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A WINTER'S TALE
There were many ways of having good times at the pre-war Colby, and this layout of photos taken in the late thirties will touch off pleasant memories in the minds of the younger graduates.
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The Cover

The sign is a needless admonition during January, for the Women’s Union is unvisited and the snow drifts swirl higher as the college takes a six week recess after its pre-Christmas graduation. By February first, however, the buildings will be dug out again and bus loads of girls will have arrived to make the buildings once again humming with life.

Fan Mail

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The President's Page

The war is far from won, but now that the end seems to be in sight we can already feel the jockeying for position that is going on among the pressure groups in Washington. With the passing of the worst of the emergency the old desire for power is once more asserting itself. Unfortunately this is true in education as well as in politics. We can already hear demands that education in the post-war world shall champion the cause of this or that special interest.

The older alumni will recall that we passed through a similar period after the last war. Many of our institutions were visited by "red-baiters" and "heresy-hunters" intent on sniffing out treason or evidences of lack of orthodoxy and some colleges were put on the defensive to such an extent that it was a long time before they could settle down to the regular routine of study and teaching.

I am not really afraid that we shall have to go through this experience in all its bitterness again. Colby has made too apparent its devotion to the ideal of freedom of speech and in particular its reverence for the memory of Elijah Parish Lovejoy. Furthermore, public opinion has itself moved a long way in the last twenty-five years. We have seen what happens to a country that tries to muzzle its press, and to prescribe what its schools shall teach, and we have vowed that it cannot and shall not happen here. Yet attacks on freedom when they come are apt to clothe themselves in such strange disguises and to look like something so very different from what they are that it is just as well to be on the alert for them. Obviously no one, either now or after the war, is going to recommend in so many words that the college turn its back on freedom of speech. What is more likely is that some group will come forward saying: "Of course we are as much interested in maintaining freedom as anyone else, but we find that the times require the teaching of this or that doctrine, and we are eager to have Colby aware of its responsibilities in this matter."

Some such situation may easily arise. For my part I can see only one attitude that the college can take to it. Colby recognizes its responsibility to the truth and to the truth alone. It is the truth that shall make us free and it is the untrammeled spirit of inquiry that shall lead us to the truth. "Some things I have said," remarked Socrates, "of which I am not wholly confident. But that we shall be better and braver and less helpless if we think that we ought to inquire, than we could possibly be if we thought there was no use in trying to know what we do not know already — on this theme I am ready to fight, both in word and in deed, to the utmost of my power!"

This ringing statement has always seemed to me the basic element in the creed of the liberal educator. Colby, as a liberal arts college, is a community of inquirers, and it will not tolerate the presence of any element which interferes with the process of inquiry. Its teachers are chosen for their inquiring minds and for the special training which makes them able to carry on the process of inquiry more effectively. After it has chosen them the college places complete faith in their character and judgment. It promises to bring no pressure to bear on them to teach any special doctrine and it promises to protect them from outside influences as well. Above all else it wants them to be free to grow and to transmit the spirit of eager, growing inquiry to those whom they teach.

Colby's freedom, in other words, is the freedom of mature scholarship. But to say this is not to give expression to any new or strikingly radical idea. It is simply a re-affirmation of the faith that has animated the college for the last one hundred and twenty-five years.

J. S. Bixler
THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

TWO YEARS — On the second anniversary of Pearl Harbor we stopped to take a look at what two years of war can do to an alumni and student body. We saw nearly one year of war can do to an alumni and student body. The college sent nearly one thousand men and women abroad — in tanks, in jeeps, and on foot. We saw nearly one hundred Colby men out of three in uniform, and scattered from Chungking to Salerno, from Iceland to the Caribbean, in planes, in submarines, in ships, in tanks, in jeeps, and on foot.

If you care for statistics, the Service List includes 1,040 men and women whose addresses we have and another 99 known to be somewhere in service. These are divided between the services: Army, 745; Navy, 315; Marine Corps, 63; Coast Guard, 10; Royal Canadian Forces, 4; British Medical Corps, 1; Red Cross Field Service, 1; American Field Service, 1. The 20 Colby women include 15 WAVES, two WACs and three Army Nurses.

The “fightingest class” is 1944, with 93 members in uniform and more to come. Next are 1942 and 1945, with 89 and 80 respectively. The age spread ranges from 1906 (Capt. Edwin P. Craig) to the class of 1947 with 12 youngsters who have had hardly more than a taste of college. The top-ranking men are Brig. Gen. Wolcott P. Hayes, '18, in the Army, and Captains John N. Hartman, '16, Don S. Knowlton, '16, and Marshall B. Gurney, '25, in the Navy.

On the Pearl Harbor anniversary the records showed 18 Gold Stars for Colby men who have died in service, while three others are missing with their fate unknown, and three have been reported as prisoners of war. At least 14 have been decorated for valor or merit, and others have received commendations.

The impressive thing, however, is not merely the scope of this college’s contribution to the war effort, but its quality, as revealed in exploit after exploit described in the issues of this magazine and the certainty that these are merely typical of other deeds just as outstanding although they may never get by the censor. It is amazing to think of a high school teacher out-smarting the Japs as he prowls around an island about to be invaded, or a chunky freshman slugging it out with three Nazis hand to hand and bagging them all, or a local lawyer leaving his steam-heated second floor office and a couple of years later turning up as a Lieutenant Colonel receiving official commendation for intrepidity and administrative skill in the Solomons.

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INTERCOLLEGIATE — We have not yet heard it mentioned by educators, but right now there is going on in America a great experiment in the cross-pollination of collegiate experiences.

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CENSORABLE—Chaplain Charles T. Russ, '38, USNR, serves aboard a ship in combat operations. An understanding young cleric, he felt that many of the traditional hymns in the Army-Navy Hymnal, with their mid-Victorian religiosity, somehow did not answer the needs of men today. Accordingly, he set about to write some new ones, and we recently received copies of two, mailed from some South Pacific port.

They exhibit good, straightforward, worshipful sentiment, even though one is a bit startled to find such up-to-date lines as

With atom and with molecule,
All matter didst Thou bring . . .
Or such undeniably appropriate stanzas as:

With bombs and fire we fight our foe,
Backed up by faith in Thee;
That peace may come, and truth may thrive,
And men may all be free.
That is our cause. Let wrong now die;
A cause which is Thine own.
Chastise our sins, but speed the day
When right by all is known.

After examining these hymns, our eye was caught by the rubber stamp of the Naval Censor and, reading Russ’s accompanying letter, we learned that, before mailing, he had to transcribe the words and music, by hand, making four copies for submission before the proper boards for official scrutiny. And after all that, he had to append to each hymn the following signed statement: “The opinions or assertions contained herein are the private ones of the writer and are not to be construed as official or reflecting the views of the Navy Department, or the naval service at large.”

This seemed to indicate something pretty serious, so we sang the hymns through all over again to try to find out just what the Navy Department was so timid about sponsoring. And

We Point With Pride To—

Dr. Hugh L. Robinson, '18, the Number One citizen of the San Tomas Internment Camp, Manila.
Maj. Philip L. Miller, '29, who successfully performed a hazardous reconnaissance in enemy territory.
Pfc. Gilbert E. Potts, '42, awarded the Purple Heart, Italy.
Lt. Evan J. McIlraith, '43, awarded Silver Star, Italy.
Lt. Robert H. Carey, '44, awarded Silver Star and Purple Heart, Italy.
then we found it; staring us right in
the face, a stanza beginning:

O God who ere the world begun
Didst rule in every sky . . .

See? A clear admission of air
supremacy not being held by the U. S.
Navy! No wonder the censor refused
to take responsibility.

DEFINITELY — We keep getting
gratifying reports as to the atti-
dude of our Aviation Students towards
the college. Every so often one of our
own service men runs into some cadets
who were "processed" at Colby, and
the conversation seems to dwell upon
wishing that they were back on the
banks of the Kennebec. Recently, too,
confirmation of this feeling was shown
by a letter written by one of the boys
here to a relative who happens to be a
patient of Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05.
"Colby College is definitely a great
place," he wrote. "The food is ex-
cellent and the facilities good. There
are 500 cadets here, with a class grad­
uating every few weeks. It really is a
miniature West Point in many ways,
with the senior class having the run of
the place."

CALENDAR — Time was when
the dates of opening and clos­
ing of colleges did not vary more than
a week or two, and New England
would have fifteen or twenty com­
cencements, perhaps, on the same
June weekend. Not so today. With
every college experimenting with its
own accelerated program, or linked up
with some service school, the tradi­
tional September to June academic
year has gone out the window. Bates,
for instance, has had to adjust its
calendar to the Navy schedule of
three terms, beginning in March, July,
and November.

For two years now Colby has had
the novel experience of a shutdown
through January. We ended our fall
term December 21st and will begin
again on February first. For the next
year, however, the faculty has worked
out a still different calendar. The
idea of finishing the fall term before
Christmas so as to avoid the inter­
ruption and loss of stride just three
or four weeks before mid-year exams
seemed desirable and proved its
merit, but it just didn't seem to com­
bine with a satisfactory summer term,
so a new arrangement has been
planned.

The coming Spring Term will ex­
tend from February 1 to May 21
(Commencement); the Summer Term
from June 27 to September 25; and
the Fall Term (this is where we de­
part from custom) from October 3 to
January 30. The Summer Term of
12 weeks will yield the customary
term (semester) credits. However,
instead of taking five courses three
times a week, the student will take
two courses five times a week and a
half course three times a week. There
is a little slack there, according to
mathematics, but that will be made up
by periods ten minutes longer and by
piling on the work a bit more inten­
sively. So the summer's study will be
delightful, but tough.

INTERNEES — Some months ago
we speculated in these columns
whether the four Colby people believed
to be interned by the Japanese in San
Tomas Concentration Camp, Manila,
ever got together to form a local Colby
alumni association behind the barbed
wire. Well, it seems that they haven't.
We just had a most interesting conver­
sation with Charles H. Perkins, '17,
who was repatriated on the Gries­
holm. Yes, he knew George Crosby,
'38, who had been in YMCA work,
and more recently with a business
firm. Crosby was OK, he said, but
probably has been transferred to an­
other camp. But Perkins never knew
that Crosby went to Colby. How about
Leonette Warburton Wishard,
'23? "Why, is she a Colby alumna?"
Yes, he knew the Wishards well.
They had built a sort of palm leaf per­
gola for themselves where they ate
their meals and entertained their
friends. They were getting along all
right, he said. Finally, did he know
a Dr. Hugh Robinson, '18? Yes, he
certainly did. Perkins had needed
considerable medical attention and Dr.
Robinson was his doctor for about two
years, but, not until they were sailing
home on the Griesholm did they dis­
cover that they were fellow Colbyites
— Perkins attended one year, the year
before Robinson entered. So, that was
the nearest that the Colby group ever
came to forming an alumni club.

