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#### Cover Picture

"Good night" has been said on many a Colby doorstep for many a decade, but never before in the glamor of a softly lighted Colonial portico. The willing models are Bill Hutcheson, '43, of Needham, Mass., red-headed varsity tackle, and Doris Blanchard, '45, of Waterbury, Conn.

#### The Cover Title

WITH this first issue, we greet our subscribers with a new lettering on the cover. It is typographically unique and the result of considerable effort on the part of Edward F. Stevens, '89, a valued member of the editorial staff, who thus puts to our service his impeccable taste in matters pertaining to book art. The significance of this new lettering is explained by Mr. Stevens, thus:

"The type chosen is the Centaur designed by Bruce Rogers who has been acclaimed the most inspirational spirit in modern book design, the story of whose brilliant career in his field of art was told in the Alumnus of March, 1940.

"For many years the Centaur type was jealously guarded, used only by B. R. himself and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City which had the exclusive right to employ the capital letters. The name Centaur was associated with this type from the first book in which it was used, Maurice de Guerin's The Centaur, now a collector's item of great rarity. The crowning triumph of this type was its choice for Bruce Rogers' magnum opus, the production of the great Oxford Lectern Bible at the University Press, completed in 1935. This Centaur type in grace, refinement and dignity is a consummate rendering of the forms of the Roman alphabet.

"Certain of the larger sizes of the Centaur have never been cut, and we are indebted to our friend, Mr. Fred Anthoensen, of the Southworth-Anthoensen Press of Portland, for assisting with photographic enlargement to produce the effective title which will now grace the Alumnus cover page."

A new type, Granjon ten point, is also being used for the text of this issue. Slightly larger and more attractive, we hope our readers will approve the change and excuse the publication delays which were occasioned by the changeover.

## The President's Page



As Colby swings into its 125th year a stock-taking shows many gains as well as some losses inevitable in times like these. First of all, thanks to the care of President Johnson and Treasurer Eustis and the others who have watched over its finances, the College closed the fiscal year with a favorable balance which will provide a substantial back-log in the difficult days to come. Second, the beautiful dormitory for girls on Mayflower Hill was ready in time for the opening of college. Anyone who has wrestled with priorities during these summer months will recognize this as a real achievement. Further, the Women's Union and Gymnasium are nearly finished and we expect to have them in use

by Colby Night. We feel now that we have at least a foothold on Mayflower Hill from which it will be difficult to dislodge us. Third, our summer session was a great success. Members of the faculty testify that the quality of work done was never better. Students say that the freedom from interruptions made it possible to probe further into the meaning of the intellectual life than ever before. Fourth, our program of aviation training for enlisted personnel has already proved its worth. At present we have sixty men whom we house and feed and for whom we provide complete ground school training along with supervision of their flying instruction. We expect groups of men like this to continue to come during the winter for eight-week courses of instruction. At times the enrollment has been over eighty. Fifth, we have a fine-looking freshman class of 207. (Last year's final enrollment was 217.) Sixth, the series of lectures made possible by the generosity of Dr. Averill is already bringing a succession of distinguished men to our campus. And finally, the first football team to be coached by Bill Millett started the season with a smacking 58-0 victory over Lowell Textile Institute.

On the debit side we face the losses confronting all colleges at this time. Our present enrollment is 618, which in the circumstances does not compare too unfavorably with last year's 694. But withdrawals are already beginning and they will be serious at Christmas. At that time we shall graduate our first senior class under the accelerated program, and we shall have to expect losses in the other classes as well.

The faculty are leaving also. This year we have lost six so far and others will go before the term is over. At present we shall not attempt to make replacements but shall ask our teaching staff to take larger classes and shall omit a few courses if necessary.

In other words, Colby is carrying on, adapting itself to new situations as best it can, curtailing in places and branching out in others to meet the needs of the war. What lies ahead for all our colleges no one can say. But Colby is at present a going concern with a momentum generated during the past few years that will take it far. My observation further is that Colby is a resilient institution which can stand hard blows without breaking under them. It has a loyal faculty, an enthusiastic group of students, and its faith in the worth of a liberal arts education has never been more firm than in these days of stress. Mayflower Hill was never more alluring than it is today, and the prospect of what we may do when peace returns was never more fair.

On the evening of October twenty-fourth after the Bowdoin game we expect to hold a brief dedication ceremony in the Women's Union. Many members of the Colby family are overseas and others are in distant parts of our own land. Those who are near by and can come are asked to join with us in a renewal of our common faith. The ideas for which Colby has stood for a century and a quarter have never deserved our loyalty more than they do today.

## THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

OMMUNITY — If there is any one key word to President Bixler's regime, it is "community." We have yet to hear him make a speech about Colby College in which the word has not come up several times. It is obviously engrained in his conception of what this type of college should be. "The community life of a small college," he points out, "offers special opportunities for the growth of the right kind of intellectual and social attitudes." Again, he believes that the liberal arts college should "provide the experience in community living which alone can show what democracy really means." He often brings out the thought that this college can "develop community attitudes toward intellectual and social problems." His chapel talks refer frequently to "our community." Alumni far and wide who wonder what the new president is like will be heartened by this. They feel deeply what is meant by "the Colby family" and can be assured that this conception is being continued. And from the long range viewpoint, we suspect that perhaps President Bixler has put his finger on the precise element which may turn out to be America's unique contribution to the history of higher learning.

DREAM — Just 12 years and 88 days after the trustees voted to move Colby College to a new and more adequate location "if and when feasible," the first Mayflower Hill building was occupied by students. To those who have known what a long, hard road this has been, it is an almost indescribable experience to visit the new dormitory. The girls coming cheerily in and out are Colby girls, to be sure, but there is a sense of unreality about seeing them at home in this dream environment. You pinch yourself, but you do not wake up. It must be true.

Watching the new campus grow has been a series of thrills anyway. As the structures rose we oh'd and ah'd at their simple Colonial beauty. Then, we kept wondering what a Larson-planned interior would look like. Now we know. And it's wonderful.

If any visitors get a first impression of too much luxury as they walk into the new buildings, they need not worry. There has been no extravagance except in obtaining the best architectural talent available and in lavish expenditure of thought and care by those responsible for the planning. (Among whom, incidentally, Dean Runnals deserves a major share of the credit.) As for building costs, a comparison would show that few colleges have received so much dormitory quality per dollar. For example, it costs no more to use lively colors than to use drab colors - yet what a difference between the Colby dormitory and the usual institutional corridors and rooms. Or, the idea of room phones may seem like needless expense, but it was found that these instruments cost less than the double amount of wire needed for a call-bell-and-return-signal system. As for matters of permanence, maintenance, comfort, efficiency and all the things which go into what Dean Runnals calls "successful group living," nothing has been spared.

#### We Point With Pride Io–

Harvey Doane Eaton, '87, father of seven Colby students, and grandfather of two, president of the Kennebec Bar Association, able Yankee lawyer, feted by his friends on his 80th birthday. Sept. 20.

Angier L. Goodwin, '02, nominated as Republican candidate for Congress from the Eighth Massachusetts District.

Ellen J. Peterson, '07, upon her safe return from Japanese-occupied China on the "Gripsholm" after many years of devoted missionary service to the Chinese.

Charles W. Bradlee, '08, elected president of the National County Day School Headmasters Association

Lester F. Weeks, '15, appointed state chairman, Gas and Decontamination Division, Maine Civilian Defense.

Chester E. Merrow, '29, nominated as Republican candidate for Congress from the First New Hampshire District.

Virginia E. Gray, '40, Colby's first WAVE.

We should not say in public that this is the most beautiful and workable college dormitory in the country, but, between ourselves, that is just what it is.

RATTLE-The fact that the painters were out and the furniture was in the new dormitory when the girls arrived is a simple statement of a tremendous accomplishment. new priorities clamping down weekly, stocks of building equipment melting away daily, construction material firms switching to war orders, labor scarce and new troubles bursting in constantly from all directions, it is safe to say that Treasurer Eustis hopes never to have another summer like last. Yet with endless ingenuity, persuasion and expedients, he and the contractors brought the project through in beautiful fashion and on time. The adver-tising pages of this issue list some of those to whom credit is due, but the buildings themselves are their real advertisement. If you want some building done, these are the boys who can do it.

TRANSATLANTIC — Just in case you do not happen to read the London *Times* regularly, or did not peruse thoroughly the *Literary Supplement* of last August fifteenth, we beg to report that Colby literary scholarship practically monopolized the columns of that erudite periodical on that date.

Reading from back to front (do you have that perverse habit, too?) our attention was at once riveted on the back page by the headline: "HARDIANA." Sure enough, there it was: Weber's latest book, "published by the Colby College Library," and an extensive review. It was worth reading,

too. For example:

As the Folger Library would fain be to Shakespeare, so would the library of Colby College, Waterville, Maine, be to Hardy. The Department of English there, with Professor Carl J. Weber at its head, makes a special study of Hardy. Its periodical, *The Colby Mercury*, gathers up information and comment on Hardy's life and works which are not to be found elsewhere; and the Colby College Library seems to grow almost daily

richer in Hardiana of every possible kind. Dr. Weber himself is a student of Hardy needing no introduction to his English fellows. Further on, the *Times* reviewer invents a new form of relaxation which we recommend to our readers to while away the long winter evenings. He says:

Two games will instantly suggest themselves to the inspirited reader. One is to find some item that Dr. Weber has missed; the other is to find someone who has not written about Hardy. The very length of the book (there must be many more than 3,000 entries in it) is an impressive proof of the interest that Hardy and his works arouse in all sorts and conditions of men.

Then, working backwards two pages, what should confront us but the name of Frederick A. Pottle, '17, as author of "The Idiom of Poetry," (reviewed in our May issue). The column of critical review of Pottle's book cannot well be analyzed here, but we will quote the concluding sentence:

But as a corrective to doctrinaire criticism based on rigid academic standards his argument is refreshingly vital and more often valid than not.

And then on yet another page we found that Dr. Pottle has touched off some fresh thinking in this field, for the leading editorial takes up the Pottle thesis and deals with it in terms which, frankly, are rather abstruse for our poor lay mind. "In its horizontal view of sensibility," accuses the editor sternly, "it would be blind to the vertical heights and depths of imagination."

We absolutely refuse to take sides on this, and relax comfortably in the assurance that Colby scholarship is agitating two hemispheres. Minds across the sea, no less.

BOTH—We were asked the other day if President Julius Seelye Bixler was the first Amherst man to head this college. Our memory at once reverted to an earlier Amherst graduate, George Dana Boardman Pepper, president of Colby from 1882 to 1889. Seeing the two men standing before us, in our mind's eye, there appears an amazing similarity between them. To begin with, both are members of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity. Both are tall—inches over six feet. Both were

christened with great names: George Dana Boardman, first graduate of this college and heroic young missionary; Julius Seelye, President Bixler's grandfather, who was considered to be the greatest president in Amherst's history. Both are thinkers and writers in the fields of philosophy and theology. Both can give a witty talk to students or preach a fine sermon. Each took office within a year of the same age. The resemblance ceases when we consider the beard on Dr. Pepper's chin and the smooth physiognomy of Dr. Bixler. But future historians of the college, we feel sure, will agree that both were highly beloved presidents.



COACH—The public response to the appointment of Bill Millett to the position of head coach of Colby football was warm and sincere. Colby men young and old know how they feel about Bill, but it means a lot to read the public tribute of a man like Arthur Samson of the Boston Herald who knows the New England college athletic circles inside and out. We cull out two paragraphs from his column of Aug. 24:

Students, alumni and coaches have come and gone with the passing years, but Bill has remained as much a fixture on the Colby campus as the time-scarred brick buildings that have withstood the soot from the adjoining railroad yard for nearly a century. Nobody has received a greater thrill from Colby's athletic victories than he, nor has anybody grieved more over its defeats. . .

Bill will be no high powered football coach. He has never had ambitions to be one, and by nature couldn't be if he so desired. But if his gridiron pupils this fall acquire some of the love for Colby that he possesses they'll become one of the most spirited elevens eyer to wear the blue and grey.

ABLES — We hope that Prof. Griffiths does not attempt to stroll down the streets of Salem without a disguise; at least, not if the citizens of that old town know that he has stolen their House of Seven Gables and placed it down in Thomaston. Maine. This theft came out at the summer meeting of the Colby Library Associates in which the program centered around Nathaniel Hawthorne. Prof. Griffiths, who has been making an exhaustive study of General Knox, convinced most of his listeners by the sheer weight of the evidence that Hawthorne had this General and the old Knox mansion in his mind when he wrote his novel about Col. Pyncheon and the House of Seven Gables.

But the meeting had other surprises, as well. Librarian Rush and Professor Weber had compiled one of their astonishing literary exhibitions, combing the Library for first editions and other interesting items. The date was the hundredth anniversary of Hawthorne's marriage and lo and behold, what should turn up but a special edition of his Love Letters! Inquiry showed that only four copies of this collectors' item have ever found their way into New England libraries. Two are at Yale, but cannot be read because the pages have not been allowed to be cut. One is at Williams, and the other is at Colby

And then to crown the evening, Prof. Weber recited the story of the sculptor in The Marble Faun who was inspired by a bust of Milton in a Rome studio, the same bust which had excited Robert Browning to the exclamation: "It is Milton—the man-angel!" And then, before our eyes, the speaker pointed to the actual piece of sculpture, the marble representation of the blind Milton carved by Paul Akers, purchased years later by the Boston Colby Alumni and presented to the college - a work of art of great intrinsic merit and rich literary associations; one of our half-forgotten treasures which we would do well to remember.

