robbed, and not the robber.

The undergraduates can never guess what a message such as we received from the president-elect means to us who have been away for a time. Its keen analysis and sure delivery soon convinced us that Dr. Johnson has the situation in hand, and knows definitely what he is going to do about it.

Of course, we all went, first of all, to see Dr. Johnson, for the thoughts of President Roberts are still green in the minds of all of us. Dr. Johnson certainly can say "Veni, vidi, vici." He is a man's man, and will carry through all of the things that President Roberts hoped to do, and many more things that all the lovers of the college hope will be done. It is certain that he will never criticize unnecessarily, but on the other hand, no one can ever doubt that he will not hesitate to criticize when criticism is necessary.

Mr. Brown was a treat to us out here, for two reasons: First, of course, because the business-like plan and method of procedure that he presented insure success to the $500,000 drive, if adhered to. We know, in business, that organization is the principal factor, and Mr. Brown convinced us that he is not only organized, but has the most perfect tools possible to work with, in the members of his various committees. The second reason why Mr. Brown was a treat to us is because of his genuine New England twang. We do not hear it often out here, and it certainly sounded good.

Perhaps the most significant features of all was the discussion following the speeches by our two visitors. This discussion began shortly after nine, and open forum was held until 11:15. Every phase of the campaign and many of the college's problems were discussed, pro and con, everybody from the newest to the oldest graduates taking an active part, the whole debate enlivened by witty interchanges between the president-elect and Shailer Mathews and many others of the older men.

A large group from the classes from '20 to '25 was in evidence. This group includes Wyman, the two Sullivans (Art and Sylvester), Moose Cook, Mickey Driscoll, Fred Eastman, Ed Price, and several others.

The following committee was elected as the Chicago Branch of the Development Fund Committee: Dr. Shailer Mathews, Leslie H. Cook, J. C. Hetherington, Herbert S. Philbrick, Dr. L. B. Arey, Dr. Chas. P. Small, Mr. Will H. Lyford, E. L. Wyman, S. P. Wyman.

Mr. E. L. Wyman and Mr. S. P. Wyman were re-elected respectively to the offices of President and Secretary.

Telegrams were dispatched to Mr. Wadsworth and General Lord to assure them of the confidence and cooperation of the Chicago Colby Club with their endeavors.

Regrets expressing their inability to attend the meeting were received from the following: W. H. Lyford, T. R. Hodgkins, F. D. Mitchell, A. E. Brudno, Dr. Charles P. Small, Charles H. Dodge, Homer Berry, Stephen Brann, S. Herrick, F. Herrick.

Those present at the dinner included the following: Leslie H. Cook, E. B. Price, J. Pollack, J. C. Hetherington, Dr. Shailer Mathews, John Wells, F. H. Eastman, Herbert S. Philbrick, Dr. L. B. Arey, Arthur J. Sullivan, Albert Robinson, Sylvester Sullivan, E. M. Pope, F. E. Hathaway, Henry Harriman, Dr. W. V. Driscoll, E. L. Wyman (President), S. P. Wyman (Secretary), Franklin W. Johnson (President-elect), Charles S. Brown, Mr. Davidson, '30.

AT NEW YORK

By Paul M. Edmunds, '26, Secretary

About seventy members of the New York Colby Alumni Association attended the annual Colby dinner of the association held in the interests of the Colby College $500,000 Development Fund in the college hall of the Hotel Astor, Tuesday evening, March 12. The gathering was addressed by President-elect, Dr. Franklin W. Johnson; Professor Ernest C. Marriner, chairman of the executive committee; Dr. William J. Wilkinson, who will return as head of the history department next fall; Charles S. Brown, director of the Development Fund; and Henry J. Carlson, Boston architect and designer of the proposed new men's gymnasium. Thomas G. Grace, '21, president of the association, acted as toastmaster.

Professor Marriner was the first speaker of
the evening. He stated that he brought to the alumni of New York the general news budget of the college. But speaking more specifically of the project of the Development Fund Committee he said, "Colby deserves some of the good things of the earth. She has accomplished things and is accomplishing things of which we are all proud. Her record is such that she deserves them on the merit of it." Professor Marriner also spoke of Colby's ability to live within her income and of the remarkable qualities of her treasurer, Frank B. Hubbard, whose influence in the lives of Colby students has been great. He stated that, although Colby may live within her income, she is doing everything within her power to increase that income. And her friends are helping her in this for she has received outright or contingent gifts recently aggregating $60,000. The result of the expenditure of dollars and cents, Professor Marriner told the alumni, has been the securing of the best group of young instructors in some years. He said that there is also a wide variety of interests in the college that make possible the graduation of such men as Danny Shanahan, the first Colby man to enter professional baseball since the famous Jack Coombs. In the field of undergraduate activities he remarked upon the favorable comments that the publications were receiving and praised particularly the "Anthology of Recent Colby Verse," edited by Norris W. Potter, Jr., '29. In conclusion he said that Colby was this year beginning a placement bureau to aid her students after graduation.

All of this progress he attributed to a "faith and loyalty to President Roberts."
"Of all institutions Colby has my heart," Dr. Wilkinson, the second speaker said. "I feel a genuine pleasure at the prospect of getting back to Colby. It is a matter of sentiment with me. I am reminded of that portion of the marriage ceremony which reads 'that which God has joined together let no man put asunder.' It was the most forceful argument that I could use in telling the president of the University of Vermont why I could not stay another year at the university. Colby is particularly fortunate in the election of Dr. Johnson, and she will be put far ahead as a result. Colby may lack the externals but she possesses the essentials. Her scholarship places her at an advantage with such graduate schools as Harvard Law School." Dr. Wilkinson said that he considered further essentials to be the real inner life of the college such as her chapel, her athletics, her reading student body, and her faculty. Under a new president he predicted a new era of advancement.

President-elect Johnson reiterated his statement to the student body made last January to the effect that he is making no sacrifice in coming to Colby. And he does not feel it a duty or in the Puritan sense of the word, something unpleasant. He announced that he would inaugurate no new policies, but he intended through
his reading, to get "the low-down" on the job or being a college president. "A college exists that boys and girls may be educated," he stated. "It is a place where students should be under the direction of elders." Dr. Johnson said he considered that Colby does not need a president as far as administration is concerned. But he believes that his coming to the college will give the members of the faculty executive committee more time to attend to the more important task of teaching. "I shall be a sort of errand boy and carry water to the front ranks who are the faculty," he announced. He pointed out the four centers of college life as administrative center, library, chapel, and physical education department. These are inadequate and presented the challenge that caused the modest goal of $100,000 set for a gymnasium by President Roberts to grow into the $500,000 Development Fund project.

"The new gymnasium will not be merely for athletics and better teams, but for a broad health program. And if the amount to be expended seems out of proportion it means that the play of imagination is necessary to foresee college units on a higher plane than those now in use." Dr. Johnson concluded his remarks by paying tribute to the late President Roberts and asserting that what may materialize during his administration will be largely due to the seed sown by him.

Henry J. Carlson, the architect of the proposed gymnasium, explained screen projections showing plans and sketches. Charles S. Brown, director of the Development Fund, outlined his work and told of the enthusiastic reception with which the proposal was meeting at the hands of alumni, students, and friends.

The nominating committee of the association under the chairmanship of Merle Crowell, '10, editor of the "American Magazine," reported a renomination of the officers for the past year which was accepted by the group, namely, Thomas G. Grace, '21, President, Paul M. Edmunds, '26, Secretary. A committee was then chosen to assist in the work of the Development Fund Committee.

AT HARTFORD


April 19th was Colby Day in the valley of the Connecticut. From Greenfield on the North to New Haven on the south Colby's loyal hosts came together half way between in the fine old city of Hartford. The Bond Hotel was the place of meeting. The advance agents, Seaverns' '01, Robinson, '06, Greeley, '15, had done their work well. They had their reward in the large number present and the excellence of the program throughout.

Seaverns, '01 president of the Association, presided at the head table. "Al" Keith, '97, presided at the opposite end of the dining room. Be it said at this point that "Al" knows his stuff. For his full allotment of time he had no difficulty in getting the crowd to look his way. As cheer leader, chorister, dramatic reader, etc, Keith has a life job with the Connecticut Valley Colby Alumni Association. (How Prexy Roberts enjoyed "Al" Keith's roughhouse! And frankly we had convincing evidence that Prexy-elect Johnson enjoyed it too.)

As for the speaking—it was the right kind throughout. Seaverns has a genius for presiding and knows how to say the right thing. Professor Marriner left no doubt in our minds as to his fitness for the new office of Dean. His statements regarding the purpose of the College to assist in placing graduates in vocational positions were of deep interest.

President-elect Johnson was received with whole-hearted enthusiasm. He gave us a good speech. We believe in him as a modest, self-reliant, well informed, forward looking man. The right man for the place. His story of "How I would spend a million dollars" is good enough to be given the large circulation which the direction of the Development Fund propose to give it. This story as told by himself carries the conviction that Dr. Johnson stands for a fine idealism for life and for a very substantial type of education. May his dreams for Colby come true!

The undergraduate body of the College was represented by G. Cecil Goddard, '29, Chairman of the Student Committee for the Colby Development Fund, John S. Davidson, '31, and Philip Thibodeau, '32.

Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, was reelected president, and Royden K. Greeley, '13, was reelected secretary.

In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Seaverns opened their beautiful home, one of the most beautiful in a city of many beautiful homes, for a reception for all Colby folks, men and women. All were eager to meet President-elect Johnson, and they listened with delight to his informal words of greeting and his expressions of appreciation of the loyalty of the Colby women and their devotion to the College. He made special mention of the very great satisfaction felt by the trustees and faculty in the return of Miss Nettie M. Runnals, '08, to become Dean of the Women's Division of the College.

Professor Marriner too was most cordially received when he was introduced by Dr. Johnson as the dean of the Men's Division.

Later in the evening the alumnae met for dinner in the dining room of the Hazel Young Cafeteria recently opened in Hartford by Miss Hazel Young, '14. The after dinner speaker was the talented wife of Arthur G. Robinson, '06. Mrs. Robinson told in a most interesting way of the experiences of eleven years' residence in China.

Among those present at the dinner were the following:


**COLBY INSTRUCTORS RE-ELECTED FOR ANOTHER YEAR**

**ALFRED KING CHAPMAN, M.A., '25**
Instructor in English

**JOHN REED WALDEN, M.A.**
Instructor in English
The New Dean of Men

By the Editor

For many years now the Alumnus has advocated the creation of the office of Dean of Men on the assumption that such an official could be of immense help to the President of the College in relieving him of a thousand and one details of administration. The idea never appealed to the late President Roberts. He could best conduct the work of president without delegating to others some of the presidential odds and ends. That was his make-up, and no one ever sought to change his ideas. But few will doubt that his long and intense application, his desire to do things personally, shortened his life by twenty years and robbed the College of his ripening wisdom.

When the Editor of the Alumnus extended to President-elect Johnson congratulations on his election, he did not hesitate to point out to him the fatal mistake made by his predecessor in office, and urged him to have the Board of Trustees re-create the office of Dean and to place in that office the right type of man. It is probably true that such a suggestion trailed the progressive ideas already held on the subject by the President-elect, but the Alumnus claims a little credit for urging him to make his burdens lighter. And the Alumnus Editor also takes some credit to himself for good judgment in having expressed to the member of the Faculty who has since been elected Dean, that he should be the one to wear the new robe of the office.

It makes a great deal of difference who holds the office of Dean of Men of a college. If he is wise in his judgment, if his life is clean and of heroic mold, and if he is willing to look upon youth as brick in the making then the college is reasonably safe from having a student body mis-directed. There are Deans, and then there are Deans, and some colleges were infinitely better off without some who held that enviable position.

Colby has had but two Deans in her long history. Just before the late President Roberts was elected to head the Faculty of the College he was named Dean, and served in that capacity for a year or more. Records do not show how largely he filled the usual duties of such an office, but he was Colby’s Dean nevertheless. The Board of Trustees at the April meeting is not therefore to be known in history as the body that created for the first time the office of Dean of Men in Colby. It is historically correct to say that the present Board re-created the office of Dean. Neither is it historically correct to say that the new incumbent is the first Dean of Men that Colby ever had. So much for the facts.

