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## COLBY WINS AT B. A. A. MEET.

### The Blue and Gray Sprinters Bring Home 390-Yard Relay Championship.

The Maine State championship in the 390-yard relay was captured by Colby's fast team, at the 25th Annual Invitation Meet of the Boston Athletic Association, last Saturday evening, February seventh. Bowdoin was unwilling to come to terms with the B. A. A., so the race was a three-cornered one between Bates, Maine and Colby. According to the Boston papers, Colby, running in 3 minutes 12 1-5 seconds, made the fastest time ever run by a Maine college at these meets.

The race being enlarged to an intercollegiate instead of a dual contest, for the first time, this year, produced the keenest rivalry, and led to one of the best relays of the meet. At the lineup for the race, Fox of Maine drew the pole, giving the University a decided advantage. Nevers, starting for Bates, drew the middle position, leaving for Royal, who ran first for Colby, the outside of the track. With the gun, Fox and Royal got off to a good start, Fox reaching the turn first with Royal at his heels. Nevers was caught in the jam and fell, regaining his feet when his opponents were five yards in the lead. This distance proved too far for Bates to regain, and she ran third for the rest of the race.

Although he ran a fine race, Royal was unable to pass Fox, who turned over an advantage of about one and a half yards to St. Onge. Golden, running second for Colby, showed strength and head-work

and gave Reynolds, at the touch off, about a yard of lead over Dempsey of Maine. Reynolds ran the best race of his career and increased the advantage to five yards. As anchor man, Bowen ran away from Skolfield of Maine sufficiently to finish eight yards in the lead. The Bates runner finished half a lap in the rear.

At the conclusion of the meet, Manager Merrill challenged Manager Koughan or the Bowdoin Track Team to run the B. A. A. distance in a match race at the gymnasium of the Brunswick college.

### "WIND" AND BRAINS START OUTING CLUB.

"Frye said that he would supply the brains if I would furnish the wind", said Mr. William C. Crawford, '88, at the meeting of the nucleus of what is to be the Colby Outing Club, held Friday evening, January 30, in the Chemical lecture room. The meeting was called for the purpose of proposing to the students the idea of forming an organization here in Colby which will have for its purpose the promotion of more out-of-door life in the college—a club similar to the Dartmouth Outing Club, which is known the world over, wherever sporting magazines are read. Mr. Crawford and Mr. Robie Gale Frye, '82, have been agitating such a movement for a number of years; and from the sentiment expressed at the meeting, it looks as if Colby would have a bona

fide Outing Club within a very short time; for six professors and about sixty students all expressed themselves heartily in favor of such a movement.

At the meeting, President Roberts introduced Mr. Crawford, who said that he came unprepared to make a speech, but was prepared to outline the formation, purpose, and procedure of an Outing Club. Mr. Crawford and Mr. Frye had drawn up a brief which the former read and enlarged in places. The form of the proposed organization as outlined provides a simple, workable scheme of government with the usual conventional executive, and the addition of several group leaders who are to have charge of the various parties which the club will send out from time to time.

After Mr. Crawford had concluded, Dr. Little, Dr. Parmenter, and Mr. R. W. Dunn, expressed favorable opinions and hearty interest in such a club, and with "Cap." Pepper's benediction, the meeting adjourned until after the "hike."

A committee consisting of Drs. Little and Parmenter, R. E. Johnson, '14, C. R. Mills, '15, Lyman Thayer, '16, and Ezra Wenz, '17, met, the following Tuesday evening, and drew up a constitution. Last Saturday afternoon, a party of students and professors took a "hike" to Oakland. The trip was fine and enjoyable; and it is hoped that the next one will find even a larger number in the ranks.

#### DR. GROVER'S LECTURE.

The second lecture in the series which is now being held for the benefit of the college library was delivered, January 26, at the chapel by Dr. Frederick M. Grover of the physics department. His subject was, "The Bureau of Standards, our National Measuring Laboratory." The large audience which was in attendance was composed mostly of students and faculty members.

At the outset, the speaker told of the great need for such a bureau of standard weights and measures, and then described in detail the early history of the bureau and the magnificent buildings and splendid equipment of the station now located in Washington, D. C. He stated that this is by far the finest bureau of its kind in the world.

