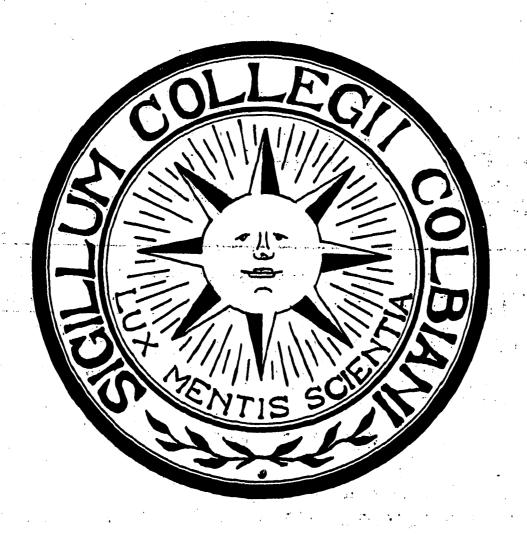
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TWO PROFESSORS RESIGN.

The whole student body has heard with great regret the recent announcement that two members of the faculty, Dr. Robert G. Caswell and Professor Clarence R. Johnson have resigned, the resignation taking effect in June.

Dr. Caswell, who has been assistant professor of chemistry, has resigned to become one of the research chemists of E. S. Dupont de Nemours & Company of Wilmington, Delaware, the largest and oldest plant in the country where explosives are manufactured. He has been at Colby four years, coming here from Brown University after completing a course there for his degree of Ph.D. Since coming here Dr. Caswell has made a host of friends among students and townspeople alike, and is considered one of the most popular members of the faculty.

Professor Johnson, who is also a Brown graduate. has resigned as assistant professor of Romance Languages. He plans to go to France this summer to work among the French soldiers in the trenches under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. Professor Johnson did Y. M. C. A. work among prisoners of war in France while on a leave of absence from Colby during the year 1916-17. Professor Johnson is also one of the popular members of the faculty. He has done much for the college, especially since his return from France. He has instituted a novel course in military French which has proved very popular.

The student body and faculty are sincerely sorry at the loss of these professors because of the deep imprint which they have left on the college for the intellectual and moral good of all with whom they have come into contact. May they have the very best of success in their new fields of labor.

PAN-HELLENIC COUNCIL.

Last Thursday afternoon at the regular monthly meeting of the Student Council, the organization of a Pan-Hellenic Council was discussed. The object of such a Council is to provide a medium between the fraternities and to govern all inter-fraternity relations.

At present there are several honorary societies composed of men from the different fraternities, but of these not one serves to regulate inter-fraternity affairs or to meet the lack of co-ordination between the fraternities. Quite often the need of such an organization has been felt to be imperative.

A committee, composed to Alden, '18, Marble, '18, and Holt, '18, was appointed to investigate the situation and to report later.

GOODWIN PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST.

Professor Libby announces as a result of correspondence which he has been carrying on with Mrs. Matee Goodwin, the donor of the prizes in the Goodwin Interscholastic Debate, that it has been decided to change the Goodwin Debates from a preparatory school affair to an open public speaking contest for all students of the men's division at Colby.

The rules governing the awarding of the prizes are as follows:

- shall be held in April in which contestants shall present to a board of judges an original written address of not over 10 minutes in length, and shall memorize and deliver an excerpt from this address of not over three minutes in length. The written address shall be judged on the basis of 50 points, and the spoken excerpt, 50 points. The eight students ranking highest in the preliminary contest shall be appointed to the final contest.
- 2. A final contest shall be held in May at which time the eight successful contestants shall deliver the addresses in full. A board of three judges shall pass upon the merits of the speaking, and shall award their decision upon the basis of 50 points, of which Interpretation shall count 25; Appearance, 15; and Pronunciation, 10.
- 3. The awards shall be as follows: First prize, \$50; second prize, \$25; third prize, \$15; fourth prize, \$10.
- 4. A general subject, the phases of which the contestants will be expected to treat, shall be announced each year. The general subject for 1917-1918 is, "Education and American Ideals."

PI DELTA PHI HOUSE PARTY.

A house party was held in the Pi Delta Phi rooms last Monday evening for the members of the fraternity and their invited guests. Progressive whist was in order from 8 to 10 o'clock. The winners were Miss E. Murray and Mr. Moor, and they were presented with a fine box of chocolates. Consolation was awarded to Miss A. Murray and Mr. Hanson. Refreshments were served during the evening. The party broke up with the singing of America.

