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B.L.S. — Elizabeth Perkins, '40, Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y.
THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

PROGRESS — Back in 1937 a special committee of the Trustees was formed, called by the innocuous name “Committee on the Progress of the College”. It consisted of Messrs. Seavens, Hilton, Padelford, Potte, Leonard, and Chairman Smith (ex officio) with Professor Parmenter added to represent the faculty. Now, at last, it is revealed that this was actually a committee to search for a successor to President Johnson. Unhurriedly, the members combed the field. Suggestions were solicited from the faculty, from other college presidents, from this source and that source. One by one, all the possible candidates were scrutinized by one or more of the committee. Numerous meetings were held over the years. Finally, on June 13, 1941, four years after its appointment, this committee was ready to report to the Board. The report was simple: the committee was of one mind and had only one name to recommend — Prof. Julius Seeley Bixler of Harvard. After prolonged discussion which brought out no adverse comment, the Board voted unanimously to tender the office to Professor Bixler. The rest is history.

While it may be unusual to elect a college president a year before he is to take office, there are very good reasons for doing so in this case. For one thing, if Colby didn’t grab him soon, some other college undoubtedly would. For another thing, this year will make the transition easy and pleasant. We expect that the President-Elect will visit Colby frequently next year and will have a chance to observe the college in action before taking the helm. Students, faculty and the public will have a chance to get acquainted with him. There will be no period of rumor, speculation and uncertainty. There will be no hiatus between administrations. There will be no loss of momentum. Truly the “Committee on the Progress of the College” has discharged its duties well.

PLEDGED — We had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Bixler the other day and asked him how it felt to be offered a college presidency. “Well, frankly,” he chuckled, “it reminded me of my fraternity rushing days when I was a freshman. When your trustees ganged up on me and began to sell me Colby College, I couldn’t have refused, even if I had wanted to. And especially Mr. Hilton — there’s a salesman for you! What chance did I have? But it really was a very pleasant experience.”

We are glad that our rushing committee was able to pledge the candidate. Now we eagerly await the initiation.

MEMORABLE — The 120th Commencement will long remain in the minds of various people for various reasons. To some it will stand out because of their Class Reunion. To some the presentation of trout to President Johnson or the co-ed costumes of other years at the Alumni Luncheon will be unforgettable. Many will always recall that they were present at the cornerstone exercises for the women’s dormitory. And to some, the 1941 Commencement will ever be connected with certain individuals — with Tom or Dick or Harry, or even Liz.

QUOTES — Some sentences jotted down on our cuff over the Commencement weekend:

Clarence K. Streit, at the Commencement Dinner: “I note that on your new campus the Library, the depository of books, stands at the center of the architectural axis and I am reminded that today education is being deliriously and books are being burned by that other Axis.”

Edward B. Mathews, ’91, at the Alumni Luncheon: “The fact that over one third of our class, a remarkable percentage, went on to graduate study, is attributable to the advent to our faculty of three scholars who were to obtain international repute in their fields: Albion W. Small, William S. Bayley, and Shailer Mathews.”

Thomas G. Grace, ’21, at Class Day exercises: “Don’t let the possibility of interruptions in the near future keep you from planning a career and setting a goal for yourself towards which to start on the day after commencement.”

Dean Ernest C. Marriner, ’13, at the dinner: “The test of democracy is not only the quality of leadership, but the ability to follow competent leadership.”

Norris E. Dibble, ’41, senior Commencement speaker: “Before we young people can qualify as the pathfinders to Utopia we must first be sure that we can stand the tests that go with the assumption of serious obligations.”

Samuel B. Shepard, ’83, after taking a bow at the dinner: “When the Mayflower Hill business was first started, some of us thought it couldn’t be done, but this guy Johnson went ahead and did the impossible.”

UNION NOW — Although being abridged to about half its length, we are printing Mr. Streit’s address in this issue for three reasons: it was the finest Colby commencement address that we can remember hearing; we feel that the ideas expressed deserve the thoughtful consideration of as many people as possible; and, we wish to record for future historians the fact that, come what may, this small segment of the population was exposed to these ideas on June 16, 1941. If our country follows a less constructive course of action, we, at least, cannot say that it was because we did not know any better.

On the other hand, the approval of Streit’s speech was not quite 100 percent, it was nearer 99 44/100. We regretfully make this deduction on the basis of two communications, both unsigned, which arrived within a few days. One letter, postmarked from Chicago, asked: “Why the rush to give an honorary degree to a man who wants to deliver his country over

We Point With Pride To —

Charles F. Towne, ’00, recipient of Ed. D. from Rhode Island College of Education in recognition of “many contributions to public education in Rhode Island.”

Rev. A. Beverly Crossman, ’17, who has been carrying on an anti-gambling campaign in Worcester, despite gangsters’ threats.
to one of its enemies? Was 1776 all in vain and were the founders of this republic wrong? ... The other was a post card addressed to Mr. Streit from Brooklyn. After some anti-British abuse the writer makes a personal accusation: "I think you drink too much tea, that tea generally affects some people with silly ideas." This is unfounded. We are prepared to testify that Mr. Streit drank only coffee at the Commencement Dinner. But everybody else agreed that it was a magnificent address.

**JUBILEE** — The tumult and jubilant din of the Fourth of July was accepted, we think, by Professor Carl J. Weber only incidentally as celebrating an incident of 1776 and primarily as a fitting tribute to the fact that on that day, Thomas Hardy's "Tess" had been in print exactly half a century. In these fifty years, "Tess" has appeared in fifty different forms which are now on display in the Colby Library as the Jubilee Exhibition. It is an impressive display, even to a layman. There are 17 English editions of the novel, 17 more under American imprints, and (what amazes us most of all) translations into Bohemian, Chinese, Danish, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Lettish, Polish and Russian — actually lying before your eyes in the Colby Library. Incidentally, does anyone know how to obtain a copy of the Spanish edition (1924)? It is the only known translation not in the collection.

To the collector, this exhibition is something to make one's mouth water. For instance, on the binding of one volume there is a flower with three dots under it, whereas all other volumes of the same edition have five! That was a mystery which fooled E. Edward Newton, but is straightened out here. There are autographed and annotated editions. There are gorgeously illustrated editions. There are condensed editions. There is "Tess" put to opera. Finally, there is a 64 page catalog of this exhibition which in itself is a collector's item; choice printed, meticulously compiled, generously illustrated. All in all, it is evidence of scholarship of the highest order and a permanent contribution to the understanding of the English novel of the 19th Century.

**GLOAT** — It isn't often that this college has a National Champion, so we present to our readers Gilbert A. Peters (above) who went down to New York and outjumped the best college athletes in the country entered in the IC4A games. He is holding a little golden disk which he leaped 6' 4" to acquire. If you read the papers, you noticed that Peters' five points put Colby above Harvard and Princeton, and just a quarter of a point behind Yale. Colby's athletes do not often break into big time competition, so may we not be permitted just one little gloat?

**CHAMP** — For those who like to see championships change hands, the thrill of seeing Joe Louis knocked through the ropes was as nothing to the announcement at the Alumni Luncheon that the Class of 1928 was leading 1921 in contributions to the Alumni Fund as of that date. However, Joe Louis always has crawled back and knocked his opponent for a loop, and our excitement at the prospect of a new Number One Class evaporated into boredom after Commencement as we watched the Class of 1921, under the ruthless leadership of Ray Spinney, forge ahead into its customary lead, b:eating the tape with the magnificent total of $396.50 from 43 contributors. We did a little pencil-chewing upon hearing this and figured out that if the whole alumni and alumnae body contributed in the same proportion as the men of 1921 (60%) and in the same average per capita amount ($9.22), the Fund would amount to nearly $30,000. That would give the treasurer about $23,000 more than the Fund provides now, and just think of all the good things that could be done with a chunk of money like that every year. All that is involved is for the rest of us to catch up with the members of 1921.

**GOLDEN** — Off hand, how many Colby alumni — men and women, graduates and non-graduates — are there, do you think, who have been out of college more than fifty years? ... Wrong, guess again... Well, then, the number is 109. We used to look with awe upon these white-haired men and women returning to celebrate their Golden Jubilee, but now we realize that they are merely the youngest of that large group who look back at their Fiftieth and ahead to many another pleasant Colby Commencement.

**BACKWASH** — Colby may be well known, but is it not too well known. At least, we were recently shown a letter addressed to: Colby College, Hanover, N. H. The postmaster there was not quite up on the colleges not on Dartmouth's schedule so he forwarded it to (of all places!) Brunswick, Me. That was getting warm, and the postmaster there directed it correctly.

The contents of that well-travelled letter were interesting, too. It was written by a mother concerning her girl, 18, who went to high school in Berlin, thence to Gstaad, Switzerland, where she "studied there for seven months French, until we left for Brazil where she attended the American High School of Rio de Janeiro." They are now in New York and planning for a college for her. Reading between the lines, we may recognize this as another little backwash of Europe's hideous upheaval lapping up into the peaceful green valley of the Kennebec.
MEET THE NEXT PRESIDENT!

Julius Seelye Bixler will Bring Qualities of Academic Distinction and All-Around Personality to Colby Position

At East Jaffrey, New Hampshire, a man told us to keep going for two miles, turn left on the Fitzwilliam road, and the Bixler’s house would be the third on the right, on top of a rise. The third house was a comfortable story-and-a-half gray shingled cottage with green trim. The door of the screened porch opened and, with a cordial word of greeting, the next president of Colby College came forward with outstretched hand.

Julius Seelye Bixler is a large man—not heavy, but tall and well built. You are immediately struck by his deep, resonant, beautifully-inflected voice. His face is strongly featured and above his gray eyes is a furrowed brow and sandy hair. He wore a coarse brown tweed.

Mrs. Bixler appeared, with a winning smile set off by dark eyes and abundant gray hair. (“What a stunning president’s wife,” you say to yourself.) The four daughters arrived from different directions: Mary, a pretty college girl, a high ranking senior at Smith; Elizabeth, Martha, and Anna, two in secondary school and the last in the eighth grade. Then, to make the family circle complete, in galloped Corkey, a seelyham, and Kim, a spaniel.

Beyond the lawn and the stone walls, brightened by blue and yellow flowers, loomed Mount Monadnock. When he was a boy, Dr. Bixler said, he frequently rode over this road with his father, his mother having been the eldest daughter of Julius Seelye, who is considered to have been Amherst’s greatest president. Incidentally, Seelye’s brother was the first president of Smith College, so there is a definite presidential predisposition in Dr. Bixler’s inheritance. His father is James Wilson Bixler, Amherst 1882, a clergyman who was sent to the New Hampshire lower house for two years and to the Senate for one. He has served as moderator for the New Hampshire Congregational and Christian Church. Now retired, he lives in Exeter.

Julius Seelye Bixler was born in New London, Conn., on April 4, 1894. He went to the Classical High and played football, once blocking a punt to win the game. He matriculated at Amherst with the class of 1916. He joined the Alpha Delta Pi fraternity and somehow picked up the nickname “Glubwow”, although outside of his college intimates, his friends usually know him as Seelye or “Bix”.

His extra-curricular interests lay along religious, forensic, and musical lines. He was the song leader for his class and induced such successful cooperative endeavor that '16 won first prize in the inter-class contests three out of the four years. You will find his name on two of the published Amherst songs. He maintains that he finished nowhere near the top of his class, but the records show that he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, as well as to “Searab,” the senior honorary society, and that he won first prize in the commencement speaking contest.

Following graduation, he entered upon his teaching career in an unusual way, going over to India to become an instructor in Latin and English in the American College at Madura. The next year he returned and entered Union Theological Seminary in New York. With the War in full swing, he was called into military service and for a number of months wore a buck private’s uniform at Camp Devens.

In the meantime, he had married Mary Harrison Thayer of Minneap-
olias. A Smith graduate, class of 1917, she won the Smith Fellowship for graduate study, choosing to work in philosophy at Columbia and receiving the M. A. degree in 1918. They were married in September.

