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## "AND COLBY WAS OLD COLBY."

For the second time this year we use this headline. And with good reason, for if any old timers had been around the campus Thursday afternoon or late Thursday evening they would have thought that an old time hazing bee was in process. As one freshman was heard to remark in the afternoon, "We will cover the campus with gore and bleached bones." The freshmen certainly did their best to live up to this statement, and they were ably assisted by the sophomores.

The fun all started Wednesday night when some adventurous freshmen painted the numerals of their class on the gymnasium roof. The next morning the sophomores demanded that these numerals be removed. The freshmen held a meeting in the chapel in the afternoon to discuss this demand, and the sophomores attempted to break up the meeting. The result was a near riot in chapel.

In the evening the sophomores got together and captured several unwary freshmen, upon whom they should wreak vengeance. The freshmen learned of this and all the freshmen turned out at the gymnasium. Meanwhile, after a brief but bloody scrap in which one sophomore was "laid out," the freshmen who had been captured escaped and joined their classmates at the gym. The sophomores gathered and went up to the gymnasium to attempt to force the freshmen to remove the numerals. The freshmen refused at first to remove the numerals at all, but after a few rushes in which a few men got black eyes and bloody noses, they agreed to take off the numerals the next day. This was not satisfactory to the sophomores and the fun started again. For a few minutes the doorway of the gymnasium was the scene of a bloody battle. But the freshmen were too strong in numbers for the sophomores, and another parley was held. This time the upperclassmen present took a hand, and persuaded the freshmen that it would be the best for all concerned if the numerals were removed that night. This ended the entertainment of the evening.

No harm was done except that a few men felt rather sore in various parts of their anatomy the next day. There appeared to be no ill feeling afterward, everyone taking the affair as a good joke. This was the first time in several years that the sophomores and freshmen have engaged in a tilt of this kind, and it was also the first real excitement the campus has known this year.

## THE FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

The football schedule for next fall was announced this past week. According to this schedule, three games have already been arranged in addition to the three of the state series. These contests are with Harvard, Holy Cross, and the Naval Academy. The first game has not yet been scheduled, but an effort is being made to secure the Fort McKinley team of Portland for the date, October 4. Bowdoin has expressed unwillingness to play the state series game with Colby at Waterville, but as the game last fall was played at Brunswick, it would seem that the only logical thing for Bowdoin to do is to come to Waterville next year. The schedule, as it now stands, opens with the Harvard game at Cambridge, on October 11. After this the three state series games come, and then the season ends with the Holy Cross and Naval Academy contests.

The schedule:

Oct. 4.—Open.

Oct. 11.—Harvard at Cambridge.

Oct. 16.—Bates at Waterville.

Oct. 25.—Bowdoin at Waterville.

Nov. 1.—Maine at Orono.

Nov. 8.—Holy Cross at Worcester.

Nov. 15.—Naval Academy at Annapolis.

## THE LYFORD CONTEST.

Preparatory School Prize Speaking to be Held  
May 9.

Announcement was made this week by Professor Libby that the Lyford Interscholastic Prize Speaking Contest, this year, will be held May 9. This is the tenth annual contest for the Lyford prizes.

A circular letter containing the rules and other information has been sent out by Professor Libby to the high schools. The rules governing the contest are the same as those of past years. The prizes, which aggregate one hundred dollars, are open to young men attending the preparatory schools of Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts. Application for admission to the contest must be filed by all who wish to compete at least one month before the date set for the contest.

Last year the results were unusually successful. A large number of students competed, and the speaking was all of a very high order. With educational conditions more normal, it can be reasonably ex-

pected that the result this year will be no less favorable.

### LIEUTENANT FRANK HOWARD.

The Phi Delta Theta fraternity was very much surprised, last week, to receive a visit from First Lieut. Frank Howard, ex-'18, of the Aviation service. When last heard from he was in France and although he expected to return to this country shortly after his letter, he was not expected so soon. Consequently, his visit was a great surprise to everybody.

Lieut. Howard enlisted in the Aviation service in 1917. After training for some time in New York, he received his commission as second lieutenant and the school which he was attending was ordered across. For over six months he served as an observer on a bombing plane, then he was promoted to be first lieutenant, holding this commission at the signing of the armistice. He has been in France for fourteen months, during which time he has seen almost continuous service. He has five German aeroplanes to his credit, for which he has been awarded the Croix de Guerre. During the time of his active service he has had some wonderful adventures and countless narrow escapes from death. He entertained the boys with many hair-raising stories of these experiences.

