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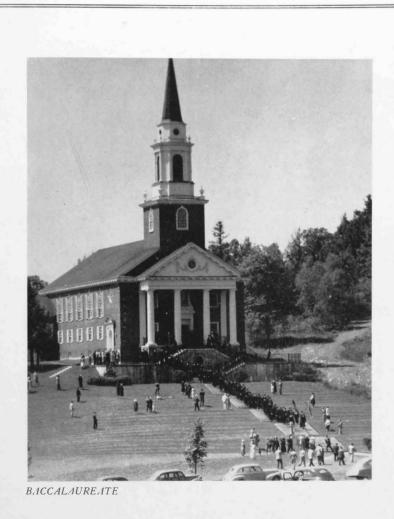
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## The Cours

The stately procession of seniors, nearly two hundred strong, descends the terraced steps from the Lorimer Chapel following the Baccalaureate Service, making a spectacle which appeals to the amateur photographers along the line of march. Few, perhaps, will ever duplicate this view, however, which was taken from the scaffolding of the Keyes Building across the campus with the benefit of a telephoto lens.

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That this magazine is going to have a change of Editor. (p. 28)

## The President's Page

(The laying of the cornerstone of the Keyes Building took place on Saturday afternoon, June 19. President Bixler in his opening remarks lifted the level of thinking from, shall we say, the concrete to the abstract in such an admirable way that we prevailed upon him to prepare a digest of his talk as his Page for this issue. — Editor.)

A S we dedicate this building we should ask ourselves whether we are in the right frame of mind to realize its possibilities for good. Is our knowledge of the internal structure of the atom matched by understanding of the inner meaning of science itself?

Let us remember that, more than any other discipline, science shows us the necessity and the meaning of integrity. "Be sure your sin will find you out" might well be inscribed over the laboratory door. If in scientific work you try to fool the public or yourself, you may get away with it for a time, but sooner or later the journals will expose your shame for all to see.

In addition, science can teach us the lesson that human beings find hardest to learn—that is, how to cooperate. Science is the one field of learning where disagreement simply cannot be tolerated. Where there are differences of opinion, it says, there both inadequacy and misunderstanding will be found. Bring your prejudices into the open, it counsels us. Examine and criticize your assumptions. For the truth is in what is shared, and disparity in belief, idea, or conduct exists only to be overcome.

So far as we are aware, this is the first chemistry building to be dedicated in the atomic age. We must have faith that it will not be an atomistic age. It confronts us with problems that are terrifying and new. But the laws of physical nature it sets forth are the same laws we have always known, and against the background they form human life has always been lived.

Difficult as are the times in which we live, and menacing as are some of the conditions that confront us, let us not forget that we belong to a race of high achievement and that our presence here at this dedicatory exercise is itself the culmination of years of successful effort. Men have always set before themselves aims that are worth while. Some—let us thank God—have been realized. Colleges have been established and maintained even in difficult circumstances. Through persevering effort laboratories and workshops have unveiled secrets that for centuries were hidden.

We face with special confidence the future of this building because it is dedicated not to science in isolation but to science as part of the curriculum of a liberal arts college. The concern of those who work here will be not with facts alone, but with facts in their relation to values. The laws that students will ponder will be the mechanical laws of physical nature, but the final aim in studying them will be to bring them under the control of rational purpose. Just as this building takes its place in a symmetrically designed campus and assumes its special role in a carefully thought out architectural plan, so the classroom and laboratory work it will house receives its ultimate significance from its fitness to contribute to the philosophy of life a liberal arts college exists to teach — a philosophy in which all men are seen not only as seekers of the truth but as doers of the Word, and as members, under God, of a common brotherhood.

J. S. Bix en

## THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

RIVE — The Colby Trustees have made at least three major and courageous decisions in the long road to Mayflower Hill. The first, of course, was that action taken on June 13, 1930, when they voted to move the college to a new site "if and when feasible." If there ever was an act of blind faith, that was it! The next was on November 10, 1945, when America was in the throes of a transition from a war to a peace economy and civilian construction was still virtually impossible, yet they voted to let contracts for the completion of the five empty shells of buildings which had been standing forlornly on the new campus for about five years. The third, in our opinion, was on June 18, 1948, when the Trustees unanimously passed the following motion:

"That it is the conviction of this Board that in order that Colby College may fulfill its full responsibility as an institution of higher learning, a capital fund campaign must be initiated at once to unify the physical plant on Mayflower Hill and further strengthen the College's educational

offerings:

"That the Trustees authorize a campaign to meet first the remaining minimum needs essential to the removal of the College to Mayflower Hill in the amount of \$1,750,000, and, second, to raise the sum of \$1,800,000 to further implement and extend the educational program of the College; and

"That the Colby Fund Council be authorized to take all necessary steps

to attain these objectives."

That was the original motion, but before the vote was taken Trustee Frederick E. Camp moved to amend it by the addition of the following:

"And, furthermore, that the alumni and friends of the College be called upon to dedicate their energies now toward the achievement of these goals as a tribute to the one whose vision is responsible for the existence of Mayflower Hill - Franklin Winslow Johnson."

Needless to say, the amendment was accepted by acclaim, and the die

was cast.

This means that the College is undertaking a final intensive capital funds drive to complete its Mayflower Hill undertaking and then go on to improving its academic offerings. A new man on the staff, Louis W. Collier, will organize and direct the machinery of the campaign, but if it is to succeed, some 600 Colby men and women must enlist their services as solicitors, and everyone must be thinking of their own gifts in terms of capital funds - not annual donations.

The prospect calls for generous giving - even self denial - but there are good reasons to expect enthusiastic support from the Colby family. One thing which will appeal strongly to a good many men is that their gifts may be earmarked in part or all for their fraternity houses. And above all will be the universal desire not to make Dr. Johnson wait any longer to see the consummation of his life's dream. That amendment to the Trustee's action will strike fire in every Colby heart. There should be no stopping us. The potential is here; it needs only to be unleashed.

PROPHESY — College seniors are traditionally cocky, but few would seriously go as far as one did a few days after Commencement just fifty years ago, who wrote to his classmate, T. Raymond Pierce, under date

of June 21, 1898, as follows:

. . . Your favor of the 18th has found me down here in Philadelphia, where I have located, permanently probably, as literary editor of the Saturday Evening Post. It is a new, old paper, owned by the same company that publishes the Ladies Home Journal. We propose to make it the best and biggest weekly in the United

The writer, of course, was George Horace Lorimer who unfortunately did not live to attend the fiftieth reunion of his Colby class, but saw his prophecy come true long before he

retired in 1936.

The Lorimer story has taken on new stature with the recently published biography of him by John Tebbel. The last words of this book are a quotation from Lorimer's message to the college at the occasion of breaking ground for the Chapel, the sentence which (in abbreviated form) appears on the memorial plaque at the base of the Chapel and also, as we now learn, on his tomb. It reads:

" Religion is the cornerstone of character - not necessarily religion as expressed through any particular church, but through every church and every creed that is based on the broad precepts of the Golden Rule, of charity, and of justice tempered with mercy."

## We Point With Pride Ja-

President J. Seelye Bixler, recipient of LL.D. degrees from University of Maine and Brown Universitv.

James C. Richardson, '11, elected president of Civitan International.

Dr. Don S. Knowlton, '16, promoted to rank of Rear Admiral, U. S. Naval Reserve.

Dr. Herbert M. Wortman, '26, elected president of the New Jersey Hospital Association.

Charles P. Nelson, '28, winner of the Republican nomination for Congressman from Maine's Second District.

HUNT - Marking the center of what will soon be the terraced lawn in front of the Miller Library flies the American flag from a shaft arising from a granite base. It was dedicated on June 19 with impressive exercises, as recounted on another

But, the flagpole almost didn't get here on time, and the fact that it did represents an astonishing amount of willing work by a number of people. If you really want to know the story,

here it is.

The 55-foot pole was loaded in an extra long car (a 65 foot 5 inch gondola, Pennsylvania 440055, to be exact) at Camden, New Jersey, on May 26. When it had not arrived within a reasonable time, routine tracers were started from both shipping point and destination, but no luck. Talk about

finding a needle in a haystack! Just try to find a flagpole in the eastern freight yards sometime. Commencement weekend approached: no flagpole, no word. A stone's throw away the Keyes building was being erected by Hegeman-Harris, Inc., and the job supervisor, Harold Teague, who had been watching the progress of the flagpole base with friendly interest, offered to ask his New York office to help locate the shipment. So Hegeman-Harris' ace expediter, Ralph Dawson, went to work. The log starts at 10:27, June 15, when Dawson called up Pennsy's division freight agent at Camden, and gave him the dope. Eight minutes later the agent called back and said that the car moved to Enola, Pa., on June 3, and there was taken over by the Delaware & Hudson. A few minutes later the D&H yardmaster at Wilkes Barre reported that the flagpole left there on June 6 carded to Dickson City on "pick-up freight." Right there, you see, is where things went haywire: this big car with only a long steel pipe in it seemed to invite odd lots of shipping, even if destined for a different direction. Well, at 1:13 P.M., Dawson ascertained from the Dickson City freight agent that the car was carded back to Scranton to unload some of this parasite freight there. Twenty minutes later it was found that the car had left Scranton at 4:15 A.M., June 12, for Carbondale, Pa., where it was ticketed for a through train to Mechanicville, N. Y. Now the trail was getting hot. By 1:45, Mechanicville told Dawson that, yes, the car had arrived there yesterday. It was out in the yard and was filled with a lot of other freight beside the pole, but he would see what could be done to hurry up the process.

Now, the quarry was found; next, could they get it up to Waterville in time? So Dawson talked with the D&H New York office and they told the story to the vice-president of the railroad. Back through the same channels came a telegram at 3:30 Stating that a transfer crew was working on the car and that they would deliver the car over to the Boston & Maine that night. Next, Dawson told the story to the NY office of the B&M who placed it on the teletype with orders to put car on first available train after receipt from D&H. So Mr. Dawson went back to his regular affairs. Next morning, a 9:30 call to Mechanicville ascertained that the flagpole's private car was just at that moment moving out of Mechanicville on B&M train MP-2. Later, B&M's New York office called up to report the same good news. and then the D&H office relaved a wire from the vice-president to the same effect. At 2:30, B&M called up to say that she was rolling along on schedule and should be picked up by Maine Central that night at 3:45 A.M. at Portland for arrival at Waterville at 10:30 A.M.

The rest was easy. The pole came in on time, was delivered to the campus before noon on Thursday, given one coat of white paint in the afternoon, the second on Friday, picked up by a crane and deposited in its granite socket, and was standing there serene and ready for the exercises on Saturday. Officially, the pole is the gift of the Colby College alumni, but the impressive ceremony would never have been held without the assistance of a lot of anonymous people who dropped their work to do a good turn for a college. Isn't it heartwarming?

TOUCHDOWN? — If it is not too early to think in the vocabulary of football, one might describe the progress of this College toward its Mayflower Hill goal as a long, hard, battering march down the field. Certain plays, with Lorimer, Miller and Averill carrying the ball, went for long spectacular gains. Also, the alumni swept the end for the Roberts Union, and the alumnae accomplished their first down for the Women's Union. Between times, the team has been pounding away interminably for short gains, yard after yard, the hard way, now and then being held for downs and then picking up momentum again. About thirty yards away lies the coveted chalk line: representing a united campus - the College operating entirely on The Hill.

As any gridiron spectator knows, as you approach the goal, the going gets tougher and then is the time to throw in everything you've got. That is just where we are now and the Colby coaches are getting set to call one more play - the touchdown play.

This is it: one bang-up campaign primarily for the alumni body and the trustees (but with every effort to solicit all our friends, also) to raise \$1,750,000 in the next year or so. This is what we need to house all the students and carry on all the classes on Mayflower Hill.

The question will be asked (reverting to football terminology again): Why put the alumni back into the game? Didn't we do our part in providing the two unions? And the answer is: You did a wonderful piece of work, but we haven't yet scored that touchdown. We've tried to win without calling on you again, but we can't do it. You've had ten or twelve years to recuperate; you're strong; you're ready; and no one else wants that touchdown as much as you - so it's up to all of us to swarm in now and make one perfect play. If every player carries out his or her assignment, we know what happens: TOUCHDOWN!

C-14 — Next time your Geiger campus, bring your Geiger -14 — Next time you visit the Counter. As you approach the cornerstone of the Keyes Building you should hear something spitting off Beta rays at the rate, if you stop and count them, of 3,700,000 per second. Come back in 5,000 years and the thing will have unwound so that it only gives off half as many. The source of this radiation is 8 millegrams of barium carbonate (BaCO3) - which is common enough until you learn that the carbon part of it is the radio isotope known as Carbon 14. It was contained in a little glass vial which was flown here from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory and deposited by Professor Weeks in the cornerstone box to symbolize the nuclear chemistry which will be taught in what President Bixler called "the first college chemistry building to be built in the Atomic Age."

To a layman, there was something sinister about the few grains of stuff whose inner workings had been mysteriously treated to an extra neutron or something by exposure to the deadly chain-reacting pile at Oak Ridge. But Weeks told us that the rays being emitted were not the dangerous Gamma

The specimen cost about five dollars, but before the development of Oak Ridge, a millecurie of Carbon 14 produced by one of the two or three cyclotrons in existence would have cost a million dollars. In other words,

now these isotopes are commercially available and scientists are reveling in the fascinating uses of this new tool. An isotope of a given chemical substance behaves identically with the untreated substance except that wherever it goes it gives off these rays which are easily detected. For example, at MIT they are doing research on what happens to metal during friction. By using radioactive steel on one surface, they can detect as little as one hundredth-billionth of an ounce transferred from surface to surface by friction. Industry and medicine, as well as pure research have profited immensely in the one year that such isotopes have been for sale. The future possibilities are simply unlimited and perhaps some of the significant work will be done by young men and women who will learn their undergraduate chemistry in the Keyes Building under the benign auspices of that little piece of Carbon 14 ticking away its life at 3,700,000 nuclear fissions per second.

INDEPENDENCE DAY — A hundred years ago Commencement was not held until August and so the Glorious Fourth had to be celebrated while college was in session. Apparently the faculty held that the boys could best express their patriotism by going to recitations as usual, while the student body took a different view. What happened in 1846 may be deduced from the following entry in the records of a "special faculty meeting" on July 4th of that year:

"The officers of the several morning recitations reported as present this morning at their recitations only the following students, namely, Seniors, Wilbur and Dempsey; Juniors, Fairbanks, Fairfield, Trafton, Wilbur, Symonds; Sophomores, Seaver; Freshmen, Howes, Mitchell, Pierce, Robinson.

"In addition to the general absence from recitation there was great disturbance on the college premises during the recitation hour by students (sometimes as individuals and sometimes in a procession) passing before the recitation rooms, blowing horns, ringing bells, etc. When those students who had been in recitation were dismissed the procession followed them

to their rooms and kept up the disturbance before mentioned in front of their doors. When members of the Faculty passed near this company [of] students they were in several instances saluted in the same way. The students engaged in these riotous proceedings were so far as observed — Bickford, Hatch, Hamlin, Bartlett, Bronson, Hyde, Joy, Jewett 1st, Marshall, Barton, Downs, Dunnell, Fales, Sanger, S. Sanford, Staples, Walker 2nd, Ware 2nd.

"The outrage both in disturbing the order of college and in personal insults offered to members of the Faculty was thought to be such as must be met by the most prompt measures. Two of the prominent actors, namely Hamlin of the Junior class and Bartlett of the Sophomore class, were accordingly called before the Faculty and informed that for the reasons above stated they were expelled from the college.

"Whereupon the meeting ad-

Two days later the Faculty met again. "It was thought proper" to notify those students who were absent, but not observed in "the disturbances" that they might have the opportunity of presenting excuses for their absences, but, warned the professors, those without excuses would not be merely fined as usual, for "the faculty look upon the case as one of too much importance to consider a fine as any part of a satisfaction." Meanwhile, "all are permitted to attend the recitation of their classes."

