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## TRAGEDY ON MESSALONSKEE.

### PHILMORE FAULKINGHAM LOSES OWN LIFE TRYING TO SAVE HIS FRIEND.

The college was stunned, Monday noon, by the news of a fatal canoe accident upon the Messalonskee; in which Philmore M. Faulkingham, '18, met his death by drowning, while trying to save his friend, George R. Skillin. The latter was brought to Roberts Hall in a critical condition as a result of his own almost fatal struggle in



PHILMORE MILLIARD FAULKINGHAM.

the icy water of the stream. In broken accents he reported that Faulkingham was drowned.

Several fellows remained to attend to Skillin, while a larger number hurried to the stream to assist the police in finding the body of Faulkingham. Those that remained at the hall learned the details of the sad story in snatches, as Skillin was at first unable to talk coherently.

Faulkingham and Skillin had been canoeing since eight o'clock, and they were returning home at about noon. The for-

mer was unskilled in handling a canoe, he having always used the punts and dories of the sea-coast. The pair had just passed the bridge half a mile above the canoe house when Faulkingham, who was paddling, began to send the canoe along at a dangerous speed. A missed stroke threw both men to one side, tipping the canoe, and a moment later both were struggling in the cold water. Faulkingham swam safely to the shore, but Skillin clung to the canoe. The latter could also swim, but he was fast weakening, from cold and, although he said he was all right, Faulkingham threw off his clothes and plunged in to help him. The effort was too much however, and as he neared the canoe he gasped that he was "all in." Skillin pushed the canoe toward him and thought he saw him grasp it. Then he struck out for the opposite shore. Seeing a team on the bridge, he cried out just as he was sinking the first time. He continued toward the shore with all his fast waning strength, but sank a second time. On his third attempt, he managed to get his head upon land but could move no farther. The occupant of the team pulled him out, but Faulkingham had disappeared, and they could do nothing but tell the police.

The accident occurred at about twelve o'clock, and at half past, there were eight or more canoes and row boats engaged in dragging the stream. A diver was sent for but before he arrived the body had been located. It was brought to the shore; and, at the earnest request of his fraternity brothers, it was rushed to the city in an automobile that a pulmonator might be employed. The instrument was of no avail, however, and the remains were committed to the undertaker. After the body had been cared for, it was taken to the home of President Roberts for the night.

At eleven o'clock Tuesday morning the Commons Club in caps and gowns marched to President Roberts's house, where a short prayer service was held. Then six fraternity brothers lovingly bore the remains to the chapel. The freshman

class in solemn procession marched before the casket and at the chapel doors stood with bared heads while the sad procession passed in.

The whole student body was present at the impressive service which followed. There was a beautiful display of floral tributes which had come from the fraternities, from his class, and from many friends in the city and the college. The male quartet opened the service by singing "Walking with Thee." Dr. Phelps, pastor of the First Baptist church, offered a touching prayer. Then, after reading several passages of Scripture, President Roberts spoke feelingly of the life and worth of the young man. Dr. Phelps closed with a benediction. There was hardly a dry eye in the room, so touching and pathetic was the service.

At one o'clock, the Commons Club followed their dead brother to the station, and a delegation, including C. E. Dobbin, E. M. Woodward, O. C. Wilbur, and G. R. Skillin, accompanied the remains to Jonesport, where the funeral was held to-day.

Philmore Milliard Faulkingham was born in West Jonesport, Maine, nineteen years ago. He was a typical coast boy and was used to hard work, having helped in his father's business since he was a child. He was graduated from Jonesport High School in 1913, and came to Colby in the fall of 1914. He early became affiliated with the Colby Chapter of Commons Clubs, of which he was a strong and active member. He was going through college largely by his own efforts, and he was a willing worker as well as a brilliant student. "Phil" had considerable ability in athletics, too, although he was totally untrained for any special branch of sport. He went out for track this spring, however, and showed much promise in the broad and high jumps.

Although a perfect type of physical manhood, his mental and moral natures surpassed even this quality. "Phil" Faulkingham was a thorough Christian, a clean, honest, and generous young man. He was a gentleman of sterling character through and through. Possessed of the highest ideals, he set a fine example by his very strength of purpose. Although he had been with us but a few short months, he had won the respect and friendship of all. He was a tremendous, steadily increasing influence for good in the college.