The lieutenant left Waterville Sunday night to report in Cooperstown, N. Y., whence he has been ordered to the Catskill Mountains for a month in which to recuperate before he is discharged.

### THE JUNIOR GIRLS' DANCE.

The second dance of the college series was held in the gymnasium, Saturday evening last, under the auspices of the Juniors of the Women's Division. The proceeds will be given to the Y. W. C. A. This dance, which was the second of a series which is being given by the students, was well attended, there being about forty couples on the floor. The gymnasium was well decorated with banners of the various fraternities and classes, and the college colors. During intermission, ice cream was served. Among the patrons and patronesses were Professor and Mrs. George F. Parmenter, Dean Anna A. Raymond, Professor and Mrs. Webster Chester, Professor and Mrs. Homer P. Little, and Professor and Mrs. T. B. Ashcraft. The music for the order of twelve dances was furnished by Sussman's college orchestra.

The next dance, the third in the series, will be held Saturday evening, March 22. Plans for this will be

announced later by the committee. The floor was found to be in much better condition at the time of the last dance than it was when the first one was given, and by March 22, it should be in still better shape, as the roughness and dampness are gradually disappearing.

### BASEBALL PRACTICE STARTED.

#### Indoor Workouts Being Held in the Gymnasium.

Baseball practice started this week with indoor workouts in the gym under the direction of Captain Driscoll. The men have been put through some light exercise consisting chiefly of basketball and handball. As yet not many men have turned out for practice. Captain Driscoll wishes to impress upon all who wish to try out for the baseball team this spring the importance of these indoor workouts in limbering up the muscles of the men, and getting them into better condition for outdoor practice when it starts. Colby will have a good baseball team this spring if the men will get out and work, but unless they do the other teams in the state will get the jump on us in spite of the advantage we now have in that there are a large number of veterans in college. Every man who can play baseball at all and who has any college spirit should turn out at once, and thus do his part in making the team a success. Every baseball player out!

### PRIZE CONTESTS.

Students who are interested in the prize contests which are to be held this year should begin to look up the rules of these contests and the subjects, which are contained in the catalogue. All regular prize speaking contests will be held as usual. As yet, however, the subjects have been announced in only three contests. The class of 1888 offers one hundred dollars in prizes this year. A prize of thirty-five dollars is given to each of the Men's and Women's Divisions for the best thesis written by a senior in each division on the topic, "Americanism and the Foreign-Born." A prize of thirty dollars is offered for the best thesis written by a junior in the Men's Division on the topic, "Colby's One Hundred Years of Service."

The Goodwin Prize Speaking Contest will be held this year, as it was last year for the first time, for the students of Colby instead of for preparatory schools. Any student of the Men's Division can compete for the prizes which aggregate one hundred

dollars. The general topic this year, any phase of which the contestants can treat, is "National Dangers."

#### ECONOMICS CLUB FORMED.

At a meeting, Thursday afternoon, of students interested in the much heralded "Bolshevik" question, a Economics Club was formed. The purpose of the club is to make plans, or, speaking in war terms, to spread propaganda against the Bolshevik movement. It is expected that Professor MacDonald will be the directing spirit in this club. The members are Misses M. A. and M. E. Titcomb, '19, E. A. Cronin, '19, W. V. Driscoll, '19, L. Heyes, '19, S. P. Wyman, '19, E. E. Buse, '20, D. M. Crook, '20, A. S. Fraas, '20, C. B. Kalloch, '20, E. F. Mabie, '20, H. E. Lewin, '20, T. F. Tilton, '20, and R. E. Wilkins, '20. The following officers were elected: L. Heyes, president; S. P. Wyman, vice-president; Miss M. A. Titcomb, secretary; and W. V. Driscoll, treasurer.

#### PRESIDENT ROBERTS AT PYTHIAN HALL.

Will Deliver an Address on League of Nations, Sunday afternoon.

President Roberts, who is the chairman for Maine of the National League to Enforce Peace, will deliver an address on the League of Nations at the Knights of Pythias hall, Sunday afternoon. All the men of the city are invited to this meeting, and the men of Colby should as far as possible attend to hear what Prexy has to say on this subject. The meeting will open at 3.30 o'clock, and Sussman is to have charge of the music.