Dr. and Mrs. Chester were the chaperones. Those present were: Misses Gurganus, Perley, Jordan, Baldwin, Teague, Dow, Flagg, Reynolds, E. Murray, Waterman, A. Murray, and Messrs. Hanson, Waterman, Hamer, Tyler and Moor.

PROSPECTS BRIGHT.

Exhibition Game Next Friday.

The first game of the season, an exhibiton game with Maine, will be played Friday on Alumni Field. The team is working smoothly and promises to make Maine go some for a victory.

Driscoll will be behind the bat supporting Fahey who will do the twirling. Bucknam may also be seen in the box. Stone and Marshall will hold down first base. Both men have been doing good work and it is a toss up as to who will start the game. Nourse will probably start the game on second. Taylor will doubtless take his place for a part of the game. Frass will be seen in his customary position, at short, and Capt. Heyes will do his bit on the hot corner. Brudno and Claffie who have been doing good work in practice will probably substitute in the infield positions. The outfield will be covered by Bucknam, Tyler, Wyman, and Pulsifer. Several other candidates have been looking good and will probably get their chance in the game.

Colby feels that she has the making of a championship team this year and the chances look good for a successful beginning by a victory in Friday's game.

"PROF." SHORT'S BEREAVEMENT.

Alas! Alas! Our beloved "Prof." Short has lost his "haven of rest."

On the afternoon of Saturday, April 6, fair coords, townspeople, and members of the men's division were attracted campus-wards, under the impression that the College was burning. And so it was, but only a minute part of it, known as the summer residence of our distinguished Mr. Short.

Various estimates as to the loss incurred are being advanced, the most feasible one being, that the total loss comprised a wheelbarrow without a wheel, a broken-handled shovel, and a couple of "dead soldiers." All that escaped Short's lips as he gazed on the ruins were these words, "Ain't that a sight!"

Sunday afternoon our "good little baseball manager, 'Jerry,'" again aroused the fire department from its slumbers because of a small grass fire, which he thought was going to burn the hole, out of the hole in the fence, behind home plate.

BEST UNTOLD.

"Did you ever hear the story about the stove pipe?"

INTER-FRATERNITY BASEBALL.

The need of athletic contests to "liven up" the year has all along been felt. As an outcome of this a meeting of representatives from the various fraternities was held last Thursday afternoon at the A. T. O. house. At this meeting a plan of interfraternity baseball was favorably discussed and adopted. The schedule is as follows:

April 13. D. U. vs. P. D. T.

April 17. A. T. O. vs. D. K. E.

April 20. Z. P. vs. O. T.

April 24. P. D. T. vs. A. T. O.

April 27. O. T. vs. D. K. E.

May 1. Z. P. vs. D. U.

May 4. P. D. T. vs. D. K. E.

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May 8. D. U. vs. O. T.

May 11. Z. P. vs. A. T. O.

May 15. P. D. T. vs. O. T.

May 18. D. K. E. vs. Z. P.

May 22. A. T. O. vs. D. U.

May 25. P. D. T. vs. Z. P.

May 29. A. T. O. vs. O. T.

June 1. D. K. E. vs. D. U.

These games will take place Wednesday and Saturday afternoons at 1.30. The first game, which was to be played last Saturday, was postponed on account of wet grounds, until Friday, April 19, at 10.30 A. M.

The P. D. P. fraternity and the non-fraternity men have combined to form a team, but as no representative was present when the schedule was drawn up, they do not appear in it. Their schedule will be announced later.

THE CATALOGUE FOR 1917-18.

The Colby Bulletin for the coming year has just been published. Resembling former catalogues in many respects, there is one feature that makes the present edition one of peculiar interest, espcially to the undergraduates.

Following the roll of students of each class in the men's division appears a list of all the men from that class that are enlisted in the national service. There is a total of 85 undergraduates who have answered the call. They are distributed as follows: Seniors, 22; Juniors, 35; Sophomores, 19; Freshmen, 3; Specials, 4.

There are 181 men in college this year. Taking the 85 enlisted, it gives a total of 266 who would be here under normal conditions. This shows that practically 88 per cent of the undergraduates are in the service—certainly a very creditable showing for Colby, comparing favorably with the averages of the larger colleges and universities.

[&]quot;No. What is it?"

[&]quot;Aw, guess I won't tell you. It's smutty."

COLBY MEN IN Y. M. C. A. WORK.

