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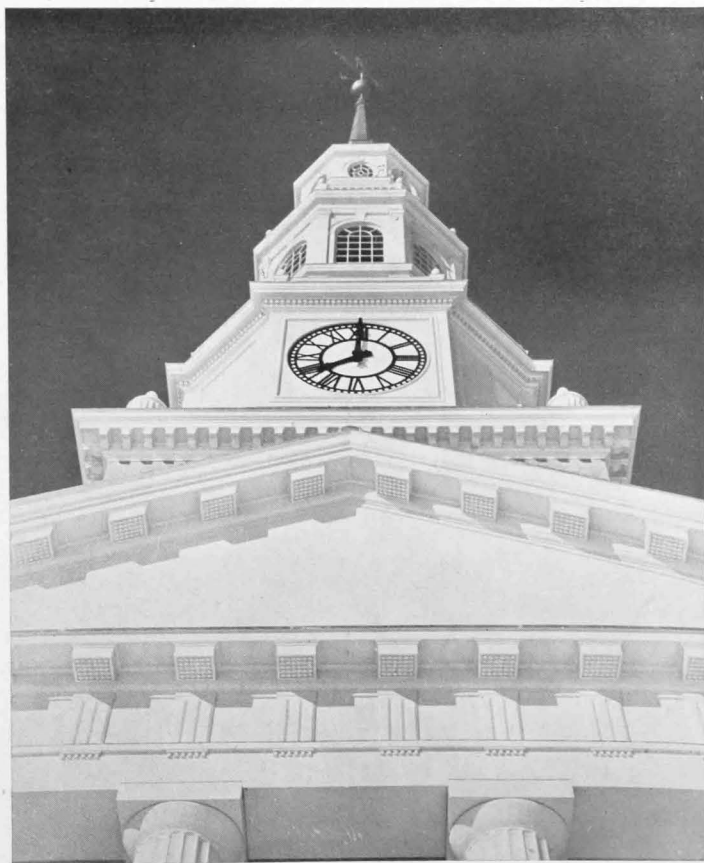
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Letters to the Editor

THE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

Dear Alumnus:

I must take time to write you a letter in order to inform you that I now have the right to read your many interesting pages. Yes, dear Alumnus, I am now a full fledged member of the ranks of Colby's graduates for on that memorable day of February 5, 1940, I managed to pass my final stumbling block, the German Reading Knowledge Examination — Colby's test of quality as prescribed by Professor McCoy. After seven semesters of German at Colby, one semester at Boston University Summer Session, one semester at the University Extension Courses at Harvard, and a few tutoring lessons, I, G. Allan Brown, class of 1939, now become a Colby College Graduate!

Please do not misconstrue the purpose of this letter, for I do not mean to herald the receiving of my degree as any great achievement because it is far from that; but I do want to stir up a little active opposition to the Reading Knowledge Examination as it is now given by the Foreign Language Department at Colby. This examination has caused more than one Colby student many unhappy hours and it has disrupted many a plan of course study. I think that I can truthfully say that this examination will go on causing the same trouble and creating a great amount of ill feeling as long as the Students, the Faculty, and the Alumni allow it to exist. It is my humble belief that the Reading Knowledge Examination should be abolished 'because of the following reasons:

1. Contrary to the Graduation Requirements as they are stated in the Colby Bulletin, the exam requires more than a mere understanding of the language. The exam requires a complete and accurate translation of every word appearing in the "reading" part. The Bulletin would be more accurate too, if it stated that the exam lasted approximately three hours instead of the stated two hours.

2. The number of courses that must be taken by a large amount of students in preparation for the exam could be replaced by other courses which would be more useful to the

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The President's Page

It is probably natural that the expression "New Colby" should appear as our campus development program on Mayflower Hill moves on. It should be pointed out, however, that the implication involved is quite contrary to the purpose of those who have during recent years been planning for the future of the College. This purpose is better stated as a "New Campus for Old Colby."

The extent of the new campus and the landscaping details which are already taking form are in marked contrast with the restricted area and unattractive surroundings to which we have long been accustomed. The more commodious buildings with their harmonious and beautiful designs perhaps afford an even greater contrast. But after all, a college does not consist of brick and stone. Colby College is composed of the men and women who in the past have been, and now are, its living body, who through the years have built up the traditions and standards that make the College a vital entity. This is the Colby College which will move to Mayflower Hill.

Let me cite one or two illustrations of the careful planning which aims to bring this about.

The committees that have been dealing with the plans for student housing have studied plans and have visited many colleges for the purpose of observing the actual construction and operations of modern dormitories. Among the many items which came up for discussion was this: Shall provision be made for suites with private baths, such as were found in some colleges. This was decided in the negative, because it was thought inconsistent with the democratic traditions of Colby that some students should live in more luxurious surroundings simply because they could pay for them. With the exception of a choice between single and double rooms, all students will occupy similar quarters. There will be no "Gold Coast" on the Colby campus.

A similar principle has been applied to the building of fraternity houses. In many colleges the competitive spirit has led to

the building of luxurious houses that has in many cases resulted in disaster during the recent years of depression. To avoid this pyramiding of costs it has been decided that the fraternity houses shall be constructed at a uniform cost according to plans drawn by the college architect in harmony with the designs of the entire campus.

Careful consideration has been given to the preservation on the new campus of significant names and events connected with the past. The first and most notable is the replica, based on authentic records, of the Sloop Hero, which tops the tower of the Miller Library. This, at the highest point on the campus, 191 feet above the ground, preserves for all time the story of the "venture of faith" in the dramatic incident of the founding of the College.

The rock from the chimney base of the birthplace of Lovejoy with its bronze tablet is to be placed on a slope beside the lake, in the midst of a grove of oaks, symbolic of the martyr's character, and transplanted from the farm on which he was born. It has been suggested that his name be given to the lake itself. It is interesting to note that "Lovejoy Pond" in Albion is the only spot that bears his name in his native town.

Around the lake will be planted a new grove of Boardman willows from slips cut from the few remaining patriarchs of that once-glorious row of trees.

The Paul Revere bell in the Library tower will continue to ring out its stimulating call to Colby men, as it has for more than a century.

The architect has recently submitted drawings for a beautiful setting of the Lion of Lucerne, to face the plaza before the men's dormitories in the rear of the Library. This noble replica will thus occupy a position in the open air as does the original, carved in the face of the rock in Switzerland.

Thus in these tangible ways we aim to carry over some of the intangibles of the old Colby to her new home.

Franklin W. Johnson

TALK OF THE COLLEGE

COMMENCEMENT—The program for the coming Commencement looks good. We are glad that Kirtledge of Harvard is to speak. We have always heard so many stories about the famous "Kitty," for instance his retort to someone who wondered why he had never taken a Ph. D.: "Who is there who could examine me?" The Baccalaureate preacher is also one of distinction, a past president of the Northern Baptist Convention and of the Federal Council of Churches. We can vouch for Dr. Beaven—a preacher without affectation or mannerisms, a delivery so deceptively matter-of-fact and conversational that not until afterwards do you realize that you have been following a profound and moving train of thought. His son, you know, occupies the pulpit at the Baptist Church in Waterville. Also, happy to note that the seniors invited "Bugsy" to be their Class Day guest. Many of his former pupils will be anxious to listen to his talk.

The choice of Dyer, '15, to deliver the Boardman Sermon is appropriate not only because of his notable missionary career but because he is a member of the Twenty-Five Year class.

We note a change in the time of the fraternity and sorority reunions, which will come at the lunch hour on Sunday. This plan was tried last year by Alpha Tau Omega and proved highly successful. The former hour, on Sunday evening after the Boardman service, seemed to many to be too late, especially after an exciting day. The luncheon-reunion idea seems well worth a trial.

Again, we will watch a couple of cornerstones being laid on Mayflower Hill. It isn't often that a college has the satisfaction of seeing new buildings going up every Commencement. Those who attended the ceremonies at the Roberts Union and Women's Union last year will want to come back and see these magnificent buildings as they look now. We wonder what the Mayflower Hill ceremony will be one year hence.

The play this year, they say, is quite different from any we have had. "K'ung" is reported to be a work of art and will be lavishly staged. The

author, Mrs. Larz Anderson, is a distinguished person in other ways as well. Wife of a great diplomat, canteen and Red Cross worker (decorated with the Croix de Guerre) she has had rich experiences to call upon in her play writing. At present engaged in sponsoring canteens for the French anti-aircraft posts, she hopes to attend the Colby production of "K'ung" if her war duties permit.

PIPE—What irony there is in the fact that this year of all years the good old class day custom of smoking the Pipe of Peace will be reinstated after a lapse of a dozen years or so. The pipe had been missed, but no one knew just when it had been last used and no one thought to do anything about it until another Commencement rolled around and then the matter would be forgotten again. However, the pipe turned up recently in the corner of the Old Library. Graduates of the twenties will remember that as a pipe it was something less than a complete success, one puff per match being about the limit. However, under the auspices of the Alumni Council the heating system is now undergoing a thorough overhauling with new plumbing and modern meerschaum lining. So when it makes the rounds of the Class of 1940, it will be functioning in perfect Mayflower Hill order.

Speaking of the pipe, shortly before his death, Fred Owen had promised to write a yarn for these pages upon the circumstances attending a disappearance of the famous pipe back in the eighties. Perhaps the tale will never be told. Or perhaps someone else was in on that episode. How about it, Byron Boyd? What do you say, Joel Larrabee? Or perhaps you, Harvey Eaton? If it is a good story, let's have it.

TIP—If you like close, hard-driving, hair-raising athletic contests, the chances for seeing one are all in your favor if you go to a Colby-Maine game. As evidence, we have only to refer you to the record this last year. Football, Colby 7, Maine 6; basketball, Maine 46, Colby 44; baseball, Colby 4, Maine 1, (12 innings).

TUT, TUT!—From an anonymous sender there arrived the other day a newspaper clipping showing a picture of a fair, bald infant beneath which (so help us!) ran the caption: "Her first birthday anniversary was celebrated recently by Barbara Spinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Spinney. . . ." In view of the article in last month's issue entitled "Portrait of a Bachelor," we are somewhat nonplussed. An unsigned letter accompanying the clipping points out several disquieting facts: "Note too," it reads, "the similar physical characteristics, the rounded cherubic features, the high forehead, the flat feet, and withal a look of firmness that denotes character and stability." Sadly, we did note those things. The correspondent asks pointedly: "Is the Alumnus holding out on us?" Or is it just a coincidence. We hope it is, but we can't get away from "those rounded cherubic features, that high forehead."

NEWS FROM BOSTON—Colby people seem to have gotten themselves into the Boston newspapers in some of the queerest ways in recent weeks. For instance, at the Armstrong-Junior prize fight in the Boston Garden the other day some hysterical fan in the gallery yanked up his chair and heaved it in the general direction of the ring. Of all the thousands of people on the floor it had to land on the cranium of John ("Scoop") Roderick, '36, ace reporter for the Associated Press. After medical attention John filed his story all right, but the chair was in bad shape.

And then we opened the paper one day to see a picture of that spicy Mexican movie star, Lupe Velez, in a head-to-head conference with "her lawyer," (believe it or not) Arthur Bickford, '16. She was the defendant in something about the alleged commission on an alleged jewelry sale, but when the hearing in the Suffolk Superior Courtroom was just getting steamed up, Bickford's opponent suddenly arose and said it was all just a big mistake. So then there was general hand-shaking and autographing and Lupe, "her trim petite figure clad in a tailored blue suit and

a dusty pink sweater," and wide eyed at the commotion she was creating, said: "Eef I get all dees pobleesity for deese, what eef I commit a murder?" Well, we can answer that one: send for Mr. Bickford.

And finally, we opened the paper to find that the winner of a \$10,000 prize for the best first novel offered by Red Book Magazine and Dodd, Mead & Co., was none other than the wife of Stanley G. Estes, '23. The book is "Hildreth—Her Story" and is said to be laid in a New England setting. The last line in the dispatch stated that "her husband teaches psychology." And, we might add, he applies it. Prexy Roberts used to tell the young women that the purpose of a college education was to enable a girl to "tell a good man when she sees one." That works both ways, and evidently Stanley got a good education at Colby.

TREASURER-POET—The proposed work on the two unions this summer, we understand, is to put in the stairways and concrete floors, leaving openings for the steam pipes.

That sentence may convey the information, but we are forced to confess that as a statement it is mere prose, and pretty loose and amateurish at that. This was borne in on us when we read the official edict issued over the signature of A. G. Eustis, Treasurer. The facts of the case, we now learn, are that the program calls for "installation of concrete slabs on existing steel joist, structural members for stair construction, and the setting of sleeves for mechanical trades."

Now there is a statement for you. Why the man is a poet! Read it again:

Installation
Of concrete slabs
On existing steel joist,
Structural members for
Stair construction,
And the setting of sleeves for
mechanical trades.

Note how the meaning is only slightly obscured by the magnificent assonance. It is Poe ("and the leaves were crisped and sere") with a touch of Sandberg and Gertrude Stein. See how cleverly the poet plays on the *st* and *sl* sounds: installation, slabs, existing, steel, joist, structural, stair, construction, sleeves. And mixed with these he has dashed a few hard *k* sounds: concrete, construction, mechanical, and so on. We gain some

insight into his genius when we perceive that he is thus trying to balance his sibilants and gutturals so as to convey to the sensitive reader the emotional feeling of the new buildings; i.e., graceful Colonial charm emerging from granite, brick and steel.

And then the rhythm! The early influence of Amy Lowell upon the writer is clearly evident in the polyphonic freedom of the first five lines which set the stage for the superb anapestic tetrameter which brings it to a climax. That last line is unforgettable. In future years when boys and girls study the laws of prosody, we feel certain that along with

Arma virumque cano Thojæ qui primus ab oris
and

This is the forest primeval. The murmuring pines and the hemlocks
they will practice scanning this immortal line:

And the setting of sleeves for mechanical trades.

BOOKSHELF—The publication of the masterly life of George Dana Boardman, reviewed on another page, adds another volume to the Colby bookshelf. We wonder how many of our readers, if any, can point to a complete set of the following Colby books:

COLBY STORIES, by Herbert Carlyle Libby, 1900.

UNDER THE WILLOWS, edited by Herbert Carlyle Libby, 1908.

SAM OSBORNE, Frederick M. Padelford, 1913.

GEORGE DANA BOARDMAN PEPPER, by Frederick M. Padelford, 1914.

GENERAL CATALOG OF COLBY COLLEGE, 1920.

COLBY COLLEGE SONGS, 1920.

THE HISTORY OF COLBY COLLEGE, Edwin C. Whittemore, 1927.

FOOTPRINTS OF ARTHUR J. ROBERTS, edited by Carl J. Weber, 1928.

ANTHOLOGY OF RECENT COLBY VERSE, edited by Norris Potter, 1929.

COLBY'S ROMAN, Bertha Louise Soule, 1938.

BOARDMAN OF BURMA, Joseph C. Robbins, 1910.

Do you have them? We will offer a prize, value to be determined after ascertaining how many qualify, to those who have the above 11 volumes on their shelf. And, incidentally, the Library would be very happy to receive a copy of Padelford's sketch of Sam, since they only have one at present.