## MAYFLOWER HILL OCCUPIED

#### Women Students Move Into Mary Low and Louise Coburn Wings of New Dormitory

AN historic milestone in Colby's second century was passed on September 9 when the Colby bus rolled up to Mayflower Hill and discharged a load of girls who took their suitcases up the walk and entered into their new college home.

The first building of the long-awaited new campus was thus occupied by Colby girls with a sense of excitement and amazed pleasure at the comfort, efficiency and beauty of the interior appointments, added to the Colonial charm of the exterior which they had admired since it took form last winter. While the girls got used to their surroundings quickly, it will be some time before the new buildings cease to be a show-place of interest to returning alumni and the general public.

#### Union To Be Ready

The buildings which are being placed in operation this fall are the Women's Dormitory, the Union and Gymnasium. Work is still going on

in the last two, but it is anticipated that they will be ready for the dedication ceremony which is being planned for Colby Weekend, October 23 and 24.

The dormitory is one building structurally, but two independent residence halls administratively. These were named for the first two women graduates: Mary Low, '75, later Mrs. L. D. Carver, for many years cataloguer in the State Library at Augusta where her husband was State Librarian; and Louise Coburn, '77, of Skowhegan, first woman trustee of this college and a civic leader, botanist, poet and historian.

Each residence hall accommodates about 75 girls, the majority being in single rooms. Entering the front door of either hall, one steps into a small foyer and is greeted by a girl at the reception desk. The living suite of the Resident Head, or "House Mother," opens from this foyer, while a door on the opposite side leads into a tastefully furnished lounge. Additional oppor-

tunity for entertaining callers in semiprivacy is afforded by two alcoves across the passageway leading to the dining room.

#### Dining Room Arrangement

The homelike dining room is furnished with round and oblong tables and the Hitchcock chairs have a Sloop Hero motif stenciled on their backs. A panel of pictorial wall paper and a fine buffet add interest to the room. The dining room of each hall opens into a common serving room which is fitted with cafeteria counters for serving breakfast and lunch and which is used by the waitresses in serving the evening meal. Next to this is the kitchen, and the refrigerators and storage rooms are beneath with a dumbwaiter to the kitchen and an outside entrance for unloading trucks. Also on this ground floor is the office of the Dietitian, and a dining room and locker rooms for the employees.

In the basement of each wing is a spacious game room, with multi-colored rattan furniture; also, a laundry,



THE SKYLINE OF THE NEW COLBY

This panorama of the new college shows, beginning at the left, the Women's Union, Mary Low and Louise Coburn Halls, Lorimer Chapel and the Miller Library, with the ends of the two men's dormitories showing on either side. The Roberts Union is too far off to the right to appear.



THE NEW DORMITORY AFFORDS MANY PHOTOGRAPHIC OPPORTUNITIES

On the left, top to bottom, we see: the room phone system in operation; a glimpse into the covered porch; entrance to Louise Coburn Hall. Middle column: corner of a double room; lunch time at the cafeteria counter; the chef's domain; game room in Louise Coburn Hall. Right column: rear entrance, Mary Low Hall; front view of same; another view of the Louise Coburn doorway.

trunk storage room and other storage space.

Rooms Fully Equipped

The girls' rooms occupy three floors in Mary Low Hall and an additional lower floor in Louise Coburn Hall. The rooms are of comfortable size with large windows which allow delightful views. There are uniform casement curtains of natural color. The radiators are of the small high-efficiency type and inconspicuously encased. Adequate closet space is provided and the doors are equipped with a receptacle for toilet articles, a towel bar and shoe rack. The furniture is of maple and includes a real bed (not a cot), an upholstered easy chair, bookcase, dresser, desk and straight chair.

Each floor is equipped with certain facilities which make for pleasant living and will be appreciated by alumnae who have lived in the older dormitories. At the head of the stairs in each case, there is a small lounge with shelves for books, magazines and games, and attractive furnishings, thus providing a "hangout" for floor neighbors. There is a small laundry with electric dryers for light garments. Space was allotted for kitchenettes, but the equipment proved to be unobtainable for the present. An incinerator chute will dispose of wastebasket refuse. A big closet on each corridor is filled with shelves for those big suitcases which are so awkward in a closet or under the bed. Each corridor has a full-length mirror.

#### Attractive Color Scheme

The standard color scheme for the corridors is light yellow with powder



#### DESIGNED FOR LIVING

The left wing is Mary Low Hall, with its front door under the two-story pillars, while Louise Coburn Hall is entered by the doorway above the flight of steps on the right.

blue trim. The individual rooms are varied among different combinations of four or five pastel shades. The floors are a composition rubber tile of neutral color in the students' rooms and "checkerboard" pattern in the halls and general rooms. The floor material curves up to a low baseboard of the same material, thus eliminating dirt-catching corners and cracks.

The telephone and call system is a vast improvement over the old answerthe-phone-and-holler method. Incoming calls are taken by the desk girl who then buzzes the room of the student wanted and tells her over the individual room phone to go to the telephone booth on her floor at the head of the stairs. The booths, incidentally, are of the modern

sound-absorbent type which do not need to be closed in. There is a pay station on the ground floor for outgoing calls. Callers are similarly announced over the room phones.

#### Infirmary Provided

The women's infirmary occupies a one story wing with an outside entrance, and also accessible directly into the main kitchen for convenience in serving trays. There are three double rooms, an isolation room with separate bath, and the nurse's quarters. One of the rooms is named in memory of Lora G. Neal of the class of 1929 and an outstanding graduate of the Yale School of Nursing.

The Resident Head of Mary Low Hall is Mrs. Cleora Bridges, formerly in charge of Boutelle House, and mother of three Colby girls. In Louise Coburn Hall is Mrs. Louis W. Totten of Bridgeport, Conn. Miss Sally Sherburne, Director of Residences, will live in the Union, when ready, and have general charge over the women's campus.

Transportation from Mayflower Hill to the daily classes on the old campus is accomplished by the college bus which makes regular trips beginning at 7:30 A. M. All this has necessitated some new ways of doing things, new habits, new adjustments. But with two or three weeks behind them, the girls already feel at home in the situation and are living up to the opportunities and joys of being the first to enter into the promised land across the Messalonskee.



#### AS SEEN FROM THE CHAPEL

The nearest wing contains the kitchen serving both halls, while the onestory extension houses the infirmary, with the heating plant beneath.

## MEMORIAL TO A NOTED EDITOR

Associates of Gertrude B. Lane Furnish Living Room in New Dormitory in Distinctive Manner

THE inscription given here, as it appears over the fireplace in the lounge of Mary Low Hall on Mayflower Hill, will perpetuate the memory of a loyal friend of this college, Gertrude Battles Lane, honorary graduate of Colby, editor of the Woman's Home Companion, and perhaps the most

highly respected woman executive in publishing circles at the time of her death on September 25, 1941.

The Lane Room, as it will doubtless be known to Colby girls from now on, represents the most appropriate tribute that can be imagined. The idea was originated and was carried through to its perfect completion by two of Miss Lane's closest friends - Miss Sarah Field Splint, associate editor of The Woman's Home Companion, and Mrs. Sophie Kerr Underwood, former managing editor and now a contributor and well-known writer. Knowing Miss Lane's affection for Colby College they sought to express this in some tangible form which would keep alive not only her name, but also something of the quality of her personality and the choiceness of her spirit.

The outcome of their quest was the furnishing of this room in beautiful and distinctive fashion, utilizing many

articles of museum quality which had been acquired by Miss Lane from time to time and had been left to The two Miss Splint. friends spared no expense in decorating the room and in adding pieces as seemed desirable. First planning from the blue prints, then visiting the building when under construction last winter, and finally supervising the installation of the furniture and accessories a few weeks ago, they gave their time and creative thought to the project from the tint on the walls

To the enjoyment of the brief sweet hours of student leisure this room is dedicated in the name of

GERTRUDE BATTLES LANE

great editor and noble woman native of Maine — citizen of the world.

down to the last magazine on the

Upon entering the room, the connoisseur will perceive at once that Gertrude Lane was a collector of discrimination. While the interior does not attempt to represent any particular period, the important pieces of furniture are American antiques of outstanding quality. The accessories are choice objects collected chiefly from Holland, Spain, Italy and England. The color scheme and background was chosen to accentuate the antique furnishings. It is described by a professional decorator as: "off-white walls, reproduction chintzes in yellow, a graygreen rug, and deep green and coral accents in the furniture.'

The lounge consists of one large area with two alcoves or "calling nooks" opening from one side. Without attempting to catalog all the items, it may be illuminating to mention some of the pieces. On one side of the fireplace is a cherry chest, Sheraton model, with the original brass fittings. On the other is a high walnut chest of Pennsylvania Dutch origin, which was Miss Lane's first antique. On one side is what many would call the choicest piece in the room, a cherry

desk of exquisite workmanship, with ten secret drawers, dating from 1750 or thereabouts. A Pennsylvania walnut table stands in the center, flanked by divans. In one corner is a Steinway

Duo-Art piano.

On one wall is a painting by Ernest D. Roth of a Connecticut farmland scene in delicate grays and greens which harmonize satisfyingly with the walls and rug. On the other walls are old maps, quaint and colorful, selected from Miss Lane's cartographic collection. Several accessories are of remarkable interest. Over the fireplace are two brass sconces, of Dutch origin, dating from the early 1700's. A brass urn of the same period stands on the floor. On the mantle are colorful Spanish plates made in the 15th century and in perfect preservation - specimens that any museum would gladly display. Of the same period is a Spanish Cardinal's lamp, an elaborate brass work of art.

Contrasting in their associations, but equally choice, are a pair of simple brass weavers' lamps, used to hang on looms in the cottages of Scotland or Holland, many years ago. Another brass object is an offertory plate, possibly German, which Miss Lane acquired at the disposal of the famed Alexander Drake Collection.

The two alcoves excite admiration. The walls are covered with a hand-blocked reproduction of an Early American paper. One has a love seat and a



THE LANE ROOM

pine and maple desk, American, of about 1750. On it are two lamps made from the bell-pulls of some ancient Italian palace. A huge Dutch milk can of shining brass provides an interesting accent. Two English prints, originals of the "Cries of London" series, hang over the love seat, while an early American mirror is above the desk. The other alcove, similarly furnished with chair and sofa, is distinguished by a corner cupboard of pine, dating from Colonial days, coming from up-state New York.

To enumerate these items in such a way may well give the reader a wrong impression. For, although the pieces are worth individual study, as installed in the Lane Room they do not assert

themselves, but play their parts in a comfortable and harmonious whole.

Gertrude Battles Lane, it will be recalled, was a native of Saco, Maine, She became the Editor-in-chief of the Woman's Home Companion in 1912, and in 1929 was given additional supervisory duties over Crowell Publications in the capacity of vice-president of the company. She wielded her editorial responsibilities with a fine sense of citizenship. She aided the fight against Child Labor, encouraged the budding science of Home Economics, pioneered for the right training and direction of young women entering the business world, and many another project was envisioned and supported through the growing influence of her magazine.

Colby conferred the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters upon Miss Lane in 1929, a distinction which she regarded not as a perfunctory honor, but as making her a member of the Colby family. More than once she made a visit to Colby, becoming acquainted with students and staff, giving vocational counsel to the girls and speaking at assemblies. Not a few of the younger alumnae will be pleased to associate their memories of Miss Lane with the new facilities on Mayflower Hill. It is to the high credit of her devoted friends that the memorial in its distinctiveness, its taste and its usefulness so well perpetuates the name of one of the great American women of this generation.

## FLIGHT FROM BURMA

By Gordon E. Gates, '19

A FTER the air raids on Rangoon of December 23 and 25, life began to get rather hectic. Servants ran away, dhobies ran away, shops in the bazaar closed, food and other necessities became difficult to secure. As days went by most of the women in the mission were gotten off to India by boat, your mother going in the middle of January. But with enemy submarines in the Bay of Bengal and Japanese troops constantly getting nearer to Rangoon, there came a day when no more American boats arrived. Henceforth, evacuation would have to be overland.

We started for Mandalay by car and got there just in time for the first air raid there. No warning siren, no antiaircraft fire or plane protection, but the 25 bombs did no military damage. At Lashio we had seen the Flying Tigers, who had hitherto saved Rangoon from destruction, on their way into China. In the bombing of Pyinmana a train filled with the children of Anglican schools and an orphanage had been bombed and the headmistress in charge killed. With the consulate, military mission and the A. V. G. gone and the rapidly increasing disorganization of all branches of the government, I felt a peculiar sense of helplessness that I have never felt before anywhere else in the world.

The emergency committee voted that I was to go with two others to Tiddam

This story of his 170 mile trek to safety through jungle trails and over 9,000 foot passes, just before the fall of Burma, was written by Dr. Gates to his daughter Evelyn, a junior at Colby. Written on May 5, from Dehra Dun, U. P., India, the letter was three months in reaching Waterville. Since it consisted of 29 pages of single spaced typewriting, editorial license has been used to select and condense the material without his sanction.

