

RELAY TEAM OFF FOR NEW YORK

Foran, Brier, McGarry, Mercer, and Weise Leave for Big Games—Kemp to Follow.

Mike Ryan and his track team left us Monday afternoon, en route for New York, where Colby will be represented in the Millrose A. C. games by a relay team and some special event men. The relay team, comprising Foran, Brier, Hearon and McGarry, will run against New York University and the College of the City of New York, in a triangular race. Both of these institutions have student bodies of some 2400, and are equipped with the most modern paraphernalia for the training of relay men, so it is expected that the Colby outfit will have no small fight on its hands. The relay men have been working out with Mike every day since the end of the Christmas holidays, in the gymnasium when it was cold, and on the boards when weather permitted. They showed good form in practice, and were in the best of condition when they left.

Bill Weise has been entered in the fifty yard hurdles at the Millrose games. Bill was visible every afternoon this month with the rest of the aggregation, at work on the boards. His takeoff is as pretty as ever, and he made some fast time in practice. Al Mercer is entered in the Wanamaker mile and a half run at New York. This run is one of the most famous in the country, and the trophy awarded the winner is reckoned to be worth in the neighborhood of a thousand dollars. Mercer swore he was going to make an awful try to bring it home.

At Boston, Feb. 4, the relay team will run in the B. A. A. games, which will be held in the Boston Arena. Bill Weise is entered in the hurdles here, and Mercer will run in the famous Hunter mile. This is the race which Joe Ray took as a comparatively short read to fame not so many long years ago. Ray is entered in the race again this year.

While in New York, the team will be the guests of the New York alumni association at a banquet, as was the case last year. The date has been set for the second of the month. It is expected that a similar affair will signalize their presence in Boston, the Boston alumni association serving as hosts.

THE CHECKER TEAM CRASHES THROUGH

Meanwhile Chess Team Meets Difficulties and Is Beaten by 3-1 Score.

Last Friday, the checker and chess players journeyed over to the Taconot Club and met the Club's teams in many a hard battle over the boards. The final score of the checker match gave Colby the decision by the score of 26-23. This was the closest match of any that have been played up to date. With but three games to play, the score stood 23-23, but our men only hunched down lower in their seats and shoved many a mean checker, with the result that when the smoke had cleared away, Colby had crashed through with every one of the last three games, and had fully revenged their defeat of last year.

The chess team consisted of only two men and didn't fare so well. H. A. Perkins won one and lost one, while J. C. Smith lost to both his opponents. The final score was 8-1 in favor of the Taconot Club.

The summary of the checker match is as follows:

	Won	Lost	Drawn
Chafetz	5	1	1
Cook	2	4	1
Harvey	2	5	0
Presney	3	4	0
Rosenthal	5	2	1
E. Smith	4	1	2
Tripp	8	4	0
	24	21	4

SPORTS SCHEDULES ARE ANNOUNCED

Six Teams List Games for This Year and Next Fall.

Something new is the Athletic calendar just out on the campus. Also something new in the number of teams by which Colby is to be represented in athletics this spring. Something just as new is the number and quality of the teams against which the athletes of the college are to compete.

With the relay, basketball, and hockey teams now at work, with the baseball, track, and tennis teams to begin training soon, Colby should be well taken care of on the sporting pages of the newspapers, at least. Following are the schedules:

RELAY AND TRACK

Captain of Relay, N. W. Foran, '23
Captain of Track, L. H. Cook, '23
Manager, F. T. McIntire, '23
Feb. 1, Millrose Games, Madison Square Garden
Feb. 4, B. A. A. Games at Boston
April 28, Philadelphia Relays, Phila.
April 29, National Indoor Intercollegiate, New York
May 6, Dual Meet, Waterville (Pending)
May 13, Maine Championships, Waterville
May 20, N. E. Intercollegiate Meet, Boston
May 27, National I. C. A. A. A. A.

