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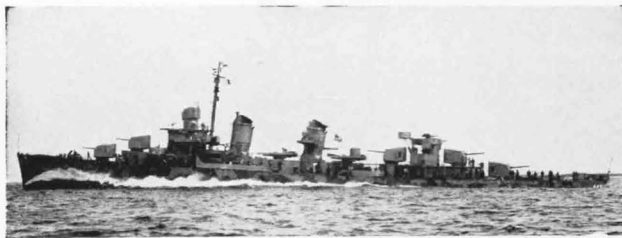


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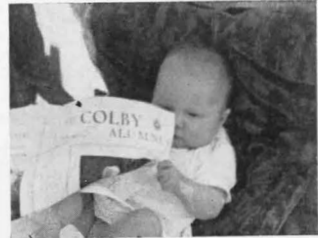
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The Cover

This is a portrait of President Bixler having a good time—teaching. There are about 35 in his course in the *Philosophy of Religion*, although only a handful happened to be lingering to carry on some argument or other. The group, as a matter of fact, was arranged by the photographer, but he got so interested in listening to Dr. Bixler that he didn't shoot the picture until the President had finished his disquisition and had started answering another question.

Fan Mail



INGA REIFEL, '66

Dear Editor: This will show you how much I like the ALUMNUS, even though I do not talk much about it. I had a hard time getting it away from my father and mother (Bill and Lorraine Deslsles Reifel, to you), but at the moment it has my fullest attention. We expect to head toward Maine later and will look you up.

— Inga Reifel, '66.

Warrington, Fla.

Dear Editor: — For the past four months I have received copies of the Colby Alumnus. Just want you to know that I appreciate your sending it to me each month. Until I began receiving it, I had decided to finish my college work at another college that a friend of mine was attending. But when I read of my friends at Colby—well, the “suction” from Colby was too powerful for me to resist. Now I can hardly wait to return “home.” It is mighty nice to know that my college has not forgotten me.

—RALPH J. BARRON, JR., '47, S1|c.
 Sampson, New York

The President's Page



For a college to ask favors from its alumni is common practice; for it to seek to do its alumni a favor is more rare. Yet next June Colby will embark upon a scheme whose sole purpose is to put its resources at the disposal of its graduates.

Commencement will be celebrated on June 17th. That same evening we shall hold the first session of our first "Alumni College." This will be a three-day conference with lectures by members of our history department and others, and it will be open only to Colby graduates and their wives or husbands as the case may be. Our theme is taken from Norman Cousins's famous phrase: "Is Modern Man Obsolete?" The discussions will center in the idea that unless he overcomes his indifference and corrects his ignorance of the tensions in his social environment, modern man will soon find that he and his opinions are alike outmoded.

The opening meeting Monday evening will be held at the college's Outing Club on Great Pond. It will include a picnic supper and an introduction of the various speakers to be followed by a general preliminary discussion. On Tuesday and Wednesday we shall have lectures at 9:30, 11:00, and 2:30, leaving the latter part of the afternoon free for recreation. Tuesday evening there will be music, including community singing, and Wednesday evening a trip to the summer theatre at Lakewood. One afternoon there will probably be a tea at the Waterville Country Club with golf for those who wish it. Thursday's schedule will include a lecture and round table discussion in the morning, followed by the concluding luncheon of the conference.

The list of lecturers is headed by Professor William J. Wilkinson who retired from our department of history last year and who will return to be with his former students on this occasion. He will speak once on "Russian Expansion," and again on "British Imperial Policy." Professor Harold Cross of the Columbia School of Journalism, who has recently been in China, will speak on "China and World Tensions." Professor Lester F. Weeks, '15, of our Department of Chemistry will discuss "Science — the Destroyer of Stability." The U.N.O. will be treated by Professor Norman D. Palmer, '30, who has returned from the Navy to our History Department, and Professor Paul A. Fullam, also of the History Department, will talk on "The American Sphere of Defense." The present writer will attempt to analyze some of the moral issues in the contemporary situation.

This alumni college is part of a far-reaching program of adult education organized under the direction of a committee headed by Dr. Frederick T. Hill, '10. A special alumni committee in charge of this particular program has been appointed by the Alumni Council. Its membership includes: Ervena Goodale Smith, '24; Esther French Spaulding, '16; Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, '12; H. C. Marden, '12, and Clyde E. Russell, '22.

We hope that these sessions will give our alumni an opportunity to continue some of the intellectual interests begun in college and to breathe the atmosphere of Colby as it is enjoyed today by the present generation of students on Mayflower Hill. The attitude of an alumnus toward his college is apt to be that of reminiscent loyalty. A return to the college under these auspices may help to bring this loyalty up to date. The experience of living in the Colby of the present will help our visitors to keep pace with the plans for the Colby of the future.

J. S. Bixler

THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

SPRING — With the appearance of pussy willows, the trailing arbutus, steam shovels and scores of workmen, Spring in all its loveliness has come to Mayflower Hill.

The great brick shells of the unfinished buildings, dank with the air of six winters, are once again resounding to the clang of tools, and truckloads of supplies are piling up outside. Once more, the project is on the march!

The engineers from Hegeman-Harris Inc., and a few workmen had not been on the job more than a few days when the government promulgated its directive which clamped down on most construction except veterans' housing. It was soon ascertained, however, that projects which were already underway could be continued. Hence, the order is: full steam ahead for Project A.

"Project A," in local parlance, means the completion of the five shells: the Lorimer Chapel, Miller Library, Roberts Union, and two men's dormitories. Of these, the dormitories have first priority, as they *must* be ready for occupancy when college opens, even though the Library or the Chapel could still have wet paint. The electrical wiring and plumbing were going in the other day and no one doubts but what the construction time-table will be adhered to.

"Project B," as authorized last November and planned out during the winter, comprises the erection, before winter, of the brick shells of the two science buildings, and of an additional dormitory for women, and the building to completion of the President's house. The status of Project B under the new government restrictions has not yet been clarified, but there is basis for hope that permission may be obtained to proceed with the two laboratories and possibly the dormitory. The beautiful residence for Colby's president will no doubt have to await the time when civilian house-building is given the green light.

Whether fraternity houses will come under Project A or B is as yet undecided. One fraternity has accepted its floor plans, and when the working drawings are completed it will then

be possible to get a close estimate on the cost of such a house under present price levels. By then, it will be clearer whether or not it will be expedient to begin building this summer.

HOW MANY? — The college administration is now thinking in terms of a 900-student enrollment next year. This compares with our present 550 and our pre-war average of less than 700. The increase is to be entirely in the men's division, since the women's enrollment has been stabilized at the present 400 mark. As now estimated, the 500 men students will comprise: 210 being carried over from this year, 140 returning to Colby from armed service, and 100 freshmen (including both civilians and veterans), leaving a leeway of 50.

This last figure may excite your curiosity, and here is its reason. Two factors confronted the admissions policy makers: first we want to accommodate all of our own boys who wish to resume their education; second, we will not know until late summer or so how many of these there will be. On the other hand, we cannot afford to wait until September before sending out acceptance notices to freshmen. Therefore, it was "guessed" that the number of returnees would number about 140, and, on that basis, it was decided to admit at the usual time this spring 100 freshmen. If the number of returnees turns out to be more than 140 (and already that seems likely) that leeway figure of 50 should take care of them, and whatever vacancies are then left can easily be filled by last-minute acceptances of additional freshmen. However, if

the number of returning Colby upperclassmen should exceed 190, we shall be in a serious quandary, as that would swell the total over the 500 which seems to be our maximum. All that can be said is that we do not intend to refuse admittance to a single Colby undergraduate who has been serving his country.

HOW? — Colby's decision to expand to the 900 mark was based, of course, not on the optimum number from an educational point of view, but from the duty to do all we can to ameliorate the situation of the 350,000 veterans who will be unable to get into any college. The housing will be taken care of by the addition of new dormitory space on the Hill, at the same time keeping all of our old campus in action for another year or two. The dining situation, also, is solvable only by the big scale kitchen and cafeteria layout to be in the new Roberts Union. (This kitchen equipment, incidentally, is one of the worst bottlenecks in the picture, according to Treasurer Eustis, but he hasn't given up.) Likewise, only the additional facilities offered by the Miller Library, will make it possible to provide 900 students with reasonable bibliographic tools. The faculty, even with a number of new appointments, is bound to be too small and the ratio of teachers to students will be below par for a college of our standards. How the existing chemistry, biology, physics and geology laboratories, built for a 600-college, can be improvised to take the load of a 900-college, remains to be seen. All in all, a certain amount of sacrifice of educational efficiency must be balanced against the service performed by taking in an extra couple of hundred GI's. No one, we think, can quarrel with the decision of the administration to take in the GI's and then do its utmost to provide a good educational experience, despite overcrowding.

PLANS — The problem of educating next year the wartime accumulation of college-bound boys is being faced by various colleges in vari-

We Point With Pride To—

Lt. Comdr. Norman D. Palmer, '30, awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

Capt. Roland J. Poulin, '41, awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

M-Sgt. John L. Thomas, Jr., '42, awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

ous ways. The University of Maine, we hear, is planning a 50 percent expansion to a 3,000 student body, and is confining admissions to Maine boys and girls. Bowdoin is operating on a three-semester ("trimester") per year basis, thus, in effect, accommodating 50 percent more men with the same plant. Bates is confronted with the situation of having its next year's vacancies entirely absorbed by returnees and, therefore, not being able to admit any freshman men whatsoever.

Governor Hildreth has formed a committee, of which Dean Marriner is a member, to dream up some temporary expedients for GI education. The committee is considering at least three suggestions which have merit. One is to use the buildings of the Presque Isle and Machias state normal schools to set up two-year liberal arts college programs — junior colleges, so to speak — with the hope that by 1948 these men may be able to transfer to other colleges. Another idea is to take the barracks and other unused housing in the mammoth Dow Field post at Bangor, and establish here a sort of annex to the University. A third proposal is that the high schools in the larger cities should offer veterans post graduate courses which would approximate the freshman work at a college. Some or all of these plans may be put into effect next fall.

COSTS — The stringency caused by rising costs of operation and the need for raising salaries to keep pace with the general inflationary trend has forced upon the Trustees the decision to raise the college tuition charges from \$300 to \$350. As a matter of fact, in what economists call "real money," this 16½ percent advance is probably no increase at all. It still is true that no New England endowed college of our type and standing has a lower rate, and the reluctance with which the increase was decided upon indicates no deviation on the part of the Trustees from the desire to keep the cost of attending this college as low as is consistent with our educational standards.

The need for more income next year is undebatable. We know of another college which has estimated that its operating costs next year will be \$187 per student higher than pre-war.

In addition to the financial problems facing all colleges, Colby has a special situation of its own to contend with next year, namely: the expense of running two campuses and the intracampus transportation. A college's income consists of: (1) yield from its endowment, (2) gifts for current expenses, and (3) receipts from students. If we had a gift or bequest of another million of endowment, the tuition raise might not be quite as necessary, but, unfortunately, this has not occurred. Gifts for current expenses consist almost entirely of the Alumni Fund, and never was the anticipated \$30,000 more needed than in 1946. That leaves the receipts from students as the only feasible source of additional income to keep abreast with the rising price level.

This is no new phenomenon. Apparently, the trend of college costs is an upward and ever-steepier curve. When this college was founded, the tuition was \$16 per year, room rent was \$6, and table board, if you care to know, was "nine shillings per week." By 1870, the combined charge for tuition and room was \$41 per year. In 1880, tuition alone was \$45, and ten years later, \$60. In 1900, the tuition fee remained at \$60, but there had been added a \$30 annual charge for "Expenses," which were itemized as: "library, gymnasium, baths, ordinary repairs, heating public rooms, pay of janitor, bell ringer, monitors etc." The same \$90 total was still standing in 1910, but by 1920 had risen to \$120, by 1925 to \$150, and by 1930 to \$200. In 1936 an additional \$10 registration fee had been tacked on, but in 1939 this was absorbed in a flat \$250 rate. The fee was upped to \$300 in 1944.

This trend is merely one segment in the over-all picture of America's rising standard of living. Not only do things cost more, but we demand a lot more things. Local taxes, for example, have risen over the years because we insist that our city have better fire-fighting equipment, prowl cars for police, purer water, paved streets, and more and better schools. By the same token, a college is not regarded as up to par if it does not provide a variety of expensive services undreamed of in our grandfather's time. In education, as elsewhere, the luxuries of yesterday

are the conveniences of today and the necessities of tomorrow.

This situation may lend itself to philosophic debate, but, as far as we can observe, the trend is irreversible. It has already taken most college education beyond the means of boys or girls dependent upon their own earnings, except in exceptional cases — although at Colby, we are proud to note, we still have a good number who come close to doing it. Will more and larger scholarships restore the opportunity for a higher education to all those who could profit by it? For the time being, this problem is being shelved by the GI Bill (whose full implications, incidentally, are not yet fully perceived) which for the first time anywhere, perhaps, removes the financial barrier from a college education for any qualified young man. (Unfortunately, the physical inability of our colleges to take in all the veterans, prevents this experiment from being fully carried out.) But after the GI's have come and gone, the question of the rising costs of private education will still confront us. Will the process throw into the laps of state and municipal universities the privilege of educating the students from the average home, with the independent colleges slipping into the role of class institutions? For colleges with the down-to-earth traditions of Colby, this would be quite a wrench.

