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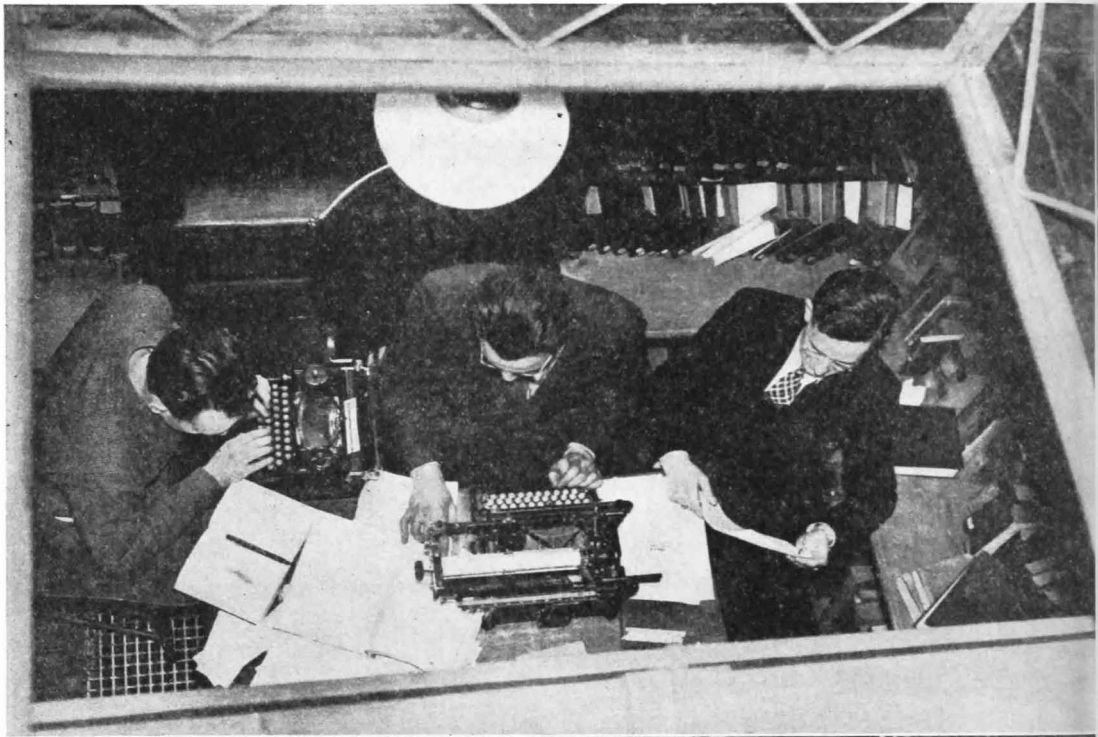
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COLBY BECOMES ETHER CONSCIOUS

By WILSON COLLINS PIPER, '39
Production Chief, Colby Radio Staff

NO, I don't mean that large numbers of Colby students have been operated on recently or have been going down to Thayer hospital to study the properties of ether. I refer to the fact that Colby this year has turned to the use of the ether waves by its use of radio broadcasting for various purposes.

Compiling a few statistics shows rather startling results. Different Colby College activities have been on the air approximately 1440 minutes, or if you multiply that by the number of different stations carrying some programs, a total station time of 3720 minutes. The value of this time over nearly a hundred different stations, if bought, would cost several thousands of dollars. There have been both long wave and short wave broadcasts; local and network programs. The name of Colby has been carried to many millions of listeners from Maine to California and even in South America and Africa. Probably the voices of nearly 200 different students and many of the faculty members have been heard. A half dozen college activities have been represented on special programs as well as others on the regular college program. They say that figures don't lie, so the conclusion that Colby is becoming ether-conscious can hardly be denied.

There have been of course certain highlights of the broadcasting activities since last fall. The number one event was the broadcast of the Lovejoy Centennial Exercises when Herbert Hoover was here, which were carried by the coast-to-coast facilities

of NBC's Red Network as well as by WLBZ in Maine. I need not say more than that letters came from as far away as California. I do not recall the number of stations in the Red Network, but there must have been nearly one hundred which carried the voices of ex-President Hoover and President Franklin W. Johnson.

Many alumni in all parts of New England reported their pleasure in listening to the broadcast of the Ground-Breaking Exercises on Mayflower Hill last August, carried over the Yankee Network, from WNAC in Boston. The half-hour part of the exercises which was broadcast included the choice and growing oratory of Hon. Bainbridge Colby, the message from George Horace Lorimer read by President Johnson, and the President's own remarks climaxing in the "Boom!" of the dynamite blast. As an interesting sidelight, many listeners here in Waterville heard the blast from their loudspeakers several seconds before the reverberations reached them from outdoors.

Some of the other special programs have been the football games with University of Maine and Bates, and the intercollegiate band contest on Armistice Day; most of the home basketball games over either WLBZ in Bangor or WRDO, Augusta, or both; debates with the University of Maine and Bates; the college choir and Dean Marriner from WCSH in Portland; two broadcasts from the winter carnival dances over the Maine Broadcasting System.

Two programs have been given over the short waves from W1XAL.

Boston, under the auspices of the World Wide Broadcasting Foundation. This is a non-commercial organization which provides educational and entertainment features of the highest quality, especially enjoyed by listeners in far-away localities beyond the range of the regular long wave stations. The first was an address on Lovejoy and the Centennial observances at Colby, delivered by Major Clarence E. Lovejoy of New York City. The second occurred on February 27, when President Johnson gave an address on "Some Factors in Planning an Ideal College Campus," as one of a series of Sunday afternoon addresses by presidents of New England colleges.

Ranking next in importance to the Hoover broadcast, however, is the regular college program. That is what is making radio a new student activity at Colby. Every Monday at 6:30, except during vacations, WLBZ and WRDO, the Maine Broadcasting System, carry "Colby at the Microphone," which is planned and produced by a student staff. It is partly through the work of this staff also that several special programs have been arranged and lines run into the Field House and Alumnae Building to pick up campus events. "Colby at the Microphone" originates in the Waterville studio of WLBZ, Bangor. The program has offered a wide range of activities from humor to serious educational talks. It is here quite naturally that my chief interest lies and to it that I wish to devote the rest of this article.

The development of the Colby hour began last year when the Echo had a fifteen minute news program. This year the stations offered a half hour and it was decided to organize a Radio Staff as a separate college activity. With a temporary staff we started in almost immediately. None of us knew anything of organizing and producing such a radio hour and we have found since that we made a good many mistakes. But today we feel that we are presenting a rather interesting variety program with an

IN THE FIELD OF PUBLIC SPEAKING

This is the season when Dr. Libby's public speakers are competing in prize contests, boning up briefs for intercollegiate debates (as shown on opposite page, above), and generally improving their forensic technique. One of the department's innovations is the recording outfit shown at the left with Dr. Libby at the controls. With this, students get practice in one important phase of contemporary public address: speaking over the microphone. The speaker, in this picture is Wilson Collins Piper, '39 (son of Clara Collins Piper, '14) whose article on this page reveals a comparatively new and up-to-the-minute student activity.

appeal to many different groups. We try to present a good production and to improve our technique week to week.

One of our first jobs was to find suitable voices for announcers. Also there was a call for others, such as technician, continuity writers and those to have charge of music. For announcers about fifty different students were auditioned in several groups. With a skeleton staff we got started. But we soon found that none of us seemed to have a definite concept of what the program should be. We have solved that in several ways. First we have tried a number of different features and gauged its success by comments. In the second place we have tried to think what kind of an audience we want to reach. This has proved a stickler, and is not yet answered entirely. As the saying goes, "you can't fool all the people all the time." Neither, we found, can you please all the people all the time. And the objects of our program seem to be varied. One of the first things definitely decided on and never abandoned was that college news should be an integral part of the program. But what else?

Of course we wanted to receive the attention of parents and alumni. But we would also like to reach high school students who might come to

Colby. And we wanted to get the Colby students themselves listening. In order to build up interest in this new activity. For the first group, serious educational features were necessary. The high school and Colby student also called for something lighter and more entertaining. And, if possible we wanted a certain degree of program unity. We have found that we have not been able to get all of these things in all the time, but have had some success.

We have presented short faculty talks covering a wide range of topics. Some of these have been: Professor Breckenridge on the need for tolerance, Professor Weber on the Hardy Collection in the library, Mr. Carlson on modern Maine authors, Dean Marriner on some of the less known facts about Lovejoy, Mr. Rush, the librarian, telling of some of his experiences in Palestine last summer, Coaches Roundy, McCoy and Professor Loeb on different athletic activities at various times, Dr. Palmer on Ireland, Dean Marriner with some news about the extension courses, Professor Lougee describing Russian palaces, Registrar Warren on vocational guidance, Professor Wilkinson showing the need of the principles of Washington and Lincoln today, Professor Weeks an ancient alchemy, Dr. Morrow on Juvenile Delinquency, and

President Johnson summarizing progress toward Mayflower Hill. As a whole, they constitute a valuable and most interesting set of talks.

Besides these there have been numerous special features on this weekly broadcast. There was a football rally program before the Maine game. A few weeks ago a spelling contest showed the Colby co-ed as victorious over the Colby male. One of the Ben Butler stories was dramatized.

Two other features deserve mention. Music is necessary to a variety program and many individuals and groups have been used. We also uncovered a humorist in the person of Tom Brenner, a transfer student from Grant, Montana. For three or four minutes each week he has been journeying about the world talking nonsense about the geography of various countries.

What we have finally done is try to satisfy everyone part of the time. Whether we have succeeded is up to the listeners. We have not received very many reactions from Colby alumni. If you are a listener we would like to have your comments and also suggestions for new features which will enable us to keep constantly improving "Colby on the Microphone." Address them to Colby at the Microphone, care of the WLBZ Studio in Waterville.

INTRODUCING PRESIDENT PEPPER

THE many alumni who remember the late George Dana Boardman Pepper will, perhaps, enjoy reading the following text of one of his typical after-dinner speeches. It was given before the New York Colby Alumni Association at the St. Denis Hotel on March 12, 1897.

Mr. Toast-Master:

I was much pleased to receive from your honorable secretary, my friend Hanson, an invitation to be here this evening. He said not one word about a speech. Had I not a right to assume that my contribution to this festival was to be the pure gold of silence? What need of other words from the college after the address of our President?

A good friend of mine, famous for

his lack of physical beauty, pastor of a city church had a clear-headed deacon who one evening in a social meeting prayed for him as follows—"Oh Lord, bless our pastor, make him useful as well as ornamental. "Well, so tonight, President Butler is useful and I am something else, like the tail of a comet—but, it is unnecessary to say more.

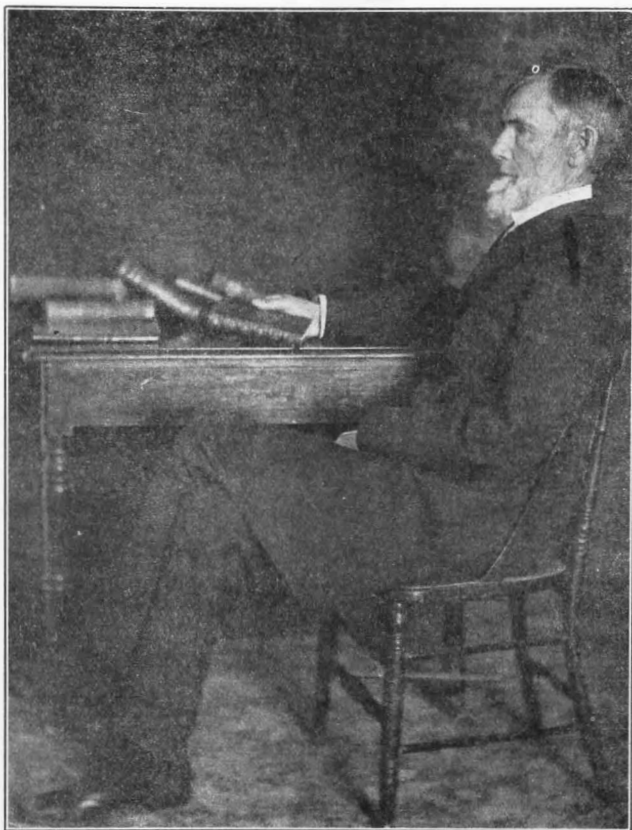
Some years ago in Boston, a man rose in a prayer meeting and said: "Brethren and sisters, I've been a Christian forty years off and on." I can say in the words of this eminent and somewhat typical saint that I have been connected with Colby University forty years, less three, "off and on." As pastor of the Baptist church in Waterville from 1860 to 1865 I had much to do with both stu-

dents and faculty, and acted as Secretary of the Board of Trustees. Returning as President in 1882 I remained until 1889, and again in 1892 I became a member of the Faculty. I thus feel very much at home in Colby, and very much at home with her children, though myself a child of Old Amherst. A true son of Colby once spoke in a public meeting as follows: "I've been in this town only a short time. It's a peculiar place, all ministers, theological students, Christians, I don't find any sinners, I feel lonely." I can say truly this evening that with these children of mother Colby I do not feel lonely.

