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C O M M E N T A R Y

What Einstein Meant

Over the last few years, I have grown increasingly interested in and worried about the nuclear threat. Like many Americans, the more I learned, the more depressed I got, as I saw less and less hope of even slowing down the arms race. My outlook hit rock bottom in the summer of 1984, when I attended a seminar conducted by a large group of experts at Harvard and MIT. Most had spent their entire adult lives trying to end this threat to civilization as we know it, and their sense of failure and desperation showed in their faces and in their words.

But then, all of a sudden that fall, I began to understand why we have failed to halt the arms race and what we have to do to ensure the survival of humanity. I would like to share that powerful experience with you here.

I was organizing a series of lectures on the nuclear threat, and a colleague asked me to bring in a couple who had just moved to New Hampshire to work for some movement I've never heard of, called Beyond War. I was skeptical about yet another peace movement, but the Richesons were ideal speakers—they would come for free!

My skepticism remained as Gene and Donna talked about how bad a nuclear war would be and why, as things stand now, nuclear war is inevitable. Then, my impression completely changed as Gene read a single sentence from a telegram Albert Einstein sent in 1946, urging 200 prominent Americans to join the effort to stop the spread of nuclear weapons.

The unleashed power of the atom has changed everything save our modes of thinking and we thus drift toward unparalleled catastrophe

I instantly realized that Beyond War was totally different from all those other peace movements.

First of all, this organization understood the real nature of the crisis. The nuclear threat does not lie in those horrid weapons or even in the men and women who make our public policy. Like Einstein, Beyond War was saying the problem lies in us. It is our "mode of thinking"—those basic values and assumptions that determine how we view the world—that is the root cause of the nuclear crisis. The Richesons went on to say something I'd been thinking about but hadn't fully figured out yet: that the same mode of thinking determines how we resolve conflict in general and, hence, is the root cause of most of our other problems as well.

Then, they discussed three other words in that sentence—"everything has changed." It isn't just war that has changed in the nuclear age. *Everything* has changed. In particular, everything from the development of modern science through the evocative pictures of the earth taken from space has taught us something we could not fully appreciate before—that we are part of a single, interconnected system. Everything we do directly or indirectly influences every thing and every person on the face of the earth. In short, we are one.

The Richesons closed by showing us that a full understanding of that unity provides us with a way out of nuclear crisis. If we are to survive, we must reject our current mode of thinking, which has gotten us into the arms race and has always led us to war. Instead, we must adopt a new philosophy based on the exciting realization that we are one species that is part of one whole planet. If we develop that way of thinking, we will never even consider going to war and will move on to what Einstein, in ending that telegram, called "a higher level of civilization."

Clearly, the task the Richesons described—nothing less than changing the way we all think about war and conflict resolution in general—is a difficult one. But it was equally clear that changing our thinking would be a necessary and sufficient precondition for building what they were talking about—a world truly beyond war. For the first time in years, I felt optimistic.

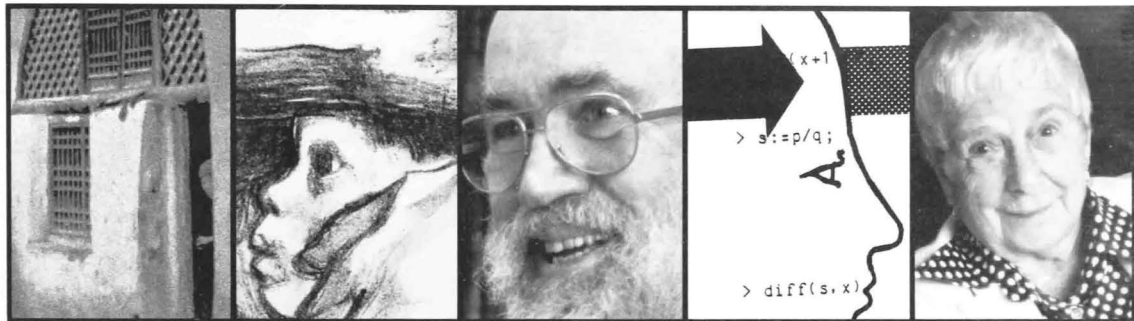
By the end of the evening I had become Waterville's fifth Beyond War worker. In the last year, I've spent two or three nights a week talking about these ideas in living rooms, schools, and churches throughout central Maine. Our group has grown to about 40 active workers in the Waterville area, and we have reached 200-300 people. In the last few months, about 20 Colby students have also joined this grassroots educational effort and turned Beyond War into one of the College's most visible and vital organizations.

The important thing is not Beyond War or any other organization. Most heartening is the change in consciousness I see starting all around us. Whether I listen to the radio and hear songs like "We Are the World" or visit the Soviet Union and have every single person we meet beg us for peace, I feel the change beginning.

Now I understand why the Chinese use two characters, "danger" and "opportunity," to represent our word "crisis." We have dwelt too long on the danger of the nuclear crisis. We obviously cannot ignore it, but we must spend as much effort or more on seeing the opportunities for human progress that will come in ending the threat of nuclear holocaust.

Charles S. Hauss
Associate Professor of Government

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On the Cover: The Lan-ting Gathering, given to Colby by Mrs. Willard Howe Cummings, marks an event in China that greatly predates those John Roderick '36 recorded during his years as a reporter there (see page 13). In the year 353 the famous calligrapher Wang Hsi-chih gathered a group of poets and scholars at the Orchid Pavilion in southern China to compose poems while sipping wine from cups floated to them on the water. Although the scroll bears the signature of "Tsunenobu" (1636-1713), it is a later copy in his style.

EUSTIS MAILROOM

At Home in the Church

Since I am a minister and have earned the doctorate of ministry, [the editor] expressed interest sometime ago in my reaction to last year's article in the *Alumnus* about women ministers.

Serving as an interim minister has often brought a good laugh. Among my minister friends the word is, "Beth can't hold a job!" Since this area has a conservative bent, there have been several occasions when I was the first woman to serve in the pulpit. One man said, "This is the first time we have had a minister with nice legs." Another church member introduced me as their "ministress." Later I reflected that I was glad that I was not a "maxistress."

I feel very much at ease in the church setting and most problems that I encounter are not new to me. My father was a judicatory official, and I often traveled with him to churches in his area of responsibility. So far in my own ministry, I have served in eighteen interim assignments, averaging more than nine months in length, and I am somewhat proud that five of those are return visits. Goodbys have not been a problem since all of my interim parishes have been in my church conference, and I see people I know at the conference meetings.

In spite of some limitations, my work is a delight. Specialized training by the Alban Institute has helped tremendously in my functioning as an interim pastor, and the support I am accorded from area conference ministers is invaluable.

Beth Pendleton Clark '35
Selinsgrove, Pa.

The Reverend Dr. Clark delivered the sermon at this year's Boardman Service on June 8.

Fairness to the Fairer Sex

As an alumnus, I'm reluctant to raise this matter; I've been expecting one of our alumnae to do it.

It was 111 years ago that Mary Low became Colby's first woman graduate. Since then the weaker sex has shown its strength, winning battle after battle for equal status with men. I know - my two daughters bristle and clench fists at any act or word even remotely discriminatory. Why then have we had no alumnae uprising against the long-outmoded title of our publication for graduates?

In church today, the congregation sings from ad hoc sheets on which the hymns have been purged of male nouns and pronouns; and the Holy Writ itself is being writ anew to redress the sex imbalance of the old. How can women who have deposed chairmen and elected chairs instead accept *Alumnus* as a unisex word? (I cannot believe that a Colby graduate could not distinguish between the meaning of alumnus and alumna, alumni and alumnae.)

So let's hear it from the girls!

Perley M. Leighton '43
Westbrook, Maine

P.S. Is the very name of the Alumni Council sacrosanct?

Countless Greek Gifts

It is refreshing that an increasing number of undergraduates are volunteering their time for worthy charitable causes. However, charitable service to the community was performed by fraternity and sorority members without any fanfare for many, many years.

Lambda Chi Alpha sponsored a skate-a-thon annually for the children of Pine Tree School. LCA also cosponsored an ice cream Christmas party for handicapped children in the Waterville area, and the Chi Omega sorority enthusiastically supervised the entire event. The Zeta Psi shoot-a-thon was always a successful event. The Alpha Tau Omega "Community Help Week" was equally successful. Let us not forget the myriad of fraternity and sorority members who participated in the Big Brother/Big Sister system.

It is exhilarating that volunteering time for charity has become popular on the Hill. However, let us not forget about the countless numbers of fraternity and sorority members who donated their time freely without any accolade or recognition from the Colby community. I am certain that the charitable organizations that benefited from the effort of the Greek community have not forgotten.

Oscar Weekes, Jr. '85
Boston, Mass.

Letters Policy

The editor invites concise letters for publication on topics that pertain to the content of *The Colby Alumnus* or the College at large. An ideal length is 150 words. The editor reserves the right to edit letters so that they conform with *Alumnus* style and to publish excerpts as spatial constraints demand. No unsigned letter will be printed, although signatures may be withheld from publication on request.

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Colby Amends Curriculum

Multiple changes in Colby's educational program, approved by the Board of Trustees at its April 12 meeting, will create a new freshman program and new concentration options while reducing the overall load on students and faculty.

Half of the incoming Class of 1990 will take part next year in a pilot program of freshman seminars with interdisciplinary focus. Funded by a major grant from the Andrew Mellon Foundation to study "fresh combinations" in the curriculum, the program creates course clusters on the themes of Paradigms, Assumptions, and the Roots of Human Nature; Response and Counterresponse in the Western Tradition; and In Search of a Soul. The seminars, which will include historical perspectives and contact with great literature, are to emphasize training in close reading of texts, in writing, and in analytic thinking. Groups of 75 students and five faculty members will meet weekly for lectures on the clusters' diverse readings and also will break into groups of 15 students to meet with one professor. If next year's pilot program is successful, the entire freshman Class of 1991 will take part in the seminars the following year.

Students next year also will be able to elect new concentrations, commensurate to minors, in quantitative analysis and administrative science. The quantitative analysis concentration, one result of a grant from the Sloan Foundation, will be an independent, five-course program in quantitative reasoning, computer science, and statistical analysis. Open to majors in nearly all departments, the concentration will address the applications of quantitative methods in their various major disciplines.

Similarly, students in any departmental or interdisciplinary major will be able to elect an independent, seven-course concentration in administrative science. One of several changes in the administrative science program, this is intended, in part, to reduce the number of students who choose double majors, thinking they must acquire very applicable, job-oriented knowledge in addition to their majors in areas of great personal interest. Another change is the restructuring of the combined administrative science-mathematics

major into administrative science-quantitative analysis, "to take advantage of the momentum of the Sloan-sponsored work in quantitative analysis mentioned earlier . . .," Dean of Faculty Robert McArthur explained in a memo to the board's educational policy committee. A joint program between administrative science and sociology is also being considered.

Finally, the board approved a long-explored reduction of the student and faculty course loads. "Excessive fragmentation of time and energy has become a major concern," McArthur told the trustees in explanation of the change. It will reduce the student standard from five courses per semester to four, which is the norm at most liberal arts colleges and Ivy League universities today. The faculty course load will be reduced from six courses per year to five plus sponsorship of independent

study, supervision of senior scholars, and normal advising and committee responsibilities.

While the various departments are altering major requirements to accommodate the reduced course load, two changes will occur in all-College requirements for graduation. In place of the existing four-course series, the foreign language requirement will become three intensive, four-credit courses. Also, English 152, Introduction to Literature, will no longer be required, but the training it provides in close reading and writing are expected to be integrated into the Freshman Seminar Program. The number of credits required for graduation will remain 120, and the scope and number of credits offered for many courses will increase.

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Princeton Economist is Johnson Lecturer

A large audience turned out to hear the second annual Christian A. Johnson Distinguished Lecture in Economics, on March 12. This year's Johnson lecturer was William J. Baumol, professor of economics at Princeton and New York University, the author of widely used microeconomic theory texts, and a former president of the American Economics Association. Economics Professor Thomas Tietenberg introduced Baumol as "a man capable of substantial contributions to diverse fields" because he is also a painter and sculptor of some note. The title of his presentation was "A Century of Productivity Data: International Comparisons and Policy Implications."

Trustees Present \$1 Million Challenge

The Board of Trustees has raised among its members \$1 million to establish a new and major Colby 2000 Campaign challenge, it was announced at the April trustees' meeting. This challenge fund adds to the substantial pledges the trustees have already made to the Campaign and, when the challenge is met, will bring their total giving to nearly \$4.5 million. The challenge has the potential of raising \$3 million for the College.

Making a one-for-two challenge, for every two dollars pledged or donated from the date of the announcement on April 12, the trustees will add one dollar. Thus, a new \$1000 pledge will bring \$1,500 to the College; \$500 will add \$750 to the Campaign total. Although pledges made before the announcement do not qualify for matching by the trustee fund (even though annual payments may not be completed), pledges may be increased so that the increased amount will be matched on the one-for-two basis. One way of doing this, said Director of Development Pen Williamson '63, is to extend payments on an existing pledge for another year, or two, or even as many as five additional years.

With six months and \$5 million to go to the end of the Campaign, this "Colby 2000 Challenge" is expected to inspire alumni, parents, and friends of the College to make an extra effort to bring the Campaign to a successful conclusion. As Alumni Trustee Sarah Janney Rose '76 explained, "It makes the case stronger. If you can say that the governing board of the College has made this commitment, it makes other people reexamine their own gifts . . . [they may] now find they're in a position to give more. . . . I think it will be very effective."

Alumni Trustees Declared Elected

Three alumni who had been nominated as alumni trustees were declared elected by the Colby Alumni Council at its March 7-8 meeting.

Colby's newest trustee is Beverly Nalbandian '80, who fills a position reserved by the council for a recent graduate. The director of Roberts Union and tennis coach at Colby for the year after she graduated, Nalbandian is now an analyst for Fleet National Bank in Providence, R.I.

She is a member of the Alumni Council, an officer of the Providence Alumni Club, and a former class officer.

Incumbents Warren J. Finegan '51 and Rae Jean Braunnmuller Goodman '69 both begin new three-year terms as alumni trustees. Finegan, a past Alumni Council chair and past president of the Boston Alumni Club, has served on the Board of Trustees since 1980. He is a resident of Wayland, Mass.

Goodman, who has been a trustee since 1983, is an associate professor of economics at the U.S. Naval Academy. She served Colby earlier as an overseer and has provided career counseling to undergraduates. In 1972 she was honored as a Woodrow Wilson Dissertation Fellow. She and her family reside in Annapolis, Md.

New Overseers Named

Charles W. "Chip" Carey '63 and William J. Rouhana, Jr. '72 will join their expertise with that already represented by the Colby Overseers, an advisory group of leaders. Carey and Rouhana were elected overseers at the January 30 meeting of the Board of Trustees.

As executive vice president of Fleet National Bank in Providence, R.I., Carey is responsible for all secured lending and asset-based financial activities. He is vice chair of the Fleet National Credit Policy Committee; president of the Fleet Credit Corporation; vice president of the Fleet Financial Group; a director of Ambassador Factors, International Appraisal Company, Industrial Financial Company, and Fleet Venture Resources; and president and director of the INB Financial Corporation. Carey has served on the Alumni Council and is a member of the Providence Colby Alumni Club. He and his wife, Pamela Plumb Carey '64, have two children and are residents of Cumberland, R.I.

Rouhana is a partner in the law firm of Baer Marks and Upham in New York City and also is president of WinStar Corporation, which is involved with film and cassette rights. In addition to being a member of several professional associations, he is a former member of the Nassau County (N.Y.) Democratic Committee. He and his wife, Claudia Caruso Rouhana '71, are the parents of two children. They reside in Port Washington, N.Y.

Alumni Honored

At this year's Alumni Awards Banquet, held Friday, June 6, during Reunion Week-end, four Colby Bricks were awarded as were the Distinguished Alumnus and the Marriner Distinguished Service awards. Colby Bricks are presented to those "who have demonstrated loyalty to the College through dedicated meritorious service in its behalf." This year Bricks were awarded to J. Warren Bishop '35, Susan Comeau '63, Robert W. Anthony '69, and Elizabeth Corydon '74. This year's Distinguished Alumnus was Lawrence R. Pugh '56, and President Emeritus Robert E. L. Strider II was honored with the Marriner award.

J. Warren Bishop, now retired, had been controller, vice president for research and corporate planning, and then tax director for Union Mutual. Previous to these positions he had been chairman of Colby's department of business administration. In many ways he has contributed to the College. He has filled the responsibilities of class agent for over 25 years and was a member of his class's 50th reunion committee, president of his class from 1980 to 1985, an Alumni Council member from 1958 to 1964, and a former class correspondent.

Susan Comeau is vice president and head of corporate marketing for State Street Bank and Trust Company. She served as chair of the Alumni Fund from 1982 to 1985 and is a past Alumni Council member and past chair of its awards committee. She is also a past director of the Boston Colby Alumni Club.

Robert W. Anthony, director of development and alumni affairs at the Millbrook School in New York, is currently president of his class, an office he will hold until 1989. He has been active in student recruitment and now serves the New York Colby Alumni Club as treasurer. His contributions to the Colby 2000 Campaign include membership on the New York general gifts committee and participation in the phonathon.

Elizabeth Corydon, district sales manager for the American Express Company in New York City, has contributed tremendously to the New York Colby Alumni Club. She is currently its president and had formerly served as its treasurer. In addition she served as chair for her class's five-year reunion in 1972 and has worked actively for the Colby 2000 Campaign, as both a phonathon participant and co-chair of the New York General Gifts Committee.

The Distinguished Alumnus Award, given for professional distinction, this year

honors Lawrence R. Pugh, president and chief executive officer of VF Corporation in Reading, Pa. Recognized as one of the top executives in this country, Pugh previously was president of Samsonite Luggage. He has served Colby in a number of leadership positions, which include the chair of the Trustee Committee on Campus Life. Now vice chair of the Board of Trustees, he has also been an Alumni Council member, overseer, and alumni interviewer. He is married to Jean Van Curan Pugh '55 and is the father of Deborah Pugh Kelton '80.

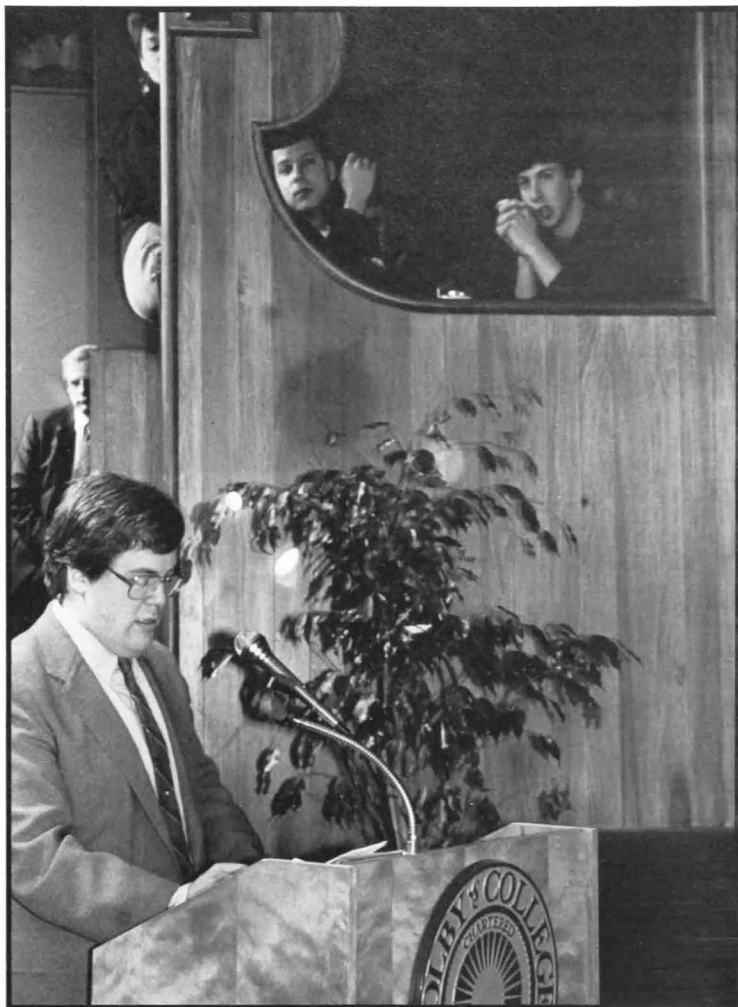
Robert E. L. Strider II, H'79, president of Colby from 1960 to 1979, was the recipient of this year's Ernest C. Marriner Distinguished Service Award, given to someone who has shown extraordinary commitment to the College. Before becoming Colby's president, he was dean of the faculty from 1957 to 1960 and was responsible for instituting the January Program of Independent Study. In addition to his distinguished academic career, Dr. Strider has been long active in the leadership of educational associations and was recently chair of the Visiting Committee to the University of Maine. His ongoing concern for Colby is reflected in the steady stream of information he provides to various offices at the College and his continuing communication with alumni.

RGK

Student Center Dedicated Amid Protest

"Celebrations on behalf of new buildings have become a Colby tradition. Few of the 40 years on Mayflower Hill have passed without the dedication of a new building," said President William R. Cotter as the College's 43rd building was formally dedicated in a turbulent ceremony April 12. The centrally located structure houses a large multipurpose room, the new Spa, the student activities office, the Student Association office, and the campus post office, as well as numerous lounges and meeting areas.

An audience that included alumni, faculty, Waterville officials, and over 200 student protesters looked on as student and alumni leaders delivered speeches lauding the new \$3.5 million Student Center. Concerns about student privacy raised by an earlier action of the dean of students office, rather than the dedication, prompted the picketing. (See page 7.) Out-



Students watch from the balcony of the Spa as outgoing Student Association President Michael Heel '86 speaks at the dedication of the new Student Center.

going Student Association President Michael A. Heel '86 shared the sentiments of his constituents but tactfully made peace. Urging students to direct expression of their dissatisfaction more carefully, he said, "Join me in saluting the many people here today who have contributed their time, effort, and money to create this building. They should not be the targets of our protest." Trustee Chair H. Ridgely Bullock '55 praised the planners of the Student Center and noted that it had been completed according to "Colby's we-can-have-it-done-yesterday timetable."

More than 35 people, most of them students, placed symbolic items in the building's cornerstone box. Included were such diverse pieces as photographs, a hockey puck, various campus publications, and a White Mules bib, courtesy of Bradley Harris, son of Mary Low Hall head residents Brent '86 and Jill Stasz Harris '86. The warmest applause during the ceremony was reserved for Peter and John Joseph, who placed the handbell from the old Colby Spa into the cornerstone box.

BNC

Clark Carter Endows Professorship

Clark H. Carter '40, together with his brother William C. Carter '38, has established an endowed professorship at Colby, the Carter Professorship in Mathematics and/or Computer Science.

This professorship honors the Carter family, which has been closely connected to Colby for most of this century. Benjamin Edward Carter joined the Colby faculty as associate professor of mathematics in 1910. An inspiring teacher, avid fly-fisherman, and mountain climber, he remained on the faculty until his death in 1926.

Benjamin's wife, Mary Helen Caswell Carter, graduated from Colby in 1904 and served as librarian in the Waterville Public Library until her marriage in 1914. Her mother had been a housemother at Mary Low House.

William Caswell Carter, son of Benjamin and Mary, graduated from Colby with the Class of 1938. A Rhodes Scholar, he studied mathematics at Balliol College, Oxford University, in 1938-39. He received his Ph.D. in mathematics from Harvard in 1947 following service in the Navy during World War II. He is a pioneer in computer design and retired in 1986 to consult and teach.

Clark Hopkins Carter, second son of Mary and Benjamin, graduated from Colby in 1940. After four years with the Navy during World War II, he entered the business world, becoming vice president of the Vicks Product Division of Procter and Gamble, then president of the Walker Laboratories Division, and finally vice president for corporate development until his retirement in 1981. He was elected to the Colby Board of Trustees in 1965 and remains a trustee today. He also serves as a senior adviser to the Colby 2000 Campaign. Clark Carter received a Colby Brick in 1973 and was awarded an honorary L.H.D. by the College in 1980.

Raye Winslow Carter graduated from Colby in 1940. She worked for the State of Maine and then the Harvard College Library until her marriage to Clark in 1943. She died in 1984.

Wiesel Captivates Lipman Audience

"You read the ancient stories and get the feeling that they are speaking of today's problems," said Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel as he linked the teachings of the Old Testament to contemporary issues in



Elie Wiesel

the eighth annual Lipman Lecture, April 9. Wiesel, born in the Hungarian-speaking enclave of Sighet, Romania, in 1928, watched as his parents died in the Nazi concentration camp at Buchenwald. The author of several acclaimed works, Wiesel received the United States' highest civilian honor, the Congressional Gold Medal, in 1984. He chairs the United States Holocaust Memorial Council and is the Andrew Mellon Professor in the Humanities at Boston University.

Addressing a capacity crowd of more than 750 in the new Student Center, Wiesel fastened his listeners' attention with his anecdotal manner and the perfect inflection of a master storyteller. "Why stories?" he asked, "Why not? All of Jewish tradition – Hanukkah, Passover – is based in stories." Throughout his refreshing interpretations of the biblical stories of Cain and Abel, Joshua, Noah, Abraham and Isaac, and Job, he stressed that these works are timeless and that new insight, particularly moral insight, can be extracted with each return to the texts.

The Book of Job mystifies Wiesel, who is struck by the unblinking manner in which Job receives the news of his plantation's and family's destruction. Wiesel challenged this lesson of God, maintaining that skepticism and cautious questioning are vital parts of the moral process. Comparing Job's experience to his own, he warned, "A person needs to question the questions. People your age came to us in the ghettos and warned us of what the Nazis were

doing. We didn't believe what was going on. One reason so many of my people died is that we had an exaggerated faith in God and the human condition."

Wiesel despaired that humanity has apparently made so little moral progress in the past 3,000 years. World War II should have taught many lessons, but he pointed out, incredulously: "Twenty-one million people have been killed in wars since World War II. And if someone had told me in 1945 that I'd have to fight racism and anti-Semitism and that thousands of children would starve each day, I wouldn't have believed it. History's telling us something but we obviously don't know how to decipher the message."

Although these realities can make his own struggle frustrating, Wiesel explained why he must continue his efforts. He told a story about an oppressed man who explained his reason for resisting his oppressors: "I used to think that if I yelled loud enough I could change them. Now I know I cannot change them, but I continue to shout louder and louder because I don't want them to change me."

The Lipman Lectureship at Colby, devoted to Jewish studies and contemporary Jewish theory, was established by the family of Samuel and Esther Lipman, "who observed the ideals and were devoted to the traditions of the Jewish way of life." A videotape of Wiesel's lecture was shown during Reunion Weekend, June 6-8.

BNC

Room Inspection Infuriates Residents

A tempest of anger and conflicting stories spun out of a routine room inspection during spring break, when College officials came upon evidence of illicit fraternity activity. The discovery of a set of Lambda Chi pledge tests and a Zeta Psi membership book created a series of dilemmas that battered trust between the administration and students.

The *Student Handbook* says that such inspections for damage and stolen furniture occur periodically and that "Anything discovered during an inspection can be used as evidence in disciplinary action." Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger, who was on vacation in Colorado when the inspection took place, said repeatedly that the objects confiscated by her office were left in clear view "on a shelf in one room and a desktop in another." Insistence from one student involved that this was untrue and additional rumors that the confiscated materials had been in such places as the bottom of a laundry bag cultivated hard feelings even among students opposed to fraternities.

The deans at first asked the fraternity members whose property they had found to sign a pledge renouncing their fraternity activities, but abandoned that course when it became clear that most other students construed the action as a violation of trust. In an open letter dated April 16, Seitzinger said that "further investigation of the prohibited activities suggested by these materials will only add to the confusion and polarization that has already occurred." She reaffirmed three principles that she said were brought into conflict by the case—students' rights to individual privacy, the College's obligation to ensure the safety of its students and maintenance of its property, and the guarantee to all students of equal access to campus housing, activities, and organizations. Seitzinger's office had already begun working with the Stu-A Board of Governors to improve the *Student Handbook* wording and the administrative policies called into question before the end of the term.

"We have received specific complaints from students and their parents that pressure to join fraternities was being heavily applied," Seitzinger continued, reiterating College opposition to hazing and harassment of any sort. She called on all members of the community to join efforts to create "a fully open, non-exclusionary, and non-discriminatory" life at Colby.

LF

Watson Fellows to Pursue Dreams

Living and working among the expansive ruins of Egypt and retracing the routes poet William Spotswood Green walked in his New Zealand travels are in the respective futures of Colby seniors Yasser M. Alwan of Tenafly, N.J., and Grantland S. Rice of Grosse Pointe, Mich. Each has won a \$10,000 Thomas J. Watson Fellowship for postgraduate study and travel abroad.

Alwan, a French major and member of Phi Beta Kappa, plans to use his fellowship to live and work in Egypt while photographing the effects of economic development on the common people of the country. Through his photographs, he hopes to illustrate how industrialization, begun there three decades ago, has slowly changed an agrarian way of life that has existed for centuries. Alwan has won photography prizes in National Collegiate Photography Contests and has received two French Book Prizes for academic achievement.

Rice, an American studies major, has been active both on and off campus during his four years at Colby. He has been honored as Phi Beta Kappa, a Dana Scholar, and an English Senior Scholar, and is also an avid skier and member of the Outing Club. Rice plans to climb the Southern Alps of New Zealand, following the routes Green walked 100 years ago. He believes that by retracing the British poet's travels, he will be able to understand better Green's thinking as reflected in his poems. As a culmination of the year, Rice will assemble a book of poems documenting his trip and growth as a poet.

A national competition, the Watson Fellowship program grants stipends to graduating seniors from 50 private colleges and universities throughout the United States. Fellows are elected for their commitment to a particular field and for their leadership potential. Since joining the program in 1970, Colby has had 30 recipients, an average of two per year.

Senior Class Gift Big Success

The Class of 1986 set an ambitious goal of 60 percent participation for the second annual Senior Class Gift, presented to the College's Annual Fund at graduation. Many were skeptical of their chances but, as of press time, they had reached their

goal of 60 percent participation, with time remaining for still others to join in. This class of 469 members had pledged nearly \$21,000 over the next five Annual Fund years. About 25 pledge cards were still to be returned, so the final total is likely to exceed the already impressive goal.