ECHO—There is nothing like an occasional dose of viewing-with-alarm to assure one that all is well with the undergraduates. We read with appreciation a recent sizzling editorial in the Echo which deplored, or rather inveighed against, the "neg-

ative lethargy" of the faculty. The issue was something about the reception given to a student-proposed new system of examinations. We weren't quite clear as to what it was all about, but we read the rhetoric with relish. The editorial soared to the following pathological climax:

This attitude leads to the belief that Colby is sinking into the morass of an outmoded status-quo. It is beginning to suffer a hardening of the educational arteries. Can it be that railroad carbon is fossilizing our administrative body? The air on Mayflower Hill may shoot dynamic adrenalin into our failing hearts; on the other hand, our new buildings would make a lovely tomb!

WAGER—It seems that since the college was to have a holiday on Memorial Day which was Thursday, and since there also were no classes on Saturday, because of the end of the semester, the students petitioned for a holiday on the intervening Friday "so that they could have added time to prepare for examinations, and for other reasons." Professor Lester Weeks, '15, told his class that the petition was useless, that the last six petitions for holidays had been thumbed down by the faculty, and that he would even wager ice cream and cake that this petition would be rejected. But, alas, his colleagues let him down. And yesterday the class came in to find a serving of ice cream and cake on the arm of each chair.

BREAK—According to our publication schedule, there will be no June issue—a break for the editors, and, perhaps the subscribers. The final issue of the year will bring you the story of Commencement.

COMMENTARY—In Chemical Hall the other day we noticed hanging on the chemistry department's bulletin board a strip of paper about five feet in length. Upon examination this was discovered to consist of half a dozen mimeograph sheets from the Dean's office, each stating that the following students were to be excused from such-and-such classes because of absence with the so-and-so team. These had been clipped into a ribbon and at their head was a placard:

WHY STUDY?
JOIN A TEAM
AND SEE THE WORLD!

Just a little commentary on human affairs by Dr. Parmenter.

A LAYMAN'S MESSAGE TO TEACHERS

By H. Everett Farnham, '89

SCIENTISTS tell us that water at 211 degrees merely simmers while at 212 degrees, it will give off the steam that generates power. What a difference that one degree makes! One extra base hit often wins a ball game. Intangibles made the log of Mark Hopkins a school. It seems to me that a college must give a perspective on the conditions of life, broaden and deepen the range of thought and develop an ability to distinguish between chaff and grain. Too many teachers look like the ground-hog sitting on his mound of earth, close to his hole. They may know their text-book, but they are abundantly lacking in ideas. Thought lozenges have not yet been devised. They have the emotion of a cabbage. So far as going beyond the very limited confines of the text-book, they are like a Buddhist image—they hear nothing, see nothing, do nothing.

At Yale I had among my teachers, William Rainey Harper, later President of Chicago University. He was a human dynamo. When he entered the class-room, we were electrified, thrilled by his ready smile, quick sense of humor, prompt and dramatic attention to the subject. With graphic strokes, he made the lesson period an adventure in the pursuit of knowledge that one could never forget. His brother, Robert Harper, was reputed to know more than he did; but when he assisted for his brother, William, his efforts were a hopeless fizzle. He seemed to lack imagination and that clairvoyant insight so vital to a teacher.

At Colby, I had among my teachers Shailer Matthews and Albion W. Small. Dr. Small, as you know, was for many years later on Head of the Department of Sociology at Chicago University. Dr. Small was my instructor in Economics and History. He saw that I was a green country boy who had come to think that the Protective Tariff and the Bible were about equally infallible. So he outlined a debate, "Protection vs. Free Trade" and assigned the defense of the Free Trade to me. I felt outraged, chagrined, and sought vigor-

From the Faculty News Letter of Park College, near St. Joseph, Mo., we are indebted for these observations by "a layman fifty years away from classic walls." Mr. Farnham's remarks are typical of the sparkling style which has made so many of his insurance writings outstanding in their field.

ously to be excused. I told Dr. Small I didn't believe in Free Trade and just couldn't defend it. Dr. Small insisted. He had the insight to discover what I needed. The result of that debate made me a free-trader, turned me wrong side out! Dr. Small diagnosed the needs of his pupils, then by direction and indirection sought to guide them wisely. That experience was an "intangible" of his teaching that I can never forget—the importance of seeing both sides!

I think teachers need to cultivate and deliberately reach out for breadth of view and sympathy. For years, I have made myself read papers and magazines with which in many particulars I feel that I am in radical disagreement. For years I read the daily "Capital Times" of Madison, Wisconsin. It has one of the very few editorial pages worth reading. The "New York Nation," "The New Republic," "News-Week," "Time," and "Life" help to build the very muscle and brawn of a teacher's equipment. Biographies such as "Benjamin Franklin" by Van Doren, "Andrew Jackson," by Marquis James, and "Country Lawyer" by Partridge, art collections like "American Prints" by Craven, "World Famous Paintings," edited by Rockwell Kent, and "Modern American Paintings," by Peyton Boswell, Jr., will inspire anyone and help him out of the ground-hog hole to a sphere of usefulness. The radio brings a world of good things, music and otherwise, to our very easy chair. As you perhaps remember, I took up a correspondence in law some years ago, just to test myself and discover if mentally I was still a student. I carried a big, leather bound volume on the road with me for study while

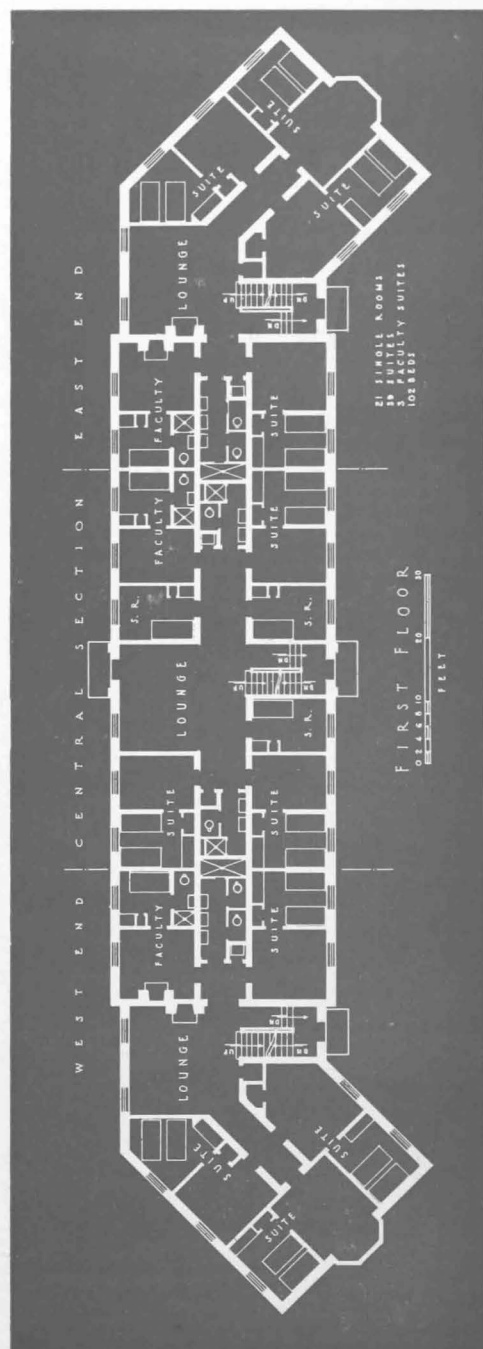
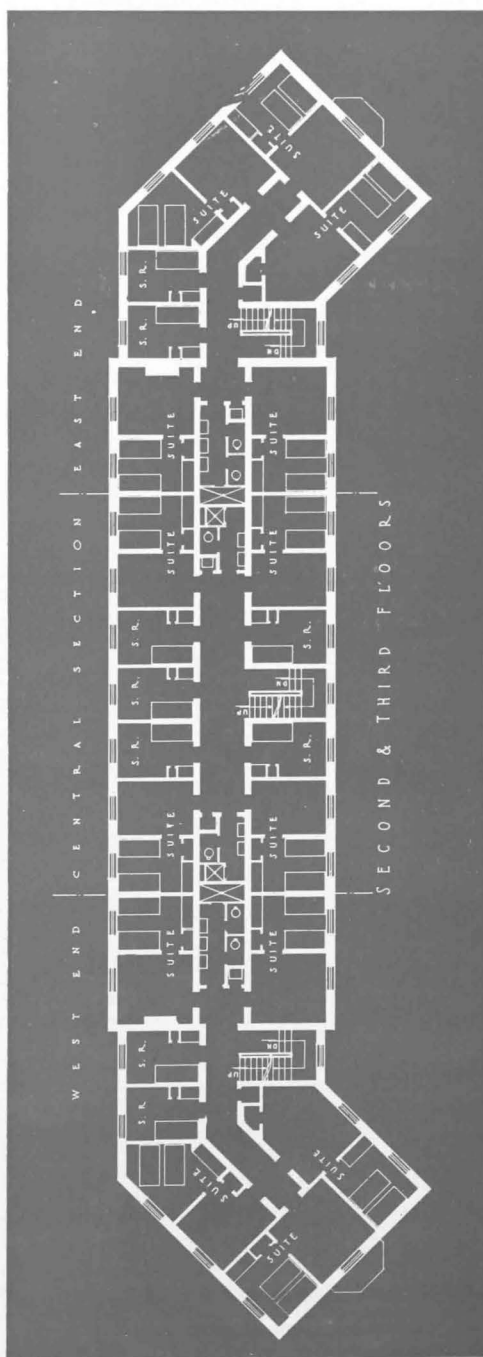
not otherwise employed—a handy way of waiting for a late train.

At all ages and periods of life, it seems to me we owe it to ourselves to sharpen our wits and develop our personality and usefulness by tirelessly exposing ourselves to wise people, books, music, and the popular sports and pastimes in which people, the young especially, find profit and enjoyment.

I have noted a tendency of some college teachers, especially the younger ones, to treat seniors like freshmen by forcing their noses so close to the grindstone that they have little opportunity to look about them. Heavy assignments of reading and reference work keep them busied into the small hours of the morning. It seems to me a mistake. Such students are at a stage when they may derive greater profit from a more leisurely regime than one of jam and cram. Friendly conferences with their teachers, discussions of their individual aptitudes and possibilities, and surveyings of the world they will have to face tomorrow are vital factors in their future. Perplexing questions will not all be solved. If they are told that they have a special closet in their mind with hooks on which they may hang up their problems and that, by taking them down and studying them occasionally in the future, many of them will clear up, they will grasp the idea of suspended judgment and decision which is most helpful.

If we have a tendency to become hypochondriacs. Dr. Glendenning's book "The Care And Feeding of Adults" will be helpful. If time is squandered in futility, Arnold Bennett's little book on "How to Live on Twenty-Four Hours a Day," will prove a gold mine; and lest one lose his shadow, let him read that little gem by Chamisso, "Peter Schlemihl." Browning says, "When a fight begins within himself, a man is worth something."

Let's recharge our spiritual and intellectual batteries! Let's be as excited in the pursuit of knowledge as a cat at a prayer-meeting of mice!

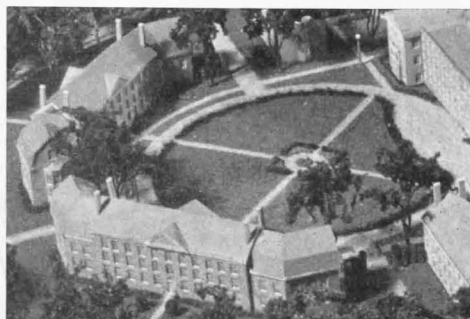


DORMITORIES NEXT ON BUILDING PROGRAM

AT the spring meeting of the Board of Trustees, held in Portland on April 20, it was voted to erect the superstructures of the two dormitories for men, lay the foundations for the women's dormitory, construct floors and stairways in the two unions, and proceed with the filling and grading operations on the front campus and athletic field. The Building Committee was also authorized to contract for additional work if new funds became available for the purpose.

The foundations for the two men's dormitories are already laid, one having been done in 1938 and the other last autumn. At right angles to each other and diagonal to the other buildings, they "round off" the rear of the campus, facing a circular green on the rear of the Library with their back outlook over the lake towards the western hills.

The plans were evolved by a Housing Committee consisting of trustees, faculty members and administrative officers, working with J. Fredrick Larson, architect. Two aims were



Location of Dormitories Behind Library

dominant: first, to provide comfortable, quiet and attractive living quarters; and, second, to keep costs down to a point where moderate room rentals are justified. As finally developed, therefore, the dormitories incorporate some interesting features. While large enough to be economical in construction costs (housing about 100 boys) they are ingeniously planned so as to get away from the barracks-like nature of the conventional big school dormitory.

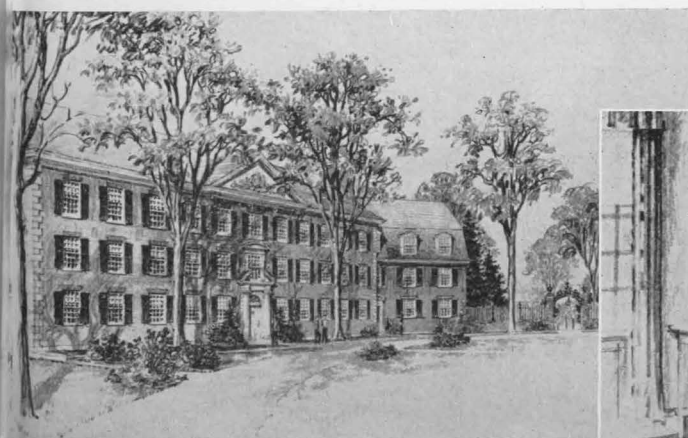
In these buildings there will be no long, noisy corridors. Instead each dormitory consists of what amounts

to three residence halls under one roof. Each self-contained unit will bear its own house name and accommodate thirty-odd boys. Each will have its own entrance, recreational lounge and faculty apartment.

A study of the plans will show that corridor traffic has been reduced to a minimum. Only three or four rooms open upon any of the short hallways on either side of the stairways. Besides being convenient, this arrangement will greatly lessen noise and

disturbance. Sound-resistant and fire-proof construction will be used throughout.

About 80% of the accommodations are in the form of two-room suites for two boys, the rest being single rooms. Each room, though small, is adequate in size and will be equipped with a built-in wardrobe in addition to the customary furnishings. Provision is made for continuing the plan of resident faculty members which has been so successful in Hedman and Roberts Halls on the present campus. These men do not serve as "proctors" in the boarding school sense, but their avail-



EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR VIEWS OF ONE OF THE MEN'S DORMITORIES

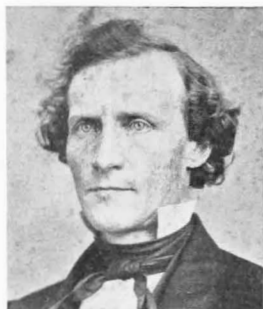
ability for friendship and counsel has been found to mean much to students, as many readers of this article can testify.

The cost of these dormitories when completed has been estimated at \$170,000, or around \$1,730 per student accommodated. A study of the figures for dormitories recently erect-

ed in other colleges shows that this per-capita cost is lower than almost any other and less than half that of some "luxury" housing plans. Although nothing is skimmed in the methods and materials used, the simplicity of the architecture and economical utilization of space is responsible for this accomplishment.

To no small extent, this summer's construction program is made possible by the "Maine Million" campaign and the Administration is confident that additional gifts (which, incidentally, continue to come in week by week) will make it possible to continue the work to completion next year.