#### THE PRESS CLUB.

Plans are under way for the reorganization of the Press Club, to make that club a more active organization. In past years the membership of this club has been confined to those who write for newspapers, thus making the club very small in membership and consequently not very active. The plan is now to include members of the Journalism Class, and representatives of the college publications. In addition to enlarging the membership, some means will be devised to enlarge the activities. A committee of three, consisting of John Tschalmer, Phil T. Somerville, and Thaddeus F. Tilton, has been appointed to draw up a constitution for adoption; and upon

the report of this committee, new officers will be elected for the present year, and the re-organization completed.

#### THE SIXTY DOLLAR BONUS.

Several of the men have already received the sixty dollar bonus which the government is giving to all discharged soldiers. This removes all doubt as to whether the S. A. T. C. men are to receive this bonus. The money will be a great boon to most of the men. All ex-soldiers in the college who have not yet sent in their discharge papers should do this at once, as the War Department will be flooded with applications. Remember the address, Zone Finance Officer, Lemon Building, Washington, D. C.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT:

Cyrus Hamlin, the son of Hannibal Hamlin, was a student at Colby for a short time, leaving to enlist in the Civil War, and rising to the rank of breveted major general of volunteers?

Samuel B. Morse, who was a student at Colby, '57-58, later became president of California College?

Two hundred and eleven men have served as trustees of the college since it was founded?

Among the famous trustees have been Adironam Judson, the missionary; Rev. Samuel F. Smith, writer of "America;" Hannibal Hamlin, Eugene Hale, Asher Hinds, Forrest Goodwin, congressmen; and Eugene Foss, governor of Massachusetts?

The first class to be graduated from the college was the class of 1822 with two members at the time of graduation?

William O. Stevens, '99, is professor of English and International Law at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis?

Frank M. Padelford, '98, is Educational Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention?

Walter C. Emerson, '84, is an editorial writer on the staff of one of the Boston dailies?

The issue of the Atlantic Monthly for this month contains an article on "What Won the War," by W. O. Stevens. Mr. Stevens is a Colby man in the class of 1899, and is now professor of English at the United States Naval Academy. He has contributed articles to magazines.

We wonder why the co-ords don't start an inter-sorority whist tournament.

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## COLBY SPIRIT.

Many is the time that college spirit has been the subject of editorials in the ECHO. This is a good time for another editorial on college spirit, or rather Colby spirit. Colby spirit, has been at a rather low ebb among the students this year, or at least it has not manifested itself to any alarming extent. This statement is not made merely for the purpose of criticising something or someone. It is a fact, and can be shown in several ways. First of all, perhaps, in the attendance at college functions, this is noticeable. The social given by the sophomore girls is a conspicuous example. There were only a few men from each fraternity, and

one or two fraternities had no representation whatever. There are many in the college who have been crying for more social affairs, but when there is a social time, some of those who howl the loudest are the most prominent by their absence. And then the spirit of the freshmen has been none too good. This is not meant as a criticism of the class as a whole, for many of the freshmen have entered into college life heartily. But many freshmen do not seem to realize that there is a certain place in college life reserved for freshmen and that they must keep that place. A great many freshmen have been too "fresh." Many are unwilling to give their assistance when it called for. Perhaps the freshmen do not realize that it is a custom for freshmen to give their services when they are needed. Some realize this but many do not. The affair at the gymnasium was without a doubt partly caused by irritation at the poor spirit shown by many freshmen. Another way in which college spirit has failed has been shown this past week. Indoor baseball practice was called, and only a handful of men reported. And to say a good word for the freshmen, nearly all of these men were from that class. What is the matter with the upperclassmen who play baseball? With the chances for a championship team bright, are we going to fail merely because men have not enough Colby spirit to get out for practice?

There have been other small ways in which college spirit has been lacking; these are but examples. This editorial is not written in a critical mood, although it may appear so. Colby is our college, and if we are to make her all that she should be, and all that every one of us wishes her to be, we should, every one of us, make an effort to show more Colby spirit than we have thus far shown this year.

## COLBY DAY—WHY NOT?

While speaking of Colby spirit, we wonder why Colby Day has not been observed recently. Until two years ago this last fall, the day before the football game with Maine was observed each year as Colby Day. This day was devoted to furthering Colby spirit. The writer remembers what tremendous



enthusiasm was aroused at those gatherings in the gymnasium when the "grads" and students gathered to listen to the heartfelt speeches on Colby spirit. And with what a feeling of confidence and determination did the football team go out against Maine the next day. Colby Day was a splendid means of intensifying interest in old Colby.