The next paragraph hints that the campus was in a furor and petitioning for the pardon of Hamlin and Bartlett. One can imagine that an elaborate case was presented for the patriotic fervor of these two leaders and the righteousness of their motives. So the Faculty held another meeting that afternoon and authorized the announcement at evening prayers that the petitioners completely missed the point, to wit: "the disturbance of the order of the College during the recitation hour." They further advised the students that "the interest of these two individuals will be best consulted by leaving the Faculty to act under the full impression which the previous character and conduct and the subsequent communications of these students may be fitted to produce." We gather that, freely translated, this

meant: "These are good lads and if you don't get our backs up, we'll probably relent after giving them a good scare."

The next special meeting was held on July 13, and the Faculty made a proposition: "The Faculty will entirely drop the case if these students will say that they did wrong in absenting themselves from the recitation and in making the disturbance during the recitation hour - and will assure us that they will not again absent themselves from recitation under similar circumstances - and that they will not again be engaged in making similar disturbances. We thus give you at the outset a full opportunity to avoid the consequences which must otherwise follow."

The record states that all of the students named in the original charge appeared and assented with the exception of Bartlett and Hamlin. Thus, the Faculty saved face, the student body was preserved practically intact, but what about the two ringleaders?

Bartlett was allowed to return to College the next fall on probation, but that the feeling was not too severe is indicated by another action permitting him to "have the choice among the rooms in the college now unoccupied and that the room which he chooses shall be put in a comfortable condition." He graduated and became pastor of various Congregational and Presbyterian churches in the middle west.

Hamlin's sentence was rescinded on July 26 "in view of his past conduct and of the letter which he transmitted to the Faculty soon after his expulsion." And a good thing it was, too, for he was the distinguished scholar, Charles E. Hamlin, who taught science at Waterville College for twenty years, a brilliant natural scientist whom Agassiz visited more than once and who later went to Harvard to teach geology and become curator of conchology and paleontology at the Museum of Comparative Zoology before his career was cut short at the age of sixty. From 1855 to 1873 Prof. Hamlin was secretary of the faculty and the records are in his own meticulous and clear handwriting. One can imagine his chuckle as he looked up the minutes of the deliberations of his colleagues in previous years - say, July 4th, 1846!

## A CENTURY OF ACHIEVEMENT

By ERNEST C. MARRINER, '13

LOST in oblivion is the record of a group which actually antedated the association whose centennial we celebrate today. There is preserved in the college archives a copy of an address delivered by John Holmes before the Associated Alumni of Waterville College on July 28, 1831, only nine years after the first class had been graduated.

It was not until August 11, 1847, however, that a meeting of alumni was called for the purpose of forming an association. The record reveals the ancient names of nearby communities, for two members of the committee to draft a constitution were Crosby Hinds of Sebasticook and Stephen Coburn of Bloomfield, graduates respectively of 1838 and 1839.

On August 9, 1848, "agreeable to public notice previously issued, the Alumni of Waterville College met in the President's Recitation Room at 81/2 o'clock A.M." The constitution was adopted and two men who later won national renown were chosen president and secretary. For, our first alumni president, one hundred years ago, was Martin B. Anderson, 1840, who was founder and for 37 years the first president of the University of Rochester, one of a very few Colby men to receive an honorary degree from Columbia University. The secretary was James H. Hanson, 1842, for 30 years the renowned principal of Coburn Classical Institute, whose textbooks for instruction in Latin were used throughout the United States.

Was the purpose of the association social and nostalgic? Partly so; because one stated purpose was "to renew the associations of college life." But the founders hoped also "to promote the cause of sound learning and to cherish a common interest in each other and our Alma Mater." There was a predominant purpose, however, that might be little suspected by their successors a hundred years later. These young alumni of a young college were faced with a condition similar to that which faced the early Chris-

The Hundredth Anniversary of the Founding of the Alumni Association was a notable occasion. Held at ten o'clock on June 19, the guest speaker was President Kenneth C. M. Sills of Bowdoin who spoke on the theme of "What Makes a Good Alumnus?" Dean Ernest C. Marriner, '13, presented an historical review of the Association's "first hundred years" presented herewith.

tians in the time of the Apostle Paul. Some of their number had already died, among them that very first graduate, George Dana Boardman, whose grave was in far-off Burma. These dead must not be forgotten; so the constitution stated as the organization's first purpose to record suitable memorials of departed members.

At first not all graduates were automatically members of the association. The requirement read, "Any person who has received the degree of A.B. from Waterville College may become a member of the Association by signing his name in the secretary's book." That original book is preserved. It contains 230 names, ranging in classes from 1823 to 1875. The first signer was Henry Paine, 1823, and the last name in the book is one honored by generations of Colby folk - Leslie C. Cornish, 1875, the man who, as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Maine, was to render decisions acceptable as precedents in many other states, and who as Chairman of the Board of Trustees was to help Arthur Roberts put Colby College on a sound financial

There are memorable names in that old record book: the first of that family of Coburns who have meant so much to Colby, Stephen, 1839: Mylon, the first of the Merriams, also 1839: Nathaniel Butler, 1842, father of the more famous Nathaniel, Jr.; the illustrious Moses Lyford, 1843, Colby's first astronomer; Josiah, first of the Drummonds, 1846: the great jurist, William Penn Whitehouse, 1863: the first of

the four John Foster's of successive generations, John B., 1843; Edward W. Hall, 1862, beloved librarian and necrologist, one of the first Colby men to follow Longfellow to the University of Goettingen; Reuben Wesley Dunn, 1868, father of the Dunns we know; George B., first of Colby's Illsleys, 1863, and Nathaniel Butler, Jr., 1873, renowned Dean of the Graduate School at the University of Chicago.

Modern alumni who recall some of the sumptuous luncheons at annual meetings will be interested to learn that food entered the picture as early as 1852, when it was voted, "that, if thought proper, the executive committee be empowered to prepare a repast for the annual meetings." By this time money had become a problem, and it was voted that an annual tax of one dollar be assessed upon each member of the Association.

Meetings were held in various public halls in Waterville. For instance, in 1862, the Association met in the Hall of the Sons of Temperance. The record sayeth not whether the group contented themselves with water or something like the tepid ginger ale that graced the tables in the old gym in the 1920's. Truth is that no large hall was required for the gatherings - as late as 1872 it was recorded, "This meeting was larger than any ever before held, about fifty members being present." In 1884, Mr. Cornish proposed a committee to stir up attendance, the number in that year having dropped to 35. Not until the turn of the century did attendance reach one hundred.

Though the organized alumni were few in number they were strong in deeds. Let us take a look at the record of their accomplishments. After a few minor projects, such as securing portraits of early leaders, their first major task was assumed on August 8, 1866, when it was voted, "that, instead of the proposed statue, a Memorial Hall should be erected in compliance with the invitation and offer of cooperation by the Board of Trustees. Thus Colby led the whole nation in erecting a

building to commemorate its Civil War dead. That the alumni were concerned about that building, even after its completion, is shown by a vote in 1869 to "commend the committee which supervised the erection of Memorial Hall and request them to furnish it with blinds."

Then came the long debated problem of a suitable memorial tablet to be placed in the alumni's own room on the upper floor of the building. In 1869 they appointed a committee on this matter, then adjourned to the Town Hall for the annual repast. By 1871 agreement had been reached and the Lion of Lucerne became a familiar figure to generations of Colby students.

In 1864 the Association adopted the practice of meeting at the Baptist Church to hear an annual oration, then hold their business meeting. This practice was abandoned when the Association began to use its own meeting place in Memorial Hall.

The practice of honoring 25 year classes began in 1865 with the reunion of the Class of 1840. Not until seven years later could there be any fiftieth reunion, and that would have to be held in heaven, for both graduates of 1822 had departed this life.

Not until the Civil War had ended do the Association records reveal that the nation was engaged in fratricidal conflict. From 1861 to 1864 there is no mention of the war or its effect in depleting college attendance, but in 1865 a committee was appointed to consider the subject of a memorial to alumni fallen in the war. This committee, headed by Josiah H. Drummond, comprised also of Gen. C. H.



AN EARLY ALUMNI PROJECT

Smith, Gen. H. M. Plaisted, and Gen. R. B. Shepherd. This was the committee that finally joined with the Trustees in erecting Memorial Hall.

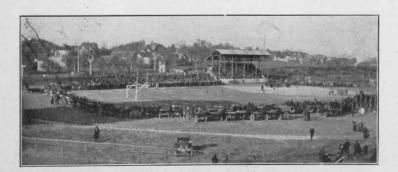
This brief sketch must omit detailed account of numerous projects conducted by the Association, such as the large collection of portraits from 1880 to 1900, the erection of the wooden grandstand on the athletic field, the preparation of the first general catalogue in 1882, the Association's prominent part in securing a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1895, the movement started in 1892 that finally gave us Chemical Hall, and the Association's

prominent part in the celebration of the 50th, 75th and 100th anniversaries of the college. But we cannot omit the long battle to secure recognition on the Board of Trustees.

As early as 1873 the Association requested the Trustees to agree to a petition to the State Legislature for such modification of the charter as would permit the election by the Association of one third of the members of the Board of Trustees. That petition was so coldly received and apparently so soundly rebuked that thirteen years elapsed before the issue was again raised. Then, in 1886, Reuben Wesley Dunn presented a resolution that a committee be appointed to confer with the Board concerning the adoption of some plan to fill vacancies on the Board in such manner that the alumni may be allowed representation of not less than two members in each of the three classes into which the Board was then divided. Mr. Dunn's resolution was passed and duly submitted to the Board.

In 1887 the Board made a reply which apparently represented such a persistent conviction that its very language was again used in reply to a similar petition ten years later. The board said:

"The Charter of the University lodges in this Board the power to fill vacancies, and this power cannot be delegated in whole or in part. Therefore any plan by which the Alumni Association shall have a voice in the election of trustees must be based upon the voluntary action of the Board at each election. But we believe the



SCENE AT FOOTBALL GAME, SHOWING THE ALUMNI GRANDSTAND

Board will at any time be glad to meet the wishes of the Alumni, and we recommend that the Alumni Association be invited to present to this Board the names of three gentlemen whom they desire to have elected as members."

Accepting this half loaf as better than no bread, the Association responded and placed upon the Board, by the suggested presentation of three names, Larkin Dunton, '55, A. P. Marble, '61, and Leslie C. Cornish, '75.

The record of 1890 contains an interesting item, especially for those who care to read between the lines. "It was found that those who had received the largest votes were indebted to an electioneering document sent out by undergraduates, asking members of their society to vote for these persons. An exciting discussion ensued, and this attempt on the part of students to interfere with business of the alumni was severely denounced, and the Association voted not to transmit to the Board the result of the ballot."

By 1897 alumni influence on the Board had been so diminished that another petition was submitted, this time asking for permission to nominate one in every three candidates for vacancies. The Board replied in the identical words of 1887.

Finally in 1901, a name that carried great weight headed a committee that



DR. ALBION W. SMALL, '76

now meant business. Former President Albion Woodbury Small, '76, would not accept defeat or further delay. His committee was determined to approach the legislature directly for amendment to the charter, with the trustees' approval if possible, without it if necessary. Semblance of harmony between Board and Association was restored, and the die-hards on the Board who still opposed alumni representation made no protest to the legislature, which in 1903, amended the

college charter to permit election of alumni trustees. It had taken thirty years since the original resolution in 1873 to win this obviously just representation. In 1904 the first election, rather than mere nomination of trustees, resulted in the election of Asher C. Hinds, '83, Clarence E. Meleney, '76, and Allen P. Soule, '79.

Until 1913 only graduates were members of the Association. In that year the constitution was amended to admit non-graduates as associate members, who could not vote for alumni trustees or hold major office. In 1927 non-graduates were granted full rights. The constitution long made anyone officially connected with the college ineligible for president or secretary. This was changed in 1915 to permit Rex Dodge, '06, who had just been elected a Trustee, to continue as president of the Association, in which office he served the longest term of any president, from 1913 to 1917. Secretaries had longer tenure, only six of them serving a total of 65 years. For more than a third of that time the secretary was the College Librarian, Edward W. Hall, '62, who served for 26 years. The others were Frank W. Alden, '98, 10 years; Charles E. Hamlin, '47,\* and Ernest C. Marriner, '13, 9 years each; Edwin C. Whittemore, '79, 6 years; and John B. Foster, '43, 5 years.



PROF. CHARLES E. HAMLIN, '47



EDWIN C. WHITTEMORE, '79



FRANK W. ALDEN, '98

<sup>\* -</sup> For other activities of Hamlin, see page 7.

Among the Association's presidents have been such well known Colby men as Leslie C. Cornish, '75, Josiah H. Drummond, '46, Gen. H. M. Plaisted, '53, Reuben W. Dunn, '68, Dudley P. Bailey, '67, Warren C. Philbrook, '82, Forrest Goodwin, '87, R. C. Shannon, '62, Norman L. Bassett, '91, Asher C. Hinds, '83, Charles H. Pepper, '89, Henry W. Dunn, '96, Harvey D. Eaton, '87, Archer Jordan, '95, Charles P. Barnes, '92, T. Raymond Pierce, '98, Fred F. Lawrence, '00, Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, J. F. Hill, '82, Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, Neil Leonard, '21, and Leonard W. Mayo,

The struggle of the Alumni Association for recognition on the Board of Trustees was easy compared with the long, seemingly hopeless struggle of Colby women to secure any recognition at all. Under the zealous leadership of Miss Louise Coburn, '77, they formed the Alumnae Association in 1891, and proceeded to devote time and money for the welfare of Colby girls. The Trustees had permitted women to enroll in the college, but were reluctant to spend money for their needs. Hence it was the alumnae who until the last quarter century provided the furnishings for more gracious living in the dormitories, insisted upon physical education for women, and provided the



LOUISE H. COBURN, '77

first successful loan fund in the college. For many years Harriet Parmenter, '89, was the devoted head of the scholarship loan committee, and she was largely responsible for its conspicuous success.

Unfair as it may be to hundreds of other loyal Colby women, space will allow mention of only a few especially valuable workers. Shoulder to shoulder with Miss Coburn in her valiant work stood Miss Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, and Miss Florence E. Dunn, '96. As author of the Centennial Pageant Miss Gilpatrick showed an inspired knowledge of Colby history, and Miss Dunn was the leading supporter of the financial campaigns for the Alumnae Building and the Women's Union. Grace Coburn Smith, '93, even in the days of her long illness, gave constantly of her strength to the cause of women



FLORENCE E. DUNN, '96

at Colby, and Mary Donald Deans, '10, spearheaded the arduous, barn-storming campaign for this building in which we now meet.

What later became the Alumnae Council was organized in 1916 as a group of alumnae to advise and assist the Dean of Women. It was this group which, through the years between the two World Wars, won increasing recognition for Colby girls.

In addition to many minor, but valuable works, the alumnae have accomplished three major projects: securing all the money to erect the Alumnae Building, securing most of the money for the Women's Union, and making Colby women eligible for the American Association of University Women.

A worthy tribute was paid our women in a letter by President Johnson to their Association in 1935: He



ADELLE GILPATRICK, '92

said: "You Colby women set the precedent and carried on the practice of making small annual gifts to the college long before the men started the Alumni Fund."

In 1930 the Alumnae employed their first regular secretary, Miss Alice Purington, '99. In 1934 she was succeeded by Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith, '24, who directed the office and alumnae activities through the crucial years of fund raising for Mayflower Hill and directed the \$100,000 campaign for the Women's Union. Though leaving the post officially in 1944, when the two associations were amalgamated, she has continued her devoted and exceptionally competent work for the college.

Colby men think of Miss Ninetta Runnals as Dean of Women, but Colby women think of her also as an alumna. Ever since she first entered the college as a student in 1904, she has worked untiringly and far-seeingly for Colby girls. Although not an officer, she, more than any other person, gave leadership to the Alumnae Association.

Although Miss Coburn had been earlier elected by the Board our first woman trustee, it was not until 1931 that the Alumnae Association secured an act of legislature permitting them to elect their representative on the Board of Trustees. The first woman so

elected was Ethel Hayward Weston, '08.