The National War Work Council of the Young Men's Christian Association has sent overseas since June 25 of last year over fifteen hundred men. They have gone for service with the American and Allied armies in France. Since the government has placed in its hands entire charge of the post exchange, as the army canteen is now called, the demand of the Association abroad for men is more insistent.

Among Colby men in this service are the following:

Elvin L. Allen, Hinckley, Maine, will serve as physical director. He was supervising principal of the Good Will Schools, Hinckley, Maine. He was graduated from Coburn Classical Institute, Waterville, Me., and in 1901 from Colby College, Waterville, Me. Mr. Allen is an athlete. He has had experience as a Y. M. C. A. county secretary and in organizing athletic leagues and musical associations.

Rev. Robert A. Bakeman, Hinckley, Maine, goes abroad as physical director. He was graduated from Colby College, Waterville, Me., 1901, and received the degree of M. A., from Harvard, 1915. Mr. Bakeman has preached and has been Y. M. C. A. county and boys' work secretary, and was principal of the Good Will Farm grammar school, Hinckley, Me. He is an athlete.

Charles W. Bradlee, Worcester, Mass., was a teacher of manual arts in Worcester Academy and a director of boys' summer camps. He studied at Colby College, Waterville, Maine, and at Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York.

Victor Ray Jones, Easton, Pa., was assistant professor of modern languages at Lafayette College. He was graduated from Colby College, Waterville, Maine, 1901, and later studied in Europe. He has traveled in France, and speaks French.

COMMENCEMENTS.

Article from Journalism Class.

Commencements are the survival of a custom that has been inflicted upon colleges and their graduates for many generations. They are marked with primitiveness, elements barbaric, and features grotesque, as well as ceremonials dignified and consonant with academic activities. The brass band of commencement and the gaudy, particolorel gowns cannot but suggest to the practical mind the tom-tom and colored other of the American redskin. It does not fit in logically with an academic atmosphere. The "would be" comedians and humorists who have the high sounding titles of "Class Prophet." and

"Presenter of Gifts" are rarely amusing and are frequently pathetic in their attempts to play the buffoon.

Commencement marks the close of an academic year and is the technical beginning of a new year for the college. The ultra conservative and reactionary influences should not retard the development and evolution of commencement which should arrive at a point where it may properly serve the college usefully. Commencement should be a time at which to exhibit the results of the academic labors of the college during the year just closed, and this in a practical and rational way with appropriate exercises. Opportunity might be given for those interested to examine specimens of the work of students in the scientific departments of the college as well as to listen to the formal speaking efforts. In this part of Commencement the college has a vital interest, for it is a means whereby to display to an interested public the wares the college has to sell.

Commencement is the time when the graduating class separates after four years of class association. The severing of class ties is no small matter for the members of the class. These exercises could more properly take the form of a pregraduation "reunion," in an intimate "getting together" of the class before saying good-bye as undergraduates. There might be some simple, formal exercises for the benefit of fond and proud parents and interested friends; but these should take a form that would give a true idea of undergraduate life rather than the false impression to be gained at present.

The alumni should have a large share in the Commencement, for they are the real friends of the college and they come back to renew the priceless college friendships that enrich their lives. The commencements of Colby might well take a new form, eliminating the hampering influence of denominational religion, abandoning the barbaric and grotesque, developing the element of exhibition of the academic product, fixing more definitely the ties of the members of the graduating class, rendering more impressive the formal parting, and renewing and deepening the love of the graduates for their alma mater.

D. M. C., '20.

Six hundred and forty-three under-graduates of McGill University have enlisted in war service. Fifty-two have been killed. Three members of the faculty out of eighty-one enlisted have lost their lives. The Roll of Honor also contains the names of one hundred and sixty-nine men who won decorations for bravery, including three Victoria Cross winners.

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The passing of Herbert H. Fletcher has led us here at Colby more to realize the seriousness of this war, to realize that we too, many of us, perhaps, may have to make the supreme sacrifice. In this respect this death has been of service to us. For, as Dr. Phelps expressed it, "We are all inspired by him to a deeper devotion. His going through the gates has left them open for others."

Every Colby man and woman reveres the memory of this, our Colby martyr to the cause of world freedom.

A service flag containing 2442 stars for men in service is to be raised shortly at the University of Illinois.

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Promotion for men who apply themselves is rapid. and as an illustration of the opportunities afforded in the Naval Reserve, it might be stated that one out of every two men received an advance in rating last year.