Dr. Gates was head of the biology department at Judson College, Rangoon, for 20 years, and is recognized as probably the world's best authority on earthworms. Mrs. Gates was Helen Baldwin, '19. They attended the Colby Commencement of 1941, just before returning to Burma and the ensuing unpredictable catastrophe.

and take along the most important records of the mission involving property and salaries. Our first step was by train which was jammed with Indians of the cooly class. It was several hours late in starting and took all day to go some 60 miles. Arriving at Monywa we found that an extra boat was sailing up the river the next afternoon and we were fortunate enough to get the only accommodation on it. At Kalewa we spent most of the day trying to get transportation. Jeeps and huge Lend-Lease trucks supposedly destined for

China were there in abundance, but none could be obtained, although we saw petty Burmese officials entertaining their girl friends with rides in their Jeeps.

Eventually we were able to hire a londwin, a hollowed out tree and the largest dugout I have ever seen. This involved negotiation with the village headman to provide coolies to haul the londwin through the rapids that night so as to be ready to start early in the morning. The boatmen row or pole the craft.

From then on, however, we were on our own feet. The first day we made 17 miles. The next, after six miles of dusty road in the plains, we started upward through jungle in which we saw several gyi (dog-sized barking deer). After the road began to go uphill the walking became more laborious. On arriving at the bungalow at Stockade 2, the first thing to do was to remove dust filled socks from burning feet. After lunch and a siesta we set out to climb to Stockade 3, five miles up to an elevation of 3,900 feet. The next day we climbed up to Fort White at 7,200 feet, arriving at noon. The next morning we climbed to 9,000 feet and then went down and up until we arrived at the Dimlow bungalow, 6,600 feet, making the 15 miles by 12:30.

At this bungalow as elsewhere, the usual procedure was as follows: remove shoes and stockings, wash feet

as soon as water was available, wash stockings and other clothes, lay around and sleep or cuss the government, get evening meal, then to bed. Up and stirring before dawn. Water to be boiled for drinking that day, breakfast prepared, food boxes closed, bed bundles rolled up, everything loaded onto ponies and then off for the next stage. As blisters began to rise they had to be pricked and if possible protected with court plaster to prevent formation of further blisters underneath as sometimes happened.

Except for plenty of soap and a daily bath by hook or crook, and boiled drinking water, nothing much seemed of importance aside from food and sleep. Amenities of civilization were forgotten. We each had one tin plate, one metal cup and eating utensils — mine consisting of a dull kitchen knife, a fish fork, a small spoon and a can opener. K. lost his can opener, but I kept watch of mine and still have it. Think I shall frame it and hang it on my wall.

Mr. Daniel was an Indian who had been secretary to the Field Secretary of the Mission. He had never done a stroke of any kind of useful work in his life, not even to carrying his own suitcase. At the Mandalay station where coolies were not available he got the shock of his life and was ordered to help carry the luggage as the rest of us were doing. He did his share, but later on confided to me that he had never carried a burden and wondered if he would survive the ordeal. Later he told me that he was glad that he had had the experience of carrying a " burden."

At Tongzang our original coolies left us and we fell into the worst bunch of pirates we had encountered. We had government order requisitioning coolies at the rate of 12 annas a stage, which was 4 annas higher than normal, but a predecessor had paid a rupee, so we were forced to pay that sum. At the end of the stage we laid out the correct amount of paper money, but the coolies refused, insisting on silver. They knew that there was a six months' prison penalty for refusing to accept the legal tender of the country, but they also knew that it would be a long time before we could get a report back to a government officer and that in the meanwhile the government might disappear. Since they would not take the money in their hands I threw it on the ground and we started to sit down

to our meal, but the leader of the gang picked up the money and put it on the table while the rest squatted on their haunches in an effort to wear us out. My irritation by this time was too great and completely losing my temper I grabbed the money, threw it on the ground at the feet of the chief and yelling at the top of my voice, I ordered in every language I could think of from Burmese to German and English to take that money and get the Sam Hill out of town. The display was instantly effective and they picked up the money and slunk away.

That afternoon, with some Christian guides, we saw something of Chin life. We visited heathen Chin houses and saw them fermenting beans in running water to wash out a poison in the seeds. Their cemetery consisted of some half dozen coffins hollowed out of logs and supported in the air on six foot posts, the coffins covered over with mats. When the coffin is next needed the bones are removed and stored in an earthenware jar under the coffin. An odd bone here and there added to the realism of the picture. Another clan smokes the bodies of their dead over fires in their houses until mummified.

The Chin Christians brought us some venison and arranged for a meeting in the church that night. We each were expected to make a speech and finally we were called upon to sing. I don't recall that I have ever sung in public since glee club days in college, but we opened a hymn book at random and sang all the verses. Then the congregation rose and the leader started a tune which I did not recognize. On and on it went, gradually seeming to become familiar, though not recognizable. Finally with the first note of the chorus the tune got on the track and we recognized "God Be With You Till We Meet Again.' Nothing had stirred me for long as did that singing by a crowd of illiterate, often dirty Chins, singing good-bye to the wife of their missionary. After the benediction we were requested to stand at the entrance so that everyone could shake hands with us as they went out.

The Christians provided coolies to take us to the end of our hike so that we had no further trouble with transport. On the road we picked up early that day Hau Go, the first Chin ever to go to University and a former student in my department. He was home on vacation from college where he had been getting ready for final examina-

tions for an honours degree in philosophy. He went along to help and at once proved himself useful when I started on ahead and took the wrong path. Observing my footprints, he hurried and caught up to me and saved me from much trouble.

Our Christian coolies were sabbatarians and did not want to travel on Sunday, but our food as well as theirs was getting short. We ran out of bread and rice and in this sparsely settled country we could buy no chickens, eggs or anything else. So we hastened on in spite of the Sabbath.

Our trek was through open sparsepine country, with occasional patches of six foot elephant grass. Signs of gyi were frequent and following them were tracks of tiger or panther. This inspired C, to a bit of deviltry. He hid behind a tree and when K. and Daniel came along, he roared suddenly at them. The speed with which those two went up trees was amazing! Later in the day we met a Chin chief on a hunting trip, followed by his gun carriers. Poor K. thought he was a robber and had another fright. Incidentally, many of the guns that we saw in the hills are relics of the American War of 1812 and use powder and shot, the powder carried in a horn.

Somewhere in that region we crossed a river and were in India!

The next morning we were off early and soon covered the six miles to Shuganu. Careful search through the village of mud-walled Indian houses turned up one tiny bus - decrepit, fifteen or twenty years old, every tire worn down to the canvas. After considerable dickering we finally hired the wreck for twice the price we should have paid, and jammed ourselves into the seats. The dust on the road was inches deep and though the old bus never went faster than twenty, it churned up vast clouds which soon had us coated with dirt. Arrived at Impahal, capital of the native state of Manipur, we were taken to a European evacuation camp and given bread and butter and tea. We were back in civilization once more.

The evacuation camp was empty except for one English lady, but from her we heard the first of the many tales we were to hear of the horrors of the trip over the regular routes. When the sea routes were cut off there were no good roads from Burma to India. Overland evacuation had to be along trails and paths over hills in practically

uninhabited regions where water, food and lodging was unavailable and mainly followed the telegraph lines to India. The southern route from Prome to the Arakan coast was never officially organized and of the thousands who attempted to cross that way, many apparently lost their lives by cholera, thirst, starvation or brigandage. Some people escaped around the tip of Burma by small boats, but suffered considerably, some dying and some going mad as a result of their experiences. The official route was from the Chindwin valley and across the hills into Assam. A fortunate few with pull or money could be carried over in dhoolies or on the backs of elephants. But most of them walked. Of all these routes, the best by far was the one I took. Perhaps some twenty persons went over that way. I figure that I walked perhaps 160 or 170 miles.

Our household furniture and trunks were left in the house in Rangoon. Records, manuscripts, and the library on earthworms, along with laboratory apparatus were left in the biology building, protected as well as possible from bombing, but not from looting by the Japs. I was able to get over to India a small box containing a complete file of my own publications and one earthworm file which had taken me the longest and most labor to complete. For all this I am thankful.

At the moment we are not idle. I have enough work on hand to keep me busy till the first of June, at which time I hope to be able to make some decision as to the future. Choice lies between a mission college in Rawalpindi, Guntner, a mission college in South India close to the sea, and hence in the danger zone, and a Y job with

the soldiers.

#### ROBINSON, '18, IN MANILA

THE first word since December 24, 1941 from Hugh L. Robinson, '18, now in Manila, has just been received by his wife, Mrs. Olga O. Robinson, of Auburndale, Mass., through a passenger on the "Gripsholm."

Dr. Robinson, who was born in Meriden, New Hampshire and educated at Colby College and Harvard Medical School, was en route to America from his post as head of the Lu Ho Hospital, Tunghsien, North China, under the American Board of Foreign Missions when war with Japan broke out and he was caught in Manila.

Mrs. James D. White of New York, wife of the Associated Press correspondent in Peking, worked as a volunteer with Dr. Robinson in the Camp Hospital in Manila and reports that "everyone liked Dr. Robinson because he was always so cheerful and so kind. He worked extremely hard and was never too busy or too tired to take care of anyone who needed him - my idea of a real doctor.'

From Mrs. White. Mrs. Robinson learned that for the first four months Dr. Robinson lived in the hospital, eating in the hospital kitchen and sleeping in the physiotherapy department. Later he stayed in the home of one of the other missionaries who had not been interned. When Mrs. White left Manila on the repatriation boat Dr. Robinson was recovering successfully

from an attack of dengue fever complicated by jaundice.

Missionaries, she reported, had been allowed to stay outside the internment camp by the Japanese, but Dr. Robinson had decided that it was his duty to take his place in the camp and serve the people there who needed medical help. Later it was arranged that he could leave the camp each afternoon and return the next morning.

Dr. Robinson began service as a Congregational medical missionary in 1925 serving first in Lintsing for six years and after return from furlough in 1932 as head of the Lu Ho Hospital, about 13 miles from Peking, Mrs. Robinson returned home with her four children in 1941. Mrs. Robinson is a graduate of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

#### BRIDGING THE GAP

THE reunion of the Class of 1902 has been reported so thoroughly and well by my colleague Lew Church that I do not need to try to add anything to it. It would merely be a matter of repetition of detail, but I would like to express myself briefly in regard to bridging the gap between the old Colby and the new.

The Class of 1902 has arrived at the place where its members can rightly be termed. Old Grads. Whether we like it or not, no amount of wishful thinking will alter our status. We are not

alone in holding the distinction of right to this title. There are many others in the same category.

It may be that there are some whose sentiment for the past is so strong that they cannot accept the change wholeheartedly, they may feel that the youth of today are receiving a rare privilege but they cannot incorporate themselves in the new order. I believe this may be particularly true of those who, because of distance, are not able to get back to see the miracle that is being performed. True, we find that the approaches to our college are not the same as of yesterday, the campus is different from the old one, the buildings are other than those that we have known. But one look at the former habitat of Colby with its limited and restricted area, and a glance at the beauty of the new set-up must convince the greatest doubter of the wisdom of the undertaking. It seems to me that only thoughts that are devout and lofty could emanate from a shrine whose spire points into the sky with such linear grace.

If I could have two wishes come true I would wish for myself that I could turn the page forward and move on to the new Colby with the girls of today, and I would wish for the girls of today that they might turn the page back, that they might get the pulse, the throb, the feel of the old college that we knew. In my college days we used to go to Mayflower Hill to gather mayflowers. Let us still go there to gather later memories whose fragrance combined with the aroma of the past may make a perfect blend. Let us cease to think of Colby in terms of old and new but let us think of her as the Colby that will always be Colby so long as the spirit of her founders works in the hearts and minds of those who wisely

operate her activities.

Let us not feel that we do not belong, but let us move on as a big, united family whose older members keep pace and faith with those who are younger and in which each of us makes for himself his distinct place.

Oh! It's your way and my way, We're all going the same way, The way that leads back to good old days that have fled, The way that leads on to grand days

The Colby of you and me, The Colby that was and will be.

- EDITH WILLIAMS SMALL, 1902.

## Under The Elms

Enrollment on Oct. 1 was 618, as compared with a corresponding figure of 694 last year. There are 124 men and 83 girls in the freshman class, including fifteen who completed their first semester of credits during the summer.

Housing of students is all mixed up, according to previous habits. The name of Mary Low has been transferred from College Avenue to Mayflower Hill, and the old corner house is occupied by flying trainees, as is Taylor House. Freshman men now occupy Foster House and Dutton House. The Kappa Delta Rho fraternity has taken over Mower House, while the Tau Delta Phis have moved up College Avenue into Boutelle House. Alden and Dunn houses are unoccupied at the present. Foss Hall accommodates the freshman girls only.

Faculty members who have left for war service include Coach Edward C. Roundy (who left last spring), Coach Nelson W. Nitchman, John White Thomas, Prof. Alfred K. Chapman, '25, and Registrar Elmer C. Warren. Prof. C. Lennart Carlson has resigned to enter the Episcopal ministry.