Then followed an interesting description of the work that is being carried on. Dr. Grover described weighing processes made by the observer twenty feet away from the balances, the reading being taken through a telescope and the balances themselves being in a vault separated from the observer by a brick wall, to prevent the heat of his body from having an effect upon the result. Differences between two standards of length could be determined to one-tenth of a micron, or four ten-millionths of an inch.

The subject was one of which the average man knows little and, therefore, was intensely interesting and instructive. Dr. Grover was for some years employed by the department and is consequently well acquainted with its management.

#### CHESS TOURNAMENT.

The chess tournament began February 10. The City Club has issued a challenge to the college chess team, and the match will be played off as soon as the tournament has progressed far enough to justify a selection. The following men have signified their intention to compete: R. H. Bowen, '14, H. C. Morse, '14, G. W. Pratt, '14, E. L. Wyman, '14, H. H. Rohrbach, '15, R. C. Young, '15, F. M. Dyer, '16, T. Fieldbrave, '16, F. Eaton, '17, W. H. Kelsey, '15, H. W. Rand, '15, M. L. Illsley, '17.

#### END OF FIRST SEMESTER'S BOWLING MATCHES.

On account of the midyear examinations, no matches were scheduled for last

week. During the preceding week, however, two were rolled off at the Y. M. C. A. alleys. The "Dekes" won from the "A. T. O.'s" and are now tied for second place with the "Zetes", who lost to the "D. U.'s."

Delta Upsilon won the closest and most exciting match of the season from Zeta Psi, on January 29th. The match was most important for both teams and much depended upon the result. The keenest of rivalry prevailed from start to finish. D. U. finally won by the narrow margin of 17 pins and now has a good lead in the league standing. James was high man both for single string and three-string totals.

The standing at the end of the first semester:

	Won	Lost	P. C.
Delta Upsilon .....	7	1	.875
Zeta Psi .....	5	3	.625
Delta Kappa Epsilon.....	5	3	.625
Alpha Tau Omega.....	2	6	.250
Phi Delta Theta.....	1	7	.125

#### DECISION WEEK.

As President Roberts has aptly said, Colby is a Christian college. A large proportion of our men are members—either active or associate—of the Y. M. C. A. Some are not. None, however, are indifferent to that for which the association stands—the Higher Life. Certainly, the college man, more than any other, in these days, should have positive convictions upon vital concerns. He should feel keenly every moral obligation and strive to fulfill it. He should, especially, be willing to take a decided stand in all matters pertaining to his religious faith. Outside, the world is calling, as never before, for men who have become fixed in correct habits, who are strong and courageous in moral purpose, and who are true to high ideals in all their relations to the social order and to God. This college, in the century of its existence, has furnished a

large number of such men. To supply more is its present reason for being.

Beginning February twelfth, there will be held a series of special services, by and for the men of Colby, which shall have for their purpose the moral and spiritual uplift of this college. Reverend E. C. Herrick, '98, of Charlestown, Mass., will lead in a week of sincere Christian effort. Nightly meetings in Memorial Hall and special conferences during each day will be held. Good music will be provided.

Men of the association,—shall we not all plan to be present at every service—setting aside other interests, if necessary,—and thus help to make this Decision Week at Colby grandly worth while, not only for ourselves but for others?

For the Y. M. C. A.,

H. W. BROWN, *Faculty Adviser.*

#### COMMONS CLUB DANCE.

The Colby Chapter of the Commons Club, with the Alpha Tau Omegas as guests, held an informal dance, last Saturday evening, at the Club House. Dancing began, "When Twilight Comes to Kiss the Rose Good-night," and continued, "Till the Sands of the Desert Grow Cold." Drew's orchestra furnished music for the thirty couples present. Dr. and Mrs. Roberts acted as patron and patroness. Among the young ladies in attendance were: the Misses Barker, Bradlee, Bynon, Chamberlain, Danforth, Dresser, Dudley, Fletcher, Green, Hamilton, Hanson, Hinckley, Hussey, Learned, Lord, MacFaddon, Moore, Norton, Peacock, Percival, Pettingill, Robinson, Singer, Smith, Stevens, Thomas, Wheet, Wright, and Wyman.

Vernelle W. Dyer, '15, is filling the Baptist pulpit at West Dover, for a few Sundays.