SECOND HALF — It is hard to get over the idea that "the Twentieth Century" is synonymous with modern times — a term to be used in sharp contrast to the fusty old Nineteenth. However, as it must to all creatures, middle age has been creeping up on the present Century. Next autumn the freshman class will be the Class of 1950. From now on, every new student will graduate in the second half of the Twentieth Century!

Except for its first decade or so, the first half does not have much in its history worth bragging about. As to the remaining decades, one does not have to be very profound to predict that the second half will either be a whole lot better or a whole lot worse. And that puts us within the definition of an atomic-age optimist: "one who regards the future of the world as uncertain."

A JOURNALIST VIEWS THE ALUMNI FUND

BY THADDEUS F. TILTON, '20

AN acquaintance, annoyed at having been recently asked to donate to some college fund, remarked to me that in his opinion colleges should be put on a self-sustaining basis, charging students the full cost of their education. He isn't a Colby graduate, so I did not argue the point with him. I knew he had never known need for money and probably spoke without due forethought.

His remark, however, drove home to me the fact that I, for one, never could have enjoyed the benefits of a college education if, while receiving that education, I had been required to pay its full cost. I know the majority of those who were at Colby in my time would have found it similarly difficult to meet the full expenses of their college years from the means then available to them. Hundreds of us who have gone to Colby have been enabled to do so only because those who went before us have, by their generous gifts, expressed tangibly their appreciation for the education that others, in their turn, had made possible for them.

Colleges in their very nature cannot be put on a fully self-sustaining operating basis if liberal ideals of education are to prevail. Colby has always offered its students a well-rounded education at reasonable cost. Thanks to this policy, many a deserving boy or girl, with proved ability but meagre financial means, has been able to graduate from Colby. Hundreds of alumni in consequence owe their college a debt that never can be fully repaid. We can, however, manifest our appreciation and in some small degree repay our debt through free-will contributions in our post-college years.

Some graduates, fortunate in the accumulation of worldly possessions, are able to make their gifts substantial. Most of us at some time probably have wished that we also might give in sizeable amounts, but Colby people by and large have been accomplished in directions other than the amassing of money. Only relatively few of us, therefore, have found it possible to give the college large cash donations.



CLASS AGENTS MEET IN BOSTON

The group of class agents as pictured above met for a luncheon meeting in Boston on April 6 to discuss the 1946 Alumni Fund. They listened to President Bixler explain the financial problems which confront the college in the coming year and then all took part in a discussion of ways and means of stimulating class loyalty.

From the majority of us, contributions must be in small amounts, and the logical repository for these gifts is the Alumni Fund. That Fund, raised yearly, might aptly be called the Alumni Endowment Fund, for the aggregate of the hundreds of small donations it represents is the equivalent of the interest on a very large principal sum.

This year the Alumni Council, through the class agents, is seeking \$30,000. That amount represents the interest at 3% on a principal sum of \$1,000,000. The \$30,000 is being sought from a minimum of 2,000 con-

tributors — an average of \$15 each. If the principal sum were being sought, an average gift of \$500 would be needed. For most of us, a \$500 contribution to Colby in any one year would be an impossibility, but each and every one of us, by giving \$15 every year, can achieve the same end.

In giving to the Alumni Fund, therefore, every alumnus should look upon his gift as an endowment. If you would like to give the college \$1,000 but cannot, then try to give \$30 every year through the Fund. If you would like to give \$2,000, try to make

your annual Alumni Fund donation \$60.

Remember this: the average amount asked is \$15 — from 2,000 persons, or less than half the number of living alumni. Consider yourself to be at least average. If we all give *at least* this amount, the Fund will greatly exceed the goal.

It scarcely seems necessary to remind Colby people what the Alumni Fund is. We know it is the logical outgrowth of the Christmas Fund started by President Roberts in 1912, when he first sent out chatty Christ-

mas letters to graduates and included an appeal for gifts to aid the college in meeting operating expenses. In 1931, the Alumni Association decided to establish an annual Alumni Fund as a substitute for the Christmas Fund on a broadened and more systematic scale.

Year by year the needs of the college have grown. The accelerated growth of the Fund in the past few years clearly indicates that the alumni are fully aware of Colby's increasing needs. The goal for 1946 is the same as that set and attained a year ago.

Yet there is a greater urgency this year, as the great venture of moving to the new campus approaches fruition.

If you never have given to the Alumni Fund, give this year. If you have given before, give more this year. Give generously and give *now*, without waiting for the final call from your class agent. Experience the pleasure of knowing that by repaying to some degree your debt to Colby, you are helping undergraduates of today obtain an education — as you once were helped by others.

RECOLLECTIONS OF THE EARLY DAYS

By Albert W. Paine, 1832

THE "Boardman Willows" (as they are improperly named) which line the path to the River, and which are at present of such enormous size, have a history coming within your descriptive want. George Dana Boardman had nothing to do with their existence, as they had no existence until long after his graduation. Well can I recollect that in the Spring of my Senior year, 1832, I was witness to the scene of two students of the Freshman and Sophomore Class, whose rooms were in the South College building, passing down the unfinished path, with hands full of willow twigs, which they stuck in the ground on either side as they passed. Their subsequent growth from birth to old age has been an object of observation with me ever since, whenever I have the pleasure to visit my Alma Mater.

Among the objects of interest to me connected with the College are the condition and improvement of the campus and other grounds surrounding the buildings and extending from the highway to the River, all, or the most of which, were in a very unfinished condition. No such word as "Campus" was then known to designate any of the College grounds. At the time alluded to, in my Sophomore year, there were no paths from the College to the public highway, nor any other noticeable feature of improvement, no ornamental trees or shrubbery. Our small class being dis-

Looking back over a span of 70 years, Albert W. Paine, of the class of 1832, set down these recollections in a letter written to President Charles L. White in 1902. He was a lawyer in Bangor and held State positions as Insurance Commissioner and Bank Commissioner, attaining the age of 95.

satisfied with the appearance of things as they were, went to work forming the path to the road with the triangle in front of the space between the two doors of the building. The triangle was handsomely finished with a tree in its center and certain other proper embellishments. The tree stood and grew there for years and may be there still.

In our Junior year, the North College building became our residential location, when we found ourselves equally in want of a path to the road, with other improvements. Our class consisted of only four members one of whom, Mr. Quimby, was a married man and lived in a hired house down town, leaving only three of us to do the work. But being determined that the North should share equally with the South the benefit of our labor and the Seniors refusing their aid, the remaining three members went to work and completed the path and its semi-circle grass plot as it now is, save only that the latter has been much reduced in size by subsequent widening of the

path along the front of the building. After completing the path, the sodding of the green plot was perfected by Thomas cutting the sods, Ropes wheeling them in and the hands that now hold the pen and paper that bear testimony to the facts, having laid them down.

Among the other incidents of interest, in connection with the early history of the college, may be reckoned that of the character and fate of the early students who there pursued the work of their education.

Having myself spent an extra two years in College in the work of preparation for admission, as member of the "sub-freshman class" as we were called, my College life was extended over six years of time, which consequently made me acquainted with the larger part of all the students that pursued their studies there before my own graduation in 1832. A brief allusion to some of them may not be uninteresting.

Elijah Parish Lovejoy, the heroic martyr of slavery, was my schoolmaster and to him I feel largely indebted for my subsequent connection with the college through the influence he exerted with my dear parents. His brothers Daniel and John, both of whom afterwards attained distinction in life, were very popular members of the college studentry. Well can I remember how the former was, on the Sabbath, accustomed to sit in the

Church gallery, in seat opposite the pulpit, with his feet over the gallery front.

James Brooks, one of the most remarkable members of the college alumni, and most valued and gifted of American citizens, can not be passed by without notice. For six Congressional terms, of two years each, he represented the most important constituency in the United States, being that of the City of New York. The vast benefit which he conferred on the world, by his introduction of the great improvements in newspaper publication, can hardly be conceived. As editor of the *Portland Advertiser*, he introduced the practice of newspaper correspondence by personal travel all over the Union, with most interesting letters descriptive of this journey, in every issue of his paper. His subsequent establishment of the *New York Express* was signalized by a like work of travel and correspondence over the field of Europe and Egypt.

Dr. Robert W. Wood, one of the early business men of the Sandwich Islands, by his introduction of the Sugar industry, probably did more than any other person to help attain their present importance as part of the American Union.

Rev. Hosea Quimby was the active worker to whom Bates College is largely indebted for its existence. Holten, as missionary to Africa; Jewitt, as minister from our country to Peru; Willard, missionary to France and the Ottawas; Burbank, historian of California; Chandler, as U. S. Consul to Cuba; Moor, U. S. Consul or representative of our government to Canada; Butler, the most active worker in defense of his country in the War of the Rebellion and by his manifold duties in public life; Henry W. Paine, for so many years the leading member of Suffolk Bar; besides numerous other individual members of the original small classes of the College, who performed most important

acts in the work of advancing the best interest of the world, all tend to show that old Waterville College is fully entitled to the reputation of being one of the leading institutions of our country, especially for the great work that she has done in the advancement of good and of national character.

How "Waterville" became "Colby" is a story worth telling. In my boyhood days there lived, on Silver Street in the village, a poor widow who had two sons of about the same age with myself, who were my playmates, one of them being a clerk in a Winslow store where we did our trading and the other living at home and doing his mother's chores, such as collecting and returning her weekly wash. Such was the start of Gardiner Colby, who grew up to rich manhood, with means and disposition to help his neighborhood college in her hour of want, and thus change her name to his own.

WHY VETERANS SHOULD JOIN THE AVC

By R. IRVINE GAMMON, '37

FOR reasons which range from a renewal of wartime good fellowship to a desire for political action, millions of returning soldiers and sailors are now joining various veterans' organizations. Today, they have a choice of approximately one hundred veterans groups newly emerged from World War II, as well as the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars holding over from World War I. After considerable study and sampling of both old and new groups, I believe that the American Veterans Committee, an organization of the men and women of this war, is far and away the most intelligent and, therefore, most worthy of support.

Nor is this a snap judgment. I have known AVC and its leaders for fifteen months; I myself have been an AVC member for nearly a year. My acquaintance with this honestly-democratic organization and its progressive young chairman, Charles Bolte (Dartmouth '40), dates back to January, 1945, when just prior to going overseas I met Bolte and AVC treasurer Bill

The question of "What veterans' organization shall I join?" is one that confronts a large number of our readers and we are glad to offer space for the presentation of the arguments pro or con any of these. The writer of this article is no newcomer to these columns: a year ago we published excerpts from a journal of his trip to the C-B-I front gathering material for an AAF history of the B-29's, and several of his poems have previously appeared. The Editor will be glad to receive similar "sales talks" on behalf of any other veterans' organization, from other Colby service men or women.

Caldwell, an ex-AAF gunner with 57 fortress missions in the South Pacific, at a New York dinner honoring Henry Wallace. From Bolte's speech that evening, from many conversations later, from reading AVC literature overseas and attending national planning board meetings at home, I gradually came to appreciate the remarkable calibre of AVC's leaders and the relative thoughtfulness and liberalism of

its program. In fact, of all the veterans groups emerging from this or any other war, the American Veterans Committee is the only one I know that is liberal.

AVC is liberal (or in President Roosevelt's phrase "a little left of center") in that it already is working for real peace — through legally-established cooperation among all nations and extension of its own organization among the veterans of other countries; real jobs — decent, non-discriminating, well-paid jobs that will reestablish all veterans as respected members of the community; real security — the full functioning of the nation's competitive economy for the well-being of all its citizens, veteran and non-veteran alike, rather than chronic gouging by any one group . . . no, not even by twelve million GI darlings! Heading AVC's statement of intentions is the objective; "To achieve a more democratic and prosperous America and a more stable world." Its members, associating themselves with all U. S. servicemen regardless of race, color, or creed and resolving to live and work in freedom

from the threat of another war, have endorsed these specific aims:

1. Adequate financial, medical, vocational, and educational assistance for every veteran.

2. A job for every veteran under a system of private enterprise in which business, labor, agriculture, and government work together to provide full employment and full production for the nation.

3. Free speech, press, worship, assembly, and ballot for all.

4. Disarmament of Germany and Japan and the elimination of the power of their militarist classes.

5. Active participation of the United States in the United Nations Organization to stop any threat of aggression and to promote social and economic measures removing the causes of war.

6. Establishment of an international veterans council for the furtherance of world peace and justice among the peoples of all nations.

The American Veterans Committee shows its distinctive character, not only in such an overall program, but in its emphasis that the veteran is not a problem child but a mature citizen and one wanting to resume his productive place in a democratic society.

The AVC does not contemplate periodic hi-jackings of the U. S. Treasury, and aside from ensuring the ex-soldier's legitimate financial, vocational, and educational aids makes no such mercenary appeal to membership. The AVC believes with Bill Caldwell that "We need a new organization because we have new problems." Sending its representatives before many important forums, the American Veterans Committee has made its influence felt at the San Francisco UNO meeting, the Bretton Wood Conference, and on such Washington legislation as the GI Bill of Rights, the Full Employment Bill, and similar measures designed to help not only the veterans but the entire community. For, above all else, this is AVC's peculiar genius: the emphasis by precept and example that the veteran's welfare is inseparably interwoven with the welfare of all Americans and that he cannot rightfully gain special privilege or prosperity at the expense of the majority.