The modern Alumni Association dates from the return to Colby of a young graduate to whom we now owe the success which greets alumni activities today. When Cecil Goddard, '29, became the first employed Alumni Secretary in 1932, a new day had dawned. He at once revived the defunct Alumni Council by giving them something definite to do. With the active assistance of men like Charles Seaverns and Neil Leonard, he instituted the Alumni Fund, and finally he led the movement that has at last made us a single body of alumni, men and women together.

At first there was a doubtful noman's land of authority between the officers of the Association and those of the Alumni Council. This difficulty was resolved in 1934, when the Association adopted a new constitution. doing away with all association officers as such, and authorizing the Council to conduct all business of the associa-

tion.

The recent accomplishments of the Council are well known: the ever-increasing size and importance of the Alumni Fund; the raising of \$300,000 toward the erection of the Roberts Union; the establishment of a student loan fund; the institution of a Department of Health and Physical Education, placing medical service as well as



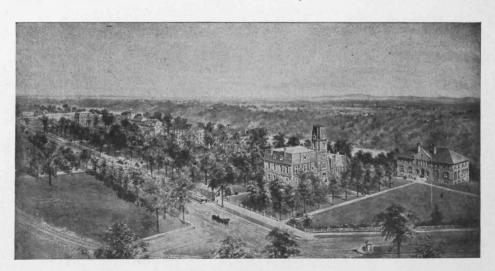
G. CECIL GODDARD, '29

athletics under a single head; the abolishment of the old athletic association and the inclusion of athletics in the operating budget of the college; the protection of the alumni from nuisance solicitation by channeling all contributions through the Alumni Fund; the organization and promotion of such enjoyable alumni activities as regional alumni dinners, Colby Night and Commencement affairs; the establishing of Visiting Committees;

and finally the provision for three war memorials, the carillonic bells, the flagpole, and the scholarships for children of alumni who died in World War II.

By no means the least of Council projects was the taking over of the responsibility of the alumni magazine, long ably edited by Herbert C. Libby, '02, as an individual project. When, after a trial with non-resident editors, the Council made Joseph Coburn Smith, '24, editor of The Colby Alumnus, not only did the magazine become outstanding in the college world, but there was also resumed that long tradition begun a hundred years ago that some member of the Coburn family should always be prominent in Colby affairs.

May 20, 1944, was an eventful day in our alumni history. On that day the separate associations of alumni and alumnae voted to dissolve and to form a single association. Neil Leonard, now the distinguished chairman of the Board of Trustees, became the first president of the joint council. Seventythree years of separation were ended. Without regard for sex or previous condition of servitude, all men and all women who ever attended Colby College were linked together in one common association and led by one representative, democratically elected body. We may well believe the old saw: "The first hundred-years are the hard-



## TWO VETERAN TEACHERS RETIRE

TWO men with a combined record of 82 years of service on the Colby College faculty brought their days of active teaching to a close this June when Dr. Webster Chester and Dr. Thomas B. Ashcraft retired. Familiar to thousands of Colby men and women, "Bugsy" and "Tubby" have for long been part of the Colby scene and, it is anticipated, will be present at Colby Night and Commencement homecomings for many years to come.



"BUGSY"

The Oracle of 1904 introduces the new instructor in biology with the comment: "Since coming to us, Professor Chester has shown the greatest energy and interest in his department, and has already made his courses among the most popular and valuable in the college curriculum."

For 45 years this statement has held true and his pupils, particularly those entering medicine or professional biology, have constituted a peculiarly close-knit group of admirers. Spokesman for many, perhaps, was Dr. Leslie B. Arey, '12, whose definitive text-book on developmental anatomy (now in its fifth edition) is dedicated to: "Webster Chester—an inspiring leader, scholarly scientist, and true friend of

youth who laid my biological foundation, tendered encouragement and help in meeting early difficulties, and pointed the way to greater opportunities. . ."

Chester took up his work at Colby in the fall of 1903, finding seven microscopes and not much else. As carpenter, mechanic, and ingenious pedagogue, he gradually improved the teaching and laboratory facilities over the years at probably the lowest cost of any reputable biology department in the country. The Coburn Hall fire of 1927 wiped out most of his handiwork and equipment, but resulted in a somewhat better building arrangement than he had enjoyed previously.

Like all of the older professors, Dr.

# THE CHESTER COMMEMORATIVE BOOK FUND

Without any public announcement which would spoil the secret, the word got around among many of Prof. Chester's students and former students that a sum was being collected to purchase important additions to the Biology Library in his name — a project which seemed appropriate and most likely to please him upon his retirement from teaching.

At the Commencement dinner, therefore, Gordon E. Gates, '19, was able to present to the surprised professor a check for \$640, representing gifts of varying amounts from 80 alumni and 12 undergraduates. But this is not all. Since then, more funds have come in and, now that it can be told, there will doubtless be still others who will want to contribute. Such contributions may be made payable to the Chester Commemorative Book Fund and sent to Dr. Hugh L. Robinson, '18, 80 Berkeley St., West Newton, or Dr. G. E. Gates, 169 Parker St., Newton Centre, Mass.

Another thing: can anyone suggest a way of having an artistic special bookplate prepared without using any of the book money?

Chester had plenty of extra-curricular assignments. One of his first under President White was to serve as faculty adviser to all non-athletic student activities. Many remember him, too, as the "cut officer" to whom they reported the real or imagined excuses for absences from classes. And who will forget that memorable political battle in the thirties when Chester ousted the Democratic incumbant of Ward Four's Alderman's seat, the redoubtable William J. Wilkinson?



" TUBBY "

A superior natural scientist in the grand tradition of Agassiz, a teacher who could aim the mind of a responsive student above biology toward speculation about Life, a skilled tinkerer, soft spoken, self-effacing, kindly and wise, Bugsy has made a long and enviable contribution to this college.

Thomas Bryce Ashcraft came to Colby in 1911 with the soft drawl of a South Carolinian, but found no trouble in becoming acclimated to Yankee ways. His undergraduate work had been done magna cum laude at Wake Forest and his doctorate had been granted by Johns Hopkins the previous year. He came as head of the mathematics department, the rest of

had ever enrolled. It was necessary to enlarge the faculty and the program of instruction was continuous throughout the year. The morale of both students and faculty was exceptionally high.

It is not possible to give in accurate figures the number of Colby men and women who served in this war. There were at least 1,350. Of these 45 were women and seven members of the faculty. The largest number were in the Army but the Navy ran a close second, and there were substantial numbers in the Marines and the Coast Guard. They served in every part of the world. Intimate touch was maintained between the college and those in the service. The Alumnus was sent to all of them and an organization of students sent out each month duplicated letters from members of the faculty and others. The "Colby Family proved to be not a pleasing phrase but a vital reality.

There was a very high percentage of officers in the various branches. In the Army: one brigadier general, four colonels, 13 lieutenant colonels, 25 majors, 99 captains; in the Navy: two captains, eight commanders, 21 lieutenant commanders. There were 409 in the lower grades. The total number of commissioned officers was 583, 43 percent of all the men and women in the services.

Fifty-eight, of whom two were women, lost their lives. It is of these we are thinking today.

The alumni of hundreds of our colleges are raising funds to provide memorials for those who gave their lives in the late war. Reports in the public press indicate that most of these are to be buildings, athletic fields, or stadiums. In justification of this, it is urged that this is what those whom they honor would wish, a living memorial to serve the practical needs of those who are to come after them. We alumni of Colby can take pride in the fact that we are not exploiting the noble sacrifice of our dead to provide for the material needs of the college. The temptation to do this was very great but no serious consideration was ever given to this form of memorial.

Three memorials have been provided by the alumni for the sons and daughters of Colby who lost their lives in the late war.

The first of these is the Carillon in the tower of the Lorimer Chapel.

DEDICATED TO THE COLBY ALUMNI WHO IN THREE WARS GAVE THEIR LIVES IN THE NATION'S SERVICE

"... WHO WOULD NOT, IF IT COULD BE MADE CERTAIN THAT THE NEW MORNING OF UNIVERSAL LIBERTY SHOULD RISE ON OUR RACE BY THE PERISHING OF ONE GENERATION, — WHO WOULD NOT CONSENT TO DIE?" — Ralph Waldo Emerson, in an address at Waterville College, August 11, 1863.

(Inscription on flagpole base)

Four times each hour of the day and night their melodious notes will fall upon our ears, reminding us of the boys and girls who shared with us the intimate life of the college. What



AS FLAG IS RAISED

Climax of ceremony was raising of colors as pictured. The shaft rises 55 feet above ground. The base is made of select Barre granite with the dedication on one side and the names of Colby's dead in three wars on the other faces. Its construction and erection was handled by Norman R. Rogerson, '37.

more beautiful tribute could be paid to their memory?

This monument we are dedicating today honors those who lost their lives in the three great wars. Its granite base, four square and strong, is symbolic of the spirit and purpose of this college, revealed in its long history and exemplified in the lives and service of its graduates. It stands at the focal point of this noble campus past which, for centuries to come, will flow the currents of the ongoing life of the college.

On the eastern front are words of dedication taken from Emerson's address, The Man of Letters. It is significant that it was delivered at Waterville College in the midst of the Civil War. On the other sides are cut the names of those who gave their lives in the Civil War, the First World War, and the Second World War. A total of 96.

Above the base will float the flag of our country, symbolizing the freedoms for which they gave their lives.

In a third memorial our alumni have assumed the financial obligation of parenthood for the children of our dead. It makes liberal provision for their education at the college. One student has this year been receiving this grant. Thirteen others will be eligible in years to come.

In his classic Gettysburg Address, Lincoln's words express the thoughts that are in the minds of all of us today.

"The world will little note nor long remember what we say here, but it can not forget what they did here. It is for us the living to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion. That we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain, that this nation under God shall have a new birth of freedom, and that government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth.

God grant that never again may the occasion arise for Colby College to dedicate a memorial to its sons and daughters who have died in war.

## SIX HONORARY DEGREES AWARDED



RECIPIENTS OF HONORARY DEGREES AT COLBY'S 127TH COMMENCEMENT Left to right: Sumner T. Pike, Webster Chester, Marjorie Meader Burns, Gordon E. Gates, J. Leslie Dunstan.

## DOCTOR OF LETTERS (Awarded posthumously) Dr. Joshua Loth Liebman

"Author, scholar, rabbi, and teacher, you have succeeded in combining a searching knowledge of religious history and the training of a modern psychologist with a personal understanding of the needs of the human heart. Member of the faculties of the Iewish Institute of Religion, of Boston University, and of Andover Newton Theological School, you have helped Christians and Jews to understand that the realm in which they share is far larger than that wherein they differ. Minister not only to your own congregation at Temple Israel but through your books and radio lectures to a large and ever-growing audience, you have helped to bridge not only the chasms between faiths but the rifts within the human soul and have aided thousands of your countrymen in achieving that most cherished of possessions - peace of mind."

## DOCTOR OF LAWS Sumner T. Pike

"Native of Maine and graduate of Bowdoin College, you have lived in

many different parts of this country and have maintained more than the ordinary man's share of both professional and intellectual interests. Successful in turn as geologist, financier, and economist, you have been a member of the Temporary National Economy Committee, of the Security and Exchange Commission, Advisor to the Secretary of Commerce of the United States, and Director of the Fuel Price Division of the Office of Price Administration. Your achievements in these fields, coupled with your wellknown concern for the humanities and your extensive study of history and government qualified you for your present appointment as a member of Atomic Energy Commission where your chance to influence the welfare of the human race is almost unparalleled."

## DOCTOR OF SCIENCE Webster Chester

"Distinguished teacher, whose pupils in their work both here and abroad have brought honor to you and to their alma mater, you have instructed your students not only in the technicalities of science, but also in the

more humane arts of living. Report has it, indeed, that at times you have been known to direct their gaze to the larger metaphysical issues which form the background for both scientific and ethical thinking and have helped them to look with reverence upon the ultimate mysteries against which the drama of life is played. Under your loyal and devoted leadership the Department you have served has grown steadily in academic stature. After forty-five years of association, Colby College claims you as in every sense her own and proudly enrolls you as a graduate to whom honor is due."

## DOCTOR OF SCIENCE Dr. Gordon Enoch Gates

"Graduate of Colby College in the class of 1919, for twenty years head of the Department of Biology, Judson College, Rangoon, Burma, Teacher in India, Research Scholar whose work has been carried on at Harvard, in London, Paris, Hamburg, Genoa, Naples, Calcutta, and Singapore, the results of your study, published in seventy-five distinguished articles have brought you recognition as a world's leading authority in your chosen field.

A Christian missionary, you have taught the truths of religion by example as by precept, most notably when in the recent war you faced with complete fortitude the loss of all your possessions including the priceless results of long periods of research, and with courageous energy began anew."

## DOCTOR OF DIVINITY John Leslie Dunstan

"Graduate of Colby College in the class of 1923 with a doctorate from Columbia University, former student at Cambridge University in England, former director of religious education at the Union Church of Honolulu — most recently as its pastor. In addition, you have found time to assume the professorship of religion at the University of Hawaii and the editorship of *The Friend*, the Hawaiian interdenominational religious magazine. As a leading churchman in the Hawaiian territory who has made an effective contribution to the development of its religious life, your college recalls you with pride to its Commencement stage and seeks to do you honor."

MASTER OF ARTS Mariorie Meader Burns

"Once a resident of Waterville and student at Colby, you have left your former home, but you have kept your former swithin the sound of your voice. Through your radio hour and newspaper column you have won hosts of admirers who depend on you for information, encouragement, and good cheer. Acknowledging your skill in the art of teaching and in the communication of knowledge and ideas, Colby College awards you the title of Master and assigns you a place on the list of its distinguished graduates."

## REUNION CLASSES MAKE MERRY

## OLD TIMERS CLUB

THE sixth annual meeting of the Old Timers Club was held in Mary Low Hall on Mayflower Hill at 6:00 on Saturday, June 19.

Including wives and husbands and two guests, 27 were present from classes ranging from 1882 to 1897. The class of 1893 celebrated its 55th at a specially reserved table. Mrs. E. R. Nichols, whose husband was a member of '93, was present and Grace M. Reed, '94, and Mrs. George L'Amoureaux, whose husband was of '94, joined the '93 group.

There was no fixed program. John Cummings of '84 gave an interesting and informing talk about Burma, where he spent most of his life as a missionary. Dr. Parmenter, our guest, gave an amusing account of how he became a professor at Colby.

Too brief talks were made by Mrs. Greeley of '97, A. H. Bickmore of '93, Addison B. Lorimer, '88, William M. Cole, '88, and others. Dr. Johnson kept things moving.

Those present were: Robie G. Frye, '82, John Cummings, '84, Joel F. Larrabee, '87, Charles C. Richardson, '87, Albert H. Drummond, '88, and Mrs. Drummond, William M. Cole, '88, Addison B. Lorimer, '88, William L. Soule, '90, Franklin W. Johnson, '91, and Mrs. Johnson, Edward C. Teague, '91, Frank B. Nichols, '92, and Mrs. Nichols, A. H. Bickmore, '93, Edgar P. Neal, '93, Mrs. Lora Cummings Neal, '93, Lucia H. Morrill, '93, Mrs. E. R. Nichols, whose husband was of

'93, Frances H. Morrill, '94, Grace M. Reed, '94, Mrs. George L'Amoureaux, Hannah J. Powell, '96, Warren Foss, '96, and Nina Vose Greeley, '97.

- Robie G. Frye, '82

## FIFTIETH REUNION

P OURTEEN graduates, two nongraduates and nine members of their families represented the Class of '98 on Alumni Day. The group attended the Commencement dinner in a body and received the acclaim of the Colby family customarily bestowed on the half-century class. The response for the class was made by Rev. Everett Carlton Herrick, D. D.

The Golden Anniversary Dinner was held at the Elmwood Hotel on Saturday evening. The class was honored by a visit from President and Mrs. Bixler and Alumni Secretary Goddard. The souvenir of the occasion bore a view of the Boardman willows in 1898 and contained the class yell, a list of every man and woman who was associated with the class at any time, taken from the college records, and the names of the faculty during the four years of their course.