Commented Vice President for Development and Alumni Relations Cal MacKenzie, "It's important to put the magnitude of this in perspective. There are 74 Colby classes with living members. The 60 percent Alumni Fund participation rate of the Class of 1986 ranks highest among all of those at this moment. The senior class's commitment to the College is simply magnificent. If you want a message about how things are going on campus and how current undergraduates feel about Colby, I can't think of a clearer one than that."

The effort has been well organized by Leslie Greenslet of Greenwich, Conn. Other members of the Senior Class Gift Committee are Richard Deering of Falmouth, Maine; Janet Kelley of Beverly, Mass.; James Stahle of Manchester, N.H.; Kristen Walsh of Millis, Mass.; Karyn Weafer of Lynnfield, Mass.; and Catherine Woodward of Lexington, Mass.

The student fund raisers reported that they were especially gratified at how easy and pleasant it was to solicit their classmates, and how well the class responded. To show their appreciation, they held a victory dinner on April 12 in the Millett Alumni House for all class members who contributed and pledged to this special gift.

The Senior Class Gift was inaugurated at Colby last year by the Class of 1985 officers, Roy L. Hirshland, M. Swing Robertson, Susan L. James, and Julie T. Engel. Forty-seven percent of the seniors pledged a year ago, a very good percentage for the first such gift.

Students Probe Northern Ireland's Conflict

On March 12, 1986, the last in a series of six videos covering the history of the Northern Ireland conflict was screened at the Mary Low Commons lounge. Seamus McMahon, a reference librarian here on a job exchange program from Cork University in Ireland, organized this event in conjunction with the Mary Low Commons Cultural Committee.

The series was originally produced

and screened by Thames Television, a British company, in the early 1980s. Although the films concentrate on the twentieth century, a history of the previous 400 years is also outlined. To supplement the narrative of the presenter, prominent British and Irish historians gave their interpretation of the cause of what is commonly termed the "Troubles." Interviews conducted with older Irish people who had firsthand experience of historical events, such as the Easter Rising of 1916, attempt to represent the folk memory. Nineteenth century photographs, newsreels from the early twentieth century, and recent television footage of the disturbances were also used. A criticism that has been leveled at the series is that it interprets history as a series of apparently inevitable events, whereas Irish history is cyclical but not inevitable.

Since McMahon's arrival at Colby in August, a number of Irish Americans had expressed to him an interest in contemporary Irish political affairs. Interest grew in November when the Anglo-Irish agreement between Britain and Ireland—which set up an intergovernmental council to consider political, security, and legal matters and the promotion of cross-border cooperation—was signed. McMahon believed that students on campus should have an opportunity to be informed of the agreement.

The Colby students' image of Northern Ireland did not always correspond with the reality. During discussions throughout

the series, surprise emerged at the intractability of the problem; comments were made that the French and Germans, in contrast to the people of Northern Ireland, experienced two world wars this century but had overcome their differences. One student suggested that the Catholic minority or the Protestant majority should repatriate. Parallels were observed between the black civil rights movement of the 1960s and the plight of the Northern Catholics during this same period. It was suggested that the problem might be solved by sorting out who held the original legal land rights to the area, similar to the action taken by the American Indians today. The involvement and resolution of women in the Troubles also raised comment. One shot in the series of Catholic working-class women, resolute and defiant, protesting the presence of British soldiers in their street, was particularly impressive. Students expressed some astonishment that people would starve to death for an ideology, although the Irish have a history of bringing about change in political systems through endurance and suffering exemplified by the hunger strikers in the early 1980s.

McMahon's only reservation about the series is that it did not make clear that the dispute is confined to just a small geographical area in the Northeast of Ireland and that the rest of Ireland has had a mature democracy for many years. The majority of the people of Ireland, said McMahon, enjoy living in a peaceful and harmonious environment.

Apples for the Teacher and Student

On Mayflower Hill the old Smith-Corona may be going the way of the 10-cent subway token, as words like "corrasible" and "ribbon" make way for terms such as "mouse" and "megabyte." More than 200 students have purchased personal computers since last fall, when the Seaverns Bookstore first offered Apple Macintosh 512s to the Colby community at a reduced rate. Last year a campus committee selected the Macintosh as the Colby microcomputer because of its price, expansion capabilities, and "user friendliness."

Depending upon the options purchased, a package carries a price of \$1,000-2,000. The basic package, including the computer and keyboard, disk drive, and a printer, runs at least \$150 less than list price. More than two dozen families made such purchases with help from financial aid's Parent Loan Program.

William Pottle, who coordinates Mac sales for the bookstore, has observed definite trends in the student purchases. "I'd say that three quarters of those who bought knew something about computers," said Pottle, adding that neophytes should have no fear of the machine. When the bookstore mailed information on the Mac to students last summer, it seems that many freshmen got the impression that they would be starting at a disadvantage if they were to begin undergraduate work without a computer in hand. Students on campus today joke that to own a Mac is to be a freshman, or to look like one. Over half of the Macs purchased by faculty, staff, and students have gone to members of the Class of '89, in sharp contrast with the Class of '88, which accounts for sales of fewer than 20. Perhaps the most noticeable change brought on by the Mac is one that benefits students without Macs: increased use of personal computers in residence halls has eased congestion on the College's mainframe computer system.

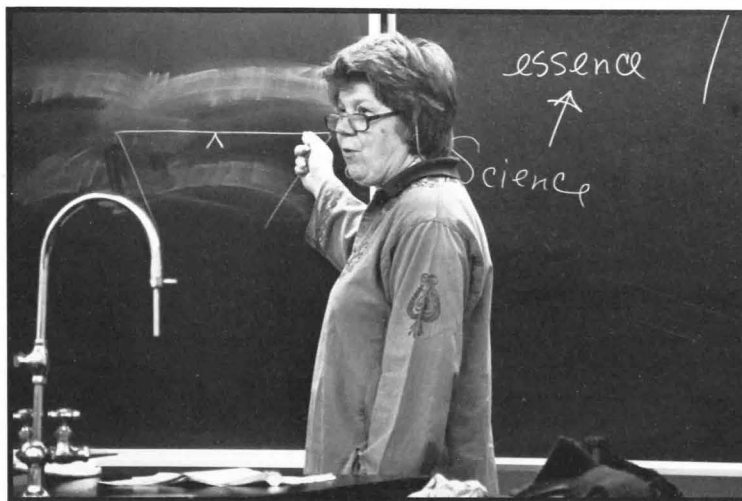
Approximately 25 faculty members have taken advantage of the discount and purchased units for personal use. Other Macs purchased for departmental use benefit support staff as well as professors. There was also a spring surge in purchases by the Class of '86, as seniors rushed to secure a low-priced computer prior to Commencement. Some see the Mac as a useful tool for graduate studies. Others were busy convincing parents that it makes the perfect, practical graduation gift.

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Students Act Out Tensions

An ensemble production of Brian Friel's *Translations*, a play examining 19th century conflicts between the Irish and British, drew on the talents of Maura Smith Daigle '88, Douglas Chilson '87, and Scott Johnson '88, among others. Professor Eric Binnie directed the March 13-15 production.



Noretta Koertge

Stereotypes: Accepted Distortions

"We too often treat people as members of groups rather than as individuals," warned Noretta Koertge, a professor of philosophy at Indiana University who was a scholar-in-residence at Colby March 17-18. In addition to giving this all-campus lecture on the sources and perils of stereotypes, Koertge addressed astronomy and history of science classes.

Professor Koertge illustrated ways that stereotypes can often overtake reality, proposing that accomplices in this process range from Saturday morning cartoons to the most advanced textbooks. Even the most erudite institutions occasionally yield to stereotypes, she said, citing the Su-

preme Court's stand on women and the draft as an example. Conceding that some stereotypes have some factual basis, she said, "Stereotypes aren't always maliciously inaccurate; sometimes they do come from personal experience." Koertge warned, however, of the risks in characterizing an entire swath of people as a result of contact with a single person.

"The real danger is the fact that we tend to internalize stereotypes and start believing them about ourselves," said Koertge, which leads to a loss of identity. But stereotypes can actually strengthen groups, according to the lecturer. "Self-chosen and self-promoted stereotypes are an effective way to promote group solidarity." Conversely, a group backlash directed at a

stereotype can combat the generalization while simultaneously strengthening the unity of the group.

Koertge is an authority on the philosophy of science and obtained a Ph.D. in this field from London University. She has written numerous scholarly articles, edited texts, and is the author of two novels dealing with women's issues. Her presentations at Colby were sponsored by the Department of Philosophy and Religion with partial funding from the Council for Philosophical Studies, an organization that aids in sending distinguished philosophers to campuses outside urban areas.

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Dith Pran Describes Killing Fields

Dith Pran, the Cambodian journalist whose story was told in the much acclaimed film, *The Killing Fields*, spoke to a Colby audience on April 2, stating that the movie showed only a tenth of the Khmer Rouge's brutality. The film is based on Pran's relationship with *New York Times* correspondent Sidney Schanberg and Pran's later escape from Cambodian death camps in 1979. "If it showed all the truth, . . . not many would see the movie and so you would lose the message from the Cambodian people." That message, said Pran, is to stand together and speak out against senseless brutality throughout the Third World.

Speaking rapidly in a heavy accent and a stream-of-consciousness manner that made comprehension difficult for many of his audience, Pran said that he can't understand why genocide occurs "again and again" in this century. He blames the superpowers, who know when genocide occurs but choose for political reasons to remain uninvolved, he said.

Admitting that the Cambodians were terribly naive in their initial support of the Khmer Rouge, he said it was a reaction against the corrupt Pol Pot regime, which our country supported, and against the U.S. bombings of Cambodia during the Vietnam War. "As you know, in war pilots never destroy the enemy; they destroy villages." As they went "from war to starvation to the killing fields," the Cambodians, whom he described as very devout, peace-loving Buddhists, found their values perverted. The old, who normally would have spent their last days in the temples preparing for the end of this life, instead

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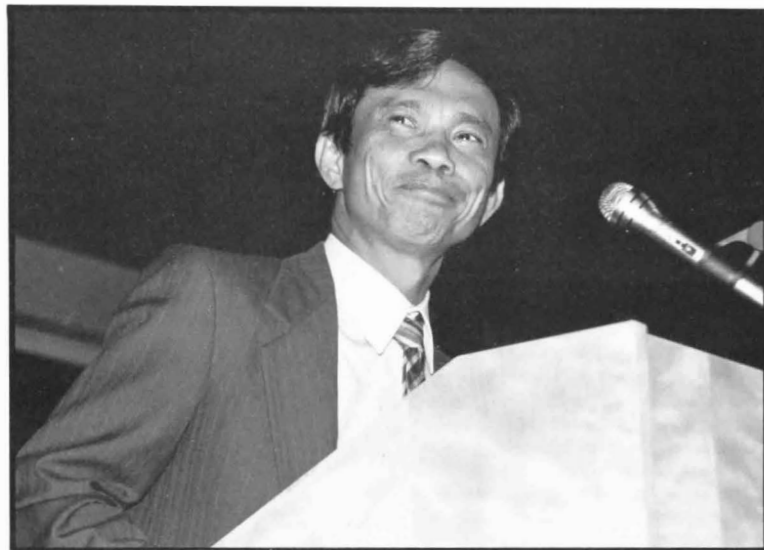
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were forced to collect human excrement to fertilize the fields. Although there was rice enough to feed the people, the Khmer Rouge withheld it to keep them weak—and so the vegetarians ate everything they could catch, whether it be snake, rat, scorpion, or grasshopper, said Pran: "When you are really hungry, you eat scorpion just like you eat chicken. It's really delicious."

Today the Khmer Rouge are held at bay by the Vietnamese, who now occupy

Cambodia, but culture clash makes that, too, unacceptable to the Cambodians, said Pran, who begged the people of the United States and the world to help restore Cambodian sovereignty. But his vague suggestion of the means stood in ironic contrast to the hoped-for end: "We want to stay away from the superpowers. We don't want foreigners. We want to live by our own way."

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Dith Pran

Nota Bene

Two members of the Colby community figure among this year's 272 recipients of the prestigious Guggenheim Fellowship awards. Jan S. Hogendorn, Grossman Professor of Economics at Colby, will spend his fellowship continuing his research on slavery and on indigenous monies in colonial Nigeria. He will be a visiting senior member of Linacre College, Oxford University, and will also conduct field studies in Nigeria and Tanzania.

Christopher Duncan '75 will be leaving Bennington College, where he has been teaching studio arts, to spend his Guggenheim Fellowship setting up a sculpture studio in New York City. Duncan works primarily in steel but also in wood and concrete.

Another alumnus, Malcolm Wilson '33, was honored by Maine Governor Joseph

Brennan in his State of the State address earlier this year. Brennan commended the "thousands of volunteers who improve our schools, enrich our cultural life, serve our cities and towns, and add warmth to our hospitals: people like . . . Malcolm Wilson of Sidney, who spearheaded an effort to help Maine families cope with mental illness. . . ."

And tribute was paid to Colby alumni who have repaid student loans, by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. The association sent its commendation to President William R. Cotter and to both of Maine's U.S. senators because Colby's default rate on repayment of National Direct Student Loans is but 2.62 percent, one of the nation's lowest. The national NDSL default rate has declined from a high of 17.37 percent in 1978 to a low of 8.96 percent last year.

Figures from the registrar's office showed English to be the most widely chosen major at Colby this year, with 186 majors, just ahead of economics, with 184 majors. This is the first year since 1981-82 that English has inched ahead of economics in popularity as a major. These choices are followed this year by government (134), biology (127), administrative science (112), psychology (105), and history (89).

Enrollment figures by state of residence show Massachusetts students, all 630 of them, to be most prevalent at Colby, followed by "Maine-nards" (225) and students from Connecticut (162), New York (125), New Jersey (89), New Hampshire (68), Pennsylvania (58), Rhode Island (48), California (42), Vermont (25), Maryland (24), and Ohio (23). Students enrolled in 1985-86 represented 42 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and 44 foreign countries.

A survey of freshmen at more than 500 colleges and universities, conducted by UCLA and the American Council on Education, showed that 82 percent of Colby's Class of 1989 chose Colby for its academic reputation. Among other reasons, the most frequently indicated were that Colby graduates get good jobs (45 percent) and go on to top graduate schools (41 percent), along with the College's social reputation (25 percent). Of this year's 475 frosh, 436 responded to the survey.

The East Asian Studies program will add a named professorship in Japanese language and literature, thanks to the generosity of the Charles E. Culpepper Foundation. The grant of \$90,000 supports a program in which 50 students currently major, and 500 students enroll in at least one course each year.

Director of Physical Plant Alan D. Lewis is now serving as president of the Eastern Region Association of Physical Plant Administrators. The native of East Boothbay, Maine, known on campus as a cheerful fellow but a mean fiddle player, has also tended the physical plants of the University of Maine and Hamilton College.

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German Recollections: Some of My Best Friends Were Philosophers

by Julius Seelye Bixler, H '60
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\$7.50

To attempt to support some philosophical position on grounds of the good character of its author, or to argue against a position of its creator, is to commit explicitly what philosophers call the fallacy of *argumentum ad hominem*. But to point out that the philosophy of an individual, a school, or an era is more intelligible if we know something about the personal traits of the thinker(s) and the circumstances in which the philosophizing was done is to remind us of what we need to remember and tend to forget. Dr. Bixler clearly does not commit the *ad hominem* fallacy. But his remarkably vivid memories of the events and personalities that dominated the intellectual life of Europe, and espe-

cially that of Germany, focus a penetrating and illuminating light upon those fateful days between the two Great Wars. He was an unusually keen observer—he went to Germany sensing how important were the thoughts of the men that he went there to understand. His reflection on the experiences of those youthful days, from the perspective of his years, becomes the basis of some sage observations about the nature of philosophy and the problems it undertakes to unravel.

It must have been a matter of considerable disappointment that much of the twentieth century through which he lived was dominated by an approach to philosophy so alien to the thought of the German philosophers that he studied as a young man. Because of the domination of the positivist and analytic approach to philosophy, the work of Husserl, Heidegger, Jaspers, Cassirer, and Scheler has been not only neglected but even out of favor in the English-speaking world during the second and third quarters of the century. It has been a time of preoccupation with a very narrow conception of what Bixler calls the *philosophy of the head*, and of great neglect, if not a positive rejection, of what he calls the *philosophy of the heart*.

At a time in the progression of philosophical thought in America, when the tunnel-visioned dedication to analysis seems to be giving way in some degree to a more inclusive approach, this book by Bixler helps us to gain a measure of perspective on the broader issues with which

philosophy traditionally has dealt, and with which he clearly believes it ought to deal. The book succeeds in another important way as well—in communicating significantly both with professional philosophers and laymen. To the person who is a philosopher by training and acquainted with the teachings of the German thinkers, the book offers fascinating glimpses of how the thought developed and perhaps even more importantly of how it affected the lives of the thinkers in the crisis situations surrounding the rise of the Third Reich. But the layman will find that it neither presupposes acquaintance with the complex and obscure philosophy of Husserl and Heidegger nor does it inflict a heavy dose of that philosophy. And for those of us who knew Dr. Bixler and counted him among our friends, the book echoes the warmth of his personality, the gentle spark of his wit, and the sincere concern he felt for the values of humanness and compassion. It is a book that had been growing and ripening in his mind for decades. He died in 1985 in his ninety-first year while the book was in press. It would have been a great loss if he had not lived to complete this book, which, like the College that so strongly reflects his character, is a monument to the permanent human values he both advocated and exemplified.

Bixler's firm belief in the values of pragmatism shows unmistakably in his assessment of the philosophers and their philosophies. With William James, a philosopher whom he admired, and whose



thought he taught and wrote about, he was convinced that a philosophy is properly judged not merely by its abstract depth and rational coherence—much less by what he humorously suggests seems to be Heidegger's criterion, its obscurity!—but by the way in which it enables its advocates to live decent and moral lives even amidst the utmost extremities of war and the barbaric atrocities that can come from nationalistic fervor. He makes no bones about his condemnation of Heidegger's complicity with the cruelties of Nazism and his admiration of Jasper's refusal to comply.

When the Nazi movement appeared with its bombast, its puerilities, its cruelties, and flagrant injustices, Heidegger capitulated, showing that his philosophy simply did not meet the test, and, as I have remarked, I cannot think that his ultimate recantation frees him from blame. Jasper's philosophy stood up under the strain, and as a person he paid the price.

The battle between two excessively narrow conceptions of human knowledge is the underlying theme in Bixler's discussion of the thought not only of Husserl, Heidegger, and Jaspers but also of Ernst Cassirer, Max Scheler, Heinrich Rickert, Hermann Keyserling, Johannes Müller, Rudolf Otto, and Albert Schweitzer (and briefer discussions of such theologians as Karl Barth, Ludwig Klages, and Emil Brunner). He points out that the Germans are great advocates of scientific objectivity, rationalism, and razor-sharp analytic thought, but at the same time they are also great poets and romantics. It is this dialectic of "head and heart, reason and feeling, precise observation and intuitions that are necessary vague," that has characterized philosophical thought in the twentieth century. There have been powerful advocates of each approach and some of them have denied legitimacy to the other approach. But Bixler argues that "the Germans have done justice to both." No philosophy can be adequate which does not. Of this Bixler has no doubt.

What is perhaps most remarkable is that Bixler—who was a young graduate student at the time that he first visited Germany—succeeded in establishing personal acquaintances and continuing relationships with so many of Europe's most eminent thinkers. His acquaintance with theologian Paul Tillich grew into a friendship when Tillich moved into the United States, and his relationship with Schweitzer continued through correspondence and another visit 26 years later, on which occasion Schweitzer treated the Bixler family to a private organ recital.

Perhaps it is Schweitzer in whose life and thought Bixler finds the paradigm of the dichotomy of the head and the heart exemplified. There is in Schweitzer's thought an uncompromising demand for truth which insists on following the evidence of the senses and of reason wherever it may lead. In his interpretation of Christian theology he persistently applies the highest rational standards of criticism and scholarship, and his assessment of the historical Jesus leads him to conclude that there were occasions when Jesus' beliefs or expectations were mistaken. And yet it was feeling, his compassion for life and suffering, that convinced him of the validity of the moral teachings of Jesus and that motivated him to dedicate his life to the work of medical missions in Africa. Truth pursued merely for its own sake becomes of merely abstract and academic value. It is feeling that guides both the quest for truth and its application to the moral ideals expressed in the formula, "reverence for life."

Bixler points out that the Germans, like most other peoples, have had their share of narrowness and one-sidedness of vision. This is true of their scholars, even if one leaves out one of the most savage instances of political barbarism that history has known. But the Germans have also had a passion for truth (and "passion" is exactly the right word) that has sometimes transcended the vicious dichotomy of thought, bringing into creative synthesis the sharpest and most penetrating products of human reason and the deepest and most powerful intuitions of human feeling. Any philosophy that fails to do full justice to both of these sides of human cognition is thin, attenuated, and anemic. For human life can never be limited to reason—would anyone want it to be otherwise? If our philosophical account of our being in the world is to satisfy, it must meet the demands of head and of heart; for we thirst to know not only what is true but also what is good, what is beautiful, and what is significant. Bixler's book attempts to guide us through the thicket of German philosophy and theology and to help us see how these German thinkers were struggling to achieve such a synthesis.

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Professor of Philosophy

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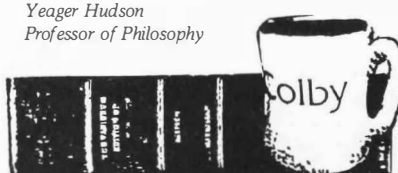
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A Tale of Two Cultures

Americans tend to see the Chinese and Japanese as alike,
but an alumnus who's intimately acquainted
with both countries says, "Not so"

by John Roderick '36

John Roderick '36 retired last year after 47 years with the Associated Press, 40 of which he spent abroad. In 1977 AP named him a special correspondent, one of only eight writers so honored worldwide. The Waterville native continues to reside in Kamakura, Japan, with his adopted son and his wife. In March and April he was at Colby as the Ziskind Distinguished Lecturer. The College gave Roderick an honorary L.H.D. in 1966.

War is hell, and World War II was a hell of a particularly savage sort. But, as they say, it's an ill wind that doesn't blow someone some good. Along, I suppose, with those of thousands of other Americans, my life was dramatically changed by that war and the Chinese civil war that followed it.

Found wanting in the arcane subject of Chaucer, I nearly didn't graduate with the Class of 1936. Squeaking by, I resumed my career with the *Waterville Sentinel*, whose generosity had made it possible for me to last as long as I had. And within months, thanks to the recommendation of its late, great city editor, Ed "Rabbit" Talberth, I had joined the Associated Press.

After six years in the Portland bureau and six months in Washington, I decided that the Washington assignment was the *summum bonum* of reporting. I would gladly have settled down there for the rest of my career.

The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor punctured this comfortable dream. I ended up in Kunming, West China, with the OSS, the Office of Strategic Services, the wartime intelligence agency variously known as "Oh, So Social" and "Oh, So Suicidal."

When the war ended, I intended to return to Washington. But I had seen very little of China and met few Chinese, other than coolies or ricksha pullers. Why not spend a few years getting to know this vast and mysterious country better?

I sent a telegram to the AP's general manager and was assigned to Chungking. A month after becoming a foreign correspondent I was in Yenan, the Chinese Communist capital where, over a period of seven months, I got to know its leaders, Mao Tse-tung, Chou En-lai, Chu Teh, Liu Shao-chi. I found them, if somewhat dogmatic, remarkably civilized. It was the beginning of my Chinese education.

Over the next 12 months, as I reported on the widening civil war between the Communists and the Kuomintang of Chiang Kai-shek, I got to know China and the Chinese better. My travels took me from Shanghai to Manchuria, from Canton to the foothills of Tibet. The more I saw, the more I liked it and them.

A year's assignment to Peking (then known as Peiping) clinched a resolve that had been growing in my mind: I would spend the rest of my life in China or, more particularly, Peking.

Why didn't I do so? And why, in the event, did I choose Japan? In the process of answering these questions, I will unload a rag-bag of impressions on you, impressions of China and the Chinese, of Japan and the Japanese. You will then have some idea of my own thought processes as I considered first one then the other. You will also find, as I did, that the Chinese and the Japanese are about as different as they can be.

But first, what was there about Peking that influenced me so strongly?

In 1947, it was a sleepy, dusty byway,

an ancient capital surrounded by high walls and gates. The dust storms which blew in from the Gobi desert created shadowy images of Kublai Khan, Marco Polo, the old Empress Dowager, yes, even of Mao, in his cave-city a few hours away. The capital was in Nanking, and Peking was inhabited largely by bureaucrats, artists, writers, students, small merchants, and shopkeepers. I was 30, and life seemed improbably agreeable.

Like most Chinese and foreigners, I lived in a compound whose walls were covered with tile and pierced by moon-gates. There was a courtyard and a large shade tree. An amiable French surgeon, named Dr. Jean Bussiere, was my landlord. He was 75, ruddy-faced and twinkly eyed. A luxuriant white mustache made him look like "Esqy," the mascot of *Esquire* magazine. He had spent 35 years in China, treating rich and poor alike. A widower, he had a beautiful, serious-eyed Chinese secretary of 18 whom he later married and with whom he sired a serious-eyed child.

A discriminating collector of Tang and Sun pottery and porcelains, he displayed his treasures in a glass armoire in his living room. Amidst this ancient splendor sat a curious object, a wisdom tooth. It had belonged, it turned out, to the Panchen Lama, a living Buddha and the number-two man of Tibet. Then in exile, this saintly gentleman was on a visit to Peking when stricken by a massive toothache. Summoned, Dr. Bussiere deftly removed the offending molar. Asked his fee, he pointed to the tooth. A year later I met the Panchen's successor, a bright-eyed boy of 10, in the gold-roofed temple of Kumbum Lamasery at the edges of Tibet. His molars were intact.



The author is shown here in 1945 in Yen-an, China, where Mao Tse-tung, right, and his fellow Communists worked toward their assumption of power in 1949.

The doctor enjoyed good food and good wine. On occasion, he dug into the cellar for a cobwebby bottle of vintage French wine, distilled sunshine in old Cathay. He had an old crony, a French Sinologue, who shared Wednesday lunch with him. I attended most of these affairs. The wine on those occasions was table wine, passable but not exciting. I asked him why he brought out the good wines for me and the *vin ordinaire* for his friend. "Ah," he said, "he is an old friend, an old shoe. No need to put out any extra effort for him. But you are a new friend, and that is exciting."

Life in Peking in those days was unhurried. There were almost no private automobiles, no taxis, and certainly not the hundreds of thousands of bicycles which swarm down Chang An avenue, the main thoroughfare, today. Nearly everyone had his own ricksha, paid for by the month. Mine sat outside the compound throughout the day and part of the night, ready to

take messages to the telegraph office or carry me to some assignment, press conference, or social affair.

The ricksha puller generally was underfed, bony, and poor. He reeked of garlic, which he ate raw as one would peanuts. It gave him the remarkable stamina to trot 30 or 40 miles a day through the streets of Peking in fair weather and foul. Despite their poverty they were a cheerful lot, quick to respond to kindness. They remembered a generous master years after he had left Peking. And they quickly got involved in the more or less gentlemanly competition among correspondents to get their dispatches to the telegraph office first.

It was an unwritten rule that no one should use unfair means of transport to deliver these stories. A United Press reporter was ostracized for weeks when he borrowed a friend's automobile to outrace our rickshas. In the end, he abjectly apologized to the press corps.

Life could not, of course, continue indefinitely in this placid way. The forces of Communist General Lin Piao conquered Manchuria in 1948 and then turned to Peking. The old order died hard. With the Reds almost literally at the gates, the English-language *Peking Chronicle* appeared with a headline of what it considered to be overriding import. "PEKING CLUB VOTES TO ADMIT WOMEN BY FRONT DOOR," it cried, noting the end of a long tradition which confined the ladies to entry by the back door only.

On October 1, 1949, Mao proclaimed the People's Republic, the United States refused to recognize it, and within a year Chinese troops were fighting Americans in Korea. All Americans were ousted. World War II had converted me from Washington correspondent to foreign correspondent, and now the Chinese civil conflict deprived me of my wish to live in China indefinitely.

During the war I studied the Japanese

language at Yale and picked up history, background, and first-hand reports on Japan and the Japanese. But my career had gone onto the China track. It was not until 1954 that I had a chance to visit Japan, on vacation from covering the French-Indochina war. I immediately liked the country and the people. Return visits convinced me that, since China was closed, it was the most desirable place to live. By 1959, I had been assigned to Tokyo and spent the next 26 years as the AP's number-one China watcher there as well as reporting on Japanese political, economic, and everyday matters.

My first reaction was that Japan was, in a way, a surrogate China. I was wrong, as I will indicate to you, but this was a first impression and it persisted. The reason was simple. China's civilization is old and glorious. The Chinese made exquisite silks and porcelains when our ancestors in Europe wore furs and fought with clubs. Confucius, whose wisdom is acknowledged even in the People's Republic, laid down a system of ethics that survives 2,500 years after it was contrived.

The Japanese are a younger civilization. Over the centuries it borrowed art, language, and religion from its bigger, more resplendent neighbor. But they did more than borrow; they improved on the original, putting their own distinctive stamp on it. The story is true today. Other countries invent; Japan perfects and improves.

Now let us turn to the differences. First of all, China is continental, imaginative, pioneering, inventive, quick-witted, adventurous.

Living on four main islands and the Ryukyus, the Japanese are insular. Like the British, they are crowded together in a small space at the edges of a great continent. To make life liveable they have erected an elaborate system of manners and hierarchy. They are the most insincerely polite people on earth. Necessity forces them to be.

Physically, the Chinese are taller, heavier, hairier than the Japanese. As the Japanese eat more protein, they are becoming bigger, but they remain relatively small in stature. For centuries, thanks to their Buddhist beliefs, most Japanese were ignorant of the taste of meat. It is only in this century that they are turning to it with enthusiasm.