I love my own college, am proud of her. She has done a noble work, has had on her faculty grand men, and her graduates are her glory. I say

this of Amherst heartily, affectionately. I say it also of Colby, even more heartily and more affectionately. Colby was nobly born, has a noble record, is a noble mother. Think of her presidents! Such men as Chaplin, Patterson, Champlin, Robins, Small, Whitman and long live the king, Butler. Think of her graduates! In Foreign Missions, such men as Boardman, Willard and Bunker, Foster, Kingman, Cummings and Dearing. In home missions, at the head of the higher institutions of learning for the Freedman, Chaplin, Mitchell, King, Owen and Meserve. In our own colleges and professional schools, such educators as Oakman S. Stearns, Martin B. Anderson, James H. Hanson, Samuel L. Caldwell, Samuel K. Smith, Charles E. Hamlin, Larkin Dunton, Shailer Mathews, George W. Smith, and so many more of the same rank. No college has a more honorable record than Colby for the work of her graduates in the profession of teaching. She has given to the pulpit Bosworth, Lamson, Ricker, Williams, N. M. Wood, Gow, Henry A. Sawtelle, J. F. Elder, C. V. Hanson, The Tildens, Bakeman, the Cochranes. She has been the mother of a host of eminent lawyers, Paine, Butler, Dunnell and Drummond, Whitehouse, and Bonney, Looney and Lyford. If in literature our sister Bowdoin justly boasts of her proud pre-eminence, even Bowdoin may well envy Colby the fame of her William Mathews and sorrow that Koopman is not her child. And among her younger graduates Colby has some who are predestinated to literary eminence and their light cannot long be hid. Her war record proves that her heart is not dead to the living present. Her sons both old and young heard and obeyed the nation's call to arms. On the Memorial tablet in Memorial Hall she cherishes the names of those who fell and accords a like honor to those who braved war's perils and survived. She delights especially to honor him who with us this evening has so much honored her at once by his service to his country and by his generous gift to her of a physical laboratory. Such have been and are and will be her children—a rapidly growing family, growing rapidly in numbers and in loyal love to their mother.

Colby has reasons to thank God



GEORGE DANA BOARDMAN PEPPER

and take courage in the thought of those who have come forward with money and with counsel to carry her forward to increasing efficiency. Such names as those of Colby, and Coburn, and Merrill, and Wording, and Giddings, and Shannon bid us not lose heart when the need is sorest and the hour is darkest. These givers have themselves been God's gift; and God is not unable to do again as he has done before.

Colby has good reason to pride herself on that which she has done for her children. In downright honest thorough work for her students in the beginning and from the beginning she has had few equals and no superiors. In the eighties now and then a Bowdoin deputation came to do missionary work among the Coburn Institute boys, and to draw them from the Ken-

nebec to the Androscoggin. I once asked a loyal Colby boy to tell me the points made for Bowdoin as against Colby. He said they are three. At Bowdoin there is greater freedom, more style and less work. We decline, even, now to compete on those lines.

The college has been conservative, but not unduly. It is ready to prove all things but will hold fast that which is good. It does not covet changes, but only the good which change may bring. It will: Ring out the old, Ring in the new; only as in so doing it shall; Ring out the false, Ring in the true. It is constantly changing, not violently but gradually, to broaden, deepen, purify, strengthen, vitalize its work, make it fit more perfectly the personal needs of the students and the necessities of the times.

The college is fortunate in its location and consequently in its constituency. There is a town in Oxford county of which it has been said that no child born within its limits and growing up to maturity has ever failed to become eminent and distinguished. Something like that holds of the whole state. The best of human timber grows there. Why! look at the representatives of Maine in Congress. Frye and Hale in the Senate,

Reed and Dingley in the House. And that Maine has not once and again furnished to the nation a president is not because she has not furnished the suitable candidate!

With a leader such as Colby now has, a son of the college, and too a grandson, familiar with educational work in all its forms, in the full power of early mankind, full of ambition for the highest achievement, awake, alert, and wisely pushing, having a

just confidence in himself and also having and deserving the confidence of all the friends of the college, he only needs that he be helped to lay aside from the college that weight of inadequate equipment which is impeding her progress. This done, he will so administer her affairs that this last quarter of a century shall bring her to a centennial celebration rich at once in the highest achievements and the brightest anticipations.

SQUARE PEGS IN SQUARE HOLES

How Colby's Personnel Bureau Assists Seniors in Their Life Plans and Job Hunting Problems

By JOSEPH COBURN SMITH, '24

A talk with Elmer C. Warren, who serves in the triple capacity of Personnel Director, Registrar, and Assistant Professor of Mathematics, reveals that Colby is quietly doing much to eliminate the human waste that so often occurs after a boy or girl receives a college diploma and before he or she settles down to productive work in a fruitful life-career. False starts in unsuitable fields of work, unemployment due to lack of facilities for getting into contact with employers, and similar problems are being reduced to some extent by Colby's Personnel and Placement Service.

Mr. Warren likes to emphasize that he does not get jobs for seniors—he merely exposes the student and the position to each other, and it is up to the individual to get the job on his own merits. Nevertheless, it should be said that without Mr. Warren's efforts, quite a number of the Colby graduates of the last two or three years would not be in the positions which they now enjoy. It seems likely, therefore, that some of the readers of this magazine will be interested in the workings of this service which Colby gives its students.

The first thing that Mr. Warren has to do is to obtain detailed personal knowledge of each senior who wishes to avail himself or herself of the assistance of this department. Obviously, many have their life plans already laid out—graduate or professional

school, a job in the family business or home town high school, marriage, and so on—but annually, a half or so of the seniors are uncertain and anxious about what is in store for them after Commencement.

To these, then, Mr. Warren gives certain standard vocational interest and personality tests. Their results are not over-emphasized, for their limitations are well understood, but Mr. Warren finds them of value. He says that they are often very useful in a negative sense; that is, they may show that some student is ill-fitted for some type of work which he had thought he wanted to enter, and so the student is steered away from what would almost certainly be an unhappy and discouraging experience. These tests also suggest wide areas of occupational interest on the part of a student and so enable Mr. Warren to direct him into a congenial field, perhaps a vocation which would never have occurred to the student otherwise. Besides the objective data supplied by these tests, Mr. Warren gathers information from the personnel and academic records, and from frequent talks with each of the seniors. He discusses the various occupational fields and gives counsel as to the type of work for which each individual seems to be emotionally and intellectually fitted.

Alumni Autobiographies

Aside from individual counselling, vocational guidance is promoted by the Personnel Bureau in several ways.

A shelf in the Library is supplied with a number of books, pamphlets and other information relating to various vocational fields. What has been found to be more effective, however, is a file of occupational autobiographies written for Mr. Warren by some of the younger graduates. Each of these deals at length with the writer's experiences on his or her first job, and answers certain leading questions on such topics as: how the job was obtained, training period, adjustment difficulties encountered, description of work, salary, living accommodations, opportunities for recreation, and "What is the best advice you can offer seniors about to enter the working world?" As might be expected, these contain far more "meat" of vital interest to a senior considering the same sort of work than most of the vocational literature, which consists chiefly of statistics, generalizations, and second hand information.

Sometime during the late winter or early spring, the seniors have an opportunity to take part in a two-day conference on the technique of job-getting. In the past, this has sometimes been conducted by F. Alexander Magoun, professor of humanities at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Two chief subjects are taken up: letters of application, and interviews with employers. The students write letters to a hypothetical school superintendent or business concern, and these are criticized before the group



THE PERSONNEL BUREAU IN ACTION

Professor Warren (left) introduces Paul Palmer, '37, to the Representative of the Socony-Vaccum Oil Company

from the standpoint of the impression they would make upon a prospective employer. For the interview session, the cooperation of a Maine school superintendent and a business executive is obtained, and these men conduct demonstration interviews before the group. The aim of all this is, frankly, to show the student how to put the best foot forward and to avoid giving unfavorable impressions when seeking a job.

The Colby Personnel Bureau also serves as a depository for the credentials of all who wish to be considered for jobs. This includes alumni and alumnae, as well as seniors, for not infrequently Mr. Warren receives a notice of a vacancy (more often in the case of teaching positions) for which the names of experienced candidates are requested. The credentials for each person include a personal data sheet, a photograph, and copies of recommenda-

tions. Transcripts of academic records, of course, are also handled by Mr. Warren's office. Registration is free, and if this service were more widely known, it would doubtless be used by more Colby graduates of all ages.

Cooperation with Employers

Another major function of the Personnel Director is to serve as a liaison between the seniors and prospective employers. Every year the business and the educational world wish to hire a certain number of college graduates, and are grateful for any assistance that is given to enable them to make their choice. Thus it is that they are favorably inclined towards Colby graduates because they know that they can arrange to visit this college and find that Mr. Warren has provided facilities for them to use in interviewing students and has drawn up an appointment schedule

for a number of candidates who meet the particular requirements of the employer in question. In contrast, these employing agents are inclined to pass over a college where experience has shown that their coming has been prepared for only to the extent of posting a notice on the campus bulletin board. This refers particularly to representatives of business firms of national scope.

While school superintendents also come to the college to interview candidates for positions, more of this type of placement work is conducted by Mr. Warren through correspondence. Through his widening personal acquaintance with school executives, more and more are giving him an opportunity to submit names of Colby seniors and graduates for vacancies in school positions.

In both business and school placement work, Mr. Warren is scrupulous in recommending only those who meet

the specifications of the employer. He does not attempt to "sell" a student by exaggerating his good qualifications, and if no one is available who meets the requirements, the employer is frankly told so.

Colby Seniors are Sought

Last year, we made the amazing record of having every one of the dozen or so business firms who sent agents to Colby offer a job to one or more of our seniors. It should be realized that these men accept on an average only one out of several hundred college applicants, and leave many campuses without accepting a single candidate. The fact, therefore, that our seniors "battled for 1,000" is realistic evidence of the calibre of the Colby product of today. Among the better known firms who offered jobs to last year's seniors were: Montgomery Ward, Socony-Vacuum, American Telephone & Telegraph, Liberty Mutual, W. T. Grant Stores, Firestone, Dennison, B. F. Goodrich, and General Electric.

Another interesting thing in this connection, according to Mr. Warren, is the fact that these employing agents apparently regard the New England college graduate as a superior product. Hence, many plan to begin their campaigns in this section. This year, he says, these men seem to be making the rounds a month or more earlier than ever before. Just why this is, he has thus far been unable to determine. Possibly each thinks that he will thus be able to skim the cream from the 1938 crop.

In answer to the question: "What can the Colby alumni do to make the work of your department more effective?" Mr. Warren said that they can

render a great service by "tipping him off" to any jobs that are open, or may become open. Colby men who are in a position to employ college graduates should need only to be reminded of the Colby Personnel Bureau, if they are not already in the habit of seeking Colby men and women for positions in their organizations. However, Mr. Warren emphasizes the fact that hundreds of Colby alumni and alumnae, even though they may not themselves have anything to do with the hiring, frequently learn of forthcoming vacancies in their company or school. A penny post card informing Mr. Warren of this fact might lead to the filling of the position with some Colby graduate.