New members of the faculty include Prof. Sherwood Brown (M. I. T.) to be head of the department of physics; Prof. Samuel Morse (Dartmouth, Harvard) to be instructor in English; Dr. Ermanno Comparetti (Cornell) to be director of music. Mrs. Louise Colgan will coach the glee clubs this year. Additions to the administrative staff include: Miriam Beede, to be secretary to the President; Sally Aldrich, '38, to be secretary to the Dean of Women; Mrs. Bertha Higgins, to be Head Resident of Foss Hall; Helen Nichols, to be Dietitian; Mrs. Louis W. Totten, to be Head Resident of Louise Coburn Hall on Mayflower Hill.

Assembly plans have been somewhat changed this year, as follows: Monday, Freshman Assembly; Tuesday, Chapel Service conducted by President Bixler; Wednesday, College Meeting for all students, usually with outside speaker; Thursday, Chapel Service,



conducted by Student Christian Association.

Averill Lectures, is the name of a new series made possible by Dr. George G. Averill, trustee, which aims to bring outstanding scholars in various fields to Colby for two-day visits, giving a public evening lecture, speaking to classes in their respective subjects, meeting the faculty of that department for a dinner, holding informal discussions with interested students at the President's house after the lectures. The first four to come were: William G. Avirett of Deerfield Academy, historian, speaking on "War and Peace
—a Layman's View;" Prof. Wolfgang Koehler of Swarthmore College, psychologist, on "Facts and Sense;" Prof. Frederick A. Pottle, '17, of Yale University, on "Poetry and Criticism;" and Prof. George A. Sarton of Harvard, historian of science, on "The History of Science."

Trainees. The first batch of 90 members of the Air Corps Enlisted Reserve finished their eight weeks' course in September. Those passing the secondary course were transferred to glider pilot schools or other branches of the Army or Navy air forces. The primary graduates remained for the secondary course and new trainees have arrived to begin their course.

They live in Taylor House and in what was formerly known as Mary Low Hall, and take their meals in the former basement game room of Foss Hall, which now has an outside entrance stairway. The Colby bus transports them, one platoon in the morning and the other in the afternoon, to the Waterville Airport which holds the contract for flight instruction. Ground School is held in the Physics Building, with new quarters formed by taking out the electrical equipment from the rear ground floor room. Their program also includes military drill and physical training under the Department of Health and Physical Education.

Bus Service to and from Mayflower Hill is provided by the blue and gray Colby vehicle which is busy all day. Beginning at 7:20 A. M. when it takes the ACER trainees to the airport and swings back via the new campus to take the first batch of girls to their eight o'clocks, it makes hourly trips until 9:00 P. M., the closing hour of the library. Later trips are made on Thursday and Saturday evenings. The chauffeurs are "Whitey" and Archie Rhodes of the buildings and grounds staff.

Lecture Series, under Dr. Libby as usual, will present an outstanding list of headliners, beginning with Lt. Col. Carlos P. Romulo, formerly aide-decamp to General MacArthur. Others are: Edward Weeks, editor of "The Atlantic;" Prof. Max Lerner of Williams College; Fulton Lewis, Jr., radio commentator; Granville Hicks, writer; Thomas Yahkub, Indian scholar; and T. R. Ybarra, foreign correspondent.

Coaching Circles in Maine suffered a shake-up during the summer, with Eck Allen of Maine, Ducky Pond of Bates, and Nels Nitchman of Colby all leaving for war duties. Colby was fortunate in having a man of the calibre of Bill Millett ready to step into the head coaching position. Track Coach and Trainer Norman C. ("Cy") Perkins, '32, has taken on the duties of assistant coach and Romeo Lemieux, '37, was added to the staff for the season. Freshmen are eligible for varsity

play this year, but Colby will have a Junior Varsity team to meet prep school teams.

Veterans reporting for football this fall include: Caminiti, Ferris, McKay, Rokicki and Verrengia for backs; Wood and deNazario, ends; Capt. Volpe and Hutcheson, tackles; Liss and Shiro, guards; Weidul and Curtis, center. Coming up from last year's frosh ranks are Currier, Gaffney, Monaco, Ober, Roberts, Simpson and Singer, two or three of whom may edge into the starting line-up before the season is done. A half dozen promising freshmen add strength to the squad and will help out on the replacement problem.

Commando Course, is the popular name for the gruelling obstacle course laid out on the field behind Hedman Hall which comprises walls to scale, ladders to climb, swinging the length of ladders parallel with the ground, wire tunnels to crawl and wiggle through, logs to walk, and so on. Competitive times have not yet been established, but anyone would have to be in top condition to go through the course at full speed.

Hockey has been officially dropped as a Colby sport next winter. With games possible only with out-of-state colleges, with only one veteran of last year's crack team expecting to be in college after Christmas, and with four of last year's freshman team missing, it just seemed impossible to carry on an intercollegiate schedule.

Cross Country is being run this fall, even though Coach Perkins is working full time on football. Soccer is also being introduced as an intra-mural sport on the back field. A fall tennis tournament is underway.

#### TEACHER PLACEMENT

With the resignation of Prof. Elmer C. Warren to enter the U. S. Army, the duties of assisting in teacher placement have been given to Prof. Clyde E. Russell, '22, of the department of Education. He is still receiving notices of school vacancies and requests that any Colby teachers who wish to better themselves by a new position should immediately get in touch with him.

BOWDOIN GAME TICKETS

Reserved seats in the Colby Alumni Section of the Woodman Stadium for the Colby-Bowdoin game on October 24 may be obtained by writing to the Colby Athletic Department and enclosing check for \$1.65 per ticket, plus ten cents for postage and check charge. This section will be held for alumni until October 21, after which seats will be sold to the general public.

#### NOTICE FOR WOMEN GRADUATE STUDENTS

Fellowships of \$1500 each are open to American college women who have, in general, completed two years of residence work towards a Ph.D. degree. Applications close on Dec. 15, 1942. For information, address: Committee on Fellowship Awards, American Association of University Women, 1634 I St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

Colby Chapel

## Program For Colby Week-End

	October 23-25	
FRIDAY, OCTOBE		
	Student Assembly.	Alumnae Building
4:00 P. M.	Trustee-Senior Reception.	Alumnae Building
	Alumni Dinner. Presiding, Dr. R. L. Reynolds, '06, president Water-	T) / II . 1
( 20 D ) (	ville Colby Association.	Elmwood Hotel
6:30 P. M.	Buffet Supper for Alumnae.	Mayflower Hill
7:15 P. M.	Alumnae Colby Night program, demonstrations by Physical Education Department, and tour of the Union and new dormitory.	Manganan II:
8:00 P. M.		Mayflower Hill
10:00 P. M.	Colby Night Rally (men).	Old Gymnasium
10:00 P. M.	Fraternity Reunions.	Chapter Houses
	Trustee-Faculty Reception.	33 College Avenue
SATURDAY, OCTO		0.11
	Trustee Meeting.	33 College Avenue
	Alumni Council Meeting.	Alumnae Building
	Alumnae Council Meeting.	Social Room, Alumnae Building
8-11:00 A. M.	Alumni invited to visit classes.	Various Classrooms
11:30 A. M.	Kick-Off Luncheon. Presiding, President Bixler. Special guests: living members of the 50-year teams of Bowdoin and Colby; President and Mrs. Sills; Governor and Mrs. Sewall.	Alumna Puildin *
1.20 D M	Flag-Raising Ceremony.	Alumnae Building* Seaverns Field
	Bowdoin vs. Colby.	Seaverns Field
4:00 P. M.		Seaverns Fiela
	Bixler at home.	33 College Avenue
7:30 P. M.	Formal dedication of women's buildings on new campus, followed by Open House in dormitory.	Mayflower Hill
8:00 P. M.	Student Council Dance.	New Gymnasium, Mayflower Hill *
SUNDAY, OCTOB	ER 25	

10:30 P. M. Special Chapel Service. Preaching, John W. Brush, '20.

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YES, COLBY HAS ONE TOO

One of the 13 obstacles in the so-called "Commando Course" over which physical training classes have to climb daily in the college's new emphasis on physical fitness.

#### TWIN CITIES ALUMNI MEETING

A LUMNI of Minneapolis and St. Paul honored President and Mrs. Bixler at a luncheon at the Minneapolis Athletic Club on August 6.

Among those present were Edwin A. Toolis, '41; George A. Andrews, '82; Lew C. Church, '02, who arranged the meeting, and Mrs. Church, 'Nrs. T. B. Madsen, wife of T. B. Madsen, '17, who was unable to attend; Harold W. Nutting, '14; Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Nutting, parents of Philip Nutting, Colby '44; and Dr. and Mrs. Bixler.

#### PORTLAND ALUMNAE PICNIC

MEMBERS of the Colby College Alumnae of Western Maine met Friday evening, September 25, with Helen Curtis, '36, for an outdoor picnic, followed by an entertainment of magic. Members of the committee on arrangements were Pauline Russell Berry, '32, Ruth Pike Berry, '39, Gladys Averill Heubach, '33.

Others present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Stuart Branscombe (Florence Conners, '31); Katherine Holmes Snell, '33; Burrill D. Snell, '32; Grace Farrar Linscott, '01; Arad E. Linscott, '98; Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, '12; A. L. Whittemore, '12; Alice Linscott Roberts, '31; Wayne E. Roberts, '31; Helen Dresser MacDonald, '23; Al-

berta Shepherd Marsh, '18; Annie Cook Starkey, '07; Ruth Marston Turner, '37; Helen V. Robinson, '10; Ruth Williams, '28; Nellie Dearborn, '28; Marion Rowe, '26; Margaret Abbott, '23; Pauline Abbott, '21; Ina McCausland, '15; Sara Cowan, '37; Ruth McDonald.

There will be a business meeting in October in the Caldwell Post Home. Miss Virginia Drew, Graphologist, will give a talk on handwriting. Mrs. Katherine Holmes Snell, '32, will preside.

## CHICAGO ALUMNI MEET PRESIDENT BIXLER

ON August 17th Colby alumni in Chicago met at a luncheon in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Bixler at the LaSalle Hotel. Present were Leslie B. Arey, '12; Leslie H. Cook, '22; Rose Perley Heuer. '21; Henry H. Hilton, Trustee: William R. Pederson, '20; Herbert S. Philbrick, '97, and Mrs. Philbrick; Charles P. Small, '86; and Dr. and Mrs. Bixler.

Dr. Philbrick conducted the luncheon in a very able way, asking Dr. Hilton to introduce President Bixler. Dr. Hilton's introduction was excellent, touching on President Bixler's family background as well as his educational

background.

President Bixler then talked, giving a brief resume of his ideas which he hopes to put into effect at Colby. The meeting was then thrown open for questions, and the majority of those present were very much interested in the Mayflower Hill project and Colby's prospects during these trying times.

The Chicago group looks forward to holding another meeting during the winter and again having President Bixler as the guest of honor.

-Leslie H. Cook, '22.

## Colby Men With The Colors

"THE FIRST JUMP

IS THE EASIEST"

HE has gone up in an airplane eight times, and still wonders what the sensation is to land in the plane. That is the experience of Corp. Stanley Gruber, '41, Paratrooper, who wrote to the Service Correspondence Committee of the Student Christian Association in late September from Fort Benning, but expected to be on his way shortly.

"The first three jumps are the easiest for the majority of men," he states, "because they don't realize what they are doing. In my case, the morning I went up to jump was likewise my first ride in a plane, so you see I had an added thrill. Up in the plane every man reacts in a different manner. In my case I hardly realized what was going on until I left the plane and

felt a sudden jerk and noticed I was floating to the earth with my big white parachute overhead. It certainly was comforting to feel it opening, if I do say so.

"Once you've opened, it's just heavenly, floating around wherever you please, yelling back and forth to your buddies. You have to land, but that isn't bad at times. Some jumps you land as soft as stepping off a sidewalk. Other times a bit harder. No matter how many times you jump, every one is different.

"Few people realize that a Parachutist's real work begins after he has landed on the ground. This is the truly strenuous part of the training. I will say that you can put training for football, basketball, track and baseball all together and you won't approach the training our first month included.

If any of my friends had ever seen me scampering around our 'monkey cage,' climbing 30 foot ropes, running daily and doing numerous other tasks they

wouldn't believe their eyes.

"The Parachute Troops are quite an organization and I wouldn't exchange it with anyone. We are all raring to go so we can get this war over with and return to normal life again. I will say this, if we had 500,000 paratroops we'd be home by spring."

#### MILITARY PERSONALS

Lt. John J. Pullen, '35, recently graduated from Officers' Candidate School, Fort Sill, Okla., has been assigned to the Staff & Faculty, Field Artillery School, Fort Sill.

Lt. Robert W. Colomy, '35, upon receiving his commission as a second lieutenant at Fort Belvoir, Va., was assigned to that fort as a member of the faculty of the Engineer School. He writes, "It is very interesting work and the training of men to be officers is rather a responsible job. Training is important right now but I shall be glad to get a little more action. It makes me very proud to read of the Colby men who are in service and of the work the college is doing in the training program."

Lt. Eugene A. McAlary, '35, writes from the Canal Zone that he frequently sees Maj. Jim Davidson, '30, and Chaplain Jim Block, '32. He has had some interesting special duties which are not for publication.

John G. Hutcheson, '43, Navy photographer, has been sent to the AgfaAnsco factories in Binghampton, N. Y., to take a short course in some of the new processes being developed there.