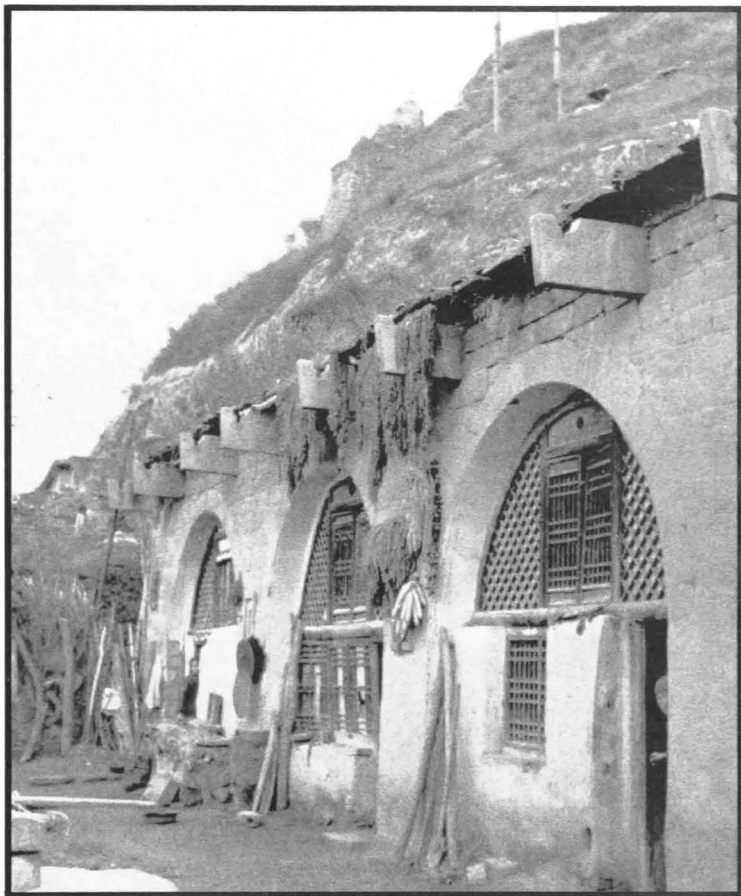
How different from the Chinese! Since the beginning, theirs has been a cuisine of

poverty. With millions to feed, everything and anything becomes a candidate for the cooking pot. Necessity forced them to use every conceivable animal and every conceivable part of an animal to assuage hunger. The result might have been revolting if the Chinese chef had not invented sauces with which to camouflage them. Sauces make the Chinese cuisine great.

The Japanese use only one sauce, soy sauce, for most of their dishes. Their cuisine is superb because it is natural, inno-

cent of sauces. Unlike the Chinese they do not need them. Skillful gardeners, they raise the crisp vegetables cherished by gourmets. Their motto is freshness. Freshly caught fish make eating raw fish, *sashimi* or *sushi*, an experience to remember.

To freshness, they add another dimension: color. A Japanese meal is a visual sensation as well as one of taste. Breaking up the artistic pattern of a Japanese dish with a vulgar chopstick is almost sacrilegious.



The caves of Yenan, above, were the early base for the Chinese Communists and part of the author's first Asian beat as an Associated Press correspondent.

Chopsticks: each country uses them, but with a difference. The Chinese ones are of bone or ivory, sometimes of polished wood. Eating with them is a challenge. After use they are washed and reused. Japanese chopsticks are made of a soft, blond wood of a texture which makes picking up morsels of food easy. Once used, they are broken in two and thrown away.

This brings us to hygiene, with which the Japanese are more concerned than are the Chinese. The throw-away chopsticks are an example. It is wasteful. Whole forests are cut down to supply the need for fresh chopsticks. But it satisfies the Japanese need for cleanliness in everyday life.

The Japanese passion for bathing fits into this pattern. Getting clean is the primary objective, but public bathing has another dimension, that of pleasure. Most Japanese now have individual baths, or *ofuro*, but they still flock to the public bathing places, the *onsen* or hot springs areas in picturesque natural settings, for the sheer delight of soaking in the boiling waters, chatting with friends or acquaintances, and savoring the view. For them, it is a sensual experience.

They may, as one British commentator said, live in tiny "rabbit hutches," but generally these one-room apartments with their straw-matted (*tatami*) floors are spotlessly clean.

The Chinese are not nearly as finicky about cleanliness. Homes and apartments often are run-down and poorly maintained, despite Communist injunctions to practice the rules of hygiene. It is a notorious fact that new Chinese buildings tend, within months, to look aged.

Thanks to tourism, Chinese restaurants now have at least a section where one can eat without being repelled by the general squalor. But these tourist areas merely underscore the contrast between what is and what should be. Most Chinese restaurants serve splendidly cooked food with a fine disdain for the niceties of hygiene. Soiled tablecloths and floors littered with chewed chicken bones, fish spines, and assorted other debris make dining out an adventure reserved for the brave. A glimpse into the kitchen would make the most intrepid gourmet pale.

Japanese restaurants, as a rule, are spotlessly clean, often brightly and imaginatively decorated, and their kitchens gleaming. An attentive waiter or waitress hovers over a much-scrubbed bar serving *sushi*, or raw fish, ready to pounce on any offending stains that might appear.

Some observers have noted that the Japanese seem more promising material for Marxist collectivist experimentation than do the Chinese. The individuality of the Chinese has made it difficult to fit them into the collective mold. Following the death of the late Chairman Mao Tse-tung, the political and economic trend, indeed, has been towards decentralization, greater individual enterprise, and independence.

Ordered to do something, the Chinese invariably ask, "Why?" The Japanese merely ask, "When?"

The Japanese have national traits that could make them ideal fodder for the Marxist machine. They are obedient, loyal, hard-working, and tenacious.

Perhaps more than any other race, they are wedded to the idea of teamwork, team spirit. Why are they now second only to the United States in economic production? One of the answers is that, in an age when it has largely gone out of fashion, they still believe in "the old school try," in putting their family, their company, their country first.

Their economic system is an admirable one because it lets everyone participate in the decision-making process, at least on the surface. Committees at every level map out an industry's moves. Nearly everyone gets a chance to express an opinion. That doesn't mean majority rule. Far from it. Having weighed the opinions and absorbed whatever seemed useful, the managers express their thanks and report the committee's consensus, *their* consensus. Having had a chance to let off steam, if not to influence decisions, the rank-and-file are happy. They see themselves as working toward a goal they helped set. What this does for morale and productivity is everywhere apparent. Add to this, steadily increasing financial rewards, and it is not difficult to understand the Japanese success story.

Before Teng Hsiao-ping's "second revolution," the Chinese were urged to work harder and produce more. But they lacked the incentives of material gain and freedom of action that he now has given them.

Getting to know the Chinese is a rewarding process. Americans like their easy manner, their refusal to kowtow, their apparent sincerity. Friendship is highly regarded in China and often overrides politi-

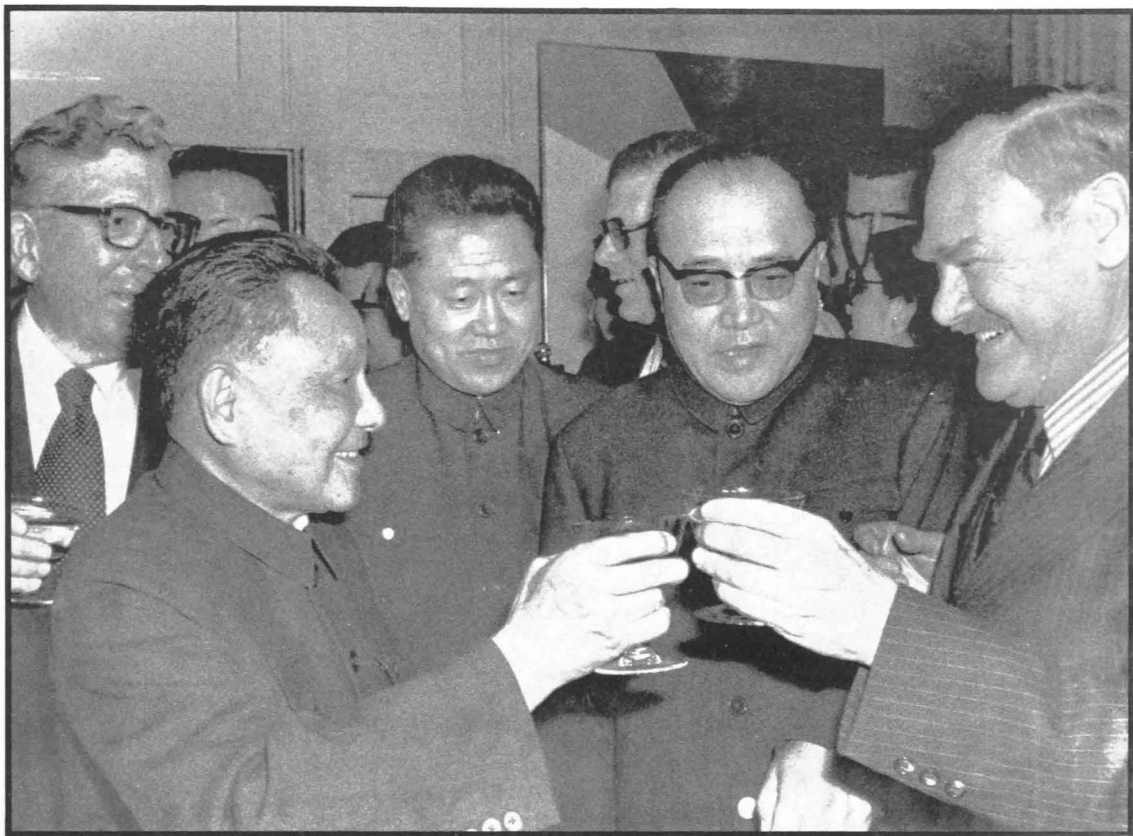
cal considerations. When Richard Nixon and Kakuei Tanaka brought about Sino-American and Sino-Japanese rapprochements, then fell into disgrace in their own countries, the Chinese continued to honor and respect them. The same can be true of ordinary friendships.

The Japanese are another kettle of fish. They can be charming, affectionate, thoughtful. But penetrating the armor of habit, custom, and obligation that surrounds each individual is frustrating and sometimes disappointing. An ornate code of politeness forbids them to say or do anything rude, impolite, or shocking. They wince when Americans say candidly what they think or feel.

Their decisions, moreover, often are based on data different from ours. We tend to employ Cartesian logic in our reasoning. They rely more heavily on instinct, what they call *haragei*, gut feeling. Each of us is right about 50 percent of the time.

It is invidious to attribute characteristics to an entire race, but to many it has seemed that the Japanese were, in some ways, more cruel than others, particularly to themselves. Schoolchildren commit suicide because they are bullied. Athletes are beaten to death by their teammates for quitting the team. Mothers leap to their deaths carrying their small children with them. *Seppuku*, a particularly messy form of suicide through disembowelment, persists. The atrocities of the Pacific war are well documented. Psychologically, there undoubtedly are explanations. The pressures of a highly structured society, the stern call of duty, the high place accorded to loyalty must enter into it. Whatever the reasons, the society regards these acts of cruelty with greater tolerance than we in the West do.

This brings us to the differences in Chinese and Japanese attitudes to crime and punishment, sex and morals. The Chinese have long regarded punishment for crime as a deterrent. Punishments under the emperors were draconian. Today, as revelations of widespread criminality unfold, the socialist leadership—contrary to all Marxist tenets—invokes increasingly harsh punishment. More than 30 crimes, including some we would regard as menial, now are punishable by death. Trials are held in courtrooms, but the convicted suffer the added humiliation of denunciation



John Roderick and China's Supreme Leader Teng Hsiao-ping toast the reopening of diplomatic relations between their countries on U.S.-China Recognition Day, January 1, 1979.

before thousands in public gatherings. It is said that at least a thousand persons a month now are being executed.

Although socialism once stood for greater moral and sexual freedom, anxiety and insecurity at the top have bred a streak of puritanism in most communist countries. China is no exception. Sex crimes are regarded with distaste. Sex in any form outside the marriage bed is frowned on. Even romances between Chinese and foreigners are discouraged.

Crime and punishment are viewed in a very different light in Japan. One of the most law-abiding nations on earth, it maintains this reputation despite a reluctance to invoke the death penalty or other harsh measures. Trials are by judges, rather than juries. Extenuating circumstances play a major role in their decisions. Remorse and contrition weigh heavily in the

defendant's favor. Crimes of passion, done in the heat of the moment, are treated leniently. The Japanese believe in bending the law rather than imposing it rigidly. Murderers often get off with two or three years in prison. Mercy killings evoke special sympathy.

In China, justice is swift and terrible. In Japan, it is slow and compassionate. The Chinese shoot murderers, rapists, or lesser criminals within six weeks of conviction. The Japanese justice system is even slower than that of the United States. It took six years to convict former Prime Minister Tanaka of bribery. Two years later his first appeal hasn't begun to be heard. It will take at least another five or ten years for a final verdict. By that time, he undoubtedly will not be among the living.

Sexually the Japanese have long been

considered among the most permissive, an honor now held by the United States. You can do whatever you wish, within very loose limits, in Japan, with one small exception. Pictures must not reveal pubic hairs. Until *Playboy* magazine put out a Japanese edition, suitably edited, troops of old women and high school students were employed to paint out the offending parts in its nude offerings.

These are some of the differences that come to mind. There are, along with the things China and Japan have in common, many others. What they tell us is that we should not regard Asia, as exemplified by two of its leading nations, as a seamless whole. Each country has its own character and personality.

A Not-so-distant Mirror

Studying the Holocaust helps Colby students take a good look at themselves and their responsibility in shaping the future

School and Society. For the whimsical, the title of Education 213 calls to mind the old clichés of American values, complete with small children pledging allegiance to the flag. A more thoughtful college student can imagine the theoretical bent that the lectures in School and Society might have. But the title alone would hardly lead the enrolling student to expect a compelling examination of genocide, which the course is, as well as an experimental and inductive approach to curriculum planning and teaching methodology.

How was the Holocaust possible? How was and wasn't it like the Armenian genocide? How did the United States approach its decision to use the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki? Do we learn from history? ("Who still talks nowadays of the extermination of the Armenians?" asked Hitler.) By attempting to answer these questions, students enrolled in Education 213 move toward better understandings not just of history and education, but of themselves and humanity.

"I don't think I know all the answers to the questions in the syllabus," education Professor Harold Jacobson said recently. "I'm not sure there are satisfactory answers." The point of the course is to complicate students' thinking on complex issues by examining the roles of victim, victimizer, and bystander. This, said Jacobson, leads students into related concerns of importance: obedience to authority, conformity, the relationship of the individual to society and government, propaganda and the role of the school, issues of social justice and social control, and issues of power and its effect on individuals. According to administrative science-math major Donna Curran '86, "It's a good, all-round course for a liberal arts school. You're studying history but applying it to education and your own thought processes."

The class spends most of its time studying the Holocaust and events leading to it. "It was fascinating to see how [the Holocaust] started in little ways and became self-perpetuating," said Michael Muir

'85, who now teaches mathematics and computer science at Winslow High School. "People just let little things go by, thinking they didn't matter." After surveying the jarring results of Stanley Milgram's experiments on obedience to authority in the early 1960s—in which "a substantial proportion of people" followed instructions to administer supposedly painful shocks to others, who were actually confederates of the experiment—Jacobson's students examine anti-Semitism in general and Nazi use and abuse of the German school system between 1933 and 1945. When they discuss the stereotypes and values perpetrated by German textbooks then, as well as the psychological and emotional effects of Nazi propaganda, an unavoidable question begins to assert itself. Said Grace Brown-Asgard '86, "I think one of the things we all resist . . . is confronting the question, What would I have done if I'd been in Nazi Germany? And I really don't know. . . . That's the most painful part, knowing that maybe we all have that potential for destruction."

For many students this is a searing realization to hold as they learn just how calculated and massive the Nazi's destruction was. Taking in Holocaust victims' journal entries, poetry, retrospective accounts, documentaries, and slides of art produced in concentration camps and elsewhere, students can feel emotionally bombarded. Scott Hunter '87, an English and history major, elaborated: "You can really relate to the individual cases. . . . One expression on the face of a man in a concentration camp could make the whole class grow deathly silent."

It tends to be at this point in the course that students follow through on Jacobson's request to tell him if they're overwhelmed. He meets with them individually and adjusts their assigned work to relieve the pressure, one example of the awareness and sensitivity he, as the teacher of such a curriculum, must exercise: "I think it's the human condition that you can only absorb so much pain. How do

you know when to cut it off?" Some students need to be reminded that they should not feel personal guilt for the Holocaust but, as contributors to the future, "should study it carefully and reject indifference."

After the course students commonly recognize that they were integrating their new knowledge with their emotions and moral framework at the very times when they felt most devastated. In this integrating process, the prospective teachers are aided by discussions of morality and ethics, principles of curriculum planning, and teaching methods modeled in the course. "I realize now that I was really learning the material well," Hunter said, adding that the course decided his career choice of teaching over law. "In a general sense, the course makes you realize the power a teacher has and the responsibility to do the job well." Biology major Karen Jodoin '86 agreed, saying, "Because it's so indirect you have to think, and therefore it's more effective."

Enrollment that has increased from 23 students in 1982-83, when Jacobson first used the genocide curriculum, to 87 students in 1985-86 suggests that the course appeals to more students than just those considering teaching careers. Jacobson said, "My hunch is that they've heard the subject matter deals with issues that are not only historically important but relevant in their own lives: Conformity—what's the price of belonging to a group? What do you do in a society that's gone berserk? . . . A lot of students cite examples from their own lives and make connections with other courses they're taking. They begin to see the unity. . . ."

Certainly they do find answers to some of their "developmental problems." One involves putting authority in perspective. Seeing how indifference and failure to challenge Nazi authority in a persistent way debated both the Jews and the Germans, Jodoin said, "It kind of shakes you up. You thought that obeying your teachers, your parents, your elders was the



Käthe Kollwitz: "Seed for Sowing Shall Not Be Milled."
 Photo courtesy of Galerie St. Etienne, New York.

right thing. . . . All that responsibility and pressure comes crashing down on you—that you have to take responsibility for all of your actions." She was struck by the realization that people often think that obeying authority relieves them of personal responsibility. The Nuremberg trials proved otherwise.

Muir, who was deeply angered by some particularly authoritarian individuals when he was a high school exchange student in West Germany, benefitted from class attention to authority's proper role. As a first-year teacher, he now has invested great effort to establish his own authority. "I love the T-shirts that say 'Question

Authority,' but I don't like people who abuse that and question authority no matter what. You can question authority when it's appropriate and follow authority when it seems right," said Muir.

Jodoin and Brown-Asgard both said they ask "Why?" more often since taking School and Society, but both also said that they lack the mental energy to question everything. "People are basically sheep, social animals who need others to survive," said Brown-Asgard. She feels an obligation to avoid being led without conscience but realizes that she is too human to diverge constantly. Forgiveness, too, becomes important.

Students find other useful insights as they discuss stereotyping. Curran said she makes fewer assumptions about people largely because of a question raised in class one day. Jacobson had asked everyone whom the Nazis would not have persecuted to stand, but one blonde, Aryan-looking woman remained seated. Called by students to explain why, she said she is Jewish. For Curran it brought the realities of stereotyping crashing home. (Jacobson has not repeated this exercise because he felt it put the young woman in an uncomfortable position.)

"Scapegoating" is another discussion resonant to the undergraduates. Observing

that differences between people seem to spawn a drive to assert superiority, Brown-Asgard said. "There's almost a need for people to separate themselves and in that separation to hurt each other." To disregard this and thus to attribute the Holocaust specifically to the German nature, she added, "is just as bad as being anti-Semitic."

Ironically, the central text that provokes such realizations was designed for junior and senior high social studies by Margot Stern Strom and William Parsons, founders of the *Facing History and Ourselves* National Foundation in Brookline, Mass. Adjusted to the needs of college students and supplemented by extensive other readings, the book is ideal for Jacobson's purposes. It is a student text, teacher's manual, curriculum, and resource guide all in one. It cuts across all the diverse majors of students, of whom he finds "incredibly, tragically few" have really studied the subject previously. As a resource book, it reveals how teachers process problems in curriculum planning and teaching, it allows flexibility in selecting readings within it, and it encourages integration of print and non-print media. Most important is the significance of the subject matter, said Jacobson. "What's new in all of human history but the notion of state-sponsored extermination of a people?"

"For me, it's not just another course; it's helping a new generation of young people know about human behavior in times of crisis," the professor continued. Others feel the depth as well. Brown-Asgard said that it has helped her "to live humanely in a nuclear age." Muir finds that he labors to reword math problems so that his students will learn more from them than simple mechanics: "If we can teach our kids to think and to be responsible and self-disciplined, not only are we sending better people into our communities, but we're helping make it harder for these kinds of things to happen again." But H. G. Wells, quoted at the beginning of the School and Society syllabus, states the mission most urgently. "Human history becomes more and more a race between education and catastrophe."

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The moral and philosophical challenges presented by the Holocaust are also examined at Colby in The Holocaust, English 494 and History 494, taught jointly by English Professor John Mizner and history Professor Robert Weisbrot.

Holocaust Survivor Remembers

The compelling and provocative nature of School and Society results in part from personal accounts of the Holocaust—expressed in journals, film, art, literature, and poetry—that the course examines. Among the many other resources it draws upon is the annual lecture in education, which brings an authority on genocide to campus. In 1984 this authority was Sonia Weitz, herself a Holocaust survivor, and the following is based on her remarks at Colby then.

When Sonia Schreiber was 11 years old, she had to lie about her age to convince Nazi soldiers that she was old enough to remain with her family. "First they took away the old over 55, the sick, and the young under 14," explained the Jewish native of Poland.

Today Sonia Schreiber Weitz looks younger than her age, and it is difficult to reconcile the terrible history with the smiling, graceful woman who spoke so gently at Colby. "Even I have trouble coming to terms with it," she said. "Sometimes I look in the mirror, and I think, 'Sonia, you're out of your mind. You never did such things [as build roads for the Nazis with your hands].'"

The horrors of the Holocaust are so unfathomable that "We don't have the language to describe it. It was another place, another world. What took place was unthinkable and unspeakable," said Weitz, who, with her sister, Blanca, was a Nazi prisoner for six years. She struggles to express the dehumanizing experiences in hope that history will not repeat itself. "It can happen any place under the right conditions," she cautioned sharply. "The Holocaust could have been prevented if people had taken it seriously from the beginning."

The sisters were prisoners in five concentration camps, including Auschwitz, Bergen-Belsen, and Venus-Berg. Between camps, "We were always transported by open cattle cars in the winter and closed ones in the summer." Describing how the two girls cared for one another when they had typhus, waking one another when the Nazis came to remove the dead from the trains and to count the living, Weitz attributed their survival to their togetherness. "Everyone has different versions and theories of survival," she said, recalling one man who took outrageous risks because he was alone and felt he had nothing left

to lose. In all cases, Weitz said, "Really, I think it was luck."

As the years dragged on, she said the "experienced survivors" had a real advantage over more recent captives. "We would know to be on the alert so when the next person died, we would be the first to grab her shoes and blanket," she explained. "It was ugly."

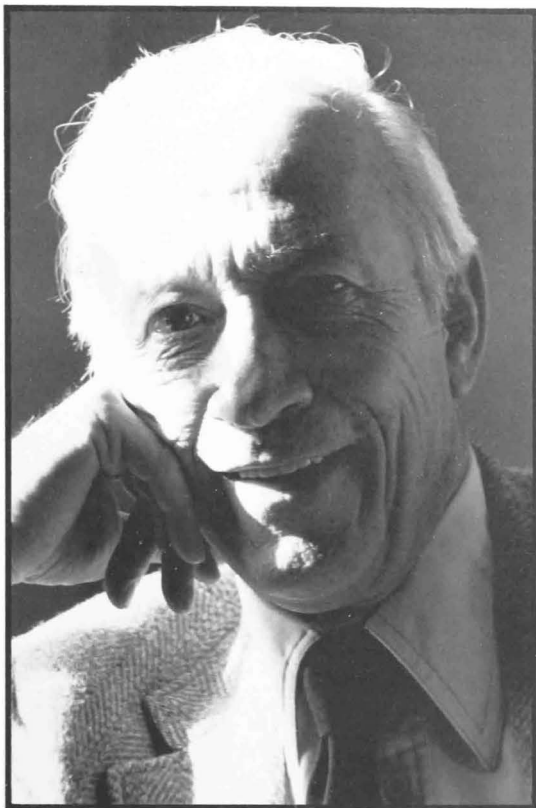
Weitz said that mentally "putting myself outside of myself" was a survival tactic that helped her weather her worst hours. Often she would write poetry in her mind, some of which is now recorded in a chapbook published by the *Facing History and Ourselves* National Foundation. When the U.S. Army freed the prisoners of Mauthausen on May 5, 1945, Sonia Schreiber was liberated but too ill to celebrate. Of the 84 individuals in their family at the beginning of the Holocaust, only she and Blanca survived.

Fortunately, Blanca's husband also survived. She and Norbert Borell had married just after the Germans invaded Poland in 1939 and were involuntarily separated almost immediately. When Borell was freed in 1945, he joined Simon Wiesenthal, L.H.D. '82, and others in establishing the first documentation center to help the Jews learn what had become of their families. Eventually the Borells were reunited, and the three Poles lived in a detention camp until Borell's uncle in Peabody, Mass., sponsored their immigration to this country in 1948. Weitz still resides in Peabody, where she and her husband have raised a son and twin daughters.

Still, Weitz struggles to deal with the Holocaust. "We must not only account for the victim and the persecutor, but we must come to terms with the bystander," she said. "I am having a problem with the bystander." Weitz frequently observes that in her youth there were two kinds of countries: "Those who wouldn't let the Jews in and those who wouldn't let the Jews out."

"There are more questions than answers," Weitz continued. "I think it's important to ask the questions. You may not come up with the answers, but I hope we have made you think. The biggest point is to care what happens to other people. I think Americans are learning to care."

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The Fabric of Colby

Three professors pay tribute to two retiring colleagues and to one who has helped keep them all on track

Francis H. Parker, Dana Professor of Philosophy

Francis H. Parker

"Avuncular" is the first word I think of to describe Frank Parker. Uncles, typically, appear fully formed; we do not grow up with them. Frank came to Colby as the Dana Professor of Philosophy in 1971 after a distinguished career at Haverford College and at Purdue University, having served as chairman of the philosophy department at both institutions.

Like the best of uncles, he has been enormously helpful during a time of change to both the philosophy department and the College. He served as chairman of the department from 1971 to 1977 and headed the important Committee to Study the Future of Colby, which was appointed by President Robert E.L. Strider to help chart Colby's path through the 1970s and early '80s. That visionary body saw the need for enhanced science facilities, an expanded library, and a better student union. As a result of the study, hiring procedures for faculty changed, new tenure procedures were adopted, and a deeper

understanding of the relationship between teaching and scholarship has developed. Frank Parker played a major role in all of this.

A number of faculty members who were new to the College and to their careers sought out Frank Parker for his sage advice. And, like the friendly uncle, he listened carefully and spoke judiciously. I can recall seeking him out at a time when I had fallen into uncertainty regarding my own career (perhaps I had just turned 30 and felt that I was facing the abyss). I asked him what a person could look forward to when teaching similar material, if not the same courses, year after year for many, many years. He replied, "To be the best teacher you can possibly be." Profound advice, right on the mark, and, most important, from a man who took his own word seriously. Perhaps more than anything else, Frank has set a standard of fine teaching in his years at the College.

Students unhesitatingly praise Frank's courses, love his sense of humor, look forward to his seminar meetings held in his

19th-century farmhouse in East Vassalboro. They come away with a deep understanding of the subtleties of philosophical argumentation and with the true excitement about ideas that Frank always conveys. In recent years, I have heard students refer to "Uncle Frank," and most of them can tell at least one story about Frank's puns and jokes in class, which they will probably remember forever. The Hoosier wit, the easy laugh, the friendly barb, the funny remark about Plato or Aristotle, these are the stock and trade of Frank Parker.

There comes a time when one has to get along without one's uncle, and, as Frank retires, he leaves an important legacy to his generations of students and his grateful college. We can all join in the sentiment expressed by a student on a teacher evaluation form recently: "My only regret is that I will not have the opportunity to take any more courses with Professor Parker."

*Robert P. McArthur
Professor of Philosophy and Dean of Faculty*

John H. Sutherland

For a lot of reasons, the Colby community is sorry that John Sutherland is retiring after 35 years on our faculty. Our students will miss his authoritative, patient teaching and especially his popular Blake course. About that they are right, of course, but I'm not so sure they're right in their course evaluations when they call him "a sweet man." I guess they haven't seen him in a department meeting or on a committee, or maybe he just has a different manner with them. The John Sutherland I know is a self-reliant iconoclast and an often uncomfortably honest man who, more than anyone else I know, can be counted on to tell the truth even when we don't want to hear it, and, as Blake did, he speaks his own mind fearlessly, following no trends or fashions, only his conscience. You might ask present and past Colby presidents, deans, and English department chairs if *they* think he's a sweet man, but be prepared. . . .

I certainly agree with the student in

John's Blake course who wrote that he "is a breath of fresh air." I think that's a remarkable tribute to a man in his 60s. Like Blake, John has stayed young in his imagination. He keeps his "doors of perception" cleansed and understands intuitively what Blake meant when he asked,

How do you know but ev'ry Bird that cuts the airy way,
Is an immense world of delight, clos'd by your senses five?

The English department will be seriously weakened by his departure. Not only will we lose his Blake course, but we'll lose one of Colby's finest scholars, whose publications include important articles on such writers as Swift, Pope, Gray, and, of course, Blake. Because of his scholarship, John was the obvious choice to take over the *Colby Library Quarterly* when Richard Cary retired 11 years ago. He has succeeded in maintaining the excellence of the *CLQ* while, at the same time, broadening its focus (a plan that I predicted was certain to fail). A typical recent issue contains articles on Yeats, Pope,

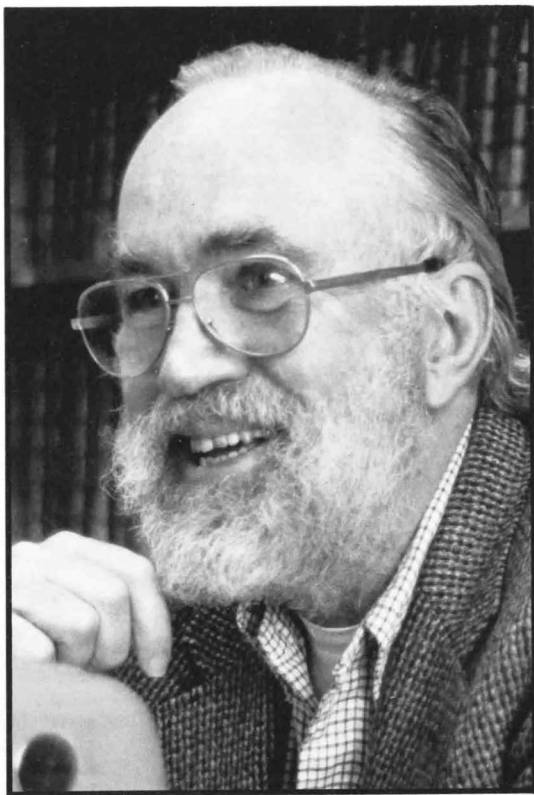
Blake, Robinson, and Jewett. I know that colleagues like Phyllis Mannocchi and Deborah McDowell will not forget his generosity in making the *CLQ* available for special issues and his patient help in preparing them for press.