Mustered out in December, 1918, and the academic year being broken up, Bixler went back to Amherst and carried on some unofficial graduate study for the balance of the year and returned in the fall as Director of Religious Activities, carrying on sufficient part-time study to complete the requirements for the M. A. degree the next June.

Sailing for the Near East, he served for two years as lecturer in philosophy at the American University in Beirut, Syria. There their eldest daughter was born. They have many friends still in Beirut whom they revisited three years ago. Hence the recent bombings of that city have disturbed the Bixlers not a little.

With his thinking ripened by this teaching, Bixler again went back to the student’s role. In a year at Yale (where he obtained some phenomenal grades) he had passed off his prelims, so he moved to Harvard for the next year to get closer to the source material on William James, the subject of his thesis. This completed, he returned to New Haven, took the orals and received the Doctorate of Philosophy in June, 1924.

The ensuing sequence of events are much as might be expected with a teacher of superior scholarship and personality. Smith College engaged him as assistant professor of Religion and Biblical Literature. The next year he was promoted to associate professor and four years later to a full professorship.

Smith alumnae say that his courses were full; not because so many girls wanted to study Bib Lit, but because they wanted to take a course to “Bix.” Yet, as a lecturer he was not “brilliant” in the pyrotechnic sense. Rather it was the subject that became alive and vital, while the lecturer was forgotten. Bixler’s roommate once walked in on one of his classes and has never gotten over the fact that the young ladies were so engaged upon the lecture that even the approach of a strange male was unnoticed until he had practically reached the front of the room.

Professor Bixler’s position in the field of religious philosophy today is held by many to be at the top. Theologians speak of him as “deep and well balanced.” His
creative thinking has found expression in some sixty papers, mostly in theological journals. He was a contributor to the opening number of The American Scholar and has had several other articles in that magazine, the latest being "The Background for Hitler in German Thought" in the Autumn, 1940, issue. He was a co-editor of The Nature of Religious Experience (Harpers 1937), and contributed chapters to Religious Realism (1931) and The Church Through Half a Century (1936). The spring semester of 1938, spent at the University of Zurich, Switzerland, enabled him to introduce Barth and the philosophy of "existenz" to American theologians. The signal honor of an invitation to deliver the Lowell Lectures at Harvard came to him in 1939, and these were published as his third book. Religion for Free Minds (Harpers 1939). Soon to be published is a chapter on "Man's Knowledge of the Divine" in Science Culture Series II (Harcourt Brace). Also, he has contributed a chapter on "Whitehead's Philosophy of Religion" in the forthcoming volume on Whitehead in the Library of Living Philosophers.

His standing is furthermore attested by his election in 1935 to the presidency of the American Theological Society, and, from 1934 to 1939, to the presidency of the National Council on Religion in Higher Education. He is vice-president of the Clarke School for the Deaf, trustee of the International College of Beirut, trustee of Williston Academy, and member of the American Philosophical Society, and the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Locally, he is president of the Harvard Chapter of the American Association of University Professors, and of the Harvard Faculty Club. They say that he has transformed the latter organization, which was slowly pining away from dry rot and an annual deficit of some $1,300, into an up-and-coming club which showed a $3,000 surplus this year — which bodes well for Colby.

Mrs. Bixler, too, is a holder of offices. An active and loyal alumna, she has just finished a three-year term as chairman of the annual Smith Alumnae College, and as a director of the Alumnae Association. Her civic interests have included a directorship on the Cambridge District Nursing Association, and in church work she was elected to the advisory committee of the Educational Division of the Congregational and Christian Churches. She is an accomplished violinist, a charming and gracious hostess, and a good mother.

When you probe his acquaintances for an analysis of Bixler's personality, certain adjectives keep coming up: "unhurried," "generous," "warm," "fairminded," "big," "human." They all fit.

Fortunately, he combines the qualities of top-flight scholarship with a happy appreciation of the world beyond the cloisters. Go into the house of this man who is one of the foremost authorities on the abstrusities of William James, and you may find him hilariously reading aloud to his family from the latest Wodehouse book. The man who introduced to American thought the Barthian philosophy of crisis likes few things better than to take Mrs. Bixler over to watch Joe DiMaggio slam out a homer in the ninth. He gets equal delight from playing the cello in a friendly quartette and from going out and chopping down some rugged New Hampshire maples. Incidentally, each daughter plays an instrument and the "Bixler sextette" is a source of much family fun.

Doctor Bixler wears well. He is not one of those people who charm you off your feet at the first impact. His dignity, nevertheless, carries with it a genuine sense of friendliness. He is a man whom you will "take to." His conversation is stimulating and entertaining, ranging from major league baseball to the latest writings of Rauschning or Laski, with a storehouse of cosmopolitan experience and reading to draw from. He has a strong sense of humor and his deep rolling chuckle is frequently heard. Always you perceive in him a zest for living and doing. There is a contagious enthusiasm for whatever is at hand, and yet you feel that there are always reserve stores of energy and ability.

WILL he make a good college president? His friends are convinced that he will and evidently the Colby trustees share this confidence. His scholarship and academic qualifications are obvious. Let us examine his other qualities.

"Is he a good administrator?" Well, he has perspicuity and tact. He is businesslike and methodical. He wins and holds the respect of his colleagues. Says a friend: "He is a leader possessed with the characteristics of maintaining his own beliefs and loyalties, yet broad enough to recognize legitimate differences." His experience includes connections with a men's college and a women's college, with two missionary colleges and with the Number One university of the United States. A keen man with that background should have plenty of good ideas on how a college should be run.
I have always been impressed by the fact that the community life of a small college of liberal arts offers a chance for the development of social and intellectual attitudes which is not matched in any other form of educational enterprise. In a day of drastic social change it seems to me that democracy needs these attitudes as never before. The small college cannot compete with the university in all respects but it can respond more easily to new conditions without losing its basic loyalties. With its record of solid achievement and its courageous plans for the future, Colby is making a notable contribution to Maine and to the country as a whole. It will be a pleasure to become associated with its faculty and trustees in carrying on this work.

— Julius Seelye Bixler

HONORARY DEGREES CONFERRED UPON TEN

C O L B Y C O L L E G E conferred honorary degrees upon nine men and one woman as the final event of the Commencement program June 16. Those honored, together with the citations as read by President Franklin W. Johnson were as follows:

Doctor of Laws to Hon. Summer Sewall, Governor of Maine. “A man of prompt decision and vigorous action. At the age of twenty he went overseas with the American Ambulance Field Service. Six months later he enlisted in the American Air Service and was soon a Lieutenant and an Ace. Awarded the Croix de Guerre with palm and the Legion of Honor by the French Government, the Order of the Crown by King Albert of Belgium, and the Distinguished Service Cross by our own Government.

“His rise in politics in his native State has been rapid and distinguished. A member of the House of Representatives in 1935; a year later a member of the Senate, and in his second term President of this body.

Now Governor of the State of Maine.”

Doctor of Laws to Chief Justice Guy Hayden Sturgis of the Maine Supreme Court. “A native of Maine and a graduate of Bowdoin College. Trained in the law at Columbia University, he began the practice of his profession in Portland in 1900. Attorney General of Maine for two terms; one-time Vice President of the National Association of Attorneys General of the United States. Appointed Associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine in
1923, and after seventeen years elevated to the distinguished position of Chief Justice. An able attorney and a righteous judge."

Doctor of Laws to William Stark Newell, Bath, Maine, president of the Bath Iron Works. "A man of courage and imagination. A builder of ships, who has restored its long lost prestige to the State of Maine in which was built the first ship produced in the New World and from whose ways were launched the clipper ships that sailed the seven seas. A graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, of which he is a trustee. Members of numerous technical societies in this country and Great Britain. His practical experience and dauntless spirit have enabled him to accomplish the impossible."

Doctor of Laws to Clarence Kirshman Streit, New York, author of "Union Now," and the commencement speaker. "Native son of Missouri, foreign correspondent and author; educated at the University of Montana; Rhodes Scholar at Oxford and later a student at the Sorbonne where began those observations of the problems of Europe which he subsequently depicted with singular ef-
FRÉDÉRIC ALBERT POTTLÉ
Scholar

Serving in France with the United States army during the World War; attached to the American Peace Delegation at Paris following the War, and for many years the New York Times representative at Geneva where he was the able and sincere interpreter of the League of Nations to the American people. Writing with understanding, foresight, courage and conviction, he has demonstrated in more recent days that we must not only be a peace-loving but a peace-making nation. We honor him today for his contribution to the cause of international good will and the peaceful settlement of international disputes.

DOCTOR OF LETTERS TO CLARE BOOTHE, New York City, author and playwright. "Wife of one of America's most enlightened publishers she has herself become distinguished in the written arts. Editor, playwright and author, she not only has caricatured the foibles of fictional men and women, but she has also extolled the courage and resolve with which humans are today fighting for democracy. As gifted forensically as with her pen, she is leader of that vanguard of younger women championing the cause of human and civil justices. Her insatiable interest in the stake of her fellowwomen in the four corners of the earth has made her one of the best informed and significant women of the day."

FREDERICK ALBERT POTTLÉ
Scholar

CARROLL EDWARD DOBBIN
Scientist

Doctor of Letters to Frederick Albert Pottle, New Haven, Conn., author and professor English, Yale University. "A doctor of Yale and a member of the Department of English at that university; brilliantly honored by the hood and gown of the University of Glasgow. A scholar whose Boswellian researches have made him known throughout the English-speaking world; organizer and promoter of the Colby Library Associates; a trustee of this College; a son of Maine, who has brought distinction to his native State and to his Alma Mater."

KARL RAYMOND KENNISON
Engineer

Doctor of Science to Dr. Joseph Hersey Pratt, Boston, physician. "An eminent physician, whose efforts for the improvement of rural medical practices have greatly benefited our State. Head of the Bingham Associates Fund for the Advancement of Rural Medicine. Founder of the Pratt Diagnostic Hospital. Member of many medical societies and author of numerous scientific papers."

Doctor of Divinity to Rev. Charles Lyon Seasholes, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dayton, Ohio, and the Colby Baccalaureate preacher. "A minister of the Gospel and pastor of a great church; a keen student with clear perceptions of the application of religion to the problems of today; a preacher of power with a message for this troubled hour; highly honored by his contemporaries; a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania; our Commencement preacher."

Doctor of Science to Karl Raymond Kennison, Waban, Mass., Chief Engineer, Boston Metropolitan Water Supply Commission. "Graduate of Colby and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. A distinguished engineer on important water projects in Iowa, Montana and California. During the Great War, supervising engineer for the United States Navy of extensive construction work at New Orleans, Mobile, and Pensacola. For fifteen years employed by the Metropolitan Water District of Boston, and since 1939 its Chief Engineer. The builder of the largest domestic water supply reservoir in the world. Member and past president of many engineering societies."

Doctor of Science to Carroll Edward Dobbin, Denver, Colo., geologist, U. S. Geological Survey. "Geologist and public servant. Born in the State of Maine, trained at Colby and Johns Hopkins for a career in government service in the West. Dr. Dobbin has proved a close observer, clear thinker, effective speaker as well as skilful administrator and inspiring leader. He is a notable example of the scientist-citizen who translates his practical science into effective citizenship."

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THE COLBY ALUMNUS
THE COLBY COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

By Clarence K. Streit, LL.D.

(Abridged)

YOUR commencement is on the first anniversary of an event filled with meaning for every one of us here, and for all Americans, and for all the free. Just one year ago today the movement to organize world government broadly on the model of our own American Federal Union reached, all of a sudden, its high-water mark. Britain, in its hour of desperate need, turned to Union for salvation. It decided then, overnight, that it was practical to do...overnight what its “realists” had been saying was too impractical to do in our time.