Bob Canders, '39, formerly at Camp Croft and now at officers' candidate school, Fort Knox, says the school "is the nearest thing to perpetual motion I

have ever experienced."

James Fox, '38, says that "Brookley Field is a real snap after eight tough weeks at McClellan. We have no hikes and no details of any kind. We go to school in the morning, work in the office in the afternoon, and are on our own the rest of the time." He adds that he ran into Cpl. Al Beerbaum, '38, after a USO show at Fort McClellan.

Capt. Emmons B. Farrar, '14, stationed at Westover Field, Chicopee

Falls, Mass., writes: "The Army has chosen to give me a new job. My title is Cryptographic Security Officer, which means that I am responsible for all cryptographic materials, secret and confidential documents, and decoding and encoding all such messages. Very interesting work, not too strenuous, but rather confining."

Paul S. Bubar, '39, is attending officers' training school at Camp Davis, N. C.

Pvt. Vernelle W. Dyer, '41, Army Air Corps, is attending a radio school at Scott Field. Ill., to qualify as a radio operator and technician. After 18 weeks of training, he expects to be sent to an aerial gunnery school and then assigned to a bomber for active service.

Walter B. Rideout, '38, has been awarded a special appointment in the Intelligence Division of the U. S. Navy and has been called to Washington to take up his duties.

Philip N. Simon, '36, now in training as a first lieutenant in the Sanitary Corps of the U. S. Army at Fort Devens, received his M. Sc. from Massachusetts State College in 1938 and his Ph.D. in Food Technology from the same institution in 1942.

Howard O. Sweet, '36, graduated on July 14 from the Field Artillery Officers Candidate School at Fort Sill, Okla., and commissioned a second lieutenant. He is now stationed at Camp Atterbury in southern Indiana, which he describes as "one of the newest camps in the country—in fact, still much under construction."

Edward H. Jenison, '40, was commissioned a second lieutenant on July 18 at the Army Finance School at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind. He was among the few in his class to be commissioned about two weeks ahead of schedule.

Corp. R. Irvine Gammon, '37, is still flinging his vocabulary around Miami Beach. "To the palm-studded streets and shining stucco hotels," he writes, "have been added the tread of marching thousands, the impassioned contemplation of the classroom, droning planes overhead, tanker sinkings off shore, nightly blackouts accentuating the Tropic's blazing stars . . " He is on the editorial staff of the Post newspaper, orating on behalf of War Bonds, collaborating with a Life team on an Army Air Force spread, interviewing

Grace Moore, Clark Gable, and still finds time for some purely military duties. In fact he is entering Air Corps Officer Candidate School this month.

A-C Richard S. Lovejoy, '39, is taking the photography course at Lowry Field, Denver. After graduation he will be assigned to some post for two to four months of practice work and then looks forward to foreign service as a Laboratory Commander of a Photo Mobile Unit or a permanent Lab.

Pat Martin, '39, has applied for Officer's Candidate School, but has been kept on in the office, being broken into a Sergeant's job.

Midshipman Norman D. Jones, '42, writes of his indoctrination course at Notre Dame, followed by assignment to Columbia University, where there is a Colby contingent of seven, including Clifford Came, '42, Richard Kohn, '42, Donald Parsons, '42, Robert ("Bud") Johnson, '42, William Tucker, '42, and Richard Johnson, '42.

Charles W. Heath, '43, is training to be a radio operator at the Sioux Falls Technical Training School, South Dakota. He has run across Fred Sargent, '42, and Arthur Barrows, '45, there.

Sgt. Kent N. Pierce, '28, wrote that he expected to be sailing the Pacific by September. He got his Master Sergeant's rating in August.

Thomas Elder, '40, is on an airport construction project located on some other continent which he does not identify, but he signs his letters, "Tom-Tom."

Harold L. Rhodenizer, '42, has joined the Royal Canadian Air Force, but until his training begins in October, he is working for the Dominion Government drilling for manganese deposits.

Dwight Sargent, '39, is utilizing his training from Dr. Libby in giving lectures to the trainees at Camp Croft, S. C. An interesting feature recently was the receipt of a captured German machine gun and rifle. He had to master the nomenclature and function of these weapons and give demonstrations to troops and officers.

Ens. Machaon Stevens, '39, is Engineer and second in command on a mine sweeper which regularly combs the waters of Chesapeake Bay. He finished his diesel engine course at

Cornell this fall and got married (See Milestones) on his furlough.

Edward B. Porter, '42, writes from England where he is situated in a town with thatched cottages. He has been able to visit the London theaters and see John Guilgud, Vivian Leigh and Beatrice Lillie. He is in a model making detachment of the Engineer

According to Deke House hearsay, Brothers Jack Kitchen, '42, of the RCAF, and Bob Talbot, '42, of the RAF, bumped into each other in Lon-

don on the Fourth of July.

Frank Farnham, '40, assisting in the public relations work at the Stockton, Calif., Motor Base, wrote and delivered over the radio a poem entitled "The Glory of Seven Months," that made such a hit that it was printed in a local newspaper and excited much comment. He is also a feature writer on the post newspaper.

ON ACTIVE SERVICE

CCORDING to alumni records, the following Colby men are serving with the Allied forces outside of territorial United States.

Lt. Comdr. Charles R. Hersum, '21, USN

Lt. Col. H. C. Marden, '21, USA Comdr. Marshall B. Gurney, '25, USN Capt. John A. Nelson, '27, USA M-Sgt. Kent N. Pierce, '28, USA Capt. Charles E. Towne, '28, USA Major Charles A. Cowing, '29, USA Lt. Comdr. Richard P. Hodsdon, '29, USN

Capt. Philip L. Miller, '29, USA Lt. Norris W. Potter, '29, USN Capt. Frank J. Twadelle, '29, USA Capt. Aaron Cook, '30, USA Major James E. Davidson, '30, USA Lt. Charles W. Weaver, '30, USN S 1-C Thomas J. Hodkiewicz, '31,

Chap. James Blok, '32, USA Ens. Frederick C. Lawler, '34, USN Lt. Richard N. Ball, '35, USA Capt. Donald F. Larkin, '35, USA Lt. Eugene A. McAlary, '35, USA Lt. Hawley Russell, '35, USN PFC M. Edson Goodrich, '37, USA Laurence A. Humphrey, '37, USN Lt. William C. Jakeman, '37, USN Lt. Whitney Wright, '37, USN Pvt. Sidney Black, '38, USA Harry K. Hollis, '38, USN Lt. Robert V. McGee, '38, USN Pvt. Leo Sparber, '38, USA Ens. Robert S. Borovoy, '39, USN Pvt. Charles D. Keef, '39, USA

Lt. John D. Powers, '39, USA Pvt. Fred Blumenthal, '40, USA Ens. Horace F. Burr, '40, USN Ens. Clark H. Carter, '40, USN Ens. John K. Chase, '40, USN Lt. Gabriel O. Dumont, '40, USA Lt. Charles R. Randall, '40, USA Ens. Conrad W. Swift, '40, USN Ens. Richard H. White, '40, USN Cpl. Ramon F. Fernandez, '41, USMC Pvt. Richard E. Noyes, '41, USA Sgt. Robert H. Talbot, '41, RAF Lt. Robert E. Anderson, '42, USA Ens. Arthur E. Hanken, '42, USN Sgt. John C. Kitchen, '42, RCAF Pvt. Edward B. Porter, '42, USA Pvt. Clarence R. Reid, '42, USA Ens. Samuel B. Warren, '42, USN Cpl. Burleigh E. Barker, '43, USA Sgt. Laurence M. Edwards, '43, USA Cdt. Robert Stetson, '43, USA Pvt. Stephen Tilton, '43, USA Pvt. George H. Conley, '44, USA Sgt. James L. McMahon, '44, USA

#### **PROMOTIONS**

To Commander, Donald G. Jacobs, '20, U. S. Coast Guard Training Station, Atlantic City, N. J.

To Commander, Marshall B. Gur-

nev. '25, USN.

To Captain, A. R. Rogers, '17, Camp Keyes, Augusta, Maine.

To Captain, Philip L. Miller, '29, Camp Ord, Calif.

To Captain, Raymond A. Fortin,

'41, Langley Field, Va. To Lieutenant, Arnold H. Holt, '37,

Camp Forrest, Tenn. To Lieutenant, Arnold E. Small, '37,

Camp Carson, Colo.

To Lieutenant, Francis C. Prescott, '38, Camp Rucker, Ala.

To Lieutenant (JG), Fred M. Ford, '40, U. S. Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla.

To Lieutenant (JG), Samuel B. Warren, '42, USN, San Francisco,

To Second Lieutenant, Richard N. Ball, '35, New Caledonia.

To Second Lieutenant, Robert W. Colomy, '35, Engineering Corps, Fort Belvoir, Va.

To Second Lieutenant, John J. Pullen, '35, Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Okla.

To Second Lieutenant, Asa H. Roach, '36, Fort Huachuca, Ariz. To Second Lieutenant, Howard O.

Sweet, '36, Camp Atterbury, Ind. To Second Lieutenant, Royal G. Luther, Jr., '38, Camp Adair, Ore.

To Second Lieutenant, John T. Foster, '40, Sebring Field, Sebring, Fla.

To Second Lieutenant, Edward H. Jenison, '40, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind

To Second Lieutenant, Ralph P. MacBurnie, '40, Davis-Monthan Field, Tucson, Ariz.

To Second Lieutenant, John W. Daggett, '41, Camp Lee, Va.

To Second Lieutenant, Robert A. LaFleur, '43, Will Rogers Field, Oklahoma City, Okla.

To Ensign, Dwight K. Beal, '41, U. S. Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. To Ensign, Elmer M. Tower, '42, U. S. Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va. To Sergeant, Edville G. Lemoine,

'38, Fort DuPont, Del. To Corporal, Foahd J. Saliem, '37,

Fort Dawes, Mass.

To Corporal, Harold D. Seaman, '42, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

To Corporal, Andrew H. Bedo, '43, Grenier Field, Manchester, N. H.

#### ADDITIONS TO

#### SERVICE ROSTER

Lt. Comdr. C. S. Richardson, '17, Gulf Sea Frontier, Miami, Fla.

Lt. Paul A. Thompson, '18, USNR, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Capt. Harold M. Sachs, '21, U. S. Army Medical Corps, Camp Kilmer, N. I.

Lt. Frederick D. Blanchard, '23, Officers' Training School, Miami Beach, Fla.

Lt. Cranston H. Jordan, '24, USNR, Naval Training School, Cambridge,

Pvt. Alfred K. Chapman, '25, Miami Beach, Fla.

Capt. Harvey J. Bourassa, '27, Medical Corps, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Capt. Clarence Emery, Jr., '27, Medical Corps, Camp Shelby, Miss.

Capt. John A. Nelson, '27, Presbyterian Hospital Unit, Overseas.

2nd Lt. Robert C. Chandler, '28, Officers' Training School, Miami Beach, Fla.

Chap. Gardiner D. Cottle, '28, Fort Mason, Calif.

Capt. Theodore E. Hardy, '28, Medical Corps, Pine Camp, N. Y.

Pvt. Arthur B. Levine, '28, Scott Field, Ill.

2nd Lt. Charles P. Nelson, '28, Wright Field, Dayton, Ohio.

Pvt. George C. West, '28, Miami Beach, Fla.

Pvt. Arthur H. Snyder, '29, McClellan Field, Calif.

Pvt. Lewis W. Jackins, '30, 100th Tech. Tr. Sqdn., Madison, Wis.

Capt. Gordon N. Johnson, '30, Medical Corps, Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas.

Thomas J. Hodkiewicz, S 1-C, '31, Trinidad, B. W. I.

PFC Harry M. Huff, '32, Military Police, Portsmouth, N. H.

2nd Lt. Robert C. McNamara, '32, South Plains Army Flying School, Lubbock, Texas.

Pvt. Francis R. Altieri, '33, Lincoln Air Base, Neb.

Col. H. Paul Rancourt, '33, Fort Williams, Portland, Maine.

Cpl. John H. Sawyer, '33, Daniels Field, Augusta, Ga.

Sgt. Clyde W. Skillin, '33, Camp Bovie, Texas.

Pvt. Edward W. Cragin, '34, Westover Field, Chicopee Falls, Mass.

Pvt. Bearge M. Hagopian, '34, Camp Stoneman, Calif.

Pvt. Fred J. Holland, Jr., '34, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

Pvt. Ernest F. Lary, '34, Fort Dawes, Mass.

Ens. Joseph W. Bishop, USNR, '35, Anti - Submarine Warfare Charlestown Navy Yard, Charlestown,

Lt. John R. Merrick, '35, Medical

Corps, Fort Bliss, Texas. R. N. Noyes. SK3c, USNR, '35,

Morehead City, N. C. Pvt. Joseph L. Stevens, '35, Fort Monmouth, N. J.

PFC John R. Turbyne, '35, Fort D. A. Russell. Texas.

Lt. James M. Coyne, '36, USAR, Lookout Mountain, Ga.

Pvt. Fernand D. Fortin, '36, Camp Pickett, Va.

Lt. Moses M. Goldberg, '36, Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board, 150 Causeway St., Boston, Mass.