Mr. Perkins, a slender, quiet-spoken
man with graying hair and mustache,
was with the Socony-Vacuum com­
pany, as manager of lubricating oil
sales on the islands. From his office
building he watched the first sicken­
ing attack which put the air force out
of commission, but he went to his
office daily until the Japs entered
Manila. His first contact with them
was that night when the Japs came
into the hotel where Mr. and Mrs.
Perkins lived and demanded that all
the residents appear for questioning.
The manager talked them out of do­
ing it that night, so guards were
posted and the next day each resident
had to fill out a questionnaire and all
enemy aliens were taken to the San
Tomas University. There were no
dormitories, so the classrooms were
converted into barracks. Cots were
provided eventually, but packed in
with barely walking space between
rows. Lavatory facilities were almost
nil, so the morning ablutions meant
interminable waiting in line. Mrs.
Perkins said that it was the crowding
that got on everyone's nerves, develop­
ing serious neuroses in some women.
American organizing ability soon got
to work, they said, committees were
formed and all manner of expedients
were developed to make things some­
what more bearable. One life-saver
was the university library which pro­
vided a method of whiling away parts
of the endless days. Perkins did not
care to talk too freely for publication,
dreading to say anything that might
get back to the Japs and make things
harder for those still interned, includ­
ing his own married daughter and her
husband. Their bitterest moment, he
said, was perhaps when they changed
ships at Portuguese Goa, and the
Americans standing there, emaciated,
tattered, looted of all their worldly
goods, saw the Japanese who were re­
turning home from America, sleek,
plump, well dressed, and carrying
armfuls of new modern luggage.
"But," he said, "they were going into
trouble, while we were coming away
from it." What was their biggest
moment? When they got mail as they
boarded the Griesholm. (They had
been without any for two years.)
Their son, Charles Junior, who started
Colby with the class of '44, they dis­
covered, was a Corporal in the South
Pacific Marines and was in the South
Pacific theater. Asked what was his most
striking impression upon landing in
New York, Perkins said that it was
his utter amazement that America was
apparently still on a peacetime basis.
Street lights, taxis, theaters, fashions,
luxury shops, automobile traffic, laugh-
ing, well-fed people. "Why," he said, shaking his head, and remembering the awful ache of Bataan and Corregidor and two long, hungry, miserable, mortifying years, "we're a long, long ways from total war over here!"

MISSIONARY — And while we are on the subject, it is evident that Dr. Hugh Robinson, '18, mentioned above, is a man of whom Colby can be more than proud. Mr. Perkins remarked that he did more for the morale of the San Tomas internees than any other single person there. Carl Mydens, Life correspondent, interviewed upon his arrival on the Gripsholm, was quoted in the papers as saying of Robinson: "There is a wonderful man! He did superb work at the camp, taking care of the health of all the internees — and with a pitiful shortage of medical supplies."

Further testimony comes from the secretary of the Congregationalist North China Mission: "Hugh was one of the outstanding Americans in the community of four thousand. He made a grand and glorious contribution to the life of the internees. Hugh knew everything. One prominent man in praising him toward the end of the internment said that he didn't know that Hugh was 'one of those damn missionaries.'"

BUS PILOT — It does not take long for a person to become a "campus tradition." Already a fixture is Rowena, driver of the college bus, deliverer of Mayflower Hill mail.

Rowena (it took us quite a few inquiries to ascertain that her last name is Cochran) was facing the problem of supporting herself and four-year old son last summer and was about to leave for Portland to seek a shipyard job when "Wallie" (former DU matron) told her that the college was looking for a woman bus driver. Accustomed to handling a four-speed Chevy truck which she and her late husband used in their summer business as proprietors of the Morse Point store, serves as a waiting room, refurbished by green enameled and tubular steel modernistic chairs.

On a typical trip, Rowena beeps the horn and pulls out at fifteen minutes before the hour, probably with some Hedman Hall boys and a few girls who have just had biology or shorthand and typing. There are usually some fellows to be picked up opposite Bouteille House, and at Post Office Square on the Center Street corner there will be quite a delegation of local students, faculty members, or dormitory girls who have been doing errands. Wilkie hails the bus at the Pleasant Street corner and Prof. Carr or Eddie-Joe Colgan are apt to be waiting on Gilman Street. Rowena has to shift gears before getting to the Johnsons' new house and again on the last pitch approaching the new buildings. She circles the dormitory and comes to a stop in front of the Union where her return passengers are already crowding the steps. A few minutes later the whole process is repeated in reverse.

VIGNETTES — It was on the 5:30 bus to Mayflower Hill and already dark. Two co-eds somewhere in back were speculating on what the supper menu would be. Passing Foss Hall, one could look into the dining room windows and see the tall young men filing in or eating at the tables. "You know," said a wee, wistful voice, "I wouldn't mind being back in Foss Hall and having supper right now, at that."

A platoon was swinging down College Avenue singing lustily. An RAF lad in blue-gray uniform and cap cocked over one ear was coming up the sidewalk. With sudden inspiration, the platoon leader halted the group, faced them towards the sidewalk, and with more vigor than ever they continued singing "I've Got a Sixpence." at the Britisher, who stopped, grinning. They came to the end; he saluted; the leader barked "Right face!" and the youths from two united nations went their ways.

Black-eyed, bright as a button, 11 year-old Johnny sold papers to the Army students. Knowing his way around the various buildings, he built up a pretty good clientele of regular customers. A couple of weeks ago they missed him. Then the word got around that he was in the hospital. He had had a nearly fatal accident walking along the tracks as a train was coming by. One leg had to be chopped off. They kidded with him for a while, then said that they had brought him "a little something from the boys." They dumped this "little something" onto the bed. Bill had silver poured onto the counterpane. Johnny finally got it counted: $200!
COLBY IN THE OTHER WAR

President Roberts' Letters to Service Men Give Picture of Campus in 1918

What was Colby like during the last war? No better picture of the campus in 1918 can be given than is in the letters by President Arthur J. Roberts written to the Colby men in service. Alumni of that era will be reminded of many a name and incident long forgotten, while others will find it interesting to compare the many similarities as well as the differences between the two situations. One point might well be noted: in June 1918, just five months before the Armistice, President Roberts was hoping that the war would be over for the Centennial in 1920. Today, as we look grimly at the prospect of years, rather than months, of war, perhaps we, too, are nearer peace than we think. The three letters below, which were printed and sent to all service men, are found in the Colby Library.

1 April, 1918.
To all Colby Soldiers and Sailors:

Every Sunday afternoon—the best time in the week for writing our home people—I think how much I should like to write a letter with my own hand to every Colby soldier and sailor, to report the news and to say, God bless you!

But as a matter of fact there isn't much news here at the College, for the news-makers are mostly gone. The senior class is reduced to 18 members, and there are about as many boys in the freshman class as in the other three classes put together. But after all we are having a good year; we are proud of our thinned and thinning ranks, and the boys who remain are working with definite, earnest purpose to get ready for whatever call may come to them. You have not shirked your duty: they will not shirk theirs.

Those of you who are over in France are enjoying the benefits of native instruction, but I wish all the boys in the camps could be taking Professor Johnson's course in Trench French. Everybody says it's great. But I'm afraid it is rather too interesting to be strictly academic!

Professor Franklin is giving a new course on the literature of the War,—the books that have been written about that of which you are all of you a part. When you undergraduates come back to finish your course, and there is no censor to interfere with your story, what interesting literature you yourselves will be! I look forward to listening to you by the hour.

You of recent years will be glad to know that the War has mellowed me somewhat and I occasionally allow a boy to come into my philosophy class even if the bell has stopped ringing.

A notable bit of news for many of you will be this reminder that Professor Taylor will complete next June his fiftieth year as teacher in this college. I can't see that he looks a day older than he did to my freshman eyes thirty years ago.

Former members of the Colby School of Journalism will be interested to know that Mr. Fassett resigned at the end of the first semester this year and that the course is now being conducted by Professor Libby, whose aim—"I want to send a word to the Colby family"

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18 June, 1918.
To all Colby Soldiers and Sailors:

This is the day after Commencement and I want to send a word about it to the members of the Colby family scattered far afield and especially to the boys who would have been graduated yesterday if it had not been for the war. Sixteen were present to receive their diplomas. Degrees were granted five other members of the Class who were called into the Service before the end of the Senior year: Carleton Moore Bailey, Roy Mitchell Hayes, Herbert Lee Newman, Raymond Henry Parker, Milton Alvah Philbrook. The names of the members of the Class who left College last year to go into the army and navy and who have been granted credit for three full years of work were read: Elmer Reginald Craig, Irving Marsh Derby, Sewell LeRoy Flagg, Robert Harold Gallier, Francis Paul Gately, Harold Wilson Goodrich, Ralph King Harley, Wallace Gerry Hastings, Wocott Paige Hayes, Howard Foster Hill, Fred Knowlton Hussey, George Ernest Ingersoll, Donald Gleason Jacobs, Norman dunham Lattin, Robert Allison Matthews, Harris Birdstill McIntyre, Dennis Thomas O'Leary, Alfred Hopkins Patterson, Jonas Gleason Perry, Charles Hermes Piebes, Albert Franklin Robinson, Carl Webster Robinson, Paul Allison Thompson. And the absent, as their names were read, seemed present with us, as we thought of them one by one, and Commencement really...
seemed theirs as much as ours. So far as degrees are concerned, they can count on generous treatment by the College — these members of 1918 who put aside their books last year to go to war: for instance, it is entirely safe to predict that if one of these boys should wish to study medicine, he would be granted his Colby degree at the end of his first year in the medical school. After the war is over, the College will do its best to see that no one's success is hindered or retarded by the sacrifice he is making now.

Sunday afternoon in the Chapel we dedicated our Colby Service flag with its 342 stars! Professor Libby gave a very interesting account of our Colby war activities and John E. Nelson, '98, delivered the address of dedication. I venture to say that you could count on the fingers of one hand all the service flags in the United States that have been dedicated this year in speeches more eloquent and moving than that of Mr. Nelson. I wish every one of you could have heard it.

At Commencement dinner Judge Cornish read the resolutions of the Trustees in recognition of Professor Taylor's fifty years of service to the College and announced that in his honor the professorship he holds shall be hereafter called the Taylor Professorship of Latin. Professor Taylor responded in the splendid sort of speech he best knows how to make,—a speech full of wit and wisdom, insight and vision, and not a platitude in it! And the best thing about it all is that Professor Taylor at the end of his half century of teaching still has abundant strength and courage to continue his work.

You must hurry up with the war for we want it all over with before 1920. Our centennial is due then but we shall not celebrate it until the boys come marching home again. We want all the Colby veterans of the Great War, every last man of them, in the procession that will move down College Avenue on our anniversary day.

Talk of the hardships of the soldier's life! What do you think of Professor Libby holding 87 rehearsals inside of four days?

November 11, 1918

To Colby Men in Service:

Having marched all over Waterville in a Peace Procession, I am finishing out the holiday by writing a word to all Colby soldiers, sailors, and fliers. I thought of them the first thing last night, or this morning rather, when I was waked up by a double blast of the fire whistle, repeated again and again, and I have been thinking of them all day, — especially of the boys who have not finished their college course and of the recent graduates who entered the service before even deciding upon their life work, to say nothing of making some sort of preparation for it. The College is eager to help all such in every possible way. I shall be glad to hear from all those who are in doubt as to how best to proceed when demobilization comes.

This has been my busy fall or I should have before this given you some account of the new order of things at the College. Colby is really an army post. Most of the students in the men's division are soldiers. They are housed, clothed, and subsisted at Government expense, and everybody gets a dollar a day besides. All necessary expenses paid and $30 a month for unnecessary ones, will, I am sure, seem to some of you like going to college under rather easy conditions.

The members of the S.A.T.C. are, of course, under military discipline. They eat, sleep, drill, study, and play according to schedule. The Chapel is used for a study hall and during the day the men study there under supervision when they are not in classes. In the evening they put in two hours of supervised study in barracks.

In the S.A.T.C. there are not four classes, senior, junior, sophomore, and freshman, but rather three sections composed of men twenty years old, nineteen, and eighteen. It was expected that the twenty years old men would stay here until Christmas, the nineteen years old until Easter, and the eighteen years old until June. What new arrangements the Government may contemplate, in view of the certainty of settled peace in the not distant future, have not yet been published.

The required amount of academic work reckoned in hours is about the same as in other years. Military instruction amounts to eleven hours a week. Some of the academic courses prescribed by the Government are new in content and in method. The changes in instruction we have been required to make are in the main worthy of permanent adoption. There is no likelihood of our getting back
into some of the ruts out of which we have been jolted!

We are using the Gymnasium for a mess hall; the "chef," as the soldiers call him, is Mr. Weymouth, who used to run the Y.M.C.A. restaurant. The lieutenant instructors think so highly of the brand of nourishment we provide that they have given up their boarding place downtown and are eating with us.