On June 16, 1940, the British Government proposed to the French Government that the two adopt immediately the following:

DECLARATION OF UNION

“At this most fateful moment in the history of the modern world the Governments of the United Kingdom and the French Republic make this declaration of indissoluble union and unyielding resolution in their common defence of justice and freedom, against subjection to a system which reduces mankind to a life of robots and slaves.

“The two Governments declare that France and Great Britain shall no longer be two nations but one Franco-British Union. The constitution of the Union will provide for joint organs of defence, foreign, financial and economic policies. Every citizen of France will enjoy immediately citizenship of Great Britain; every British subject will become a citizen of France.

“Both countries will share responsibility for the repair of the devastation of war, wherever it occurs in their territories, and the resources of both shall be equally, and as one, applied to that purpose.

“During the war there shall be a single war Cabinet, and all the forces of Britain and France, whether on land, sea, or in the air, will be placed under its directions. It will govern from wherever best can. The two Parliaments will be formally associated.

“The nations of the British Empire are already forming new armies. France will keep her available forces in the field, on the sea and in the air.

“The Union appeals to the United States to fortify the economic resources of the Allies and to bring her powerful material aid to the common cause.

“The Union will concentrate its whole energy against the power of the enemy no matter where the battle may be. And thus we shall conquer.”

With France then in chaos, this proposal was rejected by the French Cabinet, 13 to 10, and Marshal Petain began at once to make a separate peace.

We face now the danger as regards the British that the British faced last year as regards the French—the danger of being suddenly exposed to invasion by a separate peace. Yet

CLARENCE KIRSHMAN STREET

what am I told in Washington? Exactly what the British were saying last Spring: “We must first win the war—Union can wait.”

Yet to win the war, we need first to tie the British to us so tightly that what may in the British Isles, there will be no separate peace costing us control of the seas. We face the same basic problem the British and French faced—that of joining forces so well that nothing could split them apart. They tried to solve it by an alliance, the old European way. They made the tightest alliance possible.... And at the first onslaught, their alliance collapsed.

At one minute to 12 the British saw the superiority of our Federal Union plan, saw that in a Union no state can surrender separately. And so they begged the French to change the alliance into a Union—just too late.

Had they only suspected in April how terrific the attack would be, they would have offered Union then—in time to have saved at least the French navy, air force, empire. Had they only done that, how much better the outlook now would be. How their union would have electrified the world! How it would have changed things in Italy, where we have since seen the people had no stomach for this war. Italy would have been thrown out of Africa, Germany would not be there now, threatening Suez and South America. But the British thought Union could wait till one minute to 12, just as many Americans do today. This common idea, that we do not need Union now with Britain,—are you certain it will sound less fatuous when we reach mid-summer, than last Spring's British optimism sounds today?

We American Federal Unionists advise you to profit from this tragic experience while we may. We propose that the American people request the President and Congress to:

1. Issue a Declaration of Interdependence reaffirming textually the universal principles of our Declaration of 1776, and making clear this Union is to maintain the Rights of Man and create the nucleus of a world government of, by, and for the people.

2. Convoke a Federal Convention to draft a permanent Constitution, to be binding only after we have studied and ratified the definite text by popular vote.

3. Provide that this nuclear Union of the Free shall grow gradually into the United States of Man by peaceful admission of outside and colonial peoples to full and equal membership, as states are admitted to the U. S. A. with The Union maintaining the Monroe Doctrine and Good Neighbor policy as regards the Latin-American republics, pending their entry into it.

4. Offer immediately to negotiate peace with the Axis on these terms: No annexations or occupations of foreign territory, no reparations and indemnities, and the settlement by arbitration of all disputes leading to
the war that cannot be settled by direct negotiation.

5. Insure — without a huge expeditionary force to Europe, Greenland or South America — the ultimate downfall of dictatorship, if it rejects The Union’s peace offer and wages war against us. Do this by holding the English Channel Line while giving Europeans something worth dying for in passive resistance and active revolt, namely, a solemn guarantee to admit to The Union, as soon as they are free.

There, briefly, is the program of Union Now.

Difficult? Of course. But what is the alternative?

Dangerous? True, ideas are stern companions; they will not fight for you unless you are ready to fight for them. But there are no more generous friends. The sooner and more bravely you fight for a great idea, the less it calls on you to fight. The more you offer to sacrifice for it, the less it lets you give.

We are unprepared? When were we ever this well prepared? In 1776, when an invading army lay off New York harbor? In 1917, when we had only 55 warplanes, and 51 of these were obsolete?

Union means "undoing the American Revolution," "joining the British Empire?" Nonsense, or Nazi propaganda. Union now means winning the British over to the principles for which our fathers fought, dealing no longer with the British government but with the British people, man to man, just as we deal with the British who have become American citizens.

Union . . . after the war? If we need Union then — as we certainly do — to tackle the fearful postwar problems we are now piling up, we need Union now still more, to shorten the war and save human life and lessen these postwar problems, and to make sure we shall not lose the peace again. To leave Union to the peace conference is to have no hold on the British government, once we have broken the Axis, and no hold on our own Senate, — to expose ourselves again to the danger of a minority of Senators then throwing out the window whatever it is we fight for.

If we are to win without a vast expeditionary force, we must have a great American Expeditionary Idea.

Hitler’s expeditionary idea men are already among us. They are spread-
RAI failed to dampen the spirit and fellowship of the alumni at the Alumni Luncheon once they were indoors, although it had prevented them from wandering around among the crowd which usually gathers outside the Old Gym, traditional meeting place of Colby men, to talk with old friends and classmates.

Promptly at 12:30 the doors were thrown open and the alumni filed in to take their places under their class pennants. On the north side of the gym floor was the long table for the members of the graduating class, in the center the 25-year class, on the south side the class of 1921, and interspersed between were the classes of '96, '01, '06, '11, '26 and '31. At the head table were the venerables of '91 and '86.

It was a scene of peace and friendliness as men talked and laughed and ate grapefruit, lobster newburg, potato chips, green peas, tomato and lettuce salad, apple pie and cheese, and coffee. The entire space seemed filled with Colby men. Back of the head table were red, white and blue bunting and the large service flag testifying to the fact that 327 Colby men served in the last war.

Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, of Newtonville, Mass., Chairman of the Alumni Council, presided. Secretary Goddard gave a report on the results of the alumni balloting. The Chairman presented to the meeting the proposed amendment to the constitution to provide for six additional members on the Alumni Council. The amendment was unanimously approved by alumni present and voting.

In his opening remarks to the 94th meeting of the Alumni Association, Dr. Clark welcomed the class of 1941 into the Colby family. Pointing out the desirability for Colby men to keep in touch with each other, broaden their horizons and keep alive a Colby consciousness, Dr. Clark emphasized "the importance of every Colby man doing his part when called upon. There are many, many small jobs to be done. It may be nothing more than to serve on a committee in your local group, it may be to lead your local group, it may be to represent all of the alumni as trustee, member of the Alumni or Athletic Council, or to serve as a class agent or his assistant. Accept the challenge if it comes to you, give something of your time and thought in selfless service for the good of your own soul and the best college in New England. I would sum up my remarks to you with apologies to Van Dyke:

"Four things a Colby man must do, if he would keep his record true. Attend the meetings of your club next fall, Send 'Colby' boys to Colby's hall. Support the college with a yearly gift, Do your part, take hold, and lift!"

Dr. Edward B. Mathews, '91, of Baltimore, Md., retired head of the Department of Geology at Johns Hopkins University and state geologist of Maryland, spoke for the 50-year class of the changes at Colby since he was a student here.

Judge Cyril M. Joly, '16, was introduced as "an efficient and conscientious judge" and the chairman also pointed out that an understanding judge was one of the fortunate things for Colby students and alumni who return on Colby Night and at Commencement. "The thing which stands out in our minds," began Judge Joly, speaking for his class which was celebrating its 25th anniversary, "is the similarity in the world situation in June, 1916 with the state of the world as it appears on this day in June, 1941."

Graduations, reunions and the like are nothing new to the Drummond clan, but it isn't every year that ten of them come back to Commencement. Albert F. Drummond, '88, is shown at the left, and the others in his family are: son-in-law George L. Beach, '13, New Bedford, Mass.; son Prince A. Drummond, '15, Waterville; son Clark Drummond, '21, Leonia, N. J.; son E. Richard Drummond, '28, Bangor; grandson Hugh D. Beach, '36, New York City; grandson Prince D. Beach, '40, Philadelphia; grandson George L. Beach, '41, New Bedford, Mass.; grandson Errol L. Taylor, '44, Waterville; and grandson Frederick M. Drummond, '44, Waterville. Another grandson, W. Gardner Taylor, entered Colby last fall, but left for service with the United States Army.
"Our message to the graduating class is based on our own experiences under similar conditions and a plea to them to keep their feet on the ground, to go on with their plans and prepare themselves for their life work, confident that such preparedness and further education, training and experience will be much more valuable to their country in time of need, if that need arises. We pass on to 1941 our own experiences with the hope that twenty-five years from now — when we return to celebrate our 50th anniversary — the Class of 1941 will agree with us."

The men present stood and greeted President Johnson with long applause as he rose to speak. He said that this was the year scheduled for his retirement as president of the college and that he had "intended to deliver his swan song." But he had acceded to the request of the trustees to remain for another year.

Discussing the plans for continuation of development of the new campus program on Mayflower Hill, he stated that the large dormitory for women and women's gymnasium are to be constructed this summer.

"My years as president of the college have enabled me to renew my youth. These twelve years have not been as I had planned. I had expected to devote myself to the educational program of the college. I fear that my record will appear as one who thought only of material things. But I know that buildings do not make a college great. Great teachers and scholars, lofty ideals and high intellectual achievements are the essentials of a great college. Equipment is only an accessory, desirable but not of first importance.

"I like to think, a bit wistfully, that along with our effort to build a new campus the college has shown a substantial improvement as an educational institution. We certainly have a larger and better trained faculty, our curriculum is broader and more effective, though we have undertaken few, if any, radical changes; the life of the college is more intellectually stimulating, and our activities cover a wider field.

"I shall soon be leaving my post with many regrets at what has not been accomplished, but with the firm expectation that those who come after will carry on the work that we have been doing here, and the college will meet the demands of a new and different day with the courage and faith that have marked its record in the long past.

"I cannot close a speech to Colby men without mention of your loyal cooperation and support. Compared with many colleges, our numbers are small and few of us have acquired wealth. But most of what has taken shape on Mayflower Hill has come from Colby men. Last year, our treasury received $90,000 from Colby men. This year the amount is larger. The Alumni Fund is growing. But money is not all. Colby men everywhere are thinking of the college. For myself, I am grateful for the friendly attitude, expressed in many ways by individuals and groups. But I know that this is not personal but represents the devotion which all of us feel toward our college. More than in the past, the support of colleges must come from their alumni. I am confident that in the years to come Colby will receive your support."

After Dr. Johnson had finished his speech and sat down, alumni lingered in their seats. There was an air of expectancy.

Dr. Clark called to the head table John W. Daggett, '41, captain of football; Albert J. Rimosukas, '41, captain of basketball; Vernelle W. Dyer Jr., '41, captain of tennis; and Edward F. Loring, '42, captain of hockey; and presented them with certificates voted by the Alumni Council earlier in the morning in recognition of the four state championships that their teams had brought to the college.

Then the Chairman turned to the three members of the 50-year class present — Franklin W. Johnson, Edward B. Mathews, and Edwin C. Teague — and presented them with golden certificates "with affectionate appreciation of your fifty golden years of service and devotion as an alumnus of Colby College."

A walking stick made from bird cherry cut on the Mayflower Hill campus, with a knob of elm taken from one of the trees on the old campus, was shown to the group. This cane was to be given to Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, in recognition of his twenty-five years as president of the Connecticut Valley Colby Club. Mr. Seaverns, who could not be present, was attending the graduation of his daughter from Bennington College.