Today the American Veterans Committee is a rapidly-growing organization. Its national headquarters is located at 554 Madison Avenue, New York City; its first constitutional con-

vention will take place June 14-16 at Des Moines, Iowa; its cause is being currently celebrated in Bolte's best-seller, "The New Veteran." AVC membership now numbers 50,000 men and women in eighty-odd chapters from coast to coast, and among GI's overseas from Yokohama to Honolulu to Marseilles to the Rhine. Among distinguished younger men already members are Harold Stassen, Col. Evans Carlson, Bill Mauldin, Franklin Roosevelt, Jr., Philip Willie, Orin Root, John Hersey, Will Rogers, Jr., Alfred Vanderbilt, Jr., Marion Hargrove, Melvin Douglas, and thousands of others who, if unknown, are just as forward-looking and potentially as important in building a prosperous America in a peaceful world. Thus, I believe all Colby veterans, who intend to continue democracy's fight even though foreign battlefields are silent, can do no wiser thing than join AVC. In such a partnership, both Colby and AVC would become more effectual in achieving a society nearer the heart's desire. In such a partnership, the ideas and ideals of a New England liberal arts college would be more surely realized. Together, perhaps, we can avert the atomic Armageddon.

THE PAINTINGS OF CHARLES H. PEPPER

By Prof. Samuel M. Green, *Department of Art*

THE Art Department took pleasure during March in presenting an exhibition of the work of Charles Hovey Pepper, '89. The exhibition, held in the Dunn Lounge of the Women's Union, was one of a series devoted to Maine art and artists. Among the several one-man shows in the series, this has been the most popular, not only for the local interest evidenced in a distinguished graduate of the college, but also because of the quality of the work itself.

Mr. Pepper was graduated from the college in 1889, during the time his father, George Dana Boardman Pepper, was president. He married Frances Coburn of Skowhegan. He has, therefore, many friends in the two communities, many of whom visited the exhibition.

A selection of Mr. Pepper's best

work of recent years was chosen at the artist's studio in Boston, in consultation with him. These consisted primarily of watercolors, the medium Mr. Pepper has used most frequently in his later work. He employs it with the originality characteristic of his temperament, for in a combination of both opaque and transparent washes, he achieves a unique effect with a range of expressive quality combining the advantages of both media.

The subjects of most of these watercolors were landscapes, some derived from his sojourns in Southern France and Quebec, and one from California. But the majority were of New England scenes, in New Hampshire, in Concord, Mass., (where he lived many years) and from the dearly-loved spot where he spent many of his summers, Lake Attean, Maine, close to the Cana-

dian border near the road to Quebec. Two of the watercolors are imaginary portraits, one from a series devoted to satirizing the small town politician, and the other the Stage Driver, from a series, "Forgotten Men," inspired from the artist's boyhood memories of New England characters who have long passed from the scene. These are thoroughly delightful portraits full of character observation and social comment.

One of the most-liked pictures among the watercolors was *Silence*, a winter evening scene at Attean with a little strip of land dark against the twilight sky and the utterly still lake—a composition and mood showing the continuing influence of the Japanese print, of which Mr. Pepper has been a connoisseur since a trip to Japan early in his career.



BIG PINE, ATTEAN

This large oil was the most popular painting in the Pepper exhibition and well illustrates the "Japanesque" quality of his style.

The watercolors which interested the writer most were a group of two painted at Concord: the *Fairyland Pond*, and *New England Village*, which had a wonderful crispness in the handling of the medium to match the cold brittleness of the snow-filled New England air represented in them both. As in most of Mr. Pepper's papers, the free and spontaneous manner and bold composition enhanced the expressive nature of the subjects.

Several oils were included also. Two were landscapes, one from Vence in Provence, and one magnificent blasted pine silhouetted against the lake and sky of Attean. This was most effective hung over the mantle from where it dominated the room. Two more were imaginative landscapes from a series of paintings, consisting of both portraits and landscapes, dealing with a trip to the lamaseries of the Himalayas in Tibet, inspired by experiences of an early trip to Darjeeling. Unfortunately, space did not allow the showing of more in this series, remarkable for its successful flights of fancy, unusual in a contemporary American artist.

Perhaps the finest pictures in the exhibition, however, are two portraits. They are bold and effective in color, forceful in design and most acute in characterization. In the portrait of his son, now professor of Philosophy at the University of California, his handling of color, both as local color and as definition of form (rather similar to the technique of Van Gogh) can be seen most readily. The remarkably good color reproduction of the portrait in the biography of Mr. Pepper by Joseph Coburn Smith (reviewed in this magazine, November 1945, by Edward F. Stevens, '89) gives a very good notion of this method.

Mr. Pepper's paintings not only give evidence of the artist's honest and emotional approach to his subject matter, but also reflect a long and discriminating appreciation of the various influences which have gone to make up contemporary art.

Examples of Pepper's work are in the collections of the Boston Museum of Art, Fogg Museum, Worcester Gallery of Art, Farnsworth Gallery at Rockland, and other places. In Waterville, portraits by Mr. Pepper are

found in the Colby Chapel, Foss Hall, the Library Reading Room, and the Public Library, while landscapes may be seen in Louise Coburn Hall, Foss Hall, Coburn Classical Institute, and in some private homes.

The titles of the paintings hung are: Vence; Big Pine, Attean; Portrait of an Artist; Stephen Coburn Pepper; Top of the World—Day; Top of the World—Night; Whitecaps at Attean; Fall, Vermont; Spring in California; Red Maple Buds, Concord; Olive Grove, Vence; Rough Day, Attean; Lower Salmon Hole, Cascaedia; Street in Vence; Summer Night, Quebec; Silence; Arlington Street Church, Boston; Lone Tree, California; New England Village; Fairyland Pond, Concord; "Statesman"; On the Sly Side; and "Forgotten Men": The Stage Driver.

A TALE OF TWO COLLEGES

Dear Editor:

Since early November we have been living in Winter Park, Florida, which is well known as the home of Rollins College. My contact with the College through the use of its library, acquaintance with several of the professors and some association with the students by appearing before their International Relations Club have afforded me an opportunity to make a few comparisons with Colby.

No one can deny the architectural beauty of the buildings at Rollins which show a strong Spanish-Mediterranean influence in their design. The Knowles Memorial Chapel and the Annie Russel Theatre are majestic structures, the former being considered one of the three most beautiful buildings in Florida. There are other architectural memorials which testify to generous benefactions by friends of the College. But a Colby partisan takes satisfaction in the fact that our endowment is more than twice as large as that of Rollins. Furthermore our library is far superior with respect to the number and type of its volumes. Of course there is nothing to compare with Colby's collection of rare books. Their library is housed in cramped quarters and the building is one of the least attractive on the campus, whereas the Colby library on Mayflower Hill dominates the scene. This contrast is significant.



In Memory of
PROF. EDWARD H. PERKINS
 Died April 13, 1936

Geologist

*How oft to eager ears he has retold
 The story that the ancient rocks unfold,
 Of record writ by glacier's rugged scars,
 Of meteorites whose birthplace was the stars,
 Of Vulcan's belching mouth and flame-lit eye,
 Of Ocean's boundless deeps and mountains high,
 Of tropic swamps where now is Arctic cold,
 When man was young but Earth herself was old.*

*His voice is still; no more will it enthral
 The youthful tenants of the lecture hall.
 Though we who had some inkling of his worth
 Must recommit him to his Mother Earth,
 Perhaps his never idle hand engages
 His hammer and his lens beside the Rock of Ages.*

— Ernest C. Marriner, '13.

One is impressed by the ability of Rollins to put on a good show, as was evidenced recently by bringing Greer Garson here to receive a degree and her appearance with other celebrities who appeared before a crowd of four thousand people comfortably seated out of doors on a pleasant, warm Sunday afternoon in February.

A few weeks ago there appeared a lavishly illustrated article in the *Saturday Evening Post* entitled *They Major in Tennis at Rollins* with the following sub-title: *A diverting view of a school where studying never interferes with the development of a good backhand.*

It happened that the same day in which I read the *Post* article I came upon the issue of *The Saturday Review of Literature* which accorded the premier place to a review of Professor Weber's new edition of Housman's *A Shropshire Lad*. Unlike *The Saturday Evening Post*, *The Saturday Review of Literature* is "caviar to the general." While it is not read by the multitude as is the Philadelphia publication it circulates throughout the most scholarly and cultural circles in this country. Among the judicious and those capable of discerning real values there can be little question as to which of the above is the more desirable type of publicity.

— WILLIAM J. WILKINSON.

COLBY MENTIONED IN TIME

THE April 1 issue of *Time* contained an extensive review of the Colby Library's semicentennial edition of Housman's *A Shropshire Lad*. Said *Time*: "Readers who cannot get one of the 500 copies of this Jubilee Edition will miss: 1) a rare reminder that book designing is an art, not a packaging job; 2) a rare photograph of the poet; 3) a set of notes which should interest any admirer of Housman's poetry." The rest of the more than two columns was devoted to an evaluation of Housman.

Sharp-eyed readers who always spy footnotes also discovered another reference to Colby in the same issue. Under "Education," a lengthy article devoted to Albert Schweitzer, musician-theologian-medical missionary, referred to a new book on this man with essays by "topflight scholars." An asterisk led to an enumeration of three of these, the first being "Theologian J. S. Bixler, president of Maine's Colby College."

WHERE THOSE CLASS LETTERS COME FROM

(See pictures on right)

Alumni who receive class letters and even, perhaps, the Class Agents who write them, may not realize the num-

ber of people who have a hand in the process. The opposite page, therefore, depicts what goes on in the Alumni Office these spring days when the Fund season is in full swing.

At the upper left is Charline A. Fortier who transcribes the original letter from your Class Agent onto a mimeograph stencil. The copies are then run off by Mrs. Edward H. Perkins (right) who does all the college mimeographing, as well as running the supply department for the various offices.

At the middle left we see Alice Perkins embossing a new address plate from one of the many changes which come in daily. Jean Simpson (right) is addressing envelopes from the drawer of plates which represent one class. Below her, the whole staff is pitching in to sort the envelopes of a general alumni mailing into the geographical pigeon holes.

The pay-off is shown in the lower left where Mary Thayer, '28, has opened the morning's mail and makes a record of the contributions to the Alumni Fund, entering each amount on your individual card, the class ledger card, and the daily cash sheet which will be sent, together with checks and currency, to the Treasurer's office. Within the next two months, she expects to have handled more than 2,000 such entries with a total of more than \$30,000. Has yours come in yet?



BASEBALL PRACTICE STARTS



REPORT FOR SPRING PRACTICE. Candidates for Colby's 1946 baseball team working out under the watchful eye of Coach Bill Millett are: *Front row, left to right, Kozarnowicz, St. Pierre, Rabinovich, Puia, Hubbard, and Coach Millett. Second row, left to right, Silberstein, C. Burns, Goulet, Holt, Myshrall, DiFrederico, Bryan, Thurston, Vigue, Lightbody, Felker, Cousins, and Meehan.*

A SQUAD of about 30 men reported to Coach Millett for pre-season baseball practice in the Colby Field House.

The outlook for the team is highly speculative since the only lettermen reporting are Donald Butcher and Dominic Puia. The former is a pitcher while Puia has played infield and outfield and was playing along with Big League stars in his service league last summer after V-J Day. Most of the other members of the squad are returned veterans who have played baseball before on school teams.

The 11 game slate consists of three games with each of the other Maine colleges and home contests with Boston College and the University of New Hampshire. The schedule follows:

April 20, University of Maine at Colby
(Exhibition game)
April 27, Colby at Bowdoin
(Exhibition game)
May 1, University of Maine at Colby
May 4, Colby at Bates
(Exhibition game)

May 8, Colby at Bowdoin
May 11, Bates at Colby
May 13, Colby at Boston College
May 14, Colby at University of New Hampshire
May 21, Bowdoin at Colby
May 23, Colby at University of Maine
May 28, Colby at Bates

Campus Activities

Faculty Capers — Just to show the students that faculty and staff women can discard their proverbial dignity, they played the co-eds in a rollicking game of basketball on March 19 in the Women's Union. Paced by "Jolly Janet" Marchant, the academic end of the college did their utmost to win (even trying to bribe the referee with a steak dinner!) but to no avail. The co-eds, for once, reigned supreme, and were on the winning end of a 31-13 score. The cheering section was led by Dean Runnals, ably assisted by the house-mothers. Others on the faculty team were "Points" Pinette, "Tattle-tale" Gray, "Peanut" LaCroix,

"Peppy" Pullen, "Butch" Maxson, "Stretch" Curtis, "Biff" Bunker, and "Spike" Simpson, to use the nicknames assigned to them by the Echo reporter.