TENNIS

Acting Manager and Coach, John R. Gow, '23
(Proposed Schedule)
May 8, Bowdoin at Brunswick
May 13, Bates at Lewiston
May 18-19, State Tournament, Waterville
May 25, New England Intercollegiate, Boston
May 29, Boston University, Boston

BASKETBALL

Acting Captain, T. A. Callaghan, '23
Coach, C. H. Edwards
Jan. 27, Bates at Waterville
Feb. 6, Maine at Waterville
Feb. 11, Maine at Orono (Carnival Game)
Feb. 15, Bates at Lewiston

HOCKEY

Acting Captain, G. B. E. Vale, '24
Coach, Richard A. Wason, '24
Jan. 28, Augusta at Augusta
Feb. 10, Maine at Orono (Carnival Game)
Feb. 11, Bowdoin at Waterville
Feb. 13, Bowdoin at Brunswick
Feb. 20, Bates at Lewiston
Feb. 25, Bates at Waterville

BASEBALL

Captain, Elmer L. Williams, '22
Manager, George F. Terry, Jr., '22
April 19, U. of Maine, Waterville, (Exhibition)
April 24, Harvard at Cambridge
April 25, Tufts at Medford
April 26, Brown at Providence
April 27, R. I. State at Kingston
May 5, Lowell Textile at Durham
May 6, N. H. State at Durham
May 10, Bowdoin at Waterville
May 12, N. H. State at Waterville
May 17, U. of Maine at Waterville
May 20, Open
May 24, Bowdoin at Brunswick
May 27, Bates at Lewiston
June 3, U. of Maine at Orono
June 7, Bates at Waterville

FOOTBALL

Captain, W. J. Brown, '23
Manager, J. Leslie Dunstan, '23
Sept. 28, Springfield at Springfield
Sept. 30, Boston University at Waterville
Oct. 7, Brown at Providence
Oct. 14, Bates at Lewiston
Oct. 21, Bowdoin at Waterville
Oct. 28, U. of Maine at Orono
Nov. 4, Lowell Textile at Lowell
Nov. 11, Fordham at New York

"I believe," said the impatient man, putting aside the telephone, "that I'll go fishing." "Didn't know you cared for fishing." "I don't ordinarily. But it's the only chance I have of finding myself at the end of a line that isn't busy."

CONFERENCE SLOWS UP IN PAST WEEK

Publicity Apparently Only Achievement at Washington—An Innovation in International Diplomacy.

By William Hard
Washington, Jan. 27, 1922.

Publicity might be regarded as the principal achievement of the Washington Conference during the last few days. This statement is not to be taken as meaning that the Conference itself has become any more public in its proceedings. Whether it ought to become more public or not is a disputed point. On the one hand it must be said that every conclusion reached by the Conference seems to have been communicated to the public with an almost instant promptness. Also the summaries transmitted to the public of the debates in the proceedings of the private meetings of the Conference, have been quite full enough to give the public a quite considerable education in Far Eastern affairs. On the other hand, it is certainly true that no summary of a debate will altogether satisfy the whole public and it may be that future conferences will find that nothing really is lost and that something is gained by conducting all debates in public with reporters present to make their own summaries in addition to the official summaries. The chief objection to secrecy is not so much perhaps that sinister things happen in secrecy, as that innocent things—that is, things seeming innocent to the human beings engaged in debating them—fail to come with their full meaning to the public, and sometimes come with a distorted meaning.

This Conference perhaps has given the public more information about itself than any other great international Conference ever did before. No claim is made that any disadvantage has thereupon resulted; whatever hurt has happened to the Conference in this matter has come, not from going so far toward publicity, but from not going all the way to a complete publicity. It seems probable now that a great mistake was made in secreting the discussions which preceded the drafting of the four-power treaty; no summary of those discussions was issued. Virtually all other discussions of the Far East affairs have been presented to the public in some sort of summary form. The arguments regarding the four-power treaty were apparently altogether informal, and the public received only the treaty itself together with the purely conventional congratulatory speeches of statesmen pleased with the treaty and pleased with themselves in the open session in which the full Conference accepted the treaty. The consequence is that the Senate will demand further information and will proceed to make an inquisitorial inquiry of its own into the origin and development of the four-power treaty, just as soon as the treaty reaches the Senate.