Professor Ernest Cummings Marriner, the new Dean of Men, is a member of the present Faculty of the College and therefore in closest touch with our college life and its many problems. He is also serving this year as chairman of the Executive Committee of the College, and this work has brought him into most intimate contact with the endless administrative details. He is a young man of excellent training, of keen business acumen, of highest moral code, a forceful and pleasing speaker, and disposed to seek agreement with human kind rather than disagreement. Best of all, because such an office as he will fill requires it, he possesses a strong physical body. It is doubtful if much search in many fields would have brought to the fore a young man better fitted to assume the duties which, after September next, must be his to take up. And the College should count itself fortunate in this regard.

Ernest Cummings Marriner, A.B., ’13
Newly Elected Dean of Men
An accurate account of his life follows:

Professor Marriner took his Bachelor of Arts degree from Colby in the class of 1913. He was born in Bridgton, Maine, October 16, 1891 and graduated from Bridgton high school in 1909 as valedictorian of his class and entered Colby the following fall. He was especially popular as an undergraduate and participated in many extra-curricular activities. In the course of his four years he received special honors as a speaker and in scholarship. He was a member of Colby's intercollegiate debating teams. He is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Scholarship society and of the Alpha Tau Omega social fraternity.

From 1913 to 1921 Professor Marriner was the head of the English department at Hebron Academy, and during his last year there served as acting principal. In 1921 he took a position with Ginn & Co., book publishers, as Maine representative, which position he left in 1923 to become professor of bibliography and librarian at Colby. As Librarian, Professor Marriner has instituted many progressive changes during the past five years. The library staff has been increased from the librarian and four student assistants to a force of twelve student assistants, two salaried clerks, and an assistant librarian. The student use of the library has increased 300 per cent during that time. Over forty thousand Government documents have been classified and made available for use, a reserve book room has been created and a reserve book system inaugurated, in fact the College library system has been made to compare favorably with those of the other Maine colleges. The library appropriation has also increased sixty per cent since his becoming librarian.

In the fall of 1927 when illness compelled the absence of the late President Roberts, Prof. Marriner took over the duties as adviser to freshmen and served as a member of the executive committee of the College in charge of the administration. At the commencement meeting of the trustees last June, Professor Marriner was chosen to succeed Dr. Julian D. Taylor as chairman of the executive committee.

In affairs other than those directly connected with the College Professor Marriner has been especially prominent. In 1925 he was president of the Waterville Kiwanis Club; in 1928 president of the Maine Library Association, and during the present year he is book reviewer of biography for the Portland Evening News. As a lecturer he has appeared before numerous audiences speaking on the topics, "Life-Rafts of Reading," "Better Than Their Fathers," "Lives that Remind Us," and "The Naughty Nineteen-Twenties."

His courses at Colby have included bibliography, a study of the use and history of reading materials, and a course in Teachers' English. Last fall he instituted a course in Freshman Orientation designed to familiarize the student with scope and aim of College life.

Commenting upon the selection of Professor Marriner as dean of men, Dr. Franklin W. Johnson, president-elect of Colby made the following statement:

"The trustees have taken a very important step in providing for the office of dean of men. They have thus relieved the president of many pressing details and made possible the enlargement of the work of administration to include a more extensive study of the problems of student personnel. The selection of Professor Marriner for this new post seems quite natural. His acquaintance with the students and his qualifications for the work are apparent. His experience as chairman of the Executive Committee, which has directed the internal affairs of the college during the past year, has proven his capacity for administration."

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**Thirty Years Out**

**By Harry Sanford Brown, A.B., '99**

Stevens, '89, has written most interestingly in the last issue of the Alumnus regarding the reunion of his class. He says that because of this reunion the next commencement will be *unique*; that there will be other reunions, but that he will not be aware of them.

How strange that he should not be aware that at the same time occurs the reunion of the class of '99. How strange that the anniversary of such an unusual class should fail to be of paramount interest, and yet it is not strange because when we look back over previous years, we realize how few of the many graduates we have known. And when a reunion of our own class comes along, it is to us, of course, the unique reunion.
Yes, Stevens, we agree. The next commencement will be unique. A few of us will be interested in our reunions, but all will be interested in the inauguration of President Johnson, and here again '99 comes in with unusual interest in this event, because several members of '99 were also members of the first class Principal Johnson graduated from Coburn,—the class that really gave him the right start in his successful career.

According to his own statement (I have heard him say it) we took him when he was a "brash and inexperienced youth" and with the training we gave him in Coburn he has grown until he has become, we believe, the unanimous and happy choice of all: President of Colby.

I have lived within a stone’s throw of the college long enough to see several presidents come and go, and I am glad to say that never have I seen a more enthusiastic and cordial reception given to any than that being accorded President Johnson. If a glad welcome is any criterion, his success in the new venture is most certainly assured.

But I was asked to write about the reunion of '99. Where are the members of this famous class, and whence will they come? First, the four ministers: Bishop, Chase, Hanson, and Martin. They have often returned and we shall expect them again this year. Yes, Martin, we know you are going to Europe, but why go on such an unimportant trip as that and miss our reunion? George, you had better reconsider. As to the lawyers, Waldron will doubtless come, and Guild, because of a physical handicap, cannot come, but will send one of his usual cheerful letters. And Dr. Charles Shannon, "Cornet" Shannon, as "Prof. Rob" used to address him, will doubtless come up from Philadelphia, as he married a wife from our town and she brings him home often. "Will" Brown, the furniture merchant, and his wife, a '99 graduate, will of course come down from Old Town, and Colin Dascombe I met last year at the Colby reunion. The same old Colin except in the way he parts his hair. (There is none to part.) He is following the ancient art of weaving silk down in New Jersey. He should come. And those four scholarly fellows who always took excellent rank so easily; Stevens in Michigan, Spencer in Ohio, Gurney in the Philippines, we hardly expect them, but there is hope. Warren in Dorchester, we surely expect him. Lynne Adams, and Merrick, the ex-merchant, and Pillsbury, ex-mayor of Saco, and Stewart and Maling and Vose, all living in Maine, cannot be excused for absence.

And then there are four men, (shall I call them Prodigal Sons?) who have never returned. I do not even know where they are living, as they never have answered any of our urgent pleas for just a word to report at reunion. I am hoping they will read this and repent.

Among the non-graduates we want to see Varney Putnam, the "Babe Ruth batter" of those days; also Joe Eells, the room-mate of jolly Henry Lamb. And that reminds me. We were in "Prof. Rob's" classroom reading original essays. Lamb, in reading his, gave this quotation: "A lamb in vipers clothing." "What," interrupted "Rob." "'A lamb in vipers clothing'" repeated Henry. "Well, Mr. Lamb, you are quoting Scripture, are you not?" "Yes" said Henry. "Are you sure you have it right?" asked "Rob." "I think so," said Henry. "Sure you do not mean, Lamb in Eells clothing?" queried "Rob."

Of course Henry saw the point and doubtless looked up the Scripture reference.

But the girls of '99. Where are they, and will they also return? Two of them, Maude Hoxie (Martin) and Alice Lowe (Brown) very wisely and well chose husbands from the class of '99. We are very sure Alice will be here with William, but Maude, well, she will
probably go to Europe with her husband. George will need a guide. Elivia Harriman (York), Josephine Ward (Dolliver), (both in Boston), Rachel Foster, (Whitman) (in New Jersey), Helen Bowman (Thompson), (in Connecticut) and Etta Purington (Parsons), (in Maine) should come, bring their husbands and introduce them to their classmates—to us, who played such an important part in their pre-matrimonial careers. And our pedagogical missionaries, Jennie Buck, teaching in Connecticut, Grace Russell in Virginia, and Agnes Stetson in Maine, will, we hope, be among the first to arrive. Home duties should not detain them. And last but not least, Alice Purinton, the “little mother” of the class, is still here with open house to welcome those who return. And right here let me say, at her suggestion, we have arranged for a home for ’99 during commencement week. A home with rooms for all, families included with no expense except for meals and a few incidentals. So if any wish to conserve their dollars and enjoy in common this home for ’99 just say the word and your reservation will be assured.

It has been my good fortune to be able to be present at commencement nearly every year since the class of ’99 graduated, thirty years ago. I do not recall that I have missed any, and I have been able to observe a great many reunions, including those of the oldest living graduates, when but three or four gray haired veterans have met, perhaps for the last time, as well as the reunions of those who, having been out but a few years, returning seem like college youths. And whether young or old come back for their anniversaries, always we see the joy of meeting again; the pleasure of reminiscence; the return in spirit of the happy college days.

So, classmates, why not come back to the thirtieth anniversary where you may again drink from this “Fountain of Youth,” pay homage to the memory of him we loved so well, Arthur Roberts, and extend a cordial greeting to his most welcome successor, Franklin Johnson, and to meet many of your classmates, so loyal to Colby, who will return, hoping to be able to see you. Come back, boys, and girls too! Come back!

Student Gospel Team Work in Burma

By Vernelle W. Dyer, A.B., ’15

The program of this past week-end, (July 25, 1927) as a sample of what goes on nearly every week at the three seminaries, will interest you:

1. Hlawga:
   Three Karen churches and a 7th Standard Vernacular school, majority of pupils Burmese. Two of our English Seminary students, with three from the Karen Seminary, went to prepare for the evangelistic campaign, starting prayer groups, explaining, etc. Thara San Ba of Newton Seminary and I preached my “Do You Care?” sermon, after which over one hundred Karen Christians promised to pray for one week for their Buddhist neighbors (Karen or Burman) and speak to at least one about accepting Christ. Our English Seminary boys taught the leaders Bible lessons upon the Worth of a Soul, Science of Prayer, Four Sins of Humanity and Four Needs and Desires of Humanity. We expect to begin a campaign there Thursday night, after Saya Ah Kok has given purity lectures in the school three days this week.

2. Gyogon, Beyond Hlergu:
   Saya Ah Kok with Mg. Tun Tun (recently converted brother of Saya Ba Han of the Seminary) and Ko Ko Gyi, champion featherweight Burmese boxer, went to follow up a new interest there.

3. Shwepee:
   John Thet Gyi of Judson College, now of our English Seminary, took three students from the Burmese Seminary where they prepared for Gospel campaign somewhat as was done at Hlawga.

4. Okkan:
   Dr. H. I. Marshall took four of his Karen students to work in the nearby villages, while he preached at Okkan and Tharrawaddy.

5. Tagoondine:
   Peter Hla of our English Seminary had three from the Karen seminary with him to work there and to prepare a Burman and his Karen wife for baptism (the first Christians in that village).
6. GA.MOO:
Four Karen theological students went to answer a call for help.

7. KERBYINO:
U Po Myat, father of Thara Ban Ba, took three students for house-to-house visiting.

8. HTAUKKYAN:
One Burmese woman I baptized (my second time all in Burmese) and Saya Aung Ba of the Burman Seminary, with Mr. Josif and others, had the Lord’s supper.

In all 33 from the Seminary Hill were working for Christ over the week-end.

Since the first of July, twenty students from the seminaries, ten from the Burman and ten from the Karen, and all four from the English Seminary have done gospel work either in groups of three or in large campaigns of a dozen students every week-end. They are keener than ever about Gospel Team work at Judson College now and there is good cooperation all around. I have used 23 different Judson College students during the last month and over 40 before the hot season.

August 15.
The following accounts of Gospel Team work are taken from the Burma News:

TOUNGOO
"Can the Lord depend on you,
   Can the Lord depend on you,
   Will He find you ever true,
   Can the Lord depend on you."

At recess, at noon, on Sunday, I hear this chorus on the lips of the children, little and big. I am sure that many if not most of these children are singing these words from their hearts as well. For during the three days that Mr. Dyer and the Gospel Team spent with us, we all had great searchings of heart and moments of very close communion with Jesus. Teachers and students alike had been prepared in mind and heart by Mr. Dyer and Saya Ah Kok who came to us for a short time ten days before the actual campaign. Mg. Ko Ko Gyi, with his almost boyish earnestness, as well as Saw Ka Zin, also helped reach the hearts of the boys before the campaign. The four young men from the Seminary and the eight young men from Judson College were every one fine specimens of manhood whom we all admired and liked. Their motto "Service" seemed truly exemplified in the lives of all of them. Our teachers enjoyed and were greatly helped by the classes for Bible Study and Prayer which Mr. Dyer held for them. A valuable thing indeed it was for our older boys, most of them already Christians, to have their faith strengthened and to have puzzling questions helpfully answered by Saya Ah Kok. We are all greatly rejoiced that fifty-three children, of whom seven or eight are Burmans, have said that they wanted to give their hearts to Jesus. Most of them will be baptized later in the year after some needful instruction. Moreover I feel that besides helping us to get actual decisions for Christ, these young men with their competent leaders rendered us a real service in showing our younger boys, but particularly our older ones, what fine young men of every race can be and do if they have consecrated themselves to the service of our wonderful Master.