Ens. George H. Holbrook, '36, R. S. Local Defense, Boston, Mass. Lt. Howard C. Pritham, '36, Camp

Edwards, Mass. Pvt. Jon P. Roderick, '36, Fort Mon-

roe, Va. Pvt. Gordon W. Schumacher, '36,

Camp Devens, Mass. Lt. Philip N. Simon, '36, Fort Dev-

ens, Mass. Pvt. Robert F. Murphy, '37, Langley Field, Va.

Cand. Donald E. Price, '37, Fort Benning, Ga.

Pvt. Hayden B. Wright, '37, Lincoln Air Base, Neb.

Lt. (JG) Frederick C. Emery, '38, Chelsea Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Mass. Pvt. William S. Hains, '38, Camp Lee, Va.

A-C Edward S. Boulos, Jr., '39, Squantum, Mass.

Pvt. Leon J. Braudy, '39, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

A-C Richard S. Lovejov, '39, Lowry Field, Denver, Colo.

Pvt. Patrick Martin, '39, Fort Logan,

A-C James W. Salisbury, '39, Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla. Pvt. Robert B. Carr, '40, Chanute

A-C Oscar H. Emery, Jr., '40, Advanced Flying School, Turner Field, Albany, Ga.

A-C Donald A. Gilfoy, '40, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

John E. Gilmore, '40, Apprentice Seaman, U. S. Coast Guard, Boothbay Harbor, Maine.

Pvt. Albert A. Poulin, Jr., '40, Army Air Corps, Chanute Field, Ill.

Pvt. Arthur T. Thompson, '40, Fort Devens, Mass.

Ens. Leon Tobin, '40, Naval Training Station, Newport, R. I.

Pvt. Henry W. Abbott, Jr., '41, Technical School Sqdn., Miami Beach,

Pvt. Francis Colton, Jr., '41, Patterson Field, Fairfield, Ohio.

James A. Daly, '41, USMC, Quantico. Va.

Pvt. Norris E. Dibble, '41, Camp Pickett, Va.

Pvt. V. W. Dyer, Jr., '41, Army Air Corps, Scott Field, Ill.

Cpl. Stanley Gruber, '41, Fort Benning, Ga. Pvt. Pericles E. Hadzetheacos, '41,

Elgin Field, Fla. 2nd Lt. Helena R. Hagopian, '41,

Station Hospital, Keesler Field, Miss. Ens. H. P. Macintosh, IV, '41, Bureau of Operations, Navy Department, Washington, D. C

A-C Warren Mills, '41, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Sgt. Pilot Robert H. Talbot, '41, RAF, American Eagle Club, London, England.

Pvt. Frank B. Bailey, '42, Camp Devens, Mass.

A-C Wendell C. Brooks, '42, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Lt. C. R. Burbank, '42, USMC, Ouantico, Va.

Midshipman Clifford F. Came, Ir., '42, Midshipman's School, New York

Walter L. Emery, '42, USCG, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A-C Raymond M. Flynn, '42, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

Pvt. Emanuel K. Frucht, '42, Camp Upton, N. Y.

Gerald L. Goodman, '42, Pvt USMC, Naval Air Station, Lakehurst,

A-C John C. Harvey, '42, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. Pvt. Harry L. Hicks, Jr., '42, Fort Meade, Md.

PFC Lincoln V. Johnson, USMC, Ouantico, Va.

Midshipman Robert I. Johnson, '42, Midshipman's School, New York City. Midshipman Norman D. Jones, '42,

Midshipman's School, New York City. A-C Alton G. Laliberte, '42, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. Pvt. Arthur B. Lincoln, '42, Drew Field, Tampa, Fla.

2nd Lt. Robert R. McDonnell, '42, U. S. Army Reserve, Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.

A-C Carl Pizzano, '42, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C

Pvt. Gilbert E. Potts, '42, Fort George G. Meade, Md. A-C Shelley L. Pratt, '42, Navy Pre-

Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. A-C Robert S. Rice, '42, Naval Avi-

ation Base, Philadelphia, Pa. Frederic O. Sargent, '42, Sioux

Falls, S. Dak. Joseph D. Slattery, '42, Apprentice

Seaman, USCG, Boston, Mass. Midshipman William E. Tucker, '42, Midshipman's School, New York

City.

Pvt. Charles J. Williams, '42, Stockton, Calif.

A-C Philip B. Wysor, '42, U. S. Navy Reserve Base, Norman, Okla. Ens. Robert C. Cornell, '43, Tufts

Medical School, Boston, Mass. Pvt. Harry P. Hildebrandt, '43, Keesler Field, Miss.

A-C Leonard Murphy, '43, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C. A-C Harold C. Paul, '43, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C.

A-C Donald M. Butcher, '44, Navy Pre-Flight School, Chapel Hill, N. C Arthur Barrows, '45, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

## Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1880

James E. Trask of St. Paul, Minn., although unable to attend the luncheon in honor of Dr. Bixler in August, had the pleasure of meeting Colby's new president when the latter called on him.

#### 1889

The college was represented by Edward F. Stevens at the inaugural of President Harry N. Wright at the College of the City of New York on Sept. 30.

Dr. John L. Pepper of South Portland, Maine, has resigned as district health officer for Cumberland and York Counties. His successor is Dr. Howard C. Hanscom, '96.

#### 1890

Charles W. Spencer of Hamilton, N. Y., represented Colby at the inauguration of Dr. Everett Needham Case as president of Colgate University at Hamilton on September 24.

#### 1893

After 21 years of service as head librarian in the Skowhegan Public Library, Lizzie T. Hussey has resigned and will now take life leisurely in her home at 369 Water Street, Skowhegan. As she is much interested in the Maine Historical Society, we know that her time will be well occupied with writing and local research.

Eva Taylor MacKenzie is already making plans to connect with the '93 class reunion in June, or whenever Commencement occurs next year. Her address is: M-T Ranch, Florence, Montana.

- Lora C. Neal.

#### 1896

Dr. Howard C. Hanscom of Boothbay Harbor, Maine's director of Institutional Service, in July became district health officer for Cumberland and York Counties.

#### 1902

The class of 1902 held its reunion during the May college Commencement. The dinner was held at the Elmwood Hotel on Saturday evening. Afterward the members were agreeably entertained by Professor and Mrs. Herbert C. Libby at their Pleasant

Street home. Those present at some or all of the meetings of the class were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Chipman of Portland, Edna Owen Douglas of Waterville, Lois Meserve Flye of Sheepscott, Roy Kane of Portland, Professor and Mrs. Libby, Edith Williams Small of Freedom, Nellie Lovering Rockwood of Waterville, Linwood Workman of Framingham, Massachusetts, and Lew C. Church of Minneapolis. There were letters from Frank Haggerty of Chicago, Frank Hamilton of Jacksonville, Florida, Ralph Bean of Wakefield, Massachusetts, Angier L. Goodwin of Melrose, and Harry Pratt of Albany, New York. News of members not present, the experiences of those who were, memories of events of Colby days, the old campus and the new, - these furnished subjects of conversation for more time than there was. It is good to be a part of an old and honorable, young and vigorous, living, progressive institution, — and such is Colby.

#### 1908

At the annual meeting of the Country Day School Headmasters' Association held at M. I. T. in June, Charles W. Bradlee, headmaster of the Pebble Hill School in Dewitt, N. Y., was elected president for the year 1942-43.

#### 1910

The women of the class of 1910 are so engrossed in "Developing a Dynamic Democracy" they seemingly have not a minute to jot down any items regarding their activities.

With sons in the service and daughters getting married, I presume the Girls of 1910 are busy enough. But it would be gratifying to get some facts from you and not leave so much to the imagination of your class agent. A U. S. post-card can do wonders.

'Tis pleasant to get back to the U. S. A., after a delightful summer spent in Little Sands, Prince Edward Island, Canada. If anyone of you wants a complete change "far from the madding crowd" in an unspoiled country, consult me about sojourning at my wee house, Dondea.

- Mary Donald Deans.

#### 1912

Carl R. Smith was appointed in July by Governor Sewall of Maine to serve on the state's War Transportation Committee, which is working out industrial and other transportation problems in the war crisis.

Mrs. P. E. Dixon, 69 Suffolk Street, Waterbury (Jane Reed), was prevented from attending Commencement this year in spite of well laid plans to do so when the graduating exercises of the Weekday School of Religion of which she is supervisor took place on the same week end.

Mrs. Earl Pierson (Elsie Gardiner) has a new address, 167 Newton Terrace, Waterbury, Conn. She does not let even a plaster cast keep her down for long. While still horizontal she managed the Girl Scout cookie sale for the entire city of Waterbury and took care of all the telephoning for rehearsals of "Mrs. Jarley's Wax Works" for the church, selling tickets for the latter over the telephone. Two of the Pierson children are married and there is a little new grandchild. The youngest daughter, Mary Jane, graduated from high school this year. Their son Donald is at Fort Kobbe, Panama Canal Zone.

#### 1915

E. Mildred Bedford writes a newsy letter about her work as English teacher in Lewis High, Southington, Conn., about her activities in defense and her gardening and her hobby of collecting wine glasses. She makes her home with her sister and her father who is a hearty eighty-three years old.

#### 1916

Robert J. Doyle, Nashua (N. H.) attorney, is clerk of the municipal court of that city.

Fred C. English of Amesbury, Mass., has received two honors this year.—
He received his Ed. M. from Harvard and was elected president of the Amesbury Rotary Club.

#### 1918

We extend the deepest sympathy to Hortense Lambert Maguire who lost her husband on July 31, 1942. Dr. Maguire was for nine years in charge of the dental clinic of the George R. White Unit in East Boston.

#### 1921

L. Smith Dunnack of Augusta was elected secretary-treasurer of Maine's Municipal Judges at the annual meeting in Sentember.

ing in September.

We have learned that Elizabeth
Whipple Butler's oldest son, Leon Melvin Butler, Jr., is serving somewhere
overseas with the American Army.

Roland G. Ware has been appointed gasoline rationing officer for the State of Maine.

#### 1923

Melden E. Smith has been elected superintendent of schools for York and Kittery, Maine.

#### 1924

George Nickerson, formerly dean of the Cranbrook School, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., is now with the Dow Chemical Company in Midland, Mich.

Ralph D. McLeary has been appointed superintendent of schools in Barrington, R. I. Since his graduation from Colby Mr. McLeary has had a notable career as an educator, serving as sub-master of the Waterville High School, head of the mathematics department of the Newburyport (Mass.) High School and Brookline (Mass.) High School.

#### 1925

William W. Hale, for fifteen years principal of Easton (Maine) High School, has resigned to become principal of Stearns High School, Millinocket, Maine.

#### 1928

Clair Wood, supervisor of Foxcroft Academy (Maine) for three years, has been chosen as principal of the senior high school in Waterville, Maine.

#### 1929

Horace P. Maxcy has been elected principal of the Thomaston (Maine) High School.

#### 1930

Franklin P. Adams, formerly at Crosby High School, Belfast, Maine, is principal of the Penobscot (Maine) High School.

Lindon E. Christie has been elected superintendent of School Union 9 in Maine, which includes Cornish, Baldwin, Hiram, Parsonfield, Porter and Sebago. Mr. Christie has previously served as principal of schools in Sedgwick, Limerick, Monson and Ashland. He is married and has three sons—Lindon Jr., Paul and Carol. The Christies will live in Cornish.

Allen Turner and Mrs. Turner (Jean Macdonald), with their two daughters, have recently moved from Portland to Augusta, Maine. Mr. Turner is representative of the Socony Vacuum Oil Company.

#### 1933

Bertrand W. Hayward, for two years principal of the Stearns High School in Millinocket, Maine, has been elected principal of the Sanford (Maine) High School.

R. H. ("Bob") Violette, who retired a year ago after seven years as Waterville High School's football coach to enter the contracting business with his brother, has gone back into the coaching field as football coach at Lawrence High School, Fairfield, Me.

#### 1934

Norman A. Taylor has accepted a position as master in Cranbrook School, Bloomfield Hills, Mich., where he will instruct in mathematics and physical education. Mr. Taylor was instructor at Pinkerton Academy, Derry, N. H.

#### 1935

Myra Whittaker has been appointed Religious Director in the First Baptist Church of Pittsfield, Mass. Myra brings a wealth of training and experience to her new position. She now holds a religious education degree from Andover-Newton Theological Seminary and has completed resident requirements for her master of arts degree in biblical literature at Columbia. She has also been a newspaper woman and has had considerable business training.

Carroll Abbott this summer won the Maine State Golf Association tournament on the links of the Waterville Country Club, with a score of 75.

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#### 1936

Lucile Jones, who has been studying at Harvard this summer, has accepted a position as Latin teacher in Newton High School, Newton, Mass.

Alice Bocquel and Kay Laughton were among students to receive their Master's degrees at Middlebury French School this summer. Alice, as you may know, has deserted Bangor High for Weston, Mass., where she is teaching in the high school. Kay will be teaching at East Greenwich, R. I., this winter.

Mrs. Michael Field (Edythe Silverman) is living in Des Moines, Iowa. She has taken an office position, and, when last we heard, was expecting that her husband would be called any day as he has a commission in the Navy Dental Corps.

