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Our Cover

Ernie Hamden, '49, Ray Brackett, '50, pose in their dormitory room to depict their readiness to return to the college campus for commencement activities. The readers might note that the weird effect in their dress has been produced by exchange of the models' wearing apparel.

A Good Life — A Better Colby

Many months ago Mrs. John G. M. Stone of New York and York Harbor was making out a check for the Mayflower Hill building fund and remarked, "Strange in a way. Here I am turning this money over to an institution which, until this call, was nothing more to me than an honorable name."

The Colby representative replied, "Mrs. Stone, did you know the late Dr. Edward M. Cook?" (Dr. Cook had died the previous winter after years of service to the people of York.) "Dr. Cook? — why he was our family physician. It is a great loss to this community that he has passed on. Was he a Colby graduate?"

"Yes, in the class of 1920," the Colby representative replied.

"Why, that makes my gift so much more satisfactory. Dr. Cook was not only a fine personality but also a most skillful physician. We preferred him to any doctor we had had in New York. He did a great deal for our family. You spoke of memorial rooms a moment ago. Could we have a room for Dr. Cook, given by the people of York?"

The answer of course was "yes," and through the efforts of Mrs. Stone and Mrs. Florence A. Paul together with 40 other residents of York, a plaque on one of Colby's Dormitory rooms reads:

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"This room is dedicated in memory of the above able, devoted, unselfish and beloved physician at York, Maine . . . " 
Today we are on the point of losing our nerve simply because we have lost faith in the power of thought. What we call "reason" and "mind" are on the defensive. The constant attack on the so-called "liberal-optimistic" view is one evidence. In many areas of life the arts of persuasion are yielding to the insistent pressures of violent compulsion as a means of deciding issues. The cult of the "daemonic" in contemporary theology, the use of distortion in modern art, and the retreat into the unconscious in present day literature all indicate a growing suspicion that mind cannot face up to and solve the problems of life today. Inevitably science is summoned before the bar of judgment and is labelled a false messiah which has not brought the salvation it promised.

At least part of our trouble comes from our failure to understand what our intellectual methods imply and what they can be expected to do. Of course there is a sense in which science has not lived up to our expectations. It will hire out to any master and its results can be used for evil purposes as well as good. Yet there is also a sense in which, as a method of inquiry and as an activity carried on in accordance with standards that are valid above the plane of utility, it is neither evil nor neutral but an expression of spiritual idealism.

If we ask why we seek the truth I think we find two answers. We seek it because we want to use it, and we also seek it because as truth it ought to be sought. The case is like that of justice which we honor as an ideal simply because it is justice and not because it is useful or pleasant. Often, for example, a boy comes to college with the idea that the truth is something to be used for his immediate uncriticized purposes of the moment. Sometimes that same boy awakens in college to the purposes the truth has for him. When that happens it is because education has brought insight into the claim that truth lays upon human life. You cannot question my right to inquire, Socrates taught long ago, because if you try to, you assume the same right for yourself. Freedom of inquiry is an unshakeable ideal — made so by the rules of the mind. You cannot avoid its demand; you can only submit to them humbly and find spiritual strength in your humility.

Here, as I see it, science and religion meet, and art and ethics meet with them. Science as an intellectual activity has developed methods of inquiry which show the presence of an intrinsic value, a goal with its own inherent reasonableness, an end which does not point beyond itself for its justification. Religion is our response to just such an end. God, whatever else he may be, is a God whose claim on us is that of the value we cannot question. The claim is seen most clearly in the case of truth because it is the value whose demands are most sharply defined. But the methods of coherence found in the search for truth apply also in ethics and art. Justice, as Plato taught, is the health of the state, or the coherent working of its parts. Beauty, in spite of the distortions and cacophonies to which the modern eye and ear are exposed, depends finally on a balance, rhythm, and harmony in which mind and heart alike find the peace that only wholeness brings.
THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

ASSISTANT ORGANIST NEEDED — Prof. Everett F. Strong, college organist, issued an invitation early in May to all students interested in becoming Assistant College Organist.

"The position . . ." he said in his note of invitation, "is expected to entail for the most part the playing of the Walcker organ at the regular Sunday morning chapel services, under the musical direction of John W. Thomas. Other occasional services may be required."

TRAVEL AGENT — Treasurer

Galen Eustis, specialist in many fields, took on a batch of international red tape to escort (from his office) the new organ from its manufacturing plant, Ludwigsburg, Germany, via rail, boat and truck to the College.

The component parts of the instrument are contained in 17 crates weighing approximately eight tons. All the crates are bonded and will not be opened until Herr Karl Bauer, organ builder from the Walcker factory, Ludwigsburg, arrives to make the installation.

As travel agent Business Manager Eustis must face new forms and comply with financing and U. S. Military Government regulations governing the travel of Germans, all on an indefinite basis, for no one knows just how long the installation will take.

Upon Bauer's arrival, a customs inspector will have to journey to Water-ville to witness the opening of the crates, then some months of installation work will follow.

Just how long it will be before the Assistant Organist is needed is not known, but the best estimates are between two or three months after Herr Bauer begins his work.

As readers of the ALUMNUS will recall, the organ is the gift of Trustee Matthew T. Mellon, and after all the time, effort, and money have been expended and the organ becomes a part of Lorimer Chapel, Colby will be the possessor of one of the finest instruments of its kind in the United States.

TIMES HAVE CHANGED — John S. Keely of Portland, Maine, son of the late William Keely, who attended Colby 1860-61, was examining some of his father's effects recently and came across his dad's expense book used during his stay at Colby. He copied a portion of this book and sent it along to Dr. Bixler.

1861
Feb. 16 ½ pk. potatoes .06
1 lb. crackers .06
1 qt. milk .05
Feb. 18 1 qt. milk .05
Feb. 19 crackers .05
Feb. 20 2 qts. rye and Indian meal .06
1 pt. milk .03
Feb. 21 1 pt. milk .02
1 qt. meal .03

(left overs): rye .03,
meal .05, potatoes .02

Later William Keely's book states: "Average cost of living, Feb. to April, 49½ cents per week or $4.95."

Of course items like these are what make people say, "Oh! for the good old days."

TRIBUTE TO A COOK — Members of Alpha Tau Omega at Colby eight years ago may remember Mrs. Charles Smith's American Chop Suey and may be interested to know that she is cook for the school lunch program at North Bennington, Vt., high school.

Mrs. Smith was lauded recently for her work there in an article in the Bennington paper — "Her ability to make friends and cook is notable."

BIXLER HONORED — President Bixler has a new doctorate, that of Civil Law, granted this month by Acadia University, Wolfville, N. S., at its 106th annual convocation. Colby's President gave the baccalaureate sermon at the Nova Scotia institution, two days before the commencement exercises.

STUDENT HONORED — Arthur Blasberg of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., senior student elected this spring to Phi Beta Kappa, was further honored by The Hackley School for Boys at Tarrytown, N. Y., from which he entered Colby.

The Hackley school celebrated Arthur Blasberg Day because at Colby Arthur has attained superior scholarship after gathering only average ranks at Hackley.

The Hackley boys spent the day taking group trips, some visiting the United Nations, others the Bronx Zoo.

PIANOS NEEDED — Dr. Ermano F. G. Comparetti, associate professor of music, has informed us that there is a great need for "several pianos" for the music department. Any alumnus who has a spare one should contact Dr. Comparetti at the College.

THE CALL OF THE WORM — Every thing, person or action has its relative position in the mind of each man. Witness if you will the directions Professor Gordon E. Gates, that great student of earthworms, left with the office just before he departed for a short trip.

Said Dr. Gates, "I'm going away for two days. If President Truman calls or Joseph Stalin, I am out of town, — but, if an earthworm calls, I am in Bangor and quite available."

We Point With Pride To—

William S. Newell, '41, made a Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, and given the cross of that order on May 10th in Boston by the French Naval Attache.

THE COLBY ALUMNUS

EDITORIAL COMMENT — Results of the student campaign for the Mayflower Hill Development fund which are reported elsewhere in this issue brought the following editorial comment from the Portland Press Herald and Houlton Pioneer Times:

"Students of Colby College, many of them struggling hard to close the financial gap between matriculation and graduation, have overpledged their $15,000... goal by more than $3,000. This bright demonstration of the students' willingness to help themselves should be a spur to alumni and outsiders asked to give nearly two million to the fund in the next few years."

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A NEW SOCIETY — modeled after similar organizations at Dartmouth, M.I.T. and Brown and comparable to the Women's Divisions, "Cap and Gown," has been created on the Colby Campus to honor those men in the Junior Class who have made outstanding contributions to the extra curricular life of the college.

Those elected as charter members were: Kenneth Vigue, Chairman, Waterville; Joseph Putman, Vice-Chairman, Houlton; Jack Mahoney, Clinton, Conn.; Conrad White, Rockland; Don Nicoll, West Roxbury, Mass.; George Dowd, Jaffery, New Hampshire; Sam Monaco, Marblehead, Mass.; William Mitchell, Sanford; and Howard Freedman, Brookline, Mass.

Elected by the charter members to serve next year were Juniors Walter Alger, Middleboro, Mass.; George Bowers, West Hartford, Conn.; Gerald Baker, Brookline, Mass.; Robert Barteaux, Waterville; Gerald Frank, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Kenneth Jacobson, Waterville; Neil Leonard, Jr., Newton Center, Mass.; Carlton Miller, Monmouth Beach, N. J.; David Montt, West Roxbury, Mass.; Philip Lawrence, Toledo, Ohio; Richard Pullen, Danforth; Alan Riefe, Waterbury, Conn., and Norman White, Dover-Foxcroft.

Leaders of the new group are White, Chairman; Jacobson, Vice-Chairman, and Lawrence, Secretary-Treasurer. * * * * *

ECO ASKS HELP — Gerald B. Frank, '50, newly elected editor of the Colby ECHO, has written asking help from ALUMNUS readers in locating missing copies of the student weekly. Numbers missing are as follows:

The college year 38-39 (Vol. 42): missing numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 13, 18, 19, and 20; 39-40 (Vol. 43): missing numbers 8, 15, 16, 19, 24, 27; 40-41 (Vol. 44): missing numbers 1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 22, 23, and 24.