Nor will I forget his generosity. When I first came to Colby in 1967, fresh from graduate school, I found that some young (and not-so-young) faculty had been here years without getting a chance to teach courses in their specialty. Characteristically, John was too fair to let this happen to me, and we immediately began sharing 18th-century courses.

So even if we can't all agree that he is a sweet man, we'll surely miss John as teacher, colleague, scholar, man of conscience, and friend. And I think he'll miss Colby, too. But one thing I know he won't miss—having to take minutes as secretary of the faculty meeting. Only a very sweet person could enjoy a job like that.

John R. Sweney
Professor of English

John H. Sutherland, professor of English





Alice Lillis Poirier, administrative assistant to the dean of faculty

Alice L. Poirier

Popular several years ago was a gag "Organization Chart," featuring dozens of little boxes and lines of authority, ending up with "Me" at the very bottom. More intriguing to me, however, was a box labeled "Little Woman Who Runs the Whole Shootin' Match." Anyone who has been at Colby for more than 90 minutes knows whose name belongs in that box.

Still, Mark Benbow couldn't have known that when he hired Alice Lillis Poirier as the English department's part-time secretary in 1966. Probably more indicative of future achievement was her ascent to the secretarial helm of history-government as well in 1968. But Lil really began her reign in 1970 when she became secretary in the dean of faculty's office, first for Benbow, then for a decade for Paul Jensen. Out of chaos, she created order. Daily!

One might have expected order from an ex-Army nurse who endured World War II in the Aleutians and married John, the dentist who shared her tundra terrors

there. An even clearer signal of organizational skills may have been the Poirier children, six of them born in four years, including two sets of twins. As Lil herself has testified, in her house, it was organize or collapse. She carried her sense of order to Eustis and used it with gusto.

In the years after 1970, visitors to the dean of faculty's office were frequently jarred by desperate calls of "Lil, Lil! What did we do about this last year?" Sonya Rose, Paul Dorain, Doug Archibald, and Bob McArthur sent up this plaint daily, as did the countless faculty committees who relied on her memory, her common sense, and her encyclopedic knowledge of Colby. Lil found apartments for newcomers, cut red tape for the victims of bureaucrats, and kept track of contracts and money and office space and library carrels and the *Faculty Handbook* (her special *bête noire*) and grants and forms, forms, forms. Several Colby professors claim that the sun will not set over Dana Hall without first clearing it with Lil. Or at least with Sue Frost, Lil's aide.

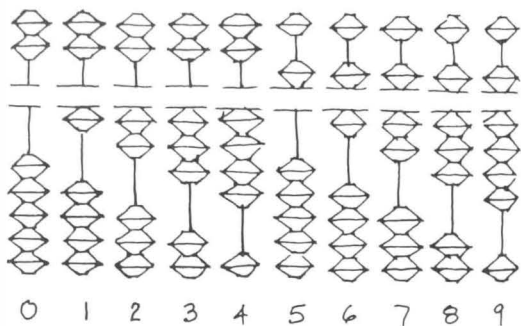
Colby has draped Lil with titles in

keeping with her indispensability. In 1979, she became an administrative secretary; in 1980, the acting assistant to the dean of faculty; in 1981, the administrative assistant to the dean of faculty. As a matter of fact, the truest measure of Lil's real status occurs on the campus mail that floods her office: a lot of it comes to "Lil Poirier, Dean of Faculty." She takes care of most problems before lunch.

Yet Lil herself best described her position at the College during an administrative retreat at the Bethel Inn several years ago. A huge roomful of Colby people were introducing themselves: dean of admissions, secretary to physical plant, professor of chemistry. Mrs. Poirier's turn brought down the house. "Mother to the faculty," she claimed.

Most of us who love Lil Poirier are not yet willing to grow up. We believe that mothers cannot retire; mothers are mothers for life. After all, who will run the whole shootin' match when Lil's gone?

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$$f(x) = \frac{(1+x^3)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sin(x^2)}{\log(x^2+4)}$$



Of Math and Men . . . and Computers

Mathematics instruction is on the verge
of major changes,
and Colby's leading the way

by Donald B. Small and John M. Hosack

Mathematics has always played a central role in the liberal arts curriculum; the quadrivium of the Middle Ages included arithmetic and geometry. In the modern world, mathematics, and in particular calculus, has been used to model and solve problems in physics, engineering, economics, biology, and many other areas. During the last 30 years, another phenomenon has become important in the modern world, the computer. These machines, which are becoming smaller, more powerful, and less expensive all at the same time, are altering the mathematics curriculum. Indeed, they are making computational-based instruction obsolete.

Remember evaluating integrals with tedious trigonometric substitutions or row reducing matrices where a simple copying mistake doomed the whole exercise? Well, no more! The seeds for revolutionizing undergraduate mathematics instruction were sown in the early 1980s when computing in symbolic (in addition to numerical) form became possible in a way suit-

able for classroom use. Within two or three years, systems capable of symbolic computation will be available on microcomputers in classrooms, laboratories, and dormitory rooms. Computational capabilities that previously had been only available to individual researchers with access to large computers are now available to Colby freshmen.

There are many questions about the use of modern technology to enhance undergraduate mathematics instruction, but two things are certain: there will be major changes, and the Colby math department will be in the vanguard of those making the changes. Colby's national leadership in the implementation of this new technology was confirmed when it sponsored the first workshop on the use of computer algebra systems (CAS) in the classroom in June 1983. The Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, which uses philanthropy to spur the improvement of mathematics curricula throughout the country, sent five participants at its expense.

A Classroom Revolution

So what is a computer algebra system, and how does it differ from computer-aided instruction or the programming opportunities that have been available at Colby for several years? As indicated above, a CAS is a computer package that performs *symbolic* mathematics as well as numerical. Computers have long been used for numerical computations where the output is numbers. For example, a computer or calculator might be used to evaluate a polynomial for a given value of the unknown. However, suppose we wish to factor a polynomial with symbolic coefficients, such as $x^3 + cx^2 - bx^2 - ax^2 - acx - bcx + abx + abc$. With an interactive CAS, the user would enter a command factor $(x^3 + c \cdot x^2 - b \cdot x^2 - a \cdot x^2 - a \cdot c \cdot x - b \cdot c \cdot x + a \cdot b \cdot x + a \cdot b \cdot c)$ (where \cdot stands for exponentiation and $*$ for multiplication) and the answer would be printed out: $(x-a)(x-b)(x+c)$.

Until now, computer-aided instruction has failed to make any impact on mathe-

appropriate focus is on concepts and processes.

Another advantage is that computer algebra systems will involve students more actively in mathematics. Students tend not to regard themselves as active participants in mathematical exploration, but rather as passive recipients of a fixed body of facts and algorithms, which they must memorize. A computer algebra system, by relieving students of burdensome computations, allows and encourages students to investigate a larger number of examples as well as more complex ones, thus encouraging an exploratory attitude toward mathematics.

Students also will spend more time organizing their thoughts. Many students begin calculating before thinking (There is a difference!). The use of a computer algebra system substantially reduces the computational effort, providing students an opportunity to reflect, to refine, and to reorganize approaches, and then to exercise their improved approaches on new examples.

Because a CAS allows students to work through examples with less computational drudgery, they also can be exposed to more complex, realistic examples. Showing students more of the interplay of mathematics with other subjects should improve their motivation to learn mathematics. In general, shifting the burden of computation to a computer algebra system frees both the instructor and student to concentrate on developing inquisitive attitudes and problem solving skills.

The symbolic capabilities and arbitrary precision arithmetic of these systems have bearing on more than numerical approximation techniques. Since the computer algebra systems allow numerical approximations to be used in conjunction with symbolic methods, they offer a full range of computer capabilities in the mathematics curriculum.

The Colby Experience

In June 1982 Colby received a grant from the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation to explore the changes needed in the curriculum to reflect the widespread availability of computer systems. As part of this effort, we have been experimenting with the use of computer algebra systems.

Initially two classes were assigned a standard calculus subject, asymptotes and sketching graphs of rational functions. The first class received the "standard" chalk and blackboard presentation dealing with the analysis and sketching of quotients of polynomials of the second and third degree. The second class was held in an audio-visual room equipped with a computer ter-

minal and a projector to display the computer output on a screen. Ten minutes were spent acquainting the students with the computer system (turning on the terminal, logging in, etc.), how to use the Maple computer algebra system, and how to gain access to a file that contained data to be used. Students also received a two-page handout on the CAS commands, with examples. A "volunteer" was asked to analyze and sketch the graph of the quotient of two sixteenth-degree polynomials, the ground rules being that the volunteer could ask help from anyone in the class and he could ask the instructor (at the terminal) to enter any CAS command. However, he would have to initiate the questions and decide how to use the answers. The next 10 minutes were both painful and exciting! Not only was there much more student interaction than there had been in the first class, but the types of questions (and responses) were different. Since the computation was "free," a "go-for-it" attitude prevailed that encouraged the volunteer to experiment. Based on the ensuing class discussion, homework assignments, and computer testing, the instructor felt that the class clearly had obtained a deeper conceptual understanding of rational functions than had any of his previous classes.

We have been experimenting with computer algebra systems in upper division courses as well as in the calculus courses. In the upper division courses the systems are primarily used as tools that allow more complex examples to be considered.

Some Questions Remaining

Many questions arise about the role of computer algebra systems in undergraduate instruction. We list a few here to give a feeling for the problems involved, and we welcome comments and additional questions from readers.

1. How can computer algebra systems encourage an experimental approach in mathematics? As mentioned, there is a potential for getting students more involved in mathematics since a CAS can relieve students of the computational drudgery. How this aim is to be achieved is still a matter for experimentation.

2. The opportunities presented by these systems require a significant modification of existing mathematical curricula. What traditional computational methods should be retained? How should the motivation and treatment of the retained methods be changed? What mixture of numerical and symbolic solution methods should

be used in calculus? More time will have to be spent on deciding which approach to solving a problem is best, rather than routinely considering only one technique.

3. Many students have been attracted to mathematics because of their enjoyment of, and success with, computations. Students have gained mathematical self-confidence from successfully completing routine computations. How will the widespread use of computer algebra systems affect these beneficial aspects of hand computation?

4. Hand computation may be an important aspect of developing an understanding of concepts. In carrying out a computation by hand, a student may gain a feeling for the concepts involved and the relative importance of various parts of the problem or computation. How can a CAS be used to retain or even improve on these perceived benefits of hand computation?

5. How should exercises change? What balance should there be between exercises that stress obtaining a specific solution and those that focus on concepts and processes?

6. What type and amount of equipment are necessary for a class of many students? Can the mass lecture and multi-section course in the large university be accommodated with computer algebra systems?

We were invited to present a position paper addressing many of these issues at the National Conference/Workshop on Calculus Instruction held in January of this year. This conference was the beginning of a four- or five-year program aimed at changing and revitalizing calculus instruction. How to use modern technology, in particular computer algebra systems, to enhance learning will play a significant role in this program.

In a few years, our students will have computer algebra systems on their personal computers. How to change our instruction to realize the opportunities and potential that the computer technology offers presents questions of fundamental importance. Although we do not know the answers, our experimenting and struggling with the questions will help guarantee future Colby students a challenging and technologically current curriculum.

And, ayuh, Colby will continue to lead the way!

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Eighty-three Years of Life

Frances Seaman is going strong



Frances F. Seaman, dean of students, emerita

Frances Seaman is a vibrant happy woman of 83. Because she walks several miles a day, practices her piano daily, and gives yearly benefit concerts, some might say that she is an extraordinary woman—which, in fact, she is. But what the woman herself might say is that she does what most 83-year-olds could do should they take the pains to stay healthy.

The former dean, first of women, from 1957 to 1967, and then of students, from 1967 until her retirement in 1968, has now lived in Waterville longer as a retiree than as a Colby employee. Until a noontime "out of the blue" phone call came to her from J. Seelye Bixler, then Colby's president, when she was working in the dean of students office at Oberlin, she had never even heard of Waterville, Maine. But she and her late husband, who had been Oberlin's director of admissions, had known President Bixler, a "pipe-smoking philosopher," from the Council on Religion and Higher Education. During that call in 1957 he asked her to consider being Colby's dean of women. And thus the graduate of the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, along with her son and daughter, moved to the house where she continues to live with two friendly cats and a very friendly Golden retriever. The rest is Colby history.

Colby seemed much more conservative than Oberlin, she said, reflecting on her initial impressions. Oberlin was "very cause-minded and fiercely coeducational." In 1957 the sexes were still quite segregated at Colby. To her job as dean she was well suited, however. She loves close relationships and helping people grow,

something she calls "the most thrilling thing in the world."

Growing is something she herself has continued to do throughout her retirement years, which started out "totally unstructured." At first it was like being confronted with an unbroken field of snow, said Seaman; "it really threw me." But not for long. Her plans to concentrate on her music and in the field of mental health have been fruitful. She loves music, striving to practice two hours a day but often having to settle for somewhat less than that. Waterville is rewarded by this ardor. This year she's given two concerts, both held in April. One was for the library department of the Waterville Women's Club, the other benefitted the scholarship fund of the American Association of University Women. She is a member of both.

It was just three years ago that Seaman gave her friends a very special concert—to celebrate her 80th birthday, or as she was quoted in the *Central Maine Morning Sentinel*, to celebrate "80 years of living." The recital, complete with printed programs and new dresses for the occasion, was performed three times, twice in the evening and once during the day. She wanted "to do something for someone else," and this she undoubtedly accomplished.

Her other area of interest is mental health, an interest spurred by her own difficult childhood and her husband's suicide in 1948. To this she gives of herself with typical generosity. She has served for several years on the Governor's Advisory Council on Mental Health in the state of Maine and is also active in a local support group for the mentally ill.

Summers she continues to spend on East Pond in the Belgrade Lakes, at a camp that had been her mother's and where she spent her summers even while at Colby. There her son, vice president of development and alumni relations at Skidmore, still comes back to vacation every year. Seaman's family also includes a daughter in Wisconsin, a granddaughter, and three grandsons, one of whom works in video and "officially recorded" her birthday concert.

With all this she still finds time to get back to campus now and then. She's had lunch in the Student Center, a building she calls a "labyrinth . . . most imaginative." However, she feels "like Rip Van Winkle" when she does because there are now more faculty members whom she does not know than those she does. Old ties there still are, however. For example, she still sees George Nickerson '24, dean of men during her tenure, and plays bridge with his wife.

Seaman calls herself a "very late bloomer" who is experiencing a "most happy, gratifying time," something most old people could share in, she believes, if they led healthy lives. A healthful life, she says, is gained by eating well and exercising. Her own plan involves avoiding red meat, using the book, *Diet for a Small Planet*, riding an indoor bike, and walking several miles a day, except when it's too icy.

Never having experienced the kind of satisfaction she's felt in old age, she considers herself still growing and becoming less submissive. "I'm not the same gal I was."
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CLASS CORRESPONDENCE

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One of our Florida correspondents' quotes: "You know your youth has fled when you sink your teeth in a steak and they stay there!" Have you had trouble with steak lately? • **John W. Brush '20**, Newton Center, Mass., celebrated his 87th birthday last December. A retired professor of church history at the Newton Theological Seminary and former pastor of the First Baptist Church in Waterville, he was cited in the 1985 *Planning Guide of Retired Ministers* and pictured playing his accordion, which his wife, Hilda, said he does "as well as ever" • **Wallace A. Donovan '31**, Waterville, Maine, a legendary football star, is serving on the activities committee of Waterville's Muskie Senior Citizens' Center • **Peter Cawley '88**, Lowell, Mass., is the third generation of Cawleys to attend Colby. His late grandfather, Edward D. Cawley, Sr. '17, was one of Colby's football greats. His father is Edward J. Cawley, Jr. '52, also of Lowell • One of the two granite block structures in Maine, the home of the late **Kenneth J. Smith '26**, in Belgrade, Maine, has been placed on the National Register of Historic Places. Smith served as head of the Maine YMCA • **David F. Kronquist '29**, Ft. Myers, Fla., and his wife, Maria Louise, celebrated their 50th anniversary with a rail trip to San Francisco and then returned by air. Both avid swimmers, they found Pacific waters too cold for them • **Bertram G.**

Mosher, Jr. '36, Oakland, Maine, is owner-operator of Bear Spring Camps, Oakland, where he was frequently host to the late E. B. White, noted writer who died October 1. White was the recipient of the Presidential Medal of Freedom, awarded to him by President Kennedy and presented by then Senator Edmund Muskie in the office of former Colby President Robert E. L. Strider II • Rumor has it that **Lewis Levine '21**, Waterville, who is better known as "Ludy," predicts that Colby's football team will do much better in 1986 • Did you know that **Abbie Hoffman** and **Jerry Rubin**, both former Vietnam "Yippies" (but now Rubin a "Yuppie"), debated their opposite political positions at Colby recently, and, according to the *Waterville Sentinel*, split a \$5700 fee? • **Rose Black '28**, Tucson, Ariz., is a member of the Pima Council on Aging. Aging, she said, "is a vast field, and much has to be done" • **Lucille Blanchard McMullen '32**, Waterville, DAR national defense chairman, was a speaker at the Silence Howard Hayden Chapter recently. **Mary E. Warren '23**, Waterville, was a hostess • Author of *Pictorial History of Woodland, Maine*, and writer for several newspapers in northern Maine and New Brunswick, Canada, **Grace Sylvester Ober '29** still resides in Woodland. She is also unofficial historian for the town and is listed as a resource person in the *Maine Folklore Index* • Colby's oldest living graduate of record is now believed to be **Ida Phoebe Keen '05**, Pomona, Calif., at age 102 • **Bertrand W. Hayward '33**, Waterville, was a candidate for city council in Waterville in 1985 • A note from Myra said that she and husband **Walter F. Knofskie '28**, Manchester, Conn., are

enjoying the new experience of having a granddaughter adopted by their daughter. The new development requires their journeying to Newburyport, Mass., every two weeks • Appointed to the Award of Merit Committee of the American Osteopathic Association is **G. Cecil Goddard '29**, China, Maine. Cecil is a former recipient of the award • **Marion Jacobs Burke '28** is a patient at the Crestwood Nursing Home, Warren, R.I. • **R. Leon Williams '33**, East Eddington, Maine, president of the R. Leon Williams Lumber Company in Clifton, Maine, has been honored by the Maine Better Transportation Association for his numerous political, civic, and religious contributions during the past 50 years • Retired educator and founder of the Maine Old Cemetery Association, **Hilda M. Fife '26**, Eliot, Maine, is now promoting her class's 60th reunion in June • Active participants in the 150th anniversary program of the China Baptist Church last November were **Nelson W. Bailey '28** and **Margaret Libbey Darlow '37**, both of China • **Flora Harri-man Small '25**, Winslow, Maine, has donated a colored photo of the battleship, U.S.S. *Maine*, to the Redington Museum, Waterville • Twenty-five years ago the late **Carleton Brown '33** was a prime mover in promoting the Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin Educational Telecasting Corporation, WCBT • **Everett R. Slocum '32**, New Bedford, Mass., a retired teacher at the Fessenden School in West Newton, Mass., where one of his students was Senator Edward Kennedy, has devised a new word game consisting of eight letter words. Some four letter ones may be derivatives • Do you remember the designer line of Colby chairs

Esther Wood: "The Native"

By now Esther Wood '26 is accustomed to the sight of her name in print. For over 20 years she has written a weekly column for the *Ellsworth (Maine) American*, entitled "The Native." Wood has also written a monthly column for *The Christian Science Monitor*, contributed pieces to *Down East Magazine* and other periodicals, and is the author of "two very humble books." Her 1976 book, *Country Fare*, a collection of family anecdotes and traditional Maine recipes, reflects her fascination with history.

Wood is recognized as an authority on the history of her hometown of Blue Hill, Maine. A resident of the Friend's Corner section of that town, a place that was home for both her parents, two grandmothers, and two great-grandfathers, she is a direct descendant of the town's first settler, Joseph Wood.

Although she majored in Latin, she began teaching history immediately after graduation. "I fell in love with teaching and I never fell out," said Wood. She taught at Miss Hall's School, under Miss Hall herself, in Pittsfield, Mass. For 39 years she was a professor of history at what is now called the University of Southern Maine. "I taught at four different institutions but it was always the same campus," explained Wood, referring to the college's various name changes during her career. When she retired in 1972, the university named a new dormitory in her honor, and she was made an associate professor of social science emerita.

She obtained her master's in history from Radcliffe in 1929, but she maintained modestly: "I'm not the stuff of which Ph.D.s are made. I haven't got a sharp enough mind." Colby knew better and awarded her an honorary doctorate in humane letters in 1971. More recently, Miss Wood was named Blue Hill's citizen of the year for 1985. She has been a part of many Fifty Plus Reunions and is likely to attend the gathering this spring, the 60th anniversary of her graduation.

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Esther Wood '26

stencilled with the Colby logo and the sloop *Hero*? When they were first introduced, a suggestion was made that they would make excellent dining room furniture. The late E. Richard Benson '29 remarked dryly "a sort of sloop to nuts proposition!"

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John P. Dolan, retired from almost 50 years of teaching four languages, was written up in a Des Moines, Iowa, newspaper in recognition of his activities in tutoring. Congratulations, John! • Arne Lindberg of Port Angeles, Wash., retired from teaching at Washington State in Pullman, has been honored by the establishment of a scholarship bearing his name • At a time when most of us are retiring, Emma-Mary Small Schlossberg reported that she and her pediatrician husband have no intentions of retiring from their active practice • Tom van Slyke and his wife made a trip to Arkansas this past fall to attend the wedding of their son who is a major in the army • As usual the Christmas letters told of travel. The Lindbergs cruised to the Netherlands Antilles and the West Indies. Anita Thibault Bourque drove friends on a tour to Montreal, Quebec, and Ottawa and made the usual trips to visit her daughters. Betty Thompson Clark and Bill toured Wales and England, I toured France, and Don '33 and Dot Gould Rhoades traveled back and forth across the United States, as did Eleanor "Billie" MacCarey Whitmore and husband Alvin • We extend our sympathy to Dot Rhoades whose mother died just before her 99th birthday.

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As this is written it is scarcely time to say "Happy New Year" so you will know, on reading, that this is not of the latest. Thanks are due several for early return of the most recent questionnaire. At this time no clear replies have been made as to suggestions for our 50th but you will be advised as time unfolds • Reynold Pierce and John MacDonald agree life has been inordinately good to them in recent years. John has moved from southern Maine to Waterville, his original home. Reynold appears to be well versed in the intricacies of real estate handling, has invested well, avidly plays chess, and paints when in the mood. Both express happiness • Ellie Barker McCargar wrote some time ago that she and her husband had made a seven-month trip to the Orient and, while in Bangkok, acquired a 400-pound artifact—a horse. She did not explain how it arrived in upper California! All will be interested in learning Ellie has finished two portraits of the men who founded Alcohol Anonymous as well as a painting of the woman behind Al Anon. The three portraits are hung at headquarters for the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation Center in Pennsylvania [the former mansion of ex-Governor

Scranton of that state] • News from Marjorie Gould Murphy is so old I dare not quote in entirety. However, she spent the last few years of her mother's life with her [Mrs. Gould was 98: my mother, also a Gould, was almost of that age]. Marjorie has finally ceased teaching—i.e., formally • Edmund Barnard is right in the pink and still making clam casseroles to eat and enjoy for all who wish to visit him and enjoy exquisitely beautiful Searsport Bay which lies below and beyond his house. He and his brother are engaged in partitioning an even higher eminence behind their respective honies for condominium purposes (presumably) • Paul Palmer and wife still maintain two homes—one in Nobleboro, near my home, and another in Dunedin, Fla. [where I once lived]. I believe Paul and wife have as many close descendants as any of us—18 • J. Lawrence Robbins sits on the boards of a number of institutions, golfs, travels extensively, and acts as emeritus head of his lumber company now actively run by his two sons. His business is now 102 years "young" and growing. Larry freely admits life has been better than expected on graduation • Winthrop Jackson is now confirmed as associate rector of the Episcopal Church in Lisbon Falls, Maine. Before becoming a man of the cloth he was a design engineer for Coaxial Microwave, transmission line component manufacturers, a little known fact of Win's life. He did not become ordained until 1973. He is an avid collector of minerals. He asks his fellow classmates to indicate "What is your most profound blessing?"—a worthy question and thought to conjure with, Class of '37 • Stan Paine continues his daily duties as physician/surgeon in Salinas, Calif. Since his four children have long since left home his principal life-style change has been to move to a smaller home • Jane Tarbell Brown bemoaned that this was her first "childless" Christmas as all have now flown the roost to house their own. She is still building the largest private library on the Hudson; she extols the many and varied to-be-envied propensities of her clan. She truly does have a fine family—but then don't we all?

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Helen Foster Jenison, widow of Ed '40, has one son and two granddaughters. She does volunteer work at Panagansett Regional High School one day a week. Last year with Edith Emery '37, she went to Ireland, Scotland, and England. Later she went to Hawaii with her son and family. There she visited with Roger '40 and Ruth Gould Stebbins '40. Last summer Helen attended the memorial service for Doctor Bixler • Martha Wakefield Falcone is living in Hartford, Conn. She retired from teaching a remedial kindergarten class last June. She is still working for the homeless in that city and is active with peace groups. Martha favors the closing of fraternities • Janet Lowell Farley is another one of our retirees who is still busy. She has three daughters and nine grandchildren. Janet is justifiably proud of a grandson who has represented Maine in McDonald's All-American Band, which has played at the big parade in New York, in Chicago, and in the Tournament of Roses. She has taken garden tours of England, France, Germany, and Holland. Janet

is interested in how you folks feel about the fraternity ban • Mary Herd Emery, wife of Frederick, a retired physician still lives in Bangor. They enjoyed a trip to Scotland after our last class reunion. For interest Mary plays golf and works with stained glass. Husband Fred is a gardener • Archie Follett, now retired, lives in Lakeland, Fla. He spent a month in the Republic of South Africa and six months in Israel • Edith Barron is a retired teacher who still lives in Waterville and has attended some Elderhostel programs. Since she has been on the scene in Waterville, Edith has gone to the campus to see the progress of the new Student Center which she believes will have a positive effect on campus life. She is also following the process of divestiture of Colby's investments in South Africa and its possible influence on Colby's financial situation • Edith "Billie" Falt Favour is getting on with her life in Northeast Harbor, Maine. This past year she took a trip to Great Britain in September. In the summertime she works in Northeast Harbor and November to May finds her in Laguna Beach, Calif. We must believe that she has become a great grandmother • Our legal light, Sigrid Tompkins, still follows her profession in Portland, Maine. She finished her term as a Colby trustee and was presented the traditional Colby chair. Sigrid is concerned about our 50th in 1988 and feels we should give some thought to our class gift. She has followed "Commons" development with the new Student Center • Margaret Higgins Williams is a retired college professor whose husband is also retired. They have two sons and four grandsons. She works with adults in the field of English and a new book added to their retirement enjoyment. She feels the action taken on the fraternities was right. This is a good subject to explore in our writing and at the big reunion • Edwin Shuman, another of our successful ministers, is located in Penney Falls, Fla. Since retirement he has been very active in capital funds work in Pittsburgh for Baptist homes, and for the retirement community in which he now lives. Most intriguing is his work with the Racetrack Chaplaincy of America. Ed and Dot have four children. In another achievement, Ed has made a grandfather clock • Regional papers have covered a report of Phillips Brooks Henderson, who spoke at the Baptist Church in Hingham. Phil was a chaplain in World War II and has had pastorates in New England and New Jersey. He retired while serving at the Memorial Baptist Church in Hartford, Conn. • Marie Tibbetts Slovak wrote from her home in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, that she has retired from her work for the city of Portland. She has three daughters and eight grandchildren • Ralph Brown, a retired school superintendent, has homes in Florida and Maine. He also owns apartments in Florida and is a realtor. The Browns have three daughters and nine grandchildren. Ralph had a heart attack while playing tennis, but he has recovered well and plays tennis again [doubles only].

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As you read this in June, your summer plans are probably made, your garden planted, your boat in the water. Or so I imagine as I write this on the

coldest day of winter—such as the demands of journalism! • Does anyone else remember hiking out to Mayflower Hill from the old campus to look for trailing arbutus? **Jeanette Drisko Rideout** said she has that nice memory. A retired librarian, Jean, and husband Walter '38, a professor of English at the University of Wisconsin, are old friends of the Striders, and have visited the campus occasionally. Walter has lectured in Japan, and Jean liked it so much she went back on a garden tour. What gardeners! They have received an award for a woodland garden they developed at their home on quite a busy corner, and they also have two rock gardens, a raised-bed vegetable garden, an extensive collection of day lilies, and over a hundred varieties of hosta. Jean said, "Besides giving us lots of exercise and pleasure, it has been a joy to hear the appreciative comments of neighbors and passersby." Jean volunteers at the university arboretum library, leads a bird-study group, and takes part in an aerobics program studying the effect of exercise on bones [a medical school study on osteoporosis]. This may be what has kept her out of the rocking chair, she said, but "sometimes I wish I had one and could spend some time in it!" • **Margaret Ann Whalen** has a reassuring word for those of you who haven't been back to Colby lately. She said it's "bigger and better, but also much the same college." She remembers the old railroad, arriving and departing by train, and waiting at the tracks on the way to classes. (For me the longest wait was after the last morning class, trying to get back to Foss Hall for lunch.) She quoted Professor Strong: "Le Maine Central ou Strain Mental?" It was at Colby that she realized "that education is a big and important part of real life." Margaret Ann

had a wonderful trip to Germany and Austria in September. With an interhostel group, she visited Trier, where visits to host families and lectures increased their enjoyment and understanding of the things they saw, including many Roman ruins and artifacts. She also had a two-week Rhine cruise, a five-day Europabus tour, and four days in Vienna, "by far the favorite city of the trip" • We were sorry to hear that **Virginia Kingsley Jones** has lost her husband, William, and we extend our sympathy • I had a brief chat with **Freda Abel** in September. She's enjoying her house in Bar Harbor • **Lucille Naples Weston**, retired from the Wellesley College faculty, comes to our local alumnae group, South Central Massachusetts. We see Eleanor Tolan Hooker '36 there, too. She and Wade are living in Plainville, Mass. • Have a good summer and let your classmates hear from you!