Charity C. Carmichael

MOULMEIN
Time was when I felt justified in excusing myself for not writing to the "News" because I had nothing to write about. But such an excuse can hardly hold this time, because the College Gospel Team has been here and assisted us in a most successful meeting, and we are rejoiced over the results.

Just before the Gospel Team came we were fortunate in having Mr. Bannerjee with us for two days, Saturday and Sunday, speaking to the
Christians, and meeting the teachers in preparation for the meetings. Mr. Bannerjee's earnestness and fine spirit won us all, and after his conference with the teachers on "The Opportunities of the Teacher for Soul Winning," it seemed to me that our teachers were nearer ready for a meeting of this kind, than they have been at any time since I have worked with them.

We were glad, also, to have Saya Ah Kok back in Moulmein again, and appreciated his help in the days between Mr. Bannerjee's visit and the arrival of the Gospel Team. He gave interesting and impressive Chapel talks each day at 9 A.M., and Health Lectures to the boys at 3:30 each afternoon. In the evening he met the teachers in prayer-meeting and Bible study. He went about his work in a quiet way and we did not realize until the week was almost over what a hold he had gained on our Buddhist day scholars, mostly Burmans. Some of these who have been in school several years, and who have never appeared to be touched by what they heard, have said for the first time that they would like to be Christians.

Ko Ko Gyi accompanied Saya Ah Kok, and through his testimony and leadership in sports helped to make the Gospel message more attractive.

On Friday morning the Gospel Team with Mr. Dyer and Mr. D. O. Smith arrived, and from that time on there was not an idle moment. It was a continual round of testimony meetings, Bible classes and prayer-meetings. In the evenings there were games and concerts that were well attended by our Buddhist Day Scholars and a number of parents of those children. There was a fine spirit through it all, and we felt that God was in our midst and speaking to many hearts.

It is impossible to know of all the good that has been done. There has been a newer and deeper consecration among our teachers, and the deepening and enriching of the Christian lives of our older boys and girls has brought us much joy. Most of the new decisions were from Christian homes, of course. But nine of those from Buddhist homes have asked for baptism. Perhaps the most outstanding decision was that of one of our Seventh Standard, Buddhist, Bridge Scholarship boys, a very bright and capable student. He has been in the school for five years, and through as many series of special meetings, but we have never been successful in reaching him. His teachers and the missionaries have watched over him and prayed earnestly for him all these years. His decision to follow Christ, cost what it may, has filled our hearts full of the joy of answered prayer.

(Editor's Note: The Principal of the Baptist Normal School, of Rangoon, has written of Mr. Dyer's work as follows:)

"In the Mission work here Rev. V. W. Dyer has charge of the Department of Student Evangelism and Gospel Team work. Students are sent out from the Burmese and the Karen Seminaries at Insein to the surrounding villages on week-end trips. On their return they report to Mr. Dyer, who in this way learns conditions and can definitely plan village campaigns. The teams are made up of eight or ten college boys either from Judson College or from the Seminaries. Different ones are taken on each trip. In this way those who have a real desire to help lead others to Christ are given an opportunity of doing definite Christian work. The Gospel Team plan is a mighty fine one, I think, for the Christian youths who make up these teams not only exercise a great influence over members of their race, but greatly strengthen their own personal religion as well. In addition to the students, Mr. Dyer usually takes a teacher or two, and his assistant Saya Ah Kok, who is of Chinese descent, well educated, and an exceedingly pleasant and capable Christian worker.

Notice to Class of 1909

To all members of the Class of 1909, both men and women, who will return for their twentieth reunion next June, it is announced that there will be a gathering for dinner on the reunion day. Will all members of the class who read this notice kindly write to Leon C. Guptill, 11 Beacon Street, Boston, and let him know whether they will attend.

The time is short and something must be done. Arrangements will be made for such a dinner provided a sufficient number of replies reach Mr. Guptill.
Commencements of Other Years

BY THE EDITOR

The following two programs of the Commencement Exercises of 1840 and 1841 have recently come into the hands of the Editor. They present interesting contrasts to the exercises to be held in 1929, nearly 90 years later.

Order of exercises for the eighteenth Annual Commencement of Waterville College, August 12, 1840.

Prayer
Music.
   Marshall Spring Chase, Waterville.
   Lewis Holmes, Plymouth, Mass.
   Wilder Brown Start, Camden.
4. Oration, of the first class. The Influence of Classical Learning on National Character.
   Oakman Sprague Stearns, Bath.
5. Martyrdom.
   George Knox, Portland.
6. Oration, on the Fine Arts.* The Liberal Arts as affected by our System of Education.
   Barnabas Freeman, Fairfield.
   William Stevens Knapp, Fall River, Mass.
8. Oration, of the second class. Patriotism.
   Thamos Rainsford, Boston, Mass.
   William Tilley, Newport, R. I.
    Arthur Fuller Drinkwater, Bloomfield.
    Music.
    Martin Brewer Anderson, Bath.
12. Oration, of the second class. Aristocracy of Students.
    Samuel Waters Avery, Jefferson
    William Franklin Goldthwait, Augusta.
14. Oration, of the second class. The Principles of Christianity, the basis of advancement in Civilization.
    Lebbeus Kingman, Waltham.
    Simeon Heath Lowell, Chesterville.
    Music.
Conferring of Degrees
Prayer.

*Nineteenth Commencement of August 11, 1841:

Prayer.
Music.
1. Intermediate Oration. Salutatory Addresses.
   John Leese Moses, Exeter, N. H.
2. Essay. Religion, the basis of Civilization.
   Charles Collins Long, Bluehill.
3. Oration of the second class. Pursuit of Literature amid the common duties of Life.
   Alonzo Coburn, Bloomfield.
   Calvin Smith Pennell, Wrentham, Mass.
   Music.
   Samuel Weston Coburn, Bloomfield.
   John Webster Wiggin, Bradford, Mass.
   Calvin Bickford, Milo.
   John Wiggin Colcord, Exeter, N. H.
   Music.
9. Oration of the first class. Obstacles to the Perfection of Mental Science.
   Thomas Merrill, Newburyport, Mass.
    Josiah Harmon, Thorrndike.
    Charles Hathorne Wheeler, Waterville.
    Music.
Conferring of Degrees
Prayer.

*The Oration on the Fine Arts and the Philosophical Oration are of the same grade.
The Work of Albion Woodbury Small

By CURTIS HUGH MORROW, PH.D.

At a time when everyone connected with Colby College however remotely is becoming thoroughly interested in the development of a larger and better institution it is perhaps wise to recall the progress in intellectual achievement already made by some of the graduates of our College. No institution has more reason to be proud of the services she has rendered to the world than has the College founded in Waterville over one hundred years ago. Of these sons who have in every generation served mankind wherever there has been an opportunity no one has given a greater measure of service than has Albion Woodbury Small whose busy and scholarly life came to an end on March 24, 1926. It was his desire to contribute something to human progress. This he did in a very remarkable way.

The Colby Oracle for 1892, the last year that Dr. Small served as President of the College contains the following statement of his academic position.

ALBION W. SMALL, A.M., PH.D.,
President
Babcock Professor of Intellectual and Moral Philosophy.

Was prepared for college in Portland High School; graduated from Colby in 1876 with degree of A.B.; Newton Theological Institution, 1876-79; University of Berlin, 1879-80; University of Leipzig, 1880-1881; Professor of History and Political Economy at Colby University, 1881-89; Instructor in English and American Constitutional History, and student of History and Sociology, Johns Hopkins University, 1888-1889; elected President of Colby University, 1889; received degree of A.M., from Colby in 1879, degree of Ph.D., from Johns Hopkins in 1889. He is a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

This description gives a very inadequate idea of the great founder of the Science of Society. To picture the man as his contemporaries knew him is almost an impossibility. He was in the truest meaning of the words an ideal gentleman. Although a man of slightly below average height he held himself very erect and with great dignity. His voice was rich and pleasing and in dress he had as Professor Edward C. Hayes expressed it, the quiet elegance of an ambassador. Great modesty and magnanimity were two of the characteristics of this scholar which bound all who worked with him more closely to him as the years went by.

Albion Woodbury Small was one of the select few of the young men of his generation who sought higher education in European Universities. Graduation from Colby and from Newton did not suffice for this intellectual giant. Two additional years were spent in Germany where he was one of fifteen scholars who later brought about an intellectual awakening in the United States. Of the group of scholars who had been trained in Europe Albion Woodbury Small in the field of Sociology and G. Stanley Hall in Psychology were by far the most important. The latter founded the second University for graduate study in the United States and the former in 1893 the first Department of Sociology ever established in any institution in the world.

The life of Dr. Small during his presidency at Colby is best described in the words of the Colby Oracle of 1892.

"Coming as he did, with the spirit of youth yet filling his veins and with an energy and determination all his own President Small threw himself vigorously into every department of college life and all of them were quickened with his touch."

"At the outset President Small planned that the course should culminate in the Senior work in Sociology, in which he introduced such a course as is furnished by very few colleges in America. His ideal of a college course was to band it to an understanding of "The science men's endeavors to find out how to work this life for all it is worth." It is suggestive of the inspiration which he has given his pupils for the further and higher work that hardly a New England college today has as many men in Johns Hopkins as Colby, one of the smallest of these colleges."

It is evident from the many items referring to Dr. Small in the Colby Echo during the three years from 1889 to 1892 that his contacts with the students were very pleasant indeed.

"But what the students will probably remember most will be the companionable man who was always ready to help a younger brother with counsel and advice, and to stimulate him to loftier aims and aspirations. Many a student, too, will recall substantial aid at some crisis of
his affairs. President Small has been able as few men are to blend the qualities of skilful disciplinarian with those of genial friend."

The larger field which Dr. Small occupied after leaving Colby for the University of Chicago may best be indicated by a brief reference to his activities. In 1904 he was one of the three vice-presidents of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition held in St. Louis. He was the director of the World's Congress of Arts and Sciences held in connection with the exposition and later edited the reports of that congress. Few men were of greater influence than he in the organization of the American Sociological Society of which he was president for two consecutive years. In 1913 he was elected a member of the International Institute of Sociology at Paris.

As a writer of books in his chosen field Dr. Small was next to Lester F. Ward the most important producer. His first, and by many considered his greatest work, "General Sociology," a book of over seven hundred pages, was published in 1905. Two years after the publication of this book his second book, "Adam Smith and Modern Sociology" came from the press. The next book "The Cameralists" appeared in 1909 after another interval of two years. In this book he gave the American people the first adequate treatment of the German school of political economy. The next year saw "The Meaning of Social Science" come from the pen of Professor Small. In 1913 a book of four hundred thirty pages of exceedingly clever conversation was completed and given to the public. This book, "Between Eras" with the sub-title "From Capitalism to Democracy," is one of the most penetrating indictments of the modern competitive capitalist organization of business. The last book to come from his pen is entitled "Origins of Sociology." In this book which the author considered his maturest judgment he shows that Sociology was not the mere creature of a few philosophic individuals but a slowly growing science of society.

From his versatile pen came with surprising regularity books that were the product of finished scholarship. Through them all he had the ideal that once the Science of Sociology was written humanity would have a means of effectively guiding its social action. He was a pioneer crusader and prophet with scientific vision. In one of his letters he gives perhaps the best summary of his life work.

"If you consent to tell the world anything about me, do not mince matters at all in telling the plain blunt truth that I spent my life insisting that there is something at the far end of the sociological rainbow, and at the same time altering my view of what that something will turn out to be, with every year's accounting of stock."

Professor Hayes said of him: "Professor Small is a man of distinct personality. Of all his traits the most fundamental is that he is in earnest about life. He does not take life jestingly nor cynically but seriously and hopefully. This is the reason why he is a sociologist. His works can not convey to his successors an adequate understanding of the character of the man which caused his contemporaries to regard him not only with lasting honor but also with deep affection.