Year 41-42, (Vol. 45): missing: all copies but numbers 1 and 13; 42-43 (Vol. 46): missing: all numbers but numbers 3, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Year 43-44 (Vol. 47): missing: numbers 8, 12, 20, 25 and 26. 44-45 (Vol. 48) and 45-46 (Vol. 49): missing: all copies of both volumes.

Readers who may have one or more of these numbers may write Editor Frank, care of the ECHO at Colby if they are interested in supplying such for the newspaper's back files.

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ECO CONFERENCE — The editor and editorial staff of the Colby ECHO have called a conference of Maine College newspapers to be held at Colby next fall.

The conference, details of which are being carried out by Special Projects Editor Patricia Blake, '51, will include a tour of the campus, round table discussions on newspaper problems, a business session during which a permanent organization can be formed and a social get-together.

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PEACE PIPE FOUND — The class of 1862 Pipe of Peace which had disappeared at the time the April ALUMNUS went to press was found a few days later in the custody of Dean Harriner, who said he found the pipe after Commencement last year laid aside on a bench in Miller Library.

Just to keep the pipe from getting lost again, he tucked it away behind a filing cabinet and thought nothing more about it until he heard the Commencement committee was looking for it.

Return of the Class Day Pipe brought out the editor's curiosity as to how many classes had duly smoked it and inscribed their class numerals thereon.

Here is the list: '62, '63, '64 then a jump to '71, '73, '75, '77, '79, only the odd years seemed to have smoked in the '70's. Following '79 are '82, '85, '86, '88, '89, '90, '91, '92, '93, '94, '95, '96, '97, '98, '99, '01, '02, '04, a jump of seven years to '11, a gap of 14 years to '25.

'27 and '29 had it, then '40, '42, '43, '44 and '48.

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PORTRAITS OF PIONEERS — During the month the college maintenance department moved many of the portraits of Colby's former presidents and leaders from old campus sites to places on the walls of Miller Library's third floor.

Their appearance brought non-reverent remarks from some students who asked, "Who are these old geezers?"

One student, Oscar Rosen, '50, decided to find an answer to the question and the ECHO published his findings. He wrote:

"It would seem futile indeed for anyone to attempt to deny that one of the first things these portraits suggests is stuffiness. . . ."

"(But) It is undeniable that once upon a time underneath those stern and inscrutable exteriors once dwelt folks just like us. . . ."

"Those men didn't exist simply to have names we could put on buildings. Far from it! They are living counterparts of those benevolent and dignified old gentlemen on every college campus in the country. . . ."

"There was another new Colby once. It started out as the Maine Literary and Theological Institution and was chartered 136 years ago. In the course of years Colby has been improved more and more. . . ."

"Perhaps 136 years from now magnificent portraits of some of us will add to the dignity and beauty of a newer and better Colby." *

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WELCOME BACK — Editorially, the student weekly said: "We welcome back to Colby, gilded frames et al, Messrs. Drummond, Wilson, Robins, Paine, Cornish, Thompson, Lyford, Small and Rufus Babcock. We also welcome back two gentlemen by name of C. E. Hamlin, another gentleman named Babcock and six unidentified scholars. May their present tenure be long, fruitful and awe-inspiring."
Opinion

As Expressed By Colby
Lecture Series’ Speakers

By Barbara Hendrian & Roy Woodman, ’49

THE GABRIELSON LECTURES

are given weekly during the sec-
ond semester primarily for government
students and are provided by Trustee
Guy George Gabrielson, New York
lawyer, who is particularly interested
in the problems of better government.
The Averill Lectures, provided by
Trustee George G. Averill, M. D.,
each semester present about four
speakers on a wider range of topics
for the entire student body. Local
alumni and interested persons from
the Waterville area frequently attend
both series.

The Gabrielson Lectures opened this
year on February 17 with the appear-
dance of Dr. Carl J. Friedrich, profes-
sor of government at Harvard Uni-
versity and 1946-48 political adviser
to General Lucius D. Clay, supreme
commander of the American zone in
Germany.

Dr. Friedrich, speaking on “The
Situation in Germany,” presented a
first hand re-
view of the prob-
lems of govern-
ment in post war
Germany, and, al-
though the picture
is gloomy enough,
he expressed a
firm conviction
that it is “totali-
tarianism not de-
mocracy which is tottering today.”

Dr. Friedrich said that democracy
is on the march forward in Europe
and the American position in Berlin is
the most important forward position
in the fight with Communism.

The airlift supply to Berlin he called
“The most extraordinary thing which
has happened in peace-time politics in
modern times.”

The cost of the airlift, Friedrich
said, was outweighed ten times by
Berlin’s value as an intelligence gather-
ing point in the territory of the enemy.
“Never before,” the speaker said,
“has a power such as the United States
had such an anchorage in the waters
of the enemy.”

Establishment of the airlift made a
tremendous impression on Europeans
and showed them two things about the
United States and its relations in
Europe, according to Friedrich.

These were first, our determination
to stand up to the Soviet Union and
second, the extremes to which we
would go in order to resist the Soviet
by peaceful means.

Dr. Friedrich said General Clay told
German leaders the United States was
prepared to carry on the airlift “for
30 years” if it was necessary to do so.

He emphasized the difference be-
tween post-war II Germany and post-
war I Germany stating that the de-
struction wrought by allied bombers
on all the cities of the Western Ger-
man area precludes any remilitariza-
tion threat in the post World War II
period.

What leaders are really afraid of,
Friedrich pointed out, is the possibility
that the allies (chiefly the United
States) will rebuild the area only to
have it taken over by Russia and its
manufacturing potential used against
them.

The speaker pointed out that all
Europeans are deathly afraid of an-
other war.

Friedrich said that one of the most
amazing things which came to his at-
tention in Europe during the 1946-48
period was the close cooperation of
French and German political leaders.

This cooperation, he said, is the
brightest sign indicating the possible
completion of one of his own fond de-
sires, a United States of Europe.

In making inquiries about this co-
operation Friedrich said he discovered
that many of the leaders of both
countries had been together in Nazi
concentration camps and in several in-
stances had literally saved each others
lives.

He said it would take many many
years before the enmity between the
average Frenchman and German
would break down, but that this war-
born friendship between the leaders of
the two countries was the most
promising sign of a united Europe.

Friedrich said that the United States
in his opinion must be prepared to stay
in Germany for 25 to 30 years, as the
need indicates, and must strive for a
“healthy Germany oriented toward a
United Europe.”

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ON FEBRUARY 18 the spring term
of the Averill Lectures opened with
Professor Ernest J. Simmons of
Columbia University as the speaker.

Dr. Simmons is head of the depart-
ment of Slavic Languages at Columbia
and is considered an authority on Rus-
sian literature.

His topic be-
fore a large group
of students and
town people was
“The Soviet Con-
cept of Democra-
ty.”

Dr. Simmons
emphasized that
the people of
Soviet Russia are
sincere when they
insist that their
country is a de-
mocracy, but that
such democracy as exists there is not
a political democracy but a degree of
“economic democracy,” the object of
which is freedom from poverty and
exploitation for the individual.

In this country, Dr. Simmons said.
democracy is regarded as something nearly undefinable, but that this is not so in Russia where official texts are precise in their definition. Under the Soviet definition, the speaker said, a true democracy is one in which power is in the hands of the largest social group, the workers.

The Soviet, the speaker pointed out, has never been able to work out an acceptable compromise between the authority of the state and the rights of the individual with the result that the rights of man are minimized or ignored and the state, exalted.

Dr. Simmons said that some progress toward our concept of democracy has been made by the Russians, examples being non-discrimination on the basis of sex, race or class, and regular elections for posts on local parliamentary bodies even though such elections are nullified by the full control exercised by the polit-bureau.

The speaker urged a critical but unbiased study of Russian Communism and a study of our democracy, which, he said, has laws which should be corrected if we are to hold it up for the inspection of the rest of the world.

"DEMOCRACY'S CHANCE in China," was the topic of Dr. William Hung, visiting lecturer at Harvard and professor at China's Yenching University at Peking.

Speaking late in February Dr. Hung said that the United States should exert pressure on China's Nationalist government to introduce needed reforms as the only way to restore morale.

Hung said that Chiang Kai-Shek is the best man to bring about such reform and that he could regain the confidence of his people by "frankly and humbly acknowledging his failure and the true cause of the breakdown of morale in his government."

Dr. Hung blamed this breakdown on the higher-ups in the Chiang government who owed their positions to Chiang's misplaced confidence which they had gained by flattery.

The speaker asserted that the Nationalists have with them a preponderance of China's honest, able and technically trained men, but that these men are generally in the "third or fourth bracket" handling "the ever-lengthening military and civil red-tape or waiting upon of the pleasure of the higher-ups."

"On the Communist side," Dr. Hung said, "such persons are in positions of responsibility and are given opportunities to perform their duties free from much bureaucratic red-tape or supervisory interference."

Dr. Hung said that educated Chinese fear a Communist victory might contribute to the outbreak of another world war, indicating that control of China's enormous potentialities in territory, manpower and natural resources might tempt world Communism to regard itself as strong enough to call for a showdown by force.

SPEAKING on the topic, "Our Federal System" Professor John M. Gaus, Harvard authority on political science and community, state and national planning stressed the importance of flexibility in our system of government.

Any federal system, he said, originates in the effort to reconcile a number of communities of various conditions and interests with an inclusive and integrating organization.

That reconciliation, he added, is based on a contract or constitution. Ours, in recognition of the fact that conditions affecting its members will change, provides for both formal and informal amendment.

The speaker contrasted the 1790's, when our federal system was being developed and when 80 percent of the population lived on farms, to the present time, when 80 per cent lives in definitely non-rural areas.

The speaker pointed out that our system had successfully coped with this urban growth and with those problems posed by developments in transportation, communication and industrial power, but he emphasized that adjustment to these radical changes had not been by a simple centralization of authority and legal power, reflecting, rather, a desire to use local knowledge and to win local understanding and consent.