Class secretary: SALLY ALDRICH ADAMS, 22 Miller St., Medfield, Mass. 02052.

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The Class of 1940 has responded well to the annual Alumni Fund each year, and naturally, we hope to exceed what we did in 1985. Please send your checks, if you haven't already done so • California is the home of **Virginia Gray Schwab** now, but she came to Colby from Mystic, Conn. It was because of her high school's 50th anniversary that she missed our 45th. She promises to be

among us in 1990 • **G. Flint Taylor** also missed our 45th, but his absence was due to surgery, and he looks forward to the 50th • When returning to Whittier, Calif., from their visit to Colby, Evelyn '39 and **Buell Merrill** stopped in Bryn Mawr, Pa., to see **Halsey Frederick**. Time and distance don't alter good friendships • **Sheila Jellison Tennant** lives in Ipswich, Mass., by the sea, but enjoys traveling when possible. (Sheila, why not visit your brother in Arizona—especially in the winter?) • I previously reported that John '38 and **Edna Slater Pullen** spend all free time golfing. It has paid off! Edna won her club championship in 1985. Congratulations • **Prince Beach**, who is a doctor, attended a recent Colby alumni party in Houston, and we had a good opportunity to reminisce • If you're looking for **Horace Burr**, you won't find him in the Big Apple. He has retired to Bridgton, Maine, for a change of pace • **Carl McGraw** skis in Utah and Vermont during the winter but he promises to find time for our 50th. The 45th was his first reunion and he's decided that 1940 was a vintage year • **Joseph J. Chernauskas**, a Connecticut judge, is or has been presiding over an interesting problem involving the Boy Scouts. That problem stems from a challenge posed to the Boy Scouts by a woman who'd been leading a Scout troop for three years because no man was available to do it. She asked to be named scoutmaster but was turned down. The state human rights commission ruled that she had been discriminated against. The Scouts appealed to the Supreme Court.

Class secretary: ELEANOR THOMAS CURTIS, 4607 W. Alabama, Houston, Tex. 77027.

Close to Colby in Houston, Texas

Even though duty called him to "Go West," his heart and ties lie in New England and Colby. And what ties, indeed! **Prince Drummond Beach '40** tread a path to Colby well worn by a long line of ancestors. In keeping with a tradition of Colby graduates, Beach followed suit with the likes of Josiah Hayden Drummond, Class of 1846, founder of Delta Kappa Epsilon, Xi Chapter, in 1845. (A residence hall on frat row now bears his name.) Beach's grandfather, Albert Foster Drummond, graduated in 1888 and served as treasurer of the Waterville Savings Bank as well as a long-term trustee of the College. Beach's father, George L. Beach '13, mother, Louise Drummond '14, and three aunts and uncles are all Colby alums, as are both of his brothers, George '41 and Hugh '37.

Beach serves as chief urologist at the Houston Veterans Administration Hospital and as professor of urology at Baylor College of Medicine. A pre-med course of study at Colby vaulted him into a notable career in medicine, which includes an M.D. from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia and a long tour of duty in the U.S. Army that earned him the rank of colonel in the medical corps. Beach entered the Army in 1944 and served for one year in Italy during the occupation. He was then transferred to serve as commanding officer of the 391st Dispensary and Convalescent Hospital at Garmisch, West Germany. While in the Army he completed his specialization in surgery and urology with the Medical Residency Training Program. Beach also served for two years in Korea as division surgeon, 24th Infantry Division.

"My students and urology residents keep me young, happy, and excited," said Beach. "I have no immediate plans for a second retirement, which will eventually be back to Lake Messalonskee for the summers." Beach keeps a cottage on the lake where he enjoys his favorite hobbies, ornithology and fishing. What's the doctor's prescription for current Colby pre-meds? "Emphasize the liberal arts and not the sciences. Take the amount of science required and load up on liberal arts."

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Prince Beach '40

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It is obvious to me, since I hear from fellow classmates, that most of us, though "retired" from our labors of the past four and one half decades, are still joyously occupied in a variety of activities. And that is just great! Also this correspondent was elated to have a response to my last letter from 15 of you—more than I can hope to include in one newsletter, so do be patient. There were five letters from classmates I'd never heard from during my term, so again I rejoice • **John Ormiston**, from Marblehead, Mass., still stays busy as a chemical consultant for a paper manufacturer and has served in various capacities on the school committee for over 24 years. He is active in town affairs but he and his wife, Annie, take time to travel. They have three sons and a daughter, all of whom attended a different college, one Colby • **Keith Thompson** pursued a dual career—as a high school principal in Houlton and South Portland, Maine, from 1941 to 1976. He also served as pastor of the First Baptist Church in Concord, N.H., where he now lives, from 1976 to 1985. He has joined the retired and plans to write, relax, and, with his wife, Marie, enjoy their daughter, two sons, and five grandchildren, as well as some golf, fishing, and travel • Both **James East** and his wife, Marjorie, were members of the university faculty at Penn State but have now retired to "ye ole rocking chair" in Rockland, Maine • **John Coolidge**, from Livermore Falls, Maine, has found the cozy rocking chair, too, since he is in poor health with a heart condition. He can enjoy his son, daughter, and five grandchildren • Although **Beatrice Kennedy Maltais** attended our 40th reunion, I had not heard from her until now. She and her husband, "Maxie," moved from the city to their seaside cove in East Boothbay Harbor, Maine, which they find most relaxing even though they both stay relatively busy. Bea belongs to the garden club and works for the hospital auxiliary • It was early 1982 since I last heard from **Sidney Brick**, **Priscilla Patterson Salgo**, and **Alta Estabrook Yelle**, so it was delightful to have a fresh letter. Sid, a dentist in Meriden, Conn., considers himself semi-retired, for he and his wife, Charlotte, go to Florida for four months of the year. They enjoy four grandchildren, play golf, travel occasionally, and walk four to six miles a day! Priscilla is still a choral conductor, and her husband, Sandor, an orchestra conductor. They live in Stanford, Conn., and are still deeply involved in the development of the Carmel Bach Festival Choral. Alta and her husband, Henri, reside in Norton, Mass., and are both part-time assistants at Wheaton College Library. They have a daughter, Henrietta, in the Colby Class of '86. Although Alta very much wants to attend our class reunion, a family trip to France is on the horizon after their daughter's graduation • **James Daly**, who for many years has been associated with Budget Rent-A-Car in Seattle, Wash., wrote that he "positively drools with nostalgia for Colby." Many other classmates expressed the same reaction. Several mentioned the railroad tracks, the train whistles, and the coal soot, which as **Linwood Potter** put it, "fluttered through the library window onto our papers." Others recalled the acrid odor of sulphur from the mills, the Park's Diner, skating behind Foss Hall, even Professor Weber! And the innumerable great friends we made and still keep today.

Class secretary: **RUTH "BONNIE" ROBERTS HATHAWAY** (Mrs. Henry), 25 Graham St., Fitchburg, Mass. 01420.

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The temperature is five degrees, and shortly many of us will be, officially, senior citizens. Let me bear both with grace. The Patriots offer some consolation • I received the usual full Christmas letter from **Barbara Holden**. She has a new project underway: recording for the blind in French. One does not know what to admire more—the expertise or the gift • Nice stuff from the faithful **Bob Rice**. This anecdote from his Aviation Cadet days is verbatim: The other day I heard an instructor yell over the radio to one of his formation students: "Jesus Christ, 103, get the hell back in—you're out too damned far!" A few seconds later came back the reply, "This is Jesus Christ: am I in close enough now?" Seemed to me as if that cadet abounded in guts • **Betty Ann Royal "B.A.R."** Spiegel also contributes a special vignette: I was walking along the beach (in North Carolina) recently, wearing my anorak with "Colby" emblazoned thereon. This is usually a good conversation starter regarding Maine, but this time a man peeked at my word "Colby" and said only, "Do you sell cheese?" • Please send me your contributions.

Class secretary: **CHRISTINE BRUCE SHEA** (Mrs. Charles), 1 Springdale Ave., Wellesley, Mass. 01281.

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Thanks to those of you who sent holiday greetings. It is good that I can give you news of some classmates from whom we haven't heard for a while. **Elizabeth Durand Ransom** really brought me up-to-date on their family activities in New Zealand. Their three children and five grandchildren all live there so that they can have family gatherings in a newly acquired vacation home in the Marlborough Sounds, described by Betty as very beautiful and unspoiled. Betty continues her interest in music as president of the Wadestown Music Group and works part-time at Victoria University Library • It was good to hear that **Tom Farnsworth's** New Perceptions in Education, Ltd., continues its success in helping children with various problems, e.g., those who are underachievers or suffer from Tourette Syndrome and learning disabilities. Tom wrote, "I have never before in life been so full of anticipation . . . excitement . . . enthusiasm." His two sons are nearby and along with helping at the center also run a music store • **Dot** and **Don Whitten** are looking forward to his retirement in 1986, and they are thinking about buying a house in Florida. Last spring they toured California and vacationed on Cape Cod in the summer • **Tom** and **Marjorie Brown Pursey** are still very involved with their business. They enjoy having their two granddaughters near them. Tom and

Marge took their first ever two-week vacation and toured three Hawaiian islands. They also took a 10-day cruise on their own boat off Long Island • **Iciah Shapiro Mellion** and her husband, Harvey have made what they hope is their final "move." (They moved 23 times while he was in the air force.) They are now in Florida. After retirement from the air force, Harvey was an executive with the U.S. Postal Service. He is now working in telecommunications with the Broward County School Board. Iciah has retired from teaching but still does tutoring and volunteers at the library. She would like to hear from Colbyites in southern Florida • **Leon** and **Elizabeth "Becky" Field Blanchard** have seen a year of changes including selling their home of 34 years and moving to a mobile home in Barre, Mass. It is on the edge of a small pond with beavers and blue herons. They plan to be there for six months and at their trailer in Florida for the colder six months • As for me, I am still in Maine, as I was when I wrote my last column. I made it back to New Jersey for just four days when my father had to be hospitalized and I have been here ever since. How many people do you know who go North for the winter? • Here are three more of our "lost" classmates: **Eleanor Handley Pederson** (Mrs. John), **Charles Pearce**, and **Evan MacLraith**. Let the College know if you have any idea how they might be reached. As you know, this column depends on you, so let me know what you are doing so that we can all be up-to-date.

Class secretary: **ELEANOR SMART BRAUNMULLER** (Mrs. Albert R.), 115 Lake Rd., Basking Ridge, N.J. 07920.

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Class secretary: **NANCY CURTIS LAWRENCE** (Mrs. Watson A.), 185 Wildwood Terrace, Jackson, Miss. 39212.

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It's a very cold January day as I write to tell you, for one thing, that **Pearl Russakoff Feldman** has retired to Florida. She's still good and active—especially in NOW, she reported • **Helen Mary Beck Shoemaker** wrote that what she never anticipated while at Colby was "getting married—twice!" She added that her daughter is a nurse and that her son holds an M.L.S. from Vanderbilt University • **John Dodd** is a quality control inspector in Milford, Conn. His daughter is a minister in Westville, Conn. • **Laura "Tappy" Tapia Aitkin** is a fairly recent grandmother ("great joy"). Her son is a research neurophysiologist; her daughter is active in women's rights and support systems in Binghamton, N.Y. • **Barbara Kelly Morell** and her husband are retired and live in Center Harbor, N.H. They had a marvelous experience living in Rome, 1974-81 • Writing about her children, **Grace Keefer Parker** said that "Ken makes guitars, Debby raises our two grandchildren, and Alan and his wife live in

Maine" • **Ernest Rotenberg**, recently appointed to teach trial advocacy at Suffolk Law School, lives in Attleboro, Mass., and would welcome a call from anyone who is in the neighborhood • **Betty Chamberlain Ficker** (mother of four, grandmother of six), lives in Old Greenwich, Conn., and owns a word processing business • **Joe Strup** (retired) and his wife live in Hampton, Va. A 1985 highlight for Joe: he flew an F-15 air force fighter jet • **Joan Gay Kent** and I recently visited the Metropolitan's exhibition of costumes from the Royal Court of India. Joan is president of the Port Washington Public Library • **Helen Strauss**, a fellow New Yorker, is media director at Franklin Spier ad agency, and she's a ski buff who hopes to make it to the Austrian slopes in March • **Dorothy Sanford McCunn** and I plan to meet before she retires from teaching this spring and moves to northern Connecticut. Dee has two sons and two grandchildren • **Emily Stocking Matsoukis** counts among her accomplishments learning to drive seven years ago. She lives in Hyannis, Mass., and she has a son • **Lois Loudon Cutler** reported the sad news that she lost both of her parents during 1985.

Class secretary: NAOMI COLLETT PAGANELLI, 2 Horatio St., New York, N.Y. 10014.

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Answers from the first few questionnaires returned show that about half of the class arrived at Colby, back in 1942, by train, the other half by car. People who influenced us the most were Dr. Bixler, Coach Bill Millett, Dr. Mary Marshall, and Professor Newman, our beloved Pop. Many classmates reached their original goals with a few modifications. Most mentioned that their Colby education introduced them to a lifetime of learning. All were thankful for the lifelong friends they had made. As for a philosophy for our retirement years, we are exhorted to continue to open our eyes, ears, and minds to new ideas and experiences. In other words, the learning process should never end. One said, "Work smarter—not harder," and take time out along the way to have fun. Advice to incoming freshmen was to take advantage of their opportunity, work hard, "seize the day" • Following is a list of our "lost classmates." If you know of their whereabouts, please let either the alumni office or me know. Thank you. **Anita Herdegan Allen, Earl Anthony, Clarence Barry, Robert Brennan, John Carman, Paul Gaffney, Faye O'Leary Hafford, Robert Hanes, Elmer Jacek, Nanette Lasdon Laitman, James Lott, Jr., Janice Mills, R. Weston Pierce, Winsor Rippon, Robert Rogers, David Thomas, Jason Toabe, Joseph Von Handorf.**

Class secretary: NORMA TWIST MURRAY (Mrs. Paul F.), 28 Birdsall St., Winsted, Conn. 06098.

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Sympathy and condolences go out to **Emily Gardell Burke**, who wrote from New Jersey that her

husband, Charles, passed away last December • Please, classmates, share with us all your news.

Class secretary: ELIZABETH WADE DRUM (Mrs. John J.), 44 Country Village Lane, Sudbury, Mass. 01776.

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I really enjoy hearing from all of you and especially when you share your memories and philosophies with me. Maybe it's our age or the breed of Colby stock of '48, but your letters show me that almost unanimously you're not ready to pack it up and hit the rocking chair. That's good—I share your zest! • **Frances Hyde Stephan**, who never used all of the biology and chemistry she slaved for at Colby, remembers best, and still sees, friends that she made there • **Howell Clement** will soon retire from the medical insurance field but refuses to think his age—he's still young inside. Howie thinks that the innocence, spontaneity, and fun we had on no money at Colby could not happen there now. He remembers, too, the close relationship with professors • **David Marson** remembers the smell of Onie's and the old campus—"on the one hand beautiful, on the other, a dump." He admitted that 90% of his continuing friendships started at Colby. Dave would brag about his family, his business, his service to Colby and the navy, granddaughter Jessica Marson McNulty, and 35 years of wedded bliss to Dorothy, but not his hockey and track record. What he wishes he were doing but isn't cannot be put in print • **Elaine Browning Townsley** raises fancy bantam chickens and pheasants in Laconia, N.H. She is a partner in Rails and Crafts and teaches crafts at the shop. Elaine has 75 bantams, one pair of Red China gold pheasants, two guineas, 3 call ducks, one goat, one rabbit, three cats, and two dogs. (No partridge in a pear tree?) Elaine remembers the long walks and the view from Mayflower Hill. She would boast that Colby still holds to its high standards of 40 years ago • **Marguerite Jack Robinson's** son, Bruce, who is art and graphics coordinator for Channel 8 WMTW in Auburn, Maine, and a golfer, was one of four winners from Maine's TV media at the National Insurance Golf Classic at Purpoodock Club, Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Marguerite and her husband, Roger, were present at the tourney to watch Bruce play the "pros" including Arnold Palmer and Orville Moody • **Ron Farkas** considers himself partly retired—from retail store management to real estate development. He keeps out of the rocking chair by chasing his young wife, Selma. He's gaining in experience and losing his golf swing. From his days at Colby he remembers cold winters and warm friendships, and he found his career direction there—he's in exquisite lingerie, you know • **David Choate**, who is now a Century 21 real estate broker in Denver, Colo., remembers the long bike trips to classes from his home in Winslow. His interest in public speaking and debate started at Colby • **Janet Gay Hawkins** of Plandome, N.Y., combines being a housewife (her word, not mine), volunteering, and boat crewing. She remembers the smell of Keyes Fibre, dining hall fish, and a great freshman roommate. Janet has been appointed a Colby overseer with particular responsibility to the library • I am leaving in a

week for three weeks in Honduras where, with another art teacher, I will teach design concepts to classroom teachers using their natural and available materials. We will be partly in the small village of Sabana Grande and the island town of Amapala off the southern coast—with Nicaragua visible in one direction and El Salvador in the other. Keep writing.

Class secretary: VIRGINIA BREWER FOLINO, RR 1, Box 613, Grand Isle, Vt. 05458.

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Do you ever listen to late night radio, to the series of talk shows on the networks picked up by affiliated local stations? Well, we, too, have a network of participants "calling in" from all over the country. Listen, now, to what our classmates have to say. Welcome to talk net • **Sid McKeen**, editorial page editor of the *Worcester Telegram and Gazette*, was one of four recipients of the Golden Quill Award from the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi. Sid, still a noted humorist, as his column "Wry and Ginger" testifies, is also a member of the Academy of New England Journalists, which sponsors the seminar for college newspaper editors held each year in conjunction with the Lovejoy Convocation at Colby. Sid plans to retire to Belfast in a few years • **Nellie MacDougall Parks** talked to Al Corey in his Waterville music store following his outdoor concert at Colby. They reminisced about the Al Reef Colby Band that played the Mingo Spring Hotel in Rangeley when Nellie and Jeanne Pelletier Sutphin were waitresses. Surely we're permitted a bit of nostalgia for music of the 1940s • **Audrie Drummond Owsley**, a grandma and loving it, is busy trying to help preserve the history of downtown Pensacola, a task harder and harder to do since people have started to discover that part of Florida with its beautiful white beaches and changing seasons. Audrie conducted the first Across the Bay Canoe Paddle for the Arthritis Foundation—over and back about seven miles. She and Allen have redone an old camp on Snow Pond in Sidney, Maine, and now have the best of two parts of the country. In addition she's a Colby Watcher and says the College has come a long way since we planted those trees! • **Charles Roy Woodman**, a municipal auditor, remembered perhaps as "The Major" in '46, retired from the staff of the Maine Teachers' Association, keeping his accounting license. Now he works when he feels like it and maintains a house and two camps, mows about two acres, gets out a supply of wood for the winter, and enjoys hunting and fishing, but no jogging • **Barbie Van Every** and **Earl Bosworth** celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary in Honolulu—enjoyed Maui and hope to return • In the last column I wrote that **Alex Richard** was running for reelection as a state representative. This will confirm that he did indeed win the election and is serving a third term in the Maine House. Asked, "What do you collect?" he replied, "Friends." "What are you getting rid of?" "We keep just about everything." His many friends over the years already know that! • If you have read this far, gentle reader, be assured that somebody out there wants to read about you.

Class secretary: MARY HATHAWAY CHERRY, 63 Indian Pond Rd., Kingston, Mass. 02364.



Chester D. Harrington '51

Chet Harrington: Promotion in Philadelphia

Many Colby graduates enjoy high levels of success and distinction, and Chester D. Harrington, Jr., '51 ranks among them. He recently was promoted to the position of vice president, business development, at Lewis, Gilman and Kynett, the largest advertising agency on the East Coast outside of New York. There, it is Harrington's responsibility to develop new accounts and to expand existing business, such as with the Sperry and Marriott corporations. Harrington's first advertising experience was with the largest agency in the world, N.W. Ayer and Son, and before joining Lewis, Gilman and Kynett nine years ago, he was the publisher of *Golf Journal* and *Tennis USA*.

Since his graduation he has kept his ties to Colby strong, yet is not completely happy with all that has transpired here. Harrington was "and will always be an ATO." He was on campus when the house was built and was a member of the first ATO chapter to reside in the house. He stressed that he does not harbor animosity toward the administration over the discontinuation of fraternities, but "would like to be made more comfortable thinking that the fraternity spirit is not dead forever, that it could rise again if the students would like to have it."

His love of Colby is apparent. He feels that his College is one of the finest small liberal arts institutions in the United States. "I feel I gave as much as I could of my time and efforts when I was at Colby," he said. "I regret that Colby athletics in general have not been up to the fine level they used to have. But that's like an old alum looking back."

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A class secretary has not yet been appointed, but please send news to class president Nelson "Bud" Everts.

Class president: NELSON T. EVERTS, 121 Richardson Dr., Needham, Mass. 02192

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Class secretary: CHARLES S. MCINTYRE 27 Elm St., Marblehead, Mass. 01945.

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The annual Alumni Fund is almost over for another year and although the results are not yet in, I am sure that we did our usual fine job • Herb Simon wrote that he has been elected president of the New York metropolitan chapter of the 16,500-member American Society of Public Administrators. On October 31 he retired after 30 years in New York State and New York City government, where he was assistant commissioner in the Office of Income Support, New York City Department of Social Services. Last summer Herb served on the Independent Judicial Screening Panel for Supreme Court Judges in New York City and, finally, he was hired as the first director of the Lesbian and Gay Community Service Center in New York City • I received a nice note from Peter and Elin "Chris" Christenson Honsberger. Pete has taken the position of vice president of marketing for Wood Fabricators, in Yelm, Wash. • I have heard from other classmates: Bob Lee '51, Warren Finegan '51, Al Riefe '50, and Edward "Ned" '51 and Barbara Hills Stuart '54. They are all fine and interested in what is going on at Colby. I understand that there is a "chain" letter that travels between some of our classmates. If you dare, I would like to be included to let the rest of us know what is going on. I started my own marketing and promotion agency last fall and that is keeping me busy. Let me know how you are doing. Have a great summer.

Class secretary: DONALD G. HAILER, 28 Forest Rd., Glen Rock, N.J. 07452.

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Class of '53 news . . . continued. In the last episode, I promised news of six more of our classmates, so here goes: Ken Gesner and his wife, Janet, live in Ridgewood, N.J., and have three children. Aside from his job as an insurance agent, Ken "covers the NY Rangers, NY Islanders, and NJ Devils hockey games and NY Giants and NY Jets football games for Associated Press." No wonder the above keeps him out of the rocking chair! "Politics of government from fraternity life"

at Colby encouraged Ken to get involved in "the governing of amateur hockey, insurance groups, plus KDR National Fraternity." • Now that their children are grown, **Mary Scott Jahn** and husband Franklin have retired to Palm Coast, Fla., and "love it." Golf and "lots of togetherness" take care of the rocking chair scene but Scotty still finds "time of my own." • From retirees to new parents... **Thornton "Ted" Lallier** lives and practices law in Amesbury, Mass., where he and his wife, Erna, look after their two sons, aged 7 and 4. It's easy to see how *that* could keep you from having a mid-life crisis or spending time in a rocking chair. Ted also keeps busy with church and town affairs and would like to encourage everyone to "please come to the 35th anniversary... and let's stay one day longer." • **Chase Lasbury**'s reply was wonderfully newsy but unfortunately illegible! From what I could decipher, he and his wife, **Nan Murray Lasbury**, live in Winter Park, Fla., where he works for Northwestern Mutual Life and is a general partner in several "fly businesses," and Nan is a buyer of "clothing and gifts and is great at it!" They have three daughters, three granddaughters, and "gave up smoking last year after 35 years... not easy." Their move to Florida and going "back to basics" keeps them out of the rocking chair. Although he feels a mid-life crisis "coming on," Chase commented that the best part of Colby for him has been "a beautiful relationship with the woman I've been married to for 33 years." He asked that I "give our love to everyone." Consider it done. Chase • **Bill McDonough** admitted to being a "long lost classmate" but thinks "often of Colby and the many momentous occasions of becoming an adult." He retired after 25 plus years with New England Telephone and became an innkeeper in 1983. With the help of their three sons, Bill and wife Claire keep out of the rocking chair by running the 32-unit Village Cove Inn on S. Main St., Kennebunkport, Maine, that came complete with restaurant and pub. Out of his mid-life crisis came "a wonderful new life on the coast of Maine." Sounds like a great place to end our 35th reunion, eh Ted? • And now to complete this installment, I guess it's appropriate to tell you that when next I write, I'll do so as Carolyn Caci (pronounced "catchy"). After nine-and-a-half years of the single life, I'm marrying my friend and companion of the past four years, John J. Caci, on February 9. Five children, one daughter-in-law, one grandchild, a new job, new home, and new husband keep me out of the rocking chair. And as for the mid-life crisis, I left that behind long ago. • Next time, I'll also bring you news of **Jeannette "Jeannie" Mill Brennan**, **Harold Dick Cross**, **Dave Harvey**, **Al Hibbert**, **Guioamar "Gilly" Washington Hufsmith**, and **Phyllis Whitcomb Laurin**. Thanks to all of you who responded and if you haven't yet filled out your questionnaire, won't you do so now? Until next time...

Class secretary: **CAROLYN ENGLISH CACI**, 288 Wellman Ave., North Chelmsford, Mass. 01863.

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Gordon and **Mary Belden Williams** joined the grandparental ranks at the end of November. Mary is teaching full-time at Clarke School for the

Deaf in Northampton, Mass., but still has time for aerobics twice a week. I wonder what our classmates' favorite forms of exercise are? • **Nancy Moyer Conover** has come up with a new one—tap dancing! She's in a class whose members range up to age 73. Nancy likes the more traditional aerobics and tennis, too, and has taken up downhill skiing after an 18-year hiatus. When she's not exercising or doing volunteer work, she enjoys visiting daughters in Massachusetts, Virginia, and England • **Sue Johnson Sleeper** has also discovered the joy of dancing, beginning with ballroom dancing lessons and creative movement workshops and is looking for ways to combine this new interest with her work in mental health • **Penny Thresher Edson** has been playing tennis, hiking, doing volunteer work, and globe-trotting: last fall she visited Hungary, Austria, and Germany • **William Edson** hasn't had as much time for travel because of his work as launch processing director for Lockheed Space Operations at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California • **Sophie Hadjigeorgiou Krallis** spent a week touring Israel in December. She and Elias, who live in Athens, are building a future retirement home in Koropi • A bit of travel is in our future, too. **Art** will have a sabbatical from his teaching job next year, and we plan to live in England, using a cottage in Essex for a base from which to cover the British Isles and, we hope, Scandinavia. So this is my last column as class correspondent. My heartfelt thanks to those who helped out by sending occasional bits of news, and good luck to my successor!

Class secretary: **BARBARA GUERNSEY EDDY** (Mrs. C. Arthur, Jr.), Box 198, RFD 1, Lincoln City Rd., Salisbury, Conn. 06068.

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Classmates. This column will deplete most of my supply of news from the latest questionnaire sent to you. Thank you again to those of you who answered, and to our "non-writing" classmates, please write • To **Ted Brown**, many thanks for your answer. Yes, I did look up our pictures in the 1955 *Oracle*, and there we were on the same page. Ted and his wife, **Nancy Weller Brown '54**, live in Union, Maine, have eight children, and two granddaughters ("so far"). Ted was formerly a corporate patent attorney (now inactive). He keeps busy with small-town activities such as the historical society and the town library. In answer to my question as to what to ask our classmates, I quote from Ted, "Please send directly to, or at least thank, a thank you for some of our classmates, especially **Sid Farr** and **Ridge Bullock** (and to that I add **David Roberts**); thanking them for helping Colby by their personal activity or by financial support, of whatever amount and how many years." Ted continued, "Colby deserves to survive, because no matter how narrow the 'major' specialization (available at any other college), we each acquired some of the generalist-humanitarian comprehensive world view of the excellent professors and entire staff..." Ted, as you can see, I enjoyed your letter. Thank you • To **Lou Zambello**, our class president for the next five years, thank you for writing and especially for replying to the question of retirement as

"my fantasy." We know the feeling, Lou, as we face six more years of college tuition. After **Stewart** (our middle son) graduates in June, we will never again have two children in college at the same time. A great feeling! Lou also answered that he would like me to ask our classmates to "come to our next reunion." I second that • To **Mary "Mimi" Stinchfield Kenney**, we send best wishes for continued good and improving health. Mimi would like me to ask our classmates: "What is the best or a variety of solutions for the 'empty nest' syndrome? For men as well as women." An interesting question, as we all near that time in our lives • **Elizabeth Weymouth Hayden** answered that she and her husband, John, do have an "empty nest" after 28 years of marriage, and they "love it." She does not consider herself retired and is busy with her husband's business and homemaking. She also enjoys her work at the local library, especially working with children • **Yvonne Richmond Knight** has never moved far from Colby, where she is a professor and acting chairman of the department of administrative science. She wonders if our class might hold some kind of record for activities at Colby as so many of us are still directly involved with the workings of the College. She mentioned **Dave Roberts**, **Sid Farr**, and **Jane Millett Dornish** • Thank you to **Sue Franklin Chapman**, **R. Bruce Harde**, **Ruth Kesner Osborn**, and the others who wrote. Let's hope that many other classmates will send in their news soon.

Class secretary: **SUE BIVEN STAPLES** (Mrs. Seldon C.), 430 Lyons Rd., Liberty Corner, N.J. 07983.