Meanwhile, however, the Conference has given evidence of its own strong belief in the value of publicity for certain purposes. It has achieved a ruling to the effect that all the existing commitments between China and Foreign Governments, and between China and Foreign Investors, shall be notified immediately to the Governments represented in the Conference. It has also elicited from Japan a further extremely public statement of its intention to withdraw from Siberia, and has spread that statement on the records of the Conference with the evident idea that publicity is an important element in the task of turning the feet of Governments toward the paths of virtue.

Thus in one way and another, and by degrees now fast and now slow, we move toward giving international affairs the same degree of public illumination which can now be observed in domestic affairs, by reading the Congressional Record.

The dramatic club at Ohio state college may put on their play in Panama, next summer.

Walter—Minister of the Gospel for lumber camp. Must be a good crap player. "Topics of the Day."

BATES TAKES FIRST GAME

Initial Encounter in Intercollegiate Basketball Goes to Down River College.

Colby's first game of varsity basketball for some twenty years was lost to Bates in the gymnasium here last Friday night. Friday was an eventful day at least, and the game, fast and clean was a fitting climax to the day. The score was 30 to 33 Colby put up a fast game, but Bates had the edge most of the time, keeping one or two points ahead throughout the contest. The play was about even, the ball vacillating between Colby territory and Bates territory during the whole game. The game was slowed up somewhat by the thirty-five fouls that were called, the amateur rules being used. Flack, referee, lived up to his reputation, and did not let a foul get by during the evening.

At the start—Colby rushed the ball into Bates side of the floor, only to have the visitors speed it out and up the floor by fast passing. Two fouls on Bates gave Joe Baldwin two shots, and Colby two points. Then Luce sent a long twister from the middle of the floor, netting the ball neatly, and evened things up. Kempton matched Baldwin's eye on a pair of fouls, putting Bates two points in the lead, which position she maintained through the rest of the game.

The gymnasium was far too hot for such a fast game, and the men had to slow down the pace by the middle of the first half. From shooting, the game turned to passing. Bates slipped the ball around nicely although Haines and Baldwin did a lot to break up the series. The Colby part of the audience displayed some rotten spirit when they handed the berries to Kempton as the plucky Bates forward shot for fouls. Referee Flack came to the fore and stopped the interference. Callaghan left the game on fouls. The period ended with the score 15-13 for Bates.

The second half was a replica of the first. Haines fouled out and was replaced by Keith. Bates used some subterfuge to make things even. Colby put up a stiff fight to balance the score again, but all attempts were vain, for as fast as things became threatening, Kempton put Perkins in a position to score, which he did. Shoemaker threw a couple of long ones, taking a chance which made good, scoring four points. Kempton, however, got enough points on fouls to keep his team well in the lead.

For their first game, the newly formed Colby team did a good job. Bates has about as fast a college team as there is in the state, and has beaten the University of Maine by a much larger score than that of Friday night. The Colby outfit showed a lack of knowledge of each other as soon as the men who started the game went out. The subs played a good game, but did not seem to work well into the scheme of things. Practice should remedy this defect.

As an opener to the evening's entertainment, which was well attended, particularly by the women, Lambda Chi Alpha defeated Phi Delta Phi, 17 to 8. The score of the varsity game was as follows:

	Goals	Fouls	Points
Bates	6	0	12
Perkins, lf, c	1	15	17
Kempton, rf	1	0	2
Herrick, lf	0	0	0
Woodman, rf	1	0	2
Luce, c	0	0	0
Johnson, rg	3	0	6
Davis, lg	0	0	0
Peterson, lg	—	—	—
Total	12	15	30

	Goals	Fouls	Points
Colby	1	0	2
Thompson, lf	2	16	20
Baldwin, rf	2	1	5
Shoemaker, c	0	0	0
Callaghan, lg	0	0	0
Lowery, lg	1	0	2
Haines, rg	0	0	0
Koth, rg	2	0	4
Total	8	17	33

Referee, Flack, Syracuse; Scorers, Huhn and McConney; Time, 2-20 minute periods; attendance, 300.