For barracks we are using North College, Hedman Hall, and the south end of South College. The A.T.O. living room is a Y.M.C.A. but with Professor Brown at the counter. The parlor of Hedman Hall is the Post Exchange: pie, I am told, is the largest single item of its business. The civilians live in the north end of South College. The Phi Delta Theta House was used for a hospital while the influenza threatened, and is now empty. The Delta Kappa Epsilon House is closed. The Government permits no fraternity activity of any sort among the soldiers, and the civilians are too few in numbers to be separated into fraternity groups. There will be an immediate revival of them all as soon as the Government permits.

The Alumnus will reach you about as soon as this letter. The first number of the year is just coming off the press. The Echo has suspended publication for the present: the civilians felt unequal to the undertaking, and the fighting men have had neither time nor taste for literary pursuits. Let us hope that with the coming of peace the Echo will once again be vocal.

Our Students Army Training Corps registers one hundred twenty-five men, over eighty of them freshmen. The civilians in the men's division number forty, and there are a little over one hundred fifty women in college this fall. Our total registration is three hundred and fifteen as compared with three hundred and fifty last year.

We have a good football team with an abundance of first class material: Libby Pulsifer is captain. We won from Bowdoin at Brunswick last Saturday 13-0, and are to play Maine here at Waterville next Saturday. No game could be arranged with Bates.

All Colby undergraduate soldiers and sailors and fliers are in a good school right now. The training they are receiving will stand them in good stead when they return to college next year. We are getting ready to give some new courses for their benefit,—courses planned with special reference to practical needs, and to the larger experience and wider outlook of those who went away boys and come back men.

Yours very truly,

Arthur J. Roberts.

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**SHANNON PAPERS PRESENTED TO LIBRARY**

Some of the personal papers of Colonel Richard C. Shannon of the Class of 1862 have been presented to the Colby Library by his nephew, Richard C. Shannon, '99, of Waterville.

The most interesting single item is his diary written while in Libby Prison in 1863. The story of its long disappearance and eventual return reads more like fiction than actual fact. Captain Shannon (as he was then) had been in prison several weeks when he was allowed to buy some supplies. With four dollars in Confederate money he purchased a "Manual of Grecian Antiquities," by E. F. Bojesen. On the blank leaves in the front and back of this book he started his diary. In the first entry he writes of the tediousness of prison life and mentions that evening the men were singing "Home Sweet Home," saying: "Who can appreciate these sentiments if we cannot!"

On June 1st Shannon was exchanged with other prisoners and at that time his diary disappeared. In 1885 a notice appeared in the Altoona Tribune from Milton S. Lytle, a lawyer, inquiring if anyone knew the whereabouts of Richard Cutts Shannon, formerly assistant adjutant general in the Second Brigade, First Division of the Twelfth Army Corps, as he had information for him. Friends of Colonel Shannon brought this notice to his attention and through correspondence he learned that his diary which had been left at Corps Headquarters for twenty-two years was still in existence.

Among other items given to the Library from the estate of Colonel Shannon are two diaries of trips he made to Brazil and China in 1877 and 1886 respectively. The diary of the journey to Brazil is of especial interest. It presents a first hand picture of conditions in the country at that time. The occasion for the trip was the necessity of exploring and opening up the interior to develop gold mining properties. The journal also gives an excellent picture of American methods used in the development of Brazilian resources.

Of particular interest to Colby is an article on college days in the late '50s prior to the outbreak of the Civil War. This will add more first hand information to our knowledge of that interesting and trying period in Colby's history.

The most valuable items in this collection are the papers bearing the signatures of Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Johnson, Ulysses S. Grant and Benjamin Harrison. These consist of army and diplomatic appointments received by Colonel Shannon.
THE DECEMBER COMMENCEMENT

WITH 93 of their classmates already in uniform, 17 members of the class of 1944 received their diplomas on December 12, six months ahead of normal schedule. About the same number will graduate next May. The Bachelor of Arts degree was conferred upon Margaret Chase Smith, United States Congresswoman from the Second Maine District. Barbara Griffiths, Beverly, Mass., received Cum Laude honors for high scholarship. The Commencement speaker was Prof. Wilbert L. Carr, head of the department of classics at Colby. The exercises were held in the Women's Gymnasium.

Although small, the graduating class enjoyed several festive events over the weekend, and their carefree attitude was enhanced by the fact that the underclassmen were just getting ready for a week of final examinations. A class banquet was held on the previous Thursday evening, a farewell tea given by the faculty on Friday afternoon, open house at the Bixlers' Saturday afternoon, the Glee Club Concert and dance that evening, while Sunday's events included the Baccalaureate Sermon in the forenoon in the Chapel, with President Bixler preaching the sermon, and a buffet luncheon at noon for the seniors, their families and guests. The graduation exercises were at three.

Dr. Carr, in the commencement address, drew a parallel between the great Greek tragedies and the present world situation.

"We need no Aeschylus to dramatize for us the terrible truth that because of the sins of their fathers millions of men, women and children in Europe and Asia are suffering tortures of body and soul," he said.

"We need no Euripides with his chorus of Trojan women to reveal to us the horrors of slavery by conquest, when the dullest of ears can hear the lamenting chorus of thousands of Polish women, Czechoslovakian women, Greek women, Russian women, who are suffering a more terrible fate than the women of Troy."

Declaring that the ancient Greeks, for all their abilities, lacked political wisdom, the speaker asked: "Have we moderns learned from our experience in two wars that international co-operation must supplant a cutthroat international policy?"

Concluding, he said: "I believe that far from making atheists the sufferings of this war is leading men and women everywhere to a deeper and surer belief that we live in a world of moral order where our individual and collective struggles for righteousness shall not be in vain.

HONORARY DEGREE CITATION

"Margaret Chase Smith: Member of the House of Representatives in the Seventy-Eighth Congress of the United States of the important Naval Affairs Committee in that body; known for your ability to envisage in a statesman-like way the needs of the entire country without forgetting your responsibilities to your own constituency in Maine—Colby College, now for the first time in its history predominantly an institution for women, thus recognizes your position of leadership among the women of this country."

"I am even optimistic enough to hope that this time we shall win the peace; that this time the leaders at the peace conference and the peoples they represent will be able to see that the Golden Rule is not just a beautiful sentiment but the only way by which men can live in peace in the same house or in the same nation or in the same world."

Students who received degrees were: Robert E. Kahn, New York City; Joseph A. Marshall, Waterville; Thomas P. Norton, Roslindale, Mass.; Catherine Clark, Merrimac, Mass.; Priscilla A. Gould, Walpole, Mass.; Barbara Griffiths, Beverly, Mass.; Priscilla L. Higgins, Portland; Dorothy J. Holtman, Chevy Chase, Md.; Virginia Howard, West Hartford, Conn.; Eileen A. Matteo, Providence, R. I.; Vivian M. Maxwell, Waterville; Evelyn Gates Moriarty, Rangoon, Burma; Josephine M. Pitts, Rockport; Priscilla W. Tallman, Cranston, R. I.; Lucille D. Upton, Waterville; Lottie Wanagel, Norwich, Conn.; Mary F. Weeks, Waterville.

BOSTON ALUMNAE

HEAR "MY DAY"

ON Friday evening, November 12, 42 members of the Boston Colby Alumnae Association, representing classes from 1895 to 1943, enjoyed a dinner at the Colonial Kitchen on Charles Street. The president, Marjorie Gould, ’37, after a brief business meeting, called on Mrs. Alona Nicholson Bean, ’05, for a report of the Alumnae Council meeting in Portland. Stephanie Bean Delaney, ’31, gave a close-up of the launching of the SS JEREMIAH CHAPLIN.

As guest speaker, the Alumnae Secretary, Ervena Goode Smith, ’24, recalled a day on Mayflower Hill, from the nine o'clock morning bus to the nine o'clock bus at night. It was a breathless tour of classes in play rooms, classes in the kitchen, mail rush, gym, lunch, devotional service, dinner, sorority initiation, with a chorus of training planes overhead to replace the trains of the old campus. Even those who read The Alumnaus regularly gained many new glimpses into wartime Colby life.

MARGUERITE CHAMBERLAIN, '15,
Secretary.
FRESHMEN CARRY SPORTS BANNER

At the meeting of the New York Association of Maine Women, which I attended as a guest of Beulah Withee, '11, the program concerned itself with the contribution to the war effort being made by Maine colleges. A letter from President Bixler and Miss Withee's presentation of recent happenings at Colby gave a picture of the college busily engaged in essential activities. Colby women present had reason to feel proud of the continuing result of the work on both the town campus and out on Mayflower Hill.

MILDRED RALPH BOWLER, '12.

COLBY'S ATHLETIC TEAM FOR 1943-44

Front row, left to right: Uhlman, Clement, Nardozzi, Foster, Briggs, Bruckheimer, Rogers. Back row: McCoy, Clark, Jones, Thomas, Gill, Bromley, Gutteridge, Coach Loeb.

Although varsity intercollegiate athletics are out for the duration, the tradition of competitive sport was carried on with a Freshman basketball team.

Prof. Gilbert F. ("Mike") Loeb served as coach, between Army physical training duties, and practice was held on the basketball floor in the Field House, although the obstacle course on the track and elsewhere prevented any accommodations for spectators.

A pre-Christmas schedule was played against local secondary schools, with the Freshmen winning three out of five, and showing improvement every game. Whether there will be enough of the squad returning for the next semester to warrant continuing the team, is uncertain at this time.


The results of the games were:

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COLBY'S WAR SERVICE CITED

A SERIES of 13 pamphlets printed some 300 years ago in London were given to the Colby Library by the late Frederick G. Davis, '13, shortly before his recent death.

According to Professor Weber, two of these are not listed as being in any other library in America, while single duplicates of the others are found only in the Library of Congress, The Folger Library, Harvard, Yale, and so on.

The pamphlets were all printed between 1636 and 1641 and apparently are political tracts, with such titles as "The Manifest of Prince Charles Lodowick," "A Briefe Discourse Concerning the Power of the Peeres, by Learned Antiquerie," (this was, to quote from the title page, "Printed in the yeare that Sea-Coale was exceeding deare. 1640"), "A Discourse upon the Interest of England" (this copy is unique in America), "The Orders, Proceedings, Punishments, and Privileges of the Commons House of Parliament in England," and the like.

The Rare Book Corner
FLYING TACKLE FELLS NAZI

Germans don’t know football or they wouldn’t have tried to get by a good end like Bob Carey, ’44, who was all-Maine at Waterville High, starred on one of Coburn’s crack teams and played on the famous undefeated Colby freshman team of 1940. Used to dumping a galloping opposing backfield with a couple of running guards thrown in, Carey used his gridiron training to good advantage, according to the action story sent home by one of the Combat Correspondents with the troops overseas. Says the War Department release, dated December 2:

“First Lt. Robert H. Carey, 24, of Waterville, Maine, was a one-man gang when he went into action with the Fifth Army in Italy.

“Lt. Carey and a few enlisted men were huddled beside a ruined wall, taking cover as shells landed near them. Along came three Germans each armed with automatic guns. They opened fire at point-blank range, killed one of Carey’s men and demanded that the other Americans surrender.

“Carey, a former football star, dodged to the side and shot one of the Germans with his carbine. He attempted to shoot again, but his gun jammed. He grasped the weapon by the barrel, used it as a club and beat another German senseless.

“The last German tried to flee. Carey ran after him, downed him with a flying tackle and took him prisoner.”

Marching Through New Georgia

TEN dangerous days spent on Jap-held Rendova Island, hiking over jungle trails and skirting the shores in native canoes to perfect invasion plans—that is the successful exploit of Maj. Philip L. Miller, ’29, assistant intelligence officer of the New England 43rd Division as now revealed by the War Department for publication.