By the way, if you know any Colby Waacs who are in Des Moines, Edythe would be glad to get in touch with them. Her address is 517 E. Locust

1937

Allen Rockwell is labor manager at the American Brass Company, Waterbury, Conn. He has held this position since December, 1939.

Robert W. Turbyne, who has been flying for Pan-Am Grace in South America for some time, has been transferred from Lima, Peru, to Quito, Ecuador.

1938

Garnold L. Cole has accepted a science and coaching position in the Central High School, Willsboro, N. Y.

1940

Barbara Mitchell has returned from her position in the economics department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to Augusta, Maine, where she is employed in the Education Department at the State House.

"Vinnie" Allen has been appointed teacher-coach at the Gardiner, Maine, High School. Allen will coach both baseball and football.

Buell O. Merrill is employed in the Methods Planning Department of the General Electric Company in Lynn, Mass.

Margaret Johnson of Milo, Maine, is teaching at Houlton (Maine) High School.

#### 1942

Jean Cannell MacRae is keeping house in New Britain, Conn., and commuting to her job with the Aetna Life Insurance Company in Hartford. Weston MacRae is with Swift's in New Britain, but expects to be in the armed services before long.

Mary Reny of Waterville has accepted a teaching position in Rockport High School, Rockport, Maine.

Eleanor Mitchell has moved to Augusta with her family. She has been attending Gates Business College in Augusta during the summer.

#### Milestones

#### **ENGAGEMENTS**

Eleanor B. Ross, '37, of Houlton, Maine, to Lt. Ralph W. Howard of Hodgdon, Maine. Miss Ross recently completed her third year as biology instructor at Ricker Classical Institute. Jt. Howard, a graduate of Bowdoin College, is a second lieutenant, Army Air Force, and now serves as an instructor at Moody Field, Valdosta, Ga.

Marie C. Merrill, '42, of Bath, Maine, to Philip B. Wysor, '42, of Easton, Pa. Mr. Wysor, an avation cadet, is stationed in Norman, Okla.

Priscilla F. Perkins, '33, of Waterville, Maine, to Gordon W. Schumacher, '36, of Portland and Waterville.

Virginia S. Pomeroy of Worcester, Mass., to Rex D. Tarbell, '38, of Worcester. Miss Pomeroy graduated from the Bancroft School and attended the R. I. College of Design. At present she is associated in business with her father, president of the Thayer Woolen Company of North Oxford. Mr. Tarbell is affiliated with American Steel & Wire Co.

Rachel Elizabeth Winship of Lockport, N. Y., to Elliot H. Drisko, '39, of Columbia Falls, Maine, and Rochester, N. Y. Miss Winship, a graduate of the University of Rochester, is a case worker with the Family Welfare Society of Niagara Falls, N. Y. Mr. Drisko is the protective worker with the Niagara Falls Children's Aid Society.

Catherine M. Menton of Melrose, Mass., to Lt. Arthur F. Hannigan, '37, of Melrose. Miss Menton attended

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Aquinas College. Lt. Hannigan, a graduate of Tufts Dental School, is now in the U. S. Naval Reserve.

Doris E. Rose, '40, of Brighton. Mass., to Norman Medvin of Washington, D. C. Mr. Medvin is a graduate of the College of the City of New York and American University Graduate School.

Laura A. Davis of Machias, Maine, to Lt. Charles W. Graham, '40, of Calais, Maine. Miss Davis graduated from Machias High School in June of this year. Lt. Graham is at present stationed at Camp Forrest, Tenn.

Miriam L. Snow of Taunton, Mass., to John G. Rideout, '36, of Livermore

Falls, Maine.

Elizabeth M. Jensen of Falmouth. Maine, to Dr. John R. Merrick, '35, son of H. J. Merrick, '99, and Mrs. Merrick of Augusta. Miss Jensen, a graduate of the State Street Hospital School of Nursing in Portland, is employed as a laboratory technician at the Farrington Hospital in Portland.

Mary Adelaide Towne of East Walpole, Mass., to Lt. Duncan L. Cushing, 43, U. S. Army Air Corps.

Irene Shapiro of Winthrop, Mass., to Leon Tobin, '40, of Brighton, Mass. Miss Shapiro is a graduate of the Bishop-Lee Dramatic School, class of

Carolyn Hopkins, '42, of Camden, Maine, to L. Verneil Johnson, '42, of Waterville, Maine. Miss Hopkins is a teacher at Coburn Classical Institute, Waterville, and Mr. Johnson is at Quantico, Va., at the Marine Officers Training School.

#### MARRIAGES

Florence Tepperman of Brighton, Mass., to Ens. Harmond Robert Wit, '42, of Brookline, Mass., in Brookline,

June 20, 1942.

Katheryn E. Reny, '40, of Waterville, Maine, to Barnard W. Jordan, '40, son of Dr. Archer Jordan, '95, of Auburn, Maine, at Waterville, September 5, 1942. Mrs. Jordan has taught school in Waterville for the past two years. Mr. Jordan is instructor in aeronautics in the government training course at Colby.

Audrey Massell, '41, of Brookline, Mass., to Stephen Greenwald, '39, of Brooklyn, N. Y., in Brooklyn, August

2, 1942.

Florence Humphrey of Augusta, Maine, to Edgar Martin, '41, of Eagle Lake, Maine, on June 26, 1942. Both Mr. and Mrs. Martin teach at Ricker Classical Institute, Houlton, Maine.

Jeanette Nelson of Augusta and Monmouth, Maine, to Thomas J. Hickey, '34, of Augusta, in Winthrop, Maine, September 16, 1942. Mrs. Hickey, a graduate of Wellesley College, is the daughter of John E. Nelson, '98. She has been secretary at the Harvard Department of Economics in Cambridge and for Associated Industries of Maine in Augusta. Mr. Hickey is the Augusta reporter for the United Press and the Maine Radio News Service.

Dorothy Ditt-Benner of Tacoma, Wash., to Lt. Stanley J. Washuk, U. S. Army Air Corps, '37, at the army chapel at West Palm Beach, Fla., on July 5, 1942. At the present time Lt. Washuk is studying radio.

Rose Mary Beece to Cpl. Andrew H. Bedo, '43, U. S. Army Medical Department, at New York City, on August 23, 1942.

Eleanor M. Freeman of Portland, Maine, to Charles W. Berry, Jr., '42, of Portland, at Portland on August 29th. William H. Hughes, '41, of North Jay, Maine, and Mrs. Hughes were the only attendants.

Gwendolyn Seymore of Washington, D. C., and New Bedford, Mass., to R. Keith Thomas, '38, formerly of Waterville, Maine, at the Seamen's Mission Chapel, New Bedford, on June 26. Mr. Thomas is employed by the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in New Orleans, La.

Thelma M. Bassett, '41, of Cumberland Mills, Maine, to Ens. Robert C. Cornell, '43, USNR, at Malden, Mass., July 25, 1942. William Finkeldey, '44, of Hastings-on-Hudson, N. Y., was best man. Mrs. Cornell has been teaching at York High School. Ens. Cornell is attending Tufts Medical College, and the couple will make their home in Boston.

Harriet A. Agoos to Morton M. Goldfine, '37, on June 29, 1942, at Brookline, Mass. Mr. Goldfine is a Boston attorney

Rosemary McCauley of Atlantic, Mass., to Charles L. Dignam, '39, of Waterville, Maine, and Springfield, Mass., at Atlantic, Mass., on June 28, 1942. Walter L. Dignam, '33, was best man for his brother.

Virginia Deringer to Arthur T. Thompson, '40, on July 4, 1942, at Hartford, Conn.

Elizabeth J. Dyar, '22, of Holyoke, Mass., to Stanley P. Downs of Holyoke, at Montague, Mass., June 20, 1942. Mr. and Mrs. Downs will make their home at 23 Lyman Street, South Hadley Falls, Mass.

Anne F. Murray, '20, of Waterville, Maine, to Jeremiah J. Doyle, Jr., '22, of Hartford, Conn., on July 25, 1942, at Hartford, Conn. Miss Esther Murray, '18, of Waterville, a sister of the bride, and Robert J. Doyle, '16, of Nashua, N. H., brother of the groom, were the attendants. Mrs. Doyle has served as principal of the Western Avenue School in Waterville for several years. Mr. Doyle, who attended Colby for two years and graduated from the University of New Hampshire, is an inspector at the United Aircraft in Hartford. Mr. and Mrs. Doyle will reside in West Hartford, Conn.

Marion V. Jack of Thomaston, Maine, to Maurice A. Rancourt, '39, of Waterville, Maine, on August 1, 1942, at the Sacred Heart Church, Waterville. Robert Rancourt, '42, a brother of the groom, served as best man. Mrs. Rancourt, a native of Richmond, attended school in Washington, D. C., and has been employed at the U.S. Employment office in Portland. Mr. and Mrs. Rancourt will make their home in Portsmouth, N. H., where he is employed at the Navy Yard.

Thelma Lois Wolinsky of West Rutland, Vt., to Leo M. Seltzer, '37, of Fairfield, Maine, and Staten Island, N. Y., in New York City on June 28, 1942. Df. and Mrs. Seltzer met at the University of Vermont when she was an undergraduate student and he was taking his medical training. Since receiving his M. D. degree from Vermont in 1941, Dr. Seltzer has been at the Staten Island Hospital in New York and on July 1st entered the service as a first lieutenant in the Medical Corps. He is now stationed at Camp Pickett, Va.

Nannabelle Gray, '40, of Presque Isle, Maine, to Ens. William C. Carter, '38, USNR, of Waterville and Chicago, Ill., on August 2, 1942, at Presque Isle. Attendants were Raye Winslow, '41, and Clark H. Carter, '41, brother of the groom. Mrs. Carter taught science in the Washburn (Maine) High School for the past year. Ensign Carter, after completing a year at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, did graduate work at the University of Chicago and

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is now doing special work in the Naval Reserve. Ensign and Mrs. Carter make their home at 5419 Har-

per Ave., Chicago.

Irene M. Mudge of Augusta, Maine, to Alberoni R. Paganucci, '36, of Waterville, Maine, on August 1, 1942, at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Augusta. Benjamin Toomey, '24, was best man and Mrs. Toomey was matron of honor. Mrs. Paganucci taught at Smith School in Augusta for several years and for the past two years has been director of women's activities at the Rumford (Maine) Mechanics Institute. Mr. Paganucci has been serving as physical director at the Institute and is now employed at the South Portland Shipbuilding Corporation. The couple will make their home in Portland.

Helen O. Jevons, '37, of Glen Rock, N. I., to Lt. Royal G. Luther, Jr., '37, of Providence, R. I. Lt. Luther received his commission as a second lieutenant in the Corps of Engineers at Fort Belvoir, Va., on August 5 and is now stationed at Camp Adair, Ore. Mrs. Luther accompanied him to the

West Coast.

Martha S. Mahard of Natick, Mass., to John G. Hutcheson, '43, of Needham. Mass., at Wakefield, N. H., on April 18, 1942. Mr. Hutcheson is now in the United States Naval Reserve.

Betty Barter, '42, of Stonington, Maine, to Gordon A. Richardson, '42, of Rockland, Maine, at the First Congregational Church, Deer Isle, Maine, on August 15th. Miss Margaret Campbell, '42, was maid of honor, and among the bridesmaids were Mary Farrell, '42; Josephine Pitts, '44, and Marion B. Thomas, '42. Among the ushers were Richard Field, '43; Warren McDougal, '44; Edward Cook, '46, and Stanley Short, '44. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson will make their home in Stonington, where they are associated with the R. K. Barter Canneries, Inc.

Anita L. Thibault, '36, of Newburyport, Mass., to David F. Bourque of Amesbury, Mass., at Newburyport, on April 6, 1942. Betty Mulkern, '36, was the bride's only attendant. Mr. Bourque is a graduate of Northeastern University. Mr. and Mrs. Bourque will make their home in Huntsville, Ala., where he is an industrial engi-

neer.

S. Eleanor Manter, '36, of Vassalboro, Maine, to Paul J. LeMaistre, Tufts College, of Boston, Mass., in Goddard Chapel, Tufts College, on August 29, 1942.

Louise M. Hagan, '42, of Houlton, Maine, to Harold J. Bubar, '42, of Houlton, Maine, in Houlton on

August 14, 1942

Martha E. Wheeler, '44, of Waterville, to William Switzer, University of California, of Berkeley, Calif., under the redwood trees of Muir Woods, Calif., on May 18, 1942.

Ava Dodge, '28, of Newcastle, Maine, to Charles N. Barton, of Newcastle, in Lewiston, Maine, on August

24, 1942.

Geraldine F. Stefko, '41, of New York City, to Ens. Gordon B. Jones, '40, now stationed in Washington, D. C., at the Riverside Church, N. Y. C., on September 12, 1942. Lucile Jones, '36, sister of the groom, was maid of honor and Burr F. Jones, '07, father of the groom, was best man.

Isabel G. Putnam of Houlton, Maine, to James L. Ross, '36, in Houlton, July 11, 1942. The wedding ceremony took place in the Houlton Unitarian Church. Among the wedding party were the following Colby people: Hannah B. Putnam, '41; Floyd M. Haskell, '36; Robert O. Brown, '36.
Barbara Pulsifer of North Turner,

Barbara Pulsifer of North Turner, Maine, to Rev. Norman L. Porter, '42, of South Portland, Maine, in North

Turner on July 4, 1942.