AS JAPAN SEES THE CONFERENCE

Japanese Ambassador and National Delegate to the Conference Explains Purposes of His Country.

The truth must be recognized that Japan is a strongly growing, energetic nation, of which the population has already reached nearly the limit of the food-producing capacity of the land it lives in. Japan can, of course, intensify and increase its food production somewhat, and this matter is already in hand. The Government will not rest in its application of energy and science to this problem until it has attained the maximum possible results. But this increase will be insufficient for the national requirements, and some other means will have to be adopted.

The experience of England and of Belgium has shown that the practical answer is industrializing the nation, and Japan, as a measure of self-preservation, is now facing this transformation from a nation of farmers and harvesters of natural products into one of manufacturers. But manufacturing successfully is impossible without two essentials, the raw materials for the factories and the markets for the finished merchandise.

Now the real essence of the matter is that Japan's islands do not contain the raw materials in any sufficient supply, nor does the population of Japan furnish the possibilities of markets sufficient to absorb Japanese manufactured products. Like England, Japan must buy materials abroad and must pay for these purchases with the sale abroad of her products.

The natural source of supply as (Continued on Page Four.)

PARENT TO BE BASEBALL COACH

Former Captain of Red Sox Secured for This Spring.

Former captain of the Red Sox, a major league shortstop for years, and the manager and coach of the fast Sanford team last summer—is the record that Colby's new coach—Fred L. Parent possesses. Not in years has Colby attempted to get a baseball coach of the reputation that Parent brings with him.

A man who has played baseball as it is done in the big leagues, on a championship team, and a man who is up to the minute through constant management of one of the fastest of Maine's teams, he knows the game himself as few men in America, and he has proved that he understands the secret of imparting some of that baseball to others.

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Flames Starting from Third Floor Wreck Entire Upper Story of Tau Home.

ZETA PSI PROPERTY BADLY DAMAGED BY THE WATER

Plans for Repairing Already Made—Men at Work to Make New Interior an Improvement.

Friday morning, Moose Cook went to class at 11.15. Twenty minutes later Frank Frude went into the room occupied by Cook, Pottle, McGary and Scott, on the third floor of the Alpha Tau Omega section of South college, and found it a mass of flames. He rushed to the telephone



and awoke the Central fire station. The apparatus responded in a hustle. It was three hours and more before the fire could be killed, and in that time it burned out the two upper floors of the A. T. O. section, badly singed the rest of the house, and occasioned a thorough drenching of dirty water in both the A. T. O. and Zeta Psi sections of the building. Cook, Pottle, McGary and Scott lost everything they owned, except what clothes they were wearing.

When the fire broke out, the college was in classes. Volunteer Paul Levers ran to the various class rooms and called out the men. The classes broke up in a hurry. A few minutes after the blaze was discovered, rescuers were cleaning the buildings or furniture and decorations between the building and the chapel, one Zetas piled high their worldly possessions, which they later moved to the chapel. The A. T. O.'s stacked most of their belongings on the campus between the building and recreation hall. Their possessions were stored in Redman hall and Recreation hall. They were not able to save a good part of the furnishings of the house, and few men escaped without losing some of their personal belongings. Helen Bustin was out of luck in that a new typewriter went up in smoke. Everybody lost something in this end of the house, and nearly everybody lost a lot.

The fire department did a good job on the fire, being greatly hindered by the construction of the building. A second alarm, which blow in shortly after the call went out for the members of the department to come to the college, badly disrupted their efforts, since some of the men went to the second floor, which was not of a serious nature. The fire broke out, it is thought, through the weak spots in a defective chimney, which runs through the wall in Cook's room. The flames got through this and into

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MONDAY NIGHT—WHAT?