The cooperation of Colby alumni is particularly needed now, for according to Mr. Warren the advance correspondence with the concerns who regularly visit Colby indicates that they are making drastic cuts in their employment of college men this spring. Any new business contacts, therefore, that can be made for Mr. Warren will help counteract this problem.

How Alumni Can Help

Mr. Warren's service is limited by the fact that his contacts with business employers consist largely of national organizations whose size makes it worthwhile to canvass the colleges. Many students, on the other hand, are becoming less attracted by the prospect of business careers with such organizations in the metropolitan centers and would like to become connected with smaller concerns in smaller communities. Working for these businesses, it is felt, is less regimented and offers more scope for out-

standing ability, and the smaller cities appeal to them as offering better chance for a full life. Yet, such concerns do not canvass the colleges for candidates, and so it is only by occasional chance that Mr. Warren is enabled to bring a Colby man or woman into contact with an opening of that sort. Here again is an opportunity for Colby alumni to assist, either by bringing Colby's Personnel Bureau to the attention of the employing agents of such businesses, or by arranging for Mr. Warren to visit or correspond with one of the executives. Even if such a firm only took on a new man once in five years, the addition of twenty or thirty such firms to our list of business contacts might mean jobs for a few seniors each year.

Alumni cooperation in placement activities is no new thing, of course. For many years, the Chicago Alumni Association agreed to place one man whom President Roberts might nominate each year. The Colby colony in Chicago today is made up in part of men who were attracted to that city by that arrangement. It would be a splendid thing if Colby alumni groups in various localities would consider similar projects.

As one talks with Mr. Warren, he realizes that the field of vocational guidance, job placement, and personnel counselling offers almost endless scope and the need for it increases with the growing complexity of our civilization. At Colby today this work is confined to the part-time duty of one man, and as such is being handled ably and more effectively year by year. It is proving to be an important cog in the training for life which this college offers to young men and women.

EVALUATING A PRESIDENT

New Book by Smith, '26, Favorably Received

"JAMES MADISON, BUILDER." is the title of a recently published volume by Abbot Emerson Smith, '26. It is published by the Elliot Publishing Company and comprises 366 pages. A review of this work was printed in the Sunday Book Section of the New York Herald-Tribune on February 27, written by Henry Steele Commager. This critique

is in part as follows:

The sesquicentennial of the Constitution has excited a renewed appreciation of the constructive genius of the man whose title "Father of the Constitution" has never been seriously challenged by historians. Few men indeed have influenced our history more profoundly or more lastingly, few have played a more active role in

our politics.

Yet Madison is less known, perhaps, than any man of comparable significance in our history: This is the first biography of him to appear since Gaillard Hunt's excellent book of 1902. The reason is not hard to find. There was something impersonal, almost mechanical, about "the little cardinal." He was a scholar,

a man of principle, reserved, prudent, timid, seemingly without emotions or passions, with no rough edges; a man who does not surrender himself readily to the picklocks of biographers. In his own time, says Mr. Smith, he inspired confidence but not enthusiasm. "He was not a colorful figure. . . He had Washington's solemnity without Washington's strength, and Hamilton's intelligence without the realistic grasp of fact which made the Secretary of the Treasury a genius. And so he was more popular than Hamilton, less revered than Washington, and never loved as was Jefferson." And we are reminded of the observation of wild old President Witherspoon that during Madison's whole career at Princeton College he had never been known to say or do an indiscreet thing.

Madison, then, does not lend himself readily to interpretation, yet it is interpretation which Mr. Smith has essayed. For this biography is not an exhaustive or original work. It explores no new ground, and leaves much that is familiar unsurveyed. It



Abbot Emerson Smith, '26

advances no new theories and ignores or evades old ones. It does not pretend to be a definitive biography but emphasizes the need for such an undertaking. Its merits lie elsewhere:

In the simplicity and lucidity of the presentation, the balance and temperance of the interpretation, the liveliness and humor of the style, and—despite the cavalier dismissal of many controversial questions—in the soundness of the judgments.

In his theory of government, Mr. Smith remarks, Madison was closer to Hamilton than is customarily supposed. As early as 1782 he elaborated the doctrine of applied powers, and in the Federal Convention he championed a national plan calling for a strong central government, and regretted the major compromises which the convention adopted. And, at the end of his life, he returned to the Hamiltonian conception of government, accepting a protective tariff and acquiescing in a commercial and manufacturing economy. Of course in his basic philosophy of man and of the relation of man to government, Madison was a thorough-going Jeffersonian, and Mr. Smith nowhere suggests that he failed to subscribe to that optimistic view of human nature and of the destiny of the United States that was basic to Jeffersonianism.

ALMA MATER, I DEFEND YOU!

By VIRGINIA MOORE, '35

I never thought I'd have to defend you, Alma Mater. Three years ago when I walked through your halls for the last time and bade you farewell with my diploma under my arm, I thought you were perfect. You had made me a college graduate. You had given me the key to success, fame and perhaps riches. I never had any idea then that anyone could criticize you or belittle you or mock you.

Today you are on trial. You are on trial because there are those who consider you impractical, a waste of time, a waste of money. I boil over inside when people say such things about you.

Alma Mater, the time has come when I feel that I must defend you. I must defend, not you alone, but all other Alma Maters as well. In boosting you, I speak for the liberal arts college of the United States.

The liberal arts college is no longer the key to success, fame or riches.

The college graduate is often forced to accept a position with small pay in the field that he has chosen or go into something that he does not enjoy for the financial benefits that can be derived. The college degree, without further specialization or training, is no longer by itself a sure step to that \$5,000 a year job.

Because the college graduate must start at the bottom along with the high school graduate, the public draws the erroneous conclusion that college is a waste of time.

It is not a waste of time. It is four years well spent, four years that make of a callow youth a mature adult, capable of facing life. To the problems that immediately confront him upon graduation the college graduate brings a courage and a faith that his Alma Mater has given him.

What are some of these problems? To begin with, there is the purely economic one of finding a job. Some

college people are lucky enough to graduate with a job already promised, but for the most part the college graduate has as much difficulty today as his high school brother in securing a position. In many professions, teaching excluded, the college degree is not enough, for he still must start at the beginning to learn his vocation.

This situation brings about a second problem—his attitude toward others and their attitude toward him, a psychological problem. The college man or woman is likely even today to entertain false ideas of his own importance. Filled with a supply of facts that will soon be covered with a film of vagueness, the graduate expects the world to bow down to him. His pride is hurt when he must work side by side with those of lesser education. The attitude of others toward him is even more important. If they belittle him or mock him for his education he becomes easily discouraged

and he feels almost ashamed because he is a college man.

Another adjustment that the graduate must make is in his social life. Separated as he most likely is from his college companions and perhaps in a community where college people are scarce, he finds it difficult to make friends with non-college people. Each looks upon the other as queer and it takes time for them to find a common bond.

These are a few of the problems that a college graduate must meet. Yet I insist that he has the stuff within him to overcome these obstacles. Qualities such as the ability to look ahead, ease at meeting people, personal ambition, elasticity of mind, adaptability to new ideas, all help him in his problems, whether they be economic, social or psychological.

In this day of economic stress, when the almighty dollar is the goal for which so many people strive, it is important to consider the development of inner resources. At what better place than a college can one develop these inner resources?

At college one hears fine music in the concert series, sees fine pictures in the art galleries, reads fine books in literature classes, hears fine speakers on the lecture platform. This keen sensitivity to the highest values in life, this cultural awareness of things, stays with a person always. The ability to enjoy a sunrise, a campfire in the woods, a tempestuous sea, makes of life a wonderful adventure, not a hopeless struggle.

Closely allied with the appreciation of real value is the importance of knowing how to use leisure time. With shorter working hours and more mechanical inventions almost every one has some spare time. How to use this time? Shall I knit, gossip with my neighbors, play bridge, sit idly? College teaches one how to use free hours to one's advantage and not fritter them away. Students are encouraged to have hobbies, form real friendships, excel in some sport, appreciate cultural values, all designed to make for a fuller life.

The matter of viewpoint is another aspect of college that develops the individual. By this I mean that before

entering college the youth is but a copy of every thing that his parents, teachers and relatives believe. Graduating from college, the adult holds his own views on religion, politics, marriage, and so on. He must think for himself in the college class room. In the fraternity "bull-session" too, perhaps more than in the class room, his ideas are formed and expanded. His petty narrow prejudices are swept away as Irishman, Italian and Greek vie with each other in solving life's darkest problems. He has his own creed to be sure but in the "bull session" he learns that other opinions are worthwhile too, other religions have their good points, other political parties have their advantages. At college one becomes broad-minded, if one is ever going to be capable of assuming this virtue.

Thus do we see that college has changed in the last few years. It is no longer the key to success, fame or riches, for the key to that is in ourselves. Yet college is indeed worthwhile and you, dear Alma Mater, have given me much. Would that I could do as much for you!

BILL MILLETT — COACH AND MAN

ANONYMOUS

ON Sunday morning, February 20th, I picked up the Portland Sunday Telegram and was gazing through the usual run of cut-and-dried sports stories when my eyes fell on an article, telling in glamorous detail how Colby's J. V. hockey team had pulled the hockey surprise of the year by licking Hebron Academy's great prep school outfit 2-1.

Indeed, I was glad to see the boys win this one, both because of their own great play, and also because it must have meant a great deal to one of the greatest friends any fellow ever had—Bill Millett. Yes, most of us who have graduated from Colby in the past few years feel that Bill Millett is one of the most sincere and genuine persons we have ever met. He is a true and everlasting friend and he plays no favorites.

The first I ever saw of Bill, he was quite an athlete. Bill played football, hockey and baseball at Colby, and he

was always hustling 'between times. During his undergraduate days, Bill was also one of the most popular boys in school, and his popularity and value to Colby College seems to be increasing all the time. Plenty of fellows have graduated from Colby and said: "I wish there were more men like Bill Millett connected with the college."

As a coach Bill has had unusual success. Shortly after his graduation Bill started showing the schoolboys in the Waterville grade schools how to enjoy healthy outdoor sport. Many of the boys he watched running about in the grade schools have since made good in college.

In college Bill used to know how to "take it." He played his heart out in football and was always there when most needed. Bill likes the type of boy who always gives his best in spite of conditions, and who doesn't quit, even though all is going ad-

versely.

I often wonder if people appreciate human beings of the Bill Millett type. He does things in such a quiet, unobtrusive manner, and Bill is never authoritative in any way. He is the kind of person who makes life seem so full and worth living for those of us who are perhaps of a more selfish nature.

It is a funny thing about this life. Men like Bill are what we need more than all else in public life today. Bill has all those scruples which make a fellow a constructive human being. Bill has never shown much interest in politics—he has 'been too busy advancing the interests of the other fellow to think much about himself.

Yet all of his work has not gone unrewarded. If there is any fellow that the boys and girls of Colby genuinely respect, it is Bill. He never has to ask for respect—it comes to him naturally—the boys and girls seem to

sense that Bill is their friend, and they know that no matter how many, or how great are the mistakes that they might make, Bill is always there to steer them straight.

For broadness of personality and fine ideals, I doubt if there is an individual living today who has any finer human characteristics than Bill. He seems to see good in everyone no matter how society may frown upon the individual. It has often been said that great men are those who hold the common touch—then Bill is certainly great in every way.

Colby J. V.'s 2; Hebron Academy 1! And up to this time, they had been saying that Hebron had as strong a prep school team as there was in the United States. Some of the newspapers had confined their superlative praises of the Hebron club to comparisons with other prep school teams in the East, but others were a bit more lavish.

To me the most interesting thing about the win was the fact that the boys really came through for Bill. Tony Bolduc, a freshman, who scored the first goal, is a Waterville boy



Ellsworth W. Millett, '25

Bill always encouraged and kept Tony interested in Colby. Although he was forced to remain out of school two years between the time he finished high school and his entrance into col-

lege, it was Bill who kept him interested. "Doc" Rancourt, who scored the winning goal, is another Waterville boy. Bill saw "Doc" grow up, and used to watch his progress in the Myrtle Street School, and it was finally Bill who convinced the football and baseball star that he should go to Colby. It was not until this year that Bill succeeded in getting "Doc" out for the hockey club, and he certainly came through for Bill.