The increase in suburban areas and the decentralization of industry, Dr. Gaus said, pose an especially difficult problem, that of servicing a wider area on a decreasing tax base.

Dr. Gaus explained that despite the difficulties of operating a flexible federal system, it is nevertheless a system geared to meet the challenges of the present and the future.

"THE NEGRO and Civil Rights" was reviewed before a Gabrielson lecture audience by Julian D. Steele, executive director of the Armstrong-Hemenway Foundation, Boston, early in March.

Mr. Steele said it was gratifying to note the serious effort being made by the President and both major parties to strengthen civil rights and to remedy some of the "glaring weaknesses in our existing state and federal codes."

He pointed to the Civil Rights Committee Report as a document that takes its place with the Declaration of Independence and the Emancipation Proclamation in setting forth the basic philosophy of the United States Government on Civil Rights.

He cited the then current filibuster in the Senate to prevent even the consideration of legislative means to carry out the recommendations in the Report and stated that this filibuster "undoubtedly shocks" people in other parts of the world as much as the recent trials of religious leaders in Hungary and Bulgaria shocked us here in America.

After discussing some of the parts of the Report, the speaker emphasized that segregation "is a great economic problem because it imposes the necessity of providing two schools, hospitals and other facilities in many communities which are too poor to maintain even one school or hospital."

He said that such segregation breeds inequality and gave as witness the statistics that 90 cents of each tax dollar for education in the South goes for the education of white children while only 10 cents goes toward Negro education. "Our problem," Mr. Steele concluded, "is also our opportunity to prove by democratic processes the validity of our principles of democracy, and it is our responsibility to take a stand on civil rights within our own country, in order to be able to meet the challenge of opposing ideologies in the world today."
of the department of sociology at Harvard said that the real causes of American-Russian tensions are not primarily political but rather social and economic.

He said that these tensions are natural simply because Russia and the United States are the two largest powers in a civilization which de-void of ethical values, knows only competition and desire for power, and, he added, that if Russia should happen to become a third or fourth rate power some other country even Great Britain would immediately appear as the opponent of the United States.

"In the midst of the spiritual anarchy of the world the United Nations alone can do little," Sorokin said. "Until individuals and groups become less selfish, and until there is some crystalization of ethical values, I do not believe that we can hope for any lasting peace."

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ANOTHER Harvard educator, Professor Howard Mumford Jones, was the final Averill Lecturer of the season, giving his views on present-day literature.

Dr. Jones who is one of the foremost literary critics of the day approached his topic, "Literary Responsibility," by reviewing various factors which tend to lower the quality of our literature.

He included among these what he called "pressures" on the publishers (a 150 per cent rise in the cost of printing in the past five years, the operations of about 70 book-of-the-month clubs, the bidding of Hollywood for books which are not of high literary quality and "the ridiculous cost of book advertising.")

So-called "progressive education" which no longer demanded young readers to memorize bits of good literature thus leaving them without "touchstones of memory with which to judge good books."

Competition between good books and the radio, movies, funny books, "the quickies," (Reader's Digest, Time, Newsweek) and the general tendency of magazine editors to stress the "quick, bright and short" stories.

The failure of architects to include places for books in their beautiful sketches of modern houses.

The appearance of lending libraries conducted at a profit, and — Expanding public libraries yielding to political pressures to purchase more copies of a popular novel rather than quality works.

Dr. Jones drew a sharp line between our "literary culture," maintained by "those who practice the art of writing," and our "literate civilization," served by "those who work at the trade for a living."

He was critical of those who practice the art for being overly pessimistic or over technical or obscure or harping on the theme that "men are irrational and irresponsible."

"How can we have a better culture," he asked, "if our literary group is constantly harping on their private de-spairs?"

Dr. Jones expressed the belief that the literary group should think carefully before they set down in print some of their private thoughts and observations remembering constantly that when they published they hereby committed a public act which would influence people for better or for worse. He indicated that there had been of late an overbalance on the latter side.

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COMMUNISM'S significance in China was discussed before a Gabriel-son group early in May by Dr. Norman D. Palmer, '30, former professor at Colby and at present chairman of the department of political science at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Palmer regarded the ascendency of Communism in China as the testing ground for the expansionist theories of Marxism which he said are already prevalent in more than one-third of the territory of the world.

Dr. Palmer pointed out that there is a distinct difference between what he termed the "international" and the "domestic" communist, but in China, to a greater extent than in any other country, he said, the former have been subservient to Moscow.

The "domestic" Communists, the speaker said, have a greater interest in China than in Communism itself, and seek to satisfy the workers and the peasants. Nevertheless, they are strongly anti-American, because of intervention and opposition on the part of the United States.

Among other observations about Communism in China, Dr. Palmer mentioned that China is the first "colonial" country in which communism has won power, the first major power to fall into the hands of the Marxists and the first country with a lower standard of living than Russia to embrace Communism.

Any friendship between the United States and the Communists would be only the result of a tactical shift in Communist party line from anti-American to pro-American, Dr. Palmer said, and added that our only chance to counter Communism is to provide a positive program to meet the needs of the backward areas of the world.

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DR. FRIEDRICH returned to the Gabrielson rostrum to close the series for the season and discussed the "Conflict Between the East and West."

Dr. Friedrich predicted that the more crises we can survive, the better our chances for ultimate peace will be. He said that the United Nations, "uneasy compromise though it is between the United States and the Soviet Union," will gain in vitality and instrumental-ity as it continues to seek and find solutions to each problem and crisis brought before it.

But the speaker added that the situation "will be rough for quite a while—for wherever there are new systems, there are bound to be many maladjustments."

Dr. Friedrich pointed out that the two countries are not only afraid of one another, mistrustful of each and other, but in addition, neither one can perceive its own weaknesses.

"There is no simple solution and no panacea for our problems," Professor Friedrich stated in conclusion, "but a range of workable adjustments is being developed which will permit one to have a degree of hopefulness about pacification on this globe."
MOST STUDENTS feel that they do well if they keep up with their studies, get to know two or three co-eds, and become an officer in their fraternity.

Not so with Colby Junior Howard E. Benson, 28, of Sidney, Maine.

Howard came into the public eye early in March through the remark of his geology professor, Dr. Donaldson Koons.

It all happened this way: Benson was supposed to have a geology exam Monday afternoon, March 7th, town meeting day in many Maine communities.

Howard asked Dr. Koons if he couldn't be excused from the Monday afternoon period because he had to run for election as third selectman in his home community from which he commutes to classes each day.

The reply which is accredited to Dr. Koons by Waterville Sentinel Reporter Ross Muir, '48, was, "Now I've heard everything in the way of excuses."

In the News

Under the title, "The latest in excuses," the story of Howard cutting a class to run for election, and winning, was carried to many parts of the country by the Associated Press.

The alert editor of the Worcester Sunday Telegram phoned Waterville to learn more about Howard and meeting the request the ALUMNUS editor ventured forth for an interview.

(The facts carried here are substantially those reported in the Worcester paper early this month.)

To find a student who is interested enough in his local community to run for public office is unusual enough, but Benson is an unusual man.

Besides carrying a full schedule at the college he has been a full-fledged pastor during most of his career at Colby, which began in the spring of 1947.

Builds Own Home

Also in the spring, summer and fall of 1948, he found time to build himself a seven-room house on which he was helped by his father and father-in-law.

The plans and blue prints, however, he did himself.

Howard did not accidentally fall into his position as selectman but deliberately sought it, feeling that it will be valuable training for his planned career as a rural church pastor.

Howard has been interested in social service and church work ever since he can remember.

His high school record shows that he was a prize speaker, member of the student government and that he wanted even at that time to be a minister.

Following his high school graduation in 1939, he attended Gorham (Maine) Normal School for three years, graduating in 1942.

A few months later he went into the Army Air Corps from which he was discharged in January of 1946.

His service included 13 months in the Philippines and 18 months in Australia.

Interested in Rural Community Life

His pre-college record shows that even while he was in the service he was interested in rural community life, studying rural sociology under the Armed Forces Institute.

Three years ago he married a Brooklyn, New York, girl whom he had met solely through correspondence.

Last December the couple had a son, thus adding paternal duties to his already busy schedule.

The arrival of his son came at a particularly bad time for Howard was then preaching every Sunday at the Methodist Church in Dexter, Maine, some 60 miles from his home.

He is financing his college career through the G.I. Bill and his ministerial work.

Howard says he has been particularly interested in people and their problems ever since high school days and that he really started preaching when he was in high school.

He returned to the pulpit about eight months after he had been released from the service when the Methodist minister in Oakland fell ill and he was asked to take over for a couple of weeks.

Dr. Donaldson Koons (left), associate professor of geology, and Student Howard Benson talk over Benson's election victory.
The Oakland church has two parishes — one in Oakland and one in Sidney.

Howard's "taking over for a couple of weeks" lasted nine months.

In the spring of 1948 the Baptist Church in the Town of Sidney engaged him as minister for 6 months, and in December of last year he was engaged for a 3 months period at the Methodist Church in Dexter.

He is temporarily out of employment as a minister but he has other church duties as lay leader for the Sidney Methodist Church and as President of the Men's Fellowship for both the Oakland and Sidney branches of the Oakland Methodist Church.

**Wants to Be Rural Pastor**

Howard feels that any minister must have real knowledge concerning the people and their problems before he can render the kind of service a rural pastor in particular must give.

As selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor he feels he will get practical, first-hand knowledge of rural problems and experience in solving them.

He feels that since an ordained minister is limited in the political offices he might hold, he thought he should take the opportunity to serve in political office.

Howard will have his problems as selectman.

His community has a population of about 1,000 persons who have to support the up-keep of some 65 miles of roads the year round.

This, of course, is just one of the problems he will face — road building and maintenance.

He had to combine his assessing work with that of his college classes immediately after election because town statutes require all property to be reviewed and assessed by early April.

But he seems capable of tackling any job that comes along.

Howard, who is a religious major at Colby and plans to go to theological school upon graduation, was a bit amused about a reporter's interest in his class excuse. "Why," he said, "I've cut lots of classes but up to this time no one but the professors were ever the least bit excited about it."