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CLA — Dr. Luella F. Norwood of the English faculty spoke to the Colby Library Associates on April 6th on "The New Bibliography of Tobias Smollett." Miss Norwood has been working on the bibliography of this English author since 1931 and has travelled all over Western Europe and the eastern part of the United States to do research in libraries, book shops, and private collections. During her exploring, she has unearthed nearly every edition of Smollett's writings and has also discovered editions of earlier date than the first known one.

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Vacation — On the afternoon of March 21st, the campus was suddenly and quickly deserted. Only one lone student was seen walking around now and then. The reason? Easter vacation had arrived, and little time was wasted by the students in boarding the trains for points south, east, west, and north. Classes were resumed again on April 3rd.

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Rufus Jones — Rufus M. Jones, one of the world's foremost Quaker leaders, and recipient of the honorary S.T.D. degree from Colby in 1937, was the Averill lecturer on March 15. The subject of his address was "The Way of Affirmation." On March 17, he again spoke, this time at the All-College Vesper service, his subject being "The Sequel to the Mighty Antecedent."

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Colby Wives — The wives of Colby veterans who have been holding informal meetings all year, recently organized into the Colby Wives Association. Newly elected officers are: Rosemary Bedo, Chairman; Marie Mosley, Secretary; Claire Drummond, Treasurer; Norma B. Struckhoff and Adela Vigue, Refreshments; Jean O. Perkins and Phyllis H. Kearney, Activity Planning; Phyllis M. Anderson and Lucille Myshrall, Publicity and Membership.

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WHITE MULE — After many delays due to broken-down presses, etc., the WHITE MULE finally emerged from

its stall. The magazine made a good start toward attaining its pre-war popularity.

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House Parties — With the advent of an increased male population on campus, the newly organized Dormitory Social Committee recently held a meeting to discuss plans for holding house parties and other social functions in the men's dormitories. Alumni will recall that before the war fraternity tea dances and vic dances were held in the various houses. The students now wish to revive this custom.

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Fraternities — At a meeting of the Interfraternity Council held in March, it was decided to postpone rushing and pledging until the fall term of 1946. Fraternities were activated on March 11, however, and all former pledges may now be initiated, and other activities carried on.

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Bell — The ATOs are back in town! Evidence may be heard by the fact that the Paul Revere Bell in the former ATO House rings at the most unheard of hours of the day and night. In fact, just about every time a member of said fraternity walks by the bell he gives the rope a yank. Some thoughtful soul was kind enough to cut the rope a few weeks ago, so silence has been reigning since, much to the relief of all.

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PBK — Five students were recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa. They are: Roselle Johnson, Hannah Karp, Jean Rhodenizer, Priscilla Tibbetts, and Eugene C. Struckhoff.

ALFOND SCHOLARSHIP

A FULL scholarship to Colby College for a student to be elected from Norridgewock next year has been provided through a gift from Harold Alfond, Norridgewock shoe manufacturer.

The provisions established by Mr. Alfond provide that if no student from Norridgewock is available, a senior at Skowhegan high school will be chosen. The award is to be made by a committee consisting of the Superintendent of Schools, the high school principal and an alumnus of Colby College.

NITCHMAN RESIGNS

THE resignation of Lt. Comdr. Nelson W. Nitchman, USCG, from the position of head coach of Colby football has been received by President Bixler. On leave of absence since the summer of 1942 when he entered the United States Coast Guard, he indicated that he had been induced to remain at the Academy at New London to be head coach of football and basketball.

Coach Nitchman coached at this college only one year, but in that season he turned out the State Championship team of 1941. His previous experience had been at Union College, his own alma mater. During the war he was stationed at the Coast Guard Academy and was assistant coach of football and coach of basketball and golf, besides physical training duties.

His decision is regretted by Nitchman's many friends in the college. In a statement given to the press, Ellsworth W. Millett, Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, said: "All who knew and worked with Nels Nitchman admired him as a wonderful coach and a fine gentleman."

Since the administration had hoped up until the last moment that Nitchman would return to Colby—in fact, spring practice was even scheduled for April 28th—the search for his successor is starting from scratch. Since



Lt. Comdr. Nelson W. Nitchman

it is a faculty position, the procedure of appointment follows the usual channels, namely: investigation and winnowing out of candidates by the Department (in this case with consultation by the Athletic Council), recommendation of the leading candidates to the President, interviews, and final selection by the President, and ratification by the Board of Trustees. How long this process will take is unpredictable.

The Library Corner

'DUKEDOM LARGE ENOUGH'

THE late William O. Fuller of Rockland, Maine, whom Colby College adopted in 1929 by conferring upon him the degree of M.Litt., was at the time of his death in 1941 the dean of New England editors. Having founded the *Rockland Courier* in 1874, consolidated a few years later with the *Rockland Gazette*, he continued as its active editor (with only one break) until the year of his death, a period of 67 years. Last December his library of somewhat over two thousand volumes came to the Colby College Library.

Mr. Fuller was a great lover of literature. His home, which he called

"Pickwick Place," was often visited by poets and other literary friends. In it through the years he gathered a notable collection of books which were read and enjoyed by his family—which were indeed his and their friends. Among them are several hundred volumes of contemporary verse, many by American authors poorly represented in the Colby Library, including several Maine authors—notably Holman Day. There are numerous Maine imprints and works on the history of the state, and several productions of private presses.

"Every library," says the poet at the Breakfast-Table, "should try to be complete on something." Most notable among Mr. Fuller's books are

some four hundred volumes by and about his favorite author, Charles Dickens. This collection of Dickensiana, which contains also some fifty



WILLIAM O. FULLER

framed prints of Dickens and his characters, is presented to the library by Mr. Fuller's wife in his honor and memory. With what the library already has pertaining to Dickens, this good author now becomes one of the stars in the Colby galaxy, along with Milton, Hawthorne, Hardy, Housman, Robinson, Lovejoy, the early American economists Matthew and Henry Carey, and a few others.

A casual glance at the miscellaneous part of the library tells us much of Mr. Fuller's friendships and varied interests. Here, for instance, are some thirty volumes from the library of Thomas Bailey Aldrich and many of Aldrich's own works, most of them bearing either his name or the familiar bookplate (see Greenslet's *Life*, p. 260). There are also numerous personal inscriptions from Alfred Noves, Winslow Warren, Henry Van Dyke, and other friends. The genial sense of humor which appears in Mr. Fuller's own books and sketches is reflected by many volumes of the writings of Mark Twain, Petroleum Nesby, John Kendrick Bangs, Frank Stockton, Bill Nye, and other American lights. Aldrich once remarked, by the way, that of all his literary acquaintances it was

Mr. Fuller who most often put him in mind of Charles Lamb.

In his numerous trips abroad Mr. Fuller was a faithful pilgrim to the shrines of the men he admired; several dozen guidebooks trace the footsteps of Browning, Burns, Dumas, Lamb, Scott, Stevenson, Thackeray—above all his beloved "Boz"—and his own after them. A dozen books on English cathedrals, country homes, and gardens attest similar interests.

Among larger works, mention may be made of a beautiful 8-volume edition of the works of the great seventeenth-century divine, Thomas Fuller, and Morris Fuller's two-volume *Life*; Wheatley's sumptuous 18-volume edition of Pepys' *Diary*; and other standard sets of the eighteenth century novelists Fielding, Smollett, Sterne, and Walpole; the works of that curious bookseller, prolific writer, and friend of Cruikshank, William Hone; such other nineteenth century figures as DeQuincey, Lockart, Albert Smith, and Irving; the historians Hume, Gibbon, Milman, and Parkman; and the collected works of Kipling and Theodore Roosevelt.

Surprise is one of the pleasures arising in the exploration of such a library as this one. For instance, it is interesting in an unpromising group of Annapolis textbooks (once used by Mr. Fuller's son, Douglas Wardwell) to come upon a manual of "Saber Exercise 1914" prepared by 2nd Lieut. George S. Patton Jr.! And a sentimental interest attaches to two beautifully illustrated editions of *Robinson Crusoe* published a long generation apart, the one bearing an inscription to "Willie O. Fuller Jr., A New Year's Gift From Uncle Daniel, 1864"; the other, "This old but ever new story book For Richard Stearns Fuller from his Papa, Christmas 1909."

After a busy day in the editor's chair Mr. Fuller often retired to the pleasant chimney corner of the famous "Brown Study" of which Cyrus Curtis once said, "This is such a room as every man wants—and few of them get." And here he may well have echoed Prospero's thought, "My Librarie was Dukedom large enough." In the Colby Library his books will long continue to win new friends to find pleasure in the world of the mind.

WITH THE ALUMNI CLUBS

WORCESTER GROUP IS FIRST TO MEET

THIS year the Worcester County Colby alumni had the honor of being the first alumni group to greet President Bixler and G. Cecil Goddard on their annual tour of New England. The meeting was held at the Hotel Sheraton, March 7, with an attendance of about thirty.

Martin J. Tierney, '30, retiring president, introduced the guest speakers. Dr. Bixler gave an entertaining account of the problems and opportunities facing the colleges as a result of the large veteran enrollment, and G. Cecil Goddard sketched the history and achievements of the Alumni Council.

Marian Johnson Kinch, '25, has the distinction of being the first alumna ever to be elected president of the organization. Other officers chosen were William E. Pierce, '44, vice president; and Leota E. Schoff, '25, secre-

tary-treasurer. Clifford H. Littlefield, '26, was named representative to the Alumni Council.

LEOTA E. SCHOFF, '25, Sec.

RHODE ISLAND ALUMNI ENJOY SKIT BY YOUNG GRADS

THE annual Colby luncheon for Rhode Island Alumni was held on March 9 at the Biltmore Hotel in Providence. A group of 35 attended. Dr. John Livingstone, '30, was succeeded by Dana Jaquith, '35, as president. Other officers elected were: vice president, Edward Jenison, '40; treasurer, Anthony C. Stone, '36; secretary, Eileen Matteo, '44; State representative to the alumni council, Milford Umphrey, '21. A program committee was set up to plan social events for the coming year.

Speakers included Dr. Julius S. Bixler, G. Cecil Goddard and the Rev. Harold C. Metzner of Providence.

The business meeting was followed by a skit enacted by Barbara Baylis, Priscilla Tallman, Elaine Anderson, Charlotte Hanks and Virginia Eddy, depicting a week-end at Mayflower Hill.

BOSTON MEETING IS LARGEST YET

THE largest meeting in the history of the Boston Colby Alumni Association was held on March 8 at the Boston City Club with 226 members and guests in attendance. It was the 65th annual dinner of the group.

Arthur G. Robinson, '06, presided, and among those seated at the head table were: President and Mrs. Bixler; Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary; Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Gezork; Mrs. Lucile Jones Beerbaum, '36, representing the Boston Colby Alumnae Association; Robie G. Frye, '82, oldest alumnus present; and Congressman Angier Goodwin, '06.

At the conclusion of the dinner the reports of the Secretary-Treasurer were read and adopted. The report of the Nominating Committee was then accepted and the following slate of officers unanimously elected: President, Wilson C. Piper, '39; Vice President, Mark R. Shibles, '29; Secretary-Treasurer, Edward H. Merrill, '25; Members of the Executive Committee, Dr. Leon Crockett, '15, Arthur G. Robinson, '06, and Francis Barnes, '36; Representative on the Alumni Council, Louis A. Wilson, '14.

Dr. Herbert Gezork, an honorary graduate of Colby, gave an address on conditions in Europe as he observed them during a recent mission in behalf of the government of the United States.

Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, then gave a resume of the activities of the Alumni Council, laying special stress on the Alumni College to be held for three days immediately following Commencement. He also spoke of the alumni service awards, the war memorial committee, and the proposed change in the selection of the members of the Alumni Council.

The Boston meeting then had the pleasure of hearing President Bixler report on Colby in the postwar world. He said that in spite of the high cost and scarcity of building materials the college was going resolutely ahead

with the plans for completing the necessary buildings on Mayflower Hill. He spoke with feeling about the veterans, 189 of whom had already returned to college along with several faculty members. Dr. Bixler said that a faculty committee had been created to advise and assist the veterans academically and socially.

Dr. Bixler also reported that the faculty had been very much interested in the reports of Professors Palmer and Fullam, who had been sent to observe educational experiments in progress at the University of Chicago and St. John's College.

In closing, President Bixler announced the appointment of a Director of Admissions and introduced Professor Clark, recently appointed associate professor of philosophy.

EDWARD H. MERRILL, '25, Sec'y.

ST. PETERSBURG GROUP HOLDS MONTHLY MEETINGS

PRESIDENT - EMERITUS and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson were guests of honor at the annual meeting of the Colby College Club at a luncheon meeting on February 16, 1946, at the Detroit Hotel. Seventeen members of the Colby family and twenty-six guests were present, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Drummond who accompanied the Johnsons to Florida.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. George S. Gilmour of the United Liberal Church. A telegram of greeting from President Bixler was read, and, in a reply telegram, the members of the club and their guests sent greetings to Pres. and Mrs. Bixler.

Dr. Johnson spoke interestingly and inspiringly of the fine accomplishments at the college and of the splendid plans for the future. He emphasized the able administration of Pres. Bixler and his devotion to the college.