When those who have retained any of their hair took it down for the intimate confidences which have always characterized the reunions of the class, some interesting facts were developed. Of the 82 who were associated at any time with the class, approximately 40 percent are on the rosters of the class agents. Of the 51 who received the

last diplomas awarded by Colby University, 26 are living.

Six members of the class have been elected trustees of the college and one was its secretary for a long term of years. One member of the class has been president of the General Alumni Association and also president of the New York and Boston Associations. Three members of the class have served as national officers of the same fraternity, a record which it is claimed has never been equalled. Members of the class founded the weekly edition of the Echo, the first number of which came off the press on Jan. 20, 1898, and all the members of the board are now living.

All this in addition to reports at previous reunions which included a Member of Congress, President of the Maine Senate, holders of many political offices, and executives of important institutions and corporations.

Messages were read from H. R. Dalrymple, E. H. Nash, Rev. A. H. Page, Rev. E. S. Philbrook, Laura Smith Clark, H. H. Pratt and F. A. Robinson.

Those present were A. G. Averill, Leonora Bessey, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Cook, Mary Evans Stephenson (who came on from Butte, Mont., for the reunion), F. G. Getchell and daughter, E. C. Herrick, Mabel Humphrey Hall, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Merrick, Nella Merrick, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Richardson (the latter, Helen Sullivan of the class), Ina Taylor Stinneford, Mr. and

Mrs. C. M. Woodman, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Vigue and Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Pierce.

#### FORTY-FIFTH REUNION

THE class of 1903 held its 45th Reunion in the Whitney Room of the Roberts Union with arrangements in charge of Caleb A. Lewis.

The group had an enjoyable supper and spent a pleasant evening together.

Those present were: Lois Hoxie Smith, Waterville; Rev. Allison M. Watts, St. Johnsbury, Vt.; Leon C. Staples, Stamford, Conn.; Grace Warren Atchley, Waterville; and Caleb A. Lewis, Waterville.

Mr. Watts was elected president; Mrs. Smith, vice president; Mrs. Atchley, secretary; and Mr. Staples, treasurer. Mr. Lewis is the class agent.

- GRACE WARREN ATCHLEY

## FORTIETH REUNION

POURTEEN members and relatives of the Class of 1908 met at the Lancey House in Pittsfield to observe the 40th reunion of their group.

Those present were: Charles Bradlee, Syracuse, N. Y.; Eleanor Bradlee Mitchell, Worcester, Mass.; Ninetta M. Runnals, Waterville; Dr. Leon S. Gilpatrick and Mrs. Gilpatrick, Spokane, Wash.; Rev. Emmons P. Burrill, Pleasantville, N. Y.; Helen F. Dickinson, Wiscasset; I. R. McCombe and son, Jersey City, N. J.; Carrie Noyes Ervin, Waterville; Samuel E. Whitten, South Portland; Mary Abbott Stobie, Waterville; Merle R. and Caroline Hill Keyes, Bridgton. Two other members of the class, Helen L. Cochrane, Hallowell, and Agnes Walker Taylor, Mechanic Falls, were present at the alumni dinner in the gymnasium in the Women's Union, but were unable to remain for the class reunion.

After suffering the trying ordeal of having "Our Picture Took" by a representative of the Waterville Sentinel, we sat down to one of the delicious banquets for which the Lancey House is so famous. Having done full justice to that part of our reunion, we listened to letters and cards sent by many of those unable to be present, as



AT CORNERSTONE LAYING

Dr. George G. Averill spreads the mortar on the cornerstone of the Keyes Chemistry Building while President Bixler looks on. Dr. Averill and the late Mrs. Jennie L. Keyes are the donors of this chemistry and physics laboratory which will commemorate the late Martin L. Keyes, Fairfield inventor and industrialist. Date on stone is due to fact that it was ready in early winter.

read and reported by "Nettie" for the girls, and Charlie for the boys; we learned that 33 girls and 30 boys still respond to communications from our class agents. Then, at the request of the Alumni Association, we proceeded to elect the following officers for a period of five years: President, Merle R. Keyes; Vice President, Mary Abbott Stobie; Treasurer, Charles Dwyer; Secretary, Carolyn Hill Keyes.

Time passed all too quickly as we recalled our doings of the past, and brought our knowledge of each other up to date; and we parted reluctantly, promising to be present one and all at our 45th and bring a lot of absentees with us.

- CAROLYN HILL KEYES, Secretary

#### THIRTY-FIFTH REUNION

TWENTY-SEVEN of us gathered at the Willow Beach Camps on China Lake for the thirty-fifth Reunion of the Class of 1913. After a delicious dinner we passed a pleasant hour in conversation and reminiscence.

We missed the Shesongs and the Fosters, present at nearly all previous reunions. Business prevented Leo's presence, and John's mother is very ill. Lawrence Bowler brought us word of Aaron MacGhee in New York, and there were greetings from several other absent members — Bill Carroll, Clara Winslow Moldenke, H. J. Clukey, and Ada Waugh Young, among others. Roy Greeley and George Beach are tied for the Class record for grandchildren

. . . seven each. Bob Fernald journeyed from Madagascar to be here . . . . the first Commencement that he has been able to attend. We all had questions to ask Bob about his experiences in the countries where he has been stationed in his long career in the consular service, but he was very discreet in his replies, reminding us that he is to be retired in two years, and does not plan to say anything that will lead to an earlier retirement. The only business transacted was the railroading through by Ernest Marriner of the election of your new secretary, who was too surprised to protest.

Present were Marion Ingalls Hague, Ernest and Eleanor Marriner, John and Brownie Wells and a guest, George and Louise Beach, Everett and Diana Wall Pitts, Bing and Marguerite Webber Lander, Roy Greeley, Crary Brownell, Clarence Small, Phil Hussey, Bob Fernald, Lawrence Bowler, Margaret Adams Austin, Dora Libby Bishop, Bessie Tobey, Meroe Morse, Eva Macomber Keyes, Belle Smith Wescott, Avis Thompson Lamoureau, Pauline Hanson, Phyllis St. Clair

Fraser,

— PHYLLIS St. CLAIR FRASER,

Secretary.

## THIRTIETH REUNION

THE class of 1918 held its 30th Reunion at Willow Camps, South China, Maine, with arrangements in charge of George E. Ferrell and Clifton M. Tracy.

Those present with their wives, husbands and children were: Charles H. Piebes, White Plains, N. Y.; Marion Horne Hunt, Darien, Conn.; Daisy Murray Wilson, Winthrop; Hazel Whitney Snowe, Lewiston; Carleton M. Bailey, Livermore Falls; Julius G. Sussman, Augusta; Herbert L. Newman, Waterville; Dr. Hugh L. Robinson, West Newton, Mass.

Margaret Wilkins Hickman, Buffalo, N. Y.; Howard G. Boardman, Easthampton, Mass.; Helene Buker, Lansing, Mich.; Dorothy I. Roberts, New Haven, Conn.; Raymond Whitney, Cambridge, Maine; Clifton M. Tracy, Waterville; Zella Reynolds Tracy, Waterville; Frank M. Howard, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Merrill A. Bigelow, Bloomfield, N. J.; Raymond H. Parker, Braintree, Mass.; Alberta Shepherd Marsh. Portland: and George



PARTICIPANTS IN CLASS DAY EXERCISES

Front row, left to right: Susan M. Lynch, Washington, D. C.; B. Lois Bowers, Arlington, Mass.: and Barbara C. Lindsay, South Norwalk, Conn. Standing, left to right: Timothy C. Osborne, Waterville; Elizabeth M. Dyer, Berlin, Conn.; Mary A. Burrison, Plainfield, N. J.; Dorothy C. Jackson, New Boston, N. H.; Virginia Hill, Waterville; and John H. Kimpel, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

E. Ferrell, Waterville.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing five years: President, Herbert L. Newman; Vice President, Hazel Whitney Snowe; Secretary, Bertha Terry Arnold; and Treasurer, Katherine Murray.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION

THE 25th reunion of the Class of 1923 was characterized by a number of unusual circumstances which will render Commencement of 1948 a bright memory for those who were privileged to return to Colby to celebrate the occasion.

First, and by no means least, the weatherman decided to mend his ways after being on his worst behavior, not only during Commencement, but during the whole of New England's springtime season. The sun was a very welcome, albeit belated, guest at the Commencement Dinner on Saturday, June 19, and the balance of the weekend remained fair and fine.

The program of Commencement Dinner has been recounted elsewhere. Suffice it to say, then, that when 1923 was reached during the roll call of the five year classes, a goodly representation arose to be applauded. It appeared to this observer to be the largest of any delegation present, but without actual figures, this may only be false pride. Responding for the class, Rev. J. Leslie Dunstan expressed their collective pleasure at being present and aptly stated the fact that '23 still considered themselves very much a member of the Colby family.

The highlight of the reunion for the class of '23 was easily the get-together Saturday night. A lobster dinner was served at the Colby Outing Club on Great Pond amid entirely informal surroundings. Approximately 35 were in attendance, including class wives and husbands, and a ringer or two. There was enough for all, and in some cases, too much. The names of those present are not listed here, both because of a general desire for anonymity, and because the class secretary forgot to note them down.

Business was kept to a minimum. The proceedings were guided both expertly and expeditiously by A. Galen Eustis, Treasurer of the College, and by acclaim, one of the most talented members of the class.

Chief item of business was the induction of President J. Seelye Bixler as an honorary member of the class of 23. President and Mrs. Bixler and G. Cecil Goddard, '29, were invited guests. After election as an honorary member, President Bixler graciously (although to this observer slightly apprehensively) accepted membership in the class.

The matter of electing class officers was then discussed. The recommendation of the Alumni Office that the lack of such officers be rectified was accepted. Balloting proceeded and those who lost are as follows: President, Dr. L. Armand Guite, Waterville; Vice President, Myrtice Swain Andrews, Bethesda, Md.; Secretary-Treasurer, George J. Odom, Woburn, Mass.; Assistant Secretary, Arlene Ringrose Brown, Long Branch, N. J.

It was decided that these officers would hold office until the next reunion five years hence. It was also decided that these officers would not be required to dabble in college finances, this question being in the jurisdiction of the class agents.

It was thereupon voted that the Class recommend to the Alumni Council the appointment of Wendell F. Grant, Concord, N. H., and Marcia Davis Esters, Houlton, as Class Agents for men and women respectively.

The remainder of the event was spent socially with J. Leslie Dunstan recounting informally some of his experiences during 16 years spent in the Hawaiian Islands as a Congregational clergyman, and Leonette Warburton Wishard equally as informally describing three years imprisonment, during the War, in Santo Tomas prison camp in Manila.

Why not plan to join in the 30-year Reunion in 1953?

- GEORGE J. ODOM, Secretary

## TWENTIETH REUNION

ON June 19th the class of 1928 gathered for its 20th reunion at Snug Harbor Camps on Great Pond. Arrangements were made by Charlic Towne, assisted (but not much) by various local members of the class. Of course, there were more gray hairs, paunches, and bald heads than twenty years ago, but on the whole '28 was, in its own opinion at least, surprisingly well preserved.



REUNION OF CLASS OF 1933

Probably the largest reunion held was the 15 year class which made merry at Alden's Farm. The group, including guests, appears above.

Among those present were Charlie Towne and Mrs. Towne, Dutch Fiedler, Jimmie McCroary and Pat Towle McCroary, Dutch Bernhardt and Mrs. Bernhardt, Augie Stiegler, Doug Grearson, Lou Lovett, Al Thiel, Dick Drummond, Cecil Foote and Mrs. Foote, George West and Mrs. West, Jack Erickson and Mona Herron Erickson, Dot Daggett Johnston and Doug Johnston, '27, Amy Dearborn, Susie Stevens Watson and Mr. Watson, Charlie Nelson and Betty Gross Nelson (two days later Charlie overwhelmingly won the Maine Republican nomination for the House of Representatives), Ruth Hutchins Stinchfield and Allan Stinchfield, '29, Rene and Mrs. Marcou, Bill and Mrs. Tanner, Gladys Bunker, Bob Chandler and Helen Merrick Chandler, Peg Davis Farnham and Rod Farnham, '31, Mary Thaver.

After an excellent steak dinner served in the lodge, with Jack Erickson acting as master of ceremonies, each member of the class gave a brief account of himself. While the attendance at our 20th reunion was good and enthusiasm ran high, it was determined to make the 25th reunion of the class of 1928 five years hence the biggest and best Colby has yet seen. For that purpose, the following committee was elected to handle the details and to make an early start in promoting the idea: President, Charles Nelson; Vice-President, Harriet Towle McCroary; Treasurer, George West;

Secretary, Mary Thayer; Executive Committee: Louis Lovett, Dorothy Daggett Johnston, Charles Towne, A. A. D'Amico, Jack Erickson, Robert Chandler, William Tanner, and August Stiegler.

So ended the 20th reunion of the class of '28. Sorry more of you couldn't be there — but plan on 1953!

— MARY THAYER, Secretary

## FIFTEENTH REUNION

A LDEN'S Farm and Camps on the Smithfield Road at East Pond was the scene on June 19 of the 15th reunion of the Class of '33. Thirtynine people — class members, their wives and guests — gathered for a rousing good time and what is reported to have been the largest class reunion this Commencement.

Class agents, Lib Swanton and Art Austin, had notified members of the class in advance of the gathering, but it was not until most of the returning alumni had reached Waterville that they knew where the party was to be held. Saturday turned out to be wet and rainy, but by afternoon the skies had cleared and the sun came out. Between five and six o'clock, cars began to roll in to Alden's and it was not long before a good old gabfest was underway. "Skid" Knauff and Art Austin were there early and with a little help from "Bub" Snell, '32 (he is Mr. Kay Holmes), they were preparing refreshments. Vesta Alden Put-

nam and husband were living at the camp and had arranged for the dinner.

There was much to talk about and for those who do not know the facts, it would appear that some of the members of the class are getting old. It was like college days though because over in the corner enjoying themselves thoroughly were Becky Chester Larsen, Priscilla Perkins Shumacher, Louise Coburn Smith Velten, Ros Barker, and Lib Swanton Allan. Also having fun were Bertha Lewis Timson and her husband John, Gladys Averill Heubach, Evelyn Stapleton Burns, Otie Wheeler and wife Alvine, Carleton Brown and wife Louise, Ray and "Babe" Knauff, Art and "Lib" Austin, Lillian Shapiro Reardon and her husband John, and of course Doug Allan (Mr. Lib Swanton).

There were some guests, too - Joe and Ervena Smith, Dave and Anne Hilton, Kay Caswell Abbott and husband Carroll, Joe Bishop, and ex-faculty registrar Elmer C. Warren and Eleanor. Bob Velten (he is Mr. Louise Coburn Smith) was there and also for a brief visit but not for dinner came Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crabtree and Chet Dyer. Jimmy Poulin and Tina arrived just as dinner was being served and it was a good dinner too, served in good style by Freddie Alden who operates the camps.

A nice gesture came when President and Mrs. Bixler dropped in to say hello. After dinner Art Austin called on everyone present to briefly tell a little about himself and there were some gay remarks which everybody enjoyed. Senator Benny Williams, as it later turned out, was a little wild on his predictions about the senatorial elections which took place the following Monday, but Benny was in good form and as usual he and Carleton Brown were encouraging everybody to give more attention to the German language and literature.

There was no formal program, but a recording of Dr. Ermanno Comparetti's "Mayflower Hill Concerto" transcribed by WTVL was played during which time genial Joe Smith climbed on to a high chair and snapped the picture of the gathering which is shown in this issue of the Alumnus.

The only business to be transacted was steam-rollered by Art Austin. Kay Holmes Snell was elected Alumni Class President: Vesta Alden Putnam. Vice President; Carleton D. Brown, Secretary; and Ray Knauff, Treasurer. After the reunion was over Banker Ray Knauff graciously held open house and a large portion of the class showed up in Waterville for more reunioning.

All in all the reunion of '33 seems to be considered by those who attended a highly successful event and everybody says they will be on hand for the next one. Your Alumni Class Officers got their heads together and are planning to keep more closely in touch with everybody in the class in the future.

#### TENTH REUNION

THE tenth reunion for the class of 1938 was held at the Elmwood Hotel in Waterville.