Miller was one of nine officers, including five from the Army, two from the Navy and two from the Marines, who were charged with the important mission of reconnoitering Rendova for good landing beaches, bivouac areas, observation posts, artillery positions, water points and other minute details that were essential to insuring perfect landing operations on June 30.

At dusk on June 13 the party left the Russell Islands in an APC, a small, shallow-draft, destroyer-type troop-carrying ship that could speed through the enemy waters without being detected as readily as a larger ship. That night the Americans slid past Jap positions on the southeastern coast of New Georgia, and by 6 the next morning they were at the entrance to the channel at Segi.

At Segi the men were to meet a man who had lived on New Georgia for several years before the war, and he was to make arrangements to send the Americans on to Rendova by native canoes. It was a tense moment as the men on the ship awaited a sign from the shore.
“Suddenly,” relates Major Miller, “from what seemed out of nowhere, 10 native canoes appeared, and they proceeded cautiously to the ship. It was with great relief that we came off our ship and sped ashore, where we met our man. We never knew when we might expect a Jap shore gun to open up on us.”

Late that afternoon the nine officers took off for Rendova in three canoes, which were manned by eight or ten natives. The officers directed the natives to pass along north of Tetipari Island, which lies off the southeastern tip of Rendova, but the natives, believing there was a Jap outpost at the western tip of the small island, refused and headed, instead, along the southern coast.

At dawn the 16th of June, the party landed at the Lukra district of Rendova, the very southern tip, and made a reconnaissance of the area. They searched for Japs all day, but found none. And it was not until that night, when they met one of the local native chiefs, that they discovered there had been a Jap party two miles from them.

The next morning, all nine men, led by a native guide, started afoot through the dense jungle undergrowth and along a narrow native path toward the village of Zaranga, a village which had just been set up by natives fleeing the Japs on the island. At Zaranga, the men met Zima Nira, a missionary-educated native who was chief of all the island natives.

“The most amazing sight at Zaranga,” Major Miller recalls, “was when the natives that night brought out some clean white sheets for us to sleep on. Feather pillows, too. It was incongruous. And we all slept on one long wood bed, covered with banana leaves, which were in turn covered by the sheets.”

On June 17 — 13 days before D Day — the Americans began the most tedious journey of their entire trip. They walked along the coast line to Buzuna Cove, and from there they had to cut a new trail through the jungle in order to reach their destination without being seen by the Japs.

Through the jungle, with its screeching birds and its slithering insects, the men pushed on all day, cutting a path that ran up to the peak and along the crest of a 3,500-foot mountain. They walked, crawled and stumbled on, scratched by jungle vines. Finally, they came to the Siroka river in the northwestern section of Rendova, refreshed themselves and went on to arrive at the hut of the white man after dark that night.

For the next three days the Americans made a thorough reconnaissance of the northern section of Rendova. They checked landing beaches, water points and gun positions. Across the straits they studied Munda airport with its defenses. And, every morning at 8, they watched American planes swoop down to blast the Munda strip.

On one occasion they nearly stumbled into a Jap working party at Rendova plantation, and they came within several yards of Jap guards. Concealed by the dense vegetation, they watched the Nips working away on the plantation, stripping the huts of their iron and plundering the gardens.

On the 21st of June, Major Miller and five others started their return trip. They had left three officers on Rendova to stay there until landing forces occupied the island. The returning party went to Ugeli, on the
northeastern coast of Rendova, met some native canoes that afternoon and then went down to Zaranga village, where they stayed that night.

The next afternoon the six officers got into one long, narrow canoe manned by 24 natives and started off for Segi. That they finally made it the next day can be attributed more to luck and help from the Japs than anything else, according to the men. For that night they ran into a typical tropical storm that threatened to upset the canoe at any moment, a storm which threw them off course thoroughly and completely.

The men could see only rain and more rain during the night. Their compass was broken. And their canoe was being tossed around like a shell. Finally, they saw Jap searchlights probing through the night from around Munda, and, from that, they set their course. Later, they found the wind had blown them almost as far north as the northern tip of Rendova.

After spending 18 hours in the storm-tossed canoe, the men finally reached Segi, and the next morning they got into native canoes again and went out to meet a destroyer which took them back to Guadalcanal.

Six days after Major Miller came back with his valuable information, Army troops landed at Rendova, and this Maine officer was with the first wave. The rest of the New Georgia campaign is history.

GURNEY, ’25, WINS NAVAL CAPTAINcy

T HE third Colby man to become a four-striper in the Navy is Marshall B. Gurney, ’25, son of Charles E. Gurney, ’98, and Mrs. Gurney of Portland. He was promoted from the rank of Commander to Captain by President Roosevelt, to take effect on Nov. 10.

Captain Gurney was appointed to the Naval Academy after his graduation from Deering High School in 1921 and is a member of the Class of 1926 at Annapolis. He spent one year at Colby College. Having seen duty afloat and ashore, he selected the air as his chosen branch in 1929. For three years prior to his flight training he served on the USS Marblehead, participating in the 1926 Nicaragua incident and in the Chinese revolution in 1927-28. He saw duty on both the USS Lexington and the USS Ranger shortly after receiving his wings, and he was also a test pilot for carrier-type planes at the Naval Aircraft factory at Philadelphia.

Early in 1942 Captain Gurney was assigned to the Staff Command Force, later Task Force 24, as aircraft maintenance officer, followed by a tour of duty as commanding officer of the West Coast Base Unit Service.

He is now attached to the Pacific Fleet with the Amphibious Training Command.

BACK TO SCHOOL

STILL continuing their collegiate education, although on alien campuses, are nearly a hundred Colby men. Under Army or Navy auspices, the following, as nearly as could be determined from their addresses, are now taking work in colleges and universities. Notices of additions or corrections will be welcomed by the Colby Alumni Office.


BIRMINGHAM SOUTHERN (C-TD) — Shipley Atwater, ’45.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY (SCSU) — Milton W. Hamilt, ’42. (Med.) — John W. Moses, ’44.


COLUMBIA (Mids School) — Al­den E. Wagner, ’44.

CORNELL MEDICAL — James R. McCarroll, ’43.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY (SCSU) — Carl F. Bergstrom, ’29.


GEORGETOWN (STAR) — Stanley H. Short, ’44.

GRINNELL COLLEGE (ASTP) — Lawrence M. Stacy, ’44.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO COLLEGE CONVEYED BY V-MAIL


**HARVARD (SCSU) — Richard Follett, '37, John S. Pullen, '38.**

**HIRAM COLLEGE (Pre Flight) — Robert W. Bender, '42.**

**JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY (ASTU) — Arnold Ehrlich, '45.**

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY — Edward F. Loring, '42.**

**LYNCHBURG COLLEGE (CTD) — William G. Hurley, '46.**

**MICHIGAN STATE (ASTP) — David C. Weber, '46.**

**MISSISSIPPI STATE (ASTP) — Charles H. Sanborn, '46.**

**MT. UNION (CTD) — Charles H. Lightbody, '47.**

**NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY (ASTU) — Robert H. Wescott, '45.**

**NORTHERN UNIVERSITY (Mids School) — Alexander Demkowski, '43, Frank Strup, '44.**

**PENN STATE (ASTU) — Arthur T. Thompson, '42.**

**QUEENS COLLEGE (ASTP) — Curtis C. Layton, '38.**

**RUTGERS — Benjamin Hains, '41.**

**SOUTHDAKOTA STATE COLLEGE (ASTU) — Harold S. Roberts, '45.**

**STANFORD (ASTP) — Perley M. Leighton, '43.**

**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY (ASTP) — Stephen Greenwald, '39.**

**TEXAS A & M (ASTU) — Earle K. Merrill, '44.**


**UNION COLLEGE (V-12) — Joseph Bowler, '47.**

**UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS (CTD) — James Atwater, '44, Edward G. Birdsey, '45, Paul Prince, '44.**

**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO — James J. Foster, '41**

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS — Harold J. Bubar, '42, Robert C. Pratt, '44.**

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN (AST-RP) — John S. Choate, '47.**

**UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA (Naval Pre Flight) — E. Wesley Perkins, '45, Alden D. Ridley, '44.**

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA (Medic) — Robert R. McDonell, '42. (ATP) — John W. Tarr, '39.**

**UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH (ASTP) — Arnold A. Glassman, '44, Fred B. Roberts, '34.**

**UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE (Medic) — Louis I. Robbins, '45.**

**WAYNE (ASTP) — Paul R. Huber, '45.**

**WESLEYAN (Naval Flight Prep) — Jason P. Toabe, '46.**

**WILLIAMS (Naval Flight Prep) — Frederick P. Blake, '47, Robert A. Mills, '46, G. Ellis Mott, '38.**

**WORCESTER TECH (V-12) — Frank E. Weeks, '47.**


**SERVICE PERSONALS**

Sgt. Frederick W. Perkins, '45, writes of a picnic on a South Pacific beach where the officers of his outfit treated the men to a swell barbecue, after which they hung around in groups singing the old familiar songs with a lone guitar accompaniment.

"I seldom hear of anything similar to this in any of the other services," he writes, adding modestly: "Small wonder that I am proud to be a Marine!"

Ens. Harold W. Hickey, '36, can be addressed at the Armed Guard Center, Brooklyn.

Lt. (jg) Machaon E. Stevens, '39, proves himself a true Colby Camera Club alumnus by wrangling some chemicals from a larger ship in the South Pacific and doing his own developing in a bowl of cracked ice on his Minesweep. He paid a box of rice and a parrot with a nasty temper and native vocabulary. He has been in and out of some hot spots recently, including a couple of bombings.

**NOTE FOR BOYS**

**IN ENGLAND**

A letter from Mrs. Hubert J. Edmunds (Elizabeth Walker, '31) who is living in England says: "Although wartime restrictions make entertaining rather complicated, we are more than happy to share our home, as best we can, with any of the Maine or Colby young men or women who are a bit homesick, or just long for a comfy home, chair, or bed." Her address is: Rook Cottage, Chaldon, Surrey; and the telephone: Caterham 2371. Fellows, the next move is up to you.

Vol. Stephen Tilton, '43, with the American Field Service, has changed his APO to 464. Formerly in the Middle East, he says that he has just been through his first campaign. "While the work was what I expected and was impatient for when I enlisted, I found it exciting, nerve-wracking and unpleasant. Anyway I got the taste of action I wanted to experience, and several large bites thrown in for good measure."

Pfc Albert I. Schoenberger, '42, is ASTP with the NYU College of Dentistry and living at home.

A.S Charles H. Lightbody, '47, is at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, Sq 111, Ft G.

Cpl. Leslie J. Huard, '37, is now with the 53rd Rpl Bn, Camp Butner, N. C.

Cpl. Richard Reid, '44, received his corporal's stripes just exactly six months after his induction. He was kept on at Ft. McClellan, Ala., as a cadreman.

Charles E. Thomson, '25, USN, is a Chief Carpenter's Mate with the Seabees in Algeria. Previously, he had been a civilian employee participating in the construction of the Newfoundland Naval Base and also at Trinidad.

Lt. Andrew Bedo, '43, writes from Italy that those Messerschmitts sure can sneak up on you unexpectedly, especially in the mountains, but that he has perfected his technique of leaving these shores they played the Red Sox. He only played six innings, having to leave the boat for a foreign trip, but he hit a single and a double against the big leaguers. Now that football season has arrived he plays end on a team that includes a backfield from Louisiana State, Duke, Iowa and West Point. Stan played 50 minutes in the opener, taking the Eighth Air Force over the bumps 13-0. On Dec. 5th he was scheduled to play against the reputedly hottest team on the British Isles, containing two All-Americans, coached by a West Point, '37, All-American. As the opening event of "Anglo-American Week," all the brass hats and other big shots were expected among the spectators. Army football has to contend with the handi-
cap of no uniforms issued until three days before a game, and only 14 allowed per team. Naturally, practice periods contain little or no contact work. Hot showers are missing, as well. Stan is introducing Colby’s “Flying Trapeze” play which, if it worked, would certainly give King George an eyeful. Stan dreams about coming back to Colby to finish up and is already lining up some fellow paratroopers to come with him.