It would take plenty of space to enumerate the freshman football stars and varsity hockey players Bill has had a hand in developing. Suffice it to say that in "Hocker" Ross, Bill developed the only "small college" player ever to make an American Olympic Hockey outfit. And in "Rum" Lemieux, Bill believes he had a man as good as the best of them. "Rum" could do about anything with skates, stick, and a puck.

It will be interesting to see Bill ten years hence. I'd be willing to venture he'll be just as active and interested in boys as he is now. Colby has only one Bill Millett, and the world in general could use millions more like him!

SHORT STORIES OF COLBY DAYS

More Random Memories of Half a Century Ago

By EIGHTY-BLANK

THE next morning after the terrific thunder storm which visited Waterville in the eighties, and which was described by Eighty-Blank in the last ALUMNUS, one of Waterville's wags, who lived right across the street from President Robins, met him as he was coming out of his yard, and accosted him with,—"Doctor, was yer scat at that storm last night?"

"A man would be a fool who was not awed by such an exhibition of Divine Power," replied the Doctor in his most impressive manner.

The Doctor's neighbor reported the incident down town as follows:—"I met Doc Robins this morning, and I sez to him, 'Doc, was yer scat at that storm last night?' and he sez, 'A man would be a damned fool, who wasn't scat in such a hell of a time.'"

In my freshman year three of my

classmates and myself were invited by some young ladies of West Waterville with whom we had become acquainted, to a moonlight sail on Snow Pond in their town on the evening of July Fourth.

We went over on the caboose of the freight train, intending to walk back after the "moonlight" sail, although the evening proved to be anything except a moonlight one.

There were in the sailing party about fifteen young ladies and gentlemen, and we were taken up the pond in a small steamboat, which used wood as fuel for the boiler, located about midway of the boat.

All went well until we were about a mile and a half off North Belgrade, when suddenly the fireworks, which we were taking with us for a later celebration, caught fire from the opened door of the furnace, and con-

fusion quickly reigned.

The sky rockets began to shoot in all directions, some of the party received bad burns, one man lost a valuable gold ring in the pond when he attempted to extinguish his burning hair, and the female portion of the party all rushed to the opposite side of the boat, nearly upsetting it, and causing it to take in a large quantity of water.

Some of the cooler male heads pulled the ladies back, uprighting the boat, and after a while when the fireworks had all gone off, or had been extinguished by the water taken in, quiet was restored.

The worst of the matter now was, that the water had put out the fire under the boiler, all our fuel was floating around in the boat, and we were suddenly becalmed.

Some people on shore, in North



Belgrade, seeing our fireworks, and thinking we were celebrating in their honor, began to set off *their* fireworks in return. This did not help us any, however, as we were a mile and a half from shore, and had no means of getting there.

A drizzling rain set in, and darkness settled down on the water. Moreover, to add to our troubles our boat had drifted around, and we were uncertain in which direction the nearest shore lay.

However, the majority of us agreed on a certain direction, and with some broken pieces of boards, as there were no oars, we began paddling for the shore. It was pretty slow work, as the ponderous boat, now well down in the water, scarcely moved. Hour after hour we kept paddling, relieving one another, and we had become nearly discouraged, when some one struck up, and the whole party joined in, with,

"Pull for the shore, sailor, pull for the shore,

Heed not the pelting rain, but bend to the oar,"

and our work seemed suddenly to lighten, and almost before we knew it we grounded on a rocky beach. Two or three jumped out and pulled the

boat higher up, and the whole party stepped ashore.

We found we were in the woods, and it was pitch dark, but we did not care for that, as we realized that we had had a narrow escape, for had the boat overturned, or filled with water, on account of the heavy boiler and engine it would have sunk, and it is doubtful whether this story would ever have been told.

We now called another council of war, and decided that, if we could keep a straight course away from the pond, we would eventually strike the railroad between North Belgrade and West Waterville, which was precisely what we did do.

Once on the railroad we had only to keep walking until we came to West Waterville station.

After accompanying our young lady friends to their homes, although it was now after two o'clock, we four college students, wet and weary, wended our way by the most direct route to Waterville.

On account of a holiday falling on Friday we had no recitations until the following Monday, and a classmate who lived on a farm in the town of Wales, invited me to spend the

week-end with him at his home.

Friday morning we boarded the 9:30 train for Monmouth, and arriving there, we were met by my classmate's father and driven to his farm in Wales.

The next day my friend, his father and myself, drove to Sabattus mountain, which is the highest land in that part of the state, put up our team at a farmhouse, and walked to the top of the mountain. Here we had a fine view, and I think counted as many as a dozen villages, and as many ponds, and with our glass caught sight of Portland Harbor.

We had brought along a crowbar and an axe, and taking the latter we went into the woods and cut down a small tree, to be used as a lever, our purpose being to see whether we could roll a large boulder, some five or six feet in diameter, which was perched on the very tip top, down the side of the mountain.

It was the finest example of a perched boulder I have ever seen. Some one had evidently attempted to do a long time before what we were doing, as pieces of rotten wood, which they had used as pries, were still under the boulder.

By using the crowbar and our long

lever, and jacking up the boulder, as we raised the upper edge higher and higher, finally after two or three hours' work, we got it started rolling.

It rolled a few feet and came to a stop on a bare ledge. By merely pushing with our hands we started it again, and it began to roll. Faster and faster it went, jumping from one ledge to another, and sending up clouds of rock dust as it struck the surface of the bare ledges, then as it entered some young growth we lost sight of it, but we could see the young pines snap off, and the white birches bend down and spring up again, as it bounded along, until we lost track of it altogether, but we heard some one "holler," "Here, come down and put up that fence." Then it re-appeared in the pasture at the foot of the mountain near where some cows were grazing. One cow raised her head, looked at the rolling stone, and then went on feeding.

The boulder was heading directly for a small farmhouse, and we were fearful that it would plough through the fence, cross the road, and crash into the house, but before it reached the fence its force was nearly spent, and it came to a stop a short distance from the road.

It was a sight ever to be remembered, and one that will never be seen again in that locality, for Sabatius mountain has no more boulders on its summit, waiting for some one to roll them down.

N of our class was a peculiar fellow. Nobody understood him, and I don't think he understood himself.

He had a fine physique and a strong constitution, or he never could have done what he did.

Sometimes he would be out nearly all night, and then sit up until morning studying without any sleep, but this never seemed to affect him.

He never drank, but smoked a pipe continually when he was not in class-room, never engaged in any kind of athletics, roomed alone with barely furniture enough to get along, never got over what would now be C in his studies, and stayed out of college every winter to teach school.

One day N received a postal card from the agent of a district school in F, offering him twenty-eight dollars a month and board to come up and

teach their winter term of school. In a postscript occurred these words: "It's a hard school to manage."

N immediately sent a postal in reply accepting the offer, and adding, "That's the kind of school I like."

The first week the 'big boys,' spurred on by some drunken rowdies outside, fired up with old cider, concocted a plan to put N out in a snow drift, as they had done with the teacher the winter before, thereby breaking up the school.

When they started in, N grabbed the biggest boy of the bunch with one hand, opened a window with the other hand, and hurtled him out through into the deep snow.

Then he started for the others, all of whom rushed precipitately to their

seats, and school went on as though nothing uncommon had happened.

That was the end of the insurrection, and the "hard" school became an orderly one.

When the time came for the term to close, the school committee asked N to remain on increased pay for three weeks longer, for they said that was the only profitable winter school they had had in that district for years.

One of N's peculiarities is illustrated by the fact, that at the close of his senior year just before commencement exercises, he absented himself from college, but afterwards claimed his diploma on the ground that he had completed all the required work.

I never knew whether he received it or not, as all trace of him was lost.

A WORD ABOUT THE ALUMNI FUND

By G. CECIL GODDARD, '29

WE have before us the proofs of the fifth annual report of the Colby Alumni Fund, showing that 452 men made voluntary gifts through this medium to the College amounting to \$3,916.25 in 1937. Although this report fails to set any new high record, it is remarkable when one remembers that the Council and the Fund organization devoted their entire energies to the capital fund drive of last year for the Roberts Memorial Union and that our Fund is but five years old. It is also gratifying to note that the Committee feels that the impetus resulting from the successful completion of the Roberts campaign will be reflected in a stronger and more universal support of the Fund in the future.

Gifts through the Fund each year provide services to the College of true value. Small as the Alumni Fund is at present, it is Colby's "living endowment" and of far greater value to the College than an equivalent addition in capital funds.

College alumni funds have proved bulwarks to college financing. The Fund organization is an avenue of communication by which alumni can be aroused and made aware of the problems of the College. In this period of transition the administration of the College must be heartened by the almost unbelievable financial contribution the alumni have already made to provide for more adequate education-

al advantages for our youth on Mayflower Hill and their willingness to assist further in making a cherished dream a reality.

Last year the alumni accomplished the impossible by subscribing \$300,708 for a men's student union as a memorial to the late President Roberts. This is the year following that splendid accomplishment, and in one respect a dangerous year for the Alumni Fund. In this anticlimactic year may we express the hope that you will write your name on the Alumni Fund list, or for the first time if you have never before done so.

And may we extend to the Fund Committee and Mr. Leonard, its Chairman, and the Class Agents, who cultivate alumni interest in Colby, our vote of confidence and support.

COLBY SONS AND DAUGHTERS ON DEAN'S LIST

Out of the 84 undergraduates whose rank of 85% or higher entitled them to a place on the Dean's List for the first semester, 14 are sons or daughters of Colby men and women. They are as follows: William Carter, '38; John Pullen, '38; Walter Rideout, '38; Wilson Piper, '39; Myron Berry, '40; Gordon Jones, '40; Ernest Marriner, Jr., '40; Robert Pullen, '41; Elizabeth Oliver, '38; Sigrid Tompkins, '38; Evelyn Short, '39; Elizabeth Walden, '40; Mary Wheeler, '40; and Prudence Piper, '41.

The President's Page

The Survey of Higher Education in Maine, made under the sponsorship of the Maine Development Commission in 1929, predicted that during the next twenty years there would be an increase of 1500 to 2000 students desiring to attend college in this State. This was based on the assumption that there would be no radical economic change in the State during that time. Of course, there has been a most radical economic change, not only in Maine, but in every other of our states, with the result that the increase in college attendance has been checked and the present enrollment of our four institutions of higher education is approximately the same as it was nine years ago.

Doubt is raised in some well-advised quarters as to whether the upward trend in college enrolments will ever be resumed; indeed, the opinion has frequently been expressed that an increased number of graduates of liberal arts colleges and graduate schools is undesirable. A statement to this effect in the recently published annual report of President Conant of Harvard has attracted considerable attention.

One can not speak with great assurance regarding trends in the midst of the peculiarly violent and widespread social changes which mark the present time and in the absence of accurate statistics. Certain facts, however, seem fairly obvious. One of these is that the chances for useful and satisfying employment for young men and women up to the age of twenty or even older are fewer and that the situation in this respect is not likely to change. In other words, we shall have a larger number of young people of college age who will be unemployed and who will have to choose between doing nothing or going to school. With this choice open, it is quite plainly desirable from every point of view that they go to school. Now this does not mean that all of them should go to a

liberal arts college. For many of them this certainly would not be desirable. For the State of Maine, however, it will be necessary to provide education for a larger number of youth during the period of later adolescence. One who is at all familiar with our Maine schools knows that we make very meagre provision for any sort of special or vocational training below the level of the University and are almost completely unprepared to give any adequate training to our youth who need some thing other than the technical training of the university or the liberal arts courses of our colleges.

However, in the absence of such schools in our state, it is highly probable that with the return of economic stability there will be a considerable increase in the number of students wishing to attend our colleges. This, of course, raises important questions as to methods of selection and the advisability of making curriculum changes to meet changing social conditions. The liberal arts college must do some straight thinking if it is to maintain its integrity and avoid chaos.

With respect to our specific program for Colby College, we are making plans for our new campus to carry on our present enrolment, which is restricted to 600 students. Each of our new buildings, when all are completed, will have capacity for a total student population of 1000. This is the number designated by the State Survey as representing Colby's proper share of the load. If the developments of the future make this desirable, we shall be ready to accommodate this number. If not, however, we shall be as well satisfied to remain a college of 600 students.