At the last regular meeting of the Colby Club held at noon on March 16, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Ralph E. Nash, '11; First Vice President, Edwin A. Russell, '15; Second Vice President, Caro L. Hoxie, '96; Treasurer, Donald E. Putnam, '16; Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Buswell Nash, '12; member of the Alumni Council, Donald E. Putnam; and alternate

member of the Alumni Council, Nella M. Merrick, '00.

Twenty-three members of the Colby family were present at the meeting, the largest attendance in the history of the club. They were: Nella M. Merrick, Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Russell, Donald E. Putnam, E. W. and Esther French Spaulding, Mrs. Mary Blaisdell Belknap, James R. McConnell, Mrs. Margaret Merrill Ash, Dr. John W. and Nellie Worth Hatch, Mrs. Alice Smith Horne, H. H. Chapman, Prof. Josef F. Nelson, Ralph E. and Margaret Buswell Nash, Mrs. Mary Bickmore Tefft, Emma A. Fountain, Vernon K. and Martha Meserve Gould, Dr. George A. and Maud Hoxie Martin, and Mrs. Effie Lowe Patch.

A picnic meeting at Gulfport is planned for noon, April 20th.

HARTFORD MEETING IS "ONE OF THE BEST"

THE year 1946 will see many historic events for Colby. One of those is the meeting of the Connecticut Valley Alumni at the Hotel Bond of March 22, which was one of the best attended and most enthusiastic meetings in the history of the association.

Dr. Bixler and Cecil Goddard related the exciting and challenging things that are happening and that will happen at the College during the first post-war year. The returning veterans, the move to Mayflower Hill, and the record enrollment present the "greatest opportunity in education's history," says Dr. Bixler, and "Colby is ready."

It was wonderful to see the return of several Colby ex-service people. We believe there are many more in the Hartford area that would have attended had they knowledge of the meeting. The Alumni office has lost contact with many of these due to war changes, and urges that Colby people returning to or newly settled in Connecticut forward their new addresses to the Alumni Office.

A short business meeting resulted in the following officers being elected for 1946: President, Royden K. Greely, '13; Vice President, Robert P. Brown, '30; Secretary and Treasurer, William Hoyt, '05; Representative to Alumni Council, Joseph W. Leighton, '06.

ROBERT P. BROWN, '30.

STUDENTS PRESENT AT WATERBURY DINNER

FORTY-SEVEN members and friends of the Naugatuck Valley Colby Alumni Association met for their annual dinner on Saturday evening, March 23rd, at the Hotel Elton, Waterbury, Conn.

Inspiring messages were brought from the Colby campus by President Bixler and Mr. Goddard. Jane Plummer, '48, spoke for the undergraduate women, and Calvin Hubbard, '43, gave the point of view of the veteran returned to his Colby home. It was a pleasure to have the parents of several alumni and students present, as well as various guests who were interested as prospective students or were friends and relatives of prospective students.

Arrangements for the gathering were in charge of Dr. and Mrs. John H. Foster, '13 and '14, and Leonora A. Knight, '17. Among others present were: Arthur Craig, '16, and Mrs. Craig; Donald Sterner, '44, Mrs. A. E. Sterner, and Miss Bernice Prillwitz; Mrs. Percival Dixon, '12; Mrs. Elsie Pierson, '12; Jane Plummer, '48, and Mrs. Hazel Plummer; Louise Leavenworth, '49, and Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Leavenworth; Dorothy M. Crawford, '22, and Mrs. A. B. Crawford; Bette Fernald, '18; Edwin Merry, '29, and Mrs. Merry; Kathryn Reny Jordan, '40; John S. Pullen, '38, and Edna Slater Pullen, '40; Calvin K. Hubbard, '43, and Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hubbard; Arthur G. Beach, '42; Shirley Armstrong, '46, and Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Armstrong; Paul I. Smith, '47; Eileen Lanouette, '47.

DOROTHY M. CRAWFORD, '22.

HUDSON RIVER GROUP ORGANIZED IN ALBANY

THE Hudson River Valley Alumni Association of Colby College was organized March 25, 1946, at a meeting held in the University Club, Albany, New York. President Bixler and Cecil Goddard talked about the Colby that had grown and we were brought up to date about developments at Mayflower Hill, including commencement plans for June 1946.

Officers were elected: President, Phineas P. Barnes, '20; Vice Presi-

ATTENDANCE AT ALUMNI MEETINGS

Worcester	30
Boston	226
Providence	35
St. Petersburg	23
Hartford	80
Waterbury	47
Albany	29
Washington	27
New York City	125
Augusta	35
Waterville	75
Portland	85

Total 817

dent, Mrs. Harry Pratt (Blanche Pratt), '02; Treasurer, William Harriman, '17; Secretary, Mrs. Carlton Brown (Laura-May Tolman), '36.

Others present were: Mr. Harry Pratt, '02; Mr. George E. Tolman, '04; Rev. Richard Cummings, '32; Dr. Lyman T. Thayer, '16, and Mrs. Thayer (Ruth Murdock), '17; Mr. Stanley B. Miller, '14; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sachs (Roberta Holt, '45); Miss Gertrude Szadzewicz, '44; Miss Frances Willey, '45; Miss B. Myra Whittaker, '35; Mr. Warren B. Marston, '16, and Mrs. Marston; Mr. John A. Barnes, '24, and Mrs. Barnes; Mr. Augustus M. Hodgkins, '28, and Mrs. Hodgkins; Mr. Ransom Pratt, '21, and Mrs. Pratt; Dr. Libby Pulsifer, '21, and Mrs. Pulsifer; Mrs. William Harriman; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Thomas; Mrs. Phineas Barnes.

Mr. and Mrs. Ransom Pratt drove about 200 miles from Corning, N. Y., to be present, while Dr. Pulsifer insisted he did not belong to eastern New York, but was "scouting for Western New York."

LAURA-MAY TOLMAN BROWN, '36.

CONGRESSWOMAN SMITH HOSTESS TO D. C. ALUMNI

THE annual meeting of the Washington Alumni Association was held on March 27 in the rooms of Hon. Margaret Chase Smith, Congresswoman from Maine, in the House Office Building.

Officers elected for the coming year were as follows: President, Hubert Beckwith, '43; Vice President, Albert

Haynes, '42; Secretary, Marjorie Cate, '42; Treasurer, Donna deRochmont Wetzel, '39; Chairman of the executive board, Betty Anne Royal, '42. Mrs. Smith, Hon. '43, was elected representative to the Alumni Council.

Present at the meeting were President Bixler, who gave a very interesting report on postwar plans for Colby, Congressman and Mrs. Hale of Bowdoin, Judge Cyril M. Joly, '16, of Waterville; G. Cecil Goddard, '29, and 22 other alumni.

MARJORIE CATE, '42, Sec.

REPORT OF THE PHILADELPHIA COLBY ALUMNI MEETING

THIRTY-TWO members and friends of the Philadelphia Colby Alumni Association attended the dinner-meeting held at the University Club on March 28. Dr. Joseph Chandler, '09, Vice President, presided in the absence of Mr. Everett S. Kelson, '14, the President, who was absent because of illness.

During a short business meeting the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. It was voted to send a resolution to Mr. Kelson expressing the group's appreciation for his interest and efforts in keeping the Association together during the difficult years of war. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, Dr. Joseph Chandler, '09; Vice President, Mr. Harry T. Jordan, Jr., '33; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Alice Bishop Drew, '20.

Dr. Chandler then introduced Dr. James Creese, President of Drexel Institute of Technology; Dr. Axel J. Uppvall, '05, former Professor of the Scandinavian languages at the University of Pennsylvania, and Dr. Morton S. Enslin of the Crozer Theological Seminary, all of whom have received honorary degrees from Colby. Other honored guests were Mrs. Helen Beede Breneman, '93, and Mrs. Olive Robbins Haviland, '96.

Mr. G. Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, a welcome guest after several years' absence, spoke briefly on the functions and plans of the Alumni Council. Dr. Chandler then presented President Bixler who gave a very clear and comprehensive report on the college's activities, its plans for

meeting some of the post war problems, and of the further construction of buildings to be undertaken on Mayflower Hill in the near future.

Others attending the meeting were: Arthur L. Berry, '23, W. P. Breneman, Ralph H. Drew, '19, Catharine Fussell, '41, George E. Ingersoll, '19, and Mrs. Ingersoll, Gordon B. Jones, '40, Geraldine Stefko Jones, '41, Mrs. L. L. Borsos, Hiram P. MacIntosh, '41, and Mrs. MacIntosh, Gerald S. Porter, '19, Miss Cahill, Dr. Leo Seltzer, '37, Frances Shannon, '44, Carl Stern, '44, R. E. Sullivan, '19, Mrs. Morton S. Enslin, Miss Priscilla Enslin, Harris Haviland, Dr. I. J. Schoenberg, and Mrs. Alex J. Uppvall.

ALICE BISHOP DREW, '20, *Sec.*

N. Y. GROUP CELEBRATE FIFTIETH MEETING

ON March 29 about 125 Colby men and women gathered for dinner at the Columbia University Club to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the founding of the New York Colby Alumni Association. The meeting was called to order by President T. Raymond Pierce, '98, and the Rev. Harold F. Lemoine, '32, said grace.

Dr. Edward Francis Stevens, '89, one of the founders of the New York Association, reminisced briefly about the nine men who banded together to form the nucleus of the present thriving association. The other founders were: Charles J. Prescott, '55; Edward C. Marble, '61; Richard C. Shannon, '62; Harrington Putnam, '70; Clarence Meloney, '76; Frank H. Hanson, '83; George W. Smith, '83; and Frank H. Edmunds, '85. President Pierce welcomed to the meeting another member of the head table, William Oliver Stevens, '99, author.

President-Emeritus Franklin W. Johnson, '91, a former president of the New York Colby Alumni Association, and loyal member who has attended 25 of the 50 annual meetings, spoke glowingly of his "well-timed" retirement and of his brilliant and scholarly successor, Dr. J. Seelye Bixler. Dr. Johnson told with pride of the latest developments on Mayflower Hill. After 16 years of depression, war, and now reconstruction, the presidents and trustees of Colby College have kept faith with Mayflower Hill and the

project has gone forward. It is a tangible example of Dr. Johnson's philosophy of life: "Nothing is impossible if it is worth doing."

When Dr. J. S. Bixler's turn came to speak he acknowledged Colby's great debt to Dr. Johnson. He then proceeded with his inimitable verve to explain the tremendous opportunity open to a liberal arts college like Colby. Liberal arts education is just at the beginning of its greatest usefulness. It concentrates on giving the truth to the student—a great crusade for a war-torn and weary world.

Briefly, Dr. Bixler explained the interesting teaching situation created by the presence of the veterans. The mature men are setting an example because of high motivation and more seriousness of purpose than ever before. Education now is a common intellectual enterprise between professor and student. He completed his talk by reading an inspiring article written for the *Colby Echo* by veteran Eugene C. Struckhoff, '44, presenting not the problem of the veteran, but the challenge of the veteran to the educational world.

Dr. Nathaniel Weg gave the report of the nominating committee. The following officers were elected for the coming year: George C. Putnam, '34, president; Elizabeth Swanton Allan, '33, vice president; Vesta Alden Putnam, '33, secretary; and Dr. Nathaniel Weg, '17, treasurer.

Executive Committee: Lawrence Bowler, '13; Joseph Burke, '14; Rhena Clark Marsh, '01; Iva B. Willis, '13; Miriam Hardy, '22; Charles H. Gale, '22; Peter Mayers, '16; Samuel D. Ferster, '26; Jane Bell, '44; Jane McCarthy, '44; William Caddoo, '32; T. Raymond Pierce, '98; Dr. R. E. Castelli, '20; William Cushman, '29; Eunice Foy Hutchins, '31; Paul M. Edmunds, '26; Rev. Harold F. Lemoine, '32; James H. Halpin, '26; I. Ross McCombe, '08, and William T. Belger, '18.

Mr. Pierce turned over the meeting to President-elect George C. Putnam. The new president praised the fine service rendered the New York Colby Alumni Association by T. Raymond Pierce, Trustee of Colby College, past President of the New York Colby Alumni Association, past President of the Boston Alumni Association, and

past President of the General Alumni Association. A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Pierce for his work during the past three years.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Alma Mater accompanied at the piano by Dr. Bixler.

VESTA ALDEN PUTNAM, '33, *Sec.*

CAPITAL CITY GROUP MEETS

THE Southern Kennebec Colby Alumni Association held its annual meeting on April 3 with 35 members present.

Judge Arthur A. Hebert, '21, presided until the following list of new officers was presented by William Macomber, '27, chairman of the nominating committee, and accepted by the members: President, George H. Hunt, '34; Vice President, Joseph B. Campbell, '29; Secretary-Treasurer, Lura Norcross Turner, '27; Executive Committee, Arthur A. Hebert, '21, Robert Jacobs, '24, Annella Buckham Hamilton, '29; Representatives to Alumni Council, Frank S. Carpenter, '14, and Marion White Thurlow, '31.

Mr. Hunt appointed an Attendance Committee to increase the attendance at meetings. The following were named: Joseph Gorham, '25, chairman; William A. Macomber, '27, and Dr. Alonzo Garcelon, '38.

Musical selections were furnished by Julius Sussman, '19, violin, and Mr. Hunt, piano.