Mildred N. Colwell, '39, of Hancock, Maine, to Ens. Machaon E. Stevens, '39, of Waterville, in Hancock,

on September 13, 1942.

Louise C. Smith, '33, of New York City, to Robert Velten, of New York City, in New York City on August 25, 1942. Present for the wedding ceremony were three former classmates of the bride: George Putnam, '34; Vesta Alden Putnam, '33, and A. Elizabeth Swanton, '33.

Barbara H. Partridge, '41, of West Scarboro, Maine, to Robert J. Ferguson of Newtonville, Mass., in Lexington, Mass., on September 19, 1942.

Ruth H. Scribner, '41, of Charleston, Maine, to Lieut. Edwin S. Rich, U. of M. '40, of Charleston, Maine, in Charleston on August 2, 1942.

#### **BIRTHS**

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Sterns (Fred J. Sterns, '29) of Skowhegan, Maine, a son, on September 18, 1942, at Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Smith (Robert M. Smith, '37, and Beulah

Fenderson, '36) of Ogunquit, Maine. a daughter, Kaaren, on February 7, 1942.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth F. Mills (Kenneth F. Mills, '35, and Mary Palmer, '33) of Portland, Maine, a daughter, Sherry Ann, on September 21, 1942.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Timson (Bertha Lewis, '34), a daughter, Linda Louise, on June 9 at Manchester, N. H.

To Mr. and Mrs. Francis B. Smith (Francis B. Smith, '34, and Edith Langlois, '34), a son, Francis Bradford Jr., on June 26th.

To Lt. and Mrs. Hawley Russell (Hawley Russell, '35, U. S. Navy), a son, on July 23 at Boston, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Langley (Thomas B. Langley, '31), a daughter, Lusannah Blake, on August 17, at Bluehill, Maine.

To Captain and Mrs. Philip L. Miller (Philip L. Miller, '29, U. S. Army), a daughter, Phyllis Anne, on March 2, 1942.

## Necrology

#### HORACE W. STEWART, '74

Horace W. Stewart, Colby's oldest alumnus and first judge of the Waterville Municipal Court, died on September 1, 1942, at a Waterville Hospital at the age of 90.

He was born in Hartland, Maine, Feb. 24, 1852. After his graduation from Colby in 1874, he read law in the office of Reuben Foster and in 1875 was admitted to the Maine Bar. In 1880 he was appointed first judge of the Waterville Municipal Court. At that time Waterville was a town and its only body of law enforcement officials was composed of a constable and a few night watchmen. As first judge of the local system, Judge Stewart established much of the present system. He drafted many forms and blanks which are still followed and put into effect many of the present court rules. Judge Stewart was active and had much to do in drafting the present city charter of Waterville. He was a leader in the Knights of Pythias and also held the distinction of being colonel of the first regiment, U.R.K.P. of the

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and in 1920 retired to his home in East Vassalboro.

In 1877 he married Miss Mary West of Waterville, who died many years ago. Judge Stewart is survived by one son, Raymond Stewart of Rockland, Maine.

#### WALTER L. HUBBARD, '96

Walter L. Hubbard passed away at his home in West Boylston, Mass., July 16, after a long period of failing health. He spent his early years in Bangor, prepared for college at the Bangor high school, and was graduated from Colby in the class of 1896. After serving as principal of schools in Old Town and Mattawamkeag, he was for 13 years associated with the Stickney & Babcock Coal Company of Bangor. He was one of the directors of the company.

After giving up business in Bangor he lived for several years in Charleston, Maine, and held positions with the Great Northern Paper Company and the Penobscot Development Company. Since 1919 he has resided in West Boylston, Mass. For two years he was in the employ of the U. S. government as an auditor in closing war contracts in Worcester. At the completion of that work he opened a a real estate and accounting office in Worcester. Later he added to that business an insurance agency and opened an office in West Boylston.

He was for many years on the Board of Trustees of Higgins Classical Institute and for a part of that time was president of the Board. He was clerk and a member of the Board of Deacons of the Baptist Church in West Boylston. He was a member of the Worcester Exchange Club, Boylston Lodge A. F. & A. M. and a 32nd degree Mason. For 13 years he was Town Auditor of West Boylston. While living in Bangor he was a member of the Common Council, treasurer of the First Baptist Church, and a member of the building committee of that church. In college he was prominent in athletics, and an active member of the Y.M.C.A., and keenly interested in the various activities of the College. He was a member of the D.K.E. fraternity.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Winnifred (Harmon) Hubbard, a graduate of Mount Holyoke; a son William, who is a contractor in West Boylston; and a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Holmes of Southbridge, Mass.

#### A CORRECTION

In the Necrology section of the April, 1942, issue there was reported the unconfirmed rumor that George H. Crobsy, '36, was killed in action on Bataan. Information has now come to hand from his mother that she has just had official word from the State Department that he was interned in the San Tomas Internment Camp at Manila. He phoned her from Manila on Dec. 30, but no further word had come until this notification that he was in good health when the Gripsholm left last June. He was serving in the Army and Navy Y. M. C. A. when war broke out.

#### CARO CHAPMAN ROBINSON, '10

Mrs. Caro Chapman Robinson died at her home in Portland, Maine, on March 23, 1942, after an illness of several months. She is survived by her husband, Edward L. Robinson, her son, John E. Robinson, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Chapman of Fairfield and by a brother, Clyde R. Chapman of Belfast, Maine.

After Mrs. Robinson's graduation from Colby in 1910 she taught in Erskine Academy, North Yarmouth Academy and South Berwick Academy until 1918 when she became a teacher of English in Deering High School, Portland.

In 1925 she married Edward L. Robinson of Portland and their home was located in South Portland and then in Portland. Mrs. Robinson was a member of Sigma Kappa Alumnae Association, Western Maine Colby Alumnae Association, State Street Congregational Church and Guild, the Pathfinders' Club of Deering High School, and in all these was an effective and faithful worker.

No account of Caro Robinson could be written without mention of the outstanding qualities which made her so likeable a personality. Her teaching and her friendships were colored by her strong feeling of sympathy. Her lively wit and unfailing sense of the humorous enlivened her associations and gave her friends many a chuckle with its consequent lightening of spirit. She combined her interest in antiques and her fine taste in house decoration in the making of a home which was a joy and inspiration to her family and her friends.

#### ALBAN FOWLER, '12

Alban Fowler, head of the science department of the Arlington (Mass.) High School, died in the Baker Memorial Hospital in Boston on July 26.

He was born on October 7, 1885, in St. John, N. B., the son of LeBaron W. and Sarah A. Fowler. He prepared for college at Westbrook Seminary and received his B. A. degree from Colby in 1912. For four years he was a chemist with the U. S. Rubber Co., and since 1916 taught in Massachusetts schools, serving in the science department in Arlington since 1921. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity; Russell Lodge, A. F. & A. M.; St. John's Episcopal Church and St. John's Men's Club, Arlington; New England Chemistry Teachers Association and Arlington Teachers' Club.

Mr. Fowler leaves a widow, Alice Davis Fowler, whom he married in Somerville, Mass., on December 22, 1917; a brother and three sisters.

#### ESTHER GILMAN YORKE, '16

Mrs. Esther Gilman Yorke died at her home in Augusta, Maine on July 26, 1942.

Mrs. Yorke was born at Hallowell, Maine, the daughter of Eugene Gilman and Annie Brown Gilman.

For the past five years she has been the educational supervisor at the State School for Girls in Hallowell. Previously she had taught in the public schools of Fairfield and had been in the Augusta school system for 13 years.

Esther Gilman attended Colby College and was a member of the Delta Delta Delta Sorority. She was a member of the Augusta College Club and of Koussinoc Chapter, D. A. R.

Mrs. Yorke is survived by her husband, Elmer E. Yorke, and by a daughter, Alberta V. Yorke, '39.

#### ENS. VICTOR P. MALINS, '39

Ens. Victor P. Malins, of Saugatuck, Conn., U. S. Navy flight instructor at the Wold-Chamberlain Naval Aviation Base, was killed and a student pilot injured on September 22nd at Minneapolis when their training plane went into a spin and crashed four miles southwest of the base. It was the first fatality for the base since it was set up at Wold-Chamberlain over seven years ago. The accident happened as the plane was approaching an auxiliary flying field and was expected to land.

About 300 feet off the ground, the plane went into a spin and plunged.

Malins was born March 17, 1915, at New York City, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Malins. He graduated from Norwalk (Conn.) High School. At Colby he played basketball and baseball and was head cheerleader for two years. He also served as president of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity.

Ensign Malins received his flight training at Squantum, Mass., and Jacksonville, Fla. He is survived by his wife, Marion; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Malins of Saugatuck, Conn.: one sister and one brother.

ENS. CHARLES F. MAGUIRE, '40

Ens. Charles F. Maguire, U. S. Navy, was killed August 19th when he leaped from a dive bomber at Camp Kearney, San Diego, Calif., and his parachute filled to specific to the same of the control of the

failed to open.

Born November 13, 1915, at Brighton, Mass., Maguire attended Brighton schools and Kents Hill Seminary in Maine. At Colby, Maguire was a star athlete in both football and baseball. During his junior year, he was named All-Maine football end and in his senior year captained the Colby baseball team. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity.

After graduating from Colby, Maguire coached at Jay (Maine) High School for a year. In the spring of 1941 he enlisted with the Naval Air Corps and received his flight training at Jacksonville. On June 15, 1942, he was commissioned an Ensign.

Ensign Maguire is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William B. Maguire of Allston, Mass.; a sister, Margaret; and two brothers, William

and John.

ENS. WILLIAM L. GUPTILL, '41

Ens. William L. Guptill, U. S. Navy, of Winthrop, Mass., was killed in a plane crash near the Navy auxiliary flying field near Creeds, Va., on September 6th. The Navy announced that the plane crashed two miles northeast of the field, after spinning in from the top of a loop. Also killed in the crash was Ensign Guptill's passenger, Lt. M. N. Lawrence of the Navy Medical Corps.

Ensign Guptill, born at Roxbury, Mass., on March 3, 1919, was the son of the late Leon C. Guptill, Colby '09, and Helen Boyd Guptill. At Colby he was a member of the Zeta Psi Fraternity and held several fraternity and

class offices.

Immediately after his graduation from Colby, Guptill entered naval aviation, receiving his training at Squantum, Mass., and Jacksonville, Fla. He was also stationed at Miami, Fla., and Norfolk, Va. Last April, after receiving his commission, he re-

turned to Colby for a short leave and gave several talks to the undergraduates on naval aviation.

On July 25, 1942, Ensign Guptill married Nancy Lee Sullivan of Cincinnati. He is survived by his widow; his mother; and a sister, Mrs. Nancy Searle of Flushing, N. Y.

## Vic and Mike and Suppy

A LITTLE while ago and they were here. There was a table by the window where he used to sit, the last one that went. And by the counter and the window, and the magazine stand they all used to stand, and talk and smoke with the rest. You see, there wasn't a war then, at least, not for us. There was nothing but headlines and European names and discussions in the class room and much laughter at the station. And we still played football as though it were the most important thing in the world. And there was the blurred gold of a fall day over China lake and spring on the Messalonskee — nothing between us and that, save a cloud the size of a man's hand in the sky. And we scarcely noticed, not then.

"Will we get in do you think?"

"It isn't possible."

"We can keep out."

"Impossible."

And they sat at Parks' with us; and they danced, and they sat up late at night cramming for the next day; and they came into the station on winter mornings when the sun shone crystalline on the iron tracks and made a fire on ice. And the cloud to them was also no bigger than the hand of a man. Oh, there are many things to remember about that time. And it wasn't so long ago; yet now their faces are even a little hard to remember. Strange.

"May I have this dance?" they said. They shouted for their coffee with the rest, and they crossed the tracks, and watched the trains, and complained. Yet when 650 voices were lifted up in the Alma Mater, that mighty and lovely thing, they sang, and were moved with the rest in spite of themselves. And like the rest of us they saw the discrepancy between what we

wished, and what we had, disappear for a moment, bridged with memory and peace. And they felt, too, an immense tolerance and love for old Colby. It was inevitable. They did not see the final colonization of the Hill or the new President. It was not for them. But they lighted bonfires for Home-Coming and they debated with Dr. Libby on the war. That was the war then; not a tactual living thing but an abstraction for bright young men to sharpen their wits and brains on.

It is now like a landscape that is hung in the room of a house—immobile and nostalgic and out of time. There were three of them, Vic and Mike and Guppy. We said "Hi" when we greeted them, too, and they were no different. That is why when the news came—three messages which beat down like hail on the uplifted faces of those who heard—we could not understand. We were bent with the heaviness of it; and the image in our memory refused to believe that the living forms which stamped it there had passed.

The lights still burn here; outside it is dark. The circle is not broken but it is smaller. It is a magic circle; do not move; do not leave it. The station is there and we still go to it. We stand and smoke and talk. It is not yet so crowded that there is not room for three more. Over there in the smoke they stand. The Freshmen mill around, not seeing. But others see, and stop, and are quiet. The three smile a little and slide down to their accustomed places. The smoke rises like a slow, conscious breath and finally rests upon their faces. Outside there are little sighs of wind, a door closes, and the lights burn on.

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