Crawford A. Treat, ex-'15, called on friends at the A. T. O. house, recently, while on his way to Bangor.



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We observe that the Bangor newspaper, always rather partial to U. of M., failed, for some unexplained reason, to report the results of the Maine college relay. This B. A. A. meet is a big advertiser. Had Maine won, what then?

Another juicy plum fell Colby's way, Saturday night, in the well-earned victory of our relay team at the B. A. A. Meet. The obstinacy of the Bowdoin council in failing to come to terms with the B. A. A. management is to be deplored, for another whack at our old rivals from Brunswick would only have made our victory the more gratifying. Hats off to the coach and to our championship team!

In another column there appears an article concerning the formation of an Outing Club. Such an organization is surely needed here, and it seems already to have won the hearty support of a large number of both students and faculty. This is a club with a real, live purpose and one which will benefit the college through the improved health of its members.

Every student who has been present at the chapel service on either of the last two mornings must have been impressed by the earnest manner in which President Roberts announced the proposed religious services to be held here for one week, beginning tomorrow night, by Rev. E. C. Herrick, an alumnus and loyal friend of the college. It is charged that the colleges turn out agnostics. Colby is surely an exception to this. At present, upwards of thirty men, at least, are preparing either for the ministry, or for Y. M. C. A. service, or for Christian missionary work. A large interest seems to be felt and we believe the meetings will be a success.

Upon what basis is the Oracle to be published in the future? For many moons this question has furnished a lively topic for discussion and nothing seems to have been yet determined. The general sentiment seems to be that some change ought to be made from the present plans of publication and distribution. Some believe and have declared that a scheme can be devised whereby the Oracle may be kept up to its usual degree of excellence and still be less of a burden upon the students. Doubtless there men in college of sufficient ingenuity and ability to formulate and carry through such a plan. Things Colby men can't do can't be done. But, let's by no mean allow the present standard of the publication to be lowered, until some tangible plan, with real figures that prove it practicable, can be presented; let's not take any chances of ruining a good thing; for we all must admit that the present Oracle has its many good points.

## MUSICAL CLUBS TRIP.

The college musical clubs are now on an extended concert tour. A concert was given, Friday evening, before a large audience at City Opera House, Augusta.



Other concerts were: at Belfast, Saturday afternoon; at Camden, Saturday evening; at Rockland, Monday evening; at Bath, Tuesday evening; and at Richmond, Wednesday evening. What agony the inhabitants of these municipalities and plantations suffered at the hands of our song birds and musicians will probably never be known. The clubs are expected to return to Waterville, Thursday. The annual local performance is scheduled to take place at the Opera House, Tuesday evening, February 24th.

### LECTURE BY DR. MARQUARDT.

The third lecture of the Library series was held in the chapel, Monday evening. There was a large attendance, for the mere announcement of a lecture to be given in the infallibly pleasing style of Dr. Marquardt could not fail to draw a large number of his admirers.

After a few words of introduction by Mr. Chipman, the speaker of the evening was introduced. The estimation in which he is held was evidenced by the rousing ovation that he received. After the roar of applause that followed his introduction, Dr. Marquardt began with a few remarks in lighter vein, after which he went directly to the theme of his lecture, "Goethe and Schiller." He outlined, in brief, the life of each of these two masters in literature, referring to their associates and giving a summary of their works. He also contrasted the two men in many important respects, and compared them in others. Selections from both were given in their native language to show their pleasing rhythm and meter. In closing, the speaker presented the historical foundation of Goethe's "Faust" and gave a masterful summary of the entire poem, with a few verbatim selections. The whole served to make this one of the most effective sidelights on German literature which have been presented in this city.

### RESOLUTIONS.

#### HALL OF COLBY CHAPTER OF DELTA UPSILON.

Inasmuch as it has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to remove from our brotherhood our honored brother, George Marshall Preston; and

WHEREAS, in his death we have lost the last of the founders of our chapter—a strong worker for, and a loyal supporter of, our fraternity; therefore be it

*Resolved*,—that we of the Colby Chapter of Delta Upsilon extend our deepest sympathy to the relatives of our departed brother; and be it further

*Resolved*,—that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our late brother; that a copy be spread upon our chapter records; and that a copy be sent to the COLBY ECHO for publication.