Are you planning to celebrate Monday night? It will be a grand and glorious feeling to know that whether you passed or flunked, your mid-years are over. Well then why not plan to enjoy the evening at the Orpheus Four Concert? It's going to be the next to the last Lyceum course offering and you're sure of real entertainment. Take a night from movies and do something different for a change. Your eyes will enjoy a rest and the music will make you forget that question you slipped hardest on.

Show your college spirit by supporting the Pan Hellenic Council and incidentally treat yourself to a little recreation—if you feel the way we do you'll need it.

THE BASKETBALL TEAM.

After years of anxious waiting and despairing pleading, Colby has a basketball team. More than that, she has a good basketball team. The game last Friday night was a revelation even to ardent optimists.

For any aggregation with three nights' practice to develop into a team that can play the game Colby put up last week is little short of a marvel. There may have been ragged places; a man may have often been in one place when he should have been somewhere else; but it was a basketball game and there were two real teams on the floor every minute.

They are saying that next year, Colby is to have a championship team. There may be no championship in the state this year, but we would like to predict that no team is going to have any finer record, when they come to figuring up the final results, than that representing Colby College!

OUR ARTICLES ON THE CONFERENCE.

With this week we are starting a series of articles written by the greatest authorities in the world about the problems and purposes of the Washington Conference. We are beginning with a paper written by one of the greatest Japanese in the world—a man who is not only the ambassador to America, but who was appointed as special delegate to the conference, Baron Kijuro Shidehara. Next week, we expect to have a paper discussing China's position. Its author will be Wellington Koo, the delegate from China to the conference.

Later there are to be articles about the Russian Far East, the Four-Power treaty, and China. We have already had almost a dozen week-by-week stories by two of the greatest American journalists.

We believe that such articles as these ought to be of interest to every intelligent man and woman in America. We think that a college paper

could do no better than to present before its readers a brief summary of world events and world problems—especially in a time like this. The men who write these articles are not doing it for money—if they would, no doubt the greatest papers in the country would have bought their services. Because these great men want to give the college students of the country an opportunity to form their opinions from real information, they are giving their services free. You will find the stories worth while.

THE HONORARY SOCIETIES.

The honorary societies have had their pictures taken. Inasmuch as they had earlier purchased their jewelry, they have accomplished their purpose and may be expected to take a long rest. The college has seen no further result or excuse for existence. It is rumored that some of the fraternities have purposes, objects, or aims. Perhaps from a desire to keep these secret, no society has ever given any reason to think so, by its activity.

There are three possible aims for an honorary organization of the sort at Colby. Such a society might be founded simply to honor worthy men. Possibly this is a worth-while motive. We have yet to see a really big man who needed a gold society pin to prove his mettle. Especially is the pin worthless as a proof of greatness, when it is awarded by a group of six or even twelve men who may be swayed by personal likes and dislikes, prejudices, or favors. Still more worthless is the pin as an indication of character when the honors are distributed with the avowed intention to give every man a chance.

Another argument for the existence of the present system is that the clubs foster inter-fraternity friendship. As if a perpetual war were being waged and the societies were needed as a mode of arbitration! Probably very few men choose their friends because they happen to belong to the same honorary society. The mere fact that two men wear the same style of jewelry is a poor reason for friendship. Even if you get a paddling on the same night a warm friendship might no sooner come about than if the meeting were under less straightening circumstances. And if the method does choose friendships for men is it a blessing?

Is it wise to let other men make your friendships for you? Can not every man, in a college as small as Colby make his own friendships with other fraternity men? If he can not, if the time has come when honorary societies must be invented to bring about inter-fraternity friendship and understanding, then the present fraternity system must have something very radically wrong with it. For honorary societies manifestly can reach only a part of the student body.