Dr. Bixler spoke on the conditions, progress and program of Colby, and G. Cecil Goddard spoke of the purpose and duties of the Alumni Council and explained the Alumni College to be held in June.

It was voted to hold another meeting in the fall.

LURA NORCROSS TURNER, '27, *Sec.*

WATERVILLE ALUMNI HEAR NEW YORK JOURNALIST

THE Waterville Colby Alumni Association held its annual dinner meeting at the Elmwood Hotel on April 4 with William G. Avirett, editorial writer and Education Editor of the New York Herald Tribune, as guest speaker.

Henry W. Rollins, '30, president of the association, acted as toastmaster and introduced Mayor H. C. Marden,

'21, who extended a greeting to the group; Mr. Avirett; President-Emeritus Franklin W. Johnson, '91; and President J. Seelye Bixler.

Dr. Johnson told the 75 alumni and their guests that the Mayflower Hill construction program for next summer will not be affected by recent government building restrictions. He further explained that the buildings which have already been started will be completed in time for the fall opening in October.

Mr. Avirett, in his most interesting talk, told of how some of the colleges and institutions are attempting to meet the needs of returning servicemen.

Dr. Bixler outlined the educational program which the facilities of the new campus will make possible and also explained the problem facing the college in the selection of one student out of every five applying for admission. "We shall do our best to choose students not according to scholastic ability alone," he said, "but according to their promise of making distinguished contributions as citizens."

Russell M. Squire, '25, announced the following list of officers on behalf of the nominating committee: President, Arthur Austin, '33; Vice President, Oren Shiro, '42; Secretary, Vivian Maxwell Brown, '44; Treasurer, Prince A. Drummond, '15; and Representative to the Alumni Council, Henry W. Rollins, '30.

The meeting closed with the singing of the Alma Mater.

VIVIAN MAXWELL BROWN, '44, Sec.

FINAL DINNER OF SERIES HELD AT PORTLAND

EIGHTY-FIVE alumni were in attendance at the annual Portland dinner of men's and women's groups which was held April 5th at the Fal-mouth Hotel.

Dr. Bixler and G. Cecil Goddard represented the college. Special guest was William G. Avirett, education editor of the New York Herald Tribune.

Wayne E. Roberts, president of the men's club, presided and introduced

Mrs. J. Stuart Branscombe, president of the women's club, who extended a welcome on behalf of the alumnae.

Among those attending were: Arad and Grace Farrar Linscott, Julia E. Winslow, Josephine A. Bodurtha, Barbara B. Rockwell, Sara J. Cowan, Mrs. William C. Berry, Alpheus and Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, Priscilla Moldenke, Ethel V. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. Irving H. Colby, Martha B. Hopkins, Helen V. Robinson, Ralph M. Snyder, Mr. and Mrs. G. Alden Macdonald, Allen and Jean Macdonald Turner, H. O. Goffin, Myron M. Hilton, Kenneth and Mary Palmer Mills, Robert S. Winslow, Brewster A. Branz, William Minott, Mrs. Robert Cornell, Lieut. Andrew Watson, Lieut. (jg) Richard T. Westcott, Priscilla L. Higgins, Harry J. Higgins, Phyllis S. Fraser, Margaret Turner Howe, Ellen C. Paine, Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Chipman, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight E. Sargent, Mr. and Mrs. Robert V. Canders, Rev. and Mrs. Nathanael Guptill, William H. Holmes, Russell Blanchard.



With the Colors



BRONZE STAR MEDALS

Lt. Comdr. Norman D. Palmer, '30, USNR, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his services as Air Combat Intelligence Officer with Patrol Bombardment Squadron 108 operating from Iwo Jima. It is interesting to note that the qualities that make for a good teacher could be carried over into his military duties as is recognized in the citation of which the following is a part:

"His instructions and briefing were always clear and exact, and instilled confidence in the pilots and men. His prompt preparation of reports and classification of combat pictures was accomplished under the most adverse conditions and only through long hours of work far beyond the call of duty. His careful and accurate work kept the squadron pilots fully informed so that sustained operations could be efficiently carried out against the enemy. His initiative and devotion to duty were outstanding, inspir-

ing and in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Naval Service."

Captain Roland J. Poulin, '31, was awarded the Bronze Star Medal for his exceptional service as Assistant Divisional Judge Advocate for the Fifth Infantry Division which served in the European campaign. He was first attached to Patton's Third Army and later transferred to the Fifth Division. Poulin entered the Army in May 1943, attended Officers' Candidate School and was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in April 1944, later being promoted to the rank of Captain. He is now on terminal leave and expects to resume his law practice in Waterville. The citation accompanying the award stated in part:

"For distinguished service in connection with military operations against the enemy during the period 1 December 1944 to 11 May 1945 in Europe. During this period, Captain Poulin, the assistant Division Judge

Advocate, through his application of extensive knowledge concerning courts-martial cases, rendered commendable services to the division throughout this trying period of combat operations. Although numerous cases necessitated his presence within the combat zone, Capt. Poulin was undeterred by his close proximity to enemy fire and continued his efforts in an outstanding manner. Over this period of time, an excessive quantity of cases accumulated for courts-martial hearings but due to Captain Poulin's appreciation of responsibility, adeptness in his tasks and unstinting devotion to duty, the cases were expedited with maximum efficiency. These acts in the rendition of these distinctive services are in keeping with highest military traditions."

M-Sgt. John L. Thomas, Jr., '42, has been signalled out for special recognition of his work in hospital administration while attached to the head-

quarters of the 135th General Hospital, England, where he was in charge of the work of about 100 enlisted men. Now discharged, he plans to resume his studies at the Boston University Law School. The citation for his Bronze Star Medal called attention particularly to the fact that:

"Through his organizational ability, knowledge of hospital procedure and outstanding leadership, Master Sergeant Thomas materially assisted in the efficient administration of a new formed hospital. He developed competent personnel, initiated a system for immediate processing of all ambulatory patients and carried out his myriad duties in a manner which reflects credit upon himself and the armed forces of the United States."

WITH THE RED CROSS

Friends of Nancy Grahn Heatley, '44, will be interested in the following letter about her work in devastated Europe with the American Red Cross.

It seems like years ago I left the states 'tho it has only been five months. As soon as I arrived in Le Havre we were sent to Paris for assignment and six days later I was at Calais Staging Area near Marseille, France. There we operated an R.C. Club which was set up in a pre-fabricated building — and included snack bar, recreation room and movie. It was a typical redeployment depot with fellows moving in and out on their way home. I was there until February, then moved up to Paris.

However, just before I left, I was married to Lt. "Bud" Heatley and we had a marvelous honeymoon on the Riviera, travelling around Cannes, Nice, and Monte Carlo. Then I went to Paris and ran the Arts and Crafts Shop at the Columbia Club and was there for a month before being assigned down here. Red Cross is closing out in France pretty much so we are all moving into the occupied zone.

When in Paris I received a phone call from a Jeanne Peyrot, class of '37 at Colby. She was an exchange student in '36. She had seen my name in the *Alumnus* and traced me through R.C. Headquarters. However, I didn't get a chance to meet her as I left Paris very suddenly. Am now en



NANCY GRAHN HEATLEY, '44

route to Zonithofen which is south of here in Bavaria. I am now in a Clubmobile of which I know very little so I can't tell you much of this new assignment.

Germany is a terrible mess. This city (Munich) is bombed flat. It was a desolate sight when I got off the train this morning at 7:00 A.M. to see four shattered walls for a railroad station — no roof! And a city completely destroyed! It is quite a contrast to France and especially Paris which was hardly touched. I never saw such extensive damage in France. The people here though are very well clothed and looked horribly healthy. Everyone wears these gay Tyrolean hats with the feather sticking up.

I expect to stay with the R.C. until fall, then remain here with Bud until about June, 1947, when we'll both be coming home. He is in Marseille now but expects to be stationed near here within another month or so.

SERVICE PERSONALS

Capt. Leo S. Kresky, '39, writes from Tokyo: "I noticed in Stars and Stripes that a Lt. E. Robert Bruce was coaching the 11th Airborne Football Team. Knowing only one E. Robert Bruce, I took off in my jeep in search of him. After putting on plenty of mileage over roads that make the Oakland road seem like a super highway

in comparison, I located Bob at the 1st Cavalry Division Command Post. We had a good long bull session talking over the old days up at Colby. Bob was the first man from school that I have run into since coming out here last summer."

Sidney B. McKeen, '48, S2/c, who expected to sail for the states in February, reports en route from Okinawa to Guam: "I was transferred from my other ship on February 17th which, of course, means another change of address. It also meant that I didn't get back to the states as I thought I might. I'm now aboard an LST. The day after I reported aboard, we went to Saipan where we picked up about 800 Japanese repatriates — prisoners of war and civilians. We took them from Saipan to Okinawa, dropped them for further transportation to Nipland, took aboard a load of 23 Marine Corps trucks and left this morning (March 10th) for Guam again."

Ens. Richard Michelson, '46, has landed in the states and is expecting to return to Colby in the fall. He will have his wife, Eileen, with him.

Lt. Paul J. Murphy, '43, has signed up with the Air Corps until June 1947 as an instructor of P51's.

Capt. Roland Poulin, '31, is in Waverly on terminal leave following his return to this country from the ETO. He was attached to Patton's Third Army and was assistant judge advocate of the Fifth Division.

Elwin Hussey, '44, AETM 2/c, has changed his address to Experimental Utility Sqdn. 25, c/o Fleet Post Office, New York.

Capt. Allan J. Stinchfield, '29, expects to be discharged from Camp Beale Separation Center soon and will leave Berkeley, Calif., with his wife and daughter, for Skowhegan.

Pfc. Eldredge Wallace, '47, when last heard from, was playing in the 343 Regt. Band in Luzon.

Lt. (jg) Robert Cornell, '43, is now stationed in Adak in the Aleutian Islands. "I flew from Seattle to Kodiak and then from Kodiak here. We had to spend two days in Kodiak because of bad flying weather. While there I ran into Johnnie Fifield, '42, who is now flying PB-44's on routine patrol and mail hops. We had a good long chat and both agreed that our one big regret was that we would be unable to attend the Deke reunion in June."

Lt. Comdr. Arthur E. Hanken, '42, is stationed at the U. S. Naval Separation Center, Memphis 15, Tenn.

Pvt. Maurice Rancourt, '39, writes from Garizia, Italy, that he has been getting around quite a bit seeing such places as Switzerland, Milan, and Rome. On a trip to Trieste he met Lt. Prince Beach, '40.

Sgt. Richard Rogers, '47, wrote recently that he soon expected to be discharged and was planning to return to Colby next September.

Roslyn Kramer, '45, AerM 2|c, is now at Moss and Nebraska Avenue, Washington, D. C. She has signed up in the WAVEs until September 1st.

Major Theodore Hardy, '28, will go on terminal leave May 1 following a furlough at his home in Waterville. He has been serving in the Army Medical Corps.

T-5 Paul Abramson, '43, is attached to the MP Det (HDP), Ft. Williams, Maine.

Cpl. Paul I. Smith, '47, has been making the rounds of the alumni dinners. One weekend he attended the Waterbury dinner and the next weekend he took in the New York City meeting.

Lt. John M. Lomac, '43, is still at Cherry Point, N. C., where he is "bidding my time waiting for a job to break back home. I have my wife and daughter here with me and at present we're enjoying my stateside duty."

Capt. C. Raymond Burbank, '42, has returned to Cherry Point, N. C., after trying out civilian life. He plans to make a career out of the Marines.

Marvin S. Josolovitz, '47, PhM3|c, has been promoted to his present rank at the U. S. Naval Hospital (staff), Dublin, Georgia. He expects to ship out shortly for a "little sea-duty."

Paul W. Webster, '46, SM2|c, is aboard the U.S.S. Hanson (DD832), "C" Division, c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco.

Col. Otto L. Totman, '18, is commanding officer of the Searsport Cargo Port of Embarkation, Searsport, Maine.

S-Sgt. J. Finkelstein, '47, has returned to the states and is now stationed at Camp Campbell, Kentucky. He expects to be discharged in about a month and will return to Colby in the fall.

Major Frederick D. Blanchard, '23, is head of the Lido Study Center. This GI school is situated on the glamorous Lido, luxurious seashore resort in Italy about 20 minutes by boat from Venice and world-known before the war as a center for the international "smart set." The study center is a school for the training of non-coms of the 88th Infantry Division. Major Blanchard, who was on the faculty of the St. Louis Country

Day School before the war, has been in educational work since his enlistment and has had the following assignments: Director of Academic Training at the Aviation Cadet Center at Ellington Field and later San Antonio; Director of Education, Disciplinary Barracks, New York State; overseas director Army Education Staff School in Rome; Education Field Service, AFHQ; and since last October, Superintendent of the Lido Study Center of the 88th Division.

Kenneth L. Wentworth, '48, S2|c, may be addressed aboard the USS Passumpsic (AO-107), c/o Fleet Post Office, New York, N. Y.

Capt. L. S. Ford, '30, is now stationed at the Gardiner General Hospital in Chicago, but was expecting to be discharged about the end of April.