Dr. Julian Taylor*

BY FRED K. OWEN, A.B., '87, Editor

It was not alone the alumni of Colby College and citizens of Waterville who were interested in the 83rd birthday anniversary of Dr. Julian D. Taylor and the notice that was taken of the event by the college and the people of the city, for Dr. Taylor is vastly more than an ordinary college professor. Graduating from Colby away back in 1868 he began teaching Latin to the boys and later the girls who came to Colby and he has devoted himself to that task uninteruptedly for a period of 61 years. He has outlived many of those whom he instructed and he has taught sons and in several cases grandsons of Colby men or women. To all of these, it is to say nothing derogatory of others of the faculty to state that he is and for many years has been the outstanding member of the college teaching force.

When Colby men return to the college many would feel their visit incomplete if they did not look up their old teacher and give themselves the pleasure of once more grasping his hand and have their hearts gladdened by his kindly smile of recognition. And when men and

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women graduates, sending their children to Colby, undertake to tell them of the institution which is to become their alma mater, they will never fail to speak of Dr. Taylor to them and commend him to their regard and high respect.

It is not strange that Dr. Taylor has so impressed his personality upon those whom he has taught, but what is unusual is that he seems never to forget his old students. He remembers their names and faces and in most instances he knows about them and what they have been doing since leaving the institution. This is almost invariably true, despite the changes that the years bring.

It is said of Dr. Taylor that he is the oldest active college professor in the United States in point of service. He has served long, but his increasing years have in no wise detracted from the service that he has rendered to the college to which he has devoted his life. He is a wonderful instructor and during the period that has intervened since the death of the beloved President, Dr. Roberts, has been chairman of the committee of three of the faculty that has administered the affairs of the institution and has proved as wise an administrator as he is a good teacher. It is the testimony of the trustees and those in a position to know, that Colby has continued to progress, even though lacking a titular head for awhile and that this is true is due perhaps in chief measure to the wise and devoted leadership of the veteran teacher of Latin.

A few years ago Dr. Taylor came into possession of a considerable fortune, which would have enabled him to live leisurely. Thought of that may have come to him, but if it did, he gave it scant consideration. His admiring pupils found him at his desk, just as usual, and he has been there ever since. He has not taught to make a living but to serve. And he has done that,—few men as well and none better.

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The Boys of Another Day
By the Editor

The Editor of the Alumnus has just received from a friend of the College an old program of exercises of an event in the life of Waterville College that evidently did not receive the sanction of the college officials. The names mentioned on the program,—Dempsey, Drummond, Starkey, Wilbur, were members of the Class of 1846. The third page of the program contains the names of members of the classes of 1847 and 1848.

The reference to "Queen Piper" must remain for the time a mystery; the president at the time was Rev. David N. Sheldon. If the presidents of later years had problems of boy-management upon their hands, this program is pretty good evidence that the earlier presidents were not without their troubles. Who shall say if the years have brought the more serious youth?
Doors open precisely at six o'clock. After which no person will be admitted.

ANALYSIS OF EXCESSES

29. The Fair Sect. A Disquisition, illustrating the superiority of petticoat government, as exemplified in his own experience over democracy.

Hugh Dempsey.

MUSIC.—"I love the fair, the fair I love,
I e'er shall be their debtor.
I love the fair, yes everywhere,
But love potatoes better."—St. Patrick.

45. A Poem, subject—Rhythm of a Hornet's nest.

Josiah H. Drummond.

Without doubt the pointed remarks and stinging satire of this gentleman will produce a melliferous buzz.

MUSIC.—"Where is cupid's crimson motion?
Billowy ecstasy of woe!
Bear me hence, meandering ocean,
To where the stagnant torrents flow."

Extract from the Poem.

11. The multitudinous excoriation of an optical delusion as exhibited in the pusilanimous eccentricity of a popgun.

George R. Starkey.

MUSIC.—"In a berry dark, bright, moonshiny night,
O Dinah I lub to bask in the light
Ob your berry large, clear, muddy eye,
Which shine like the moon stuck fast in de sky."

1. Greenleaf A. Wilber.—This gentleman's subject will be announced metaphysically at the close of his speech.

MUSIC—"How well I'm used!
I'm oft excused
To go and see my mother,
I love my marm,
But where's the harm
Of loving just one other?"

Galaxy of Wit.

The ghosts of George W. Briggs, John W. Harris and Thomas W. Herrick, will enter at their appointed times and places, perform sundry gyrations, act a pantomime, and omnes exeunt.

The above gentlemen being all who make any pretensions to literature at this Institution, of course no other literary excesses can be expected.

During the above excesses

John S. Baker, Samuel A. Bickford, Stephen L. Bowler, Janius A. Bartlett, Amos Bixby, Benjamin S. Bronson and Horatio Q. Butterfield, will prevent the intrusions of dogs and other reptiles.

John P. Craig, Elkanah A. Cummings, Benjamin W. Dean, Hiram C. Estes, George G. Fairbanks, Seth Fairfield, Alexander Gamble, Jr. and William F. Giddings, will constitute a body guard to protect the caput praesidis from the attacks of flies.


Abner S. Oakes, Timothy O. Paine, Gilbert L. Palmer, Andrew C. Philips, Reuben A. Ricker, Thomas H. Ripley, William Sanford and Joseph H. Seaver, will supply the literati with molasses candy at reduced prices.

William Stickney, Thomas M. Symonds, Augustus E. Trafton, David S. True, Henry J. Ware, Henry R. Wilbur, Daniel D. Winn and Ephraim W. Young, armed with slop bowls and sugar tongs, will attend to blowing the noses of the audience.

The Freshmen and Faculty will exert themselves fiercely doing nothing.

The excesses thus closed a recession will be formed for the purpose of escorting the Officers, Students and Audience home, which being done, the recession will take lodgings in the city Livery Stable.

ORDER OF RECESS.

Queen Piper and President of the College.

Four Profs. going backwards, bearing the insignia of the College raised on broomsticks

The steam frigate Glide bearing Titus the immortal architect

Sixteen Juniors drawing in a cage Readfield Sam. performing the double shuffle.

The remainder of the Juniors mounted upon a beetle bug led by the ghost of Brown.

The Sophs peeping through the bung hole of a tar barrel.

The girls of the village waiting upon the Freshmen.

The remainder of the audience greasing the wheels of the recession.

N. B. The Seniors being exempt from performing onerous duties, will not be found in the recession.

2nd N. B. The Band for the occasion will perform on the day succeeding that of the excesses.

CORNELIUS A. GOWER, '67
One of the Two Oldest Living Colby Men
Alexander Greer Drury, '65

News reaches the Alumnus of the death within recent months of Alexander Greer Drury, of the class of 1865. No details of his illness and death have yet reached the Editor. Mr. Drury was living in Cincinnati, Ohio, and maintained offices in the Alexandra Building where he carried on the practice of medicine. The General Catalog contains the following facts about his life: Mr. Drury spent but one year in Colby, 1861-62. He received his A.B. degree from Centre Col., Ky., 1865, and A.M., 1881; M.D., University of Pennsylvania, 1868, and Medical College, Ohio, 1878. Born, Covington, Ky., February 3, 1844. Physician, Cincinnati, O., from 1869; Prof. Dermatology, Laura Memorial Woman's Medical College, 1890-1900; Prof. Hygiene, University Cincinnati 1901-10, and emeritus, 1910.; Author, Legends of the Apple, (1904); Dante-Physician, (1908); Address, Navarre Building, Cincinnati, O.

Thomas Gould Lyons, '72

Other than the fact that Mr. Lyons passed away September 19, 1928, after a long illness, no facts touching his illness and death have been learned. The Alumnus has addressed several letters to relatives, but without result. Mr. Lyons was a valued member of the class of 1872, and ever a very loyal son of the College. He was born in New Brunswick, June 21, 1840, and was therefore 88 years of age when he passed away. He had an honorable record in the Civil War serving as a Private in the First Maine Cavalry and in the 16th Maine Volunteers. Following his war service he was the successful pastor of a number of churches including Monmouth, Bryant's Pond, St. George, Bluehill, Lisbon Falls, Friendship, Nobleboro, and then two pastorate in Vermont and Massachusetts. In 1897 he entered the business world and was successful. He made his home in Lowell, Mass.

Horace Eugene Sawyer, '81

Under date of April 22, Lillian L. Sawyer, of Walnut Hill, Maine, writes the Editor to say that on January 10, 1929, Horace E. Sawyer, of the class of 1881, passed away. No further facts are available other than those given in the General Catalog, as follows:

Horace Eugene Sawyer, A.B. Born, Cumberland, Me., November 25, 1854. Principal Academy, Danville, Vt., 1882-83; Grammar School, Oxford, Mass., 1883-84; Principal High School, Williamsburg, Mass., 1884-93; Insurance, 1893-97; box manufacturer, 1897-1900; Walnut Hill, Maine.

Charles Corey Brown, '86

The Alumnus is in receipt of the information that on April 3, 1929, Charles Corey Brown, of the class of 1886, died of hardening of the arteries at his home in Ontario, California. Newspapers containing news of his death speak in high terms of the deceased. The Daily Facts, of Redlands, California, of the date of April 3, has the following:

"Charles C. Brown, for many years the city engineer of Redlands and an engineer of high attainments, died this morning after an illness of several months. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have been making their home in Ontario of recent years and his friends did not generally know that he was ill."

"C. C. Brown was city engineer of Redlands
for three years, taking that position after M. L. Lum resigned and holding it until George S. Hinckley was made city engineer. Under his watchful care many of the streets of Redlands were laid out and plans made for others and the storm water disposal here. He became city engineer on February 1, 1905 and resigned May 6, 1908.

"Mr. Brown then opened up his own office and for many years had a successful business here as consulting engineer. He owned orange property in the southeast section of the city and also developed the property now owned by H. C. Layton on the heights south of Fifth avenue.

"Mr. and Mrs. Brown left Redlands several years ago. Funeral services will be held at Artesia at 2 o'clock on Friday with the Redlands Masons in charge."

The Bulletin of the Redlands Commandery, Knights Templar, also contains the following:

"The sombre shadow of death has darkened another household and in the passing of Charles C. Brown we suffer the loss of another of our members. Our late brother left Redlands a few years ago and resided at Ontario. He was for some years City Engineer in Redlands, and to him the city is indebted for the solution of many of its engineering problems. He also laid out the first plat in Yucaipa Valley. He was an able engineer, an absolutely honest man, firm, stable and loyal in his friendships, fully deserving the confidence that was reposed in him by those with whom he came into contact. The funeral service was conducted by Redlands Lodge, F. & A. M. The fact that several auto loads of the brethren made the 100 mile trip to Artesia to attend attests to the esteem in which he was held. Among them were brother J. J. Suess, who was Mayor at the time he was City Engineer, brother Walter Hargraves, who was a member of the City Council; brother Hildreth Smith, who was Street Superintendent, and brother H. A. Westerbrook, who was associated with him in engineering. Redlands Lodge extends to his widow and sister their sincere sympathy."

The General Catalogue contains very little about Mr. Brown aside from the fact that he was born in Jackstown, N. B., December 16, 1859. Since leaving Redlands some years ago, the College Office has been entirely out of touch with Mr. Brown, and it was not until a few weeks ago that his latest Ontario address was found.

Gertrude Moody Fitzgerald, '03

News has been received at the College of the death in Skowhegan on Monday, April 1, of Gertrude Moody Fitzgerald, of Skowhegan, a graduate of Colby in the class of 1903. The following is the news dispatch which appeared in the Maine papers:

Skowhegan, April 1.—Mrs. Gertrude Moody Fitzgerald, 48, wife of Selden W. Fitzgerald of Canaan, died this morning at Kennebec Valley Hospital. She came to the hospital the first of March following an influenza attack and later had a mastoid operation from which she recovered. A spinal trouble then developed causing her death. She was born in Cornville, daughter of Oakman A. and Clara Woodbridge Moody. Her father died after she came to the hospital. Her mother and her husband survive. Mrs. Fitzgerald was graduated from Good Will High School and from Colby College in 1903. She taught from 1903 to 1915. Some of this time she taught English in Keene, N. H. She was a member of Canaan Grange and of Sunrise Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star.

William Austin Flewoelling, '09

Aside from the simple report that Mr. Flewelling has passed away, no facts have been received touching the time or the circumstances of his passing. The General Catalog offers no other information than that Mr. Flewelling was in residence at the College from 1905-1906, and that he entered College from Calais, Maine.