Franklin W. Johnson

CHATting WITH OUR COLBY PEOPLE

IN the excitement and sense of achievement on the part of Colby men and women in respect to the Roberts Union and Women's Union drives, it would be sad indeed if we forget or neglect the annual Alumni and Alumnae Funds. Whatever extra effort we have made to subscribe to the building projects should not take the place of our habitual annual contributions to the year-in and year-out program of these graduate offices.

We hope that none of our readers have any confusion about these two propositions which are separate, yet allied. The picture might be depicted thus: The Alumni Council is the working committee of the Colby alumni body. The Council represents the desires of Colby men in promoting various activities beneficial to the college and employs a secretary to carry out its program. The work of the Council, the whole alumni program, is financed by the annual contributions of Colby men known as the Alumni Fund. The Council also undertook to raise \$300,000 for the Roberts Memorial Union on Mayflower Hill as its particular project at this time, and, as we know, canvassed the alumni body for special subscriptions and pledges for this purpose. Payments to the Roberts Union Fund, however, cannot be used for the regular expenses of the Alumni office, even though the burden of the clerical work is greatly increased by this campaign. Hence, this year more than ever, it is necessary to support the regular alumni activities by our customary gifts to the Fund, as well as make our payments to the Union.

The set-up of the Colby women is closely parallel. They function through their Alumnae Council and also support a broad program of activities by means of an annual fund. The alumnae are now in their midst of a campaign for their own Union building, with every prospect that it will be carried through to a successful conclusion that will match the achievement of the men.

But they too must continue their customary gifts to the Alumnae Fund while making the special effort to pledge substantial amounts towards

the new Union.

Such support does not come easy to the majority of Colby people, but we have our hearts set on two new buildings and a thriving program of alumni and alumnae activity. When we want things so intensely, paying for them becomes a privilege, not an obligation.

STATE Championship! Those are sweet words to any Colby alumnus and particularly satisfying because of the fact that they mark the advent of basketball as an intercollegiate sport once more. If ever there was an unknown quantity, it was Colby's basketball chances at the beginning of the season. The squad was made up chiefly of football and baseball players, plus a cheerleader, a ski jumper and a few men-around-campus. Some had had high school experience and some had played on Colby freshman teams. Followers of the team watched Roundy experimenting with different combinations, trying men in one position after another, working until he found a machine that ticked. By the time the State Series games came around he had a team which was not always at top form, but which simply would not be beaten. Playing two games each against Bates and Maine, we won three and lost one. Every game, however was nip and tuck and undecided until the final whistle. For morale and technique, Eddy's 1938 basketball team will rank high in the list of great Colby teams.

ELSEWHERE in this edition of The Alumnus may be found a review, published in the New York Herald-Tribune, of a book by Dr. Abbot Emerson Smith, a graduate of Colby in the class of 1926 and one of the most able scholars of the younger graduates of the college, and one who promises to go far as an educator and as an historian. The volume is "James Madison, Builder," a biographical interpretation of one of the great American statesmen.

Abbot Emerson Smith comes of a Colby family, the son of Rev. William Abbot Smith, Colby, '91, and Lois Hoxie Smith, Colby, '03. He was

born in Portland in 1906, prepared for college at Coburn Classical Institute, graduated with Phi Beta Kappa honors and brilliant standing as a student. He is a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity as is his father. For a year he attended Eastman School of Music at Rochester, N. Y., and in 1927-1928 was appointed Rhodes Scholar in a competitive examination and took up residence at Balliol College in the fall of 1928. After the usual three years, Oxford conferred a distinctive honor upon Mr. Smith by granting him the Otto Beit scholarship for historical research.

Mr. Smith spent the next year in research in Washington, Baltimore, Barbadoes and Jamaica, returning to Oxford in the spring and receiving his Doctor's degree there in the summer of 1932. The same summer he was married to Miss Kathleen R. Mottram, an English young lady from Johannesburg, S. A. They returned to the United States in the fall when Dr. Smith entered upon a history professorship at Bard College, a branch of Columbia, at Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y. Mrs. Smith is a graduate of the University of London and of St. Hughes College in Oxford. Last year, with a semester's leave of absence, Dr. and Mrs. Smith took a trip around the world, spending three months in South Africa. Dr. Smith is now at work upon a second book of historical interest.

IT is easy to think of each freshman class as just another crowd of green newcomers to the Colby campus. The forest is so obvious that one forgets the trees. But individuals command attention in every class, and 1941 is no exception. We've been looking over a few of the freshman men and thus far have been overlooking the women. But the men themselves aren't overlooking the feminine contingent, as dances and movies and parties abundantly testify.

The freshman men extend from Abbott to Young. Heading the list is Henry Abbott, Jr., son of Waterville's "Doc" Abbott and grandson of the late Judge Johnson. At the other end of the alphabet is George Young of Rutherford, N. J., winner of one of

our out-of-state scholarships. And speaking of scholarships, somebody has done some good picking. The College awarded just three full-tuition scholarships to freshman men, and these three men stand, first, third, and fourth on the freshman psychological test taken by 111 men. Their names are James East of Rockland, Lloyd V. Gooch of Portland, and Elmer Baxter of Waterbury, Conn. What is more, nine out of the first twelve men on the test are scholarship winners. In addition to the three already named, these men are George E. Bliss of Florence, Mass., Laurence Berry of Southwest Harbor, George Young (already mentioned), William Martin of Lynn, Mass., and John Eaton of Waterville. Yes, you have guessed it—this Eaton boy is another of Harvey's sons. This new generation is making the same fine record in college that the older brothers and sisters made twenty years ago.

We're glad to see a good delegation from Mount Hermon this year. That's a fine school—Dr. Morrow's old school, by the way—and we want more of their excellent product. So we're glad to see George Bliss, Raymond Burbank, and Ward Webber from the Northfield institution.

Our Hebron delegation looks especially good this year. It contains John Coolidge from Livermore Falls, Ramon Fernandez (son of the Governor's councillor) from Old Town, Franklin Foster from Searsport, Mortimer Lenk from Newton, Arnold Myshrall from Rangeley, and Cecil Swett from Kennebunk.

Our Ricker delegation is not so large as in former years, but it is of excellent quality. It contains Harley Bubar (brother of Paul, '39), Patrick Martin of Eagle Lake, and Hartley Bither of Linneus, brother of our German instructor, Phil Bither.

For several years Fred Hunt, 1913, has been trying to interest Toledo, Ohio, boys in Colby. He has at last succeeded, and sent us William Ligtel. Doubtless more boys will follow from Fred's town.

We're glad to welcome a breezy westerner in the new class, Tom Brenner from Grant, Montana. Never previously east of his native state, Tom has adjusted himself quickly into Colby's democratic environment. He comes here to major in English,

**WANTED:
THE PIPE OF PEACE**

One of the good old Colby customs died out some years ago when the traditional class day pipe disappeared and the ceremony connected with it was given up. Can any reader give us any hint as to its whereabouts? Or, where a new one can be procured? If someone has taken it as a souvenir, perhaps now he will be willing to return it, "and no questions asked."

having already published several articles and stories, the most recent in "Coronet." Tom says the old feuds between sheep men and cattle men are things of the past, that in his own family are sheep-owners and cattle-owners both.

The Maine colleges do not attract many students from the Green Mountain State. Hence we are especially glad to welcome Paul Burnham from Brattleboro. He prepared for college at Montpelier Seminary, and comes to us through the influence of Leroy Johnston.

Harold Kimball, Jr., '36, has a brother-in-law in this class. Of course you know that Harold was recently married to Kay Cobb, '37. Kay's brother comes to us from Windsor, Conn., a product of the Loomis School.

Have you heard of the two 'boys of the same name from Dorchester? They live near each other at home, room together in Roberts Hall, both play football, each has one of these janitor jobs that Chef Weymouth made famous. Yet they are no relation to each other, and spell their names differently. One is James Daly, the other is Daniel Daley.

One young man took our eye at the opening session of Freshman Week. He is Norris Dibble of Springfield, Mass., high-standing student at the famous Classical High School, and winner of a Kling scholarship. His father, a Springfield architect, visited Colby during Freshman Week and expressed keen satisfaction with the College and its method of handling new students.

It is often mistakenly said that Colby no longer prepares men for the clergy, that Colby men are no longer interested in the ministry. That is not true. Every year a few of our men go to the graduate schools of theology. Every entering class sees at least one man looking forward to the ministry, and the class of 1941 is no exception. Paul Keirstead of Presque Isle and Wendell Starr of Malden, Mass.—the latter coming with the strong recommendation of Dr. Carl Herrick—are two fine young men of the strong, virile sort that the ministry so much needs.

Cy Keppell, 1913, headmaster of the Tome School at Port Deposit, Maryland, repeats his performance of last year in again sending us a good student and athlete in the person of Frank Leonard of Richmond Hill, N. Y.

Some of you remember Harold Lemoine, '32—now Father Lemoine of the famous "Little Church around the Corner" in New York City. In the midst of his clerical duties Harold finds time to interest Manhattan youth in Colby, and he sends us this year Warren Mills, an outstanding student at the Theodore Roosevelt High School.

We are glad to note an increase of men from Charlie Seaverns' home state. Here are the 1941 Nutmeggers—a group of eight splendid boys—Elmer Baxter, Waterbury; Spencer Cobb, Windsor; Richard McDonald, Windham; Myron Mantell, Stamford; Richard Noyes, Old Lyme; Albert Rimosukas, Poquonock; George Stumpp, Bristol; Chester Wish, Hartford.

Paul Edmunds, '26, is our alumni representative on admissions in New York. He says we are fortunate in having this year a freshman from the famous Fieldston School, because it will mean others in subsequent years. This Fieldston pioneer is Robert H. Talbot, 425 Central Park West. May he be the first of a long line of Fieldston men at Colby!

Are there any good football men in the new class? Well, as the newsmagmen say, Time will tell. Besides Daly and Daley, the Dorchester pair, a few names will bear watching in the sport columns—Melvin Baum from St. Johns Prep; George Beach, Jr., of New Bedford (another chip

of that good old block, George Beach, 1913); Joseph Beeh of Jamaica, N. Y.; Tony Bolduc from Waterville High School; John Daggett from Coburn; Stanley Gruber from Newton High School; William Hughes from Bridgton Academy; Charles Pingree from Lynn Classical; William Powers from Boston Latin; Lawrence Ryan from Kents Hill; and Ira Witham from Clinton.

WE lost the hockey championship to Bowdoin, the only other Maine college supporting this sport. The Bowdoin varsity team was superior to our pre-mid-year team, although the addition of four flashy freshmen who became eligible at this time gave Colby a better team towards the last of the season. Unfortunately, two of the three games were played during the first semester.

The loss of our customary hockey championship, however, is mitigated by the fact that Bowdoin's success will mean, according to reports, that the sport will not be dropped by that college, as had been contemplated.

One is reminded of the story about the village half-wit who, when offered his choice between a nickle and a one cent piece, would always pick the penny. Day after day in the general store one man after another would offer him the two coins and the crowd would guffaw and slap their knees as the fellow invariably pocketed the lesser piece. Finally someone asked him why he did it and received the not-so-moronic reply: "How many times would they try that game if I took the nickle?"

Possibly by foregoing the hockey crown this winter, the sport may be saved so that Colby may pick up many another championship in future years.

"THE name on this school represents a man who left in this city a character to be followed," said the Rhode Island Director of Education at the recent exercises marking the dedication of the new Elwood T. Wyman School in Warwick.

Few higher tributes have ever been paid to any Colby alumnus than to this member of the Class of 1890 who was superintendent of the public schools of Warwick for 17 years prior to his death in 1930.

The State Director continued, "Apart from his outstanding ability and reputation as an educator, I knew Mr. Wyman as a man, kindly, wholesome, fair, honest, just in all his dealings—always thoughtful of his boys and girls who are today the mothers and fathers of this community. I want to thank and congratulate the citizens of this community for their splendid interest in education and for their interest in the youth of the community which it typifies."