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Frederick "Bob" and Barbara "Bobbie" Barnes Brown spend a good part of their time keeping track of their five children, I think. At the time of their note to me they had a married daughter with husband and two children living in Las Vegas, Nev., a daughter doing graduate work in landscape design in Edinburgh, Scotland, a daughter working in the alumni office at Connecticut College, a Colby son taking his junior year at my old stomping ground, St. Andrew's University in Scotland, and a son who made the hockey team in his first year at Connecticut College. The Browns spend most vacations at their cottage in Houlton, Maine. Bob keeps busy as director of training, youth services, for the state of Massachusetts and as administrator of the Criminal Justice Training Academy • The month of April found **Frank Huntress** preaching at Waltham Abbey in England. He returned to the diocese of Massachusetts from upstate New York last fall and is at St. Martin's Church in New Bedford, Mass. • **Hope Palmer Bramhall** has had her ups and downs. After devoting a good part of two years caring for her parents, she lost them both late in 1984. Many of us are learning about caring for the elderly first-hand as our population lives longer lives. The happy note was the wedding and large, home reception of their second daughter. Hope became a incorporator of Maine Medical Center last fall and received the Marion Brown Payson Award last spring for her community volunteer service in the Portland area. She and Pete can be

found cruising on their 32-foot Sabre in the summer, sometimes as far as Pogue Island, Maine, 25 miles from the Canadian border • **Don Dunbar's** new business, Donald M. Dunbar Associates, Educational Consultants, is going well. He and his wife, a third-year medical student at Dartmouth, spent last Christmas in Barcelona, Spain, visiting their daughter, a student at St. Paul's who was taking a year abroad • **Don '54 and Eleanor "Nori" Edmunds Grout** are empty nested but certainly not idle. Nori is the executive director of the Northern New York Heart Association and Don is a senior geologist for St. Joe Minerals Corporation. Of their four daughters, two are married, one engaged, and one still in college. They do find time to nip up to the National Arts Center in Ottawa from their home in Gouverneur, N.Y., for some cultural events. They also, along with Bob Brown, participate in the favorite activity of those in cold climates, that of splitting wood. Nori did mention that she has been hoping for years to get out to California to visit **Jackie Huebsch Scandalios**; she is still hoping! • Having left her part-time job working with emotionally disturbed children, **Sue Miller Hunt** is now a docent in the Danforth Art Museum in Framingham, Mass., where she is also taking a course in portrait painting. Their two children are married. Leslie is teaching in Washington, D.C., and Tom, Jr., is working toward his master's in linguistics at Syracuse University. Sue hears from **Sheila McLaughlin Freckmann**, wherever she is! • **Luce Blainey Groenings** position with the New York State Council of Churches fell with not-for-profit budget cuts. She then received a training grant to work for the Council on Adolescent Pregnancy but the lack of economic stability in the Syracuse area has forced her to look elsewhere for a permanent job. She had a good visit with **Carol Kiger Allen** in Princeton.

Class secretary: JUDITH PENNOCK LILLEY (Mrs. Albert F.), 180 Lincoln Ave., Ridge-wood, N.J. 07450.

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If you have already returned the class questionnaire, many thanks. If not, let's hear from you, too! Are you getting ready for our 30th Reunion? 1987 isn't far away—so do start planning now to be at our 30th Reunion.

Class secretary: MARILYN PERKINS CANTON (Mrs. Richard), 244 Ocean Ave., Marblehead, Mass. 01945.

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You'll never believe the new "Spa" until you see it. I recently had the chance to view the new Student Center. The "Spa" wing has a dance floor, an expandable portable stage for live performances, and opens to an outside terrace. A two-story window as well as a skylight brightens the area. It even has its own lounge with a fireplace. Not to worry though, there are a few booths to make us feel at home. However, now that the Josephs

Jack King Remains Involved

Jack T. King II '54 is a person who needs to be involved—he's not one to sit back and watch things happen. Take, for instance, his four years at Colby: King was goalie for the hockey team, president of his fraternity, Delta Upsilon, and a member of the Colby Eight. As a freshman, his interest in radio spurred him, with the help of classmate Bob Fischer, to create Radio Colby. "We had about seven people altogether," he recalled. These Mayflower Hill radio pioneers taped lectures on campus each week. The tapes were then edited to half-hour shows that were played on Waterville's AM outlet, WTVL. King noted proudly that the 1986 descendant of Radio Colby, WMHB-FM, is a 100-watt station with over 50 participants. James H. King '85 followed in his father's footsteps, handling play-by-play coverage of home hockey and basketball games on WMHB. Jim's sister, Paula, is a member of the Class of '86.

Today King is president of King Communications in Boston. After Colby, King spent two years in the U.S. Army, where he produced television shows for the Public Information Office at Fort Dix, N.J. The next several years were spent selling radio and television advertising in New York and Boston. King served as president of both the New England Association of Radio and Television Representatives and the Broadcasting Executives Club of New England.

In 1979 King purchased two stations in Corning, N.Y., and, on the advice of his wife, Helen, formed his own company. King Communications recently expanded, with the purchase of WBTA-AM in Batavia, N.Y., and WBTF-FM in Attica, N.Y. King feels that a radio station should be a public service, taking an active role to meet the needs of its audience. "If a station serves a community well, then it will be successful," contended King.

He also manages to serve his alma mater. The Kings open their Beacon Hill home to Colby students who need a place to stay while visiting Boston, and he has been an alumni interviewer for the admissions office for over 20 years. If his radio stations are characterized by the same initiative and involvement, they are bound to be successful.

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have retired we will miss their personal touch, and they will be missed by the Class of '58 • During this campus visit I talked to **Brad Sherman** who lives in Bristol, R.I. Brad is with the computer department of Fleet Bank of Providence • Parents weekend brought the opportunity of seeing **Peter and Mary Ellen Chase Bridge** and of meeting their son, Stephen '86, at the football game • **Peter C. Doran** was named the head of the human, health, and family studies department at the University of Maine at Farmington. Peter hopes to facilitate cooperation and collaboration between programs and faculty • Another Tau Delt in the news is **David A. Rhoades**. Dave and **Sheila Campbell Rhoades** live in Colorado. Dusty, as we knew him, has become vice president of research and development at Homestake International Minerals. They actively seek investments in precious metals in the United States, Canada, Australia, and elsewhere in the world. His parent company has substantial interests in Australia's gold mines. I wonder if Pete and Dave would find it as difficult as I do seeing daughter Melanie '86 and her two roommates residing in what was once the housemother's suite at the Tau Delt house and which is now named Grossman? • **Willie McDonald Sawyer** gave me the happy news of Barbara Newhall Armel's daughter Nancy's recent wedding • It's also a sad responsibility to report we have lost a classmate. Our sympathy to Paul W. Christie '56 and his family on the death of **Pamelia Jones Christie**. Pam was very active in working with the hearing impaired and has been honored by

the greater Richmond, Va., area for her contributions • **Sandy Doolittle Hunt** has left the Wallingford, Conn., schools, where she was a social worker, for the Child and Family Psychotherapy Center. She will provide individual, family, and group therapy to children and adults. Among her outside interests is the Wallingford Symphony, for which she served as president the past three years • Maine has a talent for drawing back Colby people and Bob '56 and **Fran Wren Raymond** are among them. They are currently spending some time at Fran's parents' Georgetown home after a long residence in Colorado. We in the state are hoping Bob will find an Episcopal parish to serve in Maine. It's great to have them back East! • Others intend to have at least a brief visit because they are already talking 30th reunion. **Janet Pratt Brown** wants to know who plans to return, and **Bob Saltz** wants me to ask you all to return en masse for the 30th! Start planning!

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Class secretary: KAY GERMAN DEAN, 295 Pierce St., Leominster, Mass. 01453.

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Ray Berberian bucked the New Jersey Republican landslide last fall to be re-elected as one of two Democrats on the Demarest six-person borough council. As finance chairman of the council, he's spent lots of time using his banking trust fund experience to work on securing town insurance. He continues on the board for multiple sclerosis, coaching baseball, which was one of his Colby interests, and has been asked to again be the MC at his next high school reunion • **June Chacran Chatterjee** visited Spain and Portugal last summer instead of Colby. She now heads the ESL program at Contra Costa Community College in California and is so busy solving the complex problems of foreigners that she no longer has the time to teach Spanish. She sees **Charlotte Purnell Haven**, whose family is mostly grown, but who still has the care of five horses, seven dogs, cats... • **Pete and Virginia "Gingy" Clark Heyler** went to the Super Bowl game from Pennsylvania to see their son, Doug, perform with Up With People at the half-time show. Doug went with Up With People to Hawaii as well as on their first trip to China. (Will the University of Michigan Music School seem dull this fall?) • The Heylers ran into **Marius "Matt" and Ann "Kim" Kimball Gache** from Florida in New Orleans. Their daughter, Jackie, was performing with another cast of Up With People (during the half-time show).

Class secretary: BEVERLY JACKSON GLOCKLER (Mrs. Anthony S.), 39 Whipoorwill Way, Belle Mead, N.J. 08502.

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Class secretary: SUSAN DETWILER GOOD-ALL (Mrs. William L.), 88 Heald Rd., Carlisle, Mass. 01741.

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Paul Beck was recently elected president and chief executive officer of the Plymouth (N.H.) Guaranty Savings Bank. He and his wife, **Nancy Gould Beck**, have two daughters. Suzanne is a student at the University of New Hampshire, and Tiffany is a student at The Holderness School • **Eastman Kodak Company** appointed **William Pye** director of distribution planning, copy products, graphics imaging systems, and business imaging systems, in the photographic and information management division • **Paul Hickey** was presented his second television "Emmy" for design excellence. Paul has been a designer for the "Guiding Light" drama series for the past nine years • **Judith Cronk Liberty** is a new French teacher at Cape Elizabeth High School, Maine • In January, **Michael McCabe** married **Rosemary Ann Higgins**. He is currently employed as eastern sales manager for a subsidiary of Owens Illinois • **Downtown Waldoboro**, Maine, has been enhanced by attorney **Samuel Cohen's** new office

building. The traditional looking brick structure replaces an old wooden building that was destroyed by fire • **Gerry Tays** wrote that he recently transferred to Shenandoah National Park in central Virginia, where he is the assistant superintendent. Gerry started his National Park Service career in 1968 and has worked in Glen Canyon, Yellowstone, Mount Rainier, and North Cascades national parks. He and his wife, Nancy, have two children, Michael and Bonnie • I am reminded of how fast time flies when I realize that our eldest, Jeff, will graduate from the Naval Academy on May 21. I am also aware that we are fast approaching a very significant milestone in our lives—our 25th reunion in June 1987. Please start making plans to return to Colby to celebrate this event and to renew old friendships.

Class secretary: PATRICIA "PATCH" JACK MOSHER (Mrs. Arthur L.), 226 Pleasant St., Pembroke, Mass. 02359

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Greetings classmates! I'm grateful to each of you who responded to the latest questionnaire. I've plenty of news this issue and for the next several also. Thanks so much! Don't feel that you have to have a form letter to drop a line; notes are welcome any time • **Bill**, my daughter Susie, and I are going to Family Winter Weekend at Colby this Saturday. It's such a great opportunity to see old friends, make new acquaintances in other Colby classes, see a variety of winter sports events, and enjoy skating, skiing, swimming, and seeing the campus. I recommend it highly to those of you who have pre-college age children. Why not contact a couple other families and make plans to meet there next year for a fun-filled weekend! You won't regret it • Now for the news: **Roger Jeans** is a busy history professor and director of the East Asian Studies Program at Washington and Lee University. He did research in China in 1981-82, and now he and his wife, **Sylvia Ann**, live in Lexington, Va. Roger keeps fit by running two miles per day • **Ed Buyniski** loves to sail and is bemoaning the loss of his sailboat to Hurricane Gloria. Ed and his wife, **Victoria**, live in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he is president of the American Power Equipment Company. He skis when he can but finds little "spare" time • **Anita Nourse Largent** wrote from Tallahassee, Fla., that she is still employed as a teacher of the deaf, exactly as she planned when she graduated from Colby. Her extra time is taken up with sewing, knitting, crafts, and graduate courses in education administration. Anita and Wayne have two children, Amanda, 11, and Belinda, 9 • **Peter Archer** is a banker and lives in Medfield, Mass., with his wife, Helen, and their children, Helen, 17, and Pierce, 16. Peter's activities include working hard on St. George's annual giving, and running, playing tennis, gardening, and enjoying sports • **Jo-Ann Wincze French** is busy in Aurora, Ohio, with her three children, Peter, Jr., 19, Judi, 17, and Jenni, 12. She is working as a customer service-sales manager, taking grad courses at Kent State, and actively participating in the community church and the Aurora Community Theatre. Besides her own children, Jo-Ann has a fourth "live-in" who is finishing his senior year of high school. This makes for a busy life for a single parent, but Jo-Ann takes great enjoyment in see-

ing the growth and accomplishments of the children. And for exercise, she chooses aerobics and walking • **Ivan Freed** wrote from Bolton, Mass., that he owns a women's clothing store. Ivan's life has really changed, as he married in September 1984, and his wife, Shirley, brought four teenage children into Ivan's life. That kind of a change would keep anyone busy, but add to that jogging, racquetball, cross-country skiing, and softball, and you can see that he has little time on his hands • I am sure that I speak for the class in sending condolences to Doris "DeeDee" Wilson Perry and her children, Stephen and Beth, on the death of her husband, Steve, in October 1985. DeeDee lives in Cohasset, Mass., and works for a Boston firm • More news next issue!

Class secretary: KAREN BEGANNY BRYAN (Mrs. William L.), RFD 2, Box 662, East Holden, Maine 04429.

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Class secretary: BARBARA WALTON DARTLING, 1 Buttolph Drive, Middlebury, Vt. 05753.

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Nancy Greer Weiland is a neuroendocrinologist at the University of Maryland Medical School. Her husband, Andy '64, is a hand surgeon at Johns Hopkins. The Weilands are the parents of a teen-aged daughter and son and have recently returned from a trip to Singapore • **Gordon Correy** is a horse trainer-driver and divides his year between North Carolina (winters) and Maine • **Gene and Nancy Gay Cottrell** reside in Otto, N.C., and own a stained and architectural glass business renowned throughout the Southeast. Nancy reported having seen Chad '64 and **Gayle Lenz Mitchell** recently • **Susan McGinley** teaches theatre at UMass/Boston and is also the theatre director of the Open Door Theatre in Boston. She lives in Jamaica Plain • **Helen Grand** wrote from Paris, where she is a fine arts consultant. A student in the curators' program at L'Ecole du Louvre, Helen's area of expertise is seventeenth- and eighteenth-century French furniture and decorative arts. She is looking forward to upcoming travels to Leningrad, China, and Florence • **Jim Quirk** received the first M.S. degree in computer science awarded from the University of Southern Maine and is now teaching computer science in a newly formed department at Radford University in southwestern Virginia • **John Bragg** is vice president of N. H. Bragg and Sons in Bangor. He is presently serving his second four-year term as Penobscot County Commissioner. He and his wife, Margaret, have two daughters • **Myles Denny-Brown** works as an economist in the Commerce Department (office of telecom) in Washington, D.C. Myles and his wife, Nese, moved from Paris to Arlington, Va., about 18 months ago. He reported that this is the first time his wife has ever lived in the United States. The Denny-Browns are the parents of two sons, six

Madden Studies Polar Bear Television



Katherine Madden '68

An excellent way to prepare for an excursion to the Arctic is to spend a few winters in Maine. Admiral Peary, for instance, prepared for later challenges while attending another college in Maine. He never watched television with the Eskimos, but Katherine "Penny" Madden '68 did. A recipient of a Canadian Graduate Student Studies Fellowship Program grant to support her doctoral research efforts at Pennsylvania State University, Madden has focused her dissertation on the effects of television on the Canadian Eskimo culture. She explained: "You used to take armies in to conquer countries. Now you can do it through the use of the media. There's concern about 'medi imperialism' - the notion that one country can colonize another by using mass media. Third World leaders fear that imported American television may be training people in values that may not be tremendously useful."

Madden lamented that she spent "only a couple weeks" in the Arctic watching new television projects being developed "for Eskimos by Eskimos." Her task, to discern how the subject matter, themes, and style of the Eskimo programs differ from those of American productions, will help her determine whether the programs have any connection to or influence on Eskimo culture.

When not out hunting seals (and she did), Madden is an assistant professor of communications arts at Allegheny College in Meadville, Pa., not too far from her hometown of Williamsport. "I'm here because they look at mass communications from a liberal arts perspective. You can deal with both the practicalities and the aesthetics of the discipline," she noted. Before arriving at Allegheny she obtained her master's in communication from the University of Pennsylvania and the worked for small newspapers in Oregon and Pennsylvania, winning two awards for her journalism. Madden expects to complete her Ph.D. work by the end of this summer.

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years and nine months • **Susie Walker Ostrem** lives in Great Falls, Mont., and reported that she is still a college student, attending the College of Great Falls, and does community and legal photography. The oldest of her three sons is a freshman at Princeton • **Judy Wruble Eyges** is a teacher and the mother of three daughters, 14, 12, and 9. Now adjusting to single life, which she finds scary but exciting, Judy lives in Washington • **Jim Lowry** is an investment officer with Mutual Benefit Life Insurance and lives in Long Valley, N.J. Jim worked as a financial analyst for the Maine Public Utilities Commission until two years ago and has found the move to New Jersey to be a major change • **William "Ted" Okie** is a real estate developer and lives in Darien, Conn. He and his wife, Suzanne, have three sons • **Response** to my recent questionnaire has been terrific. If you haven't sent yours in yet, do. Keep me posted of any and all news!

Class secretary: MARCIA HARDING ANDERSON, 15 Brechin Terrace, Andover, Mass. 01810.

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As you read this column, we will all have recovered (albeit barely) from our 20th reunion festivities on campus. Many thanks to classmates for novel ideas for reunion activities. There are still many responses from the October 1985 questionnaire that we have not had space for in the column • **Bob Adams** is finishing out his 20th year in the U.S. Army with a rank of lieutenant

colonel. He has been active in youth soccer programs and a neighborhood crime watch in Fairfax, Va. • **Peter Anderson** is an engineering geologist in California. He has served on the city council of his community and spends spare time jogging and landscaping his yard • **John Archambault** is an attorney in Connecticut and has a daughter who just finished her freshman year at Colby • **Beth Peo Armstrong** has four children and runs marathons in her spare time. She is able to summer in Woods Hole, Mass. She is also a photographer and is spending some time touring colleges with her two older sons • **Tristram "Tim" Gaillard** is president of his own advertising agency in Connecticut. He plays serious tennis and is restoring a 1700 house. He also lists photography as a hobby • **Anne Ruggles Gere** teaches English at the University of Washington. She and her family made a world tour in 1983 to "broaden perspectives" • **Dick Gilmore** lives with his family in Danvers, Mass. He began his own law firm which now numbers six. He runs in his spare time • **Bonnie Zimmerman Henricksen** has seven children ranging from 17 years to 9 months! She lists herself as a very successful wife, mother, and friend. She has no spare time with 21 loads of laundry a week, sports events, finances, and household chores, and a nine-member family • **Lydia "Barry" Clark Hews** lives in Portland with husband Bob, children Elizabeth, 14, Jack 13, and William, 18 months. She has been active in community affairs and enjoys the Portland area • **Pam Harris Holden** still lives in Louisville, Ky. She has "retired" from her position at the University of Louisville after eight years. Randy '65 still teaches music and theatre there. Pam is active in the arts, music, and theatre. She and Randy have spent summers in Blue Hill, Maine, where they own rental property •

Susan Footer Hummer works in the Woolwich (Maine) Central School in the town next to me! She is active on the Bath Public Library Board of Trustees and is studying piano and organ in her spare time • **Doug and Beth Adams Keene** are living in Jerusalem, where Doug is acting consul general at the U.S. Consulate, and Beth teaches at the Anglican School of Jerusalem. They visited Colby last August in anticipation of their son attending there • **Philip MacHale** still lives in New York City, where he continues to act and write. He has been involved in some triathlons and spends his spare time in the laundromat • **Frank Musche** lives with wife Susan Brown '65 and four children. He is a diagnostic radiologist and has been able to travel extensively.

Class secretary: JAN ATHERTON COX
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Once again, many thanks to those of you who have sent along completed questionnaires. . . . My first response by telephone ever (Rhode Island seems to be long distance from everywhere!) was from **Valarie Robinson Astwood**. Calling from Rock Hill, S.C., Valarie reported that her husband, **Phillip**, is the chairman of the department of chemistry and physics at Winthrop College there. Valarie has a degree in television production and is a cinematographer for public television. They have two children, Heather, 18, and Owen, 13 • **Phyllis Jalbert** is a real estate developer living in Brooklyn Heights, N.Y., who

restores historic structures. On a campus visit with her 17-year-old daughter Chandra last fall, she noted drastic changes—the remodeled library and the fraternity house names—but was pleased to find the old “pit” lion still in residence as are Colby Eighties, still being served in the new Spa. Phyllis is collecting airplanes; she has a Cessna 172 and a Piper Chieftain at the Essex County Airport in Caldwell, N.J. • Another adventurous spirit is **Jim Helmer**, who lives in Boulder, Colo., with his wife, Nancy, and two children, Marelle, 4, and Barrett, 3. Jim rafted the Grand Canyon in May 1985, with Erik Thorson '66, and he also reported that **Linc Bates** was recently married in Atlanta, Ga. • **Ruth Elliott Holmes** wrote from Bloomfield Hills, Mich., where she resides with husband Peter and their two children, Nicholas, 12, and Sarah, 11. She is a professional handwriting analyst whose “eccentric profession” (her words) has brought her national recognition • **Joe Candido** reported that he and his wife, Anne Marie, are both professors of English at the University of Arkansas. Residing in Fayetteville, Ark., the Candidos have one daughter, Jean, 3 • From Irving, Tex., **Edward “Woody” Berube** wrote that he recently joined the Yuppie generation with the purchase of a BMW M535. Still working for Xerox, he is the new product program manager in Xerox distribution. Woody also collects BAD investments and is slowly getting rid of his Boston accent while he spends his spare time at the sports club playing golf and tennis and working out. He and his wife, Connie, have one daughter, Breanne, 5 • **Tom Hopgood** is the retail buyer/supervisor/manager of the non-book department of the University Book Store in Madison, Wis., and spends his time dabbling in analytic geometry and reading philosophy. He and his wife, Mary Gordon, have two children, Sara, 18, and Elspeth, 15 • **Laurie Page Mills**, husband Jim, and their two children, Paige, 20, and Andy, 18, live in Schaumburg, Ill. Laurie changed jobs in November 1985 and is currently a mortgage loan officer. She reported that **Bobby Webster** is living in Virginia and working in Washington, D.C. This cross-country column has been fun to write. . . I’ll be back with more news in three months.

Class secretary: SALLY RAY BENNETT (Mrs. Charles K.), 47 West St., East Greenwich, R.I. 02818.

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Another year has passed and my procrastination can last no longer. Our class has been collecting honors too quickly. We did a great job on last year's Alumni Fund. Let's do it again • Letters from Mary Weller '69 and **George Rideout** indicate their return to Kent Academy in Nigeria was delayed by a coup in that country. They made it back and received a very warm welcome. They ask for prayers for their students and staff • **Art Brennan** was interviewed by the *York Weekly* in which he said he hoped the perception of judges as “staid white haired gentlemen” is changing. One look at Art should help change that. Art's biggest problem, like the rest of us, seems to be staying in shape despite a sedentary job • **Clarke Keenan** runs daily, supposedly to keep his dog, Petra, in shape but it sure hasn't hurt Clarke, who was recently named vice president of operations



Lee D. Urban '68

The Urbanization of Portland

Portland, Maine, is enjoying a good deal of growth of late, thanks in a large part to the efforts of people like Lee D. Urban '68. A lawyer and active preservationist, Urban uses his legal expertise to preserve the historic and architecturally significant buildings of Maine's largest city.

Native to Portland, Urban left Maine after graduation from Colby to join the Navy, went on to graduate from Georgetown University's Law Center in 1974, and then worked for two years with the Federal Trade Commission. He always knew he would return to Portland. Said Urban: "Between the time I graduated from Colby in 1968 and 1974 there had been a real rejuvenation of Portland. It had become a very exciting place to live."

Now partner in the law firm of Pierce, Atwood, Scribner, Allen, Smith, and Lancaster, Urban concentrates his practice in real estate law. His work as preservationist gives him the opportunity to "combine the aesthetic side of the law with the practical side." The practical side includes chairing the Maine Coalition to Save the Rehab Tax Credits and serving on the advisory board of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Urban finds that the biggest obstacle to the preservation of old buildings is economics. The tax credits for certified restoration of investment properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places provide an incentive to developers to preserve older buildings.

These rehab tax credits recently were threatened by the Reagan Administration's effort to simplify the tax system. Thanks to a good deal of lobbying in Washington, the rehab tax credits survived the House relatively unscathed, and Urban expressed optimism that they would clear the Senate as well.

Can a city grow and attract big business without new and modern construction? "Absolutely," said Urban. "The revitalization of Portland came about because of the restoration of old buildings, which created an ambience that is hard to find anywhere else in the United States."

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for Waltham Chemical • Congratulations also to **Doug Whittier** who was named manager of nuclear engineering and licensing for Maine Yankee in Wiscasset. There's one person who I hope knows his business well • **Bill McKinney** was named director of education at the Hartford Seminary. Bill was lauded for his personal and academic qualities. We could have told them about those years ago • **Ken Hoadley**, with several Harvard degrees to his credit (M.B.A. and doctorate), is back in Costa Rica with his wife and three children. He had done Peace Corps work in Costa Rica right after graduation from Colby. He is now the director of export management programs • **Bob Bonner**, his wife, Linda, and their two children are busy in East Hartford, where Bob is a volunteer for the YMCA and treasurer of the Kiwanis Club. Bob was recently elected to the board of directors of First Federal Savings • **Kudos** also to **Mike Caulfield** recently named head of the capital markets department for Mellon Bank. If any of us need financial advice, we sure have some classmates with know-how • **Dick Colby** was recently named assistant principal of Nathaniel H. Wixon School in Dennis, Mass. • **Lee Urban** made the *Maine Lawyers Review* for his work in historic preservation (see profile this issue). Lee returned to Maine and to Portland, where he refined his legal expertise to bring together diverse groups to find new uses for old buildings • Also lending his talents to the city of Portland is **Bruce Kidman** who teaches a photography class in the Portland School of Art's continuing education department • **Frank Duntin**, UMass/Boston bursar, was recently awarded a Professional Staff Recognition Award by the university • **Mike Metcalf** has brought honor to himself, his family, and Colby for his achievement as one of the finalists in the Teacher in Space Program. Words fail, however, when I try to think of a way to be thankful that Mike was among the chosen but not the chosen • **Pat Andrea Zlotkin** is breaking new frontiers as one of a very few women portfolio managers in the investment management industry • Finally, a word about an old friend, **Brenda Cornfield Roberts**. Brenda is happily married to a "super" husband, Ron, with a "super" student, Beth, for a daughter, and a "super" hockey player, Andrew, for a son. Brenda received a postgraduate certificate in gerontology and has been the supervisor of a 247-bed facility. Currently she is doing more studying at Dalhousie University, where she is majoring in nursing and minoring in medical anthropology.

Class secretary: JANN SEMONIAN, Box 109, Sandwich, Mass. 02563.

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It's deadline time again. The snow is flying about but soon we'll be at Disney World and then to Utah skiing so I've no serious complaints. I hope you all are well and that some of you will write me soon. It's hard to believe I've finally come close to the bottom of my questionnaire pile; it has taken two years and I'm eager for fresh news now • On to the real reason for writing: **Robert Bortek** lives in West Orange, N.J., with his social worker wife, Lynn, and children. If you're looking for a tennis match or tax lawyer, he could be your man • **Cherrie Dubois** keeps very

busy with two jobs—as teacher and an account executive for an advertising firm. She also was elected a library trustee in Reading, Mass. • **Peter Shearston** is still cheering for the Celtics whether he's at home in Valrico, Fla., or traveling the world in his position of U.S. Air Force major. Peter's wife and teenage son might not travel with him when he does security assistance in the Middle East and northern Africa! On the lighter side, Peter enjoys jogging, tennis, and photography • **Jessica Burdick** is a primary school special education teacher and lives in Boulder Creek, Calif. • **Paul Bonneville** is also a teacher and lives in Derry, N.H. Paul is very involved with youth soccer and has three children • **Martha Peverly Lewis** and her family do recreational, living history weekends depicting the Revolutionary War, complete with costumes and straw bedding! They even made their own eighteenth-century bronze cannon. They live in Swartz Creek, Mich. Martha is a librarian as is **Deborah Van Hoek Abraham**. Deborah works at the Brookline Public Library and lives in Needham, Mass. She and her husband know how to vacation, i.e., Paris, France, and India for instance. Sounds great! Thank the good Lord for vacations, and I'm off to prepare for mine. Take good care and be in touch.

Class secretary: DONNA MASSEY SYKES, 228 Spring St., Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545.

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News of our class has been very sparse; thus, the brevity of this column. Please send any news of yourselves or classmates; I'm still awaiting responses to postcards sent out in the fall of '85 • From Swarthmore College comes word that **Sharon Eschenbeck Friedler** has been appointed their director of dance. After Colby, Sharon earned a master of fine arts degree in dance from Southern Methodist University. Formerly an associate professor and dance program coordinator at the University of Minnesota/Duluth, she also choreographed over a dozen shows, co-directed the Duluth Summer Festival of the Arts, and raised funds for that program as well as for the University of Minnesota and Duluth Ballet. Her publication, *Anatomy for Dance and Sport*, is a lab manual used by students, athletes, and dancers • **Bob "Youth" Gassett**, who started wood-working after Colby as an apprentice cabinet maker, set up his own business in 1973. This past fall one of his designs, a lovely white ash side table, appeared in a juried exhibition, Maine Woodwork '85. The design process and the incorporation of his own style along with customer need and budget attract Bob to his work. If you're looking for top quality craftsmanship, a rare commodity these days, this very talented young artisan can be found in his shop in Oakland, Maine • **Ross Greenlaw**, who earned his master's in our graduation year, has opened a general dentistry practice in Blue Hill, Maine. Following graduation from Tufts Dental in 1976, Ross practiced in Maynard, Mass., before moving to Maine with his wife, a school teacher, and four children • It was wonderful to hear from "Colby family" at Christmas, both classmates and older alumni (are there any older?) alike, including **Leonard Mayo '22**, who with all his accomplishments and distinctions, proudly bragged of 61 years of marriage to Lena '24. We applaud them

affectionately. I welcome more such momentous events to report.

Class secretary: LAURA STRUCKHOFF CLINE (Mrs. Steven D.) 6602 Loch Hill Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21239.