Gavels made from black cherry cut on the new campus were then pre-
sent to George Otis Smith, '93, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, who was confined to his home by illness; to Angier L. Goodwin, '02, President of the Massachusetts State Senate; to Nathaniel Tompkins, '03, President of the Maine State Senate; to Louis C. Stearns, '03, President of the Maine Bar Association; to Marion Morse, '14, President of the American Mathematical Society; and to Frank C. Foster, '16, the thirty-ninth Colby man to be elected a college president, President of Asheville College, Asheville, N. C.

Treasurer A. G. Eustis of the Council was introduced to the gathering as the only person to have had the distinction of having caught a brook trout on the Mayflower Hill campus. After a humorous reference to Dr. Johnson's fishing ability, two men wheeled in a large rectangular object with a short bamboo pole attached, which was handed to Dr. Johnson. He lifted the pole and the covering dropped away from a large aquarium in which were swimming seven large trout donated by Commissioner Stobie of the Department of Maine Inland Fisheries and Game, for the Mayflower Hill pond.

John H. Lee, '30, rose and presented to Dr. Johnson an order on the Western Maine Colby Club for two swans for the pond.

Frederic E. Camp, who had attended his first meeting of the Board of Trustees the previous day, was introduced as the owner of Webber's Cove Yacht Yard, and presented Dr. Johnson with a rowboat printed in blue and gray with "Hero" on her stern. In concluding his remarks, he said, "The Hero sails again." The boat had been placed on the table in front of the President.

After the laughter and applause had died down, President Johnson turned to Mr. Camp and called him the "sweetest person" he had ever known, and to the men he said, "These presents indicate that I have been a human being, not just an old pedagog."

Following the luncheon, the fish and boat were taken to the Mayflower Hill pond and a group of alumni watched Dr. Johnson liberate the fish and launch the Hero. Hersey Keene, '05, produced a fly rod from his car and Dr. Johnson took a few casts.

There were "No Fishing Allowed" signs on the shores of the pond. These signs make it plain that the trout are to be caught by just one person—if they are caught.

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BYGONE FASHIONS ENLIVEN ALUMNAE LUNCHEON

Colby memories and friendships were renewed at the annual Alumnae Luncheon on June 14, at the Alumnae Building with Florence Carll Jones, '12, retiring president of the Colby Alumnae Association and Alumnae Council, acting as toastmistress.

Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, '08, welcomed the returning alumnae with her usual warmth and charm, and outlined a few of the high points of the year, assuring the gathering that there were many plans, small and large, crowding the minds and hearts of the administrators at Colby and that they were pressing forward toward the fulfillment of these plans. In closing, Dean Runnals said: "We know that years of testing and difficult adjustments are ahead. We promise you to try to meet them with self control, judgment and faith."

Several members of the alumnae body were accorded particular recognition. Louise H. Coburn, '77, was honored as our oldest woman graduate with a rising tribute by the guests present. Sophia Hanson Mace, '81, who was celebrating her sixtieth reunion, and Mary Morrill Ilsley, '91, member of the fifty year class, were cheered and rose to take a bow. Particular mention was made of those who had traveled long distances to be present for the luncheon, and the tributes closed with the presentation of a gift from the Colby Alumnae Association to Sarah Partridge, who has served the Alumnae Luncheon for seventeen years in her capacity as dietitian in the women's division.

Miss Partridge, affectionately known as "Sally Pat," is retiring this year from active duty, but will make her home in Waterville. Dean Runnals who made the gift presentation said of her in part, "If they (the girls), remember her many words, they also will remember that every word was matched by a heartbeat of good will. As she retires to her well earned vacation from the strenuous activity of feeding college girls we hope her mind will be richly fed by the happiest memories of her long association with Colby and that she will be assured of our continued love and good wishes."

The feature of the program was a "Chatalogue of Colby Commencements," presented by members of the alumni in the name of the President of the college, where the Commencement was held, where the girls lived, how many women were in the college, the most beloved Professor and the most memorable occasion of her college years.

The final feature of the program was the induction of the Senior girls into membership in the Colby Alumnae Association. Out of a class of 48 girls there were 48 present at the luncheon who received a welcome from Florence Carll Jones, '12. Mrs. Jones spoke from the stage in cap and gown and presented printed certificates of membership to every girl. These certificates were printed in blue on white with a picture of the new Mayflower Hill Chapel in silhouette against the sky as a cover, and were signed by the President and the Alumnae Associate Secretary.
Hannah B. Putnam, '41, who has been the undergraduate member of the Alumnae Council during her Senior year, responded for the class, promising to uphold the traditions of Colby.

Those taking part in the "Chata­logue" were:

Sophia Hanson Mace, '81; Mary Morrill Ilsley, '91; Gertrude Ilsley Padelford, '96; Rhena Clark Marsh, '01; Edith Kennison Stene, '06; Beulah E. Withee, '11; Bernice Butler McGorrill, '21; Girlandine Priest, '26; Marion White Thurlow, '31; Dorothy Gould Rhoades, '36.

Officers were elected at the busi­ness meeting of the Association be­fore the luncheon to fill the vacancies which occur in the slate which occur in the Association be­fore the luncheon to fill the vacancies which occur in the slate which occur in the slate which occur in 1941-42. These were: President, Ruth Hamil­ton Whittemore, '12; first vice-presi­dent, Mary Crowley LaFleur, '39; second vice-president, Edith Williams Small, '02; recording secretary, Jane D. Montgomery, '38; scholarship loan fund committee, Doris W. Hardy, '25; alunnae fund committee, A. Eliza­beth Swanton, '33; alunnae Council, undergraduate member, Betty Anne Royal, '42; members at large in Wa­terville, Ruth Means Smith, '21; Marg­aret Henderson Richardson, '35; members at large, Rebecca Chester Larsen, '33; Cora Patterson Hutchins, '17; Marguerite Chase Macomber, '27; Helen V. Robinson, '10; Phyllis St. Clair Fraser, '13; Alona Nicholson Bean, '05.

 Announcement was made of the election of Myr­tice D. Cheney, '96, to membership on the Board of Trust­ees. The Association met the news with hearty applause and the organ­ization is to be congratulated upon having such an able representative upon the Board.

 The committee in charge of the Alunnae Luncheon were: Eleanor Butler Hutchins, '29, chairman; Helen Leighton Austin, '29; Doris Fernald Blackington, '21; Rowena Mosher Brann, '36; Emily Kinney Clark (faculty); Patricia Thomas Thompson, '40.

### DORMITORY CORNERSTONE LAID

THE laying of the cornerstone of the first Women's Dormitory was held on June 15, at 5:00 p.m. Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, opened the exercises with prayer, which was fol­lowed by an address on "What's a Dormitory For?" by Dean Runnals, '08. Remarks were given by Flor­ence E. Dunn, '96, representing the Board of Trustees.

The following took part in the cere­mony of depositing mementoes in the box which went into the cornerstone: Prudence Piper, '41, president of the Student Government League; de­posited a copy of the Women's Hand­book; Hannah Putnam, '41, presi­dent of the Student Christian Association, material relating to the Student Christian Association; Ada Vinecuor, '41, president of the Women's Athletic Association, a W. A. A. emblem; Joanna MacMurtry, '41, president of the Panhellenic As­sociation, a placard showing the pins of the five sororities having chapters at Colby; Clare Donahue, '41, presi­dent of the Senior Class, Women's Division, a Copy of the Colby Oracle; Sue Rose, president of the Junior Class, a booklet, "Sharing in Living," which describes the plans for the Board of Trustees.

Dolley, '19, member of the board of Trustees, Myr­tice Cheney, '96, newly elected trustee; Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, '12, president of the Colby Alumnae Association; Ervena Goodale Smith, '24, Alumnae As­sociate Secretary; Sarah W. Partrick, Dietitian of Foss Hall who has had much to do with the planning of the dining facilities for the new dormi­tory; Sally Irving Sherburne, Direc­tor of Residence; Grace Mathews Philbrick, one-time Dean of Women; and Florence Carll Jones, '12, one­time Dean of Women.

After President Johnson and Dean Runnals guided the stone into place, the "Colby Alma Mater" was sung by the gathering, bringing the exer­cises to a close.

### BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

DECLARING that a college renders its highest service when it sends out its seniors with a sense of mission, Rev. Charles L. Seasholes of Dayton, Ohio, urged "acceptance of personal responsibility and a pledge of personal consecration" in pre­aching the baccalaureate sermon on June 15.

Both Isaiah and Marshal Petain, Mr. Seasholes said, realized that their countrymen had given themselves over to pleasure and had lost the spirit and the will to sacrifice.

Dr. Seasholes stated that matching force with force, "necessary as that may be in our tragic situation" was not a solution of the difficulties of to­day, and urged that "through it all we keep the vision of the God of righteousness and seek to work out His will for mankind in a new world order."

The speaker cited with approval recent resolution of the North Baptist convention which affirmed that "the spiritual forces resident in Almighty God have outlasted, and will continue to outlast, the rise and fall of em­pires."

### BOARDMAN SERVICE

THAT India is the only country in the world with a message to the United States, was the state­ment of Rev. Theodore Fieldbrave of Berkeley, Calif., who preached the Boardman sermon Sunday evening.

A North Indian Brahmin by birth and an American citizen, he gave a
keen analysis of the national characteristics of each country. America, he said, was a young, vigorous, restless aggressive nation, while India is ancient, calm, meditative and spiritual.

"India is the most God-conscious nation on earth," he said, explaining that this may take the form of superstition or idol worship, but "to the Hindu, things of the spirit are the only reality." The spiritual and prayerful qualities of the Indians added to the vigor and strength of America would make an ideal combination, he said.

Mr. Fieldbrave told of the significant contributions that Christian missions have made to India. Hinduism, he said, has copied the social work program of the Christian churches. The most important man in India is Gāndhi, and he has been profoundly influenced by Christianity and has incorporated the vital teachings of Christ into his philosophy, although not a Christian by profession.

Also on the platform were other Colby missionaries: Rev. John E. Cummings, '84, long a missionary in Burma; Gordon E. Gates, '19, of Judson college, Rangoon, Burma, who is returning to his past next month; and Rev. Chester F. Wood, '14, of Skowhegan, who was a missionary in China for 14 years. President Franklin W. Johnson, the presiding officer, mentioned that several other missionaries or children of missionaries were in the audience.

The musical feature of the program was an anthem by Evelyne Short Merrill, '39, and Buell Oakman Merrill, '40. The accompanist was Horace Purington Daggett, '34.

Clare Boothe Is Dinner Speaker

WARNING her hearers not to be surprised if, in the event of war, Colby's Mayflower Hill campus is obliterated by bombs, Clare Boothe, speaking at the commencement dinner, brought home the point that colleges and universities are important military objectives in modern warfare.

Just returned from a trip to Free China with her husband, Henry T. Luce, publisher of Time, Life and Fortune, she told how the systematic destruction of the Chinese universities was among the first missions of Japanese bombers, the Nipponese war lords well knowing that the nucleus of China's defense and future development lay in her students.

She described vividly how these students strapped their books on their backs and began "the most magnificent saga of modern times, trekking 3,000 miles through malarial swamps and over snow-covered passes into the interior. Here they are now carrying on with meagre equipment and under indescribable conditions." They take vacations of three or four months in the year, she said, and go out to "jam the rudiments of reading and writing into the heads of the people and preach the ideals of the democratic way of life." She paid tribute to the Christian missionaries, Catholic and Protestant, and said that Free China is "the result of an evangelical and dynamic Christianity."

Pointing out that educational institutions can be powers for evil as well as for good, she cited the Geopolitical Institute of Berlin, "where Hitlerite brain-trusters conceived and are carrying out the ideology and strategy of the Nazi conquest of the world." "I should rather see that destroyed than the whole Ruhr," she said.

Governor Sumner Sewall nonplussed the gathering by opening his remarks with some sentences in Greek. He spoke of himself as "a graduate of the World War—the Armistice was our Commencement Day."