2nd Lt. Ernest C. Marriner, Jr., ’40, was commissioned Dec. I at Camp Berkeley, Texas. He is in the Medical Administrative Corps. He is now at the Station Hospital, Camp Shelby, Miss.

Pvt. Burt Shiro, ’44, writes from California where he was about to shave off. He recently toured Frisco with Bob Curtis, ’44, and with him is Maynard Rabinowitz, ’46, and Dave Lynch, ’46.

Pfc Mike Puia, ’44, writes from Iceland that he is not worried about not having a white Christmas. He is on a basketball team which was undefeated in 37 games, and no more opponents on the island.

A-C G. Ellis Mott, ’39, was elected editor-in-chief of “The Wind Tunnel,” the Navy paper at Williams College, just before being transferred elsewhere. His successor editorialized him, concluding: “His calm clearheadedness has been reflected in the pages of this newspaper. We wish him every success.”

Lt. (jg) Kenneth F. Mills, ’35, is Supply Officer at the Williams College Naval Unit and hopes to bring his wife and daughter to Williamstown as soon as he can find quarters.

Herschell M. Turner, ’38, is pictured in the Boston Herald receiving a trophy from a pretty WA VE in recognition of “best efforts” in completing the Naval radio course at the Massachusetts Radio and Telegraph School.

Maj. Elmer M. Tower, ’18, entered the Medical Corps at Fort Devens in May, 1942. He is now overseas with the 14th Colby minister to go into uniform. He is at Micheld Field, Wash, and is assistant to the Senior Chaplain, and also assigned to the sub base nearby. He has been skiing twice on Mt. Rainier and says that it is just like Prof. Lougee’s movies on glaciers, etc.

The Colby men who moved on from Bates to Norfolk Navy Yard in October included Frank Strup, ’44, Donald M. Johnson, ’44, George G. Godfrey, ’43, William Hutcheson, ’44, Efthim Economou, ’44, and Alex Demkowski, ’44. Most of them expected to move on in a few weeks.

2nd Lt. William (“Tom”) Fuller, ’35, is assistant post statistical officer at the Tuskegee Army Air Field, Ala. He recently saw Alice Christmas, ’44, whose husband was with a fighter group stationed there.

Lt. Gordon T. Miller, ’45, successfully graduated from OCS and is now at the Station Hospital at Fort Custer, Mich.

Pvt. C. Phillip Uppvall, ’39, is with the 718 FA Bn Service Btry at Camp Van Dorn, Miss.

Maj. Thomas G. van Slyke, ’36, is still on the California shore waiting for Japs to appear. He is executive officer of an anti-aircraft automatic weapons battalion and feels very proud of his outfit. “All we need now is a boat ride,” he says.

O-C Lawrence Berry, ’41, is at the Air Forces OCS at Miami Beach.

Capt. William S. Richards, ’32, Dental Corps, writes a long, interesting letter from Italy telling about tent-lifting gales, jumping into foxholes, pulling teeth for the Italians, and various other camp incidents. He received a letter from Reggie O’Halloran, ’33, from New Caledonia “that looked as though he wore boxing gloves when he typed it.”

Lt. William H. Hughes, ’41, USMC, ran into Lt. (sg) Richard H. White, ’40, USNR, in an officer’s club somewhere and they fought the State Series all over again until the Shore Patrol sent them home. Both have a Fleet PO, San Francisco, address. Dick is engineer officer on a ship.

Sgt. Clarence E. Hale, ’26, is now in England and finds the countryside and occasional rainfall a delight after many months in the Middle East deserts. He has visited the sights of London and enjoys the friendly hospitality of the British.

Stewart Thurston, ’45, SM 2-C, is now stationed on Pier 6, Naval Section Base, Thompkinsville, Staten Island, N. Y.

Sgt. Halston Lenentine, ’45, is stationed at the 55th General Hospital, Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark. He was advanced to fourth grade on Nov. 1.

Lt. Leo S. Kresky, ’39, is in the Dental Corps, Station Hospital, Lynndall Field, Panama City, Fla. One patient was Frank Quincy, ’43. Another time he found a Bowdoin Deke in his chair, but says that he refrained from avenging that last football game.

Lt. (jg) Ronald H. Wallace, ’41, is at the Sub Chaser Training Center, Everglade Barracks, Miami. He finds that a good place to meet Colby fellows, and among those seen as they spent time at Miami were: “Pink” Pierce, ’44, Frank Ervin, ’44, Ralph B. (“Schoolboy”) Rowe, ’41, Hiram P. McIntosh, ’41, Irving Liss, ’43 and
Joseph Slattery, '42. Remarking that the conversation always centers around the college, he says, "After attending Colby a short while friendship and loyalty are formulated not only between individuals, but towards the college itself."

Cpl. Arnold Green, '37, is with "the best squadron in the Air Force" at Hammer Field, Fresno, Calif., and expects to be in China or India before Easter.

Lt. Stephen Berry, '26, is officer's mess and bachelor quarters director at the Brunswick, Me., Naval Air Station.

John Turner, '44, and Fred Wood, '44, are still together and landed at Parris Island, South Carolina, with 1,400 other college men. They were glad to run into Abie Ferris, '44.

Cpl. Harold L. Rhodenizer, '42, was a ground man with the RCAF and says that his biggest thrill while stationed on the Canadian Atlantic Coast was when his plane would come back with bomb bays empty of depth charges and hear the pilot say, "We got one." Later he was assigned to Ontario to take an instructor's course in bombing techniques. At present his address is: No 8 AOS, Ancienne Lorette, P. Q. His sister is a freshman at Colby.

Edward C. Carey, '46, SM 3-C, has been overseas more than once and may be addressed at the Armed Guard Center, Brooklyn.

Ens. Frederick Lovejoy, '44, is flying a Kingfisher on Scout Patrol, presumably in South American or Caribbean waters.

Pfc. Edwin W. Alexander, '43, makes his status perfectly clear by explaining that he is officially Air Corps Unassigned, attached to 478th Base HQ & Air Base Sq, on detached service with the 96th Service Group, and attached for rations and quarters only to 524th Base HQ & ABS. As a matter of fact he is Assistant Personnel Consultant and finds the work very absorbing. He has been at Patterson Field, Mich., with temporary assignments to Oscoda and elsewhere.

Sgt. Leonard S. Abramson, '37, finds his five years of legal experience put to good use in the Legal Claims and Court Martial section at McClellan Field, Calif.

Capt. C. M. ("Mal") Stratton, '33, is somewhere in the Mediterranean combat zone as Maintenance and Operations Officer.

TWINS

Evan J. MacIraith, '43, and Robert H. Carey, '44, knew each other at Colby, especially on the gridiron where they scrimmaged on opposing teams when MacIraith was a running back on the varsity squad and Carey played end for the freshmen.

In 1940 they both left Colby and entered the Army. Carey was with the local company of the National Guard and MacIraith enlisted in the 33rd Division. It happened that they both went to Fort Benning for OCS, but not quite at the same time, yet their paths were drawing closer.

Assigned to Camp Edwards, what was their delight to find themselves as Lieutenants in the same regiment and even in the same company.

Going overseas, both were promoted to First Lieutenant about the same time. Together they led one of the first invasion waves onto Italian shores. Both have decorated with the Silver Star, while Carey also received the Purple Heart for some slight wounds. They are still together.

"We must have been the first to carry the COLBY ALUMNUS onto the European continent," they wrote in a joint letter, "and we gave the Alma Mater a cheer on that first night. Maybe we can be the first with the Colby banner in Berlin!"

Cpl. Eddie Sarantides, '43, our most frequent correspondent from overseas, at last met a fellow Colbyite when he saw T-Sgt. Sherman A. McPherson, '44, at his last station in North Africa.

Pvt. Currie Conrad, '45, is taking Air Corps basic training at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., even though he has already had considerable flight training. He is hoping against hope that he may get assigned to Colby as a pre-cadet.

T-Sgt. Sherman A. McPherson, '44, is in North Africa with a Base Headquarters Transportation Section, APO 763, NYC.

Cpl. Frederic O. Sargent, '42, is in North Africa with a Night Fighter squadron. He writes appreciatively of Prof. Wilkinson's Service Letter: "After reading it I felt that I had been visiting him all afternoon and that I'd even stayed for dinner."

Pvt. Robert M. Wasserman, '46, finished his course at the Medical Enlisted Technician's School and, at writing, was at a replacement depot awaiting embarkation. He reported a reunion with Charles Cousins, '46, S 2-C.

Lt. Richard S. Lovejoy, '39, received his First on Oct. 13. He has moved from Australia to New Guinea so as to keep pace with the retreating Japs.

Cpl. Donald E. Sterner, '44, was waiting around at Camp Fresno, Calif., when last heard from, expecting an ASTP assignment.

Pfc. Robert E. Smith, '39, is at Maxwell Field, Ala., with the 22nd Altitude Training Unit.

Lt. (ig) Edwin M. Leach, '39, is a medic attached to a ship in Atlantic waters.

Pvt. Albert I. Ellis, '44, is in a Military Police Platoon, 100th Division, at Fort Jackson, S. C. He has seen Eugene A. Hunter, '45, who is in the Corps of Engineers, and also Arthur T. ("Stretch") Eaton, '44.

Capt. Francis C. Prescott, '38, for the first time since going into the South Pacific, ran into Colby friends in the persons of Lt. Col. H. Chesterfield Marden, '21, who furnished him with some Waterville Sentinels, and Sgt. James McMahon, '44, regimental mail clerk, who is "as fat and jolly as ever."

Maj. E. B. Farrar, '14, wrote from England on Nov. 23 with his mouth watering from the rumor of a forthcoming Thanksgiving turkey and fixin's which would be a welcome change from the spam, beans and powdered egg.

S-Sgt. Hartley Bither, '41, writes from down under that he has no worries about coal and gas shortages, but that his fox hole does give him occasional concern. Coconuts are a welcome addition to GI menus, he says.

Lt. Albert U. Peacock, '27, enlisted in the Naval Medical Corps last July. After several weeks at the Newport Naval Hospital he was transferred to the Marine Corps dispensary at Cherry Point, N. C.

F-I Victor A. Lebednick, '42, graduated from the Flight Instructors' School at Randolph Field last October and was assigned to the primary training school at Orangeburg, S. C., where he hopes to come across some cadets who attended the Colby CTD.
Ens. Thomas Pursley, '43, has sailed from San Francisco with an Amphibious Mobile Base Repair unit.

A-C Herbert Levenson, '45, is addressed at Sqdn 87, SAAAB, Santa Ana, Calif., taking pre-flight bombardier training. Also at Santa Ana is A-C Henry Rokicki, '44, who was classified for pilot training. When at Nashville Herb saw A-C Norman Epstein, '46, who got a navigator's classification. He has also talked with some fellows who took CTD at Colby and who "learned to love it almost as much as we who have seen the college functioning normally."

Joseph J. Conlon, '42, has received promotion to 1st Class Petty Officer and is leading ordnance man in a recently captured island in the South Pacific. He writes: "The men who took this jumble really had what it takes. The underbrush is so thick that you can hardly walk through it. They fought hand to hand and gained only a few yards a day. Many of them had no hot meals for a week and only what water they could catch in their helmets. If people in the States could see what they had to put up with, they sure would loosen up for those War Bonds."

George C. Brown, Jr., '45, AMM 3C, is now in the Advanced Base Aviation Training Unit at Norfolk, Va., and is getting practical mechanical experience.