LYFORDS.

Professor Libby, who has charge of the Lyford Interscholastic Prize Speaking Contest, which is open to preparatory schools of Maine and New Hampshire, announces that the contest will take place this year on May 10. Already nineteen schools have entered as contestants; and Professor Libby states that when all the schools that usually enter are heard from there will be over twenty-five. This is the largest number that have ever competed in this contest.

In order that some schools not yet heard from may have a little more time to reply, Professor Libby has set April 20 as the final date for the receipt of applications. The list of schools already entered is as follows: Fairfield High, Belfast High, Livermore Falls High, Deering High of Portland, Old Town High, Bar Harbor High, Bangor High, South Portland High, Edward Little High of Auburn, Good Will High, Rumford High, Hebron Academy, Lincoln Academy, Monmouth Academy, Westbrook Seminary of Portland, Leavitt Institute, Kimball Union Academy of Meriden, N. H., Portsmouth, N. H., High, and Colby Academy of New Hampshire.

A joke about old age is tolerated but old age about a joke never gets away.

HOPE.

Tell me not the Hun will triumph,
That the Boche will win the day;
For I saw Old Glory waving,
And I heard a nation pray.

Tell me not the Prussian conquers
Sea and earth and sky above;
For I heard a robin singing,
"Cheer-up, cheer-up, God is Love!"

Tell me not our clean cut laddies

Train and fight and die in vain;

For I saw ten thousand mothers

Give their sons to avenge the slain!

—E. C. T., '21.

You can always tell a Senior
For he's so sedately gowned.
You can always tell a Freshman
By the way he struts around.
You can always tell a Junior
By his worried looks and such.
You can always tell a Sophomore,
But you cannot tell him much.

—Ех.

CAMPUS CHAT

President Roberts is in New Bedford, Mass., on a short business trip.

Manager Greene of the tennis team has had several men putting the courts in shape for spring practice.

Professor Libby is to be one of the speakers at Camp Devens, Thursday night.

The Colby Military Company has been invited to murch as an escort to the Canadian officers, Friday evening, from the Elmwood to the City Opera House.

Y. M. C. A.

Dr. Parmenter gave a very interesting and instructive lecture, Tuesday evening. A full account of his lecture will be published later.

4. K. E.

Sergt. D. E. Putnam, '16, was a visitor at the house Sunday.

Dr. Pulsifer, '86, called at the house, Saturday.

R. J. Miranda, '19, left for New York, Sunday.

H. L. Robinson, '18, made a tripp to Lewiston; Friday.

Several of the delegates to the Y. M. C. A. conference were entertained during their stay in Waterville.

Z. ¥.

"Puss" Soule, '13, visited the boys this week. Francis Heath, '17, was visiting the house Sunday.

A letter was received from "Babe" Crosby, '19, now in France. He likes the service very much and hopes to fly over "No Man's Land" soon.

The Zeta Psi interfraternity baseball team elected Driscoll, '19, captain, Marshal, '19, manager.

Taylor, '20, has recovered from wounds received in the sophomore-freshman ball game.

Bickford, '16, was a recent visitor at the house.

Ф. Д. О.

Ralph H. Drew, '19, went to Maine Central Institute last Friday evening to act as a judge in a prize speaking contest.

Ellsworth Prince, '18, has been transferred to the balloon corps. He is stationed at Camp Wise, Texas.

A. Y.

A. J. Golder, '21, who has been attending college this year, while on a leave of absence from the Naval Reserve, has been recalled to active service, and reports for duty this week.

R. H. Parker, '18, and E. A. Adams, '21, entertained an out of town friend last Saturday.

In a letter received this week, H. S. Brown, '17, states that he has just taken his first flight in an aeroplane. He is in the aviation service and is stationed at Rich Aero Field, Waco, Texas.

Fred Short paid a welcome visit to the house this past week to stem the tide caused by a pipe which has been leaking for two years. It still leaks. Thank you, Fred.

John Wesley Coburn, a Bowdoin D. U., visited the house during the Boys' Conference, last week.

Α. Τ. Ω.

"Ben" Eddy has returned from the Sisters' Hospital, after being ill with pneumonia three weeks.

"Red" Ferrell gave a talk on the "Synthesis of Nitric Acid" to the Chemical Society, at the house. Tuesday night.