The following members of the class met there for dinner and a general "get together": Marion E. Dugdale, Lawrence Dwyer, Anna Stobie Rogerson, Edith Barron, Reta Trites Cook, Marjorie Rollins, Dorothy Levine Alfond, J. Marble Thayer, Cecil Daggett, John Pullen, Harry Hollis, Helen Foster Jennison, Robert Anthony, Edward Gleason, Warren Davenport, and Jane Montgomery Cole. Wendell and Trainor Anderson were Dorothy around for Commencement, but unable to attend the dinner.

Besides general conversation, this group conducted some business for the class of 1938. Under the new system of the Alumni Office, officers for the combined class (men and women) were elected. They are as follows: President, John S. Pullen; Vice President, J. Marble Thayer; Secretary, Jane Montgomery Cole; Treasurer, Cecil M. Daggett.

Everyone had a delightful weekend and really enjoyed seeing one another again in Colby surroundings. It was voted to have an extra special reunion in 1950 - our fifth! If you remember, we were cheated out of that one. So. our class slogan now is - "Our Fifth in Fifty." Remember that, you 1938er's and prepare now for "Our Fifth in Fifty.'

- JANE MONTGOMERY COLE, Secretary

#### FIFTH REUNION

THE 5th reunion of the class of 1943 was held at the Templeton Hotel, June 19, 1948. Having had only a week's notice to prepare for the

meeting, Cal Hubbard was able to make arrangements with the manager for the dinner meeting under the rather peculiar conditions of not knowing how many would attend. Apologies to the class as a whole for not being able to send out notices.

The topics of discussion, too numerous to list at this time, were indeed enlightening and educational."

Pres. and Mrs. Bixler and Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, stopped by to say "hello" and we were sorry that Jim Moriarty missed the meeting. It is hoped that at the next recognized reunion in 1953, more will be able to attend

Those present were Eleanor Smart Braunmuller, Rahway, N. J.; Becky Field Blanchard, Holden, Mass.; Icah Shapiro Mellion and husband, New Bedford, Mass.; Hilda P. Niehoff, Waterville; Delbert D. and Thelma Proctor Matheson, Waterville; Calvin K. Hubbard, Waterville; William Finkeldey, Lewiston; Dr. and Mrs. Frank Miselis, New London, Conn.; and Ray F. Kozen, Jr., Waterville, originally of the class of 1942.

- HILDA P. NIEHOFF

#### KNOX COUNTY MEETING

P RESIDENT and Mrs. Bixler were honor guests at the Knox County Colby Club dinner on May 15 at the Hotel Rockland. Mrs. Diana Wall Pitts, '13, presided.

Following the business session, there was a brief entertainment, highlighted by a clever debate between Mrs. Pitts and Estelle Galupe Bitler, '42, on the comparative merits of the old and the new campuses at Colby. Dr. Bixler's address concerned itself entirely with the Colby of today and tomorrow.

Present besides the honor guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pitts, Mr. and Mrs. E. Carl Moran, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Maxcy, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lunt, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Christie, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Wyllie, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Young, Estelle Galupe Bitler, Anne Norwood, Sylvia Gray, Jean Rhodenizer, Bertha Teague, Tena Mc-Callum, Avis Newman Norwood, Anne Boynton, Freda Snow, Isabel Abbott, Annabel White Messer, Rose Pillsbury LeBlanc, Edward C. Teague, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Barnard, Charlotte Cowan, Fred Sutherland, George Perry, and John M. Richardson.

## MULES COP BASEBALL PENNANT

WITH an undefeated record of four state series games, Colby's ball club claimed its first State Championship of the year.

The team with good potential ability did not hit its stride in the preseries exhibition games, and was unlucky on its Massachusetts trip, but then buckled down to mow down the other Maine colleges, with rain balling up the schedule so that two games never did get played.

The 5-1 victory over Boston College was sweet, inasmuch as the Eagles had sworn revenge over the 21-5 defeat plastered on them by the Mules up here last spring. The final game with the American International College at Springfield caught our boys on the rebound and the visitors had field day, including one swat to the roof of Shannon with bases filled.

The uneasiness concerning the pitching situation was worn off by mid season when George Clark was found to have what it takes, with Roy Leaf also turning in a tight game or two and Silberstein showing up well against Harvard. Clark, whose hitting earned him a place at third base when not pitching, was named captain for next year.

#### Baseball Results

- Colby 1 Bowdoin 5 (exhib.)
- Colby 5 U. of M. 6 (exhib.)
  Colby 5 Harvard 6
- Colby 6 Northeastern 7
- Colby 15 Boston University 17
- Colby 6 Bates 1
- Colby 6 Bowdoin 4 Colby 6 — Bowdoin 0
- Colby 6 Maine 1
- Colby 5 Boston College 1
- Colby 2 American International 11

#### COLBY COACHING SCHOOL

SOME 50 school and college coaches, chiefly from Maine and Massachusetts, gathered at Colby June 10-12 for a three day session of lectures and demonstrations on football and basketball coaching.

The guest faculty consisted of Ray Eliot, head coach of football at University of Illinois, Howard Hobson, head coach of basketball at Yale, and Nels



LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT YEAR

These are among the freshmen who have been making athletic history for Colby this year with almost perfect records of victories in all sports. They are, front row, left to right: Chester D. Harrington, Jr., Belmont, Mass.; Haddon S. Fraser, Waterville; Teddy Shiro, Waterville; and William Brown, Newbury-port, Mass. Standing, left to right: Robert Gabriel, Nashua, N. H.; Mark S. Mordecai, Newton, Mass.; George P. Wales, Auburndale, Mass.; Robert E. Cannell, Everett, Mass.; Arthur F. McMahon, Providence, R. I.; Francis H. Burnham, Nashua, N. H.; Henry J. McGrath, Jr., Milton, Mass.; Eugene M. Billings, Madison; and Theodore Parker, Brookline, Mass.

Nitchman, coach of football at Coast Guard Academy.

Coach Eliot, whose 1947 team won the Rose Bowl championship, expounded the T Formation, while Coach Nitchman, former Colby mentor, taught the Single Wing offense. Hobson coached the University of

#### FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- Sept. 25 American International at Waterville
- Oct. 2 Tufts at Waterville
- Oct. 9 Northeastern at Boston
- Oct. 16 Amherst at Amherst
- Oct. 22 COLBY NIGHT
- Oct. 23 Bowdoin at Waterville
- Oct. 30 U. of Maine at Orono
- Nov. 6 Coast Guard Academy
  - at Waterville
- Nov. 11 Bates at Lewiston

Oregon basketball team to a national championship in 1939, and revealed the secrets of his fast-break style of play.

Among those enrolled were the following Colby alumni: Edward E. Loring, '42, Thornton Academy; Philip M. Caminiti, '48, Coburn Classical Institute; Wallace A. Donovan, '31, Waterville High School; Franklin A. Downie, '41, Waterville High School; John E. Gilmore, '41, Waterville High School; John E. Hawes, '42, Skowhegan; Warren Pearl, '40, Skowhegan High School; Norman C. Perkins, '32, Bangor High School; Cecil E. Burns, '47, Mexico High School: Henry F. Deetjen, '31, Portland High School; John P. Davan, '33, Westbrook High School; Robert Mosley, '48; Eugene Hunter, '48; Harold L. Rhodenizer, '42, Livermore Falls High School; Abraham T. Ferris, '41, Dean Academy; Dominick M. Puiia, '48.

# ALUMNI URGE MAYFLOWER HILL DRIVE

TAKING courageous action at its annual meeting on June 18th the Alumni Council passed and sent to the Board of Trustees the following resolution:

"Recognizing the urgent need of funds with which to complete the Mayflower Hill Campus of Colby College, we are keenly aware of the absolute necessity for the unification of the entire college at the earliest possible moment.

"Therefore, it is the sense of the members of the Alumni Council that the alumni should be called upon now to dedicate their energies and resources

to achieve this goal.'

The thirty-two members present elected Robert E. Wilkins, '20, Hartford, Conn., Chairman for the coming year. The other officers chosen were: Doris Hardy, '25, Vice Chairman; G. Cecil Goddard, Executive Secretary; A. Galen Eustis, '23, Treasurer.

Joseph C. Smith, '24, retiring editor of the *Colby Alumnus* was commended, by a resolution, for his services. The election of the editor of the *Alumnus* was left with the Executive

Committee.

The Council heard reports from the Executive Secretary, the Treasurer, and the committees on Finance, Alumni College, Alumni Fund Elections, and Centennial of the Alumni Association.

Awards of Gavels and Colby Bricks were authorized as described else-

The committee on Colby Wedgewood dinner plates announced that it expected the plates would be ready for sale in the fall of 1949.

Votes of appreciation for the service rendered the Council and the College by Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21, retiring chairman, and Robert E. Wilkins, '20, Alumni Fund chairman, were unanimously passed.

- G. CECIL GODDARD, Secretary.

## Text of Resolutions

Whereas the Alumni Council of Colby College in regular meeting assembled at Waterville, Maine, June 18, 1948, takes reluctant notice of the impending departure of Joseph Coburn Smith from the official Colby family, and



ELECTED CHAIRMAN OF ALUMNI COUNCIL Robert E. Wilkins, '20

Whereas this organization, speaking as it does for the Alumni body, is particularly conscious of the long span of his untiring devotion to the best interests of this college, and

Whereas it especially acknowledges the debt owed by the entire Alumni for his conspicuous success in developing The Colby Alumnus to its present high state of excellence among college publications, and

Whereas it recognizes the invaluable contributions to the illustrious story of Colby contained in his pictorial record of its progress over a quarter of a century, and

Whereas his photographic history of the momentous transition of Colby College to Mayflower Hill constitutes an imperishable record of our great

Adventure in Faith, and

Whereas his countless contributions to the welfare of this college during the years of his close association with it, constitute a manifestation of loyalty that far outweighs reward within the power of the college to pay, therefore

Be It Resolved: That the Alumni Council hereby, thus inadequately, express the sincere thanks of a grateful college to a loyal and devoted son and the deep appreciation of undergraduates, graduates, faculty and trustees for an unselfish labor in its behalf that shall, in itself, constitute a lasting monument to his memory, and

Be it further Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be presented to Joseph Coburn Smith, that they be made a part of the permanent record of this organization and that they be published in the next issue of The Colby Alumnus.

Signed

REGINALD H. STURTEVANT, Chairman,

Colby College Alumni Council Waterville, Maine June 18, 1948

## COLBY GAVEL AWARDS

Each year Colby gavels, made of wood from both the old and the new campus, are given to the alumni who during the year have been picked for leadership in some national or regional organization or parliamentary body. Over the years, the Colby gavel recipients make a distinguished roster and the 1948 delegation adds additional lustre. Here they are:

Dr. Albert R. Keith, '97, Annisquam, Mass., president of the New England Proctologic Society.

Henry R. Spencer, '99, Ohio State University, president of the Political Science Association of America.

Blanche Emory Folsom, '09, Nor-

ridgewock, president of the New England Federation of Women's Clubs.

Dr. Frederick T. Hill, '10, Waterville, president of the American Laryngological Association.

Rev. Isaac Higginbotham, '11, Wollaston, Mass., president of the Massachusetts Council of Churches.

Royden K. Greely, '13, Middletown, Conn., president of the Connecticut Education Association.

Alexander A. LaFleur, '20, Portland, state commander of the American Legion.

Willard C. Gulick, '23, president of the International B. F. Goodrich Company.

## BIXLER TWICE HOODED

COLBY COLLEGE was honored twice in rapid succession when President Bixler was the recipient of honorary degrees from the University of Maine, where he gave the Commencement address on June 20, and Brown University on June 21. The degrees with the accompanying citations follow:

DOCTOR OF LAWS (University of Maine)

"Native of Connecticut; alumnus of Amherst College with graduate study at Union Theological Seminary and at Harvard and Yale Universities; able scholar and inspiring teacher of philosophy and religion; beginning his professional career as a teacher in missionary colleges in India and Syria, he later served with distinction on the faculties of Smith College and Harvard University; since 1942 capably serving as President of Colby College, an institution bound to us by many ties of friendship and common purpose."

DOCTOR OF LAWS
(Brown University)

"For the solution of the infinite number of problems which confront his institution, a college president needs philosophical grounding, profound moral impulse, complete intel-



J. S. BIXLER, LL.D., LL.D.

lectual honesty, warm human sympathy, and unwavering courage. As a scholar, as a teacher, and as an administrative officer you have developed and strengthened inherent powers; with striking success you have discharged great responsibilities in a time of social instability; by your writings you have enlightened our minds on significant educational issues."

## FINAL MEETING OF BOSTON COLBY CLUB

THE Boston Colby Club held its last meeting for the current season at Wilbur's Charles Street Restaurant on Friday evening, May 14, with President Dr. Hugh Robinson presiding. After the usual pleasant and bountiful meal, a short business meeting was held at which the report of the Secretary, Leland D. Hemenway, was read and accepted, and the Treasurer's report, rendered by the Club Treasurer, Burton E. Small, was read. It was noted that the net balance on hand, as of the date of the meeting, was \$349.40. Various letters relating to old business were read and thereafter the sum of \$25 was donated to the Webster Chester Commemorative Book Fund.

After the report of Florian G. Arey, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, the following officers were elected for the 1948-1949 season: President, Leonard W. Grant, '15; Vice President, Harry K. Hollis, '38; Secretary, Leland D. Hemenway, '17; Treasurer, Burton E. Small, '19; Representative on Alumni Council, William Hutchinson, '44.

Thereupon, the incoming President made a short address regarding the activities of the Club for the ensuing year. G. Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, spoke concerning the Alumni Fund.

The highlight of the program was a symposium on "Housing on Mayflower Hill" which was commenced by extended remarks from A. Galen Eustis, Treasurer of the College. The other speakers were Wilson C. Piper, '38, and Nissie Grossman, '31.

- MORTON M. GOLDFINE, '37

## A LETTER

Dear Mr. Editor,

During my freshman year at Colby, I once had a private interview with President Johnson, at which time Dr. Johnson beamed: "Don't you think Colby is quite a democratic college?" I definitely agreed, although I confess that in those days I wasn't at all sure what the word "democratic" meant.

Having just finished the May issue of the Alumnus, I would like to refer to a paragraph in it which to me exemplifies the democratic spirit at work at Colby. The item is entitled "Red" and appears on page 6. In brief, it seems that a columnist in the local paper, in reviewing a recent Colby Echo presidential poll among the student body, insinuated that those students for Henry A. Wallace are, ipso facto, communists. Whereupon a Wallace-for-President Club sprang up immediately on campus.

Such swift and courageous action on behalf of the students in response to an obvious attempt on the part of the press to frustrate their political convictions by means of an insidious redbaiting technique is a credit to the liberalism and moral integrity of Colby men and women.

And more power to our Alma Mater. During these days of redhysteria and "subversive investigations," when many institutions find it more expedient to avoid guilt by association than to defend civil liberties, Colby's administration permits freedom of thought and discussion not only on the level of academic theory but in actual fact, a proud testinony to the democratic tradition at Colby.

Whether or not Mr. Wallace "carries Colby and the State of Maine" is more or less beside the point. The main task during this crucial election year is to demand that each presidential aspirant be given an equal opportunity to present his views before the people for consideration and that every citizen be enabled to exercise his constitutional right to speak out in behalf of his principles and to vote for the candidate of his choice.

Yes, I believe I understand now the meaning of Colby's traditional democracy. It is indeed encouraging in these trying times.

- Dr. JAMES SPRINGER, '44.

## TO DIRECT FUND RAISING

NAMED by President Bixler to be Director of Public Relations and Executive Secretary of the Colby Fund Council is Louis W. Collier, formerly of Bangor, who comes with a wealth of experience in institutional fund raising

As Executive Secretary of the Fund Council, Mr. Collier's immediate responsibility will be to organize and direct the capital funds drive, mentioned elsewhere in this issue, for the forthcoming year. This will enable Alumni Secretary G. Cecil Goddard to devote full time to alumni and placement work. As Public Relations Director, Collier will take over some of the responsibilities hitherto held by Joseph C. Smith, who is resigning as of next fall, although the office of Director of Publicity is yet to be filled.