Cpl. Charles P. Osborne, '44, USMC, has gone overseas Pacific. His training included aviation radio, air gunnery, and operational training with torpedo bombers.

Capt. Ralph C. Hughes, '19, went through the AAF Combat Intelligence School and is now in the Emergency Rescue Branch, AAF headquarters at Washington.

Charles Kramer, '46, S 2C, is attending Quartermasters Service School at Sampson, N. Y.

Robert W. Sparkes, '36, C Sp (A), took the physical instructors course at Bainbridge, Md., and is now stationed at the NCTC, Camp Endicott, Davisville, R. I.

Sgt. Hayden Wright, '37, calls himself a "grease monkey" at Dow Field, Bangor, Me., but thus far hasn't managed to get down to Waterville for a visit.

Sgt. David Libbey, '39, is in England with an Airways Communication Squadron. Recently he happened to be visiting Oxford at the same time as a Yank correspondent and appears in the Sept. 12 issue (British edition) seated at dinner in Balliol College. His buddies titled the picture: "Chow Hound at Oxford."

Pvt. Charles Barletta, '43, was astonished to find on the same troopship bound for India his classmate and fraternity brother, Pfc. Tom Farnsworth, '43. Barletta is with an Airways Communication Squadron, while Farnsworth is with an Air Transport outfit. Of the latter, he writes: "The ATC is doing a bang-up job. You'd think they were running busses from Augusta to Waterville, instead of forming a vital, dangerous link with China."

Cpl. Leslie Huard, '37, is Battalion mail clerk for the 53rd Replacement Battalion at Camp Butler, N. C.

Pvt. William P. Niehoff, '47, is with the 1060th Engineers Port Construction and Repair Group at Camp Gordon Johnston, Fla.

**GO TO NORTH AFRICA AND MEET YOUR FRIENDS**

According to Lt. Johnny Daggett, '41, North Africa is practically teeming with Colby men. Well, anyway, three others.

Attending Chemical Warfare School in Casablanca a while ago he found himself seated beside Lt. George M. Nielson, '41, who was in the Corps of Engineers and had had quite a picnic at the November landing around Port Lyautey. But he was none the worse for his experiences.

One day in Tunis Johnny spied Fred Sargent, '42, walking right towards him. So they celebrated by sight-seeing over North Africa—Carthage, Mateur, and Bizerte—in Johnny's personal jeep. Fred was with an Air Corps unit.

Before he had time to get some again Johnny passed a guy in an officer's club in Bizerte. Just then he and the fellow looked back with a haven't-I-met-you-somewhere-before look. Sure enough, it was Ens. N. Richard Johnson, '42, on duty on a sub-chaser and just by chance ashore in that part of the globe for the moment. So it was a Colby reunion again.

Col. Crowell E. Pease, '10, now has a New York APO address. He is in the Quartermaster's Corps.

2nd Lt. Vernelle W. Dyer, Jr., '41, is slated to go to University of Michigan for Japanese language study.

Sgt. Klaus Dreyer, '40, recently received his third chvron and has been sent to Camp Ritchie, Md.

Ens. Millard Emanuelson, '36, is now at Hotel Miramar, Rm 210, 1744 Bayshore Drive, Miami, Fl.

Pfc. Edison Goodrich, '37, has been in Australia and New Guinea and is now at another censored station. He is still looking for another Colby man.

Col. John E. Hatch, '08, recently left San Francisco by air, heading south-westward. He is in the Field Artillery.


Lt. David Brodie, '42, has visited Egypt, Malta and Sicily, but last wrote from the Italian front. He says that the most practical training he received at Colby was from the mule mascot "Aristotle," for "he taught me how to duck!" "Italy doesn't have to be sunny to be warm—if you know what I mean," he writes.

Lt. (jg) Leon Tobin, '40, writes from Down Under: "I really enjoyed the article about Lt. Comdr. Weaver, '30, which appeared in the last issue of The Alumnus which I received. I had no idea that many of the communication dispatches that I have handled at Comsopac headquarters were being sent up to him. When I first arrived here I had often heard his name mentioned in connection with the grand job he had done in flag plot. He left this area a few months after I arrived and it wasn't until I had received the magazine that I learned that he was a Colby man. Incidentally, The Alumnus is down at headquarters right now being read by many of the men who worked with Weaver."

Ens. Richard Wescott, '43, is in Atlantic waters on a cruiser. He is player-coach of the ship's basketball team and so far they are undefeated in a schedule which has included several double-headers.

Lt. Charles H. Card, '40, is with the Corps of Engineers in North Africa or vicinity. A recent letter to his parents stated: "It is difficult for those at home to realize the misery a soldier
experiences when he sits in a foxhole half full of water, with rain, snow and cold winds serving to add to his discomfort. It is difficult to imagine his terror when he is being bombed, machine-gunned, shelled and even the steps he takes may be upon mined ground."

Ens. Mary E. Thayer, '28, is in Washington and her title, if you want to know, is Administrative Assistant in the Manpower Section of the Materials & Resources Branch of the Production Division of the Bureau of Aeronautics, United States Navy. Another way to address her is: 1610 Crittenden St., NW.

Lt. Cranston H. Jordan, '24, USNR, has been transferred from the Pacific Coast to Memphis, Tenn., where he is a Ground School Instructor, Naval Air Station.

Sgt. Edward B. Porter, '42, has been making the most of his lengthy stay in England and expects to be married to an English girl on January 5. He says that she is becoming a Colbyite and already looks forward to receiving the SCA Service Correspondence letters almost as much as he does. He has been promoted but is still doing the same job of model-making in the same place.

Lt. John H. ("Red") Lee, '30, is carrying on a physical fitness program at the Naval station at Bremerton, Washington. He and Mrs. Lee are living at Craven Center, Bremerton.

Sgt. Henry E. Davidson, '42, has just been upped to Communication Chief with the Armored Command at Camp Berkeley, Texas, and expects to go to the Desert Training Center soon. He reveals that at Joe's Ratskeller, 3rd Ave., near 17th St., NYC, they have a collection of Lyrics Collegia Americana which includes a rather wierd arrangement of Colby's "Alma Mater" with intermittent overtones of "On to Victory." Will somebody please check up on this?

**PROMOTIONS**

To Captain, Marshall B. Gurney, '25, USN, at sea.

To Colonel, C. E. Pease, '10, USA, overseas.

To Captain, Joel Allen, '37, USA, MC, Denver, Colorado.

To Captain, Robert E. Anderson, '42, USA, overseas.

To Captain, John F. Reynolds, '36, USA, MC, overseas.

To Lieutenant, Frank T. Adams, '27, USNR, Norfolk, Virginia.

To Second Lieutenant, Carl E. Reed, '35, USA, Maxwell Field, Ala.

To Second Lieutenant, Vernelle W. Dyer, Jr., '41, USA, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

To Second Lieutenant, Donald M. Butcher, '44, USMC, Quantico, Va.


To Second Lieutenant, Charles A. Dudley, '43, USAAF, Seymour Johnson Field, N. C.


To Second Lieutenant, Charles P. Uppwall, '39, USA, Camp Van Doen, Mississippi.


To Ensign, Andrew Watson, '43, USNR, Fort Pierce, Florida.

To Ensign, Irving E. Liss, '43, USNR, Miami, Florida.

To Staff Sergeant, Bertram C. Mosher, '36, USA, Chanute Field, III.

To Master Sergeant, Arthur S. Cobb, '42, USA, Charleston, S. C.

To Technical Sergeant, John L. Thomas, '42, USA, fort Benning, Ga.

To Technical Sergeant, Henry F. Davidson, '42, USA, Camp Berkeley, Texas.

To Sergeant, Halston O. Lenentine, '45, USA, Camp Robinson, Ark.

To Sergeant, Klaus Dreyer, '40, USA, Camp Ritchie, Maryland.

To Sergeant, David C. Libbey, '39, USA, overseas.

To Sergeant, Edward P. Cleveland, '39, USMC, overseas.

To Sergeant, L. V. Johnson, '42, USA, Lake Charles, La.

To Sergeant, Edward B. Porter, '42, USA, overseas.

To Sergeant, Forrest W. Doten, Jr., '39, USA, New Haven, Conn.

To Sergeant, Leonard S. Abrahamson, '37, USA, Sacramento, California.

To T-5, Robert L. Cook, '46, USA, overseas.

To Corporal, John C. Calahan, '44, USA, Fort McClellan, Ala.

To Corporal, Wendell Phillips, Jr., '44, USA, Shreveport, Louisiana.

To Corporal, Arnold A. Green, '37, USA, Fresno, California.

To Corporal, Richard L. Reid, '44, USA, Fort McClellan, Alabama.


To S-1-c, Daniel Shrago, '46, USNR, Norman, Oklahoma.

To S-2-c, J. C. Thurston, '45, USNR, Tompkinsville, N. Y.

To SM-3-c, Edward C. Carey, '46, USNR, Brooklyn, New York.

To PBM-3-c, Joseph E. Croteau, '41, USNR, Bethesda, Maryland.

**OVERSEAS OR ON SEA DUTY**

(Nota: In this group we list those whose addresses are given in care of postmasters at New York, New Orleans, or San Francisco, and so are presumed to have left this continent for active service.)

Major E. B. Farrar, '14, USA

Lt. Comdr. C. S. Richardson, '17, USNR

Lt. Comdr. S. R. Feldman, '26, USNR

Capt. Wilbur McAllister, '26, USA

Lt. (jg) E. Richard Drummond, '28, USNR

Lt. Murray B. Miller, '29, USA

Pvt. Irvin E. Arnold, '32, USA

Lt. Bearge M. Hangopian, '34, USA

Lt. Frederick C. Lawler, '34, USNR

T-Sgt. Elbridge B. Ross, '35, USA

Pvt. Joseph L. Stevens, '35, USA

Lt. John R. Turbyne, '35, USA

Lt. Moses M. Goldberg, '36, USA

Capt. Arnold H. Holt, '37, USA

Ensign Willard D. Libby, '37, USNR

Capt. Stanley A. Paine, '37, USA

Lt. Leo M. Seltzer, '37, USA

Lt. Ralph H. Stowell, '37, USNR

Lt. Edville G. Lemoine, '37, USA

Lt. Royal G. Luther, '38, USA

Lt. Stanley P. Thompson, '38, USA

Ensign Robert S. Winslow, '38, USNR

Sgt. Edward P. Cleveland, '39, USMC

Lt. Paul M. Kittredge, '39, USNR

Lt. Joseph A. Burns, '40, USMCR

Lt. (jg) Gordon B. Jones, '40, USNR

Sgt. George L. Beach, '41, USA

Sgt. Hartley Bither, '41, USA

Lt. William H. Hughes, '41, USNR

T-5, Robert C. Ryan, '41, USA

Ensign Alton C. Laliberte, '42, USNR

T-Sgt. Roger H. Poor, '42, USA

Lt. Robert C. Dennison, '43, USA

Pvt. Marc J. Temmer, '43, USA

Lt. J. E. McCarley, '44, USA

Pvt. Burton G. Shiro, '44, USA

Cpl. Winston M. Ross, '45, USA

Robert Latham, '46, S-2-c, USNR

Pvt. George MacPheley, '46, USA
ADDITIONS TO SERVICE ROSTER
(Names are added here only when a service blank has been filled out and returned, including a mailing address. Numerous others are known by hearsay to be in service, but have not yet informed the college of their whereabouts.)