COLBY'S FOUR JOHN FOSTERS



John Barton Foster
Class of 1843



John Marshall Foster
Class of 1877



John Hess Foster
Class of 1913



John Thomas Foster
Class of 1940

THIS June, the fourth John Foster in direct descent to graduate from this college will receive his diploma. The span of the four generations is nearly a century—from 1843 to 1940.

John Barton Foster, born in Boston, early moved to Waterville and was graduated in the class of 1843. After two years of teaching he felt the call of the Christian ministry and was graduated from Newton Theological Institute in 1850. Instead of going to a church, however, he was elected editor of *Zion's Advocate*, an influential Baptist weekly, a post which he filled with conspicuous success until 1858 when the chair of Greek and Latin in Waterville College was made vacant by the elevation of Dr. Champlin to the presidency of the college. For thirty-five years "Johnnie" Foster remained on the faculty, giving up the Latin when a young man by the name of Taylor was taken on as tutor. There is abundant evidence that he was one of the college's great teachers—a

thorough scholar, beloved by his pupils, a man of integrity and power. The picture above was taken around 1862 and shows a much younger man than other likenesses found in the college archives.

While Professor Foster was an editor in Portland, a son was born and named John Marshall Foster. In due time he, too, matriculated at Colby University and graduated with the class of 1877. Again a period of teaching and also of business pursuits intervened before he entered Newton Theological Institute, graduating in 1887. The foreign field called and he sailed at once for China. Except for an interval of four years as president of Vashon College, at Burton, Wash., he served in Swatow in capacities of increasing responsibility including missionary, teacher, and president of the theological seminary. His death was in 1924.

While at Swatow he married a fellow missionary, Clara Hess, and the second of the six children was John Hess Foster. Following tradition,

this John Foster came to Colby, was graduated in 1913 and went on to medical school at University of Pennsylvania, receiving his M.D. in 1917. A year of internship was followed by war service as a 1st Lieutenant in the Medical Corps. Then he returned to China for eight years on the faculty of the Hunan-Yale Medical School in Shansha, after which he returned to this country and took up private practice in Waterbury, Conn.

He married Helen O. Thomas, Colby, 1914, and daughter of Arthur M. Thomas, '80.

Just before they sailed for China, while Dr. Foster was still in the military medical service at Fort Oglethorpe, their son was born there in Georgia and named John Thomas Foster. In due time he graduated from Crosby High School in Waterbury and came to Colby. John the Fourth has been a Dean's List student, holder of various offices in student organizations, and one of the respected and well-liked boys in the senior class.

COLBY MEN MAKE GOOD COACHES

TO followers of school athletics in Maine it has seemed as though most of the group pictures of successful teams this year have included a Colby alumnus in the back row as coach. Seeking to confirm this impression, an endeavor was made to circularize Colby alumni in this state who are part or full time coaches and the resulting data, given herewith, seem to indicate that a Colby teacher is very apt to make an outstanding leader of physical recreation activities.

The oldest one from whom information was obtained was Elihu B. Tilton, '07, principal of Rangeley High School, who coaches baseball and basketball on the side. His teams have won a majority of their games for years and last winter won the Franklin County basketball championship.

The most outstanding coach in point of service and career is Charles C. Dwyer, '08, who coached Hebron's "Big Green" teams for thirty years. Now, however, he supervises as Director of Athletics and lets the younger men do the active coaching.

For some reason, there does not seem to be a single man in the coaching field in the intervening classes until we come down to William Hale, '25, who is principal of Easton High School and has coached his teams to Aroostook League championships in baseball in 1937 and 1938 and in basketball in 1937. From his school went two of the best college athletes in recent years—Don Smith and Milt McBride of the University of Maine.

For a record of consistently good teams which is probably unequalled by anyone in the state, we present the coaching career of William A. Macomber, '27. From Colby he went to Rockland High where in his first year the football team won 5, lost 2, tied 1; in basketball, won 16, lost 5 (losing State Championship by two points to South Portland); and in baseball, won 14, lost 1. Then in four years at Cony High School, Augusta, his football teams won 40, lost 10, tied 4, including the State Championship team of 1932, which was the only undefeated and untied team in the school's history. In hockey his boys won a State Championship and in



CHARLES C. DWYER, '08

baseball one Kennebec Valley Conference championship. Moving on to South Portland in 1934, he produced in the following year a State Champion team; again the only undefeated and untied team in the school's history. Now back at Cony High, but out of the coaching game (much to his relief) Macomber can look back not only at those two undefeated seasons, but four seasons with only one loss and three with only two games lost. His astonishing record over ten years of coaching football is: won, 69; lost, 22; tied, 8.

There are two successful coaches in the class of 1929. Rodney Wyman, principal of Belgrade High School, coaches baseball as their only inter-

scholastic sport. During 1938 and 1939 his boys ran up a string of 30 consecutive wins before being beaten by Lewiston High School for the State Championship. Considering the fact that his teams, usually play larger schools and consistently win a majority of their games, this is a fine record.

Nelson Bailey, '29, at Lincoln Academy, Newcastle, produces some of the best schoolboy track teams in the state. Over the last four years at the Bates Invitational Cross Country meets, his teams won two first and two seconds, last year winning by a tremendous margin. His spring track teams have won the Knox-Lincoln County championships for the last six years. They won the State Class B Championship in 1935 and consistently finish near the top.

At Calais Academy Harland L. Keay, '30, coaches basketball for boys and girls, and baseball. Over the last six years his girls have won five county championships and tied once, winning a total of 86 games to six losses. His boys have had one county championship and tied once, their six year record being 83 wins and 29 losses. In baseball, they have won two county championships and last year a string of 17 wins was broken only when they competed in the State Championship at Lewiston. Their six year record is 83 wins and 15 losses.

The class of 1931 turned out some outstanding coaches and teachers. "Wally" Donovan is at Waterville High where he and "Bob" Violette, '33, turn out some of the best teams in the state. Over six years they produced one state champion and two seasons with only single defeats, a total of 40 wins, 9 losses and one tie. Donovan's basketball teams have been chosen for the tournament every year except one. His proteges have frequently become outstanding members of Colby's teams.

Henry S. ("Wopper") Deetjen, '31, was four years with Cheverus High in Portland where his teams were always strong and for the last four years has been at Sanford where last year the football team was undefeated and one of the top teams in Maine.

Wayne S. Roberts, '31, was assistant coach of football and baseball at



WILLIAM A. MACOMBER, '27

South Portland from 1931-37, part of the time helping Macomber with his successful teams. In 1934 Roberts took over the baseball team and won the Telegram League cup. He is not coaching at present.

The fourth member of 1931 to be heard from is Thomas Langley at Stevens High, Blue Hill, who previously coached at Northbridge, Mass., and Sedgwick. With his small school, he has turned out good teams, especially in baseball.

Stanley L. Clement, '32, principal of Newport High, coaches track teams which usually land near the top in the Penobscot County meet and last year in a dual meet defeated Greenville, the Piscataquis County and State Class C champions. Three years ago his basketball team at Howland won 17 out of 20, including a run of 14 straight. Clement is one of the Central Board basketball officials.

Besides co-coaching football at Waterville High with Donovan, whose record has been already quoted, Raoul H. Violette, '33, has had a hockey team for three years, winning the State Championship every time, and losing one game in that time. He also coaches baseball.

At Livermore Falls, John J. ("Paddy") Davan, '33, has been building up interest in athletics ever since his advent. His basketball team this past season was his best, winning the Western Maine Class B Championship and losing the state title by a hair. This team won 16 out of 18. His baseball teams over the past five years have won 60 while losing 10. They annexed the State Championship in 1936, came in third in 1937 and second in 1938. His football teams have broken even over this period.

Woodrow W. Peabody, '34, coached freshman football at Colby his first year out and then coached athletics at Orono High for two years, going back home to Houlton in 1938. In his first year at Houlton High he produced an undefeated, untied, unscored-on football team, and a Northern Maine champion basketball team. Last year his baseball team won the county championship.

Norman A. Taylor, '34, remembered as a tennis ace, is coaching soccer, basketball, track and tennis at North Yarmouth Academy. Last fall his soccer team won the Triple C championship and his basketball team came in second. In 1937 he coached

a champion girls' basketball team. In 1936 he coached a basketball team at Higgins which won the State Prep School Championship.

Now at Warren High School, Herbert DeVeber, '36, has only the responsibility for baseball, aside from his teaching. Last year at Rockland he coached a junior varsity basketball team which won 11 out of 15. He also coached the recently introduced six-man football team.

Millard E. Emanuelson, '36, is coach of baseball at Thornton Academy, Saco, and assistant in football. In the previous year he coached all sports at Coburn with the remarkable record of an undefeated football team and a basketball team which was called one of the best schoolboy teams ever seen in Maine, a team which coasted through 16 straight wins, averaging 61 points a game, to the State Prep School Championship.

Victor over "Paddy" Davan, '33, for the State Class B Championship in basketball this past winter was John J. Sheehan, '37, with his Shear High (Eastport) team. Last year, he was runner-up, losing to Lincoln Academy after an undefeated season. In baseball, his team won six out of 10.

Also from the class of '37, is John MacDonald at York High School whose basketball team won the York County Championship and reached the semi-finals in the Western Maine tournament in Lewiston. He also instituted six-man football last fall. In 1938, at Clinton, his basketball team won the small schools tournament at Winslow and his baseball nine won the league title.

At least seven members of the class of 1938 are in the teacher-coach ranks and, with only a year or two of experience, have already given evidence of high ability. Albert W. Berrie at Gorham High coached his first basketball team to a Class B State Championship. Roy Young had an undefeated basketball team at Erskine Academy, South China last winter. Joseph Dobbins won a league championship with an undefeated season at Bridgewater Academy and finished second in baseball in 1938-39, while this year at Houlton High he assisted with the football team which won all but one, and handled the junior division basketball teams. Norman Walker introduced high school football last fall to Richmond with sur-

prisingly good results. As principal of Somerset Academy at A thens, Clarence E. Staples coaches the school's only sport of baseball. Rather a novelty in school sports is fall baseball which Garnold ("Lefty") Cole introduced at Thomaston High School, winning five out of six. His girls' basketball team won the Knox County Championship. Ernest M. Frost at Lawrence High, Fairfield, has handled the junior varsity basketball team for two years, winning 22 out of 29 and supplying the varsity squad with some well-trained material.

The above accounts do not by any means exhaust Colby's contribution to school athletics. Although we were unable to secure their detailed records, the list of coaches, active and inactive, should include the following: Malcolm O'Brien, '16, Brunswick High; John Lanpher, '23, Brooklyn High; Philip Keith, '26, Higgins; Roland Fother, '27, Gilman High, Northeast Harbor; Harold Carson, '28, Guilford High; Earle O. McKeen, '28, Ashland High; Vinal Good, '29, Higgins; Kenneth Mansfield, '31, Bar Harbor High; Maurice Pearson, '32, Sullivan High; Tillson D. Thomas, '33, Stevens High, Rumford; Charles Caddoo, '36, Caribou High; and Leland C. ("Bus") Burrill, '39, Hampden High. Possibly there are others who have been inadvertently omitted.

While not in the high school coaching field, special mention might well be made of certain alumni who are also prominent in the athletic picture in the state. John H. ("Red") Lee, '30, director of physical education at Portland High School and Durward S. Heal, '28, in the same capacity at Bangor, play a constructive part in the building up of the physical welfare of many hundreds of boys. In the college field, our own coaching staff includes two alumni, Ellsworth W. Millett, '25, coach of freshman football, hockey, junior varsity baseball and golf; and Norman C. Perkins, '32, coach of track.

The contribution of Colby graduates to science, literature, religious thinking and so on, has been pointed out in these columns as a cause for pride, but no less important is the service to the youth of Maine found in the training in bodily coordination, team play, and clean sportsmanship taught week after week on gym floor and athletic field by these forty-two sons of Colby.

BOOK TREASURES UNEARTHED IN LIBRARY

By N. Orwin Rush, Librarian

FOR five years the Colby Library has been in the process of re-cataloging, and this spring witnesses the virtual finish of this long task. At its best, cataloging seems to be a rather dull task, but in re-cataloging an old Library it sometimes turns out to be a search for buried treasures with startling results, which is just what has happened at Colby. From the very beginning of the re-cataloging nearly every day valuable items were found which had never been listed, and now that the process is nearly complete we are amazed to realize the richness and variety of these items.

These items which have enriched our collection immeasurably include a manuscript copy of the verses of AMERICA, signed and dated by the author, Samuel Francis Smith; documents in the field of American History signed by Abraham Lincoln, James Madison, James Monroe, Salmon P. Chase, and others; over two hundred and fifty scarce pieces of early Maine printing; and first editions of the works of nearly all of the great group of nineteenth century American writers: Poe, Thoreau, Emerson, Longfellow, Irving, Beecher; several works of the early Puritans, as well as a particularly happy discovery of Webster's DICTIONARY OF THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE in its first edition of two volumes.

Some of the older items discovered are examples of very early printing and binding, some of which deserve special mention. Two of these discoveries were recently on display in the main reading room and attracted much interest. They were parts of a geography from the Janson Press of Amsterdam, printed in 1647. The volumes are beautifully bound in cream vellum embossed in gold. The text shows the care and skill of what was one of the fine printing houses of that time, and the full page steel engraved maps are marvels of clarity and artistic workmanship.

A number of early Bibles have been discovered and, in particular, a good copy of the Louvain Bible of 1639. This is probably the greatest French translation of its period and

long was the standard for the Roman Church in France.

A later example of noteworthy printing is a work on the natural history of the frog with text in Latin and German and full page colored plates that are unsurpassed for their brilliancy and delicacy. It was printed in Nuremberg in 1758, and is in the original building.

Our collection of works on the fine arts is enriched by the fine catalogue of the famous Italian Giustiniani gallery. This catalogue of two volumes contains excellent steel engravings of the art objects of this great gallery. Printed in Rome in 1631 by an unknown printer they are splendid examples of fine craftsmanship.

The Library is fortunate to have a good example of the work of Nutius in the ANNOTATIONES AND MEDITATIONES of Jerome Natale, of 1594. In the original state this book is a collector's item of great rarity, desired especially because of its fine plates. Unfortunately in our copy these have been removed, but the text is intact, as well as the title page, serving to display the art of this printer.

These and other such items now provide us with an excellent collection of examples of sixteenth and seventeenth century printing and binding.

There is still one more part of the Library that has not yet been thoroughly explored—and that is the attic. It is possible that we may find here many interesting and valuable items long forgotten. This project will be undertaken with the re-opening of college next September. Then, it is hoped that when our collection is installed in the new Miller Library, each and every book will be recorded and available instantly upon request, thus increasing the usefulness of our Library. For, indeed, the day is long past when the librarian could put each book in its place and find it from memory. Now, with our collection reaching the one hundred thousand mark, the mere arranging of our books is a mechanical task demanding an accurate and efficient system of management. And so we approach

the prospect of our New Colby proud that we can offer a Library with a truly fine collection unhindered by any out-worn systems.

Gifts to Library

THE Colby College Library has a great cause to be thankful for its many friends who annually present generous gifts to the Library. These gifts, no matter how small, are always appreciated.

Worthy of particular mention are the gifts from the Colby Library Associates whose contributions each year greatly increase the Library's facilities for faculty and student research.