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Tony Maramarco and his wife, Peggy, both have new jobs—he is a director of equity investments with Massachusetts Mutual Life and she as a news announcer with WTIC-AM. They live in Hartford. Tony reported that **Dave Rea** visited this past summer with his wife, Marilynn. "We had a cookout, wore our KDR T-shirts, and shook hands a lot using the now-extinct KDR secret handshake" • **Dave Williams** and his wife, Linda, have been renovating an old house this past year and are "living in sawdust" (I know the feeling, except we prefer plaster dust). Sounds like a busman's holiday for Dave who owns Champlain Hardwoods, a wholesale hardwood lumber company in Essex Junction, Vt. • **Jon Stone**, who is with W. R. Grace in Naperville, Ill., was looking forward to playing in the championships of his "over-35 basketball team." I hope they had the oxygen tanks handy • **Larie Trippett** is planning to make the trek from Huntington Beach, Calif., to our 15th reunion in June. He's a district manager for Hewlett-Packard and has two 11-year-old children (twins, Larie?) • All right **Bob Ewell**. He has a new position as women's hockey coach and assistant men's lacrosse coach at Princeton University. Women's hockey has always been dear to my heart since the time I worked out with the Colby squad (at 5 a.m.) when I was a stringer for *Time* magazine • **Nancy Neckes** returned to the scene of her sophomore Jan Plan when she toured France last spring. Nancy is service coordinator supervisor for a mental retardation professional staff and lives in Framingham, Mass. • Good to hear from **Jeanie Lerner** who has entered a graduate program in linguistics at UC Berkeley • **Frank Apantaku** took time off from his busy surgical schedule to take his "first vacation ever!" to the Mexican Riviera. He is planning to leave the University of Chicago Medical School to organize his own clinic • **Mark Chalek**, a hospital administrator in Jamaica Plain, Mass., reported seeing **Lynn Sabbagh**, who has twins! Mark listed as an unexpected benefit of his Colby education "receiving his Colby Calendar" • I was very saddened to learn that **Martha Smith Mickles**' husband, John, died last May. Martha, I hope by the time you read this you will have responded to the message I left on your phone message • **Lin Cotton** is "back in the day care business" as a regulation analyst in the Boston Office for Children. She reported seeing **Alex Merton** [who told me one day when I bumped into her on my way to the subway that **Bari Dumont Bené '70** [see profile this issue] and her husband were recent \$3 million Megabucks winners in the Massachusetts Lottery!] and **Janet Blowney**, who has a new job at Digital as a technical writer • **Andrea Solomon** also has a new job, as a teacher of high school English in Jackson Heights, N.Y. • Much news from **Bill and Carolyn Additon Anthony**, who have moved to Skokie, Vt. (from Baltimore). Carolyn is the new director of the Skokie Public Library, and Bill is a consultant for the advanced

placement program of the College Board. Under "unexpected benefit of a Colby education" Bill (or Carolyn?) listed "the continuing education of marriage to a classmate" • I have a new position with my old company, Interleaf, as university marketing manager. I had a Colby intern for the month of January, Ernie Sander '87, who designed and conducted a customer survey for me. He worked his tail off for me, got a great boost for his resume, and was generally a joy to have around. I'm not sure just how old he thinks I am, but he was amazed that I had a job working for John and Pete in the Spa ("You mean it was in the Library?"). Ah, youth.

Class secretary: LESLIE J. ANDERSON, 30 Hall Ave., Somerville, Mass. 02144.

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Paul Ford is a partner in a law firm in Atlanta; his work involves dealing mainly with foreign clients. His firm also provides worldwide general counsel for Eastern Airlines. He has been appointed to the Atlanta Board of Zoning Appeals. Paul wrote that he and Wendy Newsletter '71 were married in September 1984 in Salem, Mass., after "living together on a farm in Maine, in Europe, Japan, and Atlanta for nearly 14 years." He and Wendy met at Colby when they both lived in



Barbara Dumont Bené '70

"Small Change" Changes Little For Bené

"We're not going to change our lifestyle, particularly in the near future," said Barbara Dumont Bené '70, who recently won \$3.5 million in the Massachusetts Lottery. It would be nice to attribute her down-to-earth attitude to her background, since she is the daughter of another Colby graduate, Gabriel Dumont '40, who was the long-time postmaster of Skowhegan, Maine, and now winters in Florida. After graduation Bené taught school in Mexico, Maine, and obtained her master's in special education at the University of Maine at Orono. Today she teaches fifth and sixth grade math in Newton, Mass., and lives in nearby Dedham. Her husband, Michael, is employed by the Veterans Administration.

Her winnings, paid out over a 20-year span, come out to just over \$100,000 annually, after taxes. Except for changing the phone number, the only thing they've done differently is to purchase a new summer home in Maine. Bené indicated that she and her husband plan to travel someday. She is also considering real estate sales as a second career. Her number one priority with this September 1985 windfall? "We'd like to invest it and make it work for us," replied Bené. Neither she nor her husband plans to retire early, as they fear that "to do nothing would be rather boring. It doesn't make any sense to retire until you've got something to retire to."

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the first experimental coed community at Roberts Union. Paul's interesting letter also provided information on several alumni, some of whom attended Paul and Wendy's wedding • **Gary Newton** is head of a population control society in Bangladesh • **Sam Lipman** is a doctor in Burlington, Vt. • **Nick Ballas** is an actor in California • **Mike Meserve** and his wife, **Carol Morland**, are again living in Japan. Mike works for the state department and is the vice consul and assistant to Ambassador Mike Mansfield • **Dudley Townsley** and **Claire Margaret Harte** were married in June 1984. **Richard T. Fournier** presided over the ceremony in Sanbornton, N.H., and **Ed Carr** was the best man. Dudley, now a major in the air force, has been transferred from Wiesbaden, Germany, to Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Miss. He expected to receive his graduate degree in teleprocessing from the University of Southern Mississippi in May 1985. His next assignment will be at the Patrick AFB in Florida with the Air Force Technical Applications Center, Operations Division. His wife is a student and secretary • **Judith Anderson '70** and **Randy Strickland** are living in Newport News, Va. Randy is a construction superintendent/builder, and his wife is an itinerant teacher for the blind. With their two children, they have taken vacation trips to Cancun, Mexico, and Hawaii. Randy enjoys several recreational activities, including snorkeling and board sailing • **Donna Power Reiter** is a history teacher at Wiscasset (Maine) High School. Her husband, Jay '71, is a writer and photographer for "Sunday" (a newspaper?) in Lewiston. They have a son, Nicholas, and last year they hosted an AFS student from Japan for six months • **Tim Carey** is a Robert Wood Johnson Scholar at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He is working toward his M.P.H. in epidemiology, performing research on how physicians determine disability, and practicing internal medicine at the university hospital. His wife, Kathleen, is assistant director of finance at North Carolina Memorial Hospital. They have a son, Willie. Last year they visited Kathleen's parents in Italy and traveled to New England.

Class secretary: ANN BONNER VIDOR (Mrs. David), 1981 Innwood Rd., Atlanta, Ga. 30329.

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Greetings, classmates! Your questionnaires once again prove that the Class of '73 is indeed a unique and interesting group of people. **Malcolm "Jim" Perkins** was married last December to **Diane Christensen** on Sanibel Island, Fla. Jim is a senior engineer with Honeywell Information Systems • One-time classmate **Michael Savage** is a meteorologist who has made not one, but several, trips to Antarctica, where he has "wintered over at the South Pole," continuing his meteorological studies • **Larry Rider** wrote that he continues to manage the community store at Ananda Village, a spiritual community in northern California. Larry performs regularly with the Ananda singers and also fiddles and calls dances with the Ananda Contra Dance Band • **Martha Wetmore Scott** lives in Pembroke, Mass., and is an art instructor at Fisher Junior College. Her daughter, **Hallie Rose**, was born in April 1985 • **Lucia Whittelsey Smyth** is the associate director of fi-

nancial aid at Wellesley College. She lives in Bel-
 lingham, Mass., with her husband, Theodore
 Warren Smyth, and her son, born January 11,
 1985 • **Carole LaRose Safranek** is a teacher
 living in Clifton, N.J. She recently instituted, and
 now directs, a reading program at the private
 school where she works • **Noreddin Nahawi**
 wrote from Abu Dhabi that he works as a banker
 and was recently promoted to vice president. He
 was married this past October • **Susan Schink**
 is assistant to the president of Agfa-Gevaert and
 was elected a 1985 honoree of TWIN (Tribute to
 Women and Industry). She was also lucky
 enough to win a trip to Hawaii in a raffle and
 planned on taking her trip in December 1985 •
Fran Gates Dengen lives in California and visited
 the East Coast this past summer. While there
 she visited a number of Colby friends, including
Merrilee Bonney (visiting from the Nether-
 lands), **Pat Flanagan Olsen** (just prior to her
 departure for Norway, where Norman is now
 working for the state department), and **Carolyn**
Clarke Simpson who is kept busy working as a
 social worker and caring for her three children •
Neal Shadoff recently moved from Durham,
 N.C., to Albuquerque, N.M. In so doing, he
 moved from an academic post, director of cardiac
 catheterization, at Duke University to a private
 cardiology practice in New Mexico • **James**
Putnam is an ophthalmologist living in Oakland,
 Maine • **Paulette Archambault Shur** lives in
 the heart of Silicon Valley (Los Altos, Calif.) and is
 kept busy with her three small children • Finally,
Mark Serdjenian is associate dean of stu-
 dents and men's soccer coach at Colby. Mark
 asked that our classmates be more responsive
 with news about themselves. "I get tired of read-
 ing about the same 20 people, including myself."
 My sentiments exactly, Mark. Everyone, keep in
 touch!

Class secretary: **JANET PERETHIAN**
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 Ave., Needham, Mass. 02192.

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I continue to find letters and questionnaires in my
 post office box bringing news from near and far,
 so here goes again: "Rocky" **Sten Goodhope**
 wrote from Seattle with news of his adventures as
 well as word of a Seattle Colby contingency.
 Rocky took a month-long leave of absence from
 his job last October to work for the U.S. State De-
 partment as a special consultant to the minister of
 health for the Kingdom of Jordan. In addition to
 his mission of establishing cost-control measures
 and advising on the overall cost of medical care,
 he was able to do a bit of traveling in the Middle
 East. Not your run-of-the-mill October! • Other
 74 Seattle-ites include **Al Rosellini**, **Bob Preble**,
Robert "Skip" Tonge, and **Greg Smith**, in addi-
 tion to **Carole Beers '67**. Carole writes for the Seat-
 tle paper, so they are careful in her presence "lest
 their exploits and misadventures reach the public
 eye" • **Callie Dusty Leef** is also on the West
 Coast, in San Diego, Calif., where she works as a
 test engineer (computer program tester) with
 Computer Software Analyst. What little spare
 time she has (how true for us all, it seems!) she
 spends with her husband and two children •
Anne Jason Kenney recently joined the West

Coast gang after completing her M.L.S. at Sim-
 mons College in August of 1985. Anne is a medi-
 cal-academic librarian and mother of Madeline.
 Her husband, John, is a professor of religion at
 Reed College • **Anita Dillon** is at a new address
 in Tiburon, Calif., and at the time she wrote had
 just been named manager in a travel agency.
 Oddly enough, her spare time is spent traveling •
 Moving back up the coast, **Phyllis Hasegawa**
 Auger is in Tigard, Oreg., where she and her hus-
 band, Perry, and son Cody are learning what it
 means to be happy homeowners • Back on the
 Eastern seaboard, **Bonnie Nielson Gimpel** is a
 "full-time mommie" of Zachary and Torrey. The
 family moved to Newton, N.J., in September 1984
 • **S. Ann Earon** is also in New Jersey, where she
 is president of Telemanagement Resources Inter-
 national, a management consulting firm. Her lei-
 sure time activities include travel, gourmet
 cooking, bridge, and gardening • **Andrew Lip-
 ton** is an attorney in Cincinnati, Ohio, where he
 specializes in litigation against local, state, and
 federal government agencies and officials. He
 wrote against abolishing fraternities and added
 that he is a contributing writer for "The Fraternal
 Law Newsletter" • I discovered that **Laurie**
Thompson Lee is practically a neighbor, as she
 and her husband, David, have a cottage in Win-
 throp. Another small world story! When they're
 not in Maine, they reside in Plymouth, Mass.,
 where Laurie is assistant manager of the Rock-
 land Credit Union • Until the next issue—

Class secretary: **CAROL D. WYNNE, P.O.**
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The deluge of responses I received from the
 "What are you up to?" questionnaire should keep
 me busy for awhile and provide all of you curious
 classmates with the latest in 75 alumni's doings •
 Congratulations are in order for **Sue Conant**
Cook, who married Jim '78 last August. Sue con-
 tinues on as associate director of alumni relations
 at Colby • Another person currently in Maine is
Brad Moore. One of Colby's all-time leading bas-
 ketball scorers, Brad has since migrated from
 hoops to computers. He manages computer in-
 stallations for Composition Systems, a company
 specializing in computer systems for newspapers.
 Brad's latest job has brought him to the *Maine*
Sunday Telegram • **Ted Miller**, now an osteo-
 pathic physician, is working for the Transcenden-
 tal Meditation (TM) organization. After a six-
 month project in the Philippines, during which he
 married his wife (a coworker), he returned to
 Washington, D.C., where he is the in-house phy-
 sician for the TM organization • **Charlie Le-
 Royer** wrote that he is temporarily settled out-
 side Philadelphia, working as a physician's assis-
 tant while his wife, Maria, finishes veterinarian
 school at U Penn. Fly-fishing and tennis keep him
 out of the rocking chair • **Mike Cantara** has
 trod a political path, having been recently named
 deputy district attorney for York County, Maine.
 He hopes to replace the DA who is resigning this
 year • **Sally Hawk Gibson** wrote that she and
 Jim have settled in Fryeburg, Maine, where Jim
 teaches high school biology and chemistry. She
 is busy taking care of her four and one-and-a-half
 year olds in addition to providing child care for up

to five other little tykeeach day • From Canada
Rod Jones reported that he has assumed a new
 job as director of marketing for Canada Steamship
 Lines. He acquired an M.B.A. from Amos Tuck in
 '84 and is now the proud father of two little rug
 rats • At the writing of this news brief **Janet**
Hansen is in transit to London, England, with a
 two-year stint with husband, Bruce Drouin '74.
 She is a partner in JRH Architects, a Dallas archi-
 tectural firm, and specializes in renovating old
 houses • Have a great summer and don't forget:
 My mailbox is always open for any kind of news
 you want to share!

Class secretary: **BARBARA CARROLL**
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Thanks to a very respectable response to my let-
 ter, this month's column is featuring people we
 haven't heard from in a very long time—if ever!
Craig Spencer is married, has two children, and
 recently became an assistant professor in zoology
 at the University of Montana • **Joseph '75** and
Joanne DeFilipp Alex own and operate the Still-
 water Montessori School in Old Town, Maine.
 They have two children: Jessica, 6, and Joel, al-
 most 1 • **Rob Hamblett** is an associate with the
 law firm of Hassard, Bonington, Rogers, and
 Huber in San Francisco, where he specializes in
 medical malpractice defense litigation • **Tony**
Shupin, branch manager of Wang Labs, and his
 wife, Christine, an artist, have two children. They
 live in Wall, N.J. • Does anyone remember
 when Britt Ekland was promoting her book, *Sen-
 sual Beauty?* It was **Julia Cassidy**, publicist, who
 escorted Britt from talk show to talk show. Julia
 said that that taste of glamour made her happy to
 return to teaching, which is her true love. Her
 fourth-grade class in Lynn, Mass., is a melting
 pot, including children from Vietnam, Laos, Chi-
 na, and Puerto Rico • **Prudence Reed '75** and
Peter Kraft, "occupation undefinable" and attor-
 ney, respectively, are the parents of Mary, 7, Pete,
 5, and Reed, 3. None of the children wear diapers
 any longer, and, according to Peter, there is "no
 question that reaching this phase in parenting is a
 milestone of unparalleled significance" • **David**
Kavanaugh is also an attorney. He and his wife,
 Noreen, who is a social worker, live outside Bos-
 ton • **Linda Wallach Schroeder** has a master's
 in ecology, a husband named Dan, and two
 daughters, Maia, 4, and Sarah, 2. Lin teaches chil-
 dren's classes at the New York Botanical Garden
 in the Bronx, and she loves it • **Andy English**
 seems to be leading two lives: one as a teacher of
 English as a second language in Cali, Colombia,
 fifth year running, and another as party manager
 in North Truro on Cape Cod, where he hosted a
 steady stream of Colby alumni last summer • In
 1982 **Leslie Reap** received a master's in general
 nursing from Pace University in New York. She's
 now a family nurse practitioner for the El Dorado
 County Health Department in California • **Brian**
Kiely received his M.B.A. from Wharton and
 is now a management consultant for Touche
 Ross. His wife, Molly Gail, is a psychologist for
 the Miami school system • **Frank Malinoski**
 received a doctorate in microbiology from Rut-
 gers and his M.D. from Union University. He is

now a resident in surgery at Fort Sam Houston • **Maury Maniff** was recently promoted to group marketing director in charge of all Cinzano brands at Paddington Corporation in New York City. He and his wife, Susan, live in Roslyn, N.Y. • **Alan Rosenfeld** is a cardiologist at the Laconia Clinic in New Hampshire. He and Liz Lawson '75, who is an attorney, have two children • I'm out of space!

Class secretary: MELISSA DAY VOKEY, 16 Fox Run, Topsfield, Mass. 01983.

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Senior software development consultant **John Mason** wrote that he is very happy working for McCormack and Dodge in the Boston area. He works with several other Colbyites—**Russ Lowe**, Pam Bradley '75, and Dave Eddy '71. John especially enjoys his business trips to Europe and said that he misses playing softball after dinner behind Roberts Union! • Attorney **Thomas Grossman** provides us with a little more nostalgia about our Colby days. He remembers streaking, coed dormitory floors, and changing the library tower light from blue to green! There is one more comment that I'd like to share with you, as I admit it's been fun to read your answers to the question posed in the last questionnaire. "What do you remember when you think of Colby?" • **Tom Green** wrote that "... there was nothing to compare with the smell of **Drew Dubuque's** socks after a vigorous game of hoop!" Tom is currently teaching at Indian Mountain School in Lakeville, Conn., and welcomes visitors • **Heidi Neumann Hansen** also extends an invitation to any of us visiting Cape Elizabeth, Maine. Everything is going great for Heidi, the president of Letterworks International, a direct mail marketing firm with clients throughout New England. Anyone interested in hiking the White Mountains or camping in northern Maine should also contact Heidi • **Karen Gustafson Crossley** is a development coordinator for the Nature Conservancy/Wisconsin • **Jerry Chadwick** resigned as sales manager for Proctor and Gamble in Annapolis to accept a position as vice president/account executive for a large consumer goods marketing firm in Columbia, Md. • **Nat Beal** also wrote that he has changed jobs, moved, and bought a house. In Fryeburg, Maine, he is a marketing specialist for two vacation ownership resorts. Nat wrote that **Roger Lee** has moved to the great state of Maine and is the director of food service at a Farmington hospital • **Mike and Ann Atherton Poulin** are living in Houston, where Mike is a Gulf of Mexico petrophysicist and Ann is a pediatric nurse practitioner • Optical physicist **Carl Witthoft** married his hometown honey. Although he has a windsurfer and four different kinds of vinegar, he said that they won't be official yuppies until they buy a pasta maker! They live in Stoneham, Mass., and are interested in finding bridge partners in the area • I recently saw two of our former classmates in New York City. **Ellen O'Brien Neiley** was in town from Davenport, Iowa, where she keeps up a healthy dental practice • **Charles Cowing** lives here in the city and works as a talent representative for J. Michael Bloom • One last note: Three years ago, I reported that **Merrie Bean** was aboard a yacht heading south

for the winter. Well, I just received word from Merrie in the Bahamas, where she has been living on a boat for the past three years. Merrie married yacht captain Donald Eley at her parents' home in Concord, Mass. last summer. She lists her occupation as "sailmaker and yacht delivery." Happy gunkholing to Merrie!

Class secretary: LINDA LACHAPPELLE, 320 East 42nd St., Apt. 2012, New York, N.Y. 10017.

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As has happened before, the class column deadline arrived before much news did. Luckily, four days past the due date, I found a letter from **Susan Gernert Adams** in the mailbox. Susan added Adams for professional reasons; she's a feature producer for "PM/Evening Magazine" in Philadelphia, covering a broad range of stories, many of which air nationally on PM Magazine. Susan spends much of her time shooting in New York City and wonders where her Colby friends are. She reported that **Spinner O'Flaherty** lives in Salt Lake City and hopes to get his creative talents back to the front burner. Thanks for writing, Susan. Some day, when I get an antenna, I'll tune in and look for your name • I have the pleasure to report that **Steve Sparkes** and his wife, Charlynn, are new parents. The Sparkeses now reside in Oregon • **Mike Slavin** can be found in Chicago, according to **John Geismar**. How about some news, Slavin? • **Peter Bothwell** returned to Colby last fall to report on actuarial careers as part of Colby's Returning Alumni Professionals Program • **John McDowell Sharpe V** has become the fifth generation of Sharpes to practice law in Franklin County, Pa., according to a news report. John first practiced law in Pittsburgh, but recently opted for small-town law, following in the footsteps of his father, grandfather, great-grandfather, and great-great-grandfather • **Chris Bradley**, assistant treasurer at Chase Manhattan Bank in New York, plans to marry Margaret Williams in June • Winners of the recent "Megabooks" contest include **Ronni-Jo Posner Carpenter** and **Dave Donegan**. They each received a copy of *The History of Colby College* for their sleuth work • I need news. Please drop a note in the mail.

Class secretary: JAMES S. COOK, JR., RFD #1, Box 3470, Albion, Maine 04910.

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Rick Read wrote a great letter last June from his home in California's Silicon Valley. His adventures of the past nine years (he left our class in '77) include a degree from Boston University's School of Management, a two-year stint with Emery in Australia, and a round the world return trip to the United States. He mentioned purchasing bogus IZOD shirts in Thailand (the alligators are glued on!), "flying" upriver in canoes with Toyota engines removed from cars during a unique and illicit trek through Burma, and riding elephants into the Golden Triangle where he saw opium

fields! Now he's president of an electronics manufacturing and static control company, has formed his own company, and has a venture in Singapore • Also in the Silicon Valley, **George Powers** is a software engineer while his wife, Amy, is involved in sales. Scuba diving in Hawaii and windsurfing on the San Francisco Bay keep him busy. What does he recall of his Colby days? Snow, clean air, stale beer, and ... poverty! • Some of us in remote areas hear the question, "Where's Colby?" **Joe Piatczyc** often hears, "Where's Maine?" He and his wife, Stephanie, are now in Kansas City (where's that?), where he is an account executive for the Travelers Insurance Companies, and she is an occupational therapist • Fellow '79ers should never have a problem seeking legal advice—just turn to classmates **Sara Frolio**, **Thomas Murphy**, **Bob Lizza**, or **Richard Nadeau**. Sara, Thomas, and Bob are associated with firms in New Bedford, Townsend, and Boston, Mass., respectively. Last October, Bob married Patricia Ziehl (Providence College) who is assistant director of financial aid at Boston College. Richard is practicing in North Smithfield, R.I., where he lives with his wife, Meredythe Blezard • Preparing to audition for opera companies in the United States, **Cheri Bailey Powers** is taking theatre and voice lessons in West Germany, where her husband is stationed with the U.S. Air Force. Her debut as a director won her the best director award at the U.S. Air Force Tournament of Plays last year. Congrats! • Those of us who attended our fifth year reunion had a terrific time, but **Marvin** and **Lisa Yemma Percival** had a really terrific time and nine months later, their first daughter, Sarah, was born! In addition to raising three children (they have two sons besides Sarah), Lisa and Marvin run Priority Computing in Andover, Mass. They opened two new subsidiaries in Hong Kong and London and spent some time at Christmas in the Virgin Gorda • **Sally Morton-Jones** has left Kansas City for the Big Apple and is now working for a new and exciting global management firm, Simms Capital Management. She's been in touch with **Debbie Lieberman** who, she said, is actually working at a "real job" when not working on her tan! Sally also wrote that **Wendy Cohn** is an official "hot shot" as assistant vice president and financial analyst at Carnegie Realty Capital Corporation • Three years ago, **Joseph Meyer**, unconvinced that the world revolves around Wall Street, moved to Seattle. Now he's an assistant vice president with Rainier National Bank and his wife, Chai Hoon Ooi '81, is working on her Ph.D. in tumor virology at the Hutchinson Cancer Research Center • Have a great summer and keep in touch!

Class secretary: JANE VENMAN LEDEBUHR, 8817 Skegemog Point Rd., Williamsburg, Mich. 49690.

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Rob Lokody is a junior copywriter at **Dancer Fitzgerald Sample Advertising** in New York • **Janet Thacher** and **Troy Dagnes** '83 were married August 10, 1985, in New Castle, N.H. **Jan DeMartin**, who is now residing in Zaragoza, Spain, was the maid of honor. Janet is a Spanish teacher, while Troy is a sales representative with



Arthur Jacobs '81

Jacobs: Taking Advantage of Adversity

Arthur Jacobs '81 is a man with a message. "Today is a new beginning," wrote Jacobs. "Challenge yourself. Not to get caught in the problems. The time is NOW to live life to its fullest."

Jacobs is uniquely qualified to bring a fresh perspective to the act of living. In 1979 he was involved in a car accident that paralyzed the left side of his body. Although his physicians predicted that he would never again be able to walk or talk, Jacobs triumphantly regained both abilities after a three-year rehabilitation period. He enrolled at Arizona State University, where there is an excellent handicapped student program, and during his first year created a program called "Swim for the Health of It," designed around his attempt to swim one mile. The program, a tremendous success, was, in the following year, renamed "The Personal Challenge Day," and called forth participation from the whole school. Its goals—to make the participants aware of daily challenges and to appreciate themselves, to show participants that their only limitations are their own personal fears, to make participants "feel good" about trying something new, and to raise funds for the Disabled Student Resources—brought the program acclaim from the National Association of College Activities, who awarded it its Golden Key Award for the most outstanding program with educational focus in the Far West.

Jacobs' efforts to redefine disability extend beyond campus activities. He has written a book, *Challenge to See the Whole in Its Parts*, he lectures, and he is tentatively scheduled to teach a lecture/seminar at Pace University in New York called "Beyond Disability." Jacobs likes to let people know that he is not "an angel." "I'm no miracle," he said, "I get down at times, too. But I realize it's important to slow down and relax and begin to enjoy life again."

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Markline of Waltham, Mass. • **Stephen Bosley** is engaged to Pamela Gendreau of Middletown, R.I.; both are employed by International Data Corporation, Framingham, Mass. • **David and Julie Greenwood Kreutz** are keeping busy as physical therapists in Atlanta. In their spare time, Julie's working on the development of various exercise programs at a women's wellness center, and Dave is in high demand for his painting-carpentry skills (Julie's his assistant) • **Alice Dumar** has a fellowship in behavioral medicine at Beth Israel Hospital, Boston; she should have her Ph.D. this spring • **Simon and Karen Harvey Leese** met while students at the University of Leicester and were married on December 29, 1983. They reside in Penryn, Cornwall, England, where Simon is a mining geologist, and Karen is a museum curator currently working on her M.A. in museum studies. Much of their spare time has been spent renovating their home which was built by the local granite company for its workers over 100 years ago • **John Flerlage** is a captain with the U.S. Marine Corps in Santa Ana, Calif., he continues to play hockey in his spare time • **Tom Dailey** is practicing law with Goodwin, Proctor and Hoar, Boston, while his wife, Maria Macedo '79, is a personnel generalist • **Doug Johnson** is in-house counsel with Thyng Associates, Beverly, Mass., a real estate consulting and investment firm • **Ben '79 and Joanne Lynch Thorndike** bought their first house in Needham, Mass.; Joanne is an assistant vice president in municipal finance with Shawmut Bank, while Ben is an investment manager with Scudder, Stevens and Clark, investing assets for retirement and endowment funds • **Cathy Talbot** is engaged to marry Don Ashton (originally from Rhode Island) this summer. Cathy moved from an admissions position at Rocky Mountain College, Montana, to an assistantship in academic advising of undecided students at Bowling Green State University, Ohio, where she is also working on her M.Ed. in college student personnel • **Jonathan Covell**, now a landscaper, recently married Susan Haigh, a waitress and bookkeeper at The Orleans Inn, Cape Cod • **Luis Roberto Hernandez** left Colby after freshman year to return to Costa Rica, where he has since worked for the Central Bank. Through a bank scholarship, he earned his licenciado degree in computer science (a step between a bachelor's and a master's degree) in 1983 at the University of Costa Rica. He's now a technical support manager in the bank's computer department, is married to a Costa Rican, and has two beautiful daughters. In his spare time, he teaches computer courses at a private university • *Running out of other news, so please write!*

Class secretary: DIANA P. HERRMANN, 360 East 65th St., #3H, New York, N.Y. 10021.

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There seems to be a mini baby boom among our class as of late. **John "Joe" Daley's** wife, Nancy Smith Daley '82, wrote to tell of the birth of their son, Michael Joseph, born in April 1985. They are both working at Bridgton Academy • **Jean Siddall Bensuson** and her husband, Steve, are the proud parents of Anne Elizabeth born October 14, 1985. Jean wrote that **Lynda Smith** is still at Dartmouth working on her Ph.D. in biology •

My husband, Jack, and I also have a new addition to our family. Matthew, two-and-a-half now, has a new brother named Patrick, born December 8, 1985 • **David Biggar** wed Elizabeth Charlotte Brady on September 28, 1985, in Mt. Kisco, N.Y. Dave works as a senior account manager for Russ Berrie and Company, and his wife is a professional chef • **Katherine H. Moore** will be teaching art history at Miss Hall's School in Pittsfield, Mass. • **Robert McCurdy** has been named national sales manager for GTI Graphic Technology in Newburgh, N.Y. He and his wife, Virginia, live in Ossining, N.Y. • **Maggie Libby** wrote with news that **Deann Lewis** had stopped smoking. Congratulations, Deann • **Eileen Conway**, who married Lawrence R. Rounds III last August, is working as a financial consultant in Portland. She and her husband have bought an antique farmhouse in Bridgton.

Class secretary: **PAULA HINCKLEY BURROUGHS** (Mrs. Jack), 55 North Reading St., Manchester, N.H. 03104.

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Greetings all! This is what I have for news items this time around • **Ross Brennan** wrote to say that he is on his way to Africa to work with the United Nations Environment Programme in Nairobi. He recently received an M.S. in resource policy at Dartmouth • **Chris Cameron** is spending a lot of time at Sugarloaf these days. He was named director of promotions there in November • **Helen Dooley** and Theodore Jursek are planning a summer wedding in Norfolk, Conn. Helen is in her second year at New England Law School, while her fiancé is management supervisor for Clarke, Goward, Fitts in Boston • **Ginny McCourt-McCurdy** wrote to bring us all up to date on the occupants of her senior year quad. **Donna Holt** is still in Venezuela but will be married this June in Massachusetts. **Anne Phaneuf** is to be in the wedding party. Anne is working at Stratus Computer in public relations. **Lynn Ploof** is working at the University of Maine at Farmington in the Upward Bound Program. She is engaged to be married in October. Ginny herself is working for Ralph Lauren/Polo Fashions in Manhattan. She and Bob McCurdy '81 were married in Kennebunkport, Maine, in September 1984 • That's it for news this time around. Please drop me a line if you have the chance. I'd love to hear from everyone!