1915
Russell, Edwin A.

1926
Crowley, Henry L. Ensign USCG
Berry, Stephen B. Lt USNR

1927
Peacock, Albert U. Lt USNR MC

1929
Brown, James E. PFC USA ASTP

1933
Bryan, Herbert K. USNR
Conant, Louis F. Jr. SK-3-c USNR
Stinchfield, T. R. Pvt USA

1934
Diggle, Elliot A. Ens USNR
Hickey, Thomas J. Sgt USA

1935
Dworkin, Joseph M. CM-3-c USNR

1936
McCarthy, Edward J. A-S USNR CBI

1937
Guiney, James E. Cpl USA
Huard, Leslie J. Cpl USA
Jackson, Winthrop E. Lt USNR DC
Sarin, Leon Lt USA AF

Stowell, Ralph H. Jr. Lt USNR DC

1938
Layton, Curtis C. PFC USA ASTP
Rideout, Walter B. Ens USNR

1939
DeVeber, Leverett H. S-2-c USNR
Kresky, L. S. Lt USA MC

1940
Bunting, James M. Pvt USA
Grant, Philip M. Pvt USA

1941
Coolidge, John F. USA
Huse, Thomas J. Pvt USA
Potter, Linwood C. Lt USA
Sternberg, Stephen S. PFC ASTP

1942
Schoenberger, Albert I. PFC USA

1943
Cornell, Robert C. A-S USNR
Deraney, Louis M. A-S USNR
Howard, S. D. Pvt USA
Temmer, Marc J. Pvt USA

1944
Atwater, James L. A-S USA
Jaworski, Mitchell C. Pvt USA
McCarley, J. E. Lt USA
Nawfel, Elias PFC USA ASTP
Perkins, Chas. H. Jr. Cpl USMC

1945
Berman, Leonard B. Pvt USA
Friedman, Harold Pvt USA

1946
MacPhelemey, George Pvt USA
Mills, Robert A. A-S USNR
Rippon, Winsor Pvt USA
Schulman, Philip A-S USNR
Tarlow, Sherwood J. Pvt USA
Thayer, Lyman I. Jr. Pvt USA

1947
Bowler, Joseph A-S USNR
Jones, Sherwood L. Pvt USA
Niehoff, Wm. P. Pvt USA

HONORABLY DISCHARGED
Jordan, Archer Jr., '27, USA
MacDougal, R. F., '31, USA MC
Pollard, John F., '31, USA
MacDonald, Ralph A., '37, USA
Millett, Oliver N. Jr., '43, USMC

Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1896
Friends of Bessie Pepper Padelford will be sorry to learn of her bereavement in the death of her son, Charles, who suffered a brain lesion and died in a few hours.

Herbert E. Foster, Judge of the Winthrop Municipal Court for the past 24 years, was appointed by Governor Sewall for another four year term. The appointment was confirmed by the Executive Council.

1901
Elise Fellows White gives a bird's eye view of her days thus: "Since my former job, helping to finish up American Seeds for British Soil, I have had nothing to do except collect occasional treasures — old books, small jewelry, and other bargains that are so tempting — I have seven grandchildren and two sons — I wandered in here, one day, and found they could use me as an Air-raid War­den monitor."

1904
Mabel Freese Dennett has recently enrolled in Mount Vernon University, Washington, D. C.

1913
Moved by the existing teacher short­age, Iva B. Willis has taken a position in the high school at Hague, N. Y., on Lake George, teaching Latin and French, and finds it very enjoyable.

1914
Marston Morse broke into the "letters" column of Time Magazine on December 20 when he took exception to a statement that "the U. S. has been severely handicapped by its shortage of top-flight mathematicians." On the contrary, Morse wrote, American mathematics ranked at or near the top five years ago and distinguished European mathematicians have since been coming, so that "at the beginning of
the war U. S. had unquestionably the greatest mathematical talent of any country." He points out, however, that civilian war research has been tardy in making full use of mathematical talent. *Time's* editorial rejoinder to this letter was: "To Dr. Morse, winner of the Bocher Prize in 1935, expert in the mathematics of chess (which he does not play because he considers it a waste of time), a star in Princeton's galaxy of top-flight mathematicians, *Time's* thanks for a stout reminder of men too easily forgotten."

1918

Helene Buker holds down a highly responsible position as assistant director of the State Bureau of Health in Lansing, Michigan. She was disappointed that wartime conditions made it impossible for her to return for her 25th reunion last spring.

Lucile Rice Wheeler writes: "My activities parallel those of hundreds of other women today—Church, Red Cross, Club and home work. We have two daughters, one living at home and the other finishing her second year at Oberlin. My husband (Evan Wheeler, '14) is Assistant General Purchasing Agent for Western Union."

Marie Merrill Rupp reports that her husband has received numerous favorable reviews of his book, "A Waver ing Friendship, Russia and Australia, 1876-1878." She is living in an apartment overlooking the Radcliffe yard and sees 150 Waves marching off every morning.

Norma H. Goodhue writes that she is very busy since "the maid has gone to do electric welding, the commercial teacher boarder is still there and the florist business needs extra attention."

Alta E. Davis is doing a part time book-keeping job and living at home with her mother on the farm in Newport.

Harris B. McIntyre, president of the Boston Colby Alumni Association, is teaching a weekly two-hour evening course in Signaling at the Boston Center for adult education. McIntyre is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, a naval officer in World War I and is at present chief rate engineer at the Boston office of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.

1923

Clifford O. Wieden, formerly principal of the State Normal School at Presque Isle, has taken a similar position as head of the Normal School at Machias.

1924

George M. Davis has been elected as President of the Skowhegan State Fair for the 1944 season.

1925

Ellsworth W. Millett has been elected president of the Waterville Rotary Club.

Roy Hearon is the proud father of four children: Mary, Sheila, Ann, and John Marshal. He is employed in an airplane factory in New Jersey. Carroll Keene has a position with the Central Maine Power Company in Waterville, although still living in Clinton. He is one of the leading Masons in the State. His son is a senior at Coburn Classical Institute.

1926

Rev. Carroll D. Tripp has taken the pastorate of the Baptist Church in Montpelier, Vermont.

1931

Marion White Thurlow (Mrs. Clinton F.) is president of the Augusta College Club for the ensuing year.

Elizabeth Walker Edmunds is living at Rook Cottage, Rook Lane, Chaldon, Surrey, England. Her husband is in the Ministry of Supply on loan for the duration from the U. S. She spends her time in war work such as "fire guard; gas cleansing center at Rook Cottage; Rest Centre member; member of American Outpost in Great Britain."

Clayton F. Smith, Production Chemist at Merck & Co., Inc., Rahway, N. J., is giving a course in Physics at the Merck Training School.

1932

Thompson D. Grant is on the faculty of the Pebble Hill School in De Witt, N. Y. The headmaster, Charles W. Brandle, '08, says of him: "He is not only fulfilling his own job as head of the history department and Director of Admissions, but is acting-head of the English department and virtually Assistant Headmaster while the two regular incumbents are in military service. Colby men do stand together and can take it! Tom's oldest child, Teddie, is in our kindergarten and is full of pep."

Rev. Richard Cummings, pastor of First Baptist Church, Cambridge, Mass., since 1935, assumed his new duties as pastor of First Baptist Church, Troy, N. Y., on October 1. The Cambridge Church was his first pastorate. He was born in Burma in 1910 where his father, Rev. John Cummings, now retired, was missionary of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Two brothers are also missionaries who have been serving in Burma. Mr. Cummings was introduced to the Baptist fellowship at the Poughkeepsie Convention.

1934

Dorsa Rattenbury Beach has a new position as administrative secretary to Mr. Willard of Willard Pictures. She writes: "The concern is under the aegis of the Navy—taking air training films—not in the war. The films will be documentary, travel, industrial and educational. The people are con-
Maurice Krinsky is director of a USO, under Jewish Welfare Board auspices, for the Cheyenne, Wyoming, USO, under Jewish Welfare Board page mimeographed magazine full of broadcasts from Chungking. "This news about their activities.

Hugh D. Beach has a new position with the Chinese News Service, Suite 4221, RCA Bldg., NYC. He is Director of Radio for the Chinese Ministry of Information and handles all broadcasts from Chungking. "This is the most exciting job yet," he says, "and we expect China's wartime capital to be the outlet for some really warm news pretty soon."

Bob Williams' father, Dr. Maurice Williams, was the subject of an article in Harper's Magazine for December, entitled "The Dentist Who Changed World History." The writer of the sketch was a high school friend of Bob's.

Jerry Ryan is now sports editor of the San Diego Progress Journal, a thrice-weekly tabloid. Jerry has his own signed column of sport chat and, strange to say, the name of the writer of the lead story is given as "Van Slyke." It may be suspected that that pseudonym also hides Ryan's fine hand.

Tacy W. Hood, '44, to Dean Finner, Washington and Lee University. Miss Hood attended Colby for two years and is now a Senior at the University of Michigan. Her fiancé is at the University of Maine in the specialized training program of the Army.

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Eleanor W. Smart, '43, to Albert R. Braunmuller. Miss Smart is employed as a research chemist by Merck and Company Incorporated, at Rahway, N. J. Mr. Braunmuller was graduated from the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn and will soon receive his degree of Doctor of Philosophy from the same institution. He is employed as a chemist in the Research and Development Laboratory of Merck and Company.


Anna M. Anderson to Wendell T. Starr, '41. Miss Anderson is employed by the Standard Oil Company of New York. Mr. Starr is a chemist at the Simplex Wire and Cable Company in Cambridge.

Patricia E. Ford, '43, to Pvt. Albert I. Ellis, '44. Miss Ford is studying at Pratt Institute Library School in Brooklyn and Pvt. Ellis is stationed in Tennessee.

Agnes E. York, '47, to A-C Arthur L. Benoit. Miss York is a student at Colby and A-C Benoit is now receiving his primary training at Jackson, Tenn.

Ann Clauson to Pfc. William A. Chasse, '40. Miss Clauson is a graduate of Lasell Junior College in Auburndale, Mass. Pfc. Chasse is now a Student at Harvard Dental School.

Marjorie McDougal is reported as departing soon for a training school for the Waves.
Sylvia McNeely, '41; Sally Fussell Cobb, '42.

Mary E. Varney to Robert W. Pullen, '41, in November, 1943, at the First Congregational Church at Brewer, Maine. Mrs. Pullen has been employed by the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and by the Sears, Roebuck Company of Bangor. Mr. Pullen attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology Graduate School and is now an instructor at that institution. Mr. and Mrs. Pullen make their home at 41 Irving Street, Cambridge.

Sally M. Aldrich, '39, to D. E. Adams at Medfield, Mass. Mr. Adams is with the Armed Forces and Mrs. Adams is living at 16 South Street, Medfield, Mass.

Carolyn Nutting, '43, to Lt. Robert A. Martin, Massachusetts State College, on November 6, 1943, in the First Baptist Church at West Boylston, Mass. Mrs. Martin was formerly a teacher of English and biology at the Mary E. Wells High School at Southbridge, Mass. and Lt. Martin is with the Army Air Forces. He received training at Yale University in the USAAF Communications course.

Adrianna P. Rodgers, '40, to Lewis T. Ausherhan in May, 1943. Mrs. Ausherhan has received her M.A. from the University of Wisconsin and was an assistant in the Home Economics Department of the University while studying there. She is now employed at Fort Collins in the Home Economics Department and the Poultry Department. Mr. Ausherhan has done graduate work at the University of Wisconsin and is continuing his studies at Colorado State College in the Veterinary School.

Barbara Holmes to Sgt. John C. Eaton, '41, on December 2, 1943, at Waterville, Maine. Mrs. Eaton was graduated from Thomas Business College and was in charge of the Timber Unit office of the Berst-Forster-Dixfield Company in Oakland, Maine. Sgt. Eaton was attending Columbia University School of Law before induction into the Armed Forces. Sgt. and Mrs. Eaton will make their home in Portland, Oregon, while Sgt. Eaton is stationed at the 76th General Hospital in Vancouver, Washington.

Violet M. Hamilton, '39, to Ens. Richard D. Brooks, USNR, on October 12, 1943, at Millburn, New Jersey. Mrs. Brooks is Publicity Director at Cazenovia Junior College, Cazenovia, N. Y.