"I am pleased," he said, "that the responsibility for carrying on our American type of society is felt and appreciated by the seniors going out of Colby. President Johnson, I am sure, is the one who supplies the spark that ignites that spirit."

The list of dinner speakers also included Clarence K. Streit, the Commencement speaker, William S. Newell of Bath, Prof. Marson Morse, '14, of Princeton's Institute of Advanced Studies, and Dean Ernest C. Marinier. Other features included the introduction of Mrs. Sophia Hanson Mace, '81, of Portland, representing the 60 year class, and Samuel B. Shepard, '83, of Bar Mills, who gave an impromptu toast to President Johnson, the presiding officer.

New Trustee

Guy G. Gabrielson

The election of Guy George Gabrielson of New York to the Colby Board of Trustees was announced following the annual meeting on June 13.

Mr. Gabrielson was born in Sioux Rapids, Iowa, and after graduation from the University of Iowa attended the Harvard Law School, graduating among the first ten. He is a practicing attorney in New Jersey and New York. He was a member of the New Jersey House of Assembly for four years and was Speaker of the House in 1929. As State Chairman of the New Jersey Republican State Committee he is interested in reform politics. He is president of the Nicolet Asbestos Mines, Ltd., a former president and trustee of the Cartaret School for Boys, and member of the state committee for Youth Training for Good Government, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Besides membership in various legal associations and social clubs, he belongs to the American Legion, Sons of the American Revolution, and is a Mason and a Methodist. His home is in Bernardsville, N. J., and his office at 70 Pine Street, New York City.

Golf Tournament

The annual Commencement Golf Tournament was won by Alton D. Blake, '10, with a score of 81-16-65. Fourteen alumni participated.
MANY RETURN FOR CLASS REUNIONS

FIFTY-FIFTH

FIFTY-FIVE years out of college, three members of the class of 1886 gathered to hold their class reunion. They were: Byron Boyd, Augusta, Maine; Horatio R. Dunham, Los Angeles, Calif., and Albert M. Richardson, So. Portland, Maine.

There was an informal supper at the Elmwood Hotel. Letters were read from Miss Julia E. Winslow, Portland; Edward W. Frentz, Mellerose, Mass.; Rev. Thomas J. Ramsdell, D. D., Charleston, Maine, who until Thursday before reunion had expected to be present; and from Charles P. Small, M. D., Chicago. Class, College and personal matters were the topics of conversation and a good time was had by all. The only regret was more could not be present. — A. M. Richardson.

FIFTIETH

ONCE again the Johnsons were hosts to the class of '91. That was a great class with many members who "went places" in the world's work. Some of us just sat in the cheering section, but anyway we were glad to cheer about someone if not about ourselves.

We were entertained on the Saturday evening of Commencement this year at a delicious dinner in the Johnsons' dining-room. Fourteen sat around the beautifully appointed table. Besides the host and hostess there were Dr. and Mrs. George Campbell of Augusta, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Matthews of Baltimore, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Adams (Effie Dascomb) from Rhode Island, Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith of Waterville, Mrs. Illsley of Washington, D. C., Miss Gilpatrick of Hallowell, Mr. Leland Sturtevant of Fairfield and Mr. William Fletcher of Waterville. Nine of these were members of the class which graduated thirty young men and women fifty years ago. Six other members are living.

After dinner Frank Johnson read telegrams and messages from classmates who could not come, or from members of the families of some who have died since the last reunion. Mr. A. H. Chipman of St. John, N. B., sent a lot of programs and souvenirs which he had saved from college days and which were good for a laugh after fifty years.

A very pleasant and informal evening was spent in the President's gracious home. Both he and Mrs. Johnson have a gift for human relationships and are always the happiest of hosts. — W. A. S.

DO YOU RECALL?

(Excerpts from a poem read by Florence E. Dunn at the 1896 Reunion Dinner.)

Do you recall the diagrams That Santa Rogers drew, And how the laws of Nature reeled Till they were all askew?

Do you recall the icy chill — Because I know When Billy Elder's ruthless tones Said, "Next," and he meant you?

And Judy Taylor — mark you well, The Noblest Roman born, Could speak in velvet accents When he held us up to scorn.

Our little Currie, how he strove To make us eloquent! If one can die of verbiage, That was the way he went.

And Cosine Warren, kindly soul, Beyond x, y, and z, Has reached the trigonometric bound He called infinity.

And Dutchy Marquardt, how he'd storm At some defenceless head! But all the bombs he threw were words, Forgot as soon as said.

August and monumental — quite Melodiously bland The parlance of psychology By Prexy Whitman planned.

And not the least, the English room, And "Rob" — and Whately and Geunog, Shakespeare and Browning must not stay "Unhonored and unussed."
Miss Dunn favored us with one of her highly interesting poems which helped bring back memories of the days of '96.

Members of '96 have achieved more than average success in their chosen fields and yet on an occasion like a 45th reunion we feel the force of a little poem written by our classmate Everett Getchell, which was published in Stories of Americans at Work:

LIFE'S DUTIES

Like a poor wanderer in the vale
I waste my years.
I say, "To-day, I'll write the tale,"
At night the tale is still untold,
And at last am growing old.
I lift my eyes to those far heights
Where gleams the sun.
To climb those heights my whole heart thrills;
But, one by one,
Life's little duties block the way:
My daily tasks fill every day.

— H. Warren Foss.

FORTIETH

The class of 1901 reunioned at the Fort Halifax Inn on the evening of the 14th. Present were Francis Joseph and Mrs. Joseph, George and Rhena Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Belknap, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Linscott, Doctor Sherman Perry, Wallace Purinton, Mrs. A. F. Weston, Edgar B. Putnam, Dr. and Mrs. Bert Philbrick, and myself. We sent our regards to Charles Seaverns and our regards to those who could not be present. We talked over old times and joked Mrs. Philbrick, who was a one time Dean of Women, about the lady's dormitory back four decades ago. Our class is not organized; we talked about having a secretary and a semi-annual round- robin. There was nothing except the usual social features of such a gathering. There was enthusiasm over the college's progress and a unanimious determination to make a better showing at our 45th.

A. M. Blackburn.

THIRTY-FIFTH

A dark, misty evening on Saturday, commencement week did not dampen the ardor of the 1906ers as they gathered for their 35th reunion before the open fire in the chesery, flower-bedeced living-room of the Waterville Country Club.

A party of twenty men, women, and three of our second generation, sat down to a well-served, tasty dinner. Dr. Ralph Reynolds, '06, is a member of the Country Club and had a hand in the perfect arrangements. Another member of the class, Rex W. Dodge of Portland, who had been with us at the Alumni Luncheon, came out to the Club to meet the group before dinner but had to return to his home on an early train.

It was wholly an informal gathering with plenty of visiting and a chance to look over photographs, 1906 Records, etc., brought by members of the class. Various bits of news were reported with greetings from absent Naughty-Sixes by Class Agent A. G. Robinson for the men; and a sort of round table was held by the women, led by Anna M. Boynton and Mrs. Edith Kennison Stene. A novel feature of the program was the interesting display of pure wool blankets by Dr. Robert Emery, '06, who had had them made on special looms from wool sheared from sheep on his Owls Head farm. "Bob" raises quite a variety of Maine products there and evidently is thinking of "retiring" some day to give full time to his hobby.

The main item of the program was the showing by Karl R. Kennison, '06, (now Doctor of Science, Colby '41) of some charming colored "movies" of his Quabbin Reservoir project. Unusual color effects accompanied interesting shots of the various technical processes in the construction of the huge cement aqueduct "pipes". To conclude the evening, Dr. Reynolds was called on to tell of Colby's present-day relationship to Waterville and its interests. This he did in a most reassuring way, speaking of the vital ties between "town and gown."

Present were the following:

- Dr. and Mrs. Robert L. Emery, Clara Norton Paul, Arthur G. Robinson, Nettie Fuller Young, Dr. and Mrs. Millard P. Long, Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Stene (Edith Kennison), Mr., and Mrs. H. W. Oxnard (Elaine Wil son), Mr. and Mrs. Karl R. Kennison, Anna M. Boynton, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Reynolds, Rex W. Dodge, Bertha Kennison, '07, and three of the next generation, Jean Kennison, Roger Paul and Edward Stene, Jr.

CHESTER, MASS.; Mr. and Mrs. Albert B. Blake, Waterville; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Ervin (Caroline Noyes, '06, Waterville; Mrs. Ellen Cratty Paine, Portland; Mr. Harry W. Kidder, Portland; Bertha E. Withee, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Higginbotham, Hester Higginbotham, Wollaston, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stene (Edith Kennison), Waterville; Mrs. Rose Carver Tilley, Miss Constance Tilley, '06, Ashland, Mrs. Ernest W. Fentiman (Elsie Lawrence), Waterville; Mr. and Mrs. Horace W. Pullen, Danforth; Judge and Mrs. L. Ernest Thornton, Belfast; and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Nash (Margaret Buswell, '12), Addison.

Following a most enjoyable dinner, an informal meeting was held at which Albion Blake presided. Each classmate present told of his or her experiences since graduation. Ralph Nash and Rose Carver Tilley, the Class Agents, gave reports for absent classmates. "Crup" Rogers rendered his famous old song, "On Board of the Howe", to the delight of all. The gathering was saddened to learn of the recent death of Rev. James K. Romeyn, who had been pastor of the Baptist Church in Norwichtown, N. Y., for a number of years. For the first time, a gathering of the class hailed the existence of grandchildren. Harry Kidder was acclaimed the first grandfather of the class, and Elsie Lawrence Fentiman, the first grandmother. Later however it was learned that there are others in the class who may be rivals for the distinction of being the first grandmother; among them is Laura Day Cole, Casco, who was present at Commencement but not early enough to attend the reunion.

Ellen Pillsbury and Rose Carver Tilley, who had been the committee in charge of arrangements for the reunion, were re-elected to arrange for the next reunion activities closed with a very vigorous and enthusiastic rendition of the class yell, with warm hand-clasps and with hearty good wishes until another happy reunion in 1946!

TWENTY-FIFTH

The class of 1916 held a most happy and enjoyable reunion celebrating their 25th Anniversary at the Waterville Country Club on Saturday, June 14. The members, with their wives, husbands and daughters, began to arrive at the Club in the late afternoon and at 7:00 p. m. sat down to a bountiful steak dinner, served by the hostess of the Club. Following the dinner the program seemed to take care of itself, most successfully, without any plan on the part of the local committee, consist-
The classes of 1906 and 1916 shown as they celebrated their respective reunions in adjoining rooms in the Waterville Country Club on June 14th.

ing of Ernest Simpson, Lewis L. Levine, Cyril M. Joly, Alice Clarkin and Gladys Meservey Ferrell. In the absence of the Class Agent, Ernest Simpson, (who was unable to be present because of the death of his mother) Cyril M. Joly presided. The group in the afternoon had sent a floral tribute for Mrs. Simpson and a telegram was received at the reunion from “Swipes” in appreciation.

Each member arose, introduced himself or herself and the members of their family with them, and told something about their lives. Following this, Vivian Skinner Hill, Class Agent for the women, gave a most comprehensive report about other members of the women’s division and then everyone present added a word about the absent members, so that we knew something about almost every member of the class and the information was most interesting.

Effie Harmon Frazier, who lives in the Philippines and whose husband has a six months’ vacation every three years, told about her life in the Philippines and her experience coming over this time. Ernestine Porter told something of her interesting work with the feeble-minded children at the Pownal School. Carroll Dobbin — now Dr. Dobbin, if you please — (having received an honorary degree of Dr. of Science) made a most interesting talk about his work in Colorado and the general state of the mineral supplies in this country. The funniest true story was told by Rev. Robert Joudrey who stated that he was a newspaper man by avocation, calling up his parishioners who had absented themselves from services on Sunday, on the following morning to locate their whereabouts for the local newspaper.