In spite of the terrible experience and shock of Monday, Skillin's strong constitution responded to treatment by Dr. Bessey, and he was able to attend the services Tuesday, as well as to make the trip to Jonesport.

Skillin's father and mother, hearing of Monday's accident by telephone from the Boston Globe office, came at once to Waterville. They arrived on the 1.30 train, Tuesday, and will visit relatives in China, until their son's return from Jonesport.

#### PRESIDENT ROBERTS' ADDRESS.

In these sad hours since yesterday we have all of us often thought of the bereaved father and mother, and have wished that our sympathy and pity could help them bear their crushing load of grief. How glad we are to know that they are Christian parents and that they will be strengthened and sustained by their Christian faith! And what unspeakable comfort for them that their son was a Christian, too! They will mourn, but not as those without hope; for they will look forward to a blessed reunion in that land where there is no more sorrow or pain or parting.

Mr. Faulkingham, in the few short months he was among us, gained the respect and high regard of all who knew him. He was a fine type of physical manhood, and had mind and heart to match. He was clean and pure in speech; kind and friendly and generous; loving all and beloved by all. The way he met his death was the way he lived his life: it was the way of helpful and unselfish service. After the accident he swam safely to shore and then lost his life by going back to save his friend.

To find the larger meaning of such an event as this baffles the understanding. Why this boy, in the early morning of manhood, with his lofty purposes and noble ambitions, and splendid hopes of unaccomplished years,—why he should have been permitted to leave a world that seems sorely to need such as he,—we cannot tell. And just because we cannot tell, we must turn to Him who alone knows, and with simple trusting faith, say through our tears, "Thy will, not mine be done," "Though he slay me, yet will I trust him," "The Lord gave and the Lord

hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

This sudden death speaks a plain word of warning to us all,—to us who know not what a day may bring forth. Be ye also ready. We must put our lives into His hands who alone can keep them safe here and everywhere, now and always, in time and eternity. And with His help we must put out of our lives and keep out of our lives, the things we do not wish to carry with us out of this world into the next.

### RESOLUTIONS.

#### HALL OF COLBY CHAPTER OF COMMONS CLUB.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God, in His infinite wisdom, to remove from our midst our brother, Philmore Milliard Faulkingham, and

WHEREAS, Our brother died as he had lived in loving sacrifice for another, and

WHEREAS, In his death the fraternity has lost one of its most beloved and loyal brothers, and

WHEREAS, Brother Faulkingham was a man of the highest Christian character, one loved and respected by all who knew him; be it

*Resolved*, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends.

*Resolved*, That we wear a symbol of our grief under our inverted pins for a period of six weeks.

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Colby ECHO and the Commons Club Chronicle, and be placed upon the records of our chapter.

CARROL E. DOBBIN,  
RAY C. YOUNG,  
HENRY A. EATON,  
Committee on Resolutions.

#### COLBY WINS BOTH ENDS OF MAINE DEBATE.

Colby defeated U. of M. in the dual debate both at Waterville and Orono last evening, our affirmative team which debated in the chapel receiving two to one decision, while the negative team were the unanimous victors at the up-state contest. The chapel was crowded to standing room and all present were keenly interested in the speeches. Deafening ap-

plause greeted the announcement of Colby as the victor. Dr. Ashcraft presided. Harold Campbell, '15, LaBelle, '17, and Rogers, '17, represented Colby and showed the results of careful study and constant training. It is generally conceded that the Maine speakers excelled in argument, but Colby won on delivery. Of the negative speakers Wunderlich made by far the best impression on his audience. He spoke clearly yet rapidly and clinched his points with remarkable force. The others were Walter C. Jones and Carl Magnus.

The board of judges was composed of Hon. John A. Morrill of Auburn; Mr. Roland T. Patten of Skowhegan; and Mr. Charles B. Haskell, of Pittsfield.

Meanwhile, Fraser, '15, Gilbert, '15, and Flanders, '17, were pulling down the honors at Orono. Only meager details have as yet been received from this debate.

#### AROOSTOOK ALUMNI DINE.

President Roberts and Judge Philbrook were the guests of the Alumni Club of Aroostook County, Tuesday evening at their annual meeting and banquet. No report of said gathering is available as the ECHO goes to press. President Roberts is expected back today.