This year one of the most outstanding gifts has been that of the Book Arts Collection consisting of well over one hundred items from Dr. Edward F. Stevens, '89. The Library is greatly indebted to Dr. Stevens for many other items—hardly a week passes which does not bring a gift from him.

Dr. George Otis Smith, '93, continues to be a loyal friend, regularly turning over to the Library his current numbers of several scientific periodicals, as well as numerous books. Dr. Smith has also contributed to our Book Arts Collection, much to the satisfaction of the Library staff, for it is hoped that the present Collection may be built up to one of distinction.

T. Raymond Pierce, '98, gave the Library the first edition of Hawthorne's MARBLE FAUN, in which Hawthorne mentions the Paul Akers bust of Milton now in the Colby Library.

From George F. L. Bryant, '17, came an unusual collection of military maps of operations of the American Expeditionary Forces in the World War.

Among the items which Raymond Spinney, '21, gave to the Library is an interesting Francis Bacon item published in 1671—RESVSCITATIO: or, BRINGING INTO PVBLICK

LIGHT SEVERAL PIECES OF THE WORKS . . OF THE RIGHT HONORABLE FRANCIS BACON. . .

Our Hardy Collection has been greatly enriched by the Library's many friends. Mr. Frederick B. Adams, Jr., presented the Library with a rare first edition, the anonymous 1872 two-volume edition of UNDER THE GREENWOOD TREE. Mr. and Mrs. H. Bacon Collamore gave the Library Robert Browning's copy of WESSEX TALES, given to Browning by Hardy himself on

Browning's birthday in 1888. Mr. Herman A. Oriel has presented the Library with many items, among which were several Hardy first editions.

The following also made gifts to the Library during the past year—many giving items relating to Colby which we are very pleased to add to our Colbiana Collection:

Emma J. Bromley, C. Lennart Carlson, Mrs. Benjamin Carter, Alvah H. Chipman, Chaloner O. Chipman, Colin Clements, Mrs. Colin

Clements, Louise H. Coburn, Percival R. Cole, Edward J. Colgan, Mrs. Fred G. Eaton, Mrs. Donald Flood, Travis Gill, Frederick T. Hill, J. Frederick Hill, Franklin W. Johnson, Mrs. A. Brayton Larsen, Herbert C. Libby, Mrs. William Looney, Philip Marsh, Allen G. Miller, Charles H. Pepper, Mrs. Fred Philbrick, Raymond Pitcairn, Burton E. Small, Southworth-Anthoensen Press, Henry O. Taylor, Carl J. Weber, Elise F. White, William J. Wilkinson, Carroll A. Wilson.

WHERE THERE'S A WILL THERE'S A WAY

By an Old Pedagogue

ONE of the first high schools I became principal of after my graduation from Colby was in C—, Maine. I had a pupil, by the name of Ansel Woolwich. He lived in an adjoining town, four and a half miles away, and walked to and from school each day.

He was never absent, and was late but once during the entire year, the circumstances attending which I will mention a little later.

His parents lived on a small farm and were very poor, and "Anse," as his schoolmates called him, notwithstanding his long walks, had his share of the farm work to do out of school hours.

He was an excellent scholar especially in mathematics. He studied both arithmetic and algebra, and I recall that when I dictated problems in compound proportion, a subject to which considerable attention was given in those days, to pupils at the blackboards, he often had the correct answer as soon as I had finished dictating, carrying on the work while I was reading the example.

In algebra he was a wizard in such subjects as the binomial formula with negative and fractional exponents, and I do not think there ever was a morning on his arrival at school, when he had not all the problems in Greenleaf's Higher Algebra, which I had given out for home work, correctly solved.

He was of a retiring disposition, mixing very little with the other boys, but yet was extremely well-liked by them. It is needless to say he made

no trouble for his teachers, but they never became very well acquainted with him.

During the winter term there were some very cold days, and heavy snowfalls, but "Anse" was always one of the first pupils to arrive at school.

One day in January it snowed all day, and when school was dismissed at four o'clock, and "Anse" started off for his long walk, the snow was still falling. It snowed all night, clearing the next morning, but the wind had piled up the snow in deep drifts.

About half-past eight pupils living in the village began to arrive at the schoolhouse, although quite a number were absent, and the topic of conversation was whether "Anse" would be able to get to school.

The minutes went by, and no "Anse" appeared. Nine o'clock came, and I purposely delayed opening school, hoping Ansel would show up. After the opening exercises I called the first classes, and while recitations were going on, the door burst open and "Anse" Woolwich fell in onto the floor. The poor fellow was completely exhausted, but we had a good fire going, and after a short time he got warmed up and seemed to be all right, though a little more sorrowful than usual.

He told us he thought he would never get through, as the roads had not been broken out, and that he had become about discouraged.

In a few weeks he seemed like his old self, and one Friday, a few minutes before the afternoon session was

dismissed, by previous arrangement, Will Edmands, noted even then for his oratorical ability, and who subsequently became a lawyer and later a district judge, suddenly arose and said:—"Mr. Woolwich: You have braved the storms of winter; you have surmounted seeming impossibilities in your efforts to obtain an education, and as a token of the friendship and esteem of your fellow schoolmates, I am delegated to present to you this testimonial of our appreciation of your determination and sterling character," at the same time placing on "Anse's" desk a complete set de luxe of Macaulay's History of England, a subject in which the recipient was greatly interested.

Edmands sat down, and the whole school was wondering what "Anse" would say, but the poor fellow was so overcome by this exhibition of affection by his schoolmates that he dropped his head on his desk, and sobbed as though his heart would break.

I at once dismissed the school, thinking this the best thing to do under the circumstances.

Naturally the reader is interested to learn what became of "Anse."

I had not been to C— for thirty years, and had lost all track of Ansel Woolwich, but one summer I made a visit to the town for the purpose of looking up some of my old pupils. I found that "Anse's" family had moved away years before, and I also learned that "Anse" had worked his way through college, and had a fine position in the government entomological department in Washington.

FIVE AND TEN CLASSES TO HOLD REUNIONS

THIS YEAR'S GOLDEN JUBILEE CLASS

PEOPLE approaching the fiftieth anniversary of their graduation from college seem often to manifest surprise. This is hardly reasonable—the date has been a long enough time in coming! The sentiment may perhaps be more accurately described as one of increasing self-consciousness. If that be true, factual analysis seems quite as much in order as attempting expression of sentiment. This is particularly the case when the (possible) interest of other people in ourselves is concerned!

The class of 1890 was overwhelmingly of New England origin; the birthplaces of seventeen out of the twenty-one men graduates were in the State of Maine, of one in New Hampshire, and of one in Massachusetts. George Hurd came to us from Colorado; Simpson was born in Kentucky. As to careers after graduation—the “old-line professions,” ministerial, medical and legal, claimed eight; educational work, at least nine; business, three; farming, one. This does not tell the whole story; there were changes of activity in the course of events. Some began as teachers and then worked into other, and sometimes allied, lines. Hall, for example, was principal of a high school for four years and then went in with Ginn and Co., and worked up to partnership. Ginn and Co., as publishers, have certainly been allied with education! And in later years Hall was a valued trustee of Colby. Hatch put in five years as pastor at Wolfville, N. S., between four years as instructor at Newton and six years as professor of mathematics at Colby. Then, Gilmore in his seventeen years as pastor at Madison, Wis., was in quasi-faculty relations with the young people in that State University. And Miller was first professor at the University of Chicago, then in government service with the Bureau of Science in the Philippine Islands before going in with the International Banking Corporation. And so on. So it would appear that “educational work” accounts for more than half of ‘90’s activity. Burke, Wagg, Whitney and Wyman were especially concerned with administrative work in the public schools, Burke and Wagg set-

ting down in Boston for twenty-seven and thirty-three years respectively. The names of Burke and Wyman are perpetuated by school buildings bearing their names in Boston and Warwick, R. I. Of the four who have been incorrigibly devoted to the service of colleges, ‘90 presents as our supreme gift to Colby “Rob,” the “ever-fixed star whose worth’s unknown although his height be taken.” Considerations of space prevent notice of other careers.

For the most of us, material gifts to the college have had to be in comparatively small sums, “token payments,” as it were. But there are exceptions. Owing to Miller’s great gift (in addition to the princely action making possible the completion of the library) and to memorial contributions from the widows of Hurd and Whitney, it may be said that ‘90 accounts for more than one fourth of the sum needed for the Roberts Memorial.

About the women, four graduates and four non-graduates, the paucity of information in the General Catalog of 1920 makes possible only the general observation that teaching accounts for more than half of their activity. It should be noted that Miss Hall, who left us during the course of our four-year pilgrimage returned to take her degree in 1919.

Have we been a “brilliant” class? According to present-day publicity standards, and with the great exception of “Rob,” no. Rather, the kind of people upon whose shoulders the every-day good work of the world is carried. Not, by any means, “forgotten men,” just “don’t get into the papers,” much.

We nine men survivors salute with deep affection those who may not return in bodily presence for our “Fiftieth.” And we look forward with high hopes to the Colby of Mayflower Hill.

—Charles W. Spencer.

NINETY-FIVE’S FORTY-FIFTH

IN 1935, nine of the twelve women of ‘95 attended the 40th reunion of the class. Its marked success was due to Clio Chilcott, who worked out the plans with enthusiasm and with a fine

regard for details. Since then our beloved classmate, Lily Sawyer Pray, has gone from us. We think of her as one who finished her earthly course with high honors, but the sense of loss continues.

The season of 1940 brings the 45th anniversary of our graduation. Four of the class are definitely planning to be in Waterville; two will probably be kept away by ill health or distance; the others are giving themselves up to wishful thinking. We hope this may be changed to purposeful effort so that as many as possible may have a share not only in the reunion but in the many important and stirring Commencement events.

—Carrie M. True.

REUNION OF 1905

PLANS are already being made for the 35th reunion. The date will be Saturday, June 15, 1940. The class will get together in the late afternoon followed by dinner in the evening, the time and place to be announced later. The reunion will include the ladies of the class, wives, husbands, children, and guests if you care to bring them. This will be, without doubt, the last reunion on the old campus, for the call in 1945 will come from Mayflower Hill. Your class agent will keep you all informed with personal letters. Just let him know that you will be there and he will do the rest.

—Cecil W. Clark.

1910 LOOKS FORWARD TO THIRTIETH REUNION

JUST thirty years ago this coming June the class of 1910 left behind them the College Chapel, Dutchy Marquardt’s smelly old stove, Dr. Parmenter’s many concoctions, Dr. Chester’s pickled cats, frogs, and what have you, and Dr. Libby’s course for bigger and better orators. How well I remember struggling at the Old Baptist Church for humble recognition.

We also said good-bye to one of the dearest Presidents any college ever had. Dear Prexy Roberts. He did not live in vain as we already have a Roberts Memorial building,

which will remain an everlasting tribute to his endeavor.

Little did we think, then, that in our lifetime, we would see an entirely new college site, and buildings. Yet, it might have seemed more possible at that time had the problem been approached than it did after the 1929 depression settled upon us. I question whether any other person who might have become President of Colby College except President Johnson, would have had the courage to carry on in the past ten years. Yet, if we study his background, it is perfectly understandable. A combination of that Maine determination and persistence rounded out by a brilliant career of teaching in larger universities.

It is our privilege and duty to gather in June, to do honor to Prexy Roberts memory, and to be inspired by President Johnson's overwhelming enthusiasm and accomplishments.

—Henry B. Moor.

THE women of the class of 1910 are so modest about what they have done in the generation gone since they left Colby, it is practically impossible to write a column on their activities.

Those who have sent sons and daughters to Colby (we have three of our children in this class "30 years after") are Leona Garland Berry, Mary Donald Deans, Nellie Keene Fernald, Cassilena Perry Hitchcock and Eleanor Creech Marriner.

Several of us are teaching young America at various levels; a few are engaged in other professions, while the majority keep the home fires burning. In addition to all their duties women of the class of 1910 are found holding offices in church organizations, clubs and societies of all kinds, wherever there is need for leadership. We have helped maintain the balance of our unique democratic society.

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—Mary Donald Deans.

Reunion banquet at The Wishing Well, Waterville, Saturday night, June 15, at 7 o'clock.

REUNION PLANS FOR QUARTER CENTURY CLASS

LAST October, when Tom Crossman was in Waterville for Colby Night and the Colby-Maine game, he appointed Prince Drummond and Lester Weeks a committee to make arrangements for the 25th reunion of the Class of 1915. That committee has functioned to the extent that it has engaged "The Homestead on the Kennebec" as the place for the class dinner which will be roast native turkey with vegetables right from the home farm and other Maine delicacies. It might have been a good idea to have had a box picnic on Mayflower Hill, in order that those who may be coming for the Class Reunion only might have an opportunity to see the beautiful new campus and buildings. However, a trip to Mayflower Hill will be arranged for those who must hurry. The Homestead on the Kennebec is a beautiful old home, has green lawns and well cared for gardens, and a superb view of the Kennebec River in the rear. It is situated on the Augusta-Waterville road, not more than a mile north of Oak Grove Seminary.

Class Agent, Leslie Ferguson Murch, reports that he has heard definitely that the following, including himself, will be present: Yeaton, Young, Spinney, Arey, Dyer, Royal, President Crossman, Weeks and Drummond. Buster Holt writes that he has planned many long years to get Uncle Sam to let him off for this reunion, but may be prevented from coming by the sickness of Mrs. Holt. Freddie Dunn has recently moved to Newark and should make it.

At our reunion in 1935, a suggestion was made that those living in the same cities or nearby communities might gang together and come along in a convoy of two or three cars, or more. Perhaps some of you in Massachusetts will work on the idea.

It would seem that there are two objectives to work for, as regards this Class Reunion: First, to get to Waterville to renew old friendships, and make new ones with wives or husbands of classmates, to see the new college and to enjoy a delicious Maine turkey dinner (for one dollar); Second, to make the contribution of 1915, on its 25th reunion, to the Colby Alumni Fund as large as possible.

—Prince A. Drummond

TWENTY-FIVE TO HOLD FIFTEENTH

WHEN the class of 1925 met for its tenth reunion in 1935, a record was made for attendance at Colby reunions. The class of '25, though not always too prompt in informing us of its addresses, jobs, news of families, etc., showed its enthusiasm, its love for Colby, and its desire to keep alive old friendships by appearing at tenth reunion in numbers that far exceeded the expectations of those in charge. Apparently many who had resisted the call to come 'back until the last minute, changed their minds and came to reunion in such numbers that the culinary department had to do some last-minute hustling to feed the hungry board.

Nellie Pottle Hankins has written her intentions of arriving in time for Colby Commencement. Her husband is a professor at the University of Kansas, and Nellie writes that his classes end the week before Colby's do, and she thinks that will allow them time to get here from Kansas. We are sure that this trek will be an inspiration to those who are nearer at hand.

Nellie also writes that this (April 22) is their most beautiful season of the year with late spring flowers and apple trees in bloom. They enjoy it very much out there, but miss the contacts with Colby people.

And you '25ers, don't forget we are expecting a repeat performance of the 1935 reunion. We'll be sending you complete details of arrangements in a few days. Also don't forget to send back the card saying, "We'll be there."

—Winona Knowlton Huckins.