The following were present:


TWENTIETH

OVERCAST skies failed to dampen the enthusiasm of returning ’21ers on Saturday evening, June 14, at the Homestead-on-the-Kennebec, Vassalboro, where fifty-four men and women gathered for the twentieth reunion dinner. Present were:


Among the invited guests were: Bertha Cobb Choate, Dr. Cecil W. Clark, Theodore R. Hodgkins and wife, Robert L. Jacobs and wife, Ernest C. Marriner and wife, Dr. Frederick A. Pottle, and H. Thomas Urie and wife.

Those who traveled farthest for the reunion were Eddie Niles (from Evansville, Indiana) and Joe Pollack (from Elmhurst, Illinois).

Messages of regret that they could not attend were read from Steve Ayer (Omaha, Nebraska), Bob Conary (Ipswich, Mass.), Everett Gross (Garden City, N. Y.), Chet Marden (Major, Camp Blanding, Florida), Wayne McNally (Providence, R. I.), Charles Mitchell (Easthampton, Mass.), Fred Pope (Reading, Mass.), Miff Umphrey (Providence, R. I.) and John Waterman (Belfast, Maine). Steve also sent a recent snapshot along to let the class see how kind the years have been to him.

The inimitable Thomas Gerard Grace, as postprandial master of ceremonies, kept everyone’s visibilities working overtime as he called upon various individuals for a word or two. Neil Leonard, quoting Barrie’s “God gave us memory so that we might have roses in December,” epitomized what all felt when he said 1921’s reunion would prove a December rose for those present. None who heard the sincerity and fervor with which “Alma Mater” was sung at the close could doubt that to be long to ’21 was to be one of a privileged group.

— Raymond Spinney.
FIFTH

At six o'clock on Saturday, the 14th of June, three cars left the Alumnae Building with ten "'36ers" bound for "Whisperwood" on Salmon Lake. Myra Whittaker, who entered our class, made us total eleven. Our hostess served a full turkey dinner which was duly appreciated, though somewhat eclipsed by the "news tid bits" that each of us volunteered as we ate. Before the evening was over each one of us "sixty-four" spoke for herself, in person, by letter, or by "grapevine tell-a-woman". Winnie White Houghton traveled the farthest to come to reunion. In fairness to her, we must say that she will not return to Louisiana, but will settle down in Massachusetts. Laura May Tolman Brown came all the way from Schenectady, N. Y., and Dottie Gould Rhoades from Durham, Conn. Myra, with her ever-ready wit and sparkle, came from Philadelphia. Lucile Jones hopped the train at Wrentham and returned before Commencement was over to see that her pupils were properly dismissed from school. Helen de Rochemont Cole drove in from Thomaston. Dot Tuxier and Alice Bocquel arrived from Jonesport and Bangor. Adeline Bourget, Elizabeth Miller and Rowena Brann upheld the "hostess" honors for our class. A jolly letter sent from Roberta Ryan of Santa Monica, California, had news of special interest. Further details of news will be sent to the class in letter form. Those gathered that the retiring agent appoint a new one from the list of nominees sent in by the class members. They also unanimously agreed that our 10th Reunion would be more in the Colby spirit if held with the men of '36. As the hour was then late, we adjourned to the dorm where Cile Jones showed us pictures and told us about her two years' adventure in France.

— Dorothy Gould Rhoades.

It was a pleasure to meet such friends as Al Chandonet who was with us but one year, but had to come back. George Cranton also came down from Haverhill. Art Brown was there, though it was strange to see him without Bob Sparks. How familiar it seemed to have Silent-George Holbrook biting huge pieces out of the night air. I can hear him yet. He retold the famous story of how he was to meet Rideout in London. One of the waitresses fainted. Ray Farnham and Ed McCarthy were on hand, too. Lefty Cole, now married to Helen de Rochemont, was with us. Likewise Dr. John Reynolds, whose father, by the way, was meeting upstairs with the class of '06. Also on hand were Brainard Caverly, Hugh Gilman and Bob Miller. At the last minute came a telegram from Herb Deveber saying that he had been forced at the last minute to forego his trip.

Too much praise cannot be given Bert Mosher for doing such an excellent job in arranging the banquet. The steak was delicious and the spirit (ex animo, of course) flowed freely. Most of those present had seen several others who for some reason or another were unable to attend. It was pleasant to hear of, if not from, such fellows as Bob Merrill, Floyd Haskew, Bill Close, Bob Wolf, Bob William, Roadhouse Gray, Tom Yadwinski and several others who were friends to all of us. We hope that they and all the rest will be with us in 1946. — John P. Dolan.

Notable Exhibits In Library

During the recent Commencement, the Colby Library was the scene of three exhibitions of interest: an exhibition commemorative of the fiftieth anniversary of the publication of "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" by Thomas Hardy, a collection of pictures of the Colby Campus one hundred years ago, and a group of books autographed by famous Colby men.

During the recataloging of the library, a note was made of books which were once either the property of a Colby graduate or contained a famous autograph. From this group, the following signatures were on exhibit: James Tift Champlin, president of Colby 1857-73; John B. Foster, professor of Latin and Greek, 1857-97; Julian D. Taylor; Jonathan E. Farnam, tutor, 1833-35; George W. Keely, professor, 1829-53; William Mathews; General Benjamin F. Butler; Albion W. Small, president 1889-92; Jeremiah Chaplin, president 1822-33; Leander S. Tripp; Jeremiah S. Chaplin, Jr.; Charles E. Hamlin, professor of chemistry, 1853-73; David N. Sheldon, president 1843-53; Nathaniel Butler; and George Dana Boardman. The book which contains the Boardman signature is one which he studied during his college days. The covers and title page are missing, but the title on the spine reads PROTEST: MISSION TO EAST. IN(Pt. 3, and the contents are a history of voyages of missionaries to various parts of the world.

The exhibition of Colby scenes consisted of two large paintings, one of which is a view of the campus from the west side of College Avenue; the other, a view of Colby and the entire town from a point across the river in Winthrop. Both pictures regularly hang on the walls of the second floor of Foss Hall and are familiar to many Colby women. The other items in this group are pictures of South College as it was before being remodeled, and of old Colby classrooms.

The Tess exhibit, which is still in the library, consists of all the Tess manuscript material there is outside of the British Museum, five photostatic copies of Tess manuscripts and pictures, ten letters (holograph) and manuscripts, two versions of Tess as an Italian Opera, a framed caricature of Hardy from Vanity Fair, and fifty different editions of Tess in various languages. Among the holograph manuscripts is Saturday Night in Arcady, the original manuscript of eight pages, rewritten (partly by the novelist's wife) from missing pages in chapter 10 in the British Museum manuscript. These pages are privately owned and have been loaned for the Colby exhibition.

A catalog of the exhibit has been prepared and is available at the Colby College Library.
Colby Sons and Daughters Prominent in Senior Class

John W. Daggett
(Cecil M. Daggett, '03)
Captain of Football

Vernelle W. Dyer Jr.
(Mr. and Mrs. Vernelle W. Dyer, '15)
Captain of Tennis

R. Hoover Goffin
(Hermon O. Goffin, '16)
Leader of Band

Robert W. Pullen
(Horace M. Pullen, '11)
Phi Beta Kappa

Prudence Piper
(Clara Collins Piper, '14)
President, Student League

Keith K. Thompson
(Otis A. Thompson, '07)
Captain of Track

Alumni Council Meeting


William B. Jack, '00, of Portland and Dr. Marston Morse, '14, of Princeton, N. J., were re-elected to the Board of Trustees. Elected members-at-large on the Alumni Council for terms of three years were: Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05; Richard D. Hall, '32, of Waterville; Philip W. Hussey, '13, of North Berwick; and Professor Lester F. Weeks, '15, of Waterville; and re-elected to the Athletic Council for a term of two years was Harold W. Kimball, '09, of Waterville.

On the nomination of the editors of THE COLBY ALUMNUS, Robie G. Frye, '82, of Boston, Charles H. Gale, '22, of New York, Norman C. Perkins, '32, of Waterville, and Spencer H. Winsor, '40, of Bangor, were elected to the editorial board.

In submitting his report as treasurer, Mr. Eustis pointed out that a
complete report on the activities of the Council and THE ALUMNUS could not be given at the meeting as the fiscal year did not close until June 30th. An analysis of the treasurer's report would indicate that both the Council and THE ALUMNUS would end the year within their budgets.

At the fall meeting of the Council, the executive committee recommended a change in the constitution to permit the election to the Council of persons of special abilities. The proposed amendment, which is to provide for increase in the membership of the Council by six members in addition to the twelve members-at-large, and the local club, faculty and athletic representatives, received a favorable vote by the Council and at the Alumni Luncheon by the alumni present and voting.

The executive committee was instructed to direct the collection of unpaid pledges of $51,785.69 to the Roberts Memorial Union Fund. It was pointed out that the completion of the Union depended on the full payment of all pledges to the Fund. The executive committee was authorized to consider the suggestion of Mr. Edmunds of New York that Dad's Day weekend program be inaugurated during the fall at the college.

Mr. Eustis and Mr. Millett were appointed to confer and cooperate with committee of the Alumnae Council on the preparation of commemorative plates of the college.

After a discussion of the observance of fifty years of football at the college, it was voted that the fiftieth anniversary of intercollegiate football be celebrated November 1, 1942 and not in 1941, fifty years after the beginning of organized football. No intercollegiate game having been played in 1891.

Certificates of recognition were voted to the captains of this year's championship teams. Golden certificates were voted to the living members of the fifty-year class and to the living alumni of the classes from 1868 to 1891.

A walking stick was voted to Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, and gavels to several alumni who are presidents of various organizations. All were to be presented at the Alumni Luncheon.

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| All Alumni (1937) | 732 Contributors 22 percent |
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| Total | (1935) | 1181 Contributors 22 percent |

### PHI BETA KAPPA MEETING

At the annual breakfast meeting of the Beta Chapter of Maine, Phi Beta Kappa, on June 14, Dr. Mary Hatch Marshall, president, introduced the senior members who were taken in last April, and conducted the initiation of two honorary members: Mrs. Dave Hennen Morris of New York, an authority on linguistics, particularly in respect to international languages, wife of the former U. S. Ambassador to Belgium; and Dr. Alice Pattie Comparetti, member of the department of English at Colby.

New officers were elected as follows: President, Dr. William J. Wilkinson; vice - president, Mrs. Henry W. Applington; secretary, Dr. C. Lennart Carlson; treasurer, Prof. Walter N. Breckenridge.

### NEW FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

To be Taylor Professor of Latin, Wilbert L. Carr (M.A., L.H.D., Drake University) from Columbia University, taking the place of Associate Professor Hans C. Thory.

To be Assistant Professor of mathematics, Alan S. Galbraith (M.A., Ph.D., Harvard), former instructor at Colby, from University
of Rochester, taking the place of Assistant Professor Isaac J. Schoenberg.

To be Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education, Nelson W. Nitchman (A.B., Union) from Union College, taking the place of Alfred M. McCoy.

Elected to be instructor in English, David Crawford (Ph.D., Yale) from Yale Graduate School, taking the place of Crawford (Ph.D., Yale) from Yale Graduate School, taking the place of Francis C. Prescott.

To be instructor in education, Clyde E. Russell (M.A., Colby; Ed.M., Harvard) from Winslow High School, taking the place of Marjorie Faw.

Promoted to rank of Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Wendell A. Ray, Ph.D.

**With The Local Colby Clubs**

**BOSTON COLBY CLUB**

The April meeting of the Boston Colby Club was held at the home of Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, Newtonville, Massachusetts. The special guests were Coach Randy of the baseball team and Coach Perkins '32 of the track team. Both gave some very interesting sidelights on the members of their respective teams and reviewed the prospects in baseball and track.

Burton Small showed some fine colored slides and Dr. Clark a movie in color of a trip he took last summer. A buffet lunch was served, with hot and cold drinks and all kinds of sandwiches. Thirty-five members were present. It was pleasing to see so many of the younger Colby men present.