A native of Johnstown, Pa., Collier was graduated from University of Pittsburgh in 1929, continuing on for a Master's degree in sociology and criminology. His thesis for the latter degree involved a six-month stay in a state's prison (voluntary, that is).

For nine years, Collier held positions with the Pennsylvania Department of Justice, becoming a Parole Department Senior District Agent. He then became interested in settlement house work and was executive director



LOUIS W. COLLIER

at the Central Community House, Columbus, Ohio, going from there into Community Chest activities and landing at Bangor as executive secretary of the Bangor-Brewer Chest. During the war he also ran from behind the scenes the State War Chest and USO campaigns.

Collier went overseas with UNRRA

and was attached to British Army, and in the hectic days after VE was director of nine different camps for displaced persons in the British zone.

Last year, Collier was in professional fund-raising work, running hospital campaigns, and took up his work at Colby on June 1.

Because of the housing situation, he is commuting from Pittsfield. Mrs. Collier is a Radcliffe graduate, with a Master's degree in psychology from Harvard. They have three children, the oldest boy being 13.

## ELECTED TO AAUW OFFICES

THIS college seems to have provided most of the leadership, in one way or the other, for the Maine branch of the American Association of University Women.

At the convention held in Houlton June 4, they elected Dr. Luella F. Norwood, associate professor of English, president; Mrs. Gordon W. Smith, instructor in English and wife of a member of the modern languages department, first vice president; Helen C. Mitchell, '27, Houlton, second vice president; and Francis E. Thayer, '30, assistant to the Dean of Women, secretary. One of the convention talks was given by Mrs. Kingsley H. Birge, wife of a member of the sociology department.

## Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1886

Fredd R. Trask and Mrs. Trask celebrated the 62nd anniversary of their marriage on June 9. Mr. and Mrs. Trask spend six months of the year at their home, Hilldale Farm, in Sterling Junction, Mass., and the other six months at their cottage in Sarasota, Fla.

#### 1892

Winfred N. Donovan suffered from some form of cerebral accident on May 15 and was taken to the Monadnock Community Hospital a week or so later. He remained there until about the middle of June when he was transferred to a nursing home. He may be addressed at Box 209, Peterboro, N. H. Mr. Donovan has been advised not to

maintain an independent home any longer. Mrs. Donovan is also at the same nursing home.

#### 1893

W. E. Lombard has retired after 52 years as a Baptist minister, but is now pastor of the Congregational Church in South Freeport without salary. Mr. Lombard writes: "I have not had to change my faith one syllable to agree with the good old 'orthodox' constitution and creed of this church. As I had preached for them during my vacations for 35 years, they knew what they were getting when they asked me to become their pastor."

Denis E. Bowman represented Colby at the inauguration of the new President of the University of Southern California on June 11. 1894

Herbert L. Whitman is seriously ill at his home in Hendersonville, North Carolina.

1897

E. S. Osborne is with the Railway Express Agency with 54 years of service.

## 1901

Recent commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the birth of Lillian Nordica — Maine's world-famous singer — brings to light the interesting information that Elise Fellows White once appeared with her as assisting artist. This was in 1897, just before Miss Fellows entered Colby.

She, as violinist, gave two solos and two encores at one of the Nordica concerts in the large ballroom of the old Waldorf Astoria Hotel. Mrs. White remembers the great singer as gracious and beautiful, with lovely natural coloring, and recalls their conversing together in the artists' room behind the stage.

## 1902

Linwood L. Workman retired on May 31st from the faculty of State Teachers College, Massachusetts, after 46 years with only five weeks absence from duty because of illness.

Edith Williams Small was recently elected president of the Waldo County Teachers Association. She writes: "Do you suppose I can fill a man's shoes? He was darned good-looking at that!"

## 19 0 3

Justice Nathaniel Tompkins gave the dedicatory address at the naming of the Putnam Gymnasium at Ricker Classical Institute, recounting the hundred years' history of that institution.

#### 1904

Vernon S. Ames retired last August as superintendent of schools in the Wilton Union after 24 years in that position and 28 years in the state. He spent the winter in the West.

## 1906

John W. Coombs, one of the directors of Physical Education and Athletics at Duke University, has been trying to persuade the men higher up in baseball that they should agree to discontinue raiding the undergraduate colleges and taking baseball players with ability into professional baseball. Jack recently wrote one of his friends, 'Only yesterday one of the better players from William and Mary College was signed by a Major League scout and is now on his way to fill the terms of his contract. It is a shame for those 'bird-dogs' to deprive a lad of the opportunity to obtain his college degree."

Dr. Charles Meader and his wife, Marian Learned Meader, '07, are "journeying hopefully" on the way to health.

#### 1911

James C. Richardson of Atlanta, Georgia, is the new president of Civitan International. He assumed his duties in Toronto on June 17th. He is agent for the state of Georgia for the Massachusetts Protective Association and for the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company. He and Mrs. Richardson have been residents of Atlanta for a number of years, where they have both been active in musical circles. Their son, Robert, is a member of the junior class at Emory University.

#### 1912

Susan Wentworth Leonard is still teaching fifth grade at Bridge Street School, Westbrook.

Reta Robinson Blodgett's daughter, Helen Jane, was married last August and now lives in Washington with her husband who is attending the University of Maryland. Her son, Hugh Ross, eighth grader, recently won the DAR award as outstanding boy in a class of 300.

Margaret Burnham is still teaching Latin in Portland High School, and running a constantly expanding summer business at Wind-in-Pines, Raymond, on Sebago Lake.

Elsie Pierson, past regent of the DAR, is one of the directors of the Ellsworth Memorial Home. She and her husband are enjoying their membership in the Naturalist Club. She is also chairman of membership in the League of Women Voters, and active in church work, as well as being president of the Bunker Hill Literary Club and working on the committee recently set up to improve the educational system of Waterbury.

Maud Collins Stevens is now living at 122 Neal Street, Portland.

Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, class agent for 1912, reports the following new addresses for her class: Margaret Holbrook Titcomb, Spencer Place, Scarsdale, N. Y.; Mary Strickland Ward, 355 East Howard Place, Pasadena, Calif.; Sister Catherine Louise (Louise Powers), 65 East Huron Street, Chicago 11, Ill.

#### 1913

Fred A. Hunt is an able member of the Ohio legislature, running ahead of his ticket each time. He is considered one of the four best insurance men in Toledo.

#### 1914

Edith Washburn Clifford is president and treasurer of the H. B. Clifford Roofing Company in Detroit, Michigan. Since her husband's death several years ago, Mrs. Clifford has brought the business up from a "depression-sick" concern to a successful and profitable enterprise. She has four daughters: Mary, who is doing social work; Ruth, a nurse; Margaret, a teacher; and Elizabeth, who is still in college.

Dr. Marston Morse of the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, N. J., received the Sc.D. degree at the 120th Commencement of Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, on June 14th. He was chosen for this honor because of his outstanding contributions to the science of mathematics in the fields of dynamics, calculus of variations, and topology.

#### 1916

Commodore Don S. Knowlton will be promoted to Rear Admiral upon his retirement from the U. S. Navy.

Edith Pratt Brown has spent the past year teaching at Oak Grove School following a year at the University of New Mexico with visits into Mexico and California.

Margery Barker Henderson has a daughter Martha who was graduated from Tufts this year. Another daughter was graduated from junior high school and her son will soon arrive after three years in the Navy.

Alice Clarkin is improving steadily following about a year's serious illness. Lucy Montgomery Newell is head of her church Women's Group and on

ot her church Women's Group and on two state committees. Her daughter was married in April and Mrs. Newell says she would never have lived through it without the help of Idella Farnum.

Ella Robinson went to the New York Colby dinner in April and saw Bill Harriman, Florence Cole, and Ruth Murdock Thayer and husband.

Katherine Moses Rolfe collects antiques and enjoys the contacts she makes in town, county and state politics.

Marion Miller Chase's son, Bob, completed his college work in June

and will become a civil engineer. Another son has completed two years of

college.

Ernestine Porter makes monthly visits to Boys' and Girls' Schools and reformatories for men besides her work at Pownal. Her broken hip is well mended.

Kay Singer Hahn has a new address: 4228 Palos Verdes Drive, San Pedro, Calif. Her daughter is in col-

lege there.

Marion Wyman Sims says her job is the "grandest and jolliest a person could have." She sells Stanley Home Products.

Vivian Skinner Hill's son is at Bow-doin.

Carolyn Stevens Thompson's four children are all married and she has two grandchildren.

Eleanor Bradley Mitchell is president of the Worcester Colby Alumni, chairman of the Education Department of the Women's Club and Director of the Executive Committee of Girls' Clubs of America.

Esther French Spaulding spent a six weeks vacation in Clearwater, Fla., this winter. Her son, David, was graduated from High School in June. She has two grandchildren.

Carroll E. Dobbin represented Colby at the inauguration of the new president of Colorado State College of Education on June 23.

## 1917

Foster Eaton, assistant city editor of the St. Louis Star-Times, addressed 40 high school and college editors and reporters at the second annual Editors' Conference at Washington University May 8. Eaton joined the staff of the Star-Times in 1936. Prior to that he was associated with the United Press as bureau manager in Boston, Detroit, St. Louis, Atlanta, and Lansing. He is vice-president of the St. Louis Newspaper Guild.

## 1918

Katherine Sturtevant Moore is now living at 2 Park Avenue, Westerly, R. I.

Bliss Marriner is headmaster of Portsmouth High School and a member of the local Rotary Club. His son, Philip, is a graduate of the University of Michigan and his daughter attended Syracuse University. Both children are married.

John A. McNulty is known as "the troubadour of Third Avenue bars" to readers of The New Yorker and of the newspaper PM. He is author of "Third Avenue, New York," published in 1946, and since June of that year he has brought facts of race-track and prizefight life to PM's socially-conscious readers.

Harold Scott is interim pastor of the First Universalist Church of Worcester, Mass. He writes: "Last summer for the first time I visited Mayflower Hill and was much impressed. I think it the most beautiful set of college buildings in the country, and I have visited a great many from coast to coast. Last winter I was lecturing in Seattle and in walked Campbell (John A. Campbell, '16). He is in the lumber business out there."

Paul E. Alden is now living at 64 South Hougham Street, Franklin, Indiana. In a letter dated June 5 he sends his regrets at not being able to attend Commencement or the 30th Reunion of his class because of the June 19th wedding of his youngest daughter. Mr. Alden also informs us that he has some loss of function in the left arm and leg. Although he is able to get about, he has been unable to find a Baptist parish that would engage a handicapped minister and is, therefore, afraid that he will have to accept complete retirement, much to his regret.

#### 1919

Mary Ann Foss Ogden was recently elected president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Hartford County Medical Society and vice president of the West Hartford Garden Club. She writes that they have just acquired a cottage at Mousam Lake, Acton, Maine, and are looking forward to summer vacations in Maine.

Raymond H. Merrill is co-owner and manager of the Wife-Saver Corporation in Norwell, Mass. They operate a community deep-freeze plant, as well as a large grocery and market.

#### 1920

Captain Donald G. Jacobs, who has been in charge of the Coast Guard Base in South Portland, has recently been transferred to Labrador.

Lucy Teague has been elected president of the Modern Language Teachers Association of New Jersey.

Colby Kalloch is general commercial supervisor of the Manhattan area of the New York Telephone Company.

M. Lucille Kidder spent her sabbatical leave during the past year touring the south. She visited such places as Miami; Key West; Havana, Cuba; a Seminole Indian Village; Dunedan, a small town on the Gulf side of Florida; New Orleans; Penland, N. C.; Martha Berry School in Mount Berry, Ga.; and stopped off in Washington and Philadelphia en route to her home in Maine.

#### 1922

Hazel Dyer Town has been teaching junior English in Berlin, N. H., for the past two years. Her daughter, Shirley, is a student at Colby.

#### 1923

Dr. John P. Tilton was one of the distinguished speakers at the "Town Hall Tonight" meeting of the Chelsea, Mass., American Veterans Committee and the PTA Council in April. The question discussed was "Should We Have a Survey of the Chelsea School System?"

Major Albert G. Snow, who is with the United States Armed Forces Institute, Madison, Wisconsin, writes that his oldest son is planning to transfer to Colby next fall.

Avis Cox Colby is now living at 113 Cross Street, Keene, N. H.

## 1924

Sue R. Daye had charge of the cooking school conducted by the Big Chain Stores in Shreveport, Louisiana.

The resignation of Joseph C. Smith as Director of Publicity and editor of The Colby Alumnus has been announced by President Bixler, as of next October or before. Joe will enter the firm of Marts and Lundy, fund-raising consultants, with headquarters in New York. Since the work will probably be largely among colleges, Joe and Ervena do not plan to settle anywhere for a while, but will migrate from campus to campus.

1926

Dr. Herbert M. Wortman became president of the New Jersey Hospital Association at its annual meeting held at Atlantic City about the middle of May. He is also a member of the American Hospital Association and a member of its council on professional practice. Director of Mountainside Hospital since 1940, he previously served as assistant director for three years.

Evelyn Gilmore Pratt reports that her daughter was just graduated from the Simmons five year nursing course.

William E. Fagerstrom, principal of East Haven High School since its opening in 1936, has tendered his resignation to the Board of Education which took effect at the close of the present school year. He is leaving school work to accept a position with the Science Research Associates of Chicago, publishers of vocational and testing materials.

#### 1928

Nathan Lufkin informs us that his son will enter MIT next fall.

Arthur W. Littlefield, 258 Kenilworth Road, Ridgewood, N. J., is trav-

elling in Europe.

A. Frank Stiegler, Jr. is vice president of Blaich and Steigler, Inc., "Builders of Fine Homes," located at 292 Plandome Road, Manhasset, L. I.,

J. Lewis Lovell now lives at 18 Stoneham Road, Worcester, Mass.

Albert J. Thiel is vice president of Angier Corp., Framingham, Mass.

Rene Marcou is head of the Department of Mathematics at Boston College

Augustus M. Hodgkins has a position with the L. G. Balfour Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Rev. Cecil H. Rose is director of Westminster Foundation, Inc., Presbyterian Student Center, Boston, Mass.

Daniel J. Shanahan is District Manager of Union Central Life Insurance

Company, Miami, Fla.

Louis P. Fourcade is in the real estate business and can be reached at 26 Lenox Avenue, White Plains, N. Y.

Nathaniel M. Gallin is senior partner of Baer and Gallin, Attorneys, 60 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y. Kenton MacCubrey has been with the Southern New England Telephone

Company for over 19 years, practically

all of those years in Hartford, Conn. His home address is 8 River Road, Wethersfield, Conn.

1929

G. Cecil Goddard was recently elected chairman of the layman's committee of the Waterville Protestant Churches. Their first project will be a religious census of Waterville during the week of October 17.

F. Elizabeth Libbey was appointed Assistant Librarian at Colby September 1, 1947, after serving as Reference Librarian from 1945 to 1947. She has also been made a member of the Faculty and an instructor of Bibliography.

Warren F. Robinson has recently accepted a new position as head of the Department of Art at Wagner Colege, New Jersey, and will begin his duties on September 1, 1948. Mr. Robinson had to leave Colby in 1927 because of illness and from then until 1944 worked here and there writing, in the Navy Yard, and as a creative painter. In 1944 he renewed his academic career as a student in art at the University of Georgia, graduating in 1946, Phi Beta Kappa. For two years he has been head of the art department at Judson College, Alabama.

## 1930

Dr. Frank Giuffra writes: "A busy practice with five growing children has kept me to the grindstone, but often think of Colby with much proud feeling."

#### 1931

Howard Ferguson in his first year as head coach of baseball at Newton High School saw his team reach the quarter-finals in the Massachusetts championship tourney.

#### 1932

Dorsa Rattenbury O'Dell and her new husband Scott, (did you see his picture in a recent issue of Life?) are now living at 6515 Colgate Avenue, Los Angeles, Calif.

Jane Belcher has been teaching Zoology at Sweet Briar College for the past seven years.

Margaret Grover Buck lives on a farm in East Wakefield, N. H. She has two boys and a girl and is busy with offices in Sunday School, Eastern Star and Red Cross.