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**The Rare Book Corner**

**Book Arts Collection On Display**

The Books Arts Collection in the Colby College Library was founded by Dr. Edward Francis Stevens, '89, in May 1939, fifty years after his graduation. This year, when his class is celebrating its sixtieth anniversary, the Book Arts Collection is ten years old.

Specimens from this collection will be on exhibition during commencement and through the summer, so that not only parents, alumni, trustees, faculty, and friends can view this fine collection of books, but also the many visitors who come to Colby during the summer months.

In the exhibition cases of the Treasure Room there are over eighty examples of books, illustrating fine press work, sumptuous bindings, beautiful illustrations, and other features which classify a book as belonging to the graphic arts. Many of the books on display have been given by Dr. Stevens from his personal library, while others have been purchased by him especially for the collection. Numerous friends, stimulated by Dr. Stevens' example, have added to the collection by making gifts of books representative of the graphic arts.

Unfortunately, it is not possible to list all of the books in the collection, but perhaps the listing of a few will not be considered as disrespectful of those not mentioned. The latest addition, presented by Dr. Stevens in June 1949, in commemoration of the collection's tenth birthday, is a beautifully bound copy of Browning's *Poems*, with excellent illustrations and exemplifying the finest in typography. Other specimens which have unusually attractive bindings are Pennell's *Our Sentimental Journey* (full tree-calf binding), Kinglake's *Eothen*, and Andrew Lang's *Wordsworth*. The numerous examples of the superb work of the Anthoensen Press in Portland make up a large number of the books in the collection.

The work of Bruce Rogers, a close personal friend of Dr. Stevens, deserves special mention. All lovers of the graphic arts know how much Mr. Rogers has contributed to the field of typography. There are, in almost every case, interesting autograph inscriptions relative to the book or its maker, as well as the bookplate of Dr. Stevens and his wife, who together, have designed varied and interesting bookplates.

To describe in words this outstanding collection made possible by Dr. Steven's generosity is almost impossible; the books on exhibition should be seen to be fully appreciated. Readers of the *ALUMNUS* will remember an article describing the gift made by Dr. Stevens and his wife, who together, have designed varied and interesting bookplates.

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**Alumni Fund Score Board**

**May 15, 1949**

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Possibly You Wonder How Much to Give?

Each year hundreds of Colby men and women contribute something to the Alumni Fund. No specific amount is suggested; each one gives what his heart dictates and means permit. Some give $5 or $10; others give $25, $50 or $100; and a few give more. Some give $1 for each year since graduation. This is merely a suggestion. Use a larger or a smaller "yardstick" if you wish.
Student Chatterwaves Discuss

The New Dean, Love and Other Items

By Gerald B. Frank, '50

Barbara Sherman's Election to the post of Dean of Women recently, started the Chatterwaves dancing.

Miss Sherman, meeting with senior women on her first visit here, is considered "a charming person" by her new acquaintances, and "capable" by her future associates.

Colbyites, the Waves tell us, are pleased with the choice — Miss Sherman made a very favorable impression during her brief visit here — but they are unhappy that Miss Runnals is leaving. Miss Runnals' resignation comes after 27 years of service to Colby College — and what is more important, 27 years of service to Colby women.

For this reason, today's Colbyites — like yesterday's — are sorry to say "goodbye" to Colby's Dean of Women.

News of Quota Breaking in the Mayflower Hill Development Fund Drive was received with enthusiasm by the students.

Announcement that the Faculty over-pledged by $1100 their $6000 goal was made at the start of the Students' Drive. After one week of pledging, 612 of the students had pledged $12,572 of the $15,000 goal. Although final tabulations are not yet completed, it has been known for some time that Miss Runnals is leaving. Miss Runnals' resignation comes after 27 years of service to Colby College — and what is more important, 27 years of service to Colby women.

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These two over-subscriptions are quite significant to thinking Colbyites. Students do not have the we-did-ourselves — and that's all — attitude. Rather, present day Colbyites are pleased (though not necessarily complacent) with a job well done. And, knowing that they did their job, they feel better prepared to face you when you have completed yours.

Springtime at the New Colby brings many changes — some usual and some unusual. These changes have been the cause for student chatter.

As the grass on Mayflower Hill greens, and the trees and wild flowers (yes, many of them Mayflowers) blossom, and the sunsets across the pond add a warmth to their glory, Colby begins its more mundane springtime pursuits — mundane to be sure; yet, important.

For example, the ground crews start working: lawn mowers, lime spreaders, rollers, and similar landscaping equipment are seeing active almost every day. Those of Mayflower Hill's young trees which failed to live through the transplanting process last year are this year replaced by new ones. Evergreens and maples, oaks, and elms are being planted along and about Mayflower Hill Drive between the tennis courts and the women's dorms.

The painting crews, too, are at work. Shutter and workmanship on the buildings are receiving a new coat or two of white paint. Even the college's four large trucks now wear the latest in Paris truck fashions, which this season is a maroon coat with gold lettering. The added neatness and uniformity is noticeable, and many students have remarked favorably upon it.

Spring Fling Weekend (still talking of spring) hit the Waves with a bang — although almost a thud. Planned last year for the last weekend in April, the "Festival of the Tulips" by accident fell at a time when several of the varsity teams were scheduled to play out of town.

The ECHO's Sports editor was rather indignant because of the mixup, and called for a boycott of the whole affair. Despite this, the Friday night ball was well attended, as were the next night's fraternity open houses and the Independent's open dance in the Roberts Union. Moreover, the weekend's weather was "ultra-super," so that many of the students took advantage of Saturday's recess for ball games, tennis, biking and hiking, and horseback riding. All in all, it can be said that the Festival of the Tulips was a "blooming" success.

Love in the Romance Department (language, that is) has given the delighted Chatterwaves a gay shiver. The engagement of Miss Margaret Buchner to Mr. Richard Kellenberger was announced a few weeks ago.

From the students' viewpoint, this "matching of the PhD's" is the go-ahead sign for celebration. Both professors are popular, particularly with the language students and members of the language clubs. The wedding, we are told, will be in August or September of this year.

Chatterwave Excitement was caused during Prexy's recent "At Home Musicales," when Doctor Ermanno Comparetti introduced the First Movement of his new Second Mayflower Hill Concerto. (The First Mayflower Hill Concerto has been performed several times by the Colby-Community Symphony, each time receiving much public acclaim.)

The playing of the Second's only completed movement was so well received by the students attending the Musicales, that Dr. Comparetti was forced to play the short work a second time.

Also of interest at this particular affair was the first public performance of Colby's first undergraduate string quartet. Student opinion here was that the quartet, playing one of Mozart's compositions for string quartet and clarinet, did a grand job with interpretation, and on the whole handled the piece very well.

Varsity Show Whispers of last month are the facts of this month. Robert Rosenthal, '50, and Kenneth Jacobson, '50, both of Waterville, will again co-operate to produce next year's Varsity Show. We say "again," because Bob and Kenny produced "Lucky To Be Me" two years ago, at which time they received rave notices from everybody.

Students, therefore, are looking impatiently towards the evening next De-
COLBY FOLK IN THE HEADLINES

AMONG Colby people who met prominence in the nation's press this month were, John M. Richardson, '16, new publisher of the Rockland, Maine, Currier Gazette, who is starting that fine paper along on its second century of service to three Maine coast counties. John is not a stranger at all to the Gazette having begun work there in 1922.

PUBLISHER RICHARDSON

He assumed ownership of the paper December 3, 1948, and was honored together with other personnel of the paper in an extensive story in the New England Printer and Publisher this month.

John's photograph at his desk with his book, "Steamboat Lore of the Penobscot," was the cover picture for the May issue.

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DR. LEONARD W. MAYO, '22, has been appointed chairman of the National Commission on Chronic Illnesses, according to press reports received at the college.

Dr. Mayo, who is vice-president of Western Reserve University, will be leader of a commission of 30 members from all parts of the United States. A five year study of comprehensive research and planning on chronic diseases is projected under the program.

The commission is an outgrowth of the Joint Committee on Chronic Disease, set up late in 1946 through the efforts of the American Hospital Association, the American Medical Association, the American Public Welfare Association and the American Public Health Association.

Dr. Mayo has announced that all aspects of the chronic disease problem - economic, legislative, social, psychological, administrative and medical - will be studied by the commission to arrive at standards for the various fields of treatment.

ON MAY 10, William S. Newell, H.-'41, received a distinct honor from the Government of France when he received the Cross of Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur, at the special ceremony conducted at the office of the French Consul in Boston.

Presenting the Cross was the French Naval Attaché in Washington who came to Boston to convey the decoration. The citation in part was as follows: "... it is with a very deep pleasure that I bring you today the warmest congratulations of all those to whom you are so well known in France, and who rejoice with me that my Government should in this way testify to your good work.

Disappearing Ditches: — Joe Smith was mystified by them, Galen Eustis claimed them as precedents, and the students good-naturedly referred to them as everything from boobie-traps to air raid shelters.

Actually, they were the ditches dug to the new fraternity houses and dormitories for heat pipes and cables. Dug late last fall, the gaping holes and corresponding dirt and shale piles remained until just recently, when the pipe-setters and linesmen were done and the bull-dozers went to work.

And how many Colbyites are thinking: — first the mud, then the ditches; what next to tell our grandchildren?

CHEVALIER NEWELL

"As you know, the Legion of Honour was created by Napoleon the first as a reward for his great military chiefs. Since then, a certain number of nominations in that order have been reserved for those Frenchmen whose efforts and lives have deserved official recognition from their country.

None better than you, Mr. Newell, has fulfilled these conditions...."
Students Top Development Fund Goal By $3,000 Plus

FOLLOWING the leadership of the faculty-staff group, Colby students pledged $18,189 to top their $15,000 quota, according to a report submitted by the student campaign chairman, Donald G. Leach, '49, on May 10.

A late report from the faculty staff division indicated that that group had pushed its total over the $8,000 mark on a $6,000 quota.

Chairman Leach reported that, in addition to the pledged amount, a sum of $87.06 had been turned in by the student campaign special projects committee for a grand total of $18,276.06.