#### "AT COLBY."

For the sake of local color the Dramatic Club's play is henceforth to be known as "At Colby." Manager Bickford announces that the play will be presented at Hall-owell, Tuesday night; at Brooks, Wednesday night; and probably at City Opera House, some night during the following week.

#### JUNIOR PROM, MONDAY NIGHT, APRIL 26TH.

After several changes and attempts to suit the wishes of the majority of the students, the Junior Prom Committee has finally decided to hold the Annual Promenade on Monday night, April the 26th. Everything is in readiness for the affair, which promises to be of the best sort. As was announced last week, dancing will begin promptly at nine, so everyone is urged to be there on time.

Professor Brown gave the first Coburn vesper address last Sunday afternoon. Subject, "H=K (D+Y)."

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Heartiest congratulations, debaters!!!

Cheer up! Our team has made only ten errors so far on the Massachusetts trip.

In order to include an account of the first interfraternity track meet, this issue of the ECHO is purposely delayed one day in publication.

Attention is called to the girls' operetta to be presented at the Opera House next week. Buy your tickets early, fellows; the girls support our clubs and we should reciprocate. Everybody out!!!

The dreadful tragedy on the Messalonskee, reported elsewhere in this issue, fell upon the entire college as a terrible blow; and our day of joyful celebration was suddenly changed to one of profound sadness. Ours is a keen and genuine feeling of loss, for we recognize that death has taken a young man of sterling character and of much promise of success and leadership in the course he had here so well begun. No words could better express our sentiments than those of our President at the chapel service, in his eloquent tribute to a noble life. To the parents and other

friends of our lost fellow-student, the ECHO extends the heartfelt sympathy of all Colby men in this time of mutual bereavement. "Greater love hath no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friend."

## PROHIBITION PRIZES AGAIN OFFERED.

Mr. A. P. Shaw, New England secretary for the I. P. A., led the Y. M. C. A. meeting Tuesday evening and addressed the men at chapel yesterday morning. While in town he arranged for a local temperance prize contest which is now planned for May 21, and has practically completed arrangements for a state contest for the first week in June.

"Buster" Holt spent the holidays at his home in Clinton.

The prizes for the local contest are ten and fifteen dollars while those of the state contest will be at least an aggregate of \$50.00. For further information see Harry Upton or "Ginger" Fraser.

## DELTA UPSILON WINS FIRST LEG OF TRACK CUP.

By a margin of eleven points from her nearest competitor Delta Upsilon won the first of the Interfraternity meets yesterday afternoon. The day was fair and although the dust was bothersome at times, the results obtained were satisfactory. It is hoped that same spirit will be shown next Wednesday and that even a larger number of men will be out. As Coach Cohn is expected back next Monday the next meet will be pulled off next Wednesday. An unfortunate accident occurred to mar the day's pleasure when Pete Mayers sprained his left ankle. This accident will probably keep him out of the running game for the rest of the year.

### Summary:

100-yard dash—Staples, D. U., first; Mayers, N. F., second; Joyce, D. U., third. Time, 10.1 seconds.

220-yard dash—Adams, A. T. O., first; Webster, D. U., second; Ferrell, A. T. O., third. Time, 24.4 seconds.

440-yard dash—Webster, D. U., first; Merrill, P. D. T., second; Golden, A. T. O., third. Time, 53.2 seconds.

880-yard run—Piebes, N. F., first; Weg, N. F., second; Golden, A. T. O., third.

Time, 2 minutes 7.1 seconds.

Mile run—Thompson, P. D. T., first; Wood, D. U., second; Levine, N. F., third. Time, 4 minutes 44.1 seconds.

Two mile—Wenz, P. D. T., first; Levine, N. F., second. Time, 11 minutes 19.4 seconds.

120-yard hurdles—Royal, D. U., first; Harriman, A. T. O., second; Adams, D. U., third. Time, 17.3 seconds.

220-yard hurdles—Cook, D. K. E., first; Royal, D. U., second; Hamerschlag, N. F., third. Time, 27.1 seconds.

Broad jump—Adams, D. U., first; Goffin, N. F., second; Hamerschlag, N. F., third. Distance, 20 feet 6 inches.