Elizabeth Priest to Sgt. Lewis E. Weeks, '42, in Haverhill, Mass. Sgt. Weeks may be addressed at the 11th Med. Supply Depot, APO 4849, c/o Postmaster, New York City.

Josephine M. Pitts, '44, to Frederick B. McAlary, '43, on December 12, 1943, at Waterville, Maine. Mrs. McAlary was graduated from Colby on that same day. Mr. McAlary was honorably discharged from the U. S. Marines and is now in defense work in Waterville.

Avis M. Cox, '23, to Alvaes S. Colby. Mr. and Mrs. Colby will make their home at 48-44 84th Street, Woodside, Long Island, N. Y. Mrs. Colby was teaching in Littleton, New Hampshire before her marriage.

Phyllis M. Young, '43, to Justin O. Johnson, Jr., U. of M, at the First Baptist Church of Waterville, on November 28, 1943. Colby attendants were Marjorie McDougall, '43, and Howard Johnson, '43. Mrs. Johnson had been engaged in State Welfare in Maine and was stationed in Waterville. Mr. Johnson is employed in defense work. They will make their home in Ridgewood, N. J.

Ruth Wheeler, '35, to Lt. Elmore L. Wood, U. of M., on November 25, 1943, at home in Oakland. Mrs. Wood has been employed at Dartmouth College Library and Lt. Wood is in the Signal Corps. At present they are living in Tampa, Fla.

Alice C. Dondlinger, '42, to C. E. Luxton, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Luxton are living at 431 Franklin Ave., Nutley, N. J.

Louise B. Trahan, '43, to Lt. George R. McCombs. Lt. McCombs is in the U. S. Army in the tank corps. Mrs. McCombs may be addressed at 44 Britannia St., Taunton, Mass.

Retta Carter Meigs, '20, to Isaac Pinchbeck on November 23, 1943 at the Baptist Parsonage, North Adams, Mass. Mrs. Pinchbeck had been employed in secretarial work at Keeseville, N. Y. for a time before her marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Pinchbeck will be at home at 330 West Main St., North Adams, Mass.

Marion A. Ackley, '39, to Lt. Alfred T. Joseph. Mrs. Joseph was graduated from Peter Bent Brigham School of Nursing and has been surgical head nurse at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Dr. Joseph was graduated from Harvard Dental School and received his degree from Tufts Medical School a short time ago. He is a First Lieutenant in the Army Reserve Medical Corps.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald M. Armstrong. (Gerald M. Armstrong, '39), of Providence, R. I., a son, on December 31, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gerald A. Johnson, (Gerald A. Johnson, '30), of Rochester, N. Y., a daughter, Janet Karen, on December 24, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clayton F. Smith, (Clayton F. Smith, '31), of Cranford, N. J., a son, Kent Barclay, on December 11, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Maker, (Ruth Millett, '36), of Springfield, Vermont, a son, David Millett, on February 27, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alfred H. Wheeler, (Alfred H. Wheeler, '37, and Barbara Towle, '40), of Oakland, Maine, a daughter, Marilyn Ruth, on July 29, 1943.

To T-Sgt. and Mrs. Edson Small, (T-Sgt. Edson Small, '40), of Portland, a son, Edson Jr., in October, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Eastman, (Anne Martel, '35), of Brockport, N. Y., a son, Richard Coburn, on November 2, 1943.

To Lt. and Mrs. Antonio J. Bolduc, (Antonio J. Bolduc, '41), of Waterville, a daughter, on November 13, 1943. Lt. Bolduc is now serving overseas.

To Mr. and Mrs. Alvin L. Vose, (Alvin L. Vose, '35), of Burbank, California, a son, Gary Lombard, on December 21, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Marsh, (Grace Wheeler, '35), of Dayton, N. J., a daughter, Anne Louise, on October 30, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Cornell, (Robert C. Cornell, '41, and Thelma Bassett, '41), of Boston, a son, John Robert, on November 7, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bendix, (John C. Bendix, '33), of Quincy, Mass., a son, David Carl, on December 29, 1943.

To Pfc. and Mrs. Curtis C. Layton, (Curtis C. Layton, '38), of Flushing, N. Y., a son, Curtis Jr., on January 18, 1943.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis L. Levine, (Lewis L. Levine, '16), of Waterville, a son, on December 31, 1943.
DR. JOSIAH O. TILTON, '75

Dr. Josiah Odin Tilton, the last surviving graduate of the class of 1875, died at his Lexington, Mass., home December 2, 1943, following a long illness. A native of Limerick, Maine, he was the son of Jeremiah D. and Abigail Tilton.

He taught, following his graduation from Colby, at the Peddie School, Highstown, N. J., then was principal of Peterboro, N. H., High School from 1878 to 1880. He received an A.M. degree from Colby in 1878. He completed work for his M.D. degree at New York University in 1882, and began the practice of medicine in Lexington the following year. After 50 years of active practice as a country doctor, a physical breakdown necessitated his retirement. He was recognized as a public benefactor in 1932 when a bronze tablet was erected in the New England Medical Center, Boston: “In grateful recognition of a lifetime of unselfish service to the community of Lexington, Mass.”

He was the first town school physician and served his community as chairman for many years of the Health Department and the Park Commission. Dr. Tilton was a member of the American Medical Association, Old Belfry Club, the Hancock Congregational Church and the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

He leaves a wife, the former Florence Stratton of Concord, N. H., two sons, two daughters and 11 grandchildren.

GEORGE A. ANDREWS, '82

George Austin Andrews passed away in Minneapolis on December 18, having been stricken with influenza on December 14.

He was born in what is now West Rockport, Maine, August 10, 1855, the son of Daniel J. Andrews and Mary Ann Leach Andrews. His education was received in the schools of Rockport, in Coburn Classical Institute, and Colby College, from which he received his A.B. in 1882 and his A.M. in 1885.

He taught school in Rockport, Maine, Atlanta, Georgia, Asheville, Mass., and in Derby Academy, Derby, Vermont. Impaired hearing made it necessary to give up teaching and in 1902 he moved to Minneapolis where he was employed by The Prudential Insurance Co. until his retirement at the age of seventy-one.

For the last forty years he was actively interested in the First Baptist Church of Minneapolis. He was Treasurer of the Sunday School for twenty years and since then its Secretary.

He married on November 22, 1882, Ada Eldora Arbeton of West Rockport, who passed away in 1931. He is survived by his daughter, Miss Evelyn Andrews, with whom he made his home at 1510 Emerson Avenue, Minneapolis, his sister, Mrs. Laura A. Ring of Portland, and numerous nieces, nephews, and grandnieces and nephews.

ELFORD L. DURGAN, '96

Elford Lindsay Durgan died December 22 at his home in Portland following a long illness. He retired in 1941 from the Oakes Electrical Supply Company, Holyoke, Mass., with which company he had been associated for a number of years.

Born in West Harpswell, Me., July 9, 1870, he was the son of Paul A. and Flavilla Knapp Durgan.

He was a graduate of Coburn Classical Institute and of Colby College in the class of 1896. He was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity.

Most of his life was spent in Massachusetts in the electrical supply business. He was active in religious work. In 1899 he married Carolyn Sturtevant at Fairfield, who survives, as does a son, Elford S. Durgan, of Westfield, N. J.

FRANK P. HAMILTON, '02

Frank Percival Hamilton, one of Jacksonville's (Fla.) leading lawyers for many years, died December 10th, 1943, at his home following an illness of several weeks.

He was born August 20, 1881, at Gloucester, Mass., son of Robert Stevenson Rice and Alice M. (Barton) Hamilton.

Mr. Hamilton received his early education in the public schools in Maine, later attending Oak Grove Seminary, where he was graduated in 1898. He then matriculated at Colby, receiving his A.B. degree in 1902.

The following year Mr. Hamilton attended the Forestry School at Yale University, and in 1903 and 1904 was a student at Harvard Law School. Removing to Arizona and thence to Colorado, he continued his professional studies at the University of Denver, where he was graduated with a degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1908. Late that year he settled in Jacksonville. Mr. Hamilton had been a practicing attorney since 1908. He was associated with the law firm of Fleming, Hamilton, Diver and Lickliter until he retired in 1942.

Mr. Hamilton was qualified to practice before all United States Courts. He was a member of the Jacksonville Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. He also was a member of the Florida Yacht Club and of Delta Upsilon fraternity.

On May 1, 1913, he was married to Elizabeth Legere Fleming. Mrs. Hamilton died July 20, 1941.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John P. Ingle, Jr., and a son, Francis P. Hamilton, U. S. Army.

FREDERICK G. DAVIS, '13

Frederick Gordon Davis, '13, died from a heart ailment at his home in Augusta, November 29, 1943. He was born in Springvale, July 31, 1889. He was the son of Frank G. and Lillian Craw Davis.

He attended the public schools of Norridgewock, Maine, and prepared for college at Coburn Classical Institute. Transferring from the University of Maine to Colby in the fall of 1911, he was graduated with an A.B. degree in the class of 1913.
For the next seven years he taught in several high schools in the state. He was superintendent of schools in Turner in 1917. Between 1920 and 1931 he was employed for a time by the Fifield Brothers Co. in Augusta and later was circulation manager for the Vickery and Hill Publishing Co.

The last 13 years of his life he devoted to writing special articles for the magazines and newspapers. His most recent work, "Pemaquid Pirate," is running serially in the Saturday magazine section of The Lewiston Evening Journal.

Just prior to his death he gave to the Colby Library a series of thirteen publications issued in London more than 300 years ago.

Mr. Davis was a Mason and past president and secretary of the Augusta Rotary Club. He was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity.

He is survived by his wife, Sadie Blaisdell Davis, and a son, Paul G. of Augusta, who is in the armed forces.

CPL. FRED BLUMENTHAL, '40

Cpl. Fred Blumenthal, '40, was killed in action in the Italian campaign on or about October 15, 1943. He had been with the original landing of troops in Sicily and received commendation for bravery in action during the course of the campaign.

Cpl. Blumenthal was called into service January 16, 1942, was assigned to the infantry arm of the service, and received his training at Camp Croft, South Carolina. He went overseas in June, 1943.

The son of Milton M. and Clara Schwarzman, he was born in New York City, December 22, 1918. He prepared for college at the Franklin School.

At Colby he was on the Dean's list in his junior and senior years. He was an assistant manager of football, member of the international relations club, the Colby Outing Club and the Tau Delta Phi fraternity.

LT. MYRON L. MANTELL, '41

Lt. Myron L. Mantell died in action in the Caribbean Sea area on October 21, 1943. He was the son of Ben and Hilda Hargis Mantell, Stamford, Connecticut.

Lt. Mantell enlisted in the Army Air Corps, September 5, 1943, at Hartford, Connecticut and received his flight training at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, and Bruce Field, Bullinger, Texas.

He prepared for Colby at the Stanford High School. At Colby he was a member of the freshman basketball team and the international relations club. He was on the Dean's list in his junior and senior years. He was a member and treasurer of the Tau Delta Phi fraternity.

MIDS. WM. L. LYMAN, JR., '45

The Alumni office has learned from a letter written by W. L. Lyman, Sr. that his son, William L. Lyman, Jr., was killed in action last July in the Mediterranean theater of the war.

Mr. Lyman wrote: "I have learned from a member of the crew who was saved that Bill was no doubt killed in action as their ship blew up on July 13th after being bombed. They were going into Sicily with a load of gas and ammunition to back up the landing there when they were hit. Only twenty-one out of a big crew were saved."

William Lyman, Jr. attended Colby for the academic year of 1941-42 before he enlisted in the U. S. Merchant Marine as a Midshipman.

He was born in Montclair, N. J., March 25, 1923, the son of William L. and Edith George (deceased) Lyman. He entered Colby from the Montclair, N. J., high school. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.
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