Estelle Taylor Goodwin of Attleboro, Mass., "keeps the home fires burning for her husband who is busy with his church and for three children, a girl and two boys."

Louise Dyer Hall writes from Ozone Park, N. Y., that her husband is home safe after  $2\frac{1}{2}$  years in the war. They have a daughter, Nancy.

Kathlyn Hilton joined the WAC during the war and is still at Valley Forge General Hospital as officer of Bacteriology.

Ruth Ramsdell Hutchinson is living in suburban Chicago where she is organist in one of the city's largest Lutheran Churches.

Evelyn Johnson has been working up in northern Maine for the past four years for the State Department of Health and Welfare. She notified her class agent that Martha Hamilton Stevens is busy with club work in Caribou where her two boys are in school.

Madeline Scott Leach is busy at her home in Corinna where her husband is principal of the Academy. They have two boys.

Gladys True Phelps and her husband are living in Greenfield, Mass., where he has his own art studio. They have two boys.

Jean Wellington Terry has a son who started school last fall in Monticello.

Gwen Mardin Trefethen has been at Porter Academy in Sebago for four years teaching coaching basketball and dramatics, teaching English and languages. She belongs to the Grange, helps with Sunday School and directs the school choir. Her three boys are in school.

Hildred Nelson Wentworth has settled in Millinocket after travelling around the country for three years with her husband. They have a four year old son.

### 1933

C. Lloyd Hooker was elected president of the Maine Letter Carriers Association at their May meeting in Bath.

John P. Davan, basketball coach at Westbrook High School, has been named to the new post of director of athletics at Westbrook.

#### 1934

W. Winthrop Clement has been appointed manager of the newly-established personal insurance division of the American International Underwriters Corp., 111 John Street, New York, N. Y. He will develop "packaged policies" for Americans in foreign countries. He recently resigned as executive vice president of the National Association of Insurance Brokers.

Aaron M. Parker and his wife have moved to Forest Park, Portland, where he is associated with the National Bank Examiners.

Frederick Milgroom is president of the Frederick Lawrence Company in Boston, Mass.

## 1935

Dr. Donald Larkin has accepted an appointment as orthopedic resident at the Rhode Island Hospital in Providence, R. I.

Comdr. Hawley ("Monk") Russell, USN, commands a Jet Fighter group, the Flying "Phantoms," based at Quonset Point, R. 1. This group made history recently in the carrier operations from USS Saipan.

Rev. Clarence A. Morrill has become assistant director of the Methodist

Hospital in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Joe Brogden is now at the Nashawena Mill in New Bedford, Mass., as overseer of spinning. He has two children, Elizabeth Jane and George F.

Rev. Deane L. Hodges is now serving the Plymouth (N. H.) and Campton Congregational Churches. He has five children.

Albion L. Farnham of Brownville Junction has a position with the Canadian Pacific Railroad.

Leo F. Haggerty is treasurer of Tide Publishing Co., Inc., 232 Madison Avenue, New York 16, N. Y., and treasurer of The Tax Barometer. He has three children, two girls and a boy.

Theophile S. Krawiec was recently advanced to the chairmanship of the Department of Psychology at Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, N. Y. He is now working on a textbook. The Krawiecs have two sons.

Ralph and Barbara Howard Williams have been living at 33 College Avenue this winter while Ronney is an instructor in the Department of Business Administration at Colby. They have two daughters.

#### 1936

Dr. John F. Reynolds is practicing general surgery in Waterville.

Catherine Laughton Briggs and her new husband are living at 36 Capital Avenue, Hartford, Conn. Their hoped-for apartment did not materialize as the landlord served an eviction notice on them before they could move in.

#### 1937

Charles N. Nawfel is the City Clerk in Waterville.

Betty Wilkinson Ryan and her husband took a trip last summer to Sweden and Denmark, where he spoke at two International Biological Congresses. Afterwards they traveled to Lappland, the land of the midnight sun, where they met wild reindeer, and then spent three weeks touring Norway before flying home from Oslo. This summer they are planning a trip to British Columbia, Alberta, and California.

Lucille Pinette has been attending Bryn Mawr this year doing graduate work. She will return to her teaching position at Colby in the fall.

Lillian Stinchfield Salmon is living in Waterville where her husband is employed at the Federal Trust Bank.

Paul K. Palmer was recently transferred to Bangor and was promoted to district manager of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Co.

Kermit LaFleur is living on Western Promenade in Auburn and is chief chemist for the Deering-Millikan Mills in Lewiston. His assistant is Paul Burnham, '41.

Kenneth A. Johnson is a member of the faculty of Tennessee State College and has been granted a leave and a financial grant to study toward his Ph.D. He expects to return to the University of Minnesota this fall. An article of his, "The Role of the Writer in Nineteenth Century Russian Politics," has been accepted for publication this summer.

James E. Glover of Waterville placed second out of four candidates for Republican nomination for Congress in the second district.

#### 1938

Carleton N. Savage organized a Department of Geology at Kent State University about two years ago and writes that they are taking on another man next fall. He is planning to take a group of advanced geologists to Acadia National Park in August.

Cecil Daggett is employed at the New Haven Plant of American Steel and Wire Company as General Accounting Supervisor. He and his wife have two children.

John S. Pullen of Ellsworth has been elected a vice president of the Maine State Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Francis C. Prescott may be addressed at Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn., where he is professor of History.

Edith Falt Favour and her husband have moved from Acadia National Park in Bar Harbor, to Shenandoah National Park in Luray, Virginia, where he is Park Naturalist.

## 1939

L. Peters Reynolds, who has been in the lost file in the Alumni Office for several years, has finally turned up in Natick, Mass., where he and his wife, Betty, are operating the North Avenue Snack Bar. Pete was teaching in the high school in Bath before going to Natick about a year ago. He and his wife have two children.

Tom Rose is coaching track at

Easton High School.

Mary Crowley LaFleur has just been elected secretary of the Lewiston-Auburn College Club.

Kenneth G. Stanley of Belmar, N. J., was recently elected president of the Young Republicans of Monmouth County. He is associated with the Retail Credit Company as manager of the Asbury Park office. He is also president of the Men's Brotherhood of the Belmar Presbyterian Church. He and his wife have two children.

#### 1940

Olive Pullen is now working as editor of a labor-relations bulletin for Connecticut General Life Insurance Company. This bulletin goes out once a month to about 22,000 employers. Olive is living at 30 Annawan Street, Hartford, Conn.

Julia Wheeler O'Sullivan and her husband are living at 181 Thompson Street, New York 12, N. Y.

Irving Gross is secretary of Mills Brothers in Texas, manufacturers of work clothing.

Ernest C. Marriner, Jr. and wife, Prudence Piper, '41, and their young daughter are living in Guilford where Ernie is Town Manager.

Frank Jewell is associated with the Central Maine Power Company in Augusta.

Bill Ligibel is out in Toledo, Ohio, in the meat business.

Oscar H. Emery, Jr. was graduated with honors from Suffolk University Law School in June. He and his wife and their four year old son are now living in Bar Harbor until they can find a home in Bangor where Oscar is a claims adjustor for the Boston Claim Division of the Maryland Casualty Company. He was admitted to the Maine Bar in March.

#### 1941

William H. Hughes has been appointed head of the examination division of the Maine Personnel Board.

Mary Hitchcock Baxter and family are in Millington, Tenn., and are receiving their mail at General Delivery.

Barbara Arey is a laboratory technician at the Springfield Hospital, Springfield, Mass. She writes that Ruth Crowell, '42, is working there,

Jean Coyle Delaney's new address is 33 Flyer's Drive, Norwich, Conn.

Catherine Fussell is now working with the accounting department of the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia.

Frances Willey Moses will be in Canada for the next year where her husband will continue his studies at the Bethany Bible College at Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

Virginia Mosher is still at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston. She writes that she has recently seen Joanna MacMurtry Workman and Lin.

Olive Savage shares an apartment with Marjorie Chase, '40, at 481 Commonwealth Avenue in Boston. She often sees Alison Pike Slade, Alta Estabrook, and Ruth Scribner Rich around town

James Daly is in the Installment Loan Department of the National Bank of Commerce, Seattle, Washington. He writes that they have a small alumni group out there: Don LeGassey, Ted Pierce, '27, and himself. Don is with the Dow Chemical Company. Textile Tower, Seattle.

#### 1942

John L. Thomas, Jr. was awarded the Bachelor of Laws degree from Boston University at their spring commencement. He was a member of the Phi Delta Phi fraternity.

Marnie Campbell Timberlake and her husband have just bought a new Cape Cod cottage at 19 Orchard Road, Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Their daughter, Sharon, is almost two.

Marion Thomas is teaching history at Peterboro, New Hampshire. She has already instituted a successful course in World Problems in the Peterboro schools and now has the State Department of Education backing a new course for the 8th grade called "The World."

Ruth Sanderson Meredith writes that her husband graduated from the University of New Hampshire in June and started work with the General Electric Company in Schenectady on July 1st. Ruth and her two children plan to join him there when housing conditions permit.

Betty Peters Goettel is at Bldg. 32, Apartment 8, Army Air Base, Syracuse, N. Y., with her son, Kenneth.

Carolyn Batson Farrell is now living at 30 Cairnfield Road, Whengarei, New Zealand.

Natalie Mooers Daggett and husband, John, are buying their own home in Littleton, Mass., and plan to move in sometime this month. They attended Commencement this year.

Mary Farrell Lacombe and Ray are at 3225A Nebraska Avenue, St. Louis, where Ray is a technical assistant at Monsanto Chemical Co.

Helen Henry Merritt, husband Willis and daughter Deborah are spending the summer in Pocatello, Idaho, where he is teaching a course at the University of Idaho. Their permanent address, however, is 22 Concord Avenue, Cambridge, Mass.

Dorris Heaney Batt is singing with the Esso Choristers in Rahway, N. J., a glee club of Standard Oil employees and wives. Dorris was soloist at a special concert given at the Lyons Veteran Hospital recently.

Barbara Holden is hoping to take a trip to France this summer. She has just received her MA from Middlebury College and is on the faculty at Malden High School. Eleanor Cornish reports that she has been promoted to senior welfare worker with the Bureau of Social Welfare at Damariscotta.

Mary Jones is the new head of the children's department of the Portland Public Library. She just finished up at Simmons Library School.

Mary Reny Buck and Phil, '43, are still at 4 Roosevelt Avenue in Waterville. Mary tutors French and English after school hours. Their son, Mike, is about a year and a half old, now.

Marlee Bragdon Hill reports that she and family are busily remodeling their new house, raising cocker spaniels, and gardening. Their new address is 112 Prospect Street, Glenville, Conn.

Laura A. Magistrate is a chemist with duPont in Wilmington. She attends Temple Law School evenings and has just completed her first year. Her address is 405 W. 19th Street, Wilmington, Del.

Ann Jones Gilmore, husband, John, '40, and their two children, Richard and Susanne, are still living at 27½ Burleigh Street, Waterville. John teaches and coaches at Waterville High School.

Marie Merrill Wysor writes that Phil has been transferred to Glen Ellyn, Ill., with Bethlehem Steel. They are spending all their spare time decorating an old house at 742 Elm Street.

Jane Soule is doing rehabilitation work at the TB sanatorium in New Jersey. She has just completed a year's course at Columbia Teachers College. Her address is 51 Morton Street, New York, N. Y.

Ruth A. Wolfe advises us that her address is 113 Wilcox Street, Bristol, Conn.

Betty Anne Royal Spiegel is still analyzing public opinion for the Department of State. While the address is currently 3921 W Street, NW, Washington, D. C., the Spiegels hope it will soon be 190 Old Glebe Road, Alexandria, Va., where they have signed up for a new apartment in the old Dominion Gardens.

## 1943

Robert R. DeCormier, Jr., of 28 Mildred Avenue, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., was soloist for the 14th annual spring concert of the Singers' Club in Poughkeepsie. He will receive his bachelor's degree from the Juilliard School in

June and plans to work for his master's degree in conducting under Robert Shaw. He is at present the conductor of the CIO chorus in New York, N. Y.

Dr. Frank J. Miselis was discharged from the U. S. Navy last December and is now doing general practice in Montville, Conn.

Frederic O. Sargent may be addressed at 606 University Avenue, Madison 5, Wisconsin, where he is an instructor at the University of Wisconsin.

Kaye Monaghan Corey wants to invite any Colbyites going through Pittsfield, Maine, to stop over for a visit. She and Nels have an apartment directly across from MCI where he teaches and coaches.

Harry B. Hildebrandt is attending the University of Maine this summer where he is starting work for a master's degree in Education. He has been sub-master at Wiscasset Academy for the past two years and plans to return next fall.

Thomas R. Braddock is in the Department of Co-operative Work at Northeastern University.

### 1944

Priscilla Keating Swanson is now living at 3294 East 146th Street, Cleveland 20, Ohio. She is doing secretarial work at Western Reserve University while her husband continues his engineering studies.

Joseph A. Marshall received his Doctorate of Medicine from Tufts Medical School in June. He is interning at the Maine General Hospital in Portland.

Betty Wood Reed, Ronnie, and daughter, Sandy, plan to vacation in Maine this summer.

Ruth Parsons Van Hoek informs us that her husband has been called to the pulpit of the Hyde Park Baptist Church of Chicago and they will be there from September 1st.

Dorothy Holtman Lyon and family moved into a new unfurnished apartment on July 10th. Their new address is Park View Apartments, Apt. 10C, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Dot reports that she is having lots of fun buying new furniture and other household furnishings.

Ralph W. Hilton is teaching Mathematics at Lincoln Academy, Newcastle, Maine. He also coaches basketball, track, cross country and softball. He

reports that he has had two championship teams plus a tie in softball.

Louise Calahan Johnson reports that her two boys are one and three years old now. She and Bud attended Joe Slattery's wedding on May 22nd and the Slattery's plan to live next door to them for the summer.

Jane McCarthy Rodman reports that her husband will finish up at Harvard Law School next January.

Evelyn Gates Moriarty and Jim have finally found an apartment of their own at 174 Gerry Road, Chestnut Hill 67, Mass.

Joy Paddison Gardner has undertaken the writing of radio scripts for the Red Cross chapter of Glen Cove. N. Y. She finds it lots of fun and enjoys broadcasting occasionally over WGBB.

#### 1945

Evelyn Sterry is planning to start work on her MA this summer at the French School, Middlebury College.

Ronald M. Roy has been attending Boston University Law School for the past year. He is now spending the summer recess at his home in Oakland.

## 1946

J. Sherwood Tarlow, attorney and

counsellor-at-law, is now associated with Solomon Sandler at offices at 191 Main Street, Gloucester, Mass. Woody is making his home at 368 Longwood Avenue, Boston.

Courtney Simpson, after two years of teaching, is planning to attend dental school in the fall.

Richard Granger, who has been teaching just outside his home town of Worcester, is a summer student at Clark University.

#### 1947

Leonard W. Gill of Haverhill, Mass., received his degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery at the annual commencement of the University of Tennessee in June.

Richard S. Reid writes from Gadsden, Ala., where he and family have moved: "I am now sports announcer for Station WJBY, Gadsden, and am broadcasting the Southeastern League games from here nights and Sunday. We drove down here in four days. We came over the Bear Mountain Bridge, across New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and through the Shenandoah Valley, stopping at the Natural Bridge, down through Knoxville and Chattanooga. It was a beautiful trip."

## MILESTONES

#### **ENGAGED**

Jeanne Margaret Gilbert of Westfield, N. J., to Robert Wendell Bender, '47, Westfield, N. J. Miss Gilbert was graduated from Lasell Junior College. Mr. Bender now has a position in market research work.

Elinor Crewe Farnham, '47, Norwichtown, Conn., to Stanley Francis Frolio, '44, Abington, Mass. Miss Farnham is doing social work for the state of Connecticut. Mr. Frolio is an investigator for a Boston insurance firm.