The May and final meeting of the season was held at the Hotel Gardner. Fourteen men were present. The following officers were elected for the 1941-42 season: President, Linwood S. Workman, Sr. '02; Vice-President, Albert Snow, '23; Secretary, Carl R. Bryant, '04; Treasurer, Burton Small, '19 and Alumni Council Representative, H. T. Urie, '20.

The meeting was then turned over to Dr. Cecil Clark who introduced Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, of the Boston Herald-Traveler newspapers. Mr. Ratcliffe, speaking on the subject "Leaves from an Editor's Scrapbook," for over an hour took us behind the scenes in a city newspaper office. His talk was entirely informal and full of his years of experience as a newspaper man. Although the meeting was not largely attended all agreed that it was one of the best of the year.

—Carl R. Bryant, '04.

**BOSTON ALUMNAE HEAR BOOK REVIEWS**

The Boston Colby Alumnae Association held its spring meeting at the College Club, 40 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, on Saturday, May 3, at 2:30 p.m.

At the business meeting, the committee on a new constitution reported. The president, Mrs. Pauline Higginbotham Blair, reported on the joint Boston alumni and alumnae meeting in March.

Tribute was paid to the memory of Mrs. Mailey, so long a leading member of the association and its efficient representative on the Alumnae Council.

After the business, Mrs. Mary Philbrook Dunning, '00, gave entertaining reviews of a group of books of various background and treatment but timely common theme, the theme of freedom: John Jennings' Call the New World; Hudson Strode's Finland Forever; Marguerite Allis' Not Without Peril.

Delicious tea and a social hour closed the afternoon.

—Marguerite Chamberlain, Secretary.

**JOINT MEETING AT PORTLAND**

The meeting was held at the Eastland in the sunrise room, May 7. The dinner was followed by a speech by President Johnson and the showing of the new film, "The Colby of Tomorrow," by G. Cecil Goddard, '29. President Johnson's speech dealt mostly with stories of individual students now at Colby and was one of the most interesting he has ever given at any meeting of the Portland alumni. He also related incidents to show the progress of work at Mayflower Hill, emphasizing the loneliness of the setting and the care and skill exercised in planning so as to make the most of the fine situation. The lake, for example, a by-product of excavation for necessary grading materials.

Other incidents of the meeting were: The singing of "Happy Birthday" to Arad Linscott, '98, whose birthday happened to fall on the same evening. He was presented a boutonniere by John Lee, '30, president of the Western Maine Alumni Association. Charles E. Gurney, '08, was appointed to send a telegram to George Otis Smith, '93, expressing our congratulations on his improvement in health.

**CONNECTICUT VALLEY ALUMNAE MEETINGS**

The Spring Meeting of the Connecticut Valley Colby Alumnae Association was held on June 7 at the very attractive new home of Mary Ann Foss Ogden at Sunset Farms, West Hartford, with twenty-five members attending. The business meeting was called by the president, Elizabeth Carey '21. Officers for the ensuing year are: President, Elizabeth Carey '21; Vice-president, Elsie Gardiner Pierson '12; Secretary, Margaret Adams Austin '13; Treasurer, Elizabeth Dyar '22. Plans for increasing the scholarship fund were discussed. A picnic luncheon about the out-of-door fireplace was much enjoyed and a social hour completed the afternoon's program.

Last Fall's meeting of the Association was held at Helen Thomas Foster's lovely home at Porter Hill, Middlebury. There, too, the group usually enjoys an out-of-door gathering, but, as the date was late in October and the day very cool though clear, the business meeting and the luncheon were held indoors. Their excellent motion pictures were shown of the Foster family's summer trip to the West Coast.

—Margaret Adams Austin, '13, Secretary.

**WESTERN MAINE ALUMNAE HOLD PICNIC**

The Western Maine Colby Alumnae Association celebrated the completion of the year's program with a campfire picnic at the State
Park in Naples, June 6th. New officers for the ensuing year were elected: President, Ruth Marston Turner, '37; Vice-President, Katherine Holmes Snell, '33; Corresponding Secretary, Sarah Cowan, '37; Recording Secretary-Treasurer, Helen Curtis, '36. New members on the executive board are: Doris Donnell Vickery, '34 and Florence Conners Branscombe, '31. Margaret Abbott, '25, is to be the new member of the Scholarship committee. Ruth Marston Turner, '37, is delegate to the Alumnae Council.

A gavel made of wood from one of the old Boardman willows was presented to the association by the outgoing president and accepted for the organization by Ruth Marston Turner.


WORCESTER COLBY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

On June 8, Edgar P. Neal, '93, and Mrs. Neal, '93, and Walter L. Hubbard, '96, and Mrs. Hubbard were hosts and hostesses at the Neal home in West Boylston, Mass., to members of the Worcester Colby Alumni Association. This was the annual spring meeting of the association and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Edward F. Buyinski, '35, of Worcester; Vice-President, Edgar P. Neal, '93, of West Boylston; Secretary and Treasurer, Leota E. Schoff, '25, of Worcester.

An outdoor supper was served in a grove of white birches in the rear of the Neal home and a social time was enjoyed afterward. Among the guests present were Albert W. Wassell, '26, and Mrs. Wassell (Elizabeth Alden, '27); Dr. Frederick J. Kinch, '35, and Mrs. Kinch (Marion Johnson, '25); Ralph N. Smith, '17, and Mrs. Smith (Marion White, '17); Edward F. Buyinski, '35, and Mrs. Buyinski (Harriet Weibel, '37); Maude Eaton Wadleigh, '09, and Mr. Wadleigh; Robert G. LaVigne, '29, and Mrs. LaVigne; David K. Arey, '05, and Mrs. Arey; Rev. John T. Tidd, '10, and Mrs. Tidd; Leota E. Schoff, '25; Annie M. Waite, '95; Albert S. Cole, '96, and Mrs. Cole; Mr. and Mrs. Neal and Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard.

GEORGE E. WILKINS, '87

GEORGE E. WILKINS, who attended Colby College 1883-84, died suddenly, following a heart attack, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Spencer Hickman, Colby '18, in Buffalo, N. Y., on May 16, 1941. He was on his way home with Mrs. Wilkins after spending the winter months in Florida.

Mr. Wilkins was born in Brownville, Maine, on January 31, 1861, the son of the late George E. and Ruth Harmon Wilkins. With his parents he moved to Presque Isle when very young and made his home in that town during the early years of his life. He went to Houlton in the late seventies to attend Houlton Academy (now Ricker Classical Institute), from which he was graduated in 1883. Following his year at Colby he taught school at Easton. He entered the employ of the Almon H. Fogg Company in Houlton in 1885 and rose to be vice-president. After fifty-three consecutive years of service, he sold out his interest in the company in January, 1939.

In 1894 Mr. Wilkins was married to Miss Amanda Carson, who died in 1911. There were four children: Mrs. Margaret Wilkins Hickman, '18; Robert E. Wilkins, '20, of Orange, N. J.; Mrs. Eleanor Wilkins Mock, '23, of Boston; and Roger C. Wilkins of Hartford, Conn. In 1913 at Montreal he married Miss Jean McKenzie, who survives him.

Mr. Wilkins was a member of the Congregational Church of Houlton, four Masonic bodies, the Medusnekeag Club and the Houlton Country Club. He was a member of the Zeta Psi Fraternity and a trustee of Ricker Classical Institute for many years.

HENRY FLETCHER, '88

ORD has just been received in the Alumni Office of the death on November 1, 1939 at South Paris, Maine, of Henry Fletcher, since 1907 engaged in business in South Paris.
Charles S. Pease, '91

Rev. Charles S. Pease, a retired minister, died in Northboro, Mass., on June 20, after a long illness. He was born in Middlefield, Mass., on October 29, 1862, the son of Morgan and Rowena Fay Pease. He graduated from Coburn Classical Institute in 1887 and received his A. B. from Colby in 1891 and an M. A. in 1894. He was a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity.

In 1894 Mr. Pease graduated from Newton Theological Institution and was ordained in Hasbrouck Heights, Mass., on June 20, 1894. He was a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity. He was born in Middlefield, Mass., on June 29, 1862, the son of Morgan and Rowena Fay Pease. He graduated from Coburn Classical Institute in 1887 and received his A. B. from Colby in 1891 and an M. A. in 1894. He was a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity.

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Edward C. Bean, '01

Edward C. Bean died on September 29, 1940, at Bethel, Maine, after an illness of several months. He was born in 1877 in Mason, Maine, the son of Herman N. and Alma Kendall Bean. He prepared for college at Hebron Academy and in 1901 received his A. B. from Colby, where he was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. Following his graduation he taught in various Maine high schools, and in 1911 became inspector of U. S. Customs at Fort Fairfield. From 1913 to 1917 he was engaged in the insurance business in South Paris, returning to the customs service in 1918, being stationed at Jackman and Hobe.

In 1909 Mr. Bean married Helena W. Hurley at Portsmouth, N. H. He is survived by Mrs. Bean; a son, Edward C. Bean, Jr. of Bethel; and four daughters, Mrs. Leon M. Wilson, Hanover, Mrs. Harry Hazling, Worcester, Mass. and Hope and Sadie Bean of Bethel.

Doris Orcutt Ranger, '21

The death of Mrs. Doris Orcutt Ranger, wife of Ralph A. Ranger, occurred February 27, 1941, at a Watertown hospital. She was born in Ashland, March 23, 1899, daughter of the late Wesley G. and Viola (Andrews) Orcutt. She came to Fairfield when very young and received her education in the local schools, graduating from Lawrence high school. She attended Colby College and was a graduate of the Eastern Maine General Hospital school of nursing. She was a member of the Baptist Church and the Miriam Group of the Everywoman's Fellowship League of that church and was vice president of the Hour Club of Fairfield. She was a member of the Phi Mu Sorority while at Colby.

She is survived by her husband, her mother, and four children: three sons, Hubert, Orville and Allen, and one daughter, Janet.

Addenda

Just too late for publication, word was received of the deaths of Byron Boyd, '86, Arthur I. Stuart, '99, and Percy M. Andrews, '01. Their obituaries will be published in the next issue.

Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1884

Caroline Raymond Bill resides during the summer at her ancestral home, Raymond Farms, Lyme, Conn. Her winter address is 2 Orchard Place, New Rochelle, N. Y. Mrs. Bill has the good fortune to live in the same city in which her three married children reside. Her two sons are graduates of the University of Wisconsin and conduct the publishing business in New York originally established by her late husband, Edwin Lyman Bill. Her daughter is a graduate of Smith College. Mrs. Bill has been President of the Women's Club of New Rochelle and has been active in Westchester County Civic and philanthropic organizations for many years. She retains her fine sense of humor and affection for Colby College which she attended in 1880-82. She recently stated that Colby was a great place in her day there and "had lamb not seen service so often at meals, would have been nearer perfection."

1887

A friend writes of Irving Townsend: "I spent several days with him at his summer house. He was full to the brim with poetry he had committed to memory, English poetry without measure and not a few poems in Latin. I never saw a person who held in mind such an enormous amount of poetry."

1892

Henry K. Rowe will retire in June from Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, where he has been a member of the faculty since 1906.

1895

Judge Hugh D. McLellan of the United States District Court at Boston was assigned in June to the Federal Court in Philadelphia for a three-month period, and court attachments he apparently would preside at a second trial for retired U. S. Circuit Court Judge J. Warren Davis.

1896

L. P. Wyman, Dean of Pennsylvania Military College, has published a novel, "After Many Years," of the boys at P. M. C. during the days of the War Between the States, and the maids they met and loved. Among students at the college were both
Northerners and Southerners, which complicated matters considerably when war broke out. To quote from a review: "This is not a serious tale of politics and sociology, although the events of those war days naturally affect the unfolding of the story and there is an element of sadness and pathos. As a whole, however, the narrative is a happy one and the reader will enjoy the sprightliness and wit in the rapid-fire conversation among the young folk."