William Lawrence Hardy, '14

The postmaster of East Jeffrey, N. H., to whose office letters have been addressed to William Lawrence Hardy, of the class of 1914, sends word that Mr. Hardy died in Attleboro, Mass., on January 21, 1929. Mr. Hardy was a student in Colby for the period of two years, 1910-1912, entering Colby from East Jaffrey. Further information has not yet reached the Alumnus.

Donald McMillan Strout, '16

The Alumnus has been informed from reliable sources of the death of Donald McMillan Strout, of the class of 1916, who was in residence at the College from 1912-1913. Mr. Strout entered Colby from Milbridge, Maine.

Annie Mabel Caswell, '18

The Independent-Reporter of Skowhegan reports the death in the fall of 1928, in Skowhegan of Annie Mabel Caswell, of the class of 1918, as follows:

Miss Annie M. Caswell passed away following an operation at the Kennebec Valley Hospital.
She had been sick since early in the summer. Funeral services were held from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B. Hight, on West Front street, where she has resided the past fifteen years. Dr. George Merriam officiated. Interment was in the South Side cemetery. "Anne" Caswell or "Anne" as she was more often called by her intimate friends, was not to be seen the past summer about town, at the theatre or at the clubs. Her cheerful countenance and ever ready smile was a loss keenly felt in the groups where she was always popular. During her illness her friends paid her frequent visits carrying her flowers and bright news of the outside world which were a continual source of delight and happiness.

Miss Caswell, an accountant at the First National Bank, was graduated from the Skowhegan high school in 1915, enjoyed two years at Colby College and several months at Bryant Stratton Business College. She served as vice-president and president of the local BPW club, treasurer of Sorosis, vice-president of Emma F. Mitchell Philathea Class, was a member of Priscilla Rebekah Lodge, former editor-in-chief of the Pine Cone BPW state publication, and was former treasurer of the Skowhegan High School Alumni Association.

Anne was the only child of Newton H. and Belle Clements Caswell, both of whom are deceased. She was born November 24, 1894. She is survived by numerous cousins, among them Lewis A. Caswell of this town, and Frank Caswell of Mercer; others reside in Worcester, Mass., and Belfast. There is also an uncle, Fred Clement, in the city just named, and an aunt, Mrs. Romelia Roberts, of Worcester.

A TRIBUTE TO MY FRIEND

For the Reporter:
For such years as remain to me, I shall miss a companionship which has been one of deep friendship and pleasant experience since my high school days. Anne Caswell was a companionable girl. It was a rude circumstance, indeed, that would arouse in her anything but the blandest and all pervading good humor. It was useless to attempt a quarrel or estrangement in which she was expected to participate. She was generous and loyal in every social and fraternal relation.

Her work will, of course, be performed by others but for the moment it is hard to understand how there can be anyone ready to assume it with the same faithfulness and efficiency.

I am but writing here what her friends would individually say could their feeling find expression at this time.

Leo Paul Bissonette, '26

In some manner the information containing the death of Leo Paul Bissonette, of the class of 1926, on July 6, 1925, never reached the College, but for purposes of notification to classmates and for college record his passing is noted here. Mr. Bissonette was a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. Little is known about his life since he left College. His home was in Winthrop, Maine.

Earle C. Ferguson, '24

The Palestine, Texas, Press, under date of March 20, 1929, reports the death by accident, of Earl C. "Dooley" Ferguson, of the class of 1924:

Earl C. "Dooley" Ferguson, aged 24, popular catcher of the Palestine baseball team, was instantly killed and Miss Blanche Kimball, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank N. Kimball, 1010 North Sycamore street, died later from injuries received in an automobile accident that occurred at 10:25 o'clock last night on the Tucker road two miles west of Palestine.

Ferguson apparently lost control of the car on a straight-away after turning a corner and the car turned over once or more after going in the ditch. Insofar as is known, there was no eyewitness to the tragedy.

Young Ferguson was born and reared in Palestine. He has been catcher for the Pals since the club was organized about five years ago. For a short time he was with the Chicago White Sox and also played with Toronto. He was regarded as the leading catcher of the Lone Star league for a number of years. He was a graduate of Palestine high school.

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Funeral services for Earl C. (Dooley) Ferguson, star catcher of the Palestine Pals baseball team, who was instantly killed in an automobile accident Tuesday night two miles out on the Palestine-Tucker road, were held this morning at ten o'clock at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ferguson, 1403 North Jackson street.

The services were by Rev. T. J. Sloan, pastor of St. Phillip's Church, who read from the Scripture and spoke comforting words to members of the stricken family. The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

When the lengthy funeral procession reached the New Addition cemetery the services were taken in charge by the Masonic order, and "Dooley" was placed in his final resting place by that organization.

Ferguson's loss to his family and to Palestine
is a great one, and it will truly be a long time before the Palestine Pals can boast of a player so aggressive and straightforward in all walks of life as was he.

The following tribute appeared in the Palestine, Texas, *Daily Herald* of March 20, 1929:

(By R. B. Ingle)

The whole town is sad today because of the untimely death of one of its most popular young men—Earl C. Ferguson, or "Dooley" as he was known to almost every man, woman and child in the city and county. Not only has the family lost a dutiful and promising young son, but the whole town and county will feel the loss of this fine young man.

"Dooley" was the popular catcher of the Palestine Pals, and was conceded to be the best maskman in class D baseball. Not only was he that—he was more—Dooley played the game square, not alone the game of baseball—he played every game square—the game of life, and no one will ever be found who will say otherwise.

The place of Dooley with the baseball team will be hard to fill, and his place in the hearts of Palestine baseball fans will never be filled, and all are sorrowful today because of his untimely death.

We feel that no more could be said of this splendid young man than that "he was a good sportsman, he played the game square, always giving of his best."

The writer of this column extends sympathy to the bereaved family and hundreds of friends of this splendid young man.

"Dooley" Ferbuson was a young man in years, but was a veteran in experience as a baseball catcher. He first attracted the attention of Jack Coombs, former league pitcher, while playing on the Palestine High School baseball team when only about 18 years of age. On Coombs' recommendation Dooley was given a trial by the Chicago White Sox. He was, because of his extreme youth, farmed out to Shreveport to the Texas League, where he worked part of one season, being later sent to Marshall from Shreveport, where he remained the remainder of that season.

Mainly because of his size Dooley was finally released outright to Marshall of the East Texas League, and was never given a real chance to make good to the higher leagues of the country. When Marshall forfeited its franchise Dooley was made a free agent, and then when his home town entered organized baseball he signed with the Pals and had been the first string catcher since. He was a hard worker, always giving all he had to help the home team win, and was conceded to be one of the brainiest backstops in the business.

It will be many a day before a catcher is found to replace Dooley on the Pal team.

**MARK LESTER AMES, '24**

The *Colby Alumnus* has but recently received news of the very sudden death of Mark L. Ames, of the class of 1924. Soon after graduation from Colby, Mr. Ames entered Newton. On Dec. 4, 1928, he began work at the Baptist Seamen's Bethel at 332 Hanover Street, Boston, as Pastor's Assistant. On January 11 he was taken violently ill with lobert pneumonia and died in the Boston City hospital on January 19.

Malcolm R. Ames, '24

In writing the *Alumnus*, Rev. Hamilton B. Chapman, the Pastor of the Bethel, says:

"He had preached at the Bethel several times while in Newton and had caught a vision of the possibilities of the work where we deal with several hundred men every week. Our work is hard but he did not complain and he said only two days before he was taken to the hospital: 'I opened my Bible today at Eph. 4:3—Endeavoring to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace. I am resolved to live out the experience of this text from this time for the rest of my life'. Everything that could be done by special nurses and the doctors was done for Mark while he was in the hospital, but it seems that his time to go had come. I feel that I have lost not only an assistant but a personal dear friend."

**IRVING BEMIS MOWER, Trustee**

**BY THE EDITOR**

When it was learned some months ago that Dr. Irving Bemis Mower, long a resident of Maine and of Waterville, closely identified with the Baptist denomination and with Colby, was seriously ill with heart trouble, his countless friends could not believe it. He had always appeared as the picture of robustness, large of frame, ruddy of complexion, full of the vigor
of life, taking active part in public affairs preaching on Sunday when occasion demanded, and always at the beck and call of those who turned to him often for wise counsel. Then it was learned that while engaged in some labor on his son's farm in Cambridge, Maine, he over-exerted himself, and very soon afterward he was forced to his bed never to leave it except for short periods of time. He never did leave his home at 40 College Avenue again. For much of this time he was too ill even to see his closest friends, and there were many of them who kept discreetly away in the hope that complete rest would restore him to some measure of health.

His decline was gradual. No hope for recovery was given. For most of the time of his illness he was conscious of all that went on about him and from day to day manifested an interest in the news of the state. As might well be expected he was a patient sufferer, trying not to be a burden to those of his household, and putting forth always the best side. In his long days of illness he was the same courageous Christian as in the days of his strength.

Dr. Mower's services to Colby can never be forgotten. As a trustee, those services are known publicly. But as friend to the undergraduate and as counselor and guide to the young minister, his services were largely so personal in character that they can in no way be measured. After the death of President Roberts, Dr. Mower saw an opportunity to further serve the College and he offered to act as a chapel officer for some months, and the Committee was glad to secure his help. A Scripture lesson, tellingly read, an illustration or two taken from the rich pages of his life, an application to the lesson read, and a closing prayer—this was the usual order of the simple services he conducted, memorable for their sweetness, clarity, sanity, and value to young men. This was about the last public service that he ever rendered. Out of mature life he spoke to youth seeking in his own cautious and sympathetic way to start them safely upon the long road that each must travel.

It is not easy to characterize such a man as Dr. Mower for he had many attributes that contributed to greatness in terms of genuine worth. That he was wise, countless ones who came to depend upon him for advice will attest, and that he was truly Christ-like at heart, his long and valuable service for the Church eloquently testifies. He will be remembered by those who knew him most intimately as a man of extreme kindness who sought always to comfort and encourage and to bless. There are too few like him.

The following account of his life and death appeared in the Waterville Morning Sentinel and was prepared by Dr. Mower's life-long friend, Dr. Edwin C. Whittemore, of the class of 1879:

"After an illness of nearly five months, Dr. Irving B. Mower died in the early morning of Tuesday, April 16. No man in the Baptist churches of Maine was so sincerely honored and cordially esteemed. The eminent leadership of the denomination through twenty-three years of important and developing history and the genial kindness which never failed, won for him a place in a multitude of homes and hearts that will be saddened by the statement of the ending of his earthly ministry.

"Irving Bemis Mower, son of Deacon Bemis and Mary Brown Mower, was born June 11, 1856, at Cambridge, Maine. The child of a small church, he never wavered in his loyalty to churches of that kind and he repaid his debt a hundred-fold, in mutual understanding and in sympathetic aid.

"He was educated in the public schools, Hartland academy, Castine Normal school, after which he taught three years in Belfast, and then took the full course at Newton Theological In-
stitution from which he was graduated in the class of 1884. Dr. Charles E. Owen of Waterville was a member of his class, as was also Dr. W. H. P. Faunce, who is just retiring from the Presidency of Brown University.

"After graduation at Newton he became pastor at Sharon, Mass., 1883-1885; then at Kennebunkport, Maine. 1885-1892; then at Skowhegan, 1892-1893; South Berwick, Maine, 1893-1903. With this definite pastoral experience behind him, he came in 1903 to the great work of his life in caring for the churches of a state as corresponding secretary of the Maine Baptist Missionary Convention.

"Faithful, cordial, sympathetic, patient, judicial he became to the pastors of his state a friend and father as well as a secretary who could discern what the conditions in the churches required. He guided the denomination, in some sections, through times of difficulty and misunderstanding from weakness into strength and efficiency not attained before. Meanwhile he was accumulating friends by the simple art of being friendly.

"He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Waterville, and Waterville Lodge of Masons. He rendered honorable and appreciated service as trustee of Colby College, of Newton Theological Institution, of Hebron Academy and Higgins Classical Institute, and was president of the board of trustees of the Sunset Home, in the founding of which he had no small part.

"Dr. Mower was married to Anna E. Caldwell of Belfast, a teacher in Boston, on June 28, 1881. Their children are Mrs. William C. Beale of Eastport, Malcolm B. Mower of Waterville, and Stanwood I. Mower of Cambridge.