There is a third possible purpose for the honorary society. It may be founded solely to work for Colby wherever the members may deem it necessary or advisable. The Druid cup may be a result of this aim. (It was given about ten years ago). On the face of it that purpose may seem entirely praiseworthy. The purpose of the Ku Klux Klan sounds good—very good. But time and time again have people come forward to say that organizations based on that idea are undemocratic and un-American. Six or twelve men take it on themselves to decide just what Colby needs, or what menaces her future and these six or twelve men—in strict secrecy—set to work to satisfy the need or remedy the evil. Imagine the conceit of any group of men who so far to trust their fellows' devotion to college or their commonsense, that to save the college, they form a secret society whose membership, they alone may determine! As if they might arrogate to themselves all the filial love and ordinary wisdom of all the sons of Colby! As if they could push the reforms better in secret than in the open! As if they could choose future workers for Colby better than the entire student body!

We talk of the democracy of Colby. Where is the democracy that allows a system like that of the secret societies? Why not let everybody work together for the college—through the regular channels rather than copy outlaw organizations like the Ku Klux?

It is not that we have not the legitimate methods? If we lacked machinery, we could invent some that would be in keeping with democratic ideals and the new age of the open door, but the Student Council was founded for the one purpose to help Colby. If every student would get behind and push when it does act, if every student would lay his plans and his suggestions before it, any time, then there would be action of the student body would have a right to know why not. With the time we waste at play and tomfoolery we

might be doing work for Colby, without the jewelry but with results.

There is not a single student activity that is doing what it could and should. We might start this year to do away with some of the duplication of purpose (we have no duplication of action) and have done with undemocratic and senseless tommy-rot and develop some real action for Colby.

'T WAS EVER THUS.

In another column there appears an article which we copied from a COLBY ECHO of the seventies. Its application has not, perhaps, been lost through the ages. Certainly it makes rather interesting reading, as a contrast with our modern attempts at journalism, if for no other reason.

We propose to publish a series of such articles through the winter. We rather suspect that another generation can give us a good deal of advice whose timeliness will not be gone for many years to come.

OUR MAIL BAG

Ed. Note. Through a misunderstanding the following has just come to our notice. It was written when the battle between Puritas and Nick O'Teen waxed hottest, but a subject is never malapropos at Colby so long as the arguments are sincere and kindly.

Readers of the Echo:

I am neither Puritas, nor Cynicus, but Roger E. Bousfield ("Esquire" P. D. Q.) unashamed to let you know who is writing this infamous "translation."

I do not use tobacco, therefore I have no right to write what follows on this subject. (Cf. Nick O'Teen); I do not use tobacco, no, I lack common sense; I do not use tobacco, no, I am missing the best in life. Is there any better evidence that tobacco stunts the mind than the two wretched articles signed respectively by victims of the "weed," Nick O'Teen, and Cynicus, both college men, in the Echo published the 7th of December.

Tobacco makes athletes: that is why intelligent athletic directors prohibit their aspirants from using it; that is why so many smokers are good athletes.

Tobacco is indispensable in making and keeping a body healthy: that is why the smoker, when he is taken ill, recovers so quickly; that is why he always has a coated tongue; that is why he always needs a new digestive tract.

As tobacco is commonly smoked, from 30 to 36 per cent of the nicotine is retained in the mucous membrane, most of which is gradually absorbed into the system. The drug is carried through the body by way of the blood. Incriminating evidences are the unsteady beat of the heart, and sluggishness of thought.

Smoking encourages reliability: that is why Good Will Farm and many other private schools, and academies urge and prescribe it; that is why employers always seek employees who smoke; that is why the smoker has so much control over himself.

Attacking the brain, nicotine brings on lack of self-respect, and of thought for the welfare of others. "Is it poison to allay cares?" Yes, at the fee which tobacco demands. Is it courage to mildly succumb to your faults? Nicotine, instead of stimulating the smoker to drown his "cares" in the service of others, makes him forget them in the placitude of his own self-satisfaction. In the "gym" on the evening of Colby Day, do you suppose those who smoked had a devilish concerning thought for the health of and welfare of those present who did not smoke?

I have had the fortune a number of times to have been assigned classroom seats beside those of habitual smokers. "Glorious incense!" Unpleasant stench from their froggy lungs! Oh, for a chair near a window!

At times a "well-bred" smoker, in the presence of members of his opposite sex, will take advantage of feminine good will (to be sure, shielded by feigned etiquette), "Do you mind if I smoke?" Can there actually be any other answer than that which is expected?