Why not revive Colby Day this spring? As said in another editorial, the spirit at the college is not by any means at its highest point this year. We will have a rousing good baseball team this spring. Why not arouse all the interest possible in the team and help to lead Colby to victory in baseball by inspiring the players with the knowledge that they are giving their best for Colby and that every Colby student and alumnus is backing them to the limit?

And why not have Colby Day this spring so that we will all have a greater love for our college when we return next year? Think this over!

#### THE LYFORD CONTEST.

A word should be said in reference to the Lyford Contest concerning which an announcement is made in another column. The prizes in this contest are given each year by Will H. Lyford, '79, of Chicago, for the purpose of encouraging high school students in the art of public speaking.

This contest and the good resulting from it cannot be too highly regarded by Colby men. Every year a large number of high school boys come here to speak. They not only derive benefit from the contest, but they also have an opportunity to see what Colby is and is doing. This year we should take especial pains to see that these boys receive a good impression of the college. Colby needs more men for next year, and a good opinion formed at the time of this contest will do much to influence the visitors in their choice of a college. Mr. Lyford has done the preparatory schools and Colby College a great service in donating these prizes.

#### EFFICIENCY.

Phrase-making is a coming sport amongst the "who's who" at the present time. A word that was kicked about like a prolate spheroid in the fall is

"efficiency." But unctious speakers often let fall trippingly from their lips words without regard for present connotation. Our friend of bulls and dryness defines "efficiency" as "the quality of producing effects." Does it give the word more life to call it "the science of getting things done?" That predicates men who have the ability to "put things over." Passing over "industrial efficiency" let us consider "personal efficiency." Isn't it upon this quality that success depends? The successful man is the man who does things. College is a good place in which to show a man up. Are you getting done what you have to do? If not, sit up some night and frankly try to find out by self-examination just why you are not. You may surprise yourself. Then get busy. Thus you will have taken a long step toward "personal efficiency." And, incidentally, the dictionary is not a bad sort of associate to cultivate. From intimate acquaintance with it you may add materially to your knowledge.

#### SOPHOMORE GIRLS GIVE SOCIAL.

The women of the sophomore class gave a box social in the gymnasium last evening, the affair being one greatly enjoyed by all who were present. The women prepared lunches, and when the fellows came, they drew for the lunches, eating with the girls whose boxes they drew. These boxes were full of things good to eat, showing that Foss Hall girls can cook, an accomplishment which many fellows doubted they possessed. Games were played, and an entertainment was given. The whole affair showed a great deal of work on the part of those who gave it and the men who did not attend missed one of the best times of the year thus far. The proceeds will go to the Y. W. C. A.

#### CAMPUS CHAT

President Roberts went to New York, Saturday, on a short business trip.

Dr. Little gave an instructive talk Saturday morning in chapel on "As the set of the sail, so the cut of the jib."

Bowdoin, under Johnny Magee's leadership, is holding an interfraternity meet, this week. Ten fraternities have entered teams in this meet in addition to relay events.

The University of Illinois is to have a military

training which may take the form of universal service as agitated in many circles. There will also be a more technical training and more research work in the university.

University of Maine will look good on the mound this spring, with Frost, Ziegler, Small and Devrocher as pitchers.

### ▲ K E

Lieutenant "Don" White, '18, was a visitor at the house on Saturday.

Donald Shaw, '21, spent Sunday at his home in Clinton.

"Sid" Wyman, '19, reported a very interesting town meeting at Winslow, Monday.

### ▲ Y

Mr. A. W. Russell of Charleston visited his son, Clyde E. Russell, '22, at the house on Monday.

R. N. Sturtevant, '21, and Albert G. Snow, '21, made a business trip to Augusta, Monday.

"Swipes" Simpson called at the house, Wednesday evening.

Five of the fellows have already received the sixty dollar bonus checks from the Treasury Department.

### Φ Δ Θ

At a smoker held in its rooms, last Friday evening, the Phi Delta Theta fraternity entertained several of its local alumni. Those present were Charles W. Atchley, '03, Charles Vigue, '98, Frank Dean, '09, and Hervey Allen, '12.

Lincoln Heyes, '19, Smith Dunnack, '19, and Robert Wilkins, '20, attended the second of the assemblies given by the people of Augusta to the members of the State Legislature, last Thursday evening.

"Mose" Tilton, '07, who is superintendent of schools at Limestone, Maine, was in town last week on business, and paid a visit to the boys before his return.

Don Smith, '21, went with the Coburn Classical Institute basketball team, of which he is the coach, on a three days trip last week.