"During the period of his secretariaship Dr. Mower has resided in Waterville where, by his character, his readiness to cooperate in every good work, and his friendliness to all, he has won high recognition as an eminent and useful citizen. The city mourns a heavy loss in his departure.

"Since his resignation of the office of secretary of the United Baptist Convention he has served it in many important ways for which his expert knowledge and long experience fitted him.

"It is high eulogy to say that few men will be missed as he will be missed and mourned as he will be mourned.''

Funeral services were held in the First Baptist Church of Waterville on Thursday afternoon, April 18, at 1:30 o'clock. They were in charge of Dr. Whittemore, and were extremely simple in character. The pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Hass, read Scripture and offered prayer. Dr. Whittemore paid brief but eloquent tribute to his friend and fellowworker, and Rev. John Pendleton, who succeeded to the office of secretary of the United Baptist Convention of Maine long held by Dr. Mower, spoke briefly for the Baptist denomination. The attendance was very large and the great profusion of flowers bore mute testimony of the love in which Dr. Mower was held. The Board of Trustees and the Faculty of the College were very largely represented. Burial was in the family lot at Pine Grove Cemetery.

The Alumnus requested Dr. Whittemore to contribute to its pages the tribute which he paid to Dr. Mower at the funeral services, and it is given here:

"Dr. Edwin C. Whittemore brought a tribute from sixty years of friendship and association. He called up happy memories and noted the time when the Mowers, the Owens and the Whittemores dwelt under one roof at Newton Theological Institution where they studied theology. Briefly he told the story of the life of Dr. Mower, that he had been born of old New England stock in Cambridge, one of the small Maine towns. He trained for the teaching profession and was a successful teacher for three years in Belfast. Here he met and married Miss Anna E. Caldwell of that city, who was a Boston teacher.

"Of profound religious experience, the conviction came to him that he should prepare himself to be a teacher of the Christian faith. Going to Newton Theological Institution he took its full course and was graduated in the class of '84, the class of Dr. Owen and Dr. Faunce, so long President of Brown. He was ordained at Sharon, Mass., where he served for two years. He then became pastor at Kennebunkport, Maine, serving from 1885 to 1892. A brief pastorate at Skowhegan, Me., followed, then one of ten years in South Berwick, Me., 1893-1903.

"Thus thoroughly trained and prepared, he came to the great work of his life when he was elected in 1903 Secretary of the Maine Baptist Convention, an office which he held for twenty-three years.

"Noble in form, mind and spirit, he went among the churches with words of sympathy and wisdom. Instinctively men trusted him and he never betrayed their trust. He reached his decisions after careful thought and exact knowledge and men found that it was safe to follow him. His message to the churches was like that which he had carried in his pastorates,
that because God so loved the world that He gave His son, it was safe for men to love their fellowmen and to seek for world salvation.

"His service to the Convention covered a very long period in its history, a period of development yet of danger and his steady faith in God and man enabled him to render a service of permanent value. The great organization with which he was connected owes not a little to his judgment, faithfulness and long service.

"He was a man of great kindness of heart and very charitable mid the multitude of needs that came to him. One of his final acts of this character was the gift of a large provision for a school building for his friend, Dr. John Cummings. Colby, '84, Henzada, Burma.

"Dr. Mower rendered no small service to the cause of education. He was a trustee of Colby, of Newton Theological Institution, of Hebron Academy and of Higgins Classical Institute. To each of these he gave a real and widely recognized service, while the inspiration of his word and example led many students to make the most of their lives. His final services at Colby were as chaplain at morning prayers after the death of President Roberts.

"The College honored herself in conferring upon him the degree of A.M., in 1884, and D.D. in 1906.

"Dr. Mower served also the wider interests of the denomination in the Northern Baptist Convention and was President of the Convention Secretaries.

"All his life he delighted in music. With strong and sweet tenor voice he led the singing in the prayer meetings which were always dear to him, and he was a conductor of no mean rank of the great music of the world.

"During his long residence in Waterville he was always recognized as an eminent citizen, ready to do his full part in every good work of civic interest. He had much to do with the founding of the Home for Aged Women in Waterville and was the President.

"He would ask no better eulogy than this 'A man who walked his whole life through in the fellowship and service of Jesus Christ'"

Candidates for Alumni Trustees

By the Editor

According to the announcement sent out by the Secretary of the General Alumni Association of Colby, the committee of the Association, of which Dr. J. Frederick Hill, '82, was the chairman has placed in nomination the following four alumni: Judge Charles P. Barnes, '92, Ralph A. Bramhall, '15, Walter L. Gray, '95, and Dr. Archer Jordan, '95. Two of these four will be elected to serve as alumni trustees for a term of five years, ending June, 1934. The polls close on Monday, June 10, 1929.

The letter to the Secretary contains the follow-

Coach Ryan's Article

By the Editor

The two letters printed below, one by Judge Putnam, '77, of New York, the other by Dr. Kishi, of Japan, are self-explanatory:

404 Washington Avenue
Brooklyn, New York
February 2d, 1929

My dear Mr. Libby:
I enclose copy of letter from Dr. Kishi of Tokyo, acknowledging the part of the ALUMNUS containing Mr. Ryan's excellent report on the Amsterdam Olympic sports. Dr. Kishi also attended at Amsterdam as the official chairman of the Japan delegation. I am very glad that Mr. Ryan's account, as translated, will be widely read there.
Yours sincerely,
H. PUTNAM.
Tokio, Jan. 14th, 1929.
Judge H. Putnam,
404 Washington Ave.,
Brooklyn, N. Y. U. S. A.
Dear Judge H. Putnam,
I have duly received with much thanks the article about the IX Olympic Game written by Mr. Ryan in the "Alumnus Colby" which you kindly sent to me. I had it translated into Japanese by one of my assistants and published in the official gazette of our Association which bears the name, "Athletics."
I find the said article very interesting and very well written. I presume that the friendly opinion of its writer about Japanese teams urged you to send it to me, because I am always confident of your being a great friend of Japan.
Thanking you again for your kindness, I remain, Yours sincerely,

S. KISHI.
Lois Hoxie Smith, '03, Bertha Cobb Choate, '22, and A. Raymond Rogers, '17, were prominent members of the cast of "Old Lady 31" recently produced in Waterville under the auspices of the Waterville Woman's Club.

Mary Brier is completing her fourth year as head of the French and Latin departments of the Uxbridge high school.

Marian E. Brown, '12, of 17 Green Street, Augusta, is newspaper correspondent for Maine and Massachusetts papers.

Laura Virginia Baker, '21, is teaching French and Latin in the Bridgton high school. Her sister, Geraldine, who married Professor Hannay, formerly a member of the Colby faculty, is living in Belmont, Mass. She sails on June 1 to spend the summer in England.

Joel E. Taylor, '21, who recently returned from India where he represented an American company, is now connected with the U. S. Register Co., and lives at 179 So. Detroit St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Anna Martha Boynton, '06, has been secretary of the Knox Woolen Co., since 1916. She makes her home at 17 Union Street, Camden, Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland D. Hemingway, announce the birth of a daughter, Myra Susan, on May 1, 1929.

Mr. and Mrs. Albion Hale Brainard have announced the birth of a son, John Whiting, born April 2. Mr. Brainard, '88, is the principal of the Kearny High School in Arlington, New Jersey.

William H. Kelsey, '15, is secretary and general manager of the U. S. Aircraft Co., with offices at 76 Neilson St., New Brunswick, N. J. "I do not want to miss any copies of the ALUMNUS for it is my only connecting link with Colby since graduation," writes Mr. Kelsey.

Lester E. Young, '17, writes from his new address, 12 Linden Road, Melrose, Mass., to wish for Colby great prosperity.

Burton E. Small, '19, associate member of Moore & Summers, general agents of the N. E. Mutual Life Insurance Co., takes the trouble to send the ALUMNUS a long list of corrected addresses. It is a real service greatly appreciated.

Guy W. Chipman, '02, is to conduct a tour through northern Europe this summer. Mrs. Chipman will also be the director of a tour through southern Europe. Mr. Chipman is the principal of the Friends School in Brooklyn, New York.

Nina Wilbur Allen, the wife of Harrison S. Allen, '98, died in Waterbury, Conn., March 19. Mr. Allen is the principal of the Technical High School in Waterbury, Conn. Mrs. Allen was a graduate of Coburn Classical Institute and Wellesley College. She leaves besides her husband, two sons, Francis and Burleigh Allen.

Ethel Hayward Weston, '08, is living in Augusta. Her husband, B. T. Weston, has a position in the department of engineering of the Central Maine Power Company.
Helene B. Belatty, '09, Ellsworth, Maine, is to receive her Master's degree in Education from the University of Maine next June. Earle Stanley Tyler, is the full name of a young son born on April 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Earle S. Tyler.

Judge Charles W. Atchley, '05, of Waterville, has recently been elected president of the Waterville Lawyers Club. H. Chesterfield Marden, '21, was named secretary-treasurer of the same organization, and Lewis L. Levine, '16, was named a member of the general committee having charge of its affairs. William H. S. Stevens, '06, is a contributor to the Harvard Business Review for January, 1929. His subject, treated in a most exhaustive manner, is "Some Economic Consequences of Commercial Bribery". Dr. Stevens is an economist and is connected with the Federal Trade Bureau, Washington, D. C.

Bessie Merritt Chadwick, '21, writes to say that she is teaching pupil nurses in the Highland Park General Hospital, Michigan, and incidentally enjoying the ALUMNUS "more than ever".

Ethel Reed Day, '24, announces the arrival of Philip Blanchard Day, on October 20, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton A. Collins (Jennie Farnum, '15) announce the arrival of a daughter, Lauralyn Abbie, February 18, 1929, at East Wilton, Maine.

Nellie Bakeman Donovan, '92, writes from her home in Newton Center: "I cannot too strongly express my appreciation of your splendid work on the ALUMNUS. A genuine increase of enthusiasm for the college is bound to result. Such a graduate magazine and such a personality as our President-elect form an irresistible combination! I foresee close at hand that new era for Colby which has been the dream of so many of us." Mrs. Donovan's interest in the ALUMNUS and in the Graduates' List prompted her to send in many corrections, for which the College is exceedingly grateful.

Edna M. Chamberlain, '22, now teaching in Los Angeles, California, sends the ALUMNUS the following clipping with the note: "You see what Colby's course in debating has done!"

"The final junior high school debate on aviation was conducted yesterday in the auditorium of Robert Louis Stevenson Junior High School before the entire student body.

"The question was 'Resolved, that aviation should be a separate department of our national defense.' Russell Trowbridge, Mavis Nethersole and Irene Staten composed the affirmative team and Virginia McFarland, Mary Fredin and
Virginia Miller the negative. The judges awarded the decision to the latter team.

"Miss Edna M. Chamberlain, in charge of the debate, had provided for each of the winners a beautiful all-metal miniature airplane, together with $5 in gold, and for each member of the opposing team a similar airplane with $1 in silver.

"Principal Hutt acted as chairman of the debate and presented the prizes. Allen Nichols, debate coach of the University of Southern California; Raymond Brothers, boys' principal, and Miss Florence Mason, girls' principal, of Stevenson Junior High, were judges."—Los Angeles Times.

"THE TREES OF COBURN PARK"

The editor of the Lewiston Journal comments as follows on a pamphlet recently published by Louise Helen Coburn, '77, of Skowhegan:

"From somewhere has drifted in this week a book called 'Trees of Coburn Park,' by Louise Helen Coburn.

"The name of the title may mean nothing special or personal to one—but the pure comfort and joy of the thought that someone is writing about the trees in a park, somewhere or other means everything. It means love of beauty; interest in other living things, culture, happiness.

"If I turn aside to the women in my house-
happy as these may be happy. Life is not all of humanity. Trees live. Fine to see someone who recognizes it now and then, in a book."

Mrs. George Ira Leighton announces the marriage of her daughter, Mary Ellen Foss to Mr. Benjamin Fuller Greer, Colby, '16, on Saturday, April the sixth, 1929, Lynn, Mass.

Nellie Crie Haynes, '00. 151 Hamilton St., Southbridge, Mass., is now engaged in giving a series of four lectures on the following subjects: "Folk Lore in the Old Testament," "Tracing the Creation Story around the World", "The Garden of Eden with Variations," "Noah’s Ark and other Ancient Myths." Press notices speak highly of her addresses, and many organizations in and about Boston have engaged her services.