High jump—Cawley, Z. P., first; Jacobs, D. U., second; Libby, Z. P., third. Height, 5 feet 8 inches.

Pole vault—Cook, D. K. E., first; Mayers, N. F., second; Parker, N. F., third. Height, 10 feet.

Shot put—Holt, D. K. E., first; Stanwood, A. T. O., second; Mogannon, N. F., third. Distance, 37 feet 11 inches.

Discus throw—Cawley, Z. P., first; Holt, D. K. E., second; Joyce, D. U., third. Distance, 116 feet 6 inches.

EVENT	D.K.E.	Z.P.	D.U.	P.D.T.	A.T.O.	N.F.
100-yd dash....	0	0	6	0	0	3
220-yd dash....	0	0	3	0	6	0
440-yd dash....	0	0	5	3	1	0
880-yd run.....	0	0	0	0	1	8
Mile run.....	0	0	3	5	0	1
2-mile run.....	0	0	0	5	0	3
120-yd hurdles..	0	0	6	0	3	0
220-yd hurdles..	5	0	3	0	0	1
Broad jump....	0	0	5	0	0	4
High jump.....	0	6	3	0	0	0
Pole vault.....	5	0	0	0	0	4
Shot put.....	5	0	0	0	3	1
Discus throw... 3	5	1	0	0	0	0
	18	11	35	13	14	25

BASEBALL TEAM ON LONG TRIP.

The baseball team is fast rounding into form for the championship series. Coach Houser is teaching the men to "use their beans" as well as play mechanical baseball; and although this training may not show early results, it is the kind that wins in the end.

Coach Houser seems to like the class of the veterans and, outside of three positions, last year's team is intact. Nevertheless, the youngsters are giving the older men a hard rub and it is still a

flip-up as to who will make the regular team. At present, Allen is holding down right field and looks good for the position. In the absence of Cawley, who it is said, will get into the running next week, Young Duffy is putting up a fine game at short-stop and is hitting the ball like a veteran. He looks good to hold a regular place on the team.

With Jack Lowney hopelessly out of the running, on account of faculty restrictions, the catching department offers a gigantic problem. Bill Harriman and Barker are at present the logical selections; but some think that Freshman Newton possesses the necessary class to oust both of these men, and it is reported that he will be out in uniform next week. Whatever the outcome, this difficult position will bear watching.

The team as a whole looks the best in years. There is an immense squad working out every day. James has all his old stuff and looks better than ever. What is more, he has an able corps of assistants which should prove to be a strong factor in his favor. All in all, there is little reason at this time to rescind on the early season forecast.

THREE DEFEATS SO FAR.

On Wednesday afternoon of last week, Colby crossed bats with Coburn in the first practice game of the season. Coburn used one of her best pitchers throughout the game and fought all the way to win. Colby used three pitchers and took just a good stiff work-out. Coburn touched all three Colby pitchers and won by the score of 13 to 8.

	R.	H.	E.
Coburn .....	13	10	4
Colby .....	8	7	7

Batteries: McPhee and Ashworth; James, Totman, Wright and W. Harriman.

LEWISTON LEAGUERS TOO STRONG.

Colby journeyed to Lewiston, Saturday, and took a defeat at the hands of the Lewiston New England League team. It was merely a practice game for both teams, and neither fought hard for honors. Colby featured by her numerous errors.

	R.	H.	E.
Lewiston ...	0 1 4 0 6 0 6	17	11 0
Colby .....	0 0 0 2 0 3 0	5	8 8

Batteries: Herring, Schwartz, and

Holmes; James, Belger, Totman, and Barker. Umpire, John Carrigan.

#### BAD DEFEAT BY HOLY CROSS.

Colby fielded raggedly yesterday at Worcester and lost to Holy Cross by the one-sided score of 14 to 1. Simpson made Colby's only run on a sacrifice hit and a base on balls. Score by innings:

Holy Cross.....	0	1	3	0	2	2	2	4	—14
Colby .....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	— 1

Batteries: Daley, Redican and Murphy; James, Matthews and Harriman, Barker.

#### CAMPUS CHAT:

Harry Stack, '18, left yesterday noon for his home in Brooklyn, N. Y., having received a telegram announcing the death of his father. The ECHO tenders sympathy.

Raymond C. Curtis, '14, was a visitor at Phi Delta Theta house for a couple of days.