You may name a few thousand fairly well-known men who habitually smoke, but it is in spite of their habit, not because of it, that they have successfully followed their ambitions. Also, you will find that the percentage of those men who advise the forming of the habit is less than one. In all my experience, small though it is, Nick O'Teen, and Cynicus, alone, attempt to nullify the fruitful experiences of others.

To those of noble thought, the world is but one large spitoon; I suppose Nick O'Teen, and Cynicus glory in this illustrious maxim. There is but one good thing I can

say for tobacco: it is an excellent arthropod exterminator. On a calm, moist day, fruit growers, whose trees are being attacked by the parasites, sometimes place little piles of the "weed" in strategic parts of their orchards. The match is applied, and the suffocating fumes slowly filter upward through the branches of the trees, performing their only benefit to man.

ROGER E. BOUSFIELD.

Very insistent have been the demands among a certain element in the college that less crabbing and more of the upbixing be inserted in the pages of the Echo. It is with this in mind that I hastily pen this article. I am going to mention only the praiseworthy aspects of Colby and her students. Nary a word of condemnation will I speak for I am in utmost sympathy with the views of Pro Minore Crabbendi.

I wish first to mention the habit which some of the students have of wearing the overshoes unbuckled, especially worthy of commendation. Unbuckled overshoes have a wonderful faculty for bringing out the jazz atmosphere which everyone should attempt to cultivate and also sets off the exceptional advantage that devil-may-care block in so many hats. The beautiful swish swish—click click of the shoes when so unbuckled gives a touch of musical finesse to a campus where very little elevating music of the ballroom emanates. Yes, the overshoes should be worn unbuckled at all times and it gives me great pride to see so many of our swaggering, swash buckling sons of Colby wearing them in this manner. He is a very sensible man who at the first fluttering flake of snow either unbuckles or leaves unbuckled his goshes. For in this manner the movement of the legs cause the flaps of the shoes to form a kind of fan which blows all the snow hence, doncher know, Percival, Old Vacuum?

Another thing which is a great source of pleasure to me is the fact that some of the larger, broader-minded men at Colby know enough not to speak when spoken to or offer to speak first. These are the men who make Colby so we should all attempt to follow in their footsteps and model our lives after them. Be sure never to speak to another fellow student for if you do you may make a friend and these big men at Colby have no use for friends.

It also gives me much gratification to observe the whole-hearted interest taken by the students in their courses and the unusual, may even abnormal academic atmosphere permeating Colby this year. Seldom, if ever do you now find a student at the weekly or semi-weekly hog wrestles down town or across the river. Instead, the present day student of Colby is in his room every evening at 7.30 plugging as though his very life depended upon it. As quiet as the library are the various fraternity houses and dormitories and he who disturbs the academic calm by any rude jest or quibble is severely dealt with. Hoo-way—free more cheers! May these studious chappies ever be as conscientious. No more does the bibulous one come in roary-eyed to disturb the Volsteadic calm which has settled over the old college. Occasionally one of the more rollicking spirits of the rough, tough and nasty gang sprinkle a few drops of bay hooch onto his coat, paints his lips with sweet essence of birch, washes his teeth with Pepsodent and imagine he's a little elf, sighing all the while for sloe gins and sherry cobbler which became obsolete before he had ever heard that the hip pocket was made especially to convey pint flasks in, and who thinks a gin rickay was invented by Eli Whitney. However, these rough boys are few and without the vinous delicacy Colby students are studying as they never studied before.

Thus I have attempted to show some of the present day features of the Colby student body and I have followed the directions of Pro Minore Crabbendi as far as possible. J. H. PLAUTUS, '23.

WITH THE ECHO IN THE SEVENTIES

Visiting Regulations.

Since the beginning of the present term, with its influx of new students, we have often been grieved to notice a prevalent lack of knowledge of a few points of etiquette peculiar to college life. We will not call it greenness or any other harsh things; but presume to lead you out of the difficulty, by giving you a code of rules which should be strictly observed. In the present paper we can only instruct you in making calls.