TENTH REUNION FOR CLASS OF 1930

ITS REUNION YEAR for the Class of '30. The year of years when our members from far and near should call a halt to proceedings, drop whatever we are doing and make definite, unalterable plans to be present when the roll is called on the night of Saturday, June 15th, 1940. On that night, after ten long years, the Class of '30, will Organize, Appetize, Harmonize, Socialize and Conversationize 'till the wee hours of the morning.

Plans are being made for a Big

Time with the men and women of the Class of '30 joining together to make this reunion the best, and to set a record for numbers present not to mention pushing the Spirit of our members to a "New High."

If you have lost track of a few of the members here is a bit or two from those whom I have heard in late months: Charlie Weaver, is still busy on a Portland paper and busier leading the Navy Reserves to the colors. Al Turner is holding fort for the Standard Oil Co. in the Dover-Foxcroft region and they like him. Tom Record is digging out jobs for the unemployed with the State of Maine Employment Service. Ralph Goddard is holding down an executive position (Assistant Treasurer) with the Casco Bank & Trust Co., Portland. Norm Palmer, married and expounding international problems to his heart's content with and against "Wilkie" at the college. Red Lee, still single, is the busiest man in Portland—President of everything too. Gordon N. Johnson, Doctor now, is a surgeon who has "arrived" and is not single any more. Karl Hines still paper magnetizing it in Nashua, N. H., and looks real professional with that big cigar. "Gil" Henry, when last heard from, was Postmaster Farley's hard worker in Ashfield, Mass. Phil Ely came to light when I saw him behind the desk at the Northampton (Mass.) Inn, and on my wedding trip too.

I know there is a story about everyone of you that we all want to hear at Reunion Time. Make it a point to be in Waterville on Saturday, June

15th to help make the 10th Reunion a success.

—Bob Brown

PLAN GALA REUNION FOR THE FIVE YEAR CLASS

NEXT month alumni and alumnae will descend upon Waterville in hordes, we hope, and the lobby of the Elmwood will reverberate the sounds of long-awaited meetings, renewed friendships and newly-formed acquaintances. I shall be sitting there in the lobby and an older woman may come up to me pleasantly and say "What are you here for?"

I shall answer "I'm here for my fifth reunion. Five years seems like a long time to be out of college."

My companion will say "Five years! My child, what if you had been out 35 years! You are just a baby!"

So it is that we, the baby class, shall have our fifth reunion this year. For the first time after college we shall meet as a class to look one another over and see what life has done to us—or, more pointedly, to see what we have done with life.

Physically, we are 54 strong and I speak only of the women. This figure includes those of us who did not graduate.

Geographically, we spread out from Maine to Iowa with Maine claiming half of our members and Massachusetts harboring the next largest group. There are three of us in Pennsylvania, two in New York, two in New Hampshire, and one in each of the following states: Vermont,

Rhode Island, Iowa, New Jersey, Florida, and Illinois. Thus do the women of '35 extend over the country. One of our members has taught in France and visited Europe while it was still visitable.

Vocationally, we are all either working, going to school or making a career of marriage. Wedding bells have chimed often in the class for 26 women are married. I know of eight children in the class family and there may be more who will some day spend four years on Mayflower Hill. Teaching is next, statistically, there being seven school marms in the group. Five of us work in offices as secretaries or clerks. Two do social work for the State of Maine, two do religious work, one is a laboratory technician, one a librarian, one is training to be a nurse, and one is attending business school and doing free-lance writing. Six of us belong in the unknown class and must be employed at some nefarious task for no word has trickled out as to their occupation.

These are the women of '35. None of us have become famous as yet and as far as I know none of us are worried about excessive wealth. On the other hand, none of us have spent a night in jail (again, as far as I know!).

In another five years I shall have more to report. Class babies who are now teething will be learning to read, wedding bells will have called more and more of us, and some one in the crowd will undoubtedly have a Ph.D. Such is life!

—Virginia Moore

BOARDMAN OF BURMA

Reviewed By John W. Brush, '20

BOARDMAN OF BURMA. By Joseph Chandler Robbins. The Judson Press, Philadelphia, 1940.

THE visitor to the old Colby Chapel is impressed with Colby's rich tradition of missionary service: that honor-roll in gold is indeed something of which the college may be proud. Most famous of all the names is that of George Dana Boardman, who graduated in the first class to finish at the Waterville College, in June, 1822. Boardman's life has waited a long time for some one to put it worthily between the covers of a book. Dr.

Joseph Chandler Robbins, splendidly equipped to do it, has placed us all in his debt.

It is a brief story and quickly told. Boardman died at thirty, after but four years on the field in Burma. But its brevity and simplicity are apt to be deceptive, for Boardman's life and work are of great importance in the history of Christian missions. The American churches had awakened to the call to carry the Gospel beyond their own shores but a few years before Boardman went to college. The

American Board of the Congregationalists had been founded in 1810. Judson, the board's first missionary, had gone to Asia in 1812, professed Baptist convictions and written back to the American Baptists asking if they would support him. The answer was the missionary society of the Baptists founded in 1814. Just eleven years later, George Dana Boardman and his admirable wife Sarah Hall, under the Baptist board, sailed from Philadelphia to assist Judson in his heroic labors in Burma. The significance of

Boardman, apart from his particular attainments and the heroism of the man, is that he opened up the work among the Karen people in Burma, and the Christian mission among the Karens is widely and perhaps even universally admitted to be the outstanding mission today in the whole world. I am much mistaken if every reader does not find himself deeply moved by the story of Boardman's last journey to the hills, carried on a stretcher, but obedient to the call of his beloved Karens to come to them again.

Quite naturally, Colby people will be most interested in the earlier years of Boardman's story: Livermore, North Yarmouth, New Sharon, Skow-

hegan; then Waterville; a brief but successful period of teaching at Vassalboro; the little college under Jeremiah Chaplin, and George Dana Boardman his beloved pupil, whom he earnestly desired to stay on at the college as tutor; George's church life in Waterville, and his deep Christian experience. Dr. Robbins tells this part of the story with a fine sense of the Colby tradition. On page ten is the hymn written for the Boardman Memorial Service, June 18, 1922, by Miss Coburn of Skowhegan.

The book is written with devotion and yet without flourishes. The format is attractive. The volume is worthy of a place on every Colbyite's bookshelf.

Maine. Her ancestry reaches back into Colonial days and she had relatives on both sides of the Revolution. On her father's side she is related to Henry W. Longfellow. Along the Maine coast the family name of Young is a tradition, for members of the family settled there very early in the history of the state, and for years identified themselves successfully with the shipping industry.

If one can visit any of the Young families today, often in the household is a red-cheeked hearty sea captain who spins enchanting tales of the days of early sea faring when he traveled around the world with precious cargoes in a sailing ship.

Miss Young received her B. S. degree from Colby with Phi Beta Kappa honors, attended Yale, and obtained the degree of M. S. from Columbia University.

Following the line of her training she acted as a factory chemist for a time and then owned and operated her own restaurant in Springfield, Mass. At the present time she is a food editor for General Foods in New York City. The next time you meet a General Foods booklet with a lot of interesting and appetizing recipes you can know that probably Hazel Young was the power behind the idea.

Miss Young in private life is Mrs. Frank B. Grinnell, R. F. D. No. 1, Stony Hill Road, Springfield, Mass. She commutes week-ends from New York to this farm where she and Mr. Grinnell are planning and executing all sorts of adventuresome farming tricks on their place. Hazel's sister, Leta Young, Colby, '11, lives with the Grinnells in Springfield and teaches in one of the Springfield Schools.

In the summer the Young sisters journey to tranquil old Matinicus Island where they have a farm with a gem of an early American house on it. Here, 20 miles out to sea from Rockland with only two boats a week to the mainland they vacation happily among cousins. Miss Young's love for cooking may well have been acquired on this little Island for better cooks never were than live there.

Hazel Young loves dogs, enjoys reading and would rather go on a picnic where she can cook than do almost anything else, except perhaps write an engaging and practical cook book, which every Colby woman should see.

WORKING GIRLS MUST EAT

HAZEL YOUNG, Colby, 1914, authority on foods, has written a book* which doubtless will have far-reaching effects upon the homes of the present day. The volume is a cook book, planned expressly for the tired, time-pressed, business girl who carries on efficiently all day in the energy-consuming, high pressure realm of the boss' office and has to rush home at five o'clock to cook and serve a tasty, wholesome meal to a jaded husband who has spent his day in the same wearing field of occupation.

This is no ordinary cook book. It has style and literary excellence and is spiced with sparkling bits of information and food for thought.

A Colby man has described the work of Miss Young most colorfully. He says, "Her's is not a hit-and-miss collection of cut and dried recipes but rather functionally selected and logically arranged groups of food items, well adapted to construct menus that satisfy."

"Perhaps it would be better to describe the 100 menus suggested as a series of personally conducted meals in which the author-guide points out in detail the successive steps by which economy in time and cost can be attained."

"Among the gossip comments that serve as appetizers at the page



HAZEL YOUNG GRINNELL, '14

heads and add to the literary excellence of the volume is one that has a State of Maine flavor. This relates how the best salt cod from Matinicus Island was sent each season to President Coolidge with the result that codfish thereafter appeared on the White House table."

Though a specialized cook book for the business woman, the volume has much value for any home maker who plans her own meals and has a yen for originality and thriftiness.

The author was born in Liberty,

*A WORKING GIRL MUST EAT. By Hazel Young, Boston, Little, Brown & Co., 1938.

THE TOOTHPICK TYCOON OF FARMINGTON

ONLY God can make a tree, but Ted Hodgkins knows how to turn one into toothpicks.

Anybody who passes through Strong, Maine, on the way to the Rangeley Lakes, can see the large red mill with mountains of birch bolts in back and trucks hauling away load after load of cartons from the shipping door, but what goes on inside is a most interesting process which is denied the general public.

While perhaps not quite so "cagey" as munitions makers in a belligerent nation, the manufacturers of hardwood specialties have a little private competitive warfare of their own and, since, manufacturing processes depend upon the ingenuity of each manager, each of them would give his eye teeth to find out how a rival has solved any one of a hundred production headaches, and is equally anxious that none of his own inventions leaks outside the plant. Hence a trip through the factory of the Forster Manufacturing Company is a privilege both on account of its intrinsic interest and because of the faint flavor of E. Phillips Oppenheim.

If you thought that toothpicks were made by an army of whittlers with jackknives you have underestimated the Yankee flair for machinery. Hodgkins has humming gadgets which pour out a stream of thousands of toothpicks a minute—yes, I said *minute*! They are punched from ribbons of birch veneer which, in turn, had been peeled off of steam-softened birch logs. There are flat toothpicks, round toothpicks, polished toothpicks, colored toothpicks—a pick for every taste. They flow around through the mill in pipes from process to process until they drop into little boxes in lots of 300 (with a maximum wrong count of 3) without being touched by a human hand. Some are boxed, some are canned (he makes his own cardboard cans) and some for foreign countries which require the packaging to be done locally are sent in bulk in big cases holding some half million loose picks.

While less publicized than American automobiles, movies or typewriters, American toothpicks are definitely another contribution to world civilization. Noticing a carton in the ship-



THEODORE R. HODGKINS, '25

ping room consigned to Shanghai, China, I found out that the destinations of Hodgkins' products, read like a travel agency's brochure. The one nation conspicuously absent was Japan. It appears that the Japanese, with their low labor costs, can undersell the American toothpick, but even this can not gain for them the Chinese market because of the boycott. Hence, we may think of a sliver of a Maine birch tree between Chinese jaws as symbolic of modern warfare on the economic front.

Although toothpicks were the sole product of the Forster Manufacturing Company before Hodgkins came on the job, it now has a big clothes pin business and a line of such diversified products as skewers, lollypop sticks, cocktail picks, wooden ice cream spoons, mustard paddles, tongue depressors, medical swab sticks and so on. Production of all these items approaches the astronomical figure of a hundred million (99,300,000, if you want to be exact about it) every day, which represents what Ted's factory can do to 60 cords of wood.

The factory is his baby. He lays his hand fondly on a machine which grabs the tail of a coil of wire and deftly twists it into a clothes pin spring. He beams at the apparatus for tumbling the round toothpicks

into a nice polish. He glows as he shows you bins the size of a small hayloft full of halves of the clothes pins. He points with pride at a chattering gadget which takes the picks helter-skelter and delivers them smoothly regimented side by side. He shows you a machine where one girl produces the same as five men, formerly. But if you ask if this threw the five men out of work he tells you that in the process of modernization the employment has been increased from 75 to 400 hands; that production has been stepped up sixfold; that the payroll is \$7,000 a week; that there are no seasonal fluctuations; that the assets approximate half a million dollars—all because low cost production means lower selling prices, and lower selling prices means greater consumption.

Hodgkins is the number one man on the works, so perhaps the title of general manager fits him best, although he spends a third of his time on the road. Officially he is treasurer of the company. He came into the firm in 1933 and apparently began stirring things around and three years ago practically rebuilt the mill—a major task, in which Ted temporarily became inventor, engineer, and mechanic, working with the production experts in the designing and installation of automatic machinery and conveyor systems.

No particular training for this sort of work is discernable in his previous life. He was born in Presque Isle in 1901 and named for the hero of San Juan Hill who was soon destined to step into the presidency. From Farmington High School he came to Colby where his nickname "Farmer" belied his penchant as a born promoter. With Ralph McLeary and Paul Edmunds he launched that notable collegiate periodical "The White Mule" (which, in turn, gave rise to the idea of the Colby mascot). Following graduation in 1925 he conceived and carried through to success the publication of "Brief Biographies of Maine," a sort of Who's Who in this state. Then he went to work for Curtis Publishing Company in the circulation end, working all over the United States as well as in Philadel-

phia remaining until 1932 when he took a year off to study accounting. Upon the completion of this course the position of Treasurer opened up with Forster Manufacturing Company.

Ted married Frances Butler of Farmington in 1927. Graduate of Wheaton, she has taken graduate work at the University of Chicago. They have a daughter Joan, aged 7, and an adopted baby boy, David, aged 2. They live in Farmington.

As for hobbies, Ted tries to do some fishing, but for the last few years he has not had the time to do much at it. Probably he has devoted more attention to his college than to any other outside interest. A member of the Alumni Council for several years, he was chairman for the year 1937-38, and currently is chairman of the Fund Committee.

Next year, however, Ted and his wife are dreaming of a real vacation—a travel tour with just enough business mixed up in it to make sight-seeing seem like fun. Subject to any of a number of uncertainties, they plan the following itinerary: Cuba, Mexico, Buenos Aires, Chile (flying the Andes), San Francisco, Hawaii, Philippines, China, Burma, India, Japan, and Farmington. If he can get a trip like that out of toothpicks, what could he have done in the telephone pole business?

LOCAL COLBY MEETINGS

NEW YORK DINNER

It was with pleasure that the Colby men and women alumni gathered for the annual banquet at the Hotel Prince George in New York City on March 29th at 7 P. M. The fact that the number of pleased participants in these meetings mounts every year certainly leads to the conclusion that they are ever enjoyable, and that the Prince George New England Dining Room is the most satisfactory meeting place to be found. Personal visiting and pleasant reunions went on all during and before the excellent turkey dinner.

President Lawrence Bowler presided over the meeting which followed directly. We were fortunate and pleased to have with us at our dinner President Johnson, especially since he had not been able to attend last spring. He spoke to us of that which was foremost in his mind—and also in the minds of all his listeners—the new Colby on Mayflower Hill. Although I am sure he had to convince none of his audience in that meeting that Colby College is worth moving, this was the theme of his talk. It was an inspiring address—stressing the value of the move, telling something of how it was coming about, and

renewing the warm glow of remembrance in all who heard the story of our college.