The former mayor of the city, speaking particularly to the children present stressed the point that none could go astray if they patterned their lives after the man for whom the school is named.

The school is a 12-room grammar school building completed at a cost of \$193,000, and comprising the most modern type of educational equipment.

THAT is some panegyric in reference to Coach "Bill" Millett that appears elsewhere in The Alumnus. Most men are compelled to wait for the funeral oration to receive such laudation, but Bill may read his while blushes can yet make their appearance. You may note that the contribution about Coach Millett is anonymous but that does not detract from its value. We know the writer and we know that he is absolutely sincere. The best thing that we see in the article is that it is true. Bill deserves all the nice things said about him and the anonymous author speaks by the card. He would not flatter Neptune for his trident, but calls them as he sees them. And hundreds of Colby men who have known Bill will agree with our anonymous writer that Coach Millett is a real credit to Colby.

DANIEL G. MUNSON, recently retired from active teaching was tendered a farewell dinner by his old friends in Boys High School, Brooklyn, N. Y. The following account is taken from the school paper.

Principal Alfred A. Tausk, who has been instructed by Mr. Munson when he attended Boys High School, spoke thus of him:

"Mr. Daniel G. Munson is an excellent teacher, a splendid gentleman, an understanding friend. From 1899 to

the end of this year, the students of Boys High School had the opportunity to grow in character and ability through contact with him. It was my privilege, as a student, to be enrolled in some of his classes. His constant courtesy, his infectious enthusiasm, and his high ideals made a deep impression on me and on my fellow students, and had great influence in shaping our careers. The principals and chairmen under whom he served always found him thoroughly competent, cooperative, and reliable. His thirty-eight years in Boys High School created a tradition of service that will long be an inspiration to future teachers and students. I know that I voice the heartfelt sentiment of the school in wishing him happiness, contentment, and good health in the retirement he has so richly earned."

Mr. Munson's initial tutorial position was in Brookline High School, Maine, 1889. He was a Sub-Master in a Rockland, Maine, High School and was Principal of Medfield Junior High School in Massachusetts. He also taught in Malden High School, Massachusetts, and in the Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport, Pennsylvania, from where he went to Boys High to remain until this year.

Mr. Munson intends to spend his retirement by traveling extensively through Maine. He is also a member of the "Casa Italiana" a library at Columbia University which contains only Italian books.

Twelve books on these subjects were presented to him, inscribed in Old English lettering: "From Old Friends in B. H. S., December, 1937."

In a final farewell, Mr. Munson said "Nothing could make me more happy, as I leave the faculty of dear old Boys High, than to take along with me the good wishes of my fellow teachers, as well as the kind greetings of my friends among the boys."

THERE are rumors that Professor Julian D. Taylor, known and beloved as "Judy" to so many, is to be suitably delineated for posterity in a forthcoming volume. This will be good news to the thousands of Colby men and women who sat under this grand old Roman. The book will certainly find a ready sale among the alumni body and should be widely read elsewhere.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES IN FULL SWING

GERMAN CLUB

At the meeting of the German Club on Friday, February 25, Mr. Roman, the new instructor of German, presented a talk about the Harvard German Club and similar organizations in Germany, and a group of humorous German songs with which the members joined in. Plans were made for the March meeting, and for the presentation of a German play followed by a dance to be held sometime in May.

THE ARTS CLUB

At the Arts Club meeting Thursday, February 10, Professor Alice M. Pattee presented a talk on "The Great Love Themes in Poetry," reading four particularly famous selections from: Tennyson's "The Coming of Arthur," Edwin Arlington Robinson's "Tristram," and Dante's "Inferno" and "Vita Nuova." These are examples of love themes which express supreme emotional intensity.

CHEMICAL SOCIETY

Dr. Philip Perry, representative of the Ethyl Gasoline Corporation, spoke at a meeting of the Chi Epsilon Mu Thursday, February 17. He showed and discussed pictures on the extraction of Bromine from sea water and on the general development of the use of gasoline because of mechanical progress. An engine, similar to those used in testing gasolines, was set up with which Dr. Perry demonstrated the worth of ethyl fluid.

FELLOWSHIP FORUM

Myra Whittaker, '34, of Philadelphia, leading spirit in the founding of the Fellowship Forum, spoke at an informal meeting Sunday, February 20. First reviewing the organization of the Forum, she then discussed the need of the realization of a dream world where people can live realistically and completely through an effective religious attitude toward one's relationships with others.

KAPPA PHI KAPPA

At a meeting of the Kappa Phi Kappa February 22nd, Mr. Charles L. Smith, member of the Lawrence High faculty, and widely known as

one of the more progressive teachers in the field of education, spoke on the subject of "Loyalties, What Are They, And Have We Any Today?" He emphasized the need for clearer discrimination of truly worthy aims, such as one's loyalty to self, country, or profession. Teaching as a profession, he believes, requires a code of ethics which should be rigidly adhered to, so that education may maintain the high standing it deserves.

STUDENT CHRISTIAN MOVEMENT

The Colby Student Christian Movement was quite active in February, fourteen students, all members of the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., making deputations on Sunday, the 20th, to take part in church services at Norridgewock, Oakland, and Waterville. The Norridgewock service presented a program on "Religion in Poetry and Music." In Waterville at a united evening service of the Methodist and Baptist congregations, four student delegates and Mrs. Mary Finch told about the national assembly of the Student Christian Movement held during the Christmas recess at Oxford, Ohio.

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF ARTS

The Colby Chapter of the American Federation of Arts, a national organization the function of which is to spread interest in and understanding of the fine arts of sculpture, painting, and architecture, sponsored an illustrated lecture on the "Renaissance in Italy" February 15. The lecture, written by the architect and art critic, H. Van Buren Fagonigle, was read by Miss Mary Marshall. It discussed general trends in Italian art from the time of Dante to mid-sixteenth century, mentioning the effect patronage had on Renaissance art, and how the republics such as Florence rather than any of the small kingdoms, produced art of the greatest vitality.

It was also under this same sponsorship that the Curtis String Quartet gave a concert at the college. During the last week in February an exhibition of reproductions of paintings

of old and new masters was shown in the Library, and plans for a second lecture to be held in March on "Stained Glass" are being made.

CLASSICAL CLUB

Dr. Finch presented at the Classical Club meeting February 8, several new slides on Greek architecture. A number of them were made from snapshots which Professor Mary H. Marshall and Reverend John W. Brush, '20, took on their respective trips to Greece recently.

CAMERA CLUB

The Camera Club has accepted an invitation to exhibit some of its work at the First International Photographic Exposition at the Grand Central Palace in New York City from April 18 to 24. Ten prints will be selected for this purpose from the collection of 60 photographs which the club members displayed in their annual exhibition recently.

DEBATING TEAM

Colby College debaters engaged in two contests Monday, February 28, with the University of Maine, three speakers in an evening debate at Orono, and three meeting the Maine team in the Colby Chapel in the afternoon. The question debated was whether or not the National Labor Relations Board should be given power to settle by compulsory arbitration all industrial disputes.

ENGLISH TROUBADOUR AT COLBY

Richard Dyer-Bennet, a young English troubadour, was received enthusiastically by an audience of students and townspeople in a recital held January 11 in the Alumnae Building.

The singer gave a program of ballads and folk songs in several languages, accompanying himself upon a Swedish twelve-string lute. His crystal clear diction, together with his flair for dramatic interpretation, was noteworthy. He sang in the tenor range with pleasing skill.

Following the recital, the Colby Arts Club held an informal reception for Mr. Dyer-Bennet at which he de-

cribed the formation of the International Folk Theatre Movement by Ely Ambrose, a young Welshman. The students present expressed great interest in this organization which is endeavoring to stimulate greater appreciation of national folk lore as a source of artistic expression.

DEBATERS VISIT MASSACHUSETTS COLLEGES

Colby debaters have been quite active the past month. On January 2 a three-man team met Boston University on the question of the National Labor Relations Board. On January 13 another team won the decision from Tufts College. Speaking before the West Medford Club, the Colby men argued against the adoption of the unicameral system for state legislature. A third debate team broadcast January 15 from Station WCSH, Portland, on this same question with Bates as its opponent.

WOMEN'S UNDERGRADUATE BANQUET

The fifteenth annual women's undergraduate banquet was held at Foss Hall, February 16. In keeping with its planned resemblance to a circus, pink lemonade, peanuts, and balloons were in evidence. Julie Haskell as "Ringmaster" introduced the class speakers who were everything from clown to bareback riders. Dean Amelia E. Clark of Colby Junior College, as "Trapeze Artist" and guest of honor, presented an interesting talk on "The Balanced Life."

DEAN RUNNALS GOES TO TWO CONVENTIONS

During the first week in March Dean Runnals attended at Atlantic City the Annual Convention of the American Council of Guidance and Personnel Association. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss "The Chief Goals of Education." Separate groups, in addition to the general assemblies and lectures by notable people, discussed the phases of their particular field of interest. At the National Association of Deans of Women also Miss Runnals attended general and separate group meetings determined by the type of school represented.

BASKETBALL CHAMPS FETED

Colby's varsity and freshman basketball squads and Coach Eddy Roundy were the guests of a large number of alumni and friends at a banquet in the Elmwood Hotel on March 9, to celebrate the winning of the state championship in this sport.

The guest speaker was Arthur Sampson, sports writer for the Boston Herald who paid glowing tribute to Eddy Roundy and gave an interesting address on the development of basketball during the last thirty years.

Also on the list of speakers were President Johnson, Ray White, Coach William Mansfield of Winslow and Coach Roundy. The toastmaster was Dr. F. T. Hill, '10.

Professor Gilbert F. Loeb announced the election of Joseph D. Dobbins, '38, of Houlton, as the honorary captain for the past season. Captain-elect for next year is Leland ("Bus")

Burrill, '39, of Fairfield, the leading scorer in Maine college circles and the spearhead of Colby's offense. Gilbert A. Peters of Oakland was named as honorary captain for the freshman team this season.

Professor Loeb presented gold basketballs and framed squad pictures to Coach Roundy and to each member of the varsity squad, as follows:

Joseph Dobbins, '38, Houlton; Richard W. Dow, '38, Augusta; Walter L. Haynes, '38, Bath; Henry Kammandel, '38, Edgewood. R. I.; John S. Pullen, '38, Danforth; Charles L. Burrill, '39, Fairfield; Richard W. Hopkins, '39, Manset; Maynard M. Irish, '39, Rumford; Victor P. Malins, '39, Saugatuck, Conn.; Michael A. Spina, '39, Mount Vernon, N. Y.; Warren Pearl, '40, Revere, Mass.; Albert J. Rimosukas, '41, Poquonock, Conn.; and Manager Leroy N. Young, '38, of Lynn, Mass.

Results of Hockey and Basketball Seasons

Varsity Basketball					
	Colby	Opp.			
Trinity	34	31	Millinocket)	20	33
U. S. Coast Guard	34	30	Houlton High School (at Houlton)	33	35
Worcester Poly Tech	31	51	Presque Isle High School (at Presque Isle)	28	30
Northeastern	38	54	Ricker Classical Institute (at Houlton)	33	42
University of Maine	43	41	Maine Central Institute	30	40
Bates (at Lewiston)	36	37	Kents Hill	55	33
M. I. T.	44	33	Hebron Academy, at Hebron	44	52
Tufts	25	46	Coburn Classical Institute	35	39
Amherst	28	43	Higgins Classical Institute	39	36
Williams	37	36			
U. of New Hampshire	28	33			
U. of Maine (at Orono)	46	42			
Boston University	41	55			
Bowdoin Independents	56	32			
Bates	45	40			

Freshman Basketball				Hockey	
	Colby	Opp.		Colby	Opp.
Ricker Classical Institute	49	50	Bowdoin (at Brunswick)	2	3
Hebron Academy	58	53	Northeastern (at Boston)	4	5
Maine Central Institute (at Pittsfield)	36	34	M. I. T.	4	3
Coburn Classical Institute	57	37	Bowdoin	6	4
Kents Hill (at Kents Hill)	52	31	Boston University	6	6
Stearns High School (at			U. of New Hampshire	No Ice	
			Williams	No Ice	
			Boston College	3	6
			Brown University	4	5
			Bowdoin	3	1
			Northeastern	6	1

HILL, '10, ELECTED NEW TRUSTEE

The special ballot for Alumni Trustee to fill out the unexpired term of the late George Horace Lorimer, '98, has resulted in the election of Frederick Thayer Hill, '10.