The student returns brought the overall returns in cash and pledges to $502,994. (This sum does not include Dr. Averill's pledge of $300,000 for completion of the Keyes building which was announced early this year as applicable to the campaign, but which was ruled this month as outside the Development Fund goal.)

Serving on the committee besides Chairman Leach were David Lynch, George Smith, Walter Alger, David Montt, Marilyn Perkins, Edward Walter, Elizabeth Jennings, Nancy Ardill, Barbara Hart and June Stairs.

Workers included: Jean Bonnell, Ruth Leverett, Elaine Muller, Marjorie Sheerman, Donna Record, Jane Perry, Alma Ward, Martha Bennett, Anne Hagar, Alice Covell.

Martha Loughman, Jeannie Hall, Arthur Shulkin, Ann Orth, Beverly Cushman, Carol Thacker, Nancy Hinckley, Marjorie Austin, Anne Plowman, Bruce MacPherson, David Crocket, James MacLean, Hugh Burgess, Norman Crook, Richard A. Magill, Robert Peale, James Pearl.


Aroostook Opens Solicitation

Plans for Aroostook county alumni participation in the Development Fund were outlined late in April at the Northeastland Hotel in Presque Isle by Harry E. Umphrey, '14, County Fund Chairman.

Goal for the more than 200 alumni in the county was set at $25,000 with the vast area to be divided into three parts, northern, central and southern, with solicitation organizations centering in Caribou, Presque Isle and Houlton.

Carl R. Smith, fund chairman for Northern Maine, reported to the Aroostook group that Penobscot county had raised a total of $20,000 on its quota of $25,000.

Present at the Presque Isle meeting beside those mentioned were John A. Partridge, '04, Caribou; Clifford J. McLaughy, '29, Washburn; Robert V. Mcgee, '38, Fort Fairfield; Roland B. Andrews, '28, Presque Isle, and Louis W. Collier, Colby director of public relations.

Divisional Leaders

Accepting responsibility as chairmen of the three Aroostook sub-divisions, were George E. Roach, '26, vice president of the First National Bank of Houlton, in the Southern Aroostook area; Edward G. Perrier, '35, publisher of the "Star-Herald," Presque Isle, Central Aroostook, and Miss Blanche Farrington, '14, high school teacher, and Mrs. Martha Stevens, '32, co-chairmen for Northern Aroostook.

Meetings held later in Presque Isle and Houlton were addressed by Regional H. Sturtevant, '21, national chairman, and E. Richard Drummond, '28, chairman of the special gifts division, with campaign details outlined by Collier.

### Summary of Student Campaign

The Student campaign was conducted along class lines in the women's division and among independent men and fraternities in the men's division.

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**TOTALS**

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Worcester Activity

Dr. Franklin W. Johnson was scheduled to meet with the Worcester area committee on May 2nd at the home of the area chairman, Robert G. LaVigne.

Those expected to attend the session included Mrs. Percy D. Mitchell, ’16, president of the Worcester County Colby Alumni Association; Wilfred R. Granger, ’46, vice-president; Miss Leota M. Schoff, ’25, secretary, and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Littlefield, ’26, Dr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Kinch, ’25; Paul Soloman, ’48, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis Lovett, ’28, Hugh H. Tufts, ’31, and Dr. John T. Nasse, ’29.

Portland Alumnae
Seek $300 From Special Projects

The special projects section of the Mayflower Hill Development Fund program in Portland is seeking to wind up their spring activities with a total of $300, net.

The group which is headed by Josephine Bodurtha, ’38, has held a bridge party, rummage sale, food sale and has been selling stationery.

Reporting in mid-May, Miss Bodurtha stated that nearly $275 already was raised and that the group hoped to send a check for $300 to the Development Fund before Commencement.

Serving with Miss Bodurtha on the special projects committee are Miss Martha Hopkins, ’03, Mrs. William R. MacDonald, Jr., Mrs. Laura Brown, ’36, and Mrs. Constance Southworth, ’03.

Eight Colby Men, Maine Legislators

EIGHT Colby men are members of the 94th Legislature of the State of Maine, two in the Senate and six in the House of Representatives.

Leaders in the Senate are George B. Barnes, ’26, Houlton lawyer, who came up to the Senate in 1947 after serving in the House for two terms and being speaker of the latter body during his second term there, and R. Leon Williams, ’33, Clifton lumberman, who advanced to the higher body after serving three terms in the House.

In the House are Joseph B. Campbell, ’29, Augusta attorney, serving his first term; C. Stanton Carville, ’20, Stratton manufacturer, serving his second term; Alvah D. Hall, ’40, Calais business man, serving his first term; James M. Laughton, ’28, Ripley farmer, in his second term.

Linwood E. Palmer, Jr., ’42, Nobleboro teacher and grocer and Chief Deputy Sheriff of Lincoln County, serving his second legislative term; Levi T. Patterson, ’98, Freeport realtor, serving his seventh term in the House.

Palmer at 26 is the youngest member of the Legislature and Patterson has served more terms in the House than any other present member.

All the Colby representatives in the Legislature are Republicans.
ALUMNI CLUB NOTES

THE BOSTON COLBY Alumni Association held its annual meeting at the Hotel Commander April 8, 1949 with Edward H. Merrill presiding.

It is always a sad day for Colby people when one of its landmarks steps down. When we think of high ideals, outstanding courage and real foresight and vision we think of Dean Runnals. Colby and the late Dean of Women are synonymous. Her talk on the past generation of girls of Colby as compared with the future generation gave us food for thought. Colby women of the past, she says, have done much for the college by their works shown.

Future Colby Girls

What will the Colby girl of the future do? It was clear from her talk that she felt that the girl of the future would have many attributes that the girl of the past did not have and as a result of this Colby will have the benefit. She had discovered in her going about that even a democrat could have ideals — high ideals. She felt that the nature of the goal to be attained was changing and that her successor would add much to Colby life which she had not been able to bring to it.

Preceded by Miss Arline Bamber, '39, who had just brought the greetings of the Women's Division she added a most wonderful touch to college life as she gave her Swan Song. We wish her very happy days as she now starts to enjoy some of the leisure of which she was more or less deprived while on the campus.

A letter was read from Stony Carlson, '29, saying that he was too ill to take any active work this year. We wish Stony a rapid recovery and can assure him there will be a place for him to take up where he left off.

Roundy's Night

It was Coach Roundy's night and his talk of his love for his work at Colby, his twenty-five years on Seavers Field, his trip South with the baseball boys capped by the presentation of a beautiful traveling bag prepared a fitting climax to the evening's entertainment.

Eddie was very much touched and we could well understand what he meant when he said Colby had been his life work. He was much impressed, he said, by the beautiful enlisted men's Club at Quantico; by his wonderful treatment from Senator Brewster and more particularly, (and I was very much surprised,) by the way the five women secretaries entertained him there. Of course, knowing Eddie so well we were quite astonished that he should be so interested in five secretaries rather than just one.

Of course the highlight of the evening was the address by Dr. Bixler and after he introduced the four boys from Colby, who entertained us so well with their songs and to whom we really owe a vote of thanks, he touched upon the great contributions of Dean Runnals and Coach Roundy. He felt that their contributions to Colby would be realized more in the years to come, even, than they are now.

He said he felt that times are truly uncertain and Darwin's teachings are fast making themselves felt in that the success of the struggle seems to go to the most ruthless.

High Ideals — Colby's Future

Every Colby graduate would have enjoyed Dr. Bixler that night because, although he was fatigued from a hard trip, he was unusually touched by the fact that the future of Colby depended upon the high ideals of every Colby man and woman who was to be graduated in the years to come. As the World is fast losing its ideals, we Colby people must hold ours. As the world is becoming more ruthless in quest of what it calls success, Colby people must be taught to aim at a higher and different goal, and when he closed, touching upon his new cupola on his garage and the sign, probably placed there by a Colby student, reading, "Another Howard Johnson restaurant to open here soon," it was then that we realized why we considered Dr. Bixler one of our great Colby presidents.

Reverence For Right

He cautioned us about the future and how the one saving grace will be to have reverence for everything that is good, right and honest, and in the same breath added a touch of humor on the everyday living on the Colby campus.

I had the joy of seeing Dr. Bixler in action at the M.I.T. Convocation where the big men of the world were gathered. I had the pleasure of hearing Mr. Churchill and of being present at some of the panel meetings and may I say that every Colby man and woman has a right to feel extremely proud to have one of the great men in education as the president of Colby College. We must bend every effort to help him in the enormous task he has ahead.

Florian G. Arey, '15, Secretary

WORCESTER COUNTY ASSOCIATION ELECTS WILFRED GRANGER

The Worcester County Colby College Alumni Association met on the evening of May 18, 1949 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Kinch, '25, 20 Whitman Road, Worcester 5, Mass. A delicious buffet supper was served. The annual meeting and election of officers followed.

Wilfred R. Granger, '46, was elected president to succeed Mrs. Percy O. Mitchell, '16. Others named were: Miss Leota M. Schoff, '25, vice president; Mrs. Joseph B. Wadleigh, '09, secretary-treasurer; and J. Lewis Lovett, '28, alumni representative. Dean George Nickerson, '24, was guest speaker.

— Mrs. Joseph B. Wadleigh, '09
Night unto Night

To Galileo came the dream that light,—
Not instantaneous,— with finite rate
Plummets from sun to earth. Its cosmic flight
Through space he did not live to penetrate.
We read of patient trials Roemer made
To probe the secrets of this solar wing
And that with Jupiter’s celestial aid
He came within but three of mastering
Its auric speed. The measure of the stream
Of rays that fall upon the toothed wheel
Or moving mirror and the flashing beam,
Has answered part of man’s innate appeal.
God’s love transcends all space. Genetic rite
Was prophecy of Christ’s, “I am the Light.”

—Emily Hanson Obear, ’14

Twenty Youth Scholarship
Winners For Class Of ’53

COLBY’S scholarship committee announced this month the names of 20 young men and women now in high schools and academies who will receive scholarships to enter Colby this fall.

The group includes 11 girls and nine boys, 14 of whom are residents of the State of Maine.