Jordan Kaplan, '46, S1|c, has landed in San Francisco from Japan and is hoping to be discharged shortly. He will return to Colby in the fall.

Lt. John Hawes, '42, has returned to this country from the Pacific and is spending a terminal leave with his wife and parents in Skowhegan.

George I. Smith, '48, S1|c, has been transferred from Great Lakes to Treasure Island, San Francisco, for the secondary phase of his Electronics Engineering and Radio Maintenance training. Address: Co. 126, Brks. 17.

Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1887

Word has come that Appleton W. Smith has been stricken with a serious illness. He is living at 1145 Chapel Street, New Haven, Conn.

1889

Edward F. Stevens was one of the honor guests at the 50th anniversary meeting of the New York Colby Alumni Association. He told of the founding of the Association in 1896 and spoke of the charter members of whom he is the only survivor.

1895

Emmeline Fountain writes from St. Petersburg, Fla.: "The Society of New England Women takes much of

my time and the Poetry League is my delight. The League meets every two weeks and I conduct the Round Table and am kept on my toes trying to find subjects for discussion. These, with my housekeeping, gardening and other duties, occupy me all winter. In summer I do nothing but keep cool. That takes all my time; nobody does anything here in summer."

1906

Clara Norton Paul has been appointed Chairman of American Citizenship in the Maine Federation.

1907

R. C. Lidstone, 34 Prospect Street, Gardner, Mass., is a chairmaker.

1908

Ellen J. Peterson writes from China that she remained in Shanghai until March 1 to keep the mission headquarters going and then planned to go back to her old home and regular work at Hangchow. The buildings in the Union Girls' School and Wayland are mostly standing but need heavy repairs, she says. Her own house had been occupied by members of the puppet occupation who carried off the kitchen sink and all movable fixtures when they left, as well as polluting the cistern. The loss of equipment at the school amounts to about 90 percent. She writes: "It is encouraging to see how our Chinese Christians have carried on during

these difficult war years. But they need financial help for rehabilitation and especially need your prayers. They are asking for all of the old missionaries to return and want many new ones."

1910

Rev. John A. Tidd has retired from active ministry of the Baptist Church, and is now doing supply and interim pastoral work. He has a son, Aldorous J. Tidd, who is a warrant officer in the Navy and is stationed in Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Tidd would like any Colby people who chance to be in Worcester to call on them. Their address is 2 Channing Street, and phone is 4-9241.

1914

Fred W. Rowell was a delegate to a Washington conference on veterans' problems in February. Mr. Rowell is connected with the Maine Veterans Affairs.

1916

Clair McIntire Curtis informs us that her oldest son has returned to his home after serving overseas with the Ski Troops, while her younger son is in Fort Knox, Ky. She also has a ten year old daughter.

1918

Florence Eaton Davis has moved to St. Louis where her husband has been appointed director of the new Deafness Research Laboratory.

Harold Luce writes that he is in Public Relations with offices at 551 5th Avenue, New York City.

1919

Ralph Bradbury, who has been manager of the Houlton District of the American Telephone Company for several months, has been transferred to the Brunswick-Bath district.

1921

J. Edward Little has recently changed his address to 113 Mt. Tabor Way, Ocean Grove, N. J., where he is teaching school.

1924

Roswald L. Dolloff is now superintendent of the Motor Repair Shops, 100 Mooseleuk Street, Presque Isle,

Maine, but still keeps his residence in Oakland.

1925

Marita Cooley Harrison may now be addressed at 814 W. 8th Street, Wilmington 32, Delaware.

1926

Marguerite Albert Cook, a Methodist minister's wife, is teaching English at Mattanawcook Academy, Lincoln.

1928

Augustine D'Amico's brother, Maj. Arthur D'Amico of Lawrence, Mass., has been discharged from the Army and has entered Colby.

Violet Daviau Brodeur is residing in Nashua, N. H., with her husband and daughter, Louise.

Sydney P. Snow is a Machine Tool Designer with the Heald Machine Co., Worcester, Mass. His residence address is 22 Indian Lake Parkway, Worcester.

Ella L. Vinal of N. Scituate, Mass., has been doing a variety of teaching assignments during the past few years. In 1943 she taught Pre-Flight Aeronautics at Scituate high school. The next year she taught mathematics at the same place. During the summer of 1943 she took courses in the teaching of mathematics and physics at Harvard, and the summers of 1944 and 1945 studied aeronautics and mathematics at Boston University.

1929

Malon B. Ward has recently moved to Ann Street, Waterville. He is still employed at the Hollingsworth and Whitney.

Sophie Reynolds of South Portland, Maine, is working as office secretary for the Maine Council of Churches.

A. Keith Littlefield is serving as submaster and instructor of mathematics at the high school, New Canaan, Conn.

1930

Chandler B. Mosher has moved to Hardwick, Vt., where he is principal of Hardwick Academy.

Pauline Brill Trafton, who has been residing in Rumford, Maine, is now in Long Lake, N. Y.

John A. Chadwick is now Associate Boys' Work Secretary of the YMCA,

with offices at 766 Main Street, Worcester, Mass.

Philip Constant has been associated with the L. E. Mason Company, 98 Business Street, Boston, Mass., makers of permanent mold and pressure die-castings. They also specialize in metalizing baby shoes. He is a graduate engineer of Northeastern University. Phil made his first visit to Colby in 18 years on February 27th.

Nellie Simonds Gallison is a Social Worker, her business address being 178 Middle Street, Portland.

1931

Henry G. Bonsall is employed as a mail carrier in the Waterville Post Office.

Cecil F. Robinson, government employee, may be addressed at 1261 Simms Place, N.E., Washington, D. C.

1932

Maxwell D. Ward of Clinton has retired as worthy patron of the Fireside Chapter of O. E. S.

Dorsa Rattenbury Beach is living at 51 MacDougal Street, New York 12, N. Y.

1933

Rev. Donald H. Rhoades of Mansfield Center, Conn., represented Colby at the inauguration of the Rev. Russell H. Stafford as president of Hartford Seminary on January 25th.

Dorris Moore Cox has returned to Maine from Georgia and is now at 8 Perkins St., Farmington.

Evelyn Stapleton Burns writes that her husband is studying at Yale Divinity School for his Ph.D., and they are residing on Seymour Road, Woodbridge, Conn.

1934

A new address has recently been received from Annie M. Tuck. She is now at New Sharon, Maine.

Curtis M. Havey is construction cashier for Warren Bros. Roads Co., with business offices at 38 Memorial Drive, Cambridge 42, Mass. His home address is still: North Sullivan, Maine.

Rev. Martin T. Storms has taken the pastorate of the First Baptist Church in Gardiner.

Henry Davidson is employed as a salesman with business address at 155 Truman Street, New Haven, Conn.

Fred Roberts has been discharged after three years in the Army, most of which was spent in Arkansas. He has been active in USO work in Arkansas and is retaining his membership in the Operating Committee. His home address is 2605 Izard Street, Little Rock, Ark.

Virginia Getchell, R.N., is studying Anesthesia at Jefferson Hospital, Anesthesia Department, Philadelphia 7, Pa.

1935

Walter L. Worthing is now the District Superintendent of the Central Maine Power Company with offices in Livermore Falls, Maine.

Edward Buyniski received his M.D. from Tufts Medical School on March 31st and has been appointed assistant in pharmacology at Tufts. He started his internship at Worcester City Hospital on April 1st.

Paul S. Bubar has completed his terminal leave from the Army and is now office manager and district representative of the Commercial Credit Corporation, Presque Isle.

1936

Edna Bailey is now head of the English Department at Wilton Academy.

Edythe Silverman Field is living in Portland where her husband, recently out of the Navy, has established his dental practice.

Ed Henry is living in Worcester and is married to Marie Duerr, one of the twins. They had a son in September.

George H. Hollbrook may be addressed at 465 No. Main Street, Randolph, Mass.

Another letter from John Roderick informs us of a change of address. He may now be reached c/o Associated Press, Shanghai, APO 290, c/o Postmaster, N. Y. "My whole career in the Far East seems to be mixed up with Colby people," he writes. "When I got on the plane in Chungking to fly here (incidentally the first correspondent in more than a year to reach Yenan), the radio operator turned out to be Sgt. Edward Goodwin of Staten Island, N. Y., who had taken army cadet training at Colby. A couple of weeks later, the pilot of a supply plane which dropped in heard me mention Waterville and wanted to know if I knew Colby! He had received his pilot training there, too.

Consider that Yenan is not far from the Gobi Desert, in as wild and remote a place as I've ever seen in the world, and you'll see the coincidence for that kind of meeting."

Herman R. Alderman may now be addressed at 35 Sylvan Avenue, New Haven, Conn.

Arthur L. Spear writes from 86 Lighthouse Road, Scituate, Mass.: "Since getting my discharge I have been busy 'taking it easy' and now have just taken a job with the B. F. Sturtevant Co., Westinghouse Division, in Hyde Park, Mass. It is a swell job and I am very pleased with it. Am living in Scituate and driving my car back and forth."

1937

Ruth Yeaton McKee is now located at 12 Hersam Street, Stoneham, Mass.

A very interesting letter from Esther L. Marshall informs us that she is now in England and living at 16 Prospect Road, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire. She writes, "I had a wonderful trip over on the Queen Elizabeth before Christmas and am gradually getting adjusted to life here. Dick expects to be 'demobbed' in February so we are waiting until then to be married."

M. Edson Goodrich is at present working for the State of Maine as Vocational Rehabilitation Agent for the Portland area.

Eleanor Barker has recently returned to this country and is now vacationing at her home in Presque Isle, Maine. Eleanor was attached to the ARC with the 20th General Hospital.

Joseph L. Packard is the manager of the Research Sales Department, Schwering Corporation, Bloomfield, N. J.

Paul G. Winsor has his business and home address at 120 Court Street, Bangor.

Jeanne Peyrot writes from France that she is teaching at Orleans which is on the Loire River. She says that it was badly bombed and many of the people live in temporary wooden shacks. Since it is only two hours from Paris, she is able to go home twice a week or so. She writes of an enjoyable meeting with Marjorie Gould, who was in Paris with the ARC. She has been receiving the *Alumnus* regularly and looks forward

to the day when she may make a visit to Mayflower Hill. Her home address is 56 Bd. des Invalides, Paris 7e, France.

1939

Earl W. Higgins has been spending a terminal leave with his wife, Pauline Lander Higgins, '41, and son Michael in Kingfield. Earl was promoted to Captain in February.

Jeanette L. Drisko is the assistant cataloger at the University of New Hampshire Library.

Mary-Elizabeth Hall is employed as a secretary in Winchester, Mass.

Robert Canders entered inactive duty on January 8, and is now living at 302 Brackett Street, Portland 4, Me.

Esther MacBride Parsons is now residing in Unionville, Conn., at 288 Farmington Avenue.

1940

Ruth Blake Thompson is now living at RFD No. 6, Portland.

Cleon H. Hatch has accepted a teaching position in the Salem Depot, N. H., high school.

Margaret Johnson Kenoyer writes of having met two of her former roommates recently: Frances Gray, '40, who is teaching in Johnson, Vt., and Kathryn Carson Smith, '40, of South Portland. They had dinner with Kit and her husband and baby. Margaret is living in West Scarborough.

Frank L. Jewell has "joined the ranks of civilians again." He is now at RFD No. 1, Plaistow, N. H. Before his discharge, Frank was promoted to First Sergeant.

Lloyd W. Buzzell, now residing at St. Stephens Street, Boston, Mass., is planning to enter Boston University Graduate School of Business Administration.

Doris Rose Hopengarten writes from Cuba that she is living a life of ease and having a wonderful time. Doris has a maid, two gardeners, a beach wagon and a house. Her son is five months old. The Hopengarten family expects to return to Boston in April.

The Boston Herald recently complimented Lynwood Workman on the record of the basketball team which he coached for the Dover (Mass.) high school. Although there were only 35 boys enrolled in the high

school, the team defeated a number of much larger schools including Wellesley and Needham in the course of their record of nine wins and three losses.

1941

Mary Hitchcock Baxter expects to join Ande at Great Lakes in the near future.

Alta S. Gray has been discharged from the Waves and is now at Cumberland Center, Maine.

Franklin A. Downie has been discharged from the USN and has accepted a position as physical education director at the Williams High and John S. Tapley school in Oakland. He will also coach athletics.

Thelma Bassett Cornell is at 74 Seavey Street, Cumberland Mills, Maine, while waiting for Bob to return from the Aleutians where he is stationed with the Navy.

1942

Stedman Howard is the editor-in-chief of the *Ware River News*, Ware, Mass., where he is residing with his wife and young son.

Susan Rosengren Chisman will be residing at Hertzog Hall, New Brunswick, N. J., until the end of May.

Sue Rose Bessey has returned to Brooks, Maine, from Port Townsend, Washington.