Briefer speeches which followed were by The Honorable Bainbridge Colby, an enthusiastic alumnus by virtue of an honorary degree from Colby, who commended wholeheartedly this ambitious undertaking, and Dean Ernest C. Mairiner, who had more news of Colby to relay to us. The Reverend Harold Lemoine explained the purpose of the new men's scholarship fund which he hoped might be raised by the alumni of the New York Chapter. There were many who showed great interest in this and gave their assistance before the evening was over.

A nominating committee, appointed during the meeting, had drawn up a slate of officers for the coming year. These were presented to the society by President Bowler, accepted as read, and the new president took over the meeting from that point. Harold Lemoine, '32, is the new president, Louise Smith, '33, vice president, and Samuel Ferster, '26, was re-elected treasurer. The Executive Board was also named at this time. The meeting was closed officially—but everyone stayed to enjoy the ex-

CANDIDATES FOR ALUMNAE TRUSTEE



MARY DONALD DEANS, '10



HELEN THOMAS FOSTER, '14



GRACE GATCHELL, '97

quisite color movies of the new campus with its four magnificent buildings, which Cecil Goddard showed. These made possible for us, who are far away from the place, the experience of seeing the new college, which is as much our own as is the Colby by the Kennebec.

—Elizabeth J. Wilkinson, '37.

HARTFORD MEETING LARGEST EVER HELD

THE Connecticut Valley Colby Club met on April 26 for the 28th time. The Hotel Bond in Hartford echoed with Colby-the-Long-Way as the largest gathering of the Club got under way. Why these meetings are always so thoroughly sociable or why enthusiasm runs so high seems to be due to an intangible very hard to describe. Perhaps it is a family spirit, a reuniting in which President Johnson acts as a revered and worthy father and Charles Seaverns as a distinguished son. At any rate, it was an occasion of fine spirit from the first cheer to the "bull session" that broke up close to midnight.

Our thoughts were brought back to the College by accounts of accomplishment and progress given through the medium of excellent colored movies of Mayflower Hill projected by G. Cecil Goddard. We were proud and somewhat surprised at the amount done in one year.

Interest reached its height as President Johnson related incidents of life on the Campus. This personal message from the Campus always has a deep meaning to us. This year we were particularly impressed with the courage and determination of the President and Trustees in building a new campus and a fine institution without loss of fine old traditions.

Charles F. T. Seaverns was elected president, Frank A. James, vice president and Royden K. Greeley, secretary. This is the twenty-fifth time that Mr. Seaverns, who is a Trustee and benefactor of the College, has been elected an officer of the Club. His genial and able discharge of the duties as toastmaster added greatly to the success of the meeting.

The men present were from Connecticut and Western Massachusetts. Distance did not keep many home; some drove up to 150 miles to be present. Nearly all classes were represented from 1891 to 1940. The number present was encouraging, in

fact, thrilling. Out of 251 in the territory covered by the Connecticut Valley Club 77 were present. This is about one out of every three. Fifteen years ago one out of eight was the usual average of attendance. Here's hoping for bigger and better gatherings in the future.

JOINT MEETING AT WORCESTER

WORCESTER County Colby Alumni held their annual meeting April 25 at the Knotty Pine Inn, (Bob LaVigne, '29, Prop.) Worcester. President Johnson, Dean Marriner, and G. Cecil Goddard represented the college. Colored moving pictures of the "New Colby" were followed by President Johnson's very inspiring account of the progress being made on Mayflower Hill.

This meeting was one of the most pleasurable the Worcester group have enjoyed and they wish to express their appreciation to President Johnson, Dean Marriner, and Cecil Goddard, for their part in its success. Those attending the meeting were:

Rhoden B. Eddy, '20; David K. Arey, '05, and Mrs. Arey; Sydney P. Snow, '28; Marion R. Snow, '32; C. E. Riley, '27, and Mrs. Riley; Mabel R. Holmes, '27; Edward F. Buyniski, '35, and Mrs. Buyniski; Robert G. LaVigne, '29, and Mrs. LaVigne; Alice L. Scrimgeour, '31, and Mr. Scrimgeour; Albert W. Wassell, '26; A. B. Crossman, '17, and Mrs. Crossman; Charles S. Pease, '91; Kent T. Royal, '15; Robert Peterson, '29; Christine Anderson; Ralph N. Smith, '17; Marian White Smith, '17; Frederick J. Kinch, '25; Marian J. Kinch, '25; John D. Springer, '35, and Mrs. Springer, '35; Leota E. Schoff, '25.

KEENE COLBY CLUB

THE Keene Colby Women were guests of Mary Donald Deans, 1910, at dinner and the opening concert of the Keene Music Festival Association on Monday, April 8. There was a special Colby table in the Faculty Alcove of Fiske Hall, Keene Teachers College, where places were designated for Mary Bragg Weston, 1901; Merle Rokes Waltz, 1924; Charlotte Howland, 1936; Idella K. Farnum, 1914; and Mary Donald Deans, 1910. Marcia Farrar McIntire, 1914, was unable to be present because she and her husband were driving their son back to Dartmouth that afternoon. We missed Margaret

Hale Shaw, 1930. She and her husband Bernard Shaw, 1930, have moved to Charlestown, N. H., where we wish them success in their new venture.

PROVIDENCE ALUMNI HEAR MUSICAL CLUBS

IN spite of the stormy weather several Alumnæ and Alumni from Providence attended the joint concert of the Colby and Rhode Island State Musical Clubs in Kingston on April 12. It was worth miles of traveling in any kind of weather to see the members of the Musical Clubs and to hear them sing. The write-ups in the Providence papers did not give Colby the praise it justly deserves. Mr. Thomas in his directing and the students in their singing of the several different types of musical pieces showed an understanding and sympathy which helped to make their work far superior. If this concert is an example of what is being done at Colby in the musical field (and we believe it is) then we may be justly proud of the accomplishments in this department.

Among those who attended were: John E. Candelet, '27, J. Ardelle Chase, '27, Frances Page, '31, Helen Chase, '30, Vera Day Young, '28, Louise A. Ross, '11, Mary Buss, '34, Alice Paul Allen, '29, and J. Drisko Allen, '29.

MRS. MCCAUSLAND FETED

THE following letter so touched heartstrings of your correspondent that she wishes to share it with those mutual friends who, as members of Colby gatherings have known the hospitality of the McCausland home. It will, we know, be a reunion of a sort for those friends of the three Colby women who will return to Colby in June: Ina McCausland, '15, Mabel McCausland Grant, '20, and Elsie McCausland Rich, '20.

71 Read Street, Portland, Maine.
February 12, 1940.

Dear Friends:

Every so often we in America count our blessings, and sometimes we do something about it. This week the McCausland girls and Dexter have recalled the many good times they have enjoyed in the hospitality of the home established by their parents on February 19th, 1890.

It just seemed that if we should send a brief note to the friends we had known in that home, perhaps some of them might like to write or speak another brief word to mother on the fiftieth anniversary of that day.

Some of you did not know our father who helped us to keep open house until the spring

of 1917, but his philosophy of living has helped mother to "carry on" and as then, so now, the latch-string is always out.

A penny postal, a note, a telephone call, or, if possible, a personal call for a cup of tea, will not only help us to say "thank you" to mother for her fifty years of home-making, but we hope that it will bring you, her friends, more intimately into her life to refresh old memories and to create the fabric for new ones.

With very pleasant memories of the friendly good times of the past, we thank you for even a thought sent to Mrs. Gertrude L. McCausland next Monday. With the poetess, "we hold it true that thoughts are things,— and they speed o'er the track to bring you back whatever went out from your mind."

Best wishes for your own health and happiness in this year of 1940.

Ina, Mabel, Elsie, and Dexter.

These letters went to old neighbors, relatives and college friends, many of whom are scattered from Maine to California, and from Florida to British Columbia. It was hoped that at least ten or more might drop in for tea, and perhaps another ten

or more write or telephone, but Colby friends and friends of Colby women proved more than ready to echo the children's "thank you" to mother who had kept "open house."

More than two hundred and twenty-five individuals, representing many more families, sent cards, letters, telegrams, flowers, or good thoughts. Nearly one hundred of these good friends called for a chat and a cup of tea.

Although the girls succeeded in their desire to keep all notice of the event from the newspapers at the time as they felt that the festival could appropriately be held only in appreciation of the home-making, they have graciously allowed us to reunite these Colby friends who by their messages or presence made the day a happy one for a true friend of Colby.

Bowdoin 10-8, Bates 7-2, and finally Northeastern 9-4.

Joe Slattery, the clever sophomore flinger who throws them from the port side did the pitching in the Clark and Bates game, while Blanchard and Hegan were the winning pitchers in the Northeastern and Bowdoin games respectively.

Hatch, Maguire, Stillwell, Peters, Downie and Laliberte have all been hitting the ball real well. Clyde "Chick" Hatch, who has poled out three long triples and a double, is the long distance slugger of the team.

A decision to postpone the May issue for a week makes it possible to give you additional athletic news.

The Mule baseball team has added three more State Series victories thus making their total five Series victories without a defeat. Slattery has won three games and Hegan two which just about makes them the stand out pitchers in Maine College circles.

The Mules defeated Maine 4-1 behind Slattery, Bowdoin 4-1 behind Hegan and Bates 5-4 with Slattery doing the hurling. Hatch, Stillwell, Peters, Laliberte, and Maguire continued to hit the ball savagely.

With Hatch at third, LaLiberte at short, LaFleur at second, and Peters at first, its a new infield that Coach Roundy has moulded and it is doing a real smart chore. Allen, Stillwell and Maguire round out a capable, heavy hitting outfield and Downie is showing great form behind the plate.

On May 11, in the forenoon, Trinity snapped the Mules seven game winning streak by taking four second string pitchers over the 'bumps 13-2. That defeat won't hurt them any. On the contrary, it will make them more than ever determined to go after that State Series Crown in quick order.

The Mule Tennis team has also been going places this week. On three successive days they defeated Maine 7-0, Maine again 6-3, Bates 7-2, and two days later, they lost a tough one to Bowdoin 5-4. Charlie Lord, Number One man, went through all his matches undefeated proving conclusively that he is the outstanding racket wielder in the state.

The Colby golfers also managed to get in a couple of matches this week. They defeated Maine 5½-3½, and then were defeated by Bowdoin 6-3.

COVERING SPRING SPORTS

THE weather man has been on practically a constant rampage this spring, causing no less than three baseball games and three tennis matches to be called off. As a matter of fact the tennis team has not been able to take part in a match since their return from the Southern trip in March. The fairways have provided little opportunity for Colby's golfers to show their wares. They have played but one match, and that resulted in a defeat at the hands of the University of Maine golfers.

On April 27, the visiting M. I. T. trackmen defeated Coach Cy Perkins' team 88½ to 46½. Francis Allen hurled the Javelin 177 feet 7 inches, for a new meet record; Johnny Daggett tied the pole vault record at 12 feet; Lebednik threw the discus 119 feet 1 inch, also for a new record, while Wilson of M. I. T. and Peters of Colby shared honors in establishing a new record of 6 feet ¼ inch in the high jump.

In the Vermont meet at Burlington a week later, the Catamounts barely nosed out the Colby trackmen by one point, the final score reading 68 points against 67 for Colby. Daggett, Pratt, Card, Allen, Levin, and Lebednik were the big guns for Colby with Levin winning both the discus and hammer throws.

Due to an early season injury

FLASH

Winning their seventh straight State Series game on May 16 against University of Maine by the score of 6-2, the Colby baseball team clinched the state championship.

Johnny Daggett has been used very sparingly by Coach Perkins, but he should be just about ready for the state meet it is believed.

In spite of frequent and steady downpours of rain plus an out-of-season blizzard, Coach Roundy's pastimers have managed to play seven baseball games since the last issue of the Alumnus went to press.

They lost a 10-6 exhibition game to Bowdoin, a 7-4 game to Trinity and were again defeated 8-6, this time by Northeastern.

From there on however, the boys decided to get into the win column, won the next four games straight, and currently are on top of the Maine State Series heap. The boys have rounded into shape very nicely, and one gathers that they are going to be a very troublesome crew for all opponents to face the remainder of the season. The scores were: Clark 6-1,

The members of the team are James Bunting, Robert Johnson, John Warner, John "Jenny" Lee, Joe Wallace and Captain Arnold Myshrall.

As expected, Bowdoin won the State Track Meet which took place at Orono this year. Bowdoin had 55½ points, Maine 38½, Bates 21, and Colby 20.

The record breakers of the meet were Bennett and Johnson of Maine and Peters of Colby. Johnson of Maine threw the hammer a distance of 172' for a new state record, but his teammate Bob Bennett went him one better. He heaved it out 182' 3" for a new National. Gil Peters, whose rise to glory in track has been surprisingly quick set a new state record in the high jump of 6' 1 5/8".

Other point winners for Colby were Johnny Daggett who tied for first place in the pole vault, and took second place in the broad jump; Allen and Bu'ar who took first and second in the javelin.

NEW FRESHMAN RULE

Colby and Bates recently adopted the full year residence rule for freshmen which prohibits them from participating in varsity athletics until the beginning of their sophomore year.

This new ruling is to take effect in September, 1940. It puts all Maine colleges on the same basis, and is considered a step forward by members of the Colby Athletic Department.

The only teams that will be affected to any extent by the change are the baseball, basketball and tennis teams and yet Coach Roundy welcomes the change for he feels that better freshman teams will be developed thus helping the varsity materially in the years to follow.

Freshmen have not taken part in varsity football since 1923 so that sport will not be affected in any way. The freshmen haven't taken part in Varsity hockey for some time as the New England Hockey Conference prohibits the use of them.

Freshmen have been allowed to take part in varsity competition in basketball following mid-year exams, but that does not always work out satisfactorily because it isn't easy to fit new faces into an established pattern along toward the tail end of the season. Sometimes it works; and then it can, and very often does backfire.

In track, freshmen were permitted to take part in dual and state meets but they have not been allowed to compete in the IC4A for many years. As a matter of fact a full freshman schedule has been set up since 1934 because of this rule.

As I see the picture, most of the varsity teams have been able to strug-

gle along very nicely without including freshmen on their squads so it should affect the others very little indeed. A year of seasoning with first year teams so to speak, will do all freshmen considerably more good than harm, and it certainly should promote greater interest in freshman athletics.

FLASHES FROM THE CAMPUS

Junior Week-end:

The 'biggest Spring College week-end of the year is now history. Two plays, "She Ain't Done Right By Nell," and "Comin' Round the Mountain," began the Junior week-end and they were followed on the next evening by the Spring formal featuring Red Norvo and his band. Queen Barbara Mitchell was crowned by one of the Professors and the complete proceedings were broadcast as part of a special program by the Colby-at-the-Microphone staff. On Saturday Night, the annual Fraternity Chasers brought the week-end to a successful and enjoyable conclusion.

Debating Trip:

During the Easter vacation, a four-man team representing the Colby debating squad left Waterville to attend a Convention in Knoxville, Tenn. At the convention, various phases of debating such as Oratory and Extemporaneous Speaking, were handled by individual members of the Colby Delegation. The team spent two days in Washington and the late Representative Smith served as their host in the Capital and directed them to points of interest in the city.