Class secretary: **JULANNE M. CULLY**, 425 Front St., Weymouth, Mass. 02188.

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Greetings to the Class of '83! • I received a note from **Dan Matlack** who is in his second and final year with the Peace Corps in Khatmandu, Nepal. He is currently involved in rural construction—building drinking water projects. He stated that, although it is difficult to feel satisfaction when he

Inaugurations

Periodically, Colby is invited to send a representative to special academic events at colleges and universities. The following person has represented the College at an inauguration in the past months.

Steven Kirstein '80, at the inauguration of Brian Donnelly as president of Fisher Junior College.

sees how much work there is to be done, he would recommend his experience to everyone. Good luck, Dan, and hang in there! • **Christopher Schmidt** was recently promoted to assistant managing editor at 73 *For Radio Amateurs*, the monthly magazine serving the international community of amateur radio operators. He is responsible for the editing and proofreading of manuscripts as well as for the layout of articles and newspapers • **Darilynn O'Neill**, who recently married Lawrence Evans, is currently employed by Condyne Incorporated in Norwell as a realty trust managing director • **David Bridges** works as a benefit manager for Union Mutual in Portland and is also involved in the operation of "Finest Kind Clambakes," a mobile seafood catering service • **Jennifer Jean Clark** wrote that she received a master of fine arts degree from the University of Michigan in May 1985. She is currently working on her doctorate at Columbia University • **Joanne Iyo** attended Teachers College, Columbia University, and completed two master's degrees in elementary education. She is now teaching third grade in Closter, N.J. • **Lisa Campbell**, recently married to Dominique Bourgeault, is working with adolescents in a private psychiatric hospital in Sarasota, Fla. • **Christine Marshall** and James Gaudette '84 have announced their engagement. They plan to marry on September 6, 1986. Chris is a financial analyst at Digital Equipment Corporation • **Jenny Knoll** is also employed by Digital as an analyst • **George Katz** wrote that since graduation he has been working for Union Mutual in Springfield, Mass., as an employee benefits sales representative • **Mark Hopkins** is now living in Illinois and travels often in his position as a district sales manager for United States Lines • Well, that's about all the news for now. Keep in touch.

Class secretary: **DELISA A. LATERZO**, 1427 Marine St., #3, Boulder, Colo. 80302.

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Class of '84 is doing more! **Dan Toomey** has returned to the Boston area after spending some time bartending in Colorado with **Ogden White**. Dan is now living in Cambridge and working with real estate speculation • **Bob McLaughlin** is with the investment firm, Fidelity Trust, in Boston • Last heard, **Andy Dubino** and **Peter Ingraham** were living out at Martha's Vineyard • **Jeff Nolan** is back in the Boston area after having spent time on the West Coast bartending and visiting Las Vegas • **Rich Erb** is working part-time at GTE and has recently gone into real estate sales. He is living in Winchendon, Mass. • **Ann Brachman** has been working as a paralegal at

Testa, Hurwitz, and Thibault. She has become the senior paralegal since that time and is considering law school • **Caroline Waters** has moved to Houston, Tex., where she is working for a pension consulting/actuarial firm • **Scott Morrill** is enjoying the married life (Jane MacKenzie '83) and working as a claims adjuster for Amica Mutual Insurance Company in Wellesley, Mass. The couple recommends marriage to all who may be considering it • **Cathy Walsh** is an assistant editor for *St. Anthony Messenger*, a national Catholic magazine in Cincinnati, Ohio • This spring **John Gagne** finished his master's in biology at Southern Connecticut State University. He had also been at work as a research assistant in the Yale University Medical School. John hopes to enroll in either grad or dental school • Although these news bits aren't as current as the others, Class of '84 alums still will be interested to know that **Wendy Male** and her family hosted an exchange student from West Germany who attended high school in Wendy's hometown of Lunenburg, Mass., this past year • **Elizabeth Stillings** was engaged to **Robert Brooks, Jr.**, last April. Bob has been employed as a financial analyst for Digital Equipment Corporation while Beth has been at work for Allyn and Bacon Publishing as an administrative assistant • **John Batherson** was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force upon graduation from officer training school at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas. From there he was assigned to Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado • Last May, **Dave Moody** shared in the celebration of his grandparent's golden wedding anniversary in Ogunquit, Maine • **Dawne Ogden** (Colby student for two years) and **Mike Page** have done some crewing on several boats racing in San Francisco Bay. Dawne is working on a Ph.D. in immunology while Mike builds self-steering devices for sailboats • They visited **Greg Walsh** last fall who is teaching at the Westtown School in Westtown, Pa. • **Mark Clafin** worked at Piccadilly Pub in Boston last summer and was looking into local employment opportunities this past spring • **Rob Davis** spent two months in summer '85 touring Egypt, Jordan, Syria, Turkey, and Israel. He is at the Fletcher School at Tufts University • I love to hear from you all as do your classmates. . . . No piece of information is too small!

Class secretary: **KATHRYN SODERBERG**, 5 Smith Farm Trail, Lynnfield, Mass. 01940.

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Class secretary: **SUSAN L. JAMES**, 24 East Main St., Yarmouth, Maine 04096.

M I L E S T O N E S

M A R R I A G E S

Thomas A. Cox '66 to Laurie J. Davis, August 17, 1985, Peaks Island, Maine.

Stephen Osborne Schmickrath '70 to Joan Page Edminster, Marblehead, Mass.

Dennis Delehanty '74 to Elizabeth Pirola Fuenmayer, Maracaibo, Venezuela.

Peter Alexander Schmidt-Fellner '78 to Diane Marie Jones, September 14, 1985, Weston, Mass.
Peter Penfield Goodnow '79 to Catherine Bennett Gomez, November 30, 1985, Washington, D.C.

Robert C. Kellogg '79 to Susan A. Travis, November 2, 1985, Westbrook, Maine.

Michael A. Bourgon '80 to Debra G. Fosberg, September 21, 1985, Bucksport, Maine.

Susan B. Clark '80 to Paul Thomas Brice, October 12, 1985, Nashua, N.H.

Jonathan C. Covell '80 to Susan J. Haigh, September 14, 1985, Orleans, Mass.

Neil Robert Kiely '80 to Leslie Rene Matthews, November 2, 1985, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Robin Lee MacLeod '80 to Alan Arthur Goodridge, Wenham, Mass.

David James Biggar '81 to Elisabeth Charlotte Brady, September 28, 1985, Mount Kisco, N.Y.

Sara Stillman Bunnell '81 to Charles Joseph Yeager, Norwell, Mass.

Robert McCurdy '81 to Ginny M. McCourt '82, September 15, 1985, Kennebunkport, Maine.

Dale P. Oak '81 to Janet Louise Allen, July 6, 1985, Fullerton, Calif.

Jay H. Otis '81 to Debra M. Strout, October 5, 1985, Orono, Maine.

Brigitte Marie Raquet '81 to Paul Richard Farrell, Boston, Mass.

Alan Eric Wolf '81 to Karen Ann Frink, Rye Beach, N.H.

Steven Barbash '82 to Cindy Jenkins '82, November 9, 1985, New Bedford, Mass.

Carl Hubbard Gluck '82 to Caroline Ann Sterge '84, Beverly Farms, Mass.

Susan Lee Kallio '82 to Mark Harrison Green '83, October 5, 1985, in Medfield, Mass.

Cynthia Lila Kim '82 to Brian Downing Begin, September 14, 1985, in New York.

Elaine Sutherland McClellan '83 to Lawrence B. Niemann, Jr. '84, September 21, 1985, Morristown, N.J.

John Stephen Perlowski, Jr. '83 to Mary Lacy Sperlazza, November 9, 1985, Londonderry, Mass.

Cecil Christian Holstein '84 to Lisa Labowskie, Palm Desert, Calif.

Michael Ervin Megna '84 to Kathleen Ann Scott, June 15, 1985, Lewiston, Maine.

Jennifer Helen Jorgensen '85 to George Harrington Hill, December 31, 1985, China, Maine.

Harland Edwin Storey, Jr. '85 to Kimberly Clark Chabot, January 4, 1986, Westbrook, Maine.

B I R T H S

A daughter, Anne Michele Huat, to Nancy Hagstrom and Richard B. Huat '57, July 20, 1985.

A son, Samuel Thorsten Stromberg, to Wallis S. and Nancy Chin-Stromberg '72, March 31, 1985.

A son, Robert Douglas Gorman, to Douglas W. '73 and Cheryl Booker Gorman '74, December 30, 1985.

A daughter, Stephanie Wathen Finn, to Thomas and Deborah Wathen Finn '74, August 14, 1985.

A son, Theodore Daniel Logan, to Ellen Rosenthal and Theodore F. Logan '74, October 12, 1985.

A son, Derek Stephen Roy, to Stephen G. '77 and Valerie Jones Roy '76, August 2, 1985.

A son, Robert George Logan, to Robert G. and Lisa McBride Logan '78, September 13, 1985.

A son, Christopher David Lowe, to James V. '80 and Laurel Munson Lowe '80, November 5, 1985.



What a Colby crew gathered to celebrate the wedding of Susan Macrae '83 and Ericsson Broadbent III '84 last June 15! They included (bottom row) James Goetz '85, Kate Childs, Cathy Dwyer '81, Andy Frenkel '81, Gordon Kent, James Engert '82, Andrea Kent, Peter Flaherty '83, Damon Douglas '82, Becca Cunningham '84, Ralph Palermo '82, (second row) Chris Feiss '85, Bruce Walker '83, Ann Thayer '86, Edward "Sandy" Whatley '82, Sarah Dewey '85, Alastair Caperton '83, Eric Broadbent and Susie Macrae, Adam Weiss '83, Jacquie Gage '82, Gregg Leeds '81, Katherine "Karen" Cowles '82, Robin King '83, (third row) Dave Hill '84, Bill Bowers '82, Sarah Griffen '83, Dennis Myshrahl '84, Maria Jobin '83, Sue Hatch '82, Marc Carey '83, Stacey Sorensen '83, Suzy Blunt '81, Sarah Kellogg '85, Nancy Finman '84, Joe Baker '85, and Virginia "Whistle" Wood '84.

DEATHS

Marion Harmon '16, October 4, 1985, in Falmouth, Maine, at age 91. She was born in West Falmouth, and attended Deering High School and Hebron Academy before attending Colby. She was a member of Chi Omega, Beta chapter, while at Colby, and graduated with a major in languages. She continued her education at Teacher's College of Columbia University and received an M.A. in education. She also took a secretarial course at Gray's Business College in Portland, Maine. She was a member of the National Education Association. She taught at many schools until her retirement in 1963, including Rockport High School in Rockport, Maine, Conway High School in New Hampshire, Thornton Academy in Saco, Maine, and Greely Institute. Upon her retirement, she became a member of the Maine Retired Teachers' Association. She was a member of Woodfords Congregational Church, and later West Falmouth Baptist Church. She died after a brief illness. She is survived by two nephews.

Belle Longley Strickland '19, December 4, 1985, in Rochester, Mich., at age 90. Born in Smithfield, Maine, she matriculated at Colby and continued her education during summer sessions at Bates College and Boston University. She taught at public schools in Portland and then at Lexington Christian Academy in Massachusetts, where she stayed for 20 years as the assistant to the principal, and from which she retired in 1967. Survivors include her daughter, Phyllis Hill.

Dorothy M. Crawford '22, December 4, 1985, in Shelton, Conn., at age 87. Born in Old Town, Maine, she attended the Maine Central Institute in Pittsfield, Maine, before matriculating at Colby. While at Colby, she was a member of Delta Delta Delta and Kappa Alpha. She graduated cum laude with a Latin and French major and was a member of Phi Beta Kappa. She continued her education at Harvard Summer School, Yale Extension, Columbia University Extension, and at the University of Connecticut and interviewed prospective admissions candidates for Colby for twenty years. Her secondary school teaching jobs included Thomaston High School in Thomaston, Maine, and the Crosby High School in Waterbury, Conn., where she taught for 35 years. She was a member of the American Association of University Women, the New England Modern Language Association, the National Education Association, the Connecticut Teachers' Association, the Waterbury Teachers' Association, and the National Retired Teachers' Association. She also co-authored a textbook entitled *French Culture*. After her retirement in 1957, she became the church secretary and assistant to the minister for the First Methodist Church of Waterbury, Conn., and was a member of the Council of Church Women. She spent the later years of her life at the United Methodist Retirement Community in Shelton, Conn., still active in social events there. Survivors include her cousin, Marion C. Hutchinson '39.

Edith Ann Gray Havice '25, September 17, 1985, in Cambridge, Mass., at age 84. Born in Stonington, Maine, she taught in Winthrop, Mass., and Cornish, N.H., after graduation. She settled in Belmont, Mass., where she served as a member of various educational and religious organizations and was also a member of the Belmont League of Women Voters. She was the wife of the late Rev. Charles W. Havice, and is survived by a son, John, a daughter, her daughter-in-law, Susan Osborn Havice '59, two sisters, a brother, and seven grandchildren.

Roy K. Hobbs '26, December 16, 1985, in Augusta, Maine, at age 84. Born in Searsport, Maine, he attended Camden High School before he matriculated at Colby. He spent most of his life as a farmer in Hope, Maine. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and served during World War II. Survivors include two sons, Elston and Laurence, a sister, Helen Lyon '30, seven grandchildren, and fifteen great-grandchildren.

Helen Speed Gossis '27, November 24, 1985, in Clinton, Maine, at age 82. She was born in Moncton, New Brunswick. She worked as a bookkeeper for the M.H. Fisherman Company, Cottle's Supermarket, and for the state department of accounts and controls, from which she had retired. She was a life member of the Martha Washington Chapter 15, Order of Eastern Star, a member of the Pleasant Street United Methodist Church, a charter member of the Welsley Circle of the Church and Order of Ameranth, Faith Court, and a daughter of the Fourka St. Georges Greek Orthodox Church of Manchester, N.H. Survivors include a husband, George J., a daughter, and a granddaughter.

William F. MacLean '28, November 11, 1985, in Wrentham, Mass., at age 79. Born in Springfield, Mass., he attended Norwood High School before matriculating at Colby. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and also a member of the Colby football, basketball, and baseball teams. He worked as a teacher/coach at St. Paul's School before returning to school at the Suffolk Law School in Boston, Mass., after which he worked in the insurance industry. He died after a long illness. He is survived by his wife, Bernice Collins '29, three sons, nine grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

E. Richard Benson '29, October 4, 1985, in Danbury, Conn., at age 78. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he attended Bethel High School in Bethel, Conn., before graduating from Colby as a member of Upsilon Beta and the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity. After working for the Mutual Life Insurance Company and teaching at Bethel High School, he became employed by the Bethel National Bank, now known as the Union Trust Company. He retired in 1968 as vice president, and continued as a director until 1979. He was a former deacon and auditor of the Bethel Congregational Church, a past president and director of the Bethel Lions Club, a treasurer of the Bethel Salvation Army for 25 years, and a past member of the Bethel Public Library Board of Directors, the Danbury Chapter of the American Institute of Banking, and the Vocational Educational Advisory Committee for Bethel schools. He died after a brief illness and is survived by his wife, Alexa, a sister, a brother, and four nephews.

Eunice Foye Hutchins '31, November 28, 1985, in Lowell, Maine, at age 77. Born in Torrington, Conn., she attended the Girls Latin High School in Boston, and graduated from Dorchester High School in 1927, before matriculating at Colby. At Colby, she was a member, treasurer, and chaplain of Alpha Delta Pi. She continued her connections with Colby after graduation by serving as class correspondent and co-chairperson of her class's 50th reunion in 1981. An active member of the First Congregational Church and the Women's Missionary Society, she also served as a pastor's aide and deaconess of the church. During World War II, she volunteered for the Red Cross and was also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She resided in Sagamore, Mass., for the past 13 years. She died after a short illness and is survived by her husband, Leonard A., two sons, a daughter, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.



James Blok '32

James Blok '32, June 26, 1985, in Grand Rapids, Mich., at age 85. Born in Kortgene, Zeeland, the Netherlands, he attended Central High School of Grand Rapids and Coburn Classical Institute, before matriculating at Colby. He received Kappa Phi Kappa, Colby Delta award in 1931, and Pi Gamma Mu, Maine Alpha in 1932. He then received a Bachelor of Divinity degree from Andover Newton Theological School in 1935. He served in the U.S. Army actively from 1936 through World War II as a chaplain, and continued to serve intermittently until 1960. He also served Baptist and Congregational churches from 1935 to 1940 in addition to a summer pastorate at the Belding Baptist Church in Belding, Mich. Survivors include his wife, Kathryn.

Robert E. Waite '32, November 12, 1985, in Port Arthur, Tex., at age 78. He was born in Millinocket, Maine, and worked for the Great Northern Company after his graduation from Colby. He joined the U.S. Rubber Company in Naugatuck, Conn., and was a production fore-



Robert E. Waite '32

man at that company's plants in Connecticut, and later in Charleston, W.Va. While in Virginia he became industrial relations manager and moved to other plants in Texas, where the company became the Texas-U.S. Chemical Company. He retired in 1972. He was active in scouting and was a charter member and past president of the Port Neches Rotary Club in Texas. He also served as a member of the official board of the First Methodist Church of Port Neches, the Port Neches Chamber of Commerce, and the Toastmasters Club. He is survived by his wife, Helen, one son, one daughter, two sisters, five grandchildren, and several nephews and nieces.

Richard H. Franklin '36, April 28, 1985. He was born in Cedarhurst, N.J., and attended Lawrence High School and Thayer Academy before graduating from Colby as a member of the Tau Delta Phi fraternity. He was living in Queen's Village, N.Y., at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife, Cecelie, and two sons, one daughter, and two grandchildren.

L. Russell Blanchard '38, November 28, 1985, in Massachusetts, at age 69. Born in West Medford, Mass., he attended Braintree High School. After his graduation from Colby as a member and past president of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, he worked as manager of sales promotion for the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company in Portland, Maine. During this time, he was honored as the national example of excellence in advertising by the Life Advertisers Association. A graduate of the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association Agency Management School, he joined the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company in 1948, and in 1968 he became vice president of advertising and public relations. He retired in 1981. He was a past president and secretary of the Life Insurance Advertisers Association, a former director of the Worcester Ad Club, the Sales Executive Club of Worcester, the Worcester Economic Club, the Worcester Orchestral Society, and the Worcester Kiwanis Club. He was a member of the Public Relations Council of the American

Council of Life Insurance and the public information committee of the Life Insurance Association of Massachusetts. He was also a former institutional relations liaison with the Life Insurance Marketing and Research Association of the Life Advertisers Association. He was a member and former director of the Greendale Peoples Church. An active alumnus, he served as the president of the Colby Alumni Club of Portland in 1948 and was a past chairman of the Alumni Council, the Alumni Fund, and the Program of Fulfillment. A former trustee, he was a recipient of the Colby 'C' Club 'Man of the Year' award in 1960, lauded as a 'gentleman of broad interests; a leader of exceptional capabilities; and a friend and a sportsman whose loyalty has never wavered.' He is survived by his wife, Ernestine, a son, Lawrence '77, a daughter, Beverly Blanchard Gorniewicz '74, two brothers, and a granddaughter.

L. Russell Blanchard '38



Alonzo H. Garcelon '38, November 4, 1985, in Portland, Maine, at age 72. Born in Lewiston, he attended Hebron Academy and Bowdoin College before matriculating at Colby. While at Colby, he was a member of, and house manager for, Zeta Psi. He continued his education at McGill University, where he received his D.D.S., Harvard University, the University of Illinois, and Boston University. He was a past director of the Department of Health and Welfare Division of Dental Health and president-elect of the Maine Dental Society. At one time he held the world's record for bench rest shooting and later became the president of the National Rifle Association. Garcelon, a founder of the Maine Natural Resources Council, recently had a wildlife site at the eastern edge of the Maine state capital named for him. He died suddenly and is survived by two children, including a son, Alonzo V. 77.

Gardner B. Husted '40, March 25, 1985, in Clinton, Conn., at age 68. He was born in New Haven, Conn., and attended West Haven High School and the University of Alabama before ma-



Gardner B. Husted '40

triculating at Colby. After his graduation as a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he married and then served until 1946 in the United States Army Corps of Engineers. He was employed as a supervisor by the U.S. Electrical Motors Company in Milford, Conn., and also as a buyer for Sikorsky Aircraft in Stratford, Conn. He was a member of the Westbrook Elks Lodge 1784. He died after a short illness and left no immediate survivors.

John B. Warner '42, June 14, 1984, in Hanover, N.H., at age 65. Born in Minneapolis, Minn., he attended Friends Central School and Dartmouth before matriculating at Colby. He was a pilot for Eastern Airlines during World War II and became a captain for the same airlines in his later years. Survivors include his wife, Barbara Kaighn '41, of Quechee, Vt.

Shirley Warren Shirley '47, August 4, 1985, in Conroe, Tex., at age 60. She was born in New Britain, Conn., and attended Plainville High School. She studied at Northeastern University after graduating from Colby and went on to work as a service representative for the Southern New England Telephone Company and as the music librarian for the WKBN radio station. She is survived by her husband, Charles, Jr.

Miriam Gordon Simpson '47, January 4, 1986, in Ellsworth, Maine, at age 62. She was born in Sullivan, Maine, and attended Sullivan High School before continuing her education at Colby. After her marriage she resided in Bangor and was a member of the Bangor Junior League. Moving to Prospect Harbor in 1949, she organized and was leader of the area's first Girl Scout troop, past member of the board of directors of the Hancock County Mental Health Association, the Maine Teachers' Association, the Gouldsboro Parent Teachers Club, the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, the Halcyon Temple, the Pythian Sisters, past



Miriam Gordon Simpson '47

president of the Prospect Harbor Women's Club, second vice president of the Hancock City Union of Women's Clubs, chairperson and secretary of the Gouldsboro Republican Town Committee, and a member of the Prospect Harbor Methodist Church. At the time of her unexpected death, she taught second grade at Gouldsboro Grammar School, as she had done for almost 20 years. Survivors include a son, Bruce, a daughter, two grandchildren, three sisters, and several nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Patricia Bain Mills '50, November 4, 1985, in New York City, at age 56. Born in Ridgewood, N.J., she graduated from Ridgewood High School. While at Colby, she was a member of, and secretary for, Chi Omega and also belonged to the International Relations Club. She started her career working for J.M. Mathes Advertising in New York City. She then spent most of her life working in the field of international relations. She held a job with the U.S. State Department as a secretary-administrative assistant in Munich, Germany, was the assistant manager for Slenderella International, a tour director for Clara Laughlin Travel Services, and had been the program administrator for the Institute of International Education. Survivors include her husband, Robert.

Russell Brown '51, August 4, 1982, in Arlington, Va., at age 59. Born in Plainfield, N.J., he attended Central High School before matriculating at Colby in 1942. After one semester he enlisted and became a mate first class in the United States Navy. He returned to Colby in 1947 and later began employment as an industrial relations methods investigator for Western Electric in Winston-Salem, N.C. He died after a short illness and is survived by a brother, Gordon, a daughter, a son, and three grandchildren.

Henry G. Cyr '54, December 7, 1985, in Lewiston, Maine, at age 53. He was born in Skowhegan, Maine, and attended Waterville High School. He graduated from Colby with a major in business administration and accounting. At the time of his death, he worked as a data entry and control manager for the Maine Department of Human Services. He died after a long illness. Survivors include his wife, Ferne Beal Cyr, two sons, his mother, a sister, a brother, and two granddaughters.

HONORARY

James S. Pope, L.L.D. '52, December 13, 1985, at age 85. The retired executive editor of the *Courier-Journal* and the *Louisville Times* and former president of the American Society of Newspaper Editors won many awards for his fight against governmental secrecy and for enactment of the Freedom of Information Act. He was the winner of Colby's first Elijah Parish Lovejoy Fellowship in 1952. He was also awarded the John Peter Zenger Freedom of the Press Award by the University of Arizona in 1957. After graduating from Emory University in Atlanta, Ga., he became a reporter for the *Atlanta Journal* and rose to the position of managing editor before moving on to work for the *Courier-Journal* in 1940. At the time of his death, he resided in Panama City, Fla. Surviving are his wife, Geraldine Logan, three sons, six grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Listed below are alumni whose notice of death reached us after the time it was possible to write an obituary. Thus, obituaries for these individuals will run in the September issue.

Winifred Atwood Wilbur '17, February 22, 1986.

Maurice L. Daniels '23, January 26, 1986.

Doris Cole Hunter '24, January 12, 1986.

Ulmont Cleal Cowing '27, December 16, 1985.

Marian Monks Larrabee '31, September 29, 1985.

Roger G. Bell '39, April 17, 1984.

Carleton H. Hodges '39, January 17, 1986.

Frank Lipman '40, January 20, 1986.

Ralph B. Rowe '41, March 8, 1984.

James F. Candelet '42, January 16, 1986.

Arnold A. Glassman '44.

Lois Smith Jones '49, February 21, 1986.

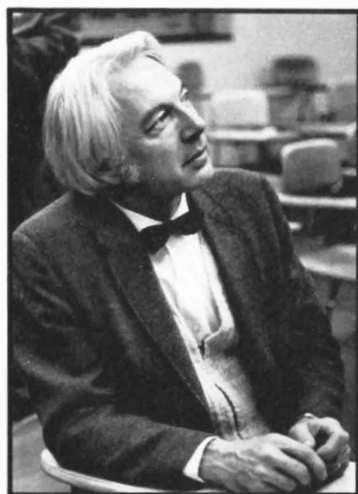
Everett F. Gross '52, August 31, 1984.

Michael C. Stevenson '55, February 16, 1986.

Margaret Payson H'56, December 12, 1985.

Paul F. Russell H'60, November 2, 1983.

David M. Westra '85, February 22, 1985.



E. Parker Johnson

FACULTY

E. Parker Johnson, Dana Professor of Psychology, emeritus, March 7, 1986, at a hospital near his home in New Vineyard, Maine, at age 68. He had been ill only a short while. Johnson taught at Bowdoin College from 1947 until 1955 when he joined the Colby faculty as chairman of the education and psychology department. He became dean of faculty in 1960 and served in that post until 1970. He then returned to teaching, from which he retired in 1978. During his tenure as dean he oversaw the beginnings of the innovative January Program for Independent Study, accommodations for increases in student enrollment, and improvements in the faculty salary scale. He retired to a family farmhouse in New Vineyard, where he continued research on night vision, his specialty, which he had begun as a doctoral candidate at Brown University and continued during World War II as a member of the Royal Canadian Air Force. Always interested in farming and forestry, during his retirement Johnson invented the SWOAM (Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine) cruising rod, a device used to measure the volume of wood in standing trees. A native of West Springfield, Mass., he received his undergraduate degree at Springfield College and master of science and Ph.D. degrees in experimental psychology from Brown. He is survived by his wife, Judith, a daughter, a son, a sister, and three grandchildren.

OMISSION

In the March obituary for Curtis M. Hutchins, his daughter Hope Hutchins Blackburn '62 should have been named among the survivors.

ALUMNI CLUB NEWS



M. Jane Powers '86, Wendy Lapham '86, Hamilton Brower '86, and Sue Whitney '86 were among the "alumni in training" welcomed by the Waterville area club on February 15. Further south on the same day, Judy Reingold Schwartz '72, Ann Miller '71, Donna Curran Stock '82, new head football Coach Tom Austin, Don Short '64, David Marson '48, and Paul Reichert '59 obviously enjoyed the Boston club's Futures Forum.

New England alumni, for the most part, went indoors for the winter months, to enjoy an art museum tour, faculty lectures, varsity athletics, two plays, a concert, and general socializing • Professor Patrick Brancaccio was the guest speaker at the **Hartford** club program at the Mark Twain House. His topic was entitled "Twain: Boy/Man," a discussion of dichotomies between Twain's life in a bourgeois home in the North and his writings on boyhood on the Mississippi • President Cotter traveled to **Hartford** in May to meet with Colby people at the Hartford area annual dinner • **Boston** poets, and why people write and read poetry, were the subject of Professor Peter Harris's talk at a Boston club meeting • A sell-out Colby crowd attended Harvard's 1986 Hasty Pudding comedy production, "Between the Shieks" • And in **New York**, another theater sell-out—at Lily Tomlin's one-woman show. "A remarkable performance!" said one Colby critic • Over 100 people attended the **New York** club's annual dinner, which featured an address by President Cotter and entertainment by the Colbyettes • A multicollage event with five other alumni groups at the Doo Wop Club in New York City inspired Colby folk

to kick up their heels and dance as they greeted the spring season • The potluck supper of the **Waterville** alumni club has become a popular event, and this year was no exception. Great homemade food was the order of the day, followed by a discussion of Winslow Homer by art and American studies Professor David Lubin • The Class of '86 may be out to outshine all other alumni classes—nearly half of the class attended the annual senior reception sponsored by the Waterville alumni club. Is this a challenge? • Nancy Mackenzie was busy this spring, meeting with both the **South Central Massachusetts** and **Southwestern Maine** alumnae clubs. She brought her experience as a career services counselor and as a teacher into her talk about women in college today, their concerns and attitudes, aspirations and goals • The **North Shore** area in Boston got started this winter with a couple of hockey games to warm up the club area and topped those off with a dinner with President Cotter. Hearty thanks to Don Short '64 for the initiative and enthusiasm to get things going there • Not all activity was indoors this winter—the **Southern Maine** club took to the outdoors with enthusiasm with their own Winter Fol-

lies, a day of skating, sledding, skiing, and general outdoor fun for the whole family • Later in April, President Cotter was the guest speaker at the annual dinner for the **Southern Maine** club • In **Philadelphia**, April means springtime, with flowers and warm weather. A group of Colbyites in that fair city took to the streets in a temperate way for a walking tour of the city, including "the most historic square mile in America," led by a local historian • The Colby Chorale sang at Tufts University during the spring, allowing **Boston** area people a chance to hear that fine group perform • And the **Boston Luncheon Group** welcomed Father Paul Coté as their guest at the March meeting. From his various affiliations with Colby students—as Catholic chaplain, faculty resident for many years, and teacher of a Jan Plan—he brought insight to alumni about the issues and concerns for a college student today • Do you have an idea for an event or program that you'd like to have take place in your local area? Call or write the alumni office, and let's talk about it. Over the summer, many clubs will be planning their calendars for next year and will be looking for *your* suggestions.