Burt Linscott is now at Christ Church, Kealakekua, Hawaii. In his annual Christmas letter, Burt wrote: "Christ Church is an attractive English chapel with a most adequate and well-equipped parish house, and grounds beautifully kept, abounding in flowers. From this location there rises in the distance majestic Mauna Kea. The heavy fragrance of tropical

flowers fills the air, and hedges of poinsettias 16 feet high are in bloom. We can offer you native oranges, grapefruit, bananas, guavas, avacadoes, limes, papayas, and madamaia nuts; all the butter, heavy cream, home-grown beef and sugar you want. Of course we must add that our only water supply is what we catch off the roof. Our spiders are as big as saucers, and men, women, and children go barefoot here, or ride little donkeys called Kona Nightingales. The population is 80% Japanese, and the dialect is part English, part Japanese, and no one knows what else! Nevertheless, the climate is ideal, the people most hospitable, and we love it."

Lena E. Marsh is secretary to an attorney and may be addressed at Box 136, Skowhegan, Maine.

Marilyn Ireland Steeves is now teaching in the Weber School, Stockton, Calif. She and Ash are residing at 453 Bristol Avenue.

1943

Tom Farnsworth has returned to the States following service in the C-B-I theatre and is now at 737 County Street, New Bedford, Mass.

Ralph K. Harley, Jr., is a civilian again and is living at 700 High Street, Hanson, Mass.

Barbara S. Grant works with girls and children at the Henry Street Settlement in New York. She is looking forward to running a girls' camp for the settlement this summer. She is also expecting to finish work on her Thesis and receive her M.A. from Haverford College in June.

Ruth Graves keeps "plenty busy" teaching mathematics at Hanover, Mass., and coaching girls' sports.

1944

Sherman A. McPherson is operating McPherson's Market in Pittsfield.

Martha Wheeler Switzer is now at The Manse, Windham, N. H., where her husband is minister of the Windham Presbyterian Church.

Doris Hill Oser writes that her husband has returned to this country and they are looking for an apartment. They are living with her parents at 17 Charlotte Road, Newton Centre, Mass. Mass.

Josephine Pitts McAlary writes that she is having the time of her life keeping house and watching her daughter grow up. "Jojo" and Fred are living at 928 Union Street, Bangor, where he has a position with the advertising department of the Bangor Daily News.

Dorothy Holtman Lyon is with her husband at Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., and they like it so well down there that they plan to make it their permanent home. Dot writes that she met Hope Mansfield Jahn on the beach one day. Dot may be addressed as Mrs. William H. Lyon, Jr., 400 N.E. 11th Avenue, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

Lorraine Carson has changed addresses and may now be addressed at 451 West End Avenue, Apartment 2D, New York City. She writes that she is "still digging out facts and facing them as an Analyst in The Foreign Credit Department of The Chase National Bank."

Dr. James Springer is announcing the opening of his office for the practice of General Dentistry at the Holmes Medical Building, 471 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, in the suite of Dr. Harold Berk.

Philip E. Nutting may now be addressed at 323 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston.



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A pleasant way of combining business with pleasure was recently demonstrated by Fred Lovejoy who visited Colby as an inspector of the State Insurance Department. At the same time, during his several days' stay on campus, he renewed acquaintances with some of his old college friends.

1945

Emily Stocking is receiving her mail at 213 E. 56 Street, New York 22, N. Y. "Socks" is a jewelry apprentice and is finding her work extremely interesting.

Marian Hamer was a recent visitor at Colby.

Kay Faxon Anderson dropped into the office the other day with the news that she was heading for Minnesota. She visited some of her friends here at Colby for a few days, coming from Lincoln, Nebraska, where she has been teaching school. Her husband is in Mississippi but expects to be discharged soon. Kay has no permanent address as yet, but may be addressed at her sister's home, 11 Darby Street, Worcester, Mass.

Kagen McCarroll, employed by the King Features Syndicate, Inc., writes that she has recently been "presented with the simple task of compiling all the information for a 2 volume work on the history of World War II—beginning in 1918. Paul Fullam would probably laugh his head off—I would too if I had time!"

Rev. Leslie W. Howland has been appointed Defense Area Chaplain in Kittery, Maine.

Lois C. Loudon was recently graduated from Eastern Air Lines' school

for flight attendants at Forest Hills, L. I., N. Y., and assigned to flight duty with headquarters in Newark, N. J.

1946

Paul B. Adams was discharged from the Navy on January 19th and is now residing at 165 Seal Rock Drive, San Francisco 21, Calif.

Herbert W. Carpenter is employed as an Accountant with offices at 570 Lexington Ave., New York City.

Earl W. Anthony has applied for admission to Brown University.

1947

Edward S. Sherwood has been discharged from the Navy and is continuing his medical studies at the University of Vermont College of Medicine.

Milestones

ENGAGED

Sylvia Ross, '39, of Biddeford. to Dr. Leon H. Manheimer, of Torrington, Conn. Miss Ross has been discharged from the WAVES with the rank of Lt. (jg). Dr. Manheimer, discharged Army Major, was graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Medical School. At the present time, he is assistant resident surgeon at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. A spring wedding is planned.

Ann Singleton Fish of Lakeville, Conn., to N. Richard Johnson, '42, of Queen Village, Queens, N. Y. Miss Fish is a graduate of Southern Semi-

nary and Junior College, Buena Vista, Va. Mr. Johnson served four years in the European and Pacific theatres as a lieutenant in the USNR. He has received his honorable discharge.

Georgianne Davenport, '48, of Lexington, Mass., to Francis B. Culbertson, Jr., of Lexington. Miss Davenport attended Colby and is now studying at Boston University. Mr. Culbertson has recently been discharged from the Army after three years of service, part of which was spent in the European theatre.

MARRIED

Helen S. Bradshaw, '41, to John D. Henderson of Marblehead, Mass., on February 9, 1946, in Douglastown, L. I., N. Y. Mr. Henderson is a graduate of Northeastern University and served overseas in the Army for 39 months. Mildred Van Valkenburg Demartini, '41, acted as matron of honor, and Thomas A. Pursley, '43, was an usher. Other Colby people who attended were: Freda K. Abel, '39, Marjorie Brown Pursley, '43, and Amy Lou Lewis, '42. Mr. and Mrs. Henderson are residing at 25 Cornell Drive, Great Neck, L. I., N. Y.

Charlotte Swanson of Seattle, Wash., to Oren G. Shiro, '42, of Waterville, in New York City on February 25, 1946. Mr. and Mrs. Shiro are residing in Waterville.

Helen Garthwaite Halsey of Orlando, Fla., to Hayden Beckwith Wright, '37, on March 1, 1946, in Orlando, Fla.

Charlotte Blomfield, '33, to Nestor C. Auger, of Taftville, Conn., on August 17, 1945, in Rockville, Md. Mrs. Auger was discharged from the

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WAC on September 30, and Mr. Auger has been discharged after four years of Army service. They are residing at 29 Mt. Pleasant Street, Norwich, Conn.

Nancy Osborne Grahn, '44, of Tenafly, N. J., to Lt. Seldon Eldridge Heatley of Wading River, N. Y., on January 26, 1946, in the Chapel at the Calais staging area in Marseilles, France. Mrs. Heatley was sent to Europe last fall by the American Red Cross and has been doing recreation work in France and Germany. Lt. Heatley attended Syracuse University and prior to joining the Army was on the Commodity Exchange in New York.

M. Esther MacBride, '39, to Stanley T. Parsons, May 29, 1945. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons are now residing at 288 Farmington Ave., Unionville, Conn.

Riva Jeanne Epstein to **Saul Millstein, '42**, on February 14, 1946, in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Millstein are residing at 327 Central Park West, New York, N. Y.

BIRTHS

To Lt. and Mrs. James A. Howe (**Jean Ferrell, '44**), a daughter, Judith Ann, on March 9, 1946, in Waterville.

To Dr. and Mrs. Wayne H. Decker (**Jean McNeil, '44**), a daughter, Doris Ann, on February 25, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wesley J. Fjeldheim (**Diane Ferris, '43**), a daughter, Penelope Ann, on March 8, 1946, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Laurie L. Harris, Jr. (**Laurie L. Harris, '45**), a son, Laurie Harris, 3rd, on February 16, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Gardner, Jr. (**Joy Paddison, '44**), a son, John, on February 15, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Cutts (**Rebecca Penniman, '34**), a son, Paul Merrill, on October 22, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lemieux (**Leo Lemieux, '41**), a son, John Peter, on March 15, 1946, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wendell C. Brooks (**Wendell C. Brooks, '42, Katherine Howes, '44**), a daughter, Wendie Ann, on January 26, 1946, in Boston, Mass.

To Dr. and Mrs. Leland Burrill (**Leland ("Bus") Burrill, '39**), twin sons, Richard Lee and Robert Lee, on

December 18, 1945, in Washington, D. C.

To Dr. and Mrs. Jack E. McKee (**Ruth Yeaton, '37**), a son, Richard Carle, on March 30, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Moriarty (**James Moriarty, '43, Evelyn Gates, '44**), a son, Richard Alden, on March 23, 1946, in Newton Centre.

To Ens. and Mrs. William A. Reifel (**William A. Reifel, '44, Lorraine Des-Isles, '43**), a daughter, Inga, in December, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Hill (**Marlee Bragdon, '42**), a daughter, Judith Louise, on February 25, 1946, in Greenwich, Conn.

NECROLOGY

FRED V. MATTHEWS, '89

Judge Fred Vivian Matthews died on March 15, 1946, at the home of his daughter in Laramie, Wyoming. Although in his 81st year, he had been apparently in fair health up to the time of his death which was caused by a heart attack.

He was born in Boothbay Harbor, Maine, September 2, 1865, the son of Elbridge and Lovesta Hodgdon Matthews. His father was a master of a sailing vessel and crossed the equator 88 times. Fred was graduated from Deering High School in 1883, took a year at Hebron Academy, and then spent a year in Argentina before entering Colby with the class of 1889. He was president of his sophomore class and a member of the DKE fraternity, but gave up his college career after two years in order to read law

with Josiah H. Drummond, '46.

Matthews was admitted to the Maine bar in 1889 and practiced law in Portland for 40 years. During this time he served as Collector of Taxes, City Solicitor and a member of the Board of Registration of the City of Deering. In 1897 he was chairman of the committee for the annexation of Deering to Portland. In 1890 he married Annie Blanche Harmon of Deering.

Always active in local affairs, he was a member of the State Street Congregational Church, an officer in the Congregational Club of Portland, treasurer of the Boys' Club, member of the Portland Club, the Maine Festival Chorus, the Maine Genealogical Society and other organizations. As an active Republican, he was a member of various committees and fre-

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quently a delegate to political conventions. For two years he was vice president of the Maine branch of the American Bar Association. His writings consisted of numerous briefs and reports of official commissions and committees. He also enjoyed writing for newspapers over the pen name of "M."

In 1929 he moved to Evanston, Ill., to live with his daughter and her husband, Dr. and Mrs. Paul Crissman, and thence to Laramie, Wyo., in 1936 when Dr. Crissman became professor of Philosophy and Psychology at Wyoming University.

A picture of his activities in recent years is given by a paragraph in the obituary published in the Laramie newspaper: "Mr. Matthews was a scholar of the old school. Alert and alive to goings-on about the world, he read a great deal and did considerable writing. He was a frequent visitor to the courthouse and spent a great deal of time in the sheriff's office where he discussed topics of the day and related many stories of early day Maine. He brought a flavor of old New England to Wyoming."

Mrs. Matthews died in 1944. In addition to Dr. and Mrs. Crissman, Mr. Matthews is survived by his step-mother, Mrs. Florence L. Matthews of Augusta; a sister, Mrs. Florence Labonte, Dover, N. H.; and a step-sister, Mrs. Marian Hart, Augusta. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery in Portland, Maine.

A Tribute by a Classmate

In the recent death of Fred Matthews in far-off Laramie, Wyoming, Colby has lost a most devoted son, who, though not completing his college course, feeling the urgency of early professional preparation for the Law, a calling for which he had remarkable talent, remained throughout his life of high usefulness, cut short by ill-health and consequent far separation, intensely loyal to Maine, to Colby, his fraternity and his college mates.

Fred's career in Portland, his hometown, was notable with all the attributes of a "leading citizen," taking prominent part in civic affairs and historical and charitable enterprises,

having a sympathetic associate in Mrs. Matthews, influential in welfare and in women's activities in the city.

"Fred and Annie," in their childhood were friends of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, and their efforts, in maturity, in behalf of the Longfellow monument, found expression in the superb seated figure of "America's best-loved poet" at Longfellow Square, admired by all visitors to Maine.


Success in life came early to Fred Matthews, and he lived generously for his own and for others. During a period of twenty years he was the support and comfort of an invalid sister and an unfortunate brother, of whom few were aware. When compelled to seek his own safety "by doctor's orders", his days in Portland were terminated, and during the past two decades he has made his home with his daughter and husband within university circles in the West.

In this retirement, Fred's leisure pursuits were devoted to the reading and study of Continental European Literature in their original tongues, becoming proficient in the masterpieces in French, Italian and Spanish classics with the familiarity of a scholar specializing in those texts.

He was a joyful correspondent, his letters delightful for friendly and confidential reminiscence and renewal of old-time intimacies. We conversed on paper, though separated by a half-century of time and many hundreds of miles of distance from meeting again face to face.

When Fred Matthews was about to enter Colby in my class he was represented to me by his boyhood friend, George P. Phenix, '86, as "The finest fellow I ever knew." As such he lived.

EDWARD F. STEVENS, '89.



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