1900

Charles F. Towne, deputy superintendent of schools in Providence, R. I., has been awarded a Doctor of Education degree by Rhode Island College of Education. The citation read as follows: "Charles Franklin Towne—Deputy Superintendent of Schools of the City of Providence; native of the State of Maine; graduate of Colby College, with Master of Arts degree from Brown University; Past President of Rhode Island Institute of Instruction and New England Association of School Superintendents; leader in reorganization of secondary school program in Providence in charge of instruction during transition period from grammar school organization to modern junior-senior high school system. Teacher, author, lecturer and administrator for 41 years; honored and respected by associates; richly endowed with the spirit of service and kindly friendliness; able leader and inspiring guide and friend of teachers. In recognition of your distinctive achievements, your many contributions to public education in Rhode Island, your loyalty as educator and citizen: by authority vested in me and with concurrent action by the Board of Trustees and Faculty of Rhode Island College of Education, I take real pleasure in conferring on you the honorary degree of Doctor of Education, with all the rights, benefits and privileges pertaining thereto."

1901

Elise Fellows White attended the Yale Commencement this June to witness her son, James Fellows White, Bowdoin '29, receive his Ph.D. The title of his dissertation was "The Fremdwort in Thomas Mann's Novels."

1909

Myra Hardy is librarian at Ballard School, Macon, Ga. Last summer she was at Syracuse University and will be again this year.

Olive Green Fairclough's daughter was married at Easter time. Her oldest son, Bill, has recently left for military training at Camp Stewart, Hainesville, Ga. A younger son, Jon, is a Junior at Amherst. Olive's husband is Principal of the High School at White Plains, N. Y.

Sarah Young is still registrar of Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

Fannie Crute teaches at Gilbert School, Winsted, Conn.

1913

Dr. Napoleon Bisson of Waterville attended the annual meeting of the Am. Med. Assoc. in Cleveland.

1915

Harold A. Small represented Colby at the formal commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Stanford University on June 20. Twenty-eight New England colleges, universities and learned societies were represented at the celebration.

1916

Judge Cyril M. Joly was appointed Waterville chairman of the Maine U. S. O. Committee, which is to raise $144,430 in Maine as part of the national campaign to provide service clubs adjacent to military camps, naval stations and defense industries throughout the country.

1917

Mildred Barton Flood has just had a wedding in the family. Her daughter, Martha, was married to Leeds Mitchell Jr. of Chicago. Mr. Mitchell attended Yale University and Miss Flood was graduated from Smith College in 1940. Mildred and Don took a trip to Chicago in May and plan to spend the summer at Nantucket.

1920

Robert B. Dow, on the occasion of his twenty-fifth reunion at Hebron Academy, was elected president of the General Association of the Academy.

1921

Johnny Tobey was elected second vice-president of the Waterville Lions Club at the June meeting.

1923

Helen E. Pierce has resigned from the Portland High School faculty. She has taught American History in the high school for a number of years after coming to Portland from Wells. Her resignation was occasioned by her coming marriage.
Gilbert Earle has for two years been the assistant district adviser of the C. C. C. with headquarters at the Army Depot in Schenectady, N. Y. He writes, "We have forty-eight camps under our jurisdiction and it has been my function to help supervise the activities of the camp advisers in these camps. We cover half of them each month with the district adviser covering half and the other half and then the following month we exchange territories. It has been very interesting and worth while to grow with this experiment in a different type of educational activity." Gilbert received his M.A. at Columbia in 1936, and his wife has just been awarded a B.S. degree in business education from Teachers College, Columbia.

Jeff MacLean is now employed by the American Automobile Insurance Company of St. Louis. He is assistant to the vice president in charge of the claim department, with a title of supervisor of compensation claims.

Jean Watson, a teacher at Ricker Classical Institute and Junior College, has been made President of the Houlton American Association of University Women.

Rev. Leonard Helie of the Second Unitarian Society, Brookline, Mass., has closed his church on Sunday for the rest of the summer so that he, with his parishioners, may play golf instead. In place of the Sunday service he has substituted a series of mid-week evening meetings. "Transition," said Rev. Helie in a notice to members of the church, "is the dominant note of our times. The modern man finds it necessary to adopt a plan of life utterly undreamt of by his grandfather. Rapid transit to our lovely beaches and mountain resorts makes of nature the sanctuary of our summer days. In the spirit of the times, therefore, the Second Unitarian Society in Brookline invites you to worship with us during a series of four mid-weekly meetings, planned for people who spend their weekends in the cathedral of the great outdoors."

Averill Gellerson, a teacher in Houlton High School, was elected Treasurer of the Houlton branch of the American Association of University Women.

Cecil Bennett operates a collection agency at 106 State St., Portland. Francis Allen has accepted a position as librarian at LeMoyne College, Memphis, Tennessee.

Maurice Krinsky, formerly a member of the staff of the National Refugee Service in New York, has been appointed executive secretary of the Boston Committee for Refugees. He took his professional training at the School of Social Service Administration of the University of Chicago. Previous to his association with the National Refugee Service of New York City, he was a member of the staff of the Chicago Relief Administration. Mr. and Mrs. Krinsky are residing at 12 Kilsyath Terrace, Brighton, Mass.

Alvin Vose is working for the Southern Bell Telephone Co. in Santa Monica, California. Earl Sayer is district superintendent of National Life & Accident Insurance Co. in Detroit.

Hugh Beach has been appointed sports editor for N. B. C. One of his duties is to write the scripts for Bill Sterns' broadcast. It is a very responsible position but one that Hugh is enjoying very much.

Edward J. McCarthy was elected president of the Maine branch of the United National Association of Post Office Clerks at the annual convention on June 1st.

Lucile Jones plans to attend summer school at Middlebury College, and next fall will begin a new teaching position in the Belleville (N. J.) high school.

David S. Eaton was recently ordained into the Baptist ministry at the First Baptist Church in Wakefield after graduating from Andover-Newton. The ordination sermon was by Hugh A. Heath and the prayer by James D. Berkeley, both honorary graduates of Colby. Mr. Eaton will preach at the United Baptist Church in Mount Vernon, Maine.

Stanley Paine, who recently received his M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, started his internship on July 1st at the University hospital. He is a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the U. S. Army.

Lewis E. Rush, who received his D. M. D. degree from Tufts in 1939, is a dentist in Shelburne Falls, Mass.

Gordon Young, who was graduated from Harvard Dental School in June, expects to open an office for private practice in Hartford during the summer.

Walter Rideout, who received his M.A. in English from Harvard in 1939, will continue working for his Ph.D. and serving as an assistant in English at Harvard next year.

John Powers is enjoying his work as laboratory technician and pharmacist for the Station Hospital at Fort Andrews in Boston Harbor, and claims that the relative confinement of the island post does not bother him. He has been promised a sergeancy before long.

Elliot H. Drisko, who just received his M. S. in Social Service from Boston University School of Social Work, is a social worker with the Children's Aid Society in Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The N. Y. Times for June 27 carried a picture of John Roosevelt, youngest son of the President, in Naval uniform talking with "two of his mates", one of whom was Clark Carter. Clark lives in the next room to Roosevelt in the Harvard Business School dormitory where both are enrolled in the Navy Supply Corps School.

Elizabeth Perkins has accepted a position in the New York Public Library starting in September. She will be in the Department of School and Reference. Betty received her degree of B.L.S. from Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N. Y., this June.

Mary L. Wheeler has accepted a position as research assistant with Dr. Frank C. d'Elseeaux of Harvard Medical School and will work in the research laboratory at the Boston
Engagements

Miriam Rice, '27, of Danbury, Conn., to Christian R. Schulze, of Danbury, Conn., in May, 1941. Mr. Schulze is head of the accounting department of the Danbury Power and Light Co.

Helen Pierce, '23, of South Portland, to Carleton Brown of Castine. Mr. Brown is a graduate of Castine Normal School with summer courses at the University of Maine. He is now deck officer in the Civil Service Division of the Quartermaster's Department at the Boston Navy Yard.

Mabel M. Bigney of Lily Bay to Kenneth McArdle, '40, of New Haven, Conn., in May, 1941. Miss Bigney is on the general staff of the New Haven Hospital and Mr. McArdle is now connected with the Y. M. C. A. in New Haven.

Helen E. Robinson, '27, of Lewiston, to Alfred L. Johnston, D.M.D., (Harvard Dental School, '21), of New Haven, Conn., in June, 1941. Miss Robinson is connected with the Home for Little Wanderers in Waterville.

Lillian L. Guptill of Newcastle to Linwood E. Palmer, '42, of Nobleboro. Miss Guptill was graduated from Lincoln Academy in 1939 and Nasson College in 1941.

Marriages

Phyllis A. Chapman, '40, of Portland, to Merle Donald Gardner, '40, of Leominster, Mass., on May 31 in Portland. Mr. Gardner is connected in business with the Beech-nut Packing Company and they will make their home at 39 Exchange Street, Leominster, Mass.

Elizabeth Bavis, '39, of Worcester, Mass., to David Garrison Decker, of Rochester, N. Y., on June 23, in Worcester, Mass. Mr. Decker is a senior at the Yale Medical School, and Mrs. Decker is a student at the Yale School of Nursing.

Phyllis M. Jones, '37, of Auburn, to Thomas Francis Oechsle, of Washington, Rhode Island, on May 31 in Washington, R. I.

Murial B. Hallett, '33, of Houlton, to Dana F. Kennedy of Northeast Harbor, on May 10, in Houlton. Mr. Kennedy, a graduate of the University of Maine, is a teacher in the Gilman High School at Northeast Harbor.

Marjorie G. McCaIn of Houlton, to Franklin A. Downie, '41, of Bangor, on June 16, in the Colby Chapel, Waterville. Mr. Downie was a member of the senior class at Colby and was graduated this June. They will make their home in Houlton.

A. Willetta Herrick, '38, of Rangeley, to Donald E. Hall, of Appleton, on May 9, in Rangeley, Maine. Mrs. Hall has been employed in the Post Office in Rangeley. Mr. Hall attended Iowa State College and Gorham State Normal School and is now teaching.

Sipprelle Riecker Daye, '24, of Wollaston, Mass., to Harry J. Niven, on June 15, in Wollaston. After the first of July Mr. and Mrs. Niven will be at home, 759 Hale St., Beverly Farms, Mass.

Ada Ruth Emmert of Des Moines, Iowa, to Dr. Richard H. Johnson, '34, at Des Moines. Dr. Johnson has recently graduated from the Des Moines Still College of Osteopathy and will spend a year in special study at the Maine Osteopathic Hospital in Portland.

Births

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Brown, (Robert P. Brown, '30) a daughter, Annette Cooley, on June 13, in Portland.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward James Henry, (Edward J. Henry, '36, and Emily Marie Duerr, '35) a son, April 3, in Worcester, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Philip S. Bither, (Philip S. Bither, '30, and Marjorie Duffy, Fac.) a son, Stewart Wallace, on June 7, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Winton Stuart Bowie, (Genevieve Spear, '37) a daughter, Marilyn Spear Bowie, on June 6, in Cambridge, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. Robert Curtis, (J. Robert Curtis, '33) a son, Thompson, on May 3, in Waterbury, Conn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner Lombard Brown, (Althea Weber, '39) a son, Gardiner Lombard Brown Jr., on April 9th, in Lewiston.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald MacLeod, (Ronald MacLeod, '39) a son, Ronald Franklin, Jr., on June 5, in Augusta.

To Mr. and Mrs. John B. Ward, (John B. Ward, '36, and Ottellie Greely, '38) a son, John Royden, on June 15, in Pittsburgh.

To Mr. and Mrs. James R. Stineford, (Barbara Bridges, '34, and James R. Stineford, '36) a daughter, Carol, on May 30th, in Brownville Junction.

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