Frances Lee Flynn of Baltimore, Md., to Frederick Milgroom, '34, Brookline, Mass. Miss Flynn is a graduate of Goucher College and Simmons College. She is now a student at Boston University School of Law. During the war she served as an officer in the United States Coast Guard. Mr. Milgroom attended Colby and

Harvard and is now president of the Frederick Lawrence Company in Boston.

#### MARRIED

Doris Elizabeth Meyer, '47, of Palmyra, N. J., to Richard Lawrence Hawkes, on June 26, 1948, in Palmyra.

Ethelyn Bradstreet of Albion to Theodore Russell, '47, Winslow, on June 6, 1948, at the Winslow Congregational Church. Mrs. Russell is a graduate of the University of Maine. Mr. Russell received his degree from Colby in June as of the class of 1947. They will reside on the Garland Road, Winslow.

Olive Grace Monell, '42, of Flushing, L. I., N. Y., to Robert Erwin Gifford, Flushing, on June 12, 1948, in the Phillips Chapel of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, New York, N. Y. Mrs. Gifford attended

Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School following graduation from Colby. Mr. Gifford served four years in the U. S. Army during the war. He and Mrs. Gifford are members of the staff of the New York Herald Tribune.

Constance Marie Larsen, Jamaica, N. Y., to Maynard Fulton Baldwin, '47, Hollis, N. Y., on June 5, 1948, in Grace Lutheran Church, Jamaica.

Miriam Eloise Marsh, '47, of Portland, to Robert Albert Barteaux, '49, Waterville, in the Central Square Baptist Church, Portland, on June 18, 1948. Mrs. Barteaux did a year's graduate work at the University of Maine toward her MS in Botany. She will join the Colby faculty in the fall. Mr. Barteaux has just completed his junior year at Colby. They are residing in the Veterans' Apartments on Mayflower Hill. Mrs. Barteaux is the daughter of Alberta Shepherd Marsh, '18.

Joan Allison Smith, '49, of Worcester, Mass., to A. Raymond Rogers, Jr., '49, at the Waterville Congregational Church on June 19, 1948. Both are students at Colby, and they are residing in the Veterans' Apartments on Mayflower Hill. Mrs. Rogers is the daughter of Ralph N. and Marion White Smith, '17. Mr. Rogers is the son of A. Raymond, '17, and Harriet Eaton, '19, Rogers, and the grandson of Harvey D. Eaton, '87.

Helen A. Mills, '49, of Dover, N. H., to C. Frederick Reilly, Stoughton, Mass., on June 19, 1948, at St. Joseph's Church in Dover. Mrs. Reilly attended Colby and was graduated in June from the Boston School of Dental Nursing. Mr. Reilly is a graduate of Northeastern University and Bentley School of Accounting. They are resid-

ing in Boston.

Martha Jane Daggett, '50, of Waterville, to Alan Richard Riefe, '50, Waterbury, Conn., on June 18, 1948, at
the First Baptist Church of Waterville.
Mrs. Riefe attended Colby and has
been a special student in pianoforte at
the New England Conservatory of
Music in Boston. Mr. Riefe has just
completed his sophomore year at
Colby. Mrs. Riefe is the daughter of

the late Cecil M. Daggett, '03.

H. Elizabeth Day, '48, Waterville, to Derek Leslie Bugler, Dorchester, Dorset, England, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Waterville, on May 26, 1948. Mrs. Bugler attended Colby one

year and was graduated from the Fisher School in 1947. Mr. Bugler attended Queen's University, Belfast, Ireland, and served in the Royal Air Force for three years. He is a restaurant proprietor in Dorchester. They are residing on Somerdale Bridgeport Road, Dorchester, Dorset, England.

Eleanor Miriam Furbush, '42, Waterville, to Forster Elwood Chase, Portsmouth, R. I., on June 5, 1948, in the First Baptist Church, Waterville. Mrs. Chase was graduated from Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School and served in the WAVEs during the war. Mr. Chase attended Rhode Island State College and served with the Army during the war.

Catherine Cecile Laughton, '36, of Harmony, Maine, to Arthur L. Briggs, Providence, R. I., on March 26 at the Trinity Union Methodist Church, Providence. Mrs. Briggs is a teacher in the William Hall High School in West Hartford. Mr. Briggs is connected with Bond, Inc.

Mrs. Patricia Akin Eckert of Arlington, Virginia, to Major Richard Linscott Nickerson, '42, USMC, of Farmington, on April 28, 1948, at the Community Methodist Church in Arlington. Mrs. Nickerson was formerly associated with the Peruvian International Airways in Washington. Major Nickerson is stationed at the Naval Air Test Center, Patuxent, Maryland.

Bernice Marie Prillwitz of Waterbury, Conn., to Donald Eugene Sterner, '47, of Waterbury, at the bride's home, April 17, 1948. Mrs. Sterner was graduated from Post Junior College and served with the WAVEs during the war. She is now employed as a stenographer at the Colonial Trust Company. Mr. Sterner served with the U. S. Signal Corps during the war and is now sales correspondent for the Oakville Company in Waterbury.

Dorsa Rattenbury Beach, '32, to Scott O'Dell, April 29, 1948, in Montecito, California.

Elizabeth Hamilton Floyd, '48, of New York, N. Y., to John Richard Connolly, II, of Syracuse, N. Y., on June 6, 1948, in St. Bartholomew's Church, New York. Mrs. Connolly attended the New York School of Interior Decoration following a year at Colby. Mr. Connolly was graduated cum laude from Syracuse University and received his MA from Cornell

University. During the war he served with the Navy. Mr. and Mrs. Connolly are living in Rochester, N. Y., where he is director of laboratories for Mixing Equipment Company.

Maxine Marie Merrill, '44, to Carl A. Newhall, Jr., on January 1, 1948. Mr. and Mrs. Newhall are living at 20 Spruce Street, Augusta.

Helen Elsie Chick of Waterville to Howard Franklin Staples, Jr., '48, Waterville, at the First Baptist Church on June 26, 1948. Mrs. Staples is a cost clerk at the Lockwood Dutchess, Inc. Mr. Staples is general manager of the Noyes Stove Company in Waterville. They are residing at 39 Gold Street

Patricia Ann O'Neil of Weymouth, Mass., to Joseph Dennis Slattery, '42, Weymouth, on May 22, 1948, at St. Francis Xavier Church, South Weymouth, Mass. Mrs. Slattery is a graduate of Burdett College and is employed at the Weymouth Light and Power Company. Mr. Slattery is employed at the Old Colony Gas Company. They are living at 102 Phillips Street, Weymouth, Mass.

Jean Maxine Rhoda, Houlton, to Halston Lenentine, '46, Portland, on June 20, 1948, at the Court Street Baptist Church in Houlton. Mrs. Lenentine attended Ricker Junior College and Simmons College and was graduated from the Waltham Hospital School of Nursing. She served as an army nurse with duty in the Pacific area. Since her discharge she has been on the staff of the Aroostook General Hospital in Houlton and now is engaged in private duty nursing in Portland. Mr. Lenentine attended Portland Junior College and the University of New Hampshire and is now attending Northeastern Business College.

Jocelyn Hulme, '47, of Ben Avon, Pa., to Richard Jennings McConnell, on June 26, 1948, in the Ben Avon Presbyterian Church.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. John Alexander Dick (Anne Calder, '46), a son, John Gilbert, II, on September 21, 1947.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Freeman, Jr. (Alice E. Whitehouse, '39), a son, Ernest Jordan, III, on September 21, 1947, in Orange, N. J.

To Dr. and Mrs. Richard L. Chasse (Richard L. Chasse, '40), a son, Richard L., Jr., on May 20, 1948, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Raymond A. Fortin (Raymond A. Fortin, '41), a daughter, Judith Ann, on May 26, 1946, in Augusta, Maine.

To Mr. and Mrs. G. Dean Williams (Betsey Libbey, '42), their second daughter, Linette Thaxton, on June 15, 1948, in Salem, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Elmer L. Baxter (Elmer L. Baxter, '41, Elizabeth Sweetser, '41), a son, David Sweetser, on June 9, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. Warren McDougal, Jr. (A. Warren McDougal, Jr., '44), a son, David Scott, on June 25, 1948, in Sanford.

To Mr. and Mrs. James A. Howe (Jean Ferrell, '44), their second daughter, Jane Adele, on June 18, 1948, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Greenwald (Stephen Greenwald, '39, Audrey Massell, '41), a son, Harry Paul, on June 3, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin S. Rich

(Ruth Scribner, '41), a daughter, Martha Jane, on May 11, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. David G. Cunningham (Josephine Porter, '34), their second son, Paul Thomas, on April 20, 1948, in Brunswick.

To Mr. and Mrs. James Russell Wathen, Jr. (Elizabeth Youmans, '42), a son, James Russell, II, on October 2, 1947.

To Dr. and Mrs. Forrest M. Batson (Forrest M. Batson, '30), a daughter, Marcia Ann, on April 30, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. A. Francis Thompson (A. Francis Thompson, '41, Pauline Foley, '44), a daughter, Dorcas Ward, on March 8, 1948, in Ouincy, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Anthony (Robert N. Anthony, '38), a son, Robert N., Jr., on July 24, 1947.

To Rev. and Mrs. Walter R. Van Hoek (Ruth Parsons, '44), a daughter, Deborah Ruth, on October 1, 1947, in Rockland, Mass.

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Pizzano, Jr. (Carl J. Pizzano, Jr., '47), a son,

Robert Carl, on June 18, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. Ande Baxter (J. Ande Baxter, '40, Mary Hitchcock, '41), twin children, David Alan and Margaret Louise, on May 25, 1948, in Millington, Tenn.

To Mr. and Mrs. Hoover R. Goffin (Hoover R. Goffin, '41), a son, Bruce Edward, on June 8, 1948, at Perth Am-

boy, N. J.

To Mr. and Mrs. William Foster (William Foster, '32, Maxine Foster, '31), a daughter, Susanne Zelma, on December 28, 1947, in Washburn.

To Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Kenneth Poulin (Frederick K. Poulin, '37), a son, Frederick Kenneth, Jr., on May 12, 1948, in Boston, Mass.

## Necrology

## JAMES GEDDES, '79

James Geddes died at his Boston home on April 6 from coronary thrombosis.

He was born on February 8, 1860, in San Francisco, Calif., the son of John Smith and Anne Rigby Geddes. He

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did his college preparatory work at Coburn Classical Institute and entered Colby in 1875, receiving the AB degree in 1879, with Phi Beta Kappa honors. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

From 1880 to 1900, Mr. Geddes was employed by the Bradley Fertilizer Company. In 1900 he entered the employ of Silver, Burdett and Company, book publishers, with whom he was associated until 1904. At that time he became Treasurer and Director of H. K. Porter, Inc., Somerville, Mass., and remained with that company until his retirement in 1946.

On June 9, 1891, Mr. Geddes was married to Annie Gardner Porter in Chelsea, Mass. The couple had five marks given on these were 'excellent' without exception. As he graduated from college when only nineteen, it is a tribute to him."

He is survived by his children.

### BERTHA L. BROWN, '88

Word has just reached the Alumni Office of the death of Bertha Louise Brown at her Bangor home on February 20, 1948, following a long illness.

Bertha Brown was born in Bangor, the daughter of Charles B. and Ariminta Brown. She was graduated from Colby in 1888 and received her AM in 1891.

Miss Brown was one of the organizers of the Bangor Bird Conservation Club and was a member of the Athene Club. She attended the First Baptist

She is survived by two sisters, Alice B. Brown of Bangor, and Mrs. Mark Savage of Salem, Oregon.

## MADGE WILSON GRAY, '95

Word has been received at the Alumni Office of the death of Mrs. Madge Wilson Gray on September 11, 1947, at her home in South Paris. For some time she had been treated for a mild heart complaint, but the end came unexpectedly as she appeared in her usual health until a short time before her death.

Madge Shirley Wilson was born in South Paris, on July 15, 1872, the daughter of George A. and Annie Blake Wilson. She was graduated from Hebron Academy and received the AB degree from Colby in 1895. She was granted the AM degree in 1898. She was married to Walter L. Grav. '95, on June 14, 1899.

Mrs. Gray attended the Congregational Church and was a member of the parish; a member of the South Paris Women's Club serving as its second President and a member of the Euterpean Club. She was also chairman of the church flower committee and took great pride in having the altar of the church attractively arranged with flowers.

She is survived by her husband and two nephews.

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## AUSTIN W. SNARE, '95

Austin White Snare died at his home in Hampden Highlands, on November 5, 1947, after a long period of ill health.

Austin Snare was born in Hampden, on August 11, 1873, the son of James M. and Louisa Rice Snare. He fitted for college at Hampden Academy and entered Colby in 1891, receiving the AB degree in 1895. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He studied law at the University of Maine in 1899.

From the time of his graduation from Colby until 1900 he taught school in Springfield and Hampden. He was also superintendent of schools. He was admitted to the bar in 1899 and began practice in Springfield in 1900. In 1903 he went to Bangor where he entered the partnership of Mayo and Snare.

He was a member of the Penobscot Bar, the Masonic Lodge, Royal Arch Chapter, and the Order of the Eastern Star.

For many years he was a devoted trustee of Hampden Academy, serving as treasurer of that institution for 26 years.

In 1911 he married Madge E. Weick of Springfield, who survives him. Also surviving are one son, Richard J., of Old Town, one daughter, Mrs. Lawrence W. Dwyer of Hermon, and two grandchildren.

## HAROLD W. SOULE, '04

The death of Harold Williams Soule occurred on June 15, 1948, while undergoing an operation, in Alajuela, Costa Rica.

Harold Soule was born in Hingham, Mass., on October 14, 1883, the son of Allen P. and Harriet Seymour Soule. He did his college preparatory work at Hingham High School and entered Colby in 1900, being graduated in 1904 with the AB degree. He received the BA from Oxford University in 1908 and the AM from Harvard in 1914. He was a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity.

From 1908 to 1917, he taught school in various colleges, and then became head of the college department of D. C. Heath and Company, text books, where he remained until his retirement in January 1947.

On the day he retired, he flew to Austria where he adopted two war orphans and brought them to a farm he had purchased in Alajuela, Costa Rica.

Besides his adopted daughters, he is survived by a half-sister, Mrs. Adra Soule Wavle of Hingham, Mass.

## ALBERT A. TOWNE, '04

Albert Anwel Towne, former school teacher, state legislator and for the past 13 years Norway postmaster, died June 6, 1948, in a sanatorium at Hebron where he had been a patient for several weeks.

Albert Towne was born in Norway, Maine, on July 11, 1878, the son of Frank P. and Emma Walker Towne. He did his college preparatory work at Norway High School and entered Colby in 1900, remaining only three years.

After leaving Colby he taught school in Buckfield, China, and Waldoboro, and was principal of Lee Academy for two years.

On December 21, 1906, he was married to Floy I. Applebee of Lowell, Maine. The couple moved to Ashland in 1908 where he was principal of the high school for five years before he gave up teaching to operate a garage there.

Returning to Norway in 1918 to farm, he was a member of the Legislature in 1923, road commissioner from 1925 to 1929 and served four years as deputy sheriff.

He was a past master of Norway Grange, past patron of Oxford Chapter, OES, member of the Norway-Paris Kiwanis Club, and vice president in 1947. He refused the presidency this year because of ill health.

For many years he played the violin in one of the town orchestras. He attended the Universalist Church and for a number of years sang in the choir.

Mr. Towne is survived by his widow, a daughter, two sons, a sister, four grandsons and a nephew.

## NELLIE KEENE FERNALD, '10

Mrs. Nellie Keene Fernald died at her home in Washington, D. C., June 8, 1948, after a long illness.

Nellie Keene was born in Hebron, and was graduated from Hebron Academy. She attended Colby from 1906-07. She taught in a rural school in Maine for four years before her marriage to Dr. Clarence J. Fernald. They went to Washington to live in 1917.

Mrs. Fernald was a member of the Columbia Heights Citizens' Association and at one time was vice president and head of the Playground and Education Committees. She also had been treasurer and secretary of the Potomac Grange and a member of the WCTU. She was also active in the Mizba Class and Woman's Society of the National Baptist Church.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three sons, one of whom is Clarence R. Fernald, '40; her mother, two sisters, a brother, and four grandchildren.

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