Alpha Tau Omega entertained fifteen "prep" school boys during the Y. M. C. A. conference. The guests were boys from Hebron Academy, Maine Central Institute and Oak Grove. On Saturday night, after the meeting at the Baptist Church, a social for the boys was held at the house. About forty guests were present, among whom were boys from other "prep" schools, and Mr. A. A. Heald, Waterville; Mr. Chas. H. Peasley, Monmouth Academy; Mr. J. A. Wolf, Springfield, Mass.; Mr. R. R. Thompson, of Hebron Academy; Professor Johnson. Several card games were played during the evening. Selections were rendered on the piano and victrola. Occasionally "Jawn" Pottle broke forth with original selections on the violin. "Mem." books were much

in evidence. Refreshments of ice cream and apples were served. Fraas and Leonard staged a musical skit that "took" well. The affair broke up at a late hour and all voted it a big success.

"Tom" Urie preached at Shawmut, Sunday, taking the place of Roy Hayes, who preached at Harmony.

"Jawn" Pottle is recovering rapidly from his recent accident.

"Jake" Klain is now at Camp Devens.

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Bradbury, '19, and Creelman, '19, have returned to the house for the remainder of the semester.

"Bouke" Bailey, '18, has gone home on business for a few days.

Brothers Lincoln, '16, and Rollins, '17, stayed at the house while attending the conference, coming as leaders of groups of boys from the schools where they are instructors.

Word has been received from Brother Clark, '15, that he has completed his course at the Military School of Aeronautics at Berkeley, California, and intends to go to France sometime in June.

Mr. A. W. Stockbridge of Auburn visited "Peanut" Greene, '20, last week.

Henry F. Crocker of the National Survey Company was the guest of B. E. Small, '19, one day last week. While here Mr. Crocker succeeded in signing up several salesmen for next summer's work.

П. Д. Ф.

The Rev. Mr. Ramsauer of North Carolina, a representative of the Student Volunteers, visited at the house the past week.

Oswald Rankin, '17, visited friends over the week-end.

Ernest S. MacCormick, ex-'19, was a recent visitor on the campus.

Clifton Tracy. '18, conducted the singing at the Y. M. C. A. conference.

Simpson and Small of M. C. I. were entertained during the conference.

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Edited by the News Editor of the Colbiana,
Doris Andrews, '18,
Assistants: Gladys Twitchell, '18,
Josephine Rice, '19,
Esther Power '79

Esther Power, '20. Dorothy Rounds, '21,

Saturday evening the senior girls held the annual Senior Dinner in Foss Hall dining-room. For once senior dignity was laid aside and great was the hilarity—and the noise. Each girl was requested to dress to represent some well known figure about

the campus and it was a motley throng including dignified professors and their wives, football heroes and many other interesting characters. After the oyster stew, pickles, and apple pie with ice cream had all disappeared, Isabel Snodgrass in behalf of the class presented "Rhymes of a Red Cross Man" to Miss Butman, the occasion being her birthday. College songs were rendered with much vim and the cheering, lead by Colby's most able cheer-leader, would have done credit to any football rally, while the snake dance through the corridors which was lead by one of the most dignified of the learned personages present, was not unlike recent fire drills. Games and dancing concluded an evening that will long be remembered by every 1918 girl.

At the Literary Society last Friday evening the following program was carried out:

Trench Life...........Norma Goodhue, '18 Aeroplanes—The Eyes of the Army

Elizabeth Hoffman, '18

Review: The First One Hundred Thousand

Isabel Snodgrass, '18

Current Events: Thelma French, '21

Dorothy Mitchell, '21 Bessie Chadwick, '21

Miss Ella F. Butman observed her sixty-eighth birthday Saturday, and was the recipient of a beautiful bouquet of pinks from President Roberts in token of her long and faithful service to the college.

Ella Robinson, '16, who is teaching in Lancaster, N. H., spent the week-end with Phyllis Cole.

The April edition of the Colbiana is now on sale. Some of the things worth reading in it are several unusually good stories, a number of essays and short sketches, poems, excellent editorials and a very interesting article bearing the explanitory note: "It is not often that a gentleman is allowed to write for 'The Colbiana' but these 'Impressions of a Recruit' are so well told that The Colbiana is glad of the opportunity to print them."

Y. W. C. A.

It st Wednesday we were privileged in having Mr. Roms were a Student Volunteer Secretary, speak to the girls at chapel, on the great need for women in foreign countries in educational, evangelistic and medical work.

Grace Foster, '21, lead Y. W. C. A. meeting Thursday night. The topic "Talents" was very practicable and helpful to all.



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