Harold G. D. Scott, '18, has an article in Unity on "Tom, Dick and Algernon."

Mayo, '22, Joins Faculty N. Y. School of Social Work

Leonard W. Mayo, '22, is a member of the teaching faculty of the New York School of Social Work, giving instruction in Institutional Administration, Education and Recreation, and Vocational Guidance and After Care. The biographical note of Mr. Mayo follows:

Leonard W. Mayo, Institutional Administration, 1929—A.B., Colby, 1922; Graduate Student, New York University, 1928-29; Assistant Superintendent, Opportunity Farm for Boys, New Gloucester, Maine, 1922-23; High School Instructor and Director of After Care, The Children’s Village, and Assistant in National Training School for Institution Executives and Other Workers, Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., 1925-27; Dean, The National Training School for Institution Executives and Other Workers, 1928; Member, Conference of Juvenile Agencies and International Boys’ Work Council.

Book by Hazel Cole Shupp, '11

"Maids Will be Wives", is the title of a novel by Hazel Cole Shupp, of the class of 1911, published by Little, Brown & Co. The publishers say of the book:

"This is a novel of character, analytical and distinguished for its firm and sensitive handling of those personal relations which are so acute in every home."

In speaking of Mrs. Shupp, the following brief sketch is given:

"Hazel Cole (Mrs. Paul F. Shupp) was born at Dover-Foxcroft, Maine. She is a graduate of Colby College, at Waterville, in the same state where her major interests were literary,
dramatic, and social. In 1927 she received the Ph.D. degree at Yale.

"Shortly before her first novel, 'Maids Will be Wives', was accepted, she discontinued her teaching career, her more recent positions having been at the New Jersey College for Women, at New Brunswick, N. J., and at Vassar College."

COLBY MEN MAKE GOOD

In the special development contest conducted by the Old Colony Corporation, Boston, A. J. Thiel, '28, won the first prize of $100, J. L. Lovett, '28, the second prize of $50, and R. H. Whittier, '28, ranked fifth.

RICHARDSON, '17, NEWLY APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT

Mr. Carleton S. Richardson has been appointed Superintendent of the Pacific Division of the Aetna Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Richardson is a new man at the Home Office and was not, therefore, introduced to the field in the original announcement of the Regional Plan.

Mr. Richardson comes here from the 100 William Street, New York City General Agency. He was graduated from Colby College, Waterville, Maine, in 1917. He went from school almost immediately into the United States Naval Air Service where he attained the rank of ensign. From 1919 to 1922 he was connected with the import division of Montgomery-Ward Company at Chicago, and from 1922 to 1924 was engaged in the jewelry business in New York. He joined the 100 William Street Agency in 1924 where he was a personal producer for one year. He was then given supervisory work in which he continued up to his present promotion to the Home Office. His training and his experience have adequately fitted him for his duties as Division Superintendent.—Exchange.

COLBY MAN SECRETARY OF STATE

The business of the Maine Senate is conducted with neatness and dispatch, due to the efficiency of Royden V. Brown, '11, of Bingham, the secretary of that body. Secretary Brown reels off the routine work of the upper branch of the legislature so rapidly and so accurately that it has created a great deal of favorable comment.

Mr. Brown was born in Clinton 40 years ago and attended Coburn Classical Institute, Colby College, the University of Maine school of law and the Georgetown Law School. He was admitted to the practice of law in 1912 and since that time has been located at Bingham.

Mr. Brown has held various town offices, is a trial justice, was assistant secretary of the senate in 1923 and secretary in 1925 and 1927 as well as this session, serving as secretary under President Hodgdon C. Buzzell of Belfast and Frank
H. Holley of North Anson, and the present president, Hon. J. Blaine Morrison of Phillips. Mr. Brown is married and has two children.— Waterville Sentinel.

Successful Work of Burrill, '08

The Pleasantville, N. Y., Journal, of January 18, 1929, has the following to say of the successful work being done by Rev. Emmons Parkman Burrill, '08, in his church in Pleasantville:

Formal opening of the new $45,000 parish house of St. John's Episcopal Church will take place this Sunday afternoon from four to seven o'clock when the rector, the Rev. E. P. Burrill, the wardens, and the vestrymen and their wives will be hosts at a reception to which everyone in Pleasantville is invited. There will be no formal program.

The completion of the parish house marks the culmination of efforts extending over three years to secure for St. John's what the rector calls a building that fills a long-felt need for a suitable meeting place. It will be used by all church groups and at times by various outside organizations. Already the Pleasantville Woman's Club has scheduled a meeting there for next Monday. On Thursday, January 24, the Woman's Guild of the Church will hold there a large card party.

Plans for the structure were first conceived in January of 1926. A building committee was named, comprising the rector, B. Duncan Hall, who was also treasurer of the Building Fund, Ernest Clark, Charles Jahne and Miss Caroline Choate. All the vestrymen became active solicitors of gifts and soon money was on hand to start building operations. Ground was broken in the spring of 1927 but work was stopped during the summer owing to a dispute in the building trades unions on the question of the use of cut stone.

Completion of this beautiful building represents another addition to the list of material accomplishments of the present rector who has served this parish for nine years. Besides caring for the spiritual needs of his charges the Rev. Mr. Burrill has found time to increase the value of the church property to the extent of about $75,000 during his incumbency. A debt of $10,000 on the church has been paid off, various other financial obligations have been met, a rectory has been acquired at a cost of $23,000, adjoining the church on Bedford road, a new altar and an enlarged organ have been secured, five memorial windows have been donated with another now in the making, and the church has been redecorated.

Only the most loyal support of his parishioners has made these improvements possible, the rector declared in a request to The Journal to make public expression of his thanks to those who so strongly have stood behind him.

Since he first assumed charge of the parish the number of members has increased by 125. At present there are about 500 connected with the church of whom 350 are communicants.

Professor Taylor Remembered on Eighty-Third Birthday

On January 29, last, three Colby men, Dr. J. Fred Hill, '82, Prof. Herbert C. Libby, '02, and Prof. Ernest C. Marriner, '13, called upon Dr. Julian D. Taylor and presented him with a magnificent basket of red roses, the gift of but a few of his many friends. Attached to the basket was the following note:

To Professor Taylor:—

These roses but poorly express the high regard and the deep affection in which you are held by a great host of friends, who rejoice with you today on the attainment of your eighty-third birthday.

(Signed)

George G. Averill, F. J. Arnold, T. B. Ashcraft, Geo. K. Boutelle, J. M. Bridges, W. L.
A Missing '76 Colby Man

"Mystery connected with the disappearance in 1918 of Frederick V. Chase of Portland, at one time a prominent member of the Maine Bar and the Legislature, was revived recently by filing in the Probate Court of the will of his wife, Eliza Mayo Chase, which directs establishment of a trust fund of $5000 for his benefit.

"Chase, who has not been heard from since he suddenly dropped from sight after mysterious difficulties here 11 years ago, must make himself known to the trustees of the fund within three years, or the legacy will lapse, according to the will.

Mrs. Chase who died March 12, stated in the will that the address of her 'former husband' was unknown to her and the will petition lists no widower. Whether he is living or dead is not known here.

"Inasmuch as Mrs. Chase referred to the missing man as 'my former husband', it is believed that she obtained a divorce at some time during their years of separation.

"Chase was one of the most brilliant lawyers of his day in Maine. He was born in Fayette, Kennebec County, and was graduated from Kents Hill and Colby University. From 1876 to 1881 he was an instructor in Greek and German in an academy at Worcester, Mass., and in the latter year he began the study of law in Portland.

"In 1883 he was admitted to the Maine bar and from 1887 to 1889 he was assistant State's attorney for Cumberland County. In 1898 he was elected a member of the Legislature and in 1900 he returned as a representative."—Portland Press Herald.

Ramsden, '10, Heads Friends' Academy

William G. Ramsden, of the class of 1910, is the successful principal of Friends' Academy, located at 25 Morgan Street, New Bedford, Mass. He has held this responsible position for a number of years and has found opportunity to test out some important experiments in the field of secondary school education. Newspapers published in New Bedford report addresses delivered before various associations by Principal Ramsden in which he explains the work he is doing at Friends' Academy. These reports make clear to the reader that all that he is doing for his students is very greatly appreciated by citizens of the community. Principal Ramsden is New Hampshire born, and for a time following graduation from Colby was connected with the York Safe and Lock Co., and lived in St. Paul, Minn. The Alumnus will find opportunity in one of its issues to give Principal Ramsden's methods of instruction in Friends' Academy.

H. Lucile Foster, '16, has been given a "Diplôme Supérieur d'Études de Civilisation Francaise" by the Sorbonne (University), Paris, France, She plans to return to America the last of June. She has accepted a position on the faculty of the Summer School of the University of Maine for July and August.

Byron Boyd, '86, served as chairman of the committee which had full charge of the Governor's Ball held in Augusta, Maine, February 11.
The Executive Committee

By the Editor

In the summer of 1927 while the late President Roberts was spending some weeks in Bethel, Maine, in an effort to regain his health, letters were received from the President appointing Professors Taylor, Parmenter, Libby Ashcraft, Weber and Marriner members of an Executive Committee to perform all the duties usually required of the President. At the same time, President Roberts asked Professor Taylor to act as chairman. Later on the Committee selected Professor Ashcraft to act in the capacity of secretary.

The Committee held regular session every Tuesday afternoon, meeting for the most of the time in the study of Professor Taylor's home at 37 College avenue. This perfected organization continued to administer the affairs of the College until the death of President Roberts on October 11, 1927, at which time it automatically went out of office. By action of the Board of Trustees, meeting in Waterville at the time of the funeral services of the President, the Committee was asked to continue its work until a new president should be elected, and this the members consented to do. The regular meetings continued, along with many special ones.

In the matter of office hours selected for the convenience of students, it was agreed that each member should keep a few hours each week, and this plan was followed until June, 1928.

When no president was appointed at the annual meeting of the Board, the Committee found it necessary to continue in office for another year, even though this additional duty was proving something of a burden to several members of the Committee. Professor Taylor found it wise to resign as chairman, and the Trustees selected Professor Marriner in his place. The Committee was enlarged by the addition of Dean Runnals who had returned to the College after two years' absence, and in early fall she was named secretary in place of Professor Ashcraft who asked to be relieved of this duty.

Numerous changes came about in the routine work of the Committee. Many of the duties ordinarily falling to the lot of a president were assumed by Professor Marriner, but the regular meetings of the committee have been continued, the sessions being held at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon.

As a matter of historical statement it should be recorded here that during the two years of rule by the Committee no serious matter of disci-
pline has arisen. The College has gone on much the same as when President Roberts was in charge. While it is undoubtedly true that the administration of affairs by a Committee is not the ideal method, yet the College has not suffered in any way as a result of this temporary regime, due in part to the fine attitude of the undergraduates and in part to the fact that the committee has acted as a unit in all matters of administration.

The selection of a President was hailed with unfeigned satisfaction by all members of the Committee. And when on June 14, with the induction into office of Professor Johnson, the Committee lays down its burdens it will do so with great relief and a measure of satisfaction. Its members have in the two years attended more than 100 committee meetings, lasting from one to two or more hours, and briefer conferences without number.

An Undergraduate's Perspectus

By Ernest E. Miller, '29, Editor, "The Colby Echo"

Although I was the author of several editorials appearing in the Colby Echo about a year ago that referred to the college as a sort of "Winged Victory", a headless institution that seemed doomed to enter upon the year 1928-29 with little enthusiasm, no president, possible faculty losses, and general decline, I must admit myself to be a thorough convert to the present legion of optimists. If it is true that only a fool never changes his mind I compliment myself upon my good fortune in having some degree of sense left to me. Certainly there has been ample cause for everyone to change his mind about Colby if he had allowed it to be in any way depressed by the sinister darkness that seemed to obscure the future a year ago.

With the opening of college last fall a new atmosphere had settled upon the institution. Already the sulphur fumes from the paper mill and the smoke of the freight trains had become less obnoxious. The administration seemed to have taken a new life. Professor Ernest C. Marriner, who had been chosen to head the Executive Committee at the commencement meeting of the Board of Trustees, had inspired his co-workers on the committee to such industry of administration that things were distinctly "looking up". New instructors of a caliber which one member of the Executive Committee termed "quality" were on hand to reinforce the faculty. The same Executive Committee man also remarked: "When a college is dying its faculty deteriorates." The seven new faculty members appeared to be positively not of the type that suggest deterioration. Now I know they are not.