Jack Barry of Maine was a visitor at the Phi Delta Theta house, Tuesday.

Colby Second team was defeated by Kents Hill yesterday, 5-2.

Emery D. Gibbs, '88, was a visitor in town over Patriot's day.

The Alpha Tau Omega baseball nine defeated Lawrence High in a closely played game, Saturday to the tune of 9 to 5. Pitcher Harriman made seventeen strike outs and Catcher Stanwood two home runs.

Flanders, '17, has returned to college after a prolonged vacation.

The lower floor of the A. T. O. house is being completely repaired and fitted up.

Rev. Chas. F. Robinson, of the "Congo" church, led chapel this morning.

Rev. Geo. R. Stair of Portland has been secured by the Y. M. C. A. to conduct a series here beginning Tuesday evening of next week.

Congratulations from President Roberts to the six victorious debaters were read this morning at chapel.

Yesterday's defeat rather upset the dope pot.

Scott Brackett, Bowdoin, '15, has been a guest at the Delta Upsilon house since Saturday.

Harry L. Piedra, Bowdoin, '16, who arrived Monday to attend the Prom, returned to Brunswick, Tuesday morning.

Donald S. Bartlett, ex-'16, now a stu-

dent at Harvard Dental, has been visiting friends on the campus for the last few days.

Helen Adams, sister of Eliot Adams, '18, has been visiting in the city, having come to attend the Junior Promenade.

Raymond Curtis, '14, is visiting friends at the Phi Delta Theta house for a few days.

Ernest R. Scribner has accepted a position as chauffeur and will run a new Maxwell runabout.

"Red" O'Brien, '16, returned to college this morning.

#### WOMEN'S DIVISION.

Edited by the News Department of the Colbiana.  
 1915—Dorothy Newman Webb.  
 1916—Vesta May McCurda.  
 1917—Marion Daggett.  
 1918—Isabelle Hervey Wing.  
 Manager—Hazel Dell Ross.

There are signs of Spring!

The Y. W. C. A. meeting Tuesday night was in charge of Marjorie Barker, '16, and consisted of a report of the Portland Conference. Both amusing and interesting incidents were related by the delegates.

The Waterville W. C. T. U. announces the offer of two prizes, a first of \$15, and a second of \$10 for the best 1500-word article written and delivered by some member of the Women's Division of Colby College.

Marjorie Scribner, '14, was a recent caller at Foss Hall.

Paul Burbank of Berlin, N. H., has been the guest of Hazel Robinson, '17.

Plans for "The Japanese Girl" are rapidly progressing. The solo parts are to be taken by the Misses Greene, Daggett, Barker and Hanson. Secure your tickets NOW for the 29th!!

Cecil Brown of Maine Law School, was the guest of Marjorie Barker, Monday.

The monthly meeting of the Women's League will be held at Foss Hall, Saturday evening. There will be a round table talk in the library and a charade by each class. Every girl is asked to represent a favorite book, and a prize will be awarded for the best representation.

Many of the Women's Division spent the week end at their homes.

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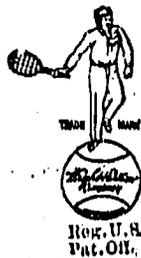
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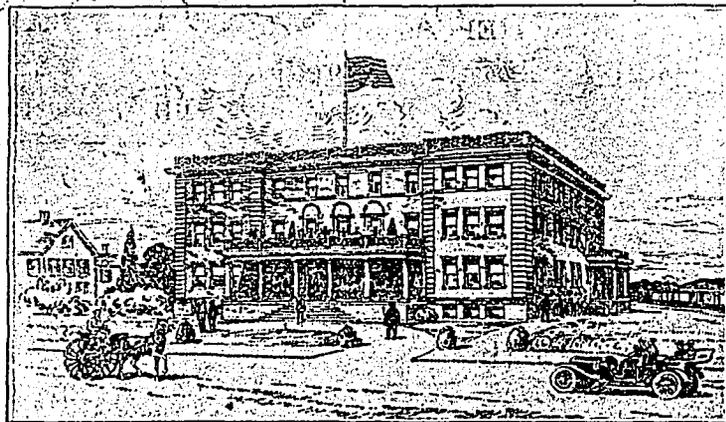
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