The scholarships, all for either half or full tuition at Colby, were awarded in two separate categories: (1) Those available to secondary school students in the State of Maine on a one year award basis, and (2) Those available to secondary school students from any part of the United States on a four-year basis.

Named as recipients of full-tuition scholarship in the State of Maine group are the following:

Theodore Lock Brown, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver W. B. Brown, R. F. D. 5, Portland, Falmouth High School; Warren Russell Johnson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Oscar R. Johnson, 18 Deering Street, Portland, Deering High School; Alan Leroy Mowatt, son of Mrs. Rachel S. Mowatt, 19 Davis Street, Dover-Foxcroft, Foxcroft Academy.

Sarah Evelyn Packard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett S. Packard, 169 South Street, Gorham, Gorham High School, and Joan Marguerite Shea, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colbin B. Shea, 39 Lawton Street, Skowhegan, Skowhegan High School.

Recipients of half-tuition scholarships in the State of Maine group are the following:

Roger Delancy Shaw, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Shaw, 66 Haskell Street, Cumberland Mills, Westbrook High School; John Robert Faulkner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. Faulkner, 59 Franklin Avenue, Houlton, Houlton High School.

Phebe Dow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Dow, Presque Isle, Presque Isle High School; Electra Paskalides, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vasilios Paskalides, 9 Pitt Street, Portland, Deering High School; Ruth Celestia Stanley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chester W. Stanley, Southwest Harbor, Pemetic High School, and Janet Whittier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip P. Whittier, 108 Brentwood Street, Portland, Deering High School.

All these scholarship awards are renewable throughout the college career provided the students maintain proper standing.

In the National Scholarship category full-tuition awards went to Max Singer, son of Mrs. Jeanne G. Singer, 1133 Park Avenue, New York City, Horace Mann School; Paul Arthur Wescott, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick A. Wescott, Main Street, Bucksport, Maine, Bucksport High School; Reginald E. Allen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos S. Allen, 4000 Plumstead Ave., Drexel Hill, Pa., Upper Darby High School.

Edith Lee Weisbord, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Weisbord, 621 West 171st Street, New York City, The Bronx High School of Science; Mary Ann Wurth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Wurth, 441 Casino Ave., Cranford, New Jersey, Cranford High School; and Helen Virginia Clugston, daughter of the late Professor Phil R. Clugston and Mrs. Katharine W. Clugston, 4816 Brandwine Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., Woodrow Wilson High School.

Half-tuition scholarships went to Constance Flora Bouchard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Honore J. Bouchard, 37 Converse Street, Springfield, Mass., Classical High School, and Alice Mary Colby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Colby, Denmark, Maine, Bridgton Academy, North Bridgton, Maine.

Another half-tuition scholarship given each year to a Waterville, Maine, student, was awarded to Charles A. Bucknam, son of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Bucknam, 7 Silver Terrace, Waterville.
SOME 100 Colby students were scheduled to receive awards and certificates of honor for various activities and scholarship at the annual recognition assembly scheduled for May 20. Winners of the more important prizes are carried below.

The most coveted prize, The Randall J. Condon Medal, awarded to the senior who is considered the best college citizen during four years, was won by Alice E. Covell, '49, of Granville, Ohio.

Miss Covell is the daughter of Baptist missionaries killed during the war in the Philippines and plans to become an educational missionary in the Far East.

The Lelia M. Foster Prizes for freshman class members who have shown the character and ideals most likely to benefit society were won by John Allan Briggs, '52, of Columbus, Ohio and Marjorie Ann Austin, '52, of Yonkers, New York.

Mildred Jeannine Fenwick, '50, of Appleton, Maine, was winner of the Students' League Scholarship and was also a member of the second prize winning team entered in the Murray Prize Debate.

Piles of earth and coincident ditches and mud between Roberts Union and the Alpha Tau Omega house presenting a hazard for students throughout the year are expected to be filled in by Commencement. The mess was made necessary in order to install underground steam lines from the Union to the ATO and DKE houses.

Annual Prize Winners Announced

The Delta Delta Delta Scholarship was awarded to Catherine M. Johnston, '50, Waterville.

Haroldene Whitcomb, '49, Scarsdale, N. Y., was winner of the Business Administration Prize and the Louise Colgan Award.

Ivan A. Yeaton, Jr., '49, Framingham, Mass., won the Ernest L. Parsons Prize awarded for high quality scholarship in business administration.

Edgar Wesley Freeman, '51, Concord, N. H., and Barbara E. Hamlin, South Portland, Maine, were winners of the Foster Memorial Prizes in Classics for marked excellence in advanced Greek and Latin respectively.

Hope R. Harvey, '49, Middleton, Conn., was winner of the English language.

Chester Albert Brigham, '50, Melrose, Mass., was winner of the Solomon Gallert Prize for excellence in English.

Donald E. Nicoll, '49, West Roxbury, Mass., won the Library Associates’ Book Prize; also first prize in the Levine Extemporaneous Speaking Contest and fourth prize in the Goodwin Public Speaking Contest.

Jeanne Frances Pelletier, '49, Rockville Centre, New York, was winner of the French Consulate Prize for excellence in French studies.

Thomas W. Samuelson, '49, Brooklyn, New York, won the Delta Phi Alpha Prize for excellence in German studies.


Scott Stuart Wood, '52, Augusta; Stanley Foster Choate, '50, Winslow; Harland H. Eastman, '51, Springvale, Maine, were winners of first, second and third prizes respectively in the Goodwin Public Speaking Contest.

Choate was second in the Julius and Rachel Levine Extemporaneous Speaking Contest. Other winners were Robert Averill Rosenthal, '50, Waterville, third prize, and Paul B. Kilmister, '51, Concord, N. Y., fourth.

Kilmister and Rosenthal were on the first and second place teams respectively in the Murray Prize Debate, and Emile Leonard Genest, '51, Waterville, won with Kilmister.

The Albion Woodbury Small prizes for the best essays on sociology or economics were won by Jean Desper, '49, Worcester, Mass., first; Chana Marker, '49, Upper Montclair, N. J., second; Ragnhild F. Klaftstad, '49, Belmont, Mass., third.

Miss Marker also received the Chi Omega Prize in sociology awarded to the highest ranking women in that field.

Joanne Peirce, '52, Waltham, Mass., won the Chi Epsilon Mu Prize in Chemistry, awarded to highest ranking freshman in chemistry study.
CONTINUING the exhibition circuit in the State Series after edging Bates 1-0, Eddie Roundy’s Silver Anniversary Edition of Colby Mules baseballdom met Bowdoin College at Brunswick on the 23rd of April. In the Bears, Colby met the club that they expected to give them their toughest competition for State Series title honors.

The Bowdoin club lived up to advance notices. The Mules and Polar Bears locked up in one of the best games of the young season and after the smoke had cleared, the Roundymen found themselves on the short end of a 6-5 score.

The contest was nip-and-tuck all the way. Trailling by a run in the top of the ninth, relief pitcher Frankie Gavel laced a single to center to score a mate from second to send it into the last half of the ninth knotted at 5-5. But Gavel’s timely blow, oddly enough, proved to make him the losing pitcher when he gave up a run in the home half of the ninth as Bowdoin’s Silsby sliced a short Texas Leaguer into left center to pull the game out 6-5.

Pitchers’ Duel
Colby’s Frank Gavel and Tufts’ Bud Niles hooked up in the tightest pitching duel of the year the following day at Medford, Mass. and the verdict was in doubt until the 12th inning when Tommy Pierce’s long fly ball scored Wales from third. Russ Washburn followed with a clean single to score Spinner who had singled earlier and taken second when Nardozzi got a base on balls.

Gavel stole the spotlight from Niles, who was being watched by major league scouts and it is rumored that the scouts doted over the Mule twirler and Jim Keefe saved the game in the last two innings.

Again, Pierce was the batting star for Colby as he singled twice and doubled in six visits to the platter.

Returning to the State Series after the fine pitching performances of Silberstein and Gavel, the Mules won their first two games to take the Series lead on fine mound performances by two other hurlers — Jim Keefe and Walt Russell.

Russell was sent to the mound for the game with Maine at Orono on the 4th of May in the State Series official opening for both teams. Over seven years as the Mules walloped Tech 15-4 and whipped the Jumbos 4-2 for their first loss in two years.

Senior Burt Silberstein was elected to toss the M.I.T. game due to his fine showings in relief earlier. He vindicated Roundy’s confidence in him by throwing a neat four-hitter, holding the Tech batsmen at bay for his second win of the season.

Sharing laurels with Silberstein was Mule shortstop Tommy Pierce who connected for two doubles, a triple, and a homerun in four trips to the plate. It was the greatest slugging exhibition of the year by a Colby player.

Polar Bears Fall
Determined to avenge their earlier 6-5 loss in an exhibition against Bowdoin, the Mules, behind Jim Keefe who pitched a neat three-hitter, bested Bowdoin 2-1 in 10 innings two days later to lengthen their lead in the State Series with a two and nothing record.

Keefe locked with little Bernie Johnson of the McFaydenmen in a great hurling battle and got stronger as he went along. The three hits that the Polar Bears received were picked up in the first three frames. For the next seven innings, not a Bowdoin batter got anything resembling a base hit. Bowdoin took the lead in the fourth when Colby errors paved the way with a 1-0 lead.

The Mules came back in the eighth with a run when Spinner got his second hit off Johnson and the second Colby hit of the game when he stroked a line drive into dead left center for three bases. Norm White lifted a single over the infield and it was all tied up.

Nothing more happened until the 10th when, with Colby at bat, Nardozzi walked, got to second on a fielder’s choice, and was sent home with the winning run when Tommy Pierce smashed a line drive double just inside the left field foul line to sew it up, 2-1.

With four more Series games remaining — two with Bates and one each with Bowdoin and Maine — the Mules look very good for that State Series bunting again this spring.
Spring Grid Drills
Hoist Holmer Hopes

SPRING FOOTBALL practices were highly successful according to Coach Walt Holmer and the never-whipped boss of Mule pigskin destinies hopes to see things pick up for his team in next year’s grid campaign.

About 45 men, the biggest number in the history of spring football, were on hand throughout the three week grind and many of last year’s freshmen appeared ready for varsity positions in the fall.