Re Propaganda:

The last lecture in the current Colby Lecture Series was provided by Jay Allen, formerly connected with the foreign staff of the Chicago Tribune. He was a greatly disillusioned man and stated that the Allies have only themselves to blame for what is occurring in Europe, because they gave the Totalitarian nations the "green light" to continue aggressions in various parts of the world. If Japan had been stopped in her Manchurian campaign in 1931, Hitler and Mussolini would never have dared to carry out their aggressive foreign policies, he said.

Peace Day:

Peace Day was celebrated at Colby by the S. C. A. The theme of the assembly was "America's Place in the Current Crisis," and the discussion was handled by five undergraduates and two members of the History Department. All shades of opinion were represented at this special assembly, including appeals for complete isolation and in opposition to this idea, the viewpoint that the United States should give all economic and political aid to the Allies short of direct military assistance.

Murray and Montgomery:

The Murray and Montgomery contests featured the forensic activities of the college during the past month. The Murray contest topic for this year was Crime, and the twelve entrants in the debate discussed various phases of this most perplexing and seemingly insoluble problem. More than 80 students, representing almost 50 schools and four states, participated in the week-end contest which was featured by a first prize of \$100. Third prize winner was Robert Daggett, youngest son of Cecil M. Daggett, '03.

Twelfth Night:

Shakespeare has returned to Colby. The Powder and Wig Society presented their "streamlined" version of Twelfth Night before a large and most enthusiastic audience. The "streamlining" consisted of an ingenious staging technique which played all of Shakespeare's nineteen scenes (with ten changes of setting) on one unit stage. A new high in lighting effects was established with an illusion which made the wall of Olivia's house become transparent before your very eyes for the interior scenes and then suddenly fade back to the exterior setting again. Colorful and artistic, this setting was a triumph

for the students who constructed it under the guidance of Professor Cecil A. Rollins, '17, and stage craft instructor, Edward B. Porter. Another new wrinkle was an introduction and epilogue written by Professor Rollins which linked contemporary England with that of 400 years ago. Whether the scene is Denmark, Rome or Venice, said the narrator, Shakespeare is always England! Well-coached players, gorgeous costumes, rollicking farce and Shakespeare's English—all contributed to a grand evening.

Festival:

Some 180 boys and girls from four rural high schools, gathered in the Alumnae Building Saturday, April 20, for an evening of mass singing. They represented the schools where Colby, in cooperation with the Carnegie Foundation, has been conducting an experiment in cultural extension work this year under John W. Thomas, Colby director of music.

Phi Beta Kappa

Formal initiation of the sixteen most scholarly seniors into Phi Beta Kappa took place before a gathering of about a hundred in the Hotel Elmwood. The guest of honor was Dr. James L. Tryon, retired administrative officer of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who was a Harvard classmate and close friend of Edwin Arlington Robinson. His reminiscences of their friendship threw light on the personality of this notable Maine poet.

Social Calls:

The Musical Clubs of Rhode Island State University and Colby College exchanged visits this spring. Joint concerts were given on each campus which consisted of numbers both by the individual clubs and by their combined voices. The experiences were enjoyed both by audiences and participants.

Leaders Meet:

Eighteen girls, representing the Student Government Leagues of the nine coeducational colleges in New England, met at Colby for a week-end of discussion of their common problems. Deans Clark of Bates, Wilson of Maine and Runnals of Colby also participated in certain sessions.

The S. C. A.:

Aroostook students predominated in the recent elections of officers for the Student Christian Association: president, Hannah Putnam, Houlton;

vice president, Hartley Bither, Houlton; secretary, Alta Esterbrook, Oakfield; treasurer, Clifford Came, Bar Harbor. This is the first time that a girl has headed this organization, which is a merger of the former Y. M. and Y. W. organizations. The S. C. A. is conceded to be one of the most extensive and influential student organizations on the campus.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(Continued from page one)

students in later life. Under the existing condition, many of Colby's students are unable to pass the reading exam at the end of the second year of the language and thus must allot another year to language study when they might well be taking a course possessing a more lasting value. Most colleges today require but two years of a Foreign Language.

3. If a reading knowledge exam is necessary to test the student's ability in translation after he has been graded at the end of each semester's work, it must be an admission of weakness on the part of the department. Certainly the work in each course affords the instructor an ample basis for judging the student's ability without forcing an additional exam upon the student. Every other department judges the student's ability upon the completion of the semester's work. Why does the language department have to be any different?

4. Surely the Language department itself does not assume the attitude that it is such an important factor in the shaping of the student's future as to warrant the testing and retesting of the ability of each and every student by means of a Reading Knowledge Examination.

Well, dear Alumnus, I have cited my case and I don't think I have done the job as well as it might be done, but I have at least endeavored to whisper my objection to the Reading Knowledge Examination. Before closing this letter may I utter to all of you who have experienced a fate similar to mine—I hope that it wasn't quite as bad—what was said to me when I was informed that I had finally passed the exam? "Well, Mr. Brown, I hope that I haven't caused you any great hardship by making you pass this exam. I think that it has perhaps done you some good." I sure hope that it has, though I doubt it. At least I have my Colby Degree

and of that I am proud.

Now that we are getting ready to move onto our new campus we might renovate the Foreign Language requirements. With best regards to everyone, I'll say in my best German, *Auf Wiedersehen!*

Yours in the spirit of the Blue and Gray,

—G. ALLAN BROWN.

EXPLANATION OF THE LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

FOR the benefit of readers who graduated before reading knowledge examinations were instituted, an explanation of this requirement from the administration's standpoint may elucidate Mr. Brown's letter.

The tendency in all higher education today is to substitute tested achievement for mere arithmetical accumulation of credits. In line with this tendency Colby decided several years ago to substitute for the requirement of a certain number of years' study of foreign language in college the passing of a reading knowledge examination in a foreign language of the student's choice.

Nine times in his college course the student has opportunity to take this examination; in September and May of each of his first three years, and in September, January and May of his senior year. Every course he elects to take in his chosen language in college not only prepares him to pass the examination, but also counts as general credit toward graduation.

That the Colby reading knowledge examinations are not excessively difficult is shown by the fact that about 15% of each freshman class passes the requirement when they enter, about 60% have passed it at the end of freshman year, and about 85% at the end of sophomore year.

Administrative officers state that complaint against the requirement comes from the very small minority who have been so deficient in foreign language mastery at the time of entrance that they must pursue the study into junior and sometimes into senior year. There is, however, no little complaint against the kind of examinations set by the department. Heeding this complaint, the department has each year made the examination more objective. It is now less an exercise in translation than it is a test of the students ability to secure meaning from the passages of foreign

print.

Last year the Student Council suggested that a student be permitted to meet the foreign language requirement in either of two ways (1) by passing reading knowledge examination, or (2) by passing a course in foreign language at a certain level with a mark not lower than C. After lengthy debate the faculty decided that a single standard for all, namely, the reading knowledge examination, could be more fairly administered and secure better educational results.

—Editor.

NECROLOGY

EDWIN P. BURTT, '84

WORD has just been received at the Alumni Office of the death of Edwin P. Burt on December 25, 1937, in China. For more than thirty years, Mr. Burt had been in charge of the Evangel Mission in Shiu Hing, South China. He was a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

AUSTIN H. EVANS, '94

AUSTIN H. EVANS died on May 3 at his home at 125 West 16th Street, New York City. He had been in poor health for some time.

He was born in Hyannis, Mass., on July 17, 1872, the son of William Henry and Susan Barbour Evans. He prepared for Colby at Cushing Academy. Following his graduation from Colby in 1894, he was a tutor at Colby from 1894 to 1896 and at Bates in 1897. He received his A.M. from Harvard in 1899. From that date he taught at Connecticut Literary Institution, Lawrenceville School, and New York City high schools.

Mr. Evans married Julia I. McHenry in Oswego, N. Y., in 1909. He was a member of the Zeta Psi Fraternity. He is survived by Mrs. Evans and by a son, Richard S. Evans, of Washington.

ALICE PIERCE NORRIS, '03

THE members of the class of 1903 and the many other collegemates of Alice Pierce Norris will deeply grieve to learn of her death in Needham, Mass., on April 16, 1940. She suffered a serious illness in the summer of 1937 but recovered sufficiently from it to resume many of her activi-

ties. In December, last, she was again taken ill while spending her winter in Florida, and in January she was brought to her home in Needham in hope that here she might the more quickly regain her health. But in spite of the most expert medical care and the loving attention of members of her family she grew steadily worse until the end.

Mrs. Norris will be remembered for many beautiful qualities of character, but outstanding will be that of a devotion to friends that gained for her the deepest admiration. This quality of character that became so manifest during her undergraduate days went with her through life. The college itself found in her an ardent champion and one who gave of her substance in a manner that matched her loyalty. The Baptist church of Needham and the church of Ormond, Florida, in which she worshiped, will greatly miss her unselfish service.

Funeral services were held from the Baptist Church of Needham on Friday, April 19. Rev. Everett C. Herick, D. D., of the class of 1898, President of Newton, officiated, and Rev. C. Gordon Brownville, D.D., of the class of 1920, pastor of Tremont Temple, delivered a very beautiful eulogy. Interment was in the Norris family lot in Franklin, N. H.

Alice May Pierce was born in Rockland, Me., June 16, 1882. Her education was obtained in the Rockland public schools and at Coburn Classical Institute from which she graduated in 1899. She spent the next two years in Colby, after which she transferred to Wellesley to pursue courses in music. Following graduation she was employed in the Wellesley college bookstore for several years. In 1927 she was married to Mr. Z. A. Norris of Needham. Until the time of her death she and her husband spent their summers in Needham and their winters in Ormond, Florida. She was a frequent visitor to the college campus at the annual Commencements and thus kept in close touch with many of her classmates and collegemates. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

She is survived by her husband and by a brother, Mr. T. Raymond Pierce, a member of the Colby Board of Trustees and a member of the class of 1898.

LOUIS A. NADEAU, '26

LOUIS A. Nadeau, an employee of the Maine Central Railroad in Waterville, died on April 27, 1940, following a brief illness.

He was born in Brunswick on November 18, 1901, and had been a resident of Waterville for thirty-seven years. After graduation from Waterville High School, he attended the University of Maine, later transferring to Colby, where he was a student in 1922-23. During his scholastic career, he was widely known as a violinist.

Mr. Nadeau leaves a widow, Blanche Houle Nadeau. Funeral services were held at the Sacred Heart Church.

A TRIBUTE TO RICHARD CLARKE CABOT Honorary Graduate

Read by Joseph H. Pratt, M. D., of Boston at the Interurban Clinical Club meeting held at New Haven on December 8, 1939.

RICHARD Clarke Cabot, the first president of this club, died on May 8, 1939, within a fortnight of his seventy-first birthday. He had been physically invalidated many months as a result of coronary sclerosis.

Few members of the medical profession accomplished more for the good of their fellowmen, and even fewer attained such unusual distinction in so many different fields. His contributions to medicine alone would have made his name famous, as author, teacher, originator of new methods of teaching, and clinical investigator, but in addition his creation of hospital social service was epoch making. In later years his interests and activities shifted from the physical ills to the spiritual ills of mankind. Retiring from active medical work in 1920 he moved from Boston to Cambridge and for fourteen years was professor of social ethics at Harvard. From 1934 until his death he was professor of sociology and applied Christianity at the Andover-Newton Theological School and lecturer on social economy at Simmons College at Boston. During his last illness he continued his teaching to his students in his bedroom. His productivity likewise continued to the end. In a race with death he tried, with the aid of his friend Professor Hocking, to complete the writing of a philosophical treatise which he re-

garded as possibly his most important work.

By special invitation he presented a paper before the section on medicine of the Massachusetts Medical Society at its meeting in 1937. It was entitled the "Wisdom of the Body" and was probably the first theological contribution made at a meeting of that society. In it he brought forward new evidence from his medical observations in support of the so-called argument from design to prove the existence of God. This showed his independence as a thinker, inasmuch as the teleological argument, although supported by common sense, has generally been rejected by protestant Christian philosophers since the time of Kant. His masters in philosophy may have bowed the knee to Kant but he didn't. In the following year he was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity by Colby College, a distinction gained by few physicians, the only one of note to be given a degree in theology, in recent years at least, being Ludolf Krehl of Heidelberg. It was at this 1937 meeting of the Massachusetts Medical Society that he made his last appearance before a medical audience and he was given a most cordial reception. After the meeting he said to a friend, "Ten years ago I was nearly expelled from the Massachusetts Medical Society. I never expected to be invited to speak before it again."

The more closely one studies the life and accomplishments of Dr. Cabot the more he comes to realize that here living among us was a leader and pioneer of greater eminence than most of us realized. The fact that he held views that differed widely from generally accepted opinions prevented many of his associates from recognizing fully the nobility of his character and the greatness of his achievements.

There was probably truth in the contention of some of his colleagues in the basic medical sciences that he would have been a greater physician and made greater contributions to medicine if he had been early trained in the discipline of science rather than in the schools of philosophy. That he graduated from Harvard College *summa cum laude* indicates his unusual intellectual endowment and the use he made of it in his undergraduate days.

Cabot in his latest book, entitled *Honesty*, published in 1938 says, "Success sorts men out into two groups. One is propelled by it into another doubtful contest and so keeps growing. The other lets well enough

alone, settles down to enjoy it and so loses the best of it." Richard Cabot was a leader in the first group. He kept growing until the end of his days. He continued always a learner and so went ever forward.

Class Notes About Colby Men And Women

1882

Bertis A. Pease of Nashua, N. H., has recently been made Dean of the New Hampshire Bar, being the oldest practicing lawyer in the state.

1885

Willam H. Snyder, Director-Emeritus of the Los Angeles Junior College, was the guest of honor on the campus in April when the fifth annual "Snyder Lectureship" was held. The speaker this year was Vlastimil Kybal, Czechoslovakian diplomat. Former speakers at the Snyder Lectures have been Dr. Robert A. Millikin, Nobel prize winner; Upton Close, historian of contemporary Asia; Dr. Carl Anderson, Nobel prize winner; Dr. Gordon Sproul, president of University of California; Dr. Harold C. Hand of Stanford University. Mr. Snyder is thus fittingly honored annually by the institution which he built up.

1889

The annual exhibition of paintings by Charles Hovey Pepper last winter in "The Fifteen Gallery," New York, took the form of a "retrospective" show, with paintings representative of the artist's early work hung beside some made this year. Among the latter class were examples of an experimental technique, namely dry color mixed with gum arabic and applied on canvas. The frames on these pictures were also notable; in fact the artist described this as an exhibition of fine frames, with pictures attached. They included several old Italian frames, frames hand-carved by famous makers, and so on.

The New York Herald-Tribune said in part: "Though best known as a watercolor painter, Mr. Pepper is no amateur when it comes to handling the heavier medium, and his landscapes and portraits are for the most part ably and confidently painted. Between the Whistlerian nuances of a

costume portrait of a women called '1870' and the large landscape 'At-tean,' there is considerable variance in taste and style, and the latter and later work represents a more vigorous realism than is apparent in his earlier painting. Another landscape with a flaming sky illuminating a lake and mountains, is notable in the show for the poetic vigor of its interpretation."

The New York Journal: "... The artist has invented his own procedure—painting directly on unprepared canvas with raw color mixed with gum arabic—which is a highly successful process as he employs it. . ."