As we passed along into the late autumn with a tie for the Maine football championship tucked gracefully under one arm, things of a greater nature appeared on the horizon. The election of Dr. Franklin W. Johnson as president at the November meeting of the Board of Trustees was an event that seemed to me of more significance than anything that had happened to affect the college since my entrance in 1925. Indeed the significance was so great that I saw fit to issue a six page edition of the Echo, the first (as far as I know) since the paper was placed upon a weekly basis by T. Raymond Pierce in 1898. But that was even before I had met Dr. Johnson. Now I know the event to have been of far greater significance than the mere fact that Colby was to have a new president. The personality, ability, and magnanimity of the president-elect are certainly destined to build Colby into a towering structure above the firm foundation laid by President Roberts.

Another event, almost coincident with the election of Dr. Johnson, was the renewed effort to secure a gymnasium for the men's division. A movement set on foot by the late Frank Edmunds, '85, of New York City when he was serving as trustee in 1925 leaped from a $100,000 gym project to a $300,000 objective, and then to a $500,000 Development Campaign. Incidentally, the second step was actually coincident with the election of Dr. Johnson but the latter was due in a large part to his influence. The whole new start, however, can be credited to the Hon. Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, chairman of the Board of Trustees, who secured the services of Director Charles S. Brown of the Development Fund Committee. Senator Wadsworth is paying Mr. Brown's salary personally.

Soon after Mr. Brown got on the diggings the whole Colby family "came to" with a snap. Dr. George Horace Lorimer, General Herbert M. Lord, Merle Crowell, and others, no less worthy alumni, responded with such a vigor that now, on the brink of the campaign itself, I find groups of at least seven figures presenting themselves to me as the sum total resulting from
the drive. The development of Colby is assured—definitely—in the minds of the student body. Four units which Dr. Johnson deems most necessary cannot but be assured when the efforts of the trustees, alumni, faculty, and students are united. They certainly are in this movement. The student Executive Chairman, G. Cecil Goddard, '29, and his committee have been showing Mr. Brown, and the general committee that the students, for whom Dr. Johnson believes the college exists, are willing to perpetuate and even enlarge that institution.

In my own capacity as secretary to the director of the Development Fund I have found that I have been virtually asleep and altogether ignorant of the spirit and loyalty of Colby Alumni and the interest of friends. Everywhere their enthusiasm rivals that of the student body itself which latter will be the body to profit most from the development. My correspondence with alumni never fails to find them more than willing to aid in the preliminary committee and publicity work.

The atmosphere of development has pervaded every fibre of Colby College. The rally held in the gymnasium on March 20th was by far the largest and most enthusiastic ever held there outside of Colby Night, and within my own college generation. That was one way the students took to show their support of the Development Fund project, and their support of the immediate instigator of the movement, Senator Wadsworth.

But the intellectual and cultural tone of the college is experiencing an uplift as well. The excellent program of readings and lectures sponsored by Dr. Herbert C. Libby and his committee on visiting lecturers received particularly good support. Not satisfied wholly with what was procured for them, the students under the guidance of Professor Everett F. Strong of the French department, a "good music" enthusiast, secured, sponsored, and actually made money on a piano concert by Miss Ruth Webb, an artist of wide study and appreciable technique. The decided interest of Colby students in things cultural is increasingly evident. Professor Marriner has stated that if any man at Colby during his college days had attempted to collect undergraduate verse for publication he would have been promptly termed a "fluffy boy". Yet one of my own classmates, Norris W. Potter, has published an "Anthology of Recent Colby Verse." And I might state that he is far from qualifying for any effeminate terminology. In summary, Colby students are interested in the material development of the college and are willing to give all they can to further it. But they seek also through cultural and intellectual pursuits to benefit the college by attaining themselves all that might be expected of college men and women.

The latest and most important event of 1929 vintage was the election of Professor Marriner as Colby's first dean of men. The need of a dean of men had been felt by undergraduates for sometime and the fortunate choice of Professor Marriner was most agreeable to them. His selection seemed to complete the hierarchy of administrative officials that will swing this new era into full progress. He is one of those remarkable men with executive ability, capacity for detail, and character that demands respect. My association with him in the college library, where I have been student assistant for the past three years, gives me ample authority to speak with no little decision of Professor Marriner's keen personality. There is little doubt that the student body will grow to respect him to an even greater degree as dean of men.

So the immature mind of an undergraduate finds, after much rambling and stumbling that is typical of such minds, that "development" is in every fibre and, nay, even in the very sub-
stance of Colby at present. Things of undreamed of importance are already in line for her. The great men of whom she can boast of being the Alma Mater are out to make it impossible for her to have a "destiny obscure". It is all very plain to me; Colby with Dr. Johnson as president, Professor Marriner as dean, a development fund that no one knows where it will stop, the institution will assume, as Merle Crowell says, the place of the "most notable small college in the country". It is with a great deal of satisfaction rather than with a great deal of regret that I will leave Colby in June—satisfaction inculcated through having been in college at a time when the Alma Mater really struck her stride.

**Biographical Sketch of President-elect Franklin Winslow Johnson, L.H.D., 1891**


Principal Calais, Maine, High School, 1891-4. Succeeded famous classical scholar and teacher, Dr. James H. Hanson as principal of Coburn Classical Institute, Waterville, Maine in 1894, remaining in this position for eleven years.

In 1905 called by President Harper of the University of Chicago to the principalship of the Morgan Park Academy, at that time an organic part of the University.

Two years later, 1907, transferred to the School of Education of the University of Chicago, as principal of the University High School, remaining in this position twelve years. During last five of these years, with professorial rank, gave courses in administration and methods of teaching in secondary schools.

In 1918 commissioned as major in the United States Army in the Sanitary Corps, assigned to the Surgeon General's Department. Served as Chief of the Rehabilitation Service U. S. Army Hospital No. 3, Colonia, N. J.; later assigned to duty in charge of Rehabilitation Personnel at the office of the Surgeon General in Washington.

Appointed Associate Professor of Education at Teachers' College, Columbia University in 1919. Promoted to full professorship in 1923, which position he now holds.

Author—Problems of Boyhood, 1913, Administration and Supervision of the High School, 1925. Numerous articles on Education in various professional journals.

Baptist, Mason, Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Member of National Education Association, Religious Education Association, University Club, Chicago, Faculty Club Columbia University, Quill Club, New York.

In 1926 spent a half year in the Near East, lecturing to students and faculties of the American Schools and Colleges in Syria, Palestine, and Egypt.


**Colby's New Librarian**

*BY THE EDITOR*

As announced in the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees, that body elected to the office of Librarian of Colby Bingham R. Downs, A.B., information desk librarian in the New York Public Library.

Information about Mr. Downs given to the press follows:

"Mr. Downs was graduated with high honors from the University of North Carolina, taking his A.B. degree in the class of 1926. During his college course at North Carolina he was a student assistant in the college library for four years. Since his graduation he has served at the New York Public library in the capacities of
assistant in the main reading room and information desk librarian. In 1927 he took a B.S. degree from the School of Library Service, Columbia University and he is this year a candidate for the M.S. degree.

"Mr. Downs is 25 years of age. He was recommended to the Columbia School of Library Service as the most promising of 12 student assistants in the University of North Carolina library and is highly regarded by his associates at the New York Public library. He is an effective worker with the ability to succeed in what he undertakes. He has special training in history and the social sciences, education and is prepared for administrative work in college or university libraries."

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Our Public Speaking Contests

By the Editor

That the College is deriving a great deal of benefit from the four public speaking contests made possible through the gift of George E. Murray, '79, Will Hartwell Lyford, '79, Florentius M. Hallowell, '77, and Mrs. Matie E. Goodwin, who gives the prize money for the Goodwin Contest in memory of her husband, the late Forrest Goodwin, '87, becomes increasingly evident. Thus far this year two of the contests—Murray and Lyford—have been held; the other two, Hallowell and Goodwin, come later in May. For the first time in the life of the Murray Contest, Mr. Murray, himself, was present to preside over the public meeting. He and Mrs. Murray made the trip from their home in Lawrence, Mass., that they might attend the event, and they were well pleased with the experience.

It is very doubtful if ever before in any college the presiding officer of a debate should be a man 50 years out of college, and if, as a board of judges, there should be present three men of his own class, Edwin C. Whittemore, George Merriam, Charles E. Owen—four men in all who in June, next, are to meet with other classmates to celebrate their golden anniversary. This particular feature of the contest gave unusual distinction to it and was the occasion for widespread publicity.

In brief introductory remarks Mr. Murray recounted how he happened twenty years ago to give the money for the first contest. He and Mrs. Murray were on their way to Aroostook county, and as there was a little time to spare between trains, they walked over to the campus and wandered into the old College Chapel.
"As I remember it," said Mr. Murray, "the chapel was empty except for a young man who was apparently dusting off the pulpit. I thought he was someone who took care of the chapel. After a while this young man accosted me to inquire if I were a stranger. No, I replied, I graduated from this College in 1879, and my name happens to be Murray. The young man then told us that he had just come to the College as an instructor, that his name was Libby, and that he knew something about the class of 1879, and something about George E. Murray. Then he spoke of the work he was undertaking to do, and remarked, that what he most needed just then was some prize money for debating in order to encourage young men to take a livelier interest in public contests. I recall very distinctly," continued Mr. Murray, "that I told the young Instructor that he might count on me for a cash prize of $100; and then Mrs. Murray and I left the Chapel to catch our train. Some correspondence probably followed, as did my check, and the checks have continued to come to the College each year. And the interesting fact is," said Mr. Murray in conclusion, "before I gave this prize I was not in the habit of visiting the campus but that after I began giving it I have never missed visiting the campus at least once a year. This is how the Murray Debate happened to come into being."

An interesting historical fact in connection with the establishment of this prize contest is that it at once aroused a great deal of interest in debating not only within the College, but also among New England colleges. Shortly afterward extensive cross-country debating trips were planned, and longer schedules were carried out, and such has been the rule from 1909 on. While it is impossible to say that Mr. Murray's generosity had all to do with this widespread interest, it is significant that general interest in debating sprang up with the establishment of the prize.

The second contest to be held this year is the Lyford Interscholastic Prize Speaking contest, made possible for the last twenty years through the generosity of Will Hartwell Lyford, '79. This contest is open to the secondary schools of Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. This year eclipsed all previous contests in the amount of interest aroused, in the wealth of publicity given to it, in the number of schools participating and in the number of contestants taking part. In all, 38 schools sent 62 young orators. These boys were entertained by the College during their stay on the campus, committees of undergraduates acting as hosts. On Friday afternoon, at 1:30, they met in the College Chapel in connection with the Public Speaking class of the college composed of about 50 undergraduates. The undergraduates gave the visitors a demonstration of what college men can do at impromptu speaking. Without previous selection, six young men were called to the platform, there to find cards on which were given general subjects for discussion. The undergraduates acquitted themselves well, and the frank criticisms offered by classmates proved most entertaining to the visitors.

Then followed a group picture from the steps of Chemical Hall, and then the preliminary speaking in four groups, judged by undergraduates. At 6 o'clock a banquet at The Elmwood was given the visitors and the judges. The singing was in charge of John Foster Choate, '77, State Commander of the American Legion. The speakers included Professor Ernest C. Marriner, '13, of the College, Judge Warren C. Philbrook, '82, Active Retired Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and Hon. Augustus O. Thomas, State Commissioner of Education. At 7:15 in the evening, 14 of the afternoon speakers took part in the final contest, the board of judges including Dr. Thomas, Judge Philbrook, and Professor Clarence H. White, of the Department of Greek. A very large audience was in attendance, and the fourteen young men did credit to the schools they represented. The awards went to Maine schools, first to Good Will High, second to Strong High, third to Presque Isle High, and fourth to Phillips High.

In a letter from Mr. Lyford in which he expressed regret that he could not be present at the twentieth Lyford Contest, he writes:

"As I look back upon the fifty years of my business and professional life. I realize that my training and practice in public speaking, which commenced at the high schools of Cleveland, and continued through my course at Colby, furnished invaluable equipment not only for my professional work as a lawyer, but also for my business life.

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