The greatest amount of patching up will be done in the line, said Holmer, where graduation will claim such veteran linemen as Bob Cook, Bill Mitchell, and Jim Lundin. In the backfield, only Capt. George MacPhlemy at fullback will be a big loss and junior Win Naugler, transfer student from North Carolina State University, will be a leading contender for that berth.

In the backfield, Gene Billings, Ted Shiro, George Wales, Chet Harrington, Jack Alex, Jim Hall, Hal Baldwin, and a number of others will return as will Larry Tempesta, Ken Hart, Bob Cannell, Bob Gabriel, Ted Parker, and Dick Grant in the line.

Newcomers to the Colby football scene who may help the Blue and Gray on the road to recovery include, besides Naugler, Win Reed, Ray Billington, George Armstrong, Chic Cote, Bob Morton, and Dick Verrengia.

Asked who he thought would be the team to beat in the State Series this fall, Holmer replied unhesitatingly, "Bowdoin." The Polar Bears, he said, lose practically none of their fine backs, and few from their big line, and their Frosh were unbeaten last fall.

“But we hope to be in there for our share next year, too," said Holmer, "and I think we will.”

GOOD MAN IN PINCH!

Red Miller, pinch hitter in Colby’s final game of the season with the U. of M., got a double the first time at bat—a triple on his second trip and knocked in a total of four runs. This, Coach Eddie Roundy says, is something of a record for a pinch hitter in any league.

Johnny Spinner Is First To Receive Roundy Award

John Spinner ’49, captain and first sacker on the Colby Mules baseball nine this year, became the first recipient of the annual Edward C. Roundy trophy for most valuable player at the annual spring sports banquet here this month.

The Roundy award was established in honor of the veteran Mule diamond coach last winter by the baseball teams of 1946 and 1947 and Spinner was the choice of the panel which picked the winner on the basis of morale, aggressiveness on the field, and batting and fielding averages during this season.

Spinner was a great choice for the honor. The Winthrop, Maine native who will get his diploma June 13th hit .360 for 15 games this year and over .500 in state series play, to lead in that department.

For the past three seasons, after coming to Colby by way of Hebron and Boston College, Spinner has been a unanimous choice for All-Maine. For the last two summers, John played ball for the Augusta Millionaires and this summer will wear the uniform of the St. Johnsbury, Vt. outfit.

Class Notes About Colby
Men And Women

(New addresses of class members are placed before other notes. — The Editor.)

1893

Eva Taylor MacKenzie and her husband have enjoyed the Maine winter in their new home in Warren, Maine. Lizzie Huzzey has retired from her former position as librarian at Skowhegan Public Library.

1894

Rev. William B. Tuthill will serve as Colby’s representative at the inauguration of President Wilbour E. Saunders at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School on May 22. Dr. Tuthill has held pastorates in Maine, Massachusetts and Connecticut. He now lives in Scottsville, New York.

1897

Helen Hill has just been made chairman of the board of trustees of
the Wellesley Library. She and her husband are taking a trip to Panama the last of this month.

1902
Lew C. Church served as Colby's representative on the occasion of the seventy-fifth anniversary celebration of Macalester College, in St. Paul, on April 25th. Since 1908 Mr. Church has practiced law in Minneapolis. He has always maintained a close connection with the college, and at one period he served as Class Agent.

1907
Miss Ellen J. Peterson, 14 North Payne Street, Quincy, Mass.

1908
Berta Baldwin Thompson, 4432 Prospect Street, Los Angeles, Calif.

1909
Rev. Edwin W. Merrill was the representative of Colby College at the inauguration of President James L. Twingle at Park College, Parkville, Missouri, on March 31. Mr. Merrill is rector of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

1913
Miss Iva B. Willis, Kilkenny Inn, Elizabethtown, New York

1915

1916

1920
Esther Power, 912 North Wayne, Arlington, Virginia

1922
Dr. Edwin W. Gates has been attending various professional meetings recently, of the American College of Physicians of which he is a fellow, of the New York State Medical Society, etc. He is secretary of the section of medicine of the latter which means that in two years he will be chairman of the section. He has specialized in the study of diabetes mellitus and was the first to show how unexpectedly common this disease actually is. He is now hoping to continue his recent researches on the disease by experiments with a supply of a new type of insulin that has been offered him.

1924
Mrs. Therese H. Carroll is now residing at 9413 Wakefield St., Rochester, New Hampshire. She is teaching.

1925
Florence B. Wixson, RFD No. 2, Waterville, Maine

1926
Rev. Gabriel R. Guedj is now pastor of Memorial Baptist Church, Fresno, Calif. He received his D.D., June ’48.

1927
Almon R. Warren, 1077 Boulevard, West Hartford, Connecticut
Paul Seiderman, 9549 Carlyle Ave., Surfside, Miami, Florida

1928
Albert Rosenthal, 135 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Edna Cohen Rapaport, 32 Garland St., Bangor, Maine
Kent Pierce, 7 Everett St., Cambridge, Mass.
Hon. Charles P. Nelson, House Office Bldg., Washington, D. C.
Frances Mitchell, 181 College Ave., Waterville, Maine

1929
Irene Pelkey Stallings, 603 North Acacia St., Campton, Calif.

1930
Dr. Murray B. Miller, 11 Ross Road, Scarsdale, N. Y.
J. Slone Carlson suffered a heart attack on his 44th birthday. He is now coming along fine, but must take it easy the next seven or eight weeks.

1931
Jean Littlefield Power, Upper Landing Rd., Wells, Maine
Ruth Pineo, Milo, Maine
Evelyn Haycock Quinton, 12 Joce­lyn St., Auburn, Maine

1932
Jane Rattanbury O'Dell, 1304 Veteran Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.
George Allison, of Northfield, Maine, has accepted the principalship of Newport High School.

1933
Alice Morse Pedersen, 21 Warren St., Haverhill, Mass.

1934
Everett P. Perkins’ residence is now RFD No. 1, Boonton, N. J., and he is the owner of a Howard Johnson’s Restaurant on Route No. 6 in N. J.

1935
Elbridge B. Ross, 16 Mineral St., Reading, Mass.
Elinor Chick Ross, 16 Mineral St., Reading, Mass.
John J. Pullen, 1301 East Ave., Roslyn, Pa.
Luther A. Page, 194 Arnoldale Rd., West Hartford, Conn.

1936
Al Pagannuci, Ellsworth High School, Ellsworth, Maine

1937
Emery P. Worthen, Chambers Road, Cape Elizabeth, Maine
Louise G. Tracy, Pleasant St., Plainfield, Conn.
Dr. Leo M. Seltzer, Sinai Hospital of Baltimore, Monument St. and Rutland Ave., Baltimore, Maryland
Joe Antan is a counselor with the Division of Rehabilitation of the State Department of Education, Hartford, Conn.
Dr. Gordon S. Young is now a dentist at 18 Asylum St., Hartford, Conn.
Leo Sparber, care of Irene Shop, 3913 West North Ave., Chicago, Ill.
Francis C. Prescott, 3834 Florence Dr., Alexandria, Virginia

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1939
Allan B. Smith, Lee Center, N. Y.
Jean Burr Smith, RFD No. 1, Wic­tor, N. Y.

1940
Constance L. Tilley, 2512 K St. N.W., Apt. 701, Washington, D. C.
Conrad W. Swift, 809 College Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Charles R. Randall, 615 Melbourne Ct., Charlotte, N. C.

1941
Wendall T. Starr, 1727 Rugby Road, Schenectady, N. Y.
John McCorman, 34 Washington Blvd., Woodbridge, Conn.
Vernelle Dyer is working for Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. in Lynn, Mass.
Craig Blanchard is on the West Coast where he is a civilian finance officer at Fort Lawton, Washington.

1942
Ruth A. Wolfe, 115 Wilcox St., Bristol, Conn.
William E. Tucker, Westport, Conn.
Eleanor Stuart, 213 Shaw St., Lowell, Mass.
Cynthia Smith, 1902 Argentia Drive, Apt. B, Wynnewood, Dallas, Texas
Helen Margraff, 197 Chestnut Ave., Waterbury, Conn.

1943
Ruby Lott Tucker, Westbrook, Conn.
Eileen Alpert Siegel, 123-35 82nd Rd., Kew Gardens, N. Y.
Carl Paradis, Mt. Pleasant Ave., Skowhegan, Maine
Virginia Farran McDonald, Windham Center, Conn.

1944
James Whitten, 40 Middle St., Orono, Maine
Gardner Taylor, General Delivery, Lake Shore Dr., Lake Roonkonkoma, Long Island, N. Y.
Bernice Knight Short, Box 505, Route II, Los Altos, Calif.
Edward Wood will graduate from University of Connecticut in June.
Philip A. Waterhouse is an editorial writer for both newspaper and radio and his address is 2319 Oregon St., Bakersfield, Calif.
Dr. James Springer was scheduled to leave the United States on May 8 to journey to Israel where he will render dental service under the Kupat-Holim (Workers' Sick Fund). Jim, who has been practicing in Boston and who has served for three years as Board of Health school clinic dentist in Winthrop, expects to be in Israel about a year.

1945
Robert Urie, RFD No. 2, Bristol, New Hampshire
Garrett V. Ridgley, 750 Quebec Place N.W., Washington, D. C.
Kenneth Quinnby, 27 No. Clinton Ave., Trenton, N. J.
Lawrence Sachs is attending Harvard Law School.

1946
Harriet Glashaw Singer, 245 West 104th St., New York, N. Y.

1947
Rachel Allard is teaching school in Hollis, Maine.
Dorothy Briggs is teaching German in Malden High, Malden, Mass.
Renee Ferris is at Harvard Law School.
June E. Chipman is employed with U. S. Public Service doing research on diabetes.

1948
Frances Hyde Zeecker, Sanborn Academy, Kingston, N. H.
Antoinette Booth has been a student at Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School in N. Y. C.
William Taylor is training with Prudential Insurance Co. in Newark, N. J.
James Alex is entering Tufts Dental in September of 1949.
Howard Clement is working at General Electric as an accountant in New York.
Everett B. Dowe is teaching physics and mathematics at Marianapolis school in Thompson, Conn.