Smith Dunnack, '19, took his usual week-end trip to Augusta.

The fraternity received a letter this week from William Pederson, '19. He was formerly attached to the 26th Division, but he is now in the headquarters battalion of the 104th as a dental assistant. He is very doubtful about his return expecting to come back in a month, perhaps not for six months, owing to the constantly changing conditions over there.

Word has been received that Corp. Wallace Hastings is now on this side of the water.

Cadet George B. Dunnack of Annapolis visited his brother Smith Dunnack for a few days this week.

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"Purdy" Eaton represented the chapter at the initiation banquet of the Massachusetts Gamma Sigma chapter at Worcester Tech, March 8th.

"Jakie" Klain, ex-'19, has arrived from overseas and is now at Camp Devens. He expects to be discharged within a few days.

Neil Leonard left Wednesday as a delegate to the annual banquet of the Massachusetts Beta Gamma chapter at M. I. T.

### ▲ X A

Myron C. Hamer, '20, attended a banquet at the Penobscot Hotel in Bangor, given by Beta chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha of the University of Maine.

Charles W. Totman, '22, spent the week-end at his home in Gardiner.

## WOMEN'S DIVISION

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### Σ K

Miss Elizabeth Whipple, '21, entertained informally at a candy pull, Tuesday evening at her home, 52 Burleigh street. Games and dancing were enjoyed during the evening. The following guests were present: Misses Elva Jeffs, Dorothy Mitchell, Elizabeth Smith, Bernice Butler, Julia Hoyt, Bertha Gilliatt, Edna Chamberlain, Doris Purington, and Catherine Bates; Messrs. Leonard, Guthrie, James, Chamberlain, Dolebeare, Cushman, Eddy, Spinney, Malone, and MacNally.

Miss Clara Bean and Miss Hazel Arno of Montville were guests of Ruth Banghart, '22, at Mary Lowe Hall during the past week.

Miss E. Carrie Hall, ex-'90, has returned to Colby to complete her college course after an absence of twenty-eight years. Miss Hall is enrolled in the senior class.

Word has been received during the past week from Mr. and Mrs. Ralph N. Smith, who are at present enjoying a brief wedding tour. They expect to leave for Pensacola, Florida, very shortly, where Lieut. Smith is now stationed.

**X Ω**

A tea was given by Helen L. Baldwin, Friday, March 7, in her suite in Foss Hall, in honor of Mrs. Charles Tuttle of Clinton. Those present were the Misses Phyllis Sturdivant, Alice Barbour, Mary Tourtillotte, Matilda Titcomb, and Mira Dolley. Plans for a county Christian Endeavor Convention were discussed.

The following freshmen have been initiated into Chi Omega: Avis Barton, Gladys Briggs, Edna Briggs, Nan Burgess, Annie Choate, Hazel Dyer, Daphne Fish, Ruth Goodwin, May Greenlaw, Vina Parent, Hazel Pratt, Dorothy Sylvester and Sibyl Williams.

Clara Carter, '21, entertained the sophomore and freshman delegations, Saturday evening, at her home on Elm street.

Verna Norton of Caribou was the guest of Elva Tooker, '21, over Sunday.

Gladys Briggs, '22, was delightfully entertained in honor of her birthday, Saturday, March 8, by six of her classmates. The ever popular movie followed by a feed was enjoyed by hostesses and guest alike.

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Seven of the Tri Delts gave Elizabeth Hoffman, '19, a birthday party last Saturday in the chapter rooms.

Anna Anderson, '19, entertained Miss Wilma Sturdevant of Dover on Friday.

Hildegard Drummond, '19, gave a dinner party Saturday evening. Several couples were present.

Miss Claire Fish, '21, spent the week-end at her home in Hallowell.

Miss Irene Robinson, 21, has been ill with tonsillitis at her home in Hallowell.

Mr. Fred Chase of Skowhegan, called on his sister, Miss Gladys Chase, '20, at Foss Hall on Saturday.

Miss Bertha Norton, ex-'20, was a guest at the Hall over the week-end.

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The sorority initiated the following women on Wednesday afternoon: Velma Briggs, Edna Fish, Eleanor Bailey, Marguerite Craig, and Ruby Shuman.

Alice Hanson entertained Alice Page, Ernestine Peabody, and Catherine Tuttle in honor of her birthday on Saturday evening.

**Φ M**

Vera Moore, '19, spent the week-end visiting friends in Portland.

Belle Longley, '19, has returned to college after an illness of about two weeks.

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