In the first place you are too reserved; you do not visit the rooms of your classmates often enough. Go

often! Be social! Be sure before you go, however, to provide yourself with a cigarette or, what is better, a "T. D." This is indispensable. No matter whether the object of your visit be a "slave to the weed" or not, he will surely enjoy the fragrant fumes; and then they impart such a delightful odor to everything in the room. You should never, under any circumstances neglect to smoke!

Stopping to knock at a student's door is mere nonsense. Walk right in, especially if the door be ajar; or if you think it necessary to knock, you can knock and push the door open at one operation. Never wait to be invited in, it gives unnecessary trouble, and if he is busy he can easily keep his door locked, and open it if any one comes. But never go away from a door without trying it or looking through the keyhole. As soon as you are admitted you should inquire for apples; and when the glad recipient of your attention asks you to be seated, do not sit down placing your knees beside each other and folding your arms and looking dignified like a minister visiting his parishioners. Get up, as soon as you sit down, and begin to take a survey of the room. It has been fitted up on purpose for inspection, and your admiring words and glances bring comfort to your friend's soul. You should say, "You have got some pretty nice furniture. How much did you pay for that?" etc. If he has a collection of geological specimens do not let them remain unnoticed. Take up each one and drop it anywhere except in your own pocket. If you discover a match-safe in your travels, you should take another smoke; it would be well to put a few matches in your vest pocket—they will come handy some time. By this time you should ask, "why don't you have a spittoon?" and if you don't see the slop pail, spit all over the window-sill or around the stove door, or out in the passage—anywhere but on the carpet; this does not look well although some students do it. Before you leave, take down two thirds of the books you see and scatter them over the table. A fifteen minute job to straighten things out after you are gone, will give your friend some nice exercise. If you are a musical genius, come and play a little. We know of several young men in this college who would be delighted to have you practice in their rooms. But if you cannot play or sing, you can tell stories, which will do almost as well.

After you have examined and handled over everything in your reach, and stirred up things generally—kicked up the rugs, and perhaps made a hole in the carpet so as to get the mud well off your boots, make a reluctant departure; but call again soon, for you are good company and the fellows like your visits. VISITOR.

(The Colby Echo for Nov. 1878)

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My Dear Aunt Betsy:

Last night John proposed to me and when I rejected him, he said that he would jump off Messalonskee bridge next Saturday night. He calls me up every day and asks me if I have changed my mind and when I say no, he reminds me of his threat. O dear, I am so worried! I don't want the dear boy to kill himself for me. What shall I do?

Anxious.

Answer: Ask him, "Why wait till Saturday?"

Aunt Betsy, Waterville, Me.
Dear Madam: Please tell me what to use to get the ink spots off a brown plaid skirt.
H. C. B. '22.

Answer: We do not answer matrimonial quarrel problems in this column. Send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to us however, and we will tell you where you can buy a pair of scissors with which to take the ink spots out of your brown plaid skirt. Dear Aunt Betsy:

I am going to propose to my girl. Should I say "Will you marry me. etc." or, "Would you marry me. etc."?

Anticipation.
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A great deal of mention is made by Colby men of Elijah Parrish Lovejoy not simply because he is a Colby man but because, as the following shows, that what he did was of lasting National importance.

The "Alton Daily Times" of Alton, Ill., the city where the Rev. Elijah Parrish Lovejoy was murdered by a mob while he was defending his press in 1837, published on November 7, 1921, in commemoration of the eighty-fourth anniversary of the martyrdom of Lovejoy some extracts which were taken from the papers of that time. Some of the extracts make unpleasant reading but they

show the sentiment of the people of that time. Following are a few of the extracts.

Maine, Nov. 30, 1837: Resolution passed at public meetings at Belfast, "Resolved that Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, a highly respected citizen recently of this state, who was on the 17th inst. assassinated at Alton, in Illinois, in consequence of an attempt on his part to protect his property, life, and liberty, when no legal protection could be obtained, has fallen