The New York Sun: "... The display has rather a retrospective air, with its array of effectively decorative landscapes and carefully handled portraits and figure subjects, which for all their fanciful titles have the look of being portraits also. . ."

The Art Digest: "... There is a healthy freedom of imagination and technique running through Pepper's work down the years. . ."

1897

The Mount Vernon (N. Y.) Daily Argus paid William H. Holmes the signal honor of an extensive and appreciative editorial upon the announcement of his retirement as Superintendent of Schools. Speaking of him as "builder of the school system from a status of insignificance to one of leadership in the nation," the editorial continues, in part:

"Education, in its deepest, broadest and finest sense has been the keynote of his life in this city. To its furtherment he has given unstintingly and without thought of himself from a supply of energy, enthusiasm and industry that, until now, seemed inexhaustible.

"In pursuit of his ideal, he has not hesitated to make enemies. Believing that education is the backbone of the community, he has subordinated all else to its advancement, refusing to compromise, disdaining to temporize.

An organizer without peer, he has ridden roughshod over opposition, seldom failing to reach his goal. Many, including this newspaper, disagree with him frequently. None can fail to respect him.

"In recent months he has devoted his energies, on a state and national as well as on a local scale, to seeking financial aid for schools from sources other than the local taxpayer. In this fight, as in all his others, his battle has been unflagging, energetic and shrewd."

"Now, reluctantly, he asks to be relieved of his duties, and reluctantly the community prepared to see him go. None will begrudge him the rest he has earned so richly, but all will miss him. Real leaders are not easily replaced."

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Jones (Myra Nelson) have been entertaining their oldest daughter Dr. Margaret H. Jones of Cheyenne, Wyoming. Dr. Jones is director of the division of Maternal Child Health and Crippled Children. Their married daughter, Dorothy lives in Atlanta, Georgia, and is busy caring for four of Myra's grandchildren. Their son, Frederick is married and has two fine boys. He is located in Washington, D. C., with the Security and Exchange Commission.

On a 7000 mile automobile trip Dr. and Mrs. Philip Greeley (Nina G. Vose) have established a permanent home in Tampa, Florida, moving there from Portsmouth, N. H.

1898

Anne Pepper Varney plans to start soon on an automobile trip to Southern California. She expects to spend July on a Wyoming ranch for a month in the saddle.

1899

An article in Forum by William O. Stevens entitled "What Has Happened to Sea Power?" was selected by the Council of Librarians as one of the outstanding magazine articles for February, and listed as such on a bulletin which is posted in most of the libraries of the country.

1901

Colonel C. H. Witherell of the medical corps at Fort Brady, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and Mrs. Witherell are visiting in Waterville during the month of May. Colonel Witherell

will retire from active service in 1940 and will take up permanent residence in Oakland, Maine.

1902

Roy A. Kane is employed at the Maine State School for Boys.

1904

A recent article in a Portland paper written by Mabel Freese Dennett recalls her girlhood memories of Hannibal Hamlin, Lincoln's vice-president. One of her amusing reminiscences is as follows:

The shed and backyard of our family's residence on Cedar Street, Bangor, cornered with Hannibal Hamlin's shed and yard in the rear of his pretentious dwelling and fine grounds on Fifth Street of the same city. Perhaps it is fortunate that a high fence separated the properties, for thereby hangs a tale; yes, a pig's tail at that!

Would you believe that somewhere behind the fence Hannibal Hamlin kept pigs! Those pigs grunted and squealed continually, or so it seemed to the adjacent neighbors. One day when they were especially cacophonous, father, a sea-faring man home on holiday, could stand it no longer. He lacked the love for a farm that was inherent in Hannibal Hamlin, who, even when Vice President and home from Washington relished keenly working on his Hampden farm with the farm hands.

Taking his hat, father went down town where he notified the proper authorities that pigs were kept in the city's precincts—even on the border of his backyard a seven minutes' walk from City Hall.

Suffice it to say that father, an upright man of few words, had no sooner complained and reached home than the pigs disappeared. I don't know when or how because I was in school at the time in another part of the city.

I think that the incident did not in the least detract from the glory of the great man in my eyes. Later, when the scholars of the grammar school marched to famous old Norumbega Hall to hear Hannibal Hamlin speak, none was more enthusiastic than I his nearest neighbor.

1906

Jack Coombs was recently the subject of an interview printed in the New York Herald-Tribune in which he discussed college baseball and prophesied that from the campus diamonds, rather than the sandlots, would come more and more major league material. He should know. There are already 37 boys who were coached by Coombs at Duke who have graduated into major league or Class A professional baseball.

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1907

Burr F. Jones of East Longmeadow was elected second vice president of the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents on April 18th.

1908

Merle Keyes has accepted the superintendency of the Bridgton, Harrison and Naples School District (Maine), beginning next September.

1910

Mary Donald Deans was elected President of the Faculty club of Keene Teachers College, at its first meeting on March 11. She is also President of Monadnock Branch (Keene and Peterborough) American Association University Women. She was sent as a Faculty delegate to the Eastern States Association of Teacher Training Institutions held April 4-6, at Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City.

1912

Major Wilford G. Chapman of Portland has withdrawn from active service with headquarters, 103rd infantry, Maine National Guard, because of a prolonged illness this winter, and was placed on the retired list with rank of lieutenant colonel.

A World War participant, serving overseas as first lieutenant in the First Maine Heavy Field Artillery, 56th Pioneer Infantry, Chapman was honorably discharged July 2, 1919.

He enlisted as a private in supply company, First Maine Heavy Artillery, June 28, 1917, and was commissioned first lieutenant in July that year. Two years later he was made captain in supply company, third infantry, and in 1921 was transferred to headquarters, 103rd infantry as supply officer.

Chapman was commissioned a major April 12, 1929. He served as summary court officer from September 6, 1929 to February 12, 1930.—Portland Express.

1914

Testifying before the House Committee in Washington in opposition to the proposed chainstore tax bill, Millroy Warren told of the depressed state of the sardine business in Maine 1930. Then, he said, the chain stores began to carry the goods. "Because

of their lower distribution cost," he stated, "the chain stores were able to sell our product to the low income class throughout the country. This was done at prices which moved our surplus into consumption and allowed us to get back to normal production business."

Alexander LaFleur was recently elected grand captain of the guard and military instructor by the Grand Commandery of Maine, Knights Templar.

1915

Alta Gillmore, daughter of Roy Gillmore, is completing her junior year in the Elementary Curriculum, Keene Teachers College, Keene, N. H.

Evelyn S. Whitney teaches lip reading in the South Portland Public Schools. She is also organizing classes in the Westbrook, Maine, Schools.

1919

Gordon Gates and his wife are on furlough from their work in Judson College, Rangoon, Burma, and reached California last week. They will soon be in New England.

1920

Harry Lewin has been elected superintendent of schools of the Farmington (Maine) Union.

1924

Dr. John Berry has been promoted to Captain in the Medical Reserves and spent March on active duty at Fort Benning, Georgia. He practices medicine in Burlington, Vt.

John McDonald is assistant manager for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in Webster, Mass., and is a member of the "\$100,000 Club."

Besides being submaster of the high school at Oakland, Harland Morse represents the Travelers Insurance Company, and manages his own clothing store. He is president of the Kennebec Valley Schoolmasters' Club. It is not known what he does with all of his spare time.

Ronald W. Sturtevant is now an efficiency expert for one of the large shoe factories in Auburn.

1925

Carroll W. Keene of Clinton was recently elected grand junior warden of the Maine Masons.

1929

Florence Young Bennett has a third son, Timothy, born March 12, 1940. Franklin Pierce Bennett, III, and Peter, are the two older boys.

"Vi" and "Charlie" Abbott live in Sedro Woolley, Washington, where "Charlie" is City Attorney. Their two boys are Philip, who is in his first year at school, and Charles, Jr., who is two. They are coming East next summer and want to see all their Colby friends while they are here.

Anne Goodwin Hinckley is busy with her work in Rural Education work and she is located in Blue Hill, Maine. She writes very interestingly of her work: "My work is very demanding and I seldom have time to write anything about it unless for a professional journal. At present, I am tied up with the construction of a \$50,000 library plant, along with the graphs, statistics, and irregular routine that you get in an experimental field. We have convinced big business that we are sane and making progress. They have furnished the bulk of the funds. Last December, we convinced the government in Washington that we were a good investment. As a result they are supplying a laboratory where we can work harder."

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"As for definite contributions to the field of rural culture—we have succeeded in making the rural people conscious of the advantages which are theirs for the asking—also gained a certain amount of respect from urban centers. Other highlights might include the establishment of a new section in the A. L. A. which has brought about an especially planned program for small libraries (serving under 10,000), a minimum—type—essential reading program as a provision for individual differences, a student control library for rural secondary schools. This year's plunge has been the establishment of the same type of library in a consolidated grade school. Both types are proving practical and efficient.

"For the rest, this library loans framed pictures, museum things, sheet music, maps, costumes, plans parties. It also loans the librarian for various civic projects. Frequently there are illustrated talks, movies, and exhibits which consist of everything under the sun.

"The outstanding work is the tie-up with other educational sources and the co-operation and amalgamation of cultural forces to make a better community.

"My intensive training in publicity has taken me into strange fields and among interesting people. It is always getting me into trouble. Recently the Maine Library Bulletin was dumped in my lap. I should like to give a great deal of time to it, but there are a dozen different surveys I must complete first. One is on 'Boys and Poetry.'"

1930

Before coming to reunion, you girls better get out last year's class letter since forty-seven girls in the class of 1930 have changed their names.

Last August a boy, Jeffry Norman, was born to Evelyn Maxell Bubar.

Polly Bakeman moves so rapidly that it is hard to keep in touch with her. At present she's working in the Division of Child Welfare down in Washington. (Keeping close to the President, I suppose).

Ethel Rose is holding a clerical position in the General Engineering Laboratory of General Electric Company in Schenectady, N. Y. She vacationed last December in St. Augustine and Orlando, Florida.

It looks as if Verna Green would

soon be leaving the educational field since she has announced her engagement to Clement L. Taylor.

We shall be glad to see Miriam Sanders Marcho at reunion.

Another geologist has been born! John True Trefethen came to the home of Helen Brigham and Joseph Trefethen last November.

Elizabeth Beckett Bousfield had a thrilling trip to Newfoundland last September after Canada had declared war. The boat was Canadian, flying no flag except in port; port holes were painted black and closed from 6 P. M. to 6 A. M.; food and water were stored in life boats; no lights were allowed on deck.

Ruth Hawbolt Lombard is happy in a two fold life: keeping her home and teaching in Norway, Me.

Pauline Brill Trafton and Margaret Mooers Hatch both enjoyed the thrills of the World's Fair last summer.

1932

Leigh B. Raymond is working for the Personal Finance Company in Boston. His address is 30 Peterborough Street, Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Berry (Pauline Russell) moved this month to their new home on the Shore Road, Cape Elizabeth. Young William C., Jr., says that he thinks Dad and mother know how to plan and build a very attractive home.

Evelyn L. Johnson, who teaches at Caribou High School, has had a leave of absence which she has spent at St. Petersburg, Fla.

Dorothy McNally Whitten is teaching in Clinton, Me.

1935

Maurice Krinsky is planning to attend Commencement and looks forward to showing the college to Mrs. Krinsky.

1937

James E. Glover has been chosen as class day orator to represent the seniors at Boston University Law School. In winning the annual declamation contest and an added \$25 prize, Mr. Glover defeated 13 other contestants. The winner discussed the future of law graduates and the legal profession in a talk entitled "Masters of Destiny."

Iola Holmes Chase is now studying French at the Graduate School at

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Sara Cowan is teaching at Deering High School in Portland, Maine.

Hazel E. Wepfer is working as secretary in the Gillespie Motor Equipment Corporation in Long Island City, New York.

Hildreth Wheeler is a laboratory technician at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

Katherine Winkler is living at home in Wakefield, and specializing in local dramatics.

Barbara Hutcheon Winkler is living at her home in Wakefield, rather enjoying having "Wink" for a sister-in-law.

Ruth Yeaton is Director of Girls' Work at the Ellis Memorial Settlement house in Boston and is also taking courses in Sociology at Simmons College.

1938

William Carter has been awarded a \$600 scholarship by the mathematics department of the University of Chicago for next year.

Alfred Beerbaum was awarded one of 30 fellowships and scholarships in the graduate school of arts and sciences of New York University in the department of German. Al has been at the University of North Carolina since his graduation from Colby.

Russell Blanchard is working for the Associated Hospital Service and is located in Portland.

Miss Jessie Adams of Houlton, Me., is president of the graduating class at the New England Deaconess Hospital Nursing School.

1939

G. Allen Brown recently enjoyed an air tour over the American Airlines as part of his training for a

position with that company. He is now in the Reservations Department at the East Boston Airport.

1942

Roger W. Perkins has been added to the staff of the real estate depart-

ment of Smith, White & Stanley, Waterville. He is the son of Carroll N. Perkins, '04. Last summer he was married to Miss Florence Perkins and they have recently moved to their new home at the Hamilton Apartments, 30 Pleasant Street.

MILESTONES

ENGAGEMENTS

Elizabeth J. Wilkinson, '37, of Jamaica, N. Y., to Francis Ryan. Miss Wilkinson has received her Master's degree in the field of Zoology from Columbia University and this year has been working as an assistant instructor at Barnard College. Mr. Ryan is a graduate of Columbia University and is now working on his Ph.D in Zoology.

Annie Griswold, of Hartford, Conn., to Albert Elliott Robinson, '36, of Berlin, Conn. Mr. Robinson is a member of the Berlin High School faculty.

Beth P. Pendleton, '35, of Waterville, to Rev. John Guill Clark, of Tewksbury, Mass. Miss Pendleton is a graduate of Newton Theological School, Newton Center, Mass., in 1938, and is now employed at the University of Maine in Orono as associate secretary of the Maine Christian Association. Mr. Clark is at present chaplain of the Massachusetts State Infirmary in Tewksbury, and is doing graduate study at Andover Newton and at Harvard University.

Barbara G. Kuhn of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, to Joseph W. Bishop, '35. Mr. Bishop works for the Public Service Commission in Concord, N. H., as assistant accountant.

MARRIAGES

Emily Marie Duerr, '35, of Boston, to Edward James Henry, '36, of Worcester on Friday, May 3, at the Robinson Memorial chapel of Boston University. Mrs. Henry received her master of arts degree from Boston University. Mr. Henry was graduated from Wilbraham Academy, Colby, and the Harvard Dental School.

Beatrice Ham, '26, to Robert C. Dickerman, in Binghamton, N. Y. Mrs. Dickerman since graduating has been instructor of languages at Berwick Academy and Spaulding High School in Rochester, N. H. Mr. Dickerman is a graduate of Burdett Business College, Boston, and is now employed by the Investors Syndicate in Maine.

BIRTHS

To Barbara Johnson Alden, '33, and John M. Alden, '34, a daughter, March 25, at Portland. The Aldens are now living in Lewiston.

To George C. Putnam, '34, and Vesta Alden Putnam, '33, a daughter, on April 6, Plainfield, N. J.

To Mr. and Mrs. Charles James Caddoo, '36, a son, Robert Charles, at the Anna Jaques hospital, Newburyport, on March 28. Mr. Caddoo is a teacher of physical education at the Caribou, Maine, High School.

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