Committee on Resolutions:

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### CAMPUS CHAT.

John Harriman, '16, is being treated for a severe case of blood poisoning, at the Fairfield hospital.

Robert Hussey, '16, was called home last week on account of illness.

James H. Phair, ex-'14, has been spending a few days with friends at the A. T. O. house.

The Spaulding Athletic Guides are now on sale by "Braggo" Ervin. They contain the picture of Colby's winning freshman team, which made its name at the invitation meet at Andover, last fall.

Frederick F. Sully, '16, who was operated upon for appendicitis two weeks ago and has since been slowly recovering at the Libby hospital, returned to his studies this morning. His many friends in college and about town are glad to see him out once more.

In the chemical lecture room, last Satur-

day evening, Dr. Little showed to a group of Syrians the views which he lectured upon, Sunday, at the Methodist church. The group was a number of those of this city who are being taught English by some of the college boys.

### WOMEN'S DIVISION.

IDELLA KATHRINE FARNUM, Editor.  
MARION EDITH DODGE, Business Manager.

Dean Carll spent Sunday at her home in China, Maine.

Alice Beckett, '14, recently visited Mrs. Jessie Ross Murchie, '12, in Augusta.

Margaret Buswell, '12, called on friends in Waterville this week.

Prof. A. M. Thomas of Farmington visited his daughter, Helen O. Thomas, '14, Saturday.

Lillian Tuttle, '17, and Margaret Forbes, '15, spent the semester holidays with Miss Forbes's sister, Mrs. A. M. Stinson, at New Sharon.

Myrtle Everett, '15, entertained her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs R. H. Everett of Hartland, last week.

May H. Sargent, '15, has recovered from an attack of German measles.

Clara Morton, '17, has been obliged to leave college for a few weeks, at least, because of the critical illness of her father.

Effie Hannan, '16, is ill at the home of friends, in Skowhegan.

Frances Wheet, '17, leaves college this week, on account of ill health.

The All-Out-of-Door Club held its first meeting of the year last Monday, when a number of girls took a two-hour walk, followed by a luncheon at Foss Hall.

Gladys Paul, '14, will have charge of the freshman gymnasium classes, for the remainder of the term.

Members of the Women's Division who heard Dr. Marquardt's lecture on "Goethe and Schiller" were enthusiastic in their appreciation of it.

The Bible-study classes are finishing their courses this week, and the mission-study, which belongs to the second semester, will begin at once.

The minstrel show, which was given by the sophomores for the benefit of the Y. W. C. A., was a great success, both socially and financially. The freshmen will entertain on the twenty-first of February.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting last evening was a strong appeal for foreign mission work. The subject was "Brides." Different girls, in costumes of the countries represented, described the condition of women in some of the great nations. Alice Mather, '16, represented the Chinese bride; Mildred Greeley, '17, the African; Aldine Gilman, '15, the Japanese; Vivienne Wright, '16, the Indian widow; and Marion Wyman, '16, Pundeta Ramabai, who did so great a work for the women of her country; and Mrs. Crowell was the American bride who made an earnest plea for help for women in un-Christianized lands.

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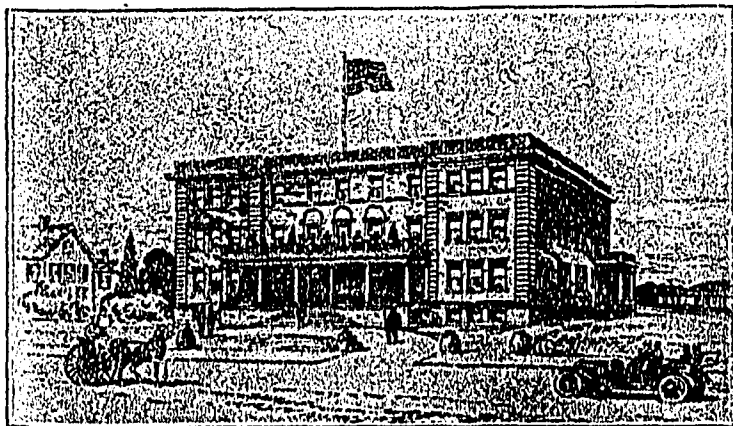
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