Dr. Hill is well known to many Colby alumni, and as a past chairman of the Colby Alumni Council has taken a vigorous interest in college affairs, being especially interested in problems of student health, as well as in alumni projects. He is a native of Waterville, the son of Dr. J. F. Hill, '82, one of the most loyal alumni of this college. From Colby, he went to Harvard Medical School and served in the Army Medical Corps before coming home to establish private practice in 1919, specializing in eye, ear and throat ailments. Dr. Hill has won wide recognition in his profession as may be deduced from the fact that he is a past president of the Maine Medical Association, the Kennebec County Medical Association, and the New England Otolological and Laryngological Society, and holds chairmanships and memberships in numerous



other professional organizations. He was president of the Waterville Colby Club during 1935-37, and a member of the Colby Alumni Council from 1933-37, being chairman two years from 1937.

PROVIDENCE COLBY WOMEN CONTRIBUTE TO UNION

Colby alumnae in Rhode Island and Southern Massachusetts have subscribed \$1,120.00 to the new women's union building as the outcome of a campaign in that area under the leadership of Mrs. Edith Kennison Stene, '06, of Kingston, R. I.

A dinner was held at the Providence Plantation Club on February 26 with an attendance of 22 alumnae. The program of speakers included President Johnson, Miss Florence E. Dunn, '96, Mrs. Mary Donald Deans, '10, and Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith, '24. Stereopticon slides of the architect's drawings of the proposed building were shown by Mrs. Smith, as well as colored motion pictures of the new campus and Mayflower Hill events.

The success of the program in this area is due to the conscientious efforts of a committee which was made up as follows: Division 1, Mrs. Douglas J. Johnston, '28, Chairman; Louise A. Ross, '15; Mrs. C. Barnard Chapman, '25; Mildred M. Collins, '23; Mrs. J. Drisko Allen, '29; Myra S. Stone, '28.

Division 2, Mrs. Everett M. Willey, '24, Chairman; Anna L. C. Erickson, '24; Mrs. Frank M. Wilbur, '17; Mrs. Shirley B. Goodwin, '32.

SECRETARIAL COURSE STARTED

Senior women this year have been enabled to increase their chances of employment following graduation next June by the establishment of extra-curricular courses in typing and stenography.

Some twenty girls have been taking these courses, which are conducted by Eleanor M. Tolan, assistant alumnae secretary. A battery of typewriters and other facilities have been provided in Foss Hall, and classes are held on three afternoons a week, with practice sessions at other times.

In explaining the reasons for this innovation, Professor Elmer C. Warren, director of Colby's placement bureau, stated that there is a strong trend on the part of women students to seek careers in commercial fields.

"We find that the business world, in turn," he said, "looks with favor

upon women who have the B. A. degree, which signifies a broad and exacting education. The graduates of liberal arts colleges, many employers believe, go further and advance more quickly into positions requiring judgment and responsibility. However, a knowledge of stenography frequently furnishes an entree into whatever field of work the girl wishes to make her career. From a secretarial position at the outset, a girl may advance as far as her ability warrants.

"Since at Colby, as at most liberal arts colleges, it is against the academic policy to include commercial subjects in the curriculum, we are attempting to solve the problem by offering competent instruction in this field as an extra-curricular course. The course is conducted seriously, but does not carry any credits towards graduation. By attaining a facility in shorthand and typing during her college years, a girl is qualified to seek a job immediately after graduation."

BOARDMAN SOCIETY

The Boardman Society, a name which has been used by several religious organizations at Colby during the last hundred years, has been re-established once more. It is now to be made up of students who look forward to life work in some phase of religious service.

SCHOLARSHIP STANDINGS

The relative scholastic standings of the fraternities and sororities at the end of the first semester was announced by Registrar Elmer C. Warren, together with the average rank in quality points, as follows:

Fraternities

1. Theta Kappa Nu	37.5
2. Tau Delta Phi	36.4
3. Zeta Psi	34.7
4. Alpha Tau Omega	34.3
5. Delta Kappa Epsilon	34.1
6. Kappa Delta Rho	33.4
7. Lambda Chi Alpha	33.0
8. Delta Upsilon	30.3
9. Phi Delta Theta	23.0

Sororities

1. Sigma Kappa	41.0
2. Alpha Delta Pi	40.6
3. Delta Delta Delta	39.0
4. Phi Mu	38.7
5. Chi Omega	37.8

THE FRATERNITY EMBASSY

FOR three days, beginning Monday, February 28, nine young religious leaders were guests of the Colby fraternities in what the Echo termed a "most productive and satisfactory" project. Sponsored by the Student Y. M. C. A., and named "The Fraternity Embassy," the program included nightly informal discussions in each chapter house, opportunity for personal counsel at all times, an All-Fraternity chapel service, and daily meetings of the guests with President Johnson and Professor Newman.

An enterprising reporter on the Echo made an investigation of the topics taken up at these various fraternity house "bull sessions." The list is instructive and was in part as follows: State vs. God, temperance, democracy vs. benevolent despotism, pre-marital relations, the nature of Man, "calling a spade a spade," the idea of God, foreign politics, moral conduct and its determinants, divorce, superficiality of student activities, companionate marriage, right and wrong in theory and practice, immortality, ridding oneself of shame, economic problems of marriage, freedom on control, the Church, sterilization, the substantiability of matter, the fraternity system, birth control, appreciation of literature, the availability of God, Christ in one's personal life, the moral code, science, medicine, sociology, education.

The list of the guests of the nine Colby fraternities is as follows:

Delta Kappa Epsilon—Rev. Evan J. Shearman, '22, First Baptist Church of Springfield, Mass.

Zeta Psi—Professor A. Philip Guiles of Andover-Newton Theological School, Newton Center, Mass.

Delta Upsilon—Dr. Merwin M. Deems, professor of Church history at Bangor Theological Seminary, Bangor.

Phi Delta Theta—Dr. Newton Fetter, Baptist Student Pastor of Greater Boston.

Alpha Tau Omega—Wilmer J. Kitchen of Boston, executive secretary of the Student Christian Movement of New England.

Lambda Chi Alpha—Rev. Alexander Henderson, Calvary Baptist Church of Lowell, Mass.

THE COVER

The opportunity for Colby students to associate with men of sympathetic attitude and mature viewpoint is not restricted to such occasions as the Fraternity Embassy described in this article. The rooms of the resident faculty members in the freshman dormitories are the scene of informal discussions day after day on topics which range from the trivial to the profound. The cover picture, showing Professor Alfred K. Chapman in his Roberts Hall quarters surrounded by a few students, is typical of one of the intangible, but very important phases of the educational process at Colby.

Kappa Delta Rho—Rev. Harold F. Lemoine, '32, assistant at the Church of the Transfiguration (The Little Church Around the Corner), New York City.

Theta Kappa Nu—Rev. Ernest Robinson, Portland, superintendent of the Portland district of the Maine Methodist-Episcopal Conference.

Tau Delta Phi—Rabbi Levi Olan, of the Temple of Emmanuel, Worcester, Mass.

MAYFLOWER HILL MODEL TO BE MADE

Study of the plans for Colby's new campus on Mayflower Hill will be facilitated next summer by a scale model showing the grounds and future buildings. The model will measure about nine by seven feet and will be built on the scale of 400 to one. It is now under construction by L. Evans Parcell of Pittsburgh who is one of the premier model-makers of this country, having done pieces for many leading museums. The material used is chiefly wood. The contours of Mayflower Hill and the slope of the new campus will be accurately reproduced while the miniature buildings are being made directly from the architect's blueprints. It will be finished in natural colors.

President Johnson stated that the model will make it possible to study Colby's functionally planned campus from various angles and in a realistic manner. It will be used by the members of the development committee of the board of trustees, and by the architect, J. Frederick Larson, to make final decisions regarding the exact location of the various units and landscape features.

The model will be permanently housed in a small building situated near the center of the new campus. It will be open to the public during the summer and will serve to show visitors the relation of the structures now under construction to the whole plan and so enable them better to visualize the finished campus.

NECROLOGY

HARRY LYMAN KOOPMAN, '80

A long and distinguished career came to a close for Harry Lyman Koopman, '80, on December 28, 1937.

Native of Maine and always loyal to his native state and his college. Dr. Koopman gave an equal loyalty to his adopted state of Rhode Island where in the latter 44 years of his life he manifested his boundless mental energy.

It was in recent years that the writer came to know him and find frequent inspiration in Dr. Koopman's vast store of knowledge of an amazing variety of subjects.

He was primarily a librarian—he served Brown University in that capacity for 37 years—but he was no mere cataloguer of books. And while he took pleasure in a handsome book as such, he was fundamentally concerned with the intrinsic value of the book's contents.

This concern made him a student of the various sciences, of economics and of nature. He was particularly interested in astronomy, and his love and study of nature drew him often to the mountains, the forests and the sea. The most enjoyable periods of his life, probably, were those summer months he spent so regularly along the Maine coast.

Further, his was a creative mind, for, as a writer of books, he covered a wide range of subjects in both

poetry and prose. To illustrate, here are just a few titles of his many writings: "The Great Admiral" which was an ode to Farragut; "Orestes and Other Poems;" "The Mastery of Books;" "At the Gates of the Century;" "Hesperia, an American National Poem;" and "The Eternal Pilgrim." On the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of his class, Dr. Koopman read a poem entitled "Mateina." This was published in a limited edition by the Yale University Press and is notable as a choice example of book printing, as well as being poetry of the highest order. These few scant illustrations do not begin to include the range of his works.

Dr. Koopman was born in Freeport, Maine, in 1860. He entered Colby at the age of 16 years and was graduated in 1880. He became associated with the Astor Library a year later, and then served successively with Cornell, Rutgers and Columbia Universities and the University of Vermont to gain the experience as a librarian that he used so well at Brown University, beginning in 1893.

While connected with Brown University, Dr. Koopman interested himself in affairs of the university generally, in various civic enterprises, and in activities of several library associations. He served for three years as head of the American Library Association and for 12 years as associate editor of the *Brown Alumni Monthly*.

From 1908 until his retirement from Brown University in 1930 he was John Hay Professor of Bibliography. It was under Dr. Koopman's direction that the John Hay library was expanded from 80,000 to more than 400,000 volumes.

Dr. Koopman was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Literature by Colby in 1908. In 1893, Harvard University conferred an honorary A. M. degree upon him. He held a similar degree from Colby, awarded in 1883.

After leaving Brown in 1930, Dr. Koopman was not to be denied a continued active life and joined the staff of the *Providence Journal* as an editorial writer, a post he held until his death.

He married Helen Luise Mayser of Ulm, Germany, in 1889, and their two children, Mary Fredrika and Karl



HARRY LYMAN KOOPMAN, '80

Henry survive, with Mrs. Koopman.

In commenting upon Dr. Koopman's death, the *Providence Journal* said:

"Dr. Koopman was a philosopher as well as student. His sympathies were broad and based on careful reflection. He was a generous estimator of others' opinions but a faithful adherent to his own basic convictions. He was a kindly critic and a generous-minded friend. All in all, he lived a rounded life and a happy one. The State and community to which he gave unsparingly of his strength and affection will long remember him for what he did—and for what he was."

JOHN E. CASE, '80

JOHN E. CASE, '80, passed away on February 28th in Westboro, Mass., at the age of 81 years.

Mr. Case was born in Patten, Me., in 1856. He attended Waterville Classical Institute and received his A. B. degree from Colby in 1880. He studied for the ministry at Newton Theological Institute for two years following his graduation from Colby. For many years he and his wife were Baptist missionaries in India.

He is survived by two sons: Rev. Brayton Case, a missionary in India, and Rev. J. Russell Case of Charlotte, Vt.

GEORGE E. WHITE, '80

Word has been received in the Alumni Office of the death of George E. White, on August 15, 1937, at Belfast, Me. Mr. White attended Colby College from 1876 to 1878.