1949
Charles H. Sanborn, 3512 Elleaslie Ave., Baltimore, Md.
Patricia Sales, 33 Kings Beach Terrace, Swampscott, Mass.

1950
Charles P. Pickett, 90 High St., East Haven, Conn.
Arthur Paul, Bay Shore Dr., Falmouth Foreside, Maine
Donald Murray, 12 Grove St., South River, N. J.

1951
Fay E. Shingleyder, 675 Main St., Hingham, Mass.
David J. Roan, 328 Washington St., Abington, Mass.
Miss Christine A. Woodbury, 76 Bay St., Winslow, Maine
Raymond C. Tarbox, 213 Newbury St., Boston, Mass.

MILESTONES

Engaged
Mary-Louise Roberts, '49, Providence, R. I., to Robert P. Friberg, Swampscott, Massachusetts. Miss Roberts is a senior at Colby. Mr. Friberg is at Springfield College. A June wedding is planned.
Carleton P. Stinchfield, '49, Woburn, Massachusetts, to Janet E. Beattie, Woburn, Massachusetts. Mr. Stinchfield is a senior at Colby.
Hazel Brewer, '45, Waterville, Maine, to Robert Warren, Winches-
Marblehead, Mass., on April 19, 1949. The wedding took place in the Star of the Sea Church in Marblehead. Mrs. Fortin studied at Massachusetts College of Optometry and Dr. Fortin after his graduation from Colby also attended Massachusetts College of Optometry. The couple will reside on Mayflower Hill Drive, Waterville.

Shirley I. Foster, '47, Boston, Mass., to John Bechtel on December 18, 1948, at the First Parish Church, Framingham, Mass. Mrs. Bechtel is doing research at Massachusetts Memorial Hospital in Boston. Mr. Bechtel is a medical student at Boston University.


**Born**

To Mr. and Mrs. John Hagstrom (Elaine Anderson, '44), a daughter, Wendy Ann, on March 30, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Van Hoek (Ruth Parsons, '44), a daughter, Sandra Louise, on March 10, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tee Laliberte (Anita Pooler, '43, Tee, '42), a son, Robert Alton, on April 12, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Doe (Wesley Doe, '44), a daughter, Helen, on March 24, 1949, and Sandra February 24, 1947.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Levings (Muriel Thomas, '49), a son, John Thomas, on April 13, 1949.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lucy (Robert Lucy, '48, Barbara Lindsay, '48), a son, Donald Johnathan, on April 9, 1949.

To Dr. and Mrs. John E. Poirier (John E. Poirier, '44), a daughter, Jean Ellen, on December 8, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Spanutius (Ruth Plaisted, '44), a daughter, Helen, on April 30, 1949.

To Dr. and Mrs. John F. Reynolds (John F. Reynolds, '36), a son, John F., Jr., on May 7, 1949.

**Married**

Margaret Scott, '47, Brunswick, Maine, to Richard F. Alden, Westford, Massachusetts, on February 5, 1949. Mr. Alden is a senior at Bowdoin College. Mr. and Mrs. Alden are residing at Mrs. David Scott's, Forge Village Road, Westford, Massachusetts.

Leona Plaisted, '44, China, Maine, to Laurence Fish, Keene, N. H., on April 30, 1949. The wedding took place at St. Brigid's Rectory, North Vassalboro. Mrs. Fish has been employed at C. F. Hathaway Company, Waterville. Mr. Fish, a graduate from State Teachers College, N. H., is now with the Whitcomb Construction Company. The couple will reside in Keene after July 1.

Dr. Fernand D. Fortin, '36, Marblehead, to Dr. Marion C. Donovan,

In 1887, Dr. Adams became director and instructor of gymnastics at Colby, a post which he held for several years while he was attending the Maine Medical school from which he was graduated in 1890.

After leaving Colby he became director of gymnastics at Rutgers college. In the early 1890's he traveled in Europe and studied forestry in the famed Black Forest of Germany. He had been a sincere friend of Colby for many years, and was the first unsolicited contributor to the Roberts' Memorial Union.

He is survived by a niece, Miss Lydia Adams of Bangor, Maine.

He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Bird Conservation club, the Historical society and the First Universalist church, all of Bangor.

**DORA M. SIBLEY, '92**

Miss Dora May Sibley, one of the two remaining graduates in the women's division in the class of 1892, died suddenly on February 19, 1949, in Portland, Maine.

She was 77 years old and had lived in Portland since September 1946.

Miss Sibley was born in Sidney, Maine, and following her graduation from Colby was a teacher at Gloucester, Mass., and later taught Spanish at the Oak Park, Illinois, High School for many years, retiring in 1940.

Among her surviving relatives are a niece, Miss Will O. Kimball, of Portland.

**ZADOC PRESCOTT SHAW, '92**

Dr. Zadoc Shaw, 84, died after a short illness on March 27, 1949, in Claremont, New Hampshire, where he had practised dentistry for 54 years.

Dr. Shaw was born in West Hampden, Maine, February 9, 1865, the son of Joel Eaton and Maria (Mayhew) Shaw.

He was educated in the West Hampden schools, M. C. I. and at Colby, entering in 1888 and leaving before graduation to enter Baltimore, Maryland, Dental College from which he was graduated in the class of 1892. He began his practice in Presque Isle, Maine, where he stayed for six years, moving to Claremont in 1898. He married Lenora O. Barto who
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survives him together with a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Shaw Boyton, both of Claremont; a brother, Dr. Oren Shaw of Newport, New Hampshire; three sisters, Miss Emma Shaw of Howland, Maine; the Misses Issetta and Cora Shaw of Bangor, Maine, and several nieces and nephews.

He was a member of the New England Dental Society and past president of the New Hampshire Dental Society; a member of the First Universalist Church of Claremont; a trustee and vice president of the Claremont Savings Bank and for many years a director of the Claremont Building and Loan Association.

He was a charter member of the Claremont Country Club, a member of the Hiram Lodge 9, F. and A. M., of Webb Royal Arch Chapter 6, of Columbian Council 2, R. and S. M., and of Sullivan Commandery, Knights Templar.

NATHANIEL TOMPKINS, '03

Nathaniel Tompkins, 69, associate Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine, died following a heart attack in the Aroostook County Court House in Houlton, Maine, on April 22.

He was elevated to the Maine Supreme Court in 1945 by Gov. Sumner Sewall after a distinguished record as Superior Court Justice, to which post he was appointed in 1941.

He was a member of the 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, and 89th legislatures, speaker of the Maine House in 1935 and President of the Maine Senate in 1941.

He was a representative to the Alumni Council of Colby College 1940-44, class agent 1937-38.

He is survived by his wife, Ragnhild Iverson Tompkins, and a daughter, Sigrid E. Tompkins, '38.

He had been President of the Houlton Savings Bank for 34 years.

He was a trustee of Ricker Junior College; member of the Masons, and Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

Maine’s governor, Frederick Payne, headed a group of distinguished citizens gathering at Houlton to pay final tribute to Justice Tompkins.

LERoy L. WOODS, '06


Mr. Woods was the son of Herbert and Annie (Leonard) Woods and was born in Thorndike, Maine, November 28, 1877.

He attended Freedom Academy and Castine Normal School before entering Colby where he stayed only one year, completing his education at summer sessions at various Universities.

He taught school in Brooks and Wells Beach, Maine, and North Attleboro, Mass., and spent a year in France with the Y. M. C. A. during World War I.

He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

He was married in 1908 to Agnes Belle Vaughan, '08, who survives him.

ROY W. MOORE JR., '47

Roy Windfield Moore Jr., 23, died on April 19, 1949, in Waterville, Maine. He had been a hospital patient for ten days.

He was born in Waterville, December 18, 1925, the son of Roy W. and Pansy (Nickerson) Moore.

He attended Colby for one year and graduated from the University of Maine in 1947.

He was married February 15, 1947, to Mary Tetlow, '46, of Taunton, Mass., and is survived by his wife, an infant daughter, and three sisters: Mrs. Marion Kennison, '39, Redbank, New Jersey; Mrs. Ruth W. Brown, '40, Newport, Rhode Island, and Mrs. Evelyn F. Thurston, Worcester, Mass.

He was a member of the Springfield Blue Lodge of Masons, of the ATO fraternity and attended the First Baptist Church of Waterville.
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Massacre at Fort Loyal

After the destruction of Falmouth (now Portland) in King Philip's War, the colonial government erected Fort Loyal, establishing a frontier post there under command of Captain Sylvanus Davis. The fortress was located on a

steep bluff at the water's edge on the spot where the roundhouse of the Grand Trunk Railroad later stood for years—an unfortunate choice of location, as was proven later.

By 1690 the French and Indians began to gather on the islands in the Bay, preparing for an all-out attack on the settlement. This came in 1690, after preliminary skirmishes on Munjoy's Hill—where thirteen men under Lieutenant Thaddeus Clark were killed—and at the outlying farms, where houses were burned.

The terrified inhabitants fled to the garrison houses, of which there were four at the time. One, the stone house of Captain Lawrence on Munjoy's Hill, was near the present burying ground; another, near the foot of Exchange Street, possibly Lieutenant Ingersoll's house; another, south of the first meeting house; the fourth, believed to be the house of one Elisha Gullison.

The attack on the town was sudden and fierce. By nightfall the garrisoned people had used all their ammunition, and fled under cover of darkness to the fortress. The savages then entered the town in full force and set torch to the houses before concentrating on the fort on the morning of May 16th.

For five days and four nights the brave band of English defended themselves. When the savages, under direction of their French commander, started mining under the fort on the sea side, Captain Davis realized their position would soon be untenable and asked the French commander for safe conduct for the survivors to the nearest English settlement. This was granted, but when the fortress gates were thrown open the Indians rushed in and completed their work of destruction, sparing neither wounded, women or children, and only stopping when but four or five men besides Captain Davis were left alive.

These were taken as prisoners over land and water to Canada—a journey of untold hardships of which Captain Davis' own report says merely: "It took about twenty-four days before we arrived at Quebec." The town of Falmouth Neck was left an absolute wilderness behind them.