JAMES K. TUFTS, JR., '28

JAMES K. TUFTS, JR., died at his home in Westborough, Mass., on January 27, after a few days' illness with pneumonia. He was born in Amherst, Nova Scotia, thirty-one years ago. He was graduated from Westborough High School in 1924 and from Colby College in 1928. He is survived by his wife, Florence McCroken Tufts, and two children, James K., 3rd, three and a half years old, and Nancy Ann, two years old. He also leaves his parents and four brothers. Funeral services were held at his home on January 29th.

MILESTONES

ENGAGEMENTS

Laura M. Tolman, '38, Schenectady, N. Y., to Carlton Brown, Schenectady. Laura will be married at home, 102 Ravine Road, on August 1, 1938.

MARRIAGES

Lucile F. Blanchard, '32, Waterville to Clifton B. McMullen, Winslow, at Waterville, February 4, 1938. Mr. and Mrs. McMullen are living at 30 Elm Street, Waterville.

Ellen L. Askew, Rhode Island to Harold C. Allen, '37, New Bedford, Mass. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are residing at 513 South Fourth Street, Ann Arbor, Mich., while he is studying for his Ph. D. in History.

BIRTHS

A daughter, Diane Rollins Davidson, February 23, 1938, to Faith Rollins Davidson, '31, and John Davidson, '31, at Allentown, Penn.

A son, William Payson Hunt, III, November 4, 1937, to Ruth Shesong Hunt, '35, and Leonard R. Hunt, U. of M. at Bangor.

A daughter, Constance Ann, December 7, 1937, to Mildred Roberts Pennock, '29, and Ralph Pennock, at Braitree, Mass.

To Merle Rokes Waltz, '24, and Maynard Waltz, a son, January 6, 1938, at Keene, N. H.

Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1880

James E. Trask, a lawyer in St. Paul, Minn., argued a matter of law at a hearing before the War Minerals Relief Commission of the Secretary of the Interior in Washington last October. He then visited in Plainfield, N. J., visiting various points of interest, including Princeton College. From Plainfield he went to Worcester, Mass., where he was met by his brother, Fred R. Trask, '86, whom he visited for a few days.

1889

Edward F. Stevens will retire from the Pratt Institute Free Library as librarian and director of the School of Library Science on June 30th, after nearly thirty years in office. After July 1st his address will be Sycamore Cottage, Miller Place, Long Island, New York.

1895

A very interesting article published February 21, by the St. Petersburg Times concerns Clio Chilcott.

Miss Chilcott recently rebuilt her winter home on 26th Ave., North. The article describes some of the travels and the impressions gained by Miss Chilcott: "The Misses Blackwell and Chilcott who have recently built their home here because they consider St. Petersburg one of the most attractive and pleasant places they have ever found and want to spend their winters here, missed the depression in the United States because at that time they were spending five years in France. No one could treat Americans better than the French, they say recalling the bank holiday to prove this point. When President Roosevelt closed the banks the French proprietor told the two confidentially that they need not worry, they could remain at the hotel as long as they wanted and it would cost them nothing until affairs in the United States were straightened. This same procedure occurred before, when Miss Chilcott was in France at the time this country entered the World War."

1896

Gertrude Illsley Padelford accompanied her husband, Dr. Frank Padel-

ford, in a recent trip to Washington, D. C., and Florida.

Frederick M. Padelford, Professor of English at the University of the State of Washington, attended a meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Senate in December and visited his son Philip, who is taking graduate work at Yale.

1900

After thirty-seven most happy years spent in teaching English principally in Medford Senior High School, and in Watertown Senior High, Carrie M. Tozier retired from the teaching profession.

1905

Hersey R. Keene has retired from the Railway Mail Service, having attained retirement age.

1910

Frederick T. Hill presented a paper on "Mixed Tumors of the Palate," before the Pan-American Medical Association at Havana, Cuba, on January 21st.

1911

Royden V. Brown, of Skowegan, Secretary of the State Senate, has filed nomination papers for the office of Congressman from the Second Maine District.

1916

Robert A. Hussey has been appointed Associate Professor of Industrial Engineering in charge of Cost Accounting at Pennsylvania State College.

1917

William H. Erbb was honored on March 8 by a testimonial dinner on his behalf in the Imperial Ballroom of the Hotel Statler, Boston. The occasion was the fifteenth anniversary as a motion picture distributor. A large number of his associates were present to express their esteem. Their estimate of him was summed up as follows: "As we all know, Bill is one of the most admirable and respected of the industry, an able and indus-

trious executive, yet congenial, affable and most human."

1921

Bertha Norton Long has a daughter, a freshman in Limestone high school. She is planning on the "New Colby" in four years.

Helen Hodgkins Berry has recently moved into a fine new house in Reading, Mass.

Pauline Abbott took the famous Gaspe trip last summer. She is already planning another trip for this summer.

Just before Christmas Adelle McLoon Germano directed a big school production at the Brantwood Hall School. She is director of dramatics and assistant principal. Adelle is taking piano lessons this year and dancing lessons with Hanya Holm at the Mary Wigman studio in New York.

Irene Gushee Moran continues to enjoy life in Washington. Her husband's picture was in a recent March of Time movie that told of the function of the Maritime Commission.

Frances Bradbury Burke was a recent Foss Hall visitor, calling on her freshman niece, Claire Emerson.

Elva Tooker is teaching History at the Mary C. Wheeler School in Providence, R. I. Last summer she studied at the University of Chicago, where she saw Esther Power.

Betty Whipple Butler is active in the Grand Rapids, Michigan, Parent-Teachers' Association and the Panhellenic Association.

After serving on the Board of Directors since 1934, Ransom Pratt of Corning, N. Y., was this year elected President of Philharmonic Society. Mr. Pratt plays the 'cello, while his wife plays first violin in the orchestra. Also on the Board of Directors and concert-master of the violins is his brother, Surrogate George W. Pratt, 1914, well known to Colby people for his violin solos, orchestra and glee club work when at Colby.

1922

"Bill" Brier has moved with his family to LaGrange, Georgia, to accept a position in the textile industry there. The town is located near

the western boundary of the state.

Laura M. Stanley has announced her candidacy for State Representative from Portland on the Republican ticket in next June's primaries.

After graduating from Colby, Miss Stanley did post graduate work at Middlebury. She was admitted to the Maine Bar in 1936.

1923

"Spike" and Melva Mann Farnum should now be addressed as follows: 820 Nichome, Shimouma Machi, Setagaya Ku, Tokyo, Japan. This information was received from the American Board of Foreign Missions. It is not known whether this removal from the Inland Sea to Tokyo has been caused by war conditions or not, but it is logical to assume that any Americans in that locality might be in a position to observe naval maneuvers and so be under constant suspicion from the Japanese authorities. We hope that the mission work which the Farnums have been building up so patiently for years is not to be permanently abandoned.

1925

C. Barnard Chapman serves as chaplain for the Rhode Island state institutions under the department of public welfare, as well as being minister of the First Baptist Church of East Greenwich. He and his wife, formerly Elizabeth Kingsley, '25, have three sons: Paul, born in 1931, Philip, born in 1934, and Donald, born in 1936.

1926

Dr. Herbert Wortman has been appointed assistant director of Mountainside Hospital in Montclair, N. J. For the past three years Dr. Wortman has been at Germantown Hospital in Philadelphia, where he has been chief resident surgeon for the past year.

1928

Vance McNaughton, principal of Lubec (Maine) High School, is not only a good teacher but clever also with the lariat. Recently Mr. McNaughton managed to lassoo a bald eagle with a bit of cod line, and at last reports he was still holding the eagle (which will eat anything but

prefers sardines and bread) awaiting instructions from the game warden.

1931

Evelyn Haycock Quinton is at 386 Main Street, Lewiston, where her husband is superintendent of the Androscoggin Mill. Evelyn has just lately returned to Maine having been in Rhode Island and with due respect to the Rhode Islanders she writes: "It does seem swell to be back in Maine again even tho' R. I. wasn't so bad."

Frances Libby, 1307 Pacific Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., is a Children's Librarian in Brooklyn. She has been working for her library degree at Columbia and expects to finish her work this year. Frances has also discovered what she calls a "slight ability" in poster work. She, therefore, plans to get her library degree and then take a course in Art. At the May meeting of the Children's Librarians she is to speak on "Beautifying the Children's Rooms." Oh I could tell you more about Frances but I must save something for the class letter.

Ina Hussey, East Vassalboro, is a full fledged Funeral Director and Embalmer. It isn't every class who can report such an accomplishment among its members, especially too when that member is a woman and not a man. Ina graduated last year from an Embalming College in Boston and passed the Maine State Board in the Spring. She also received a scholarship to the Boston school this year and has been back several times to do special work. Besides taking care of the dead Ina is helping future generations by being chairman of one of the committees for raising money for the new Women's Union.

Doris Spencer Wallis lives at 9 Roosevelt Avenue, Larchmont, N. Y. Doris and her husband have just bought a house and they are having lots of fun planning a garden and fixing the house up. Doris told me snatches about some of our classmates but I'm not going to print those "snatches" until these people come through with some news about themselves. However, I'll tell you this much, "Budge" Chase Bevin has an adorable child—very blond—and quite angelic in both appearance and behavior. Budge feels that it is quite

remarkable that he should be.

Another "snatch" is that "Dutch" Linscott Roberts has a second son. I do wish she would write us about him.

Ruby Bickmore Wiggin, Albion, has two children, a boy seven, and a girl four. Sad to say Ruby has been sick in bed for seventeen weeks and is just able to get around. Ruby visited Ada Bates last fall and had a nice "chatty" visit. We are looking forward to hearing from Ada herself so we won't say anything more about her now.

Mary Cadwallader Combella, 28 Pleasant St., Waterville, is "housewife and stenographer" and everyone who has tried this two job business can sympathize with her. An interesting note in Mary's letter is that her husband is working for his Master's Degree in Mathematics from Colby and when he is awarded it he will be the first to receive one in that subject from Colby. Mary was married last October 2nd and she lives in a three-room apartment on Pleasant Street across from the Junior High.

A news letter consisting of nothing but repetition would be far from interesting so I'll have to keep the rest of the news about these people for our class letter. Will those of you who haven't answered our questionnaire please do so at once. Thank you. Muriel MacDougall Lobdell.

John F. Pollard, principal of Canton (Maine) High School, recently preached a sermon on "Christianity and Our Economic Problem" at the layman's day service at the Universalist Church in Canton.

1932

John DeMiceli is now with one of the outstanding concerns making laboratory furniture. His mailing address is 563 Walton Ave., New York City.

1934

Ralph Nathanson, a practicing lawyer in Waterville, has announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for county attorney.

1936

Harold W. Kimball, Jr., is now connected with the Mill & Contractors Supply Department of the H. W. Kimball Co. in Waterville.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Of Interest to Colby Alumni and Alumnae

- March 18—Boston Colby Club, New England Kitchen, Charles Street.
- “ 18—Worcester Alumni and Alumnae, Hotel Bancroft.
- “ 19—12 M.—Nominating Committee Meeting, Alumni Council, Parker House, Boston
2 P. M.—Alumni Council Meeting, Parker House, Boston.
7 P. M.—Class Agents' Dinner, Parker House, Boston.
- “ 25—New York City Alumni and Alumnae Meeting, Prince George Hotel.
- “ 28—Philadelphia Alumni and Alumnae Meeting.
- “ 29—Washington (D. C.) Alumni and Alumnae Meeting.
- “ 30—Pittsburgh Alumni and Alumnae Meeting.
- April 15—Portland Alumni Dinner.
- “ 16—Meeting of Board of Trustees, Hotel Eastland, Portland.
- “ 29—Hartford Alumni Meeting, Hotel Bond.
- “ 30—Providence Alumni Meeting.
- May 9—Houlton Alumni and Alumnae Meeting.
- “ 10—Presque Isle Alumni and Alumnae Meeting.
- June 17—Meeting of Board of Trustees, Chemical Hall.
- “ 18—Alumni and Alumnae Luncheons.
Class Reunions.
- “ 19—Baccalaureate Sunday.
- “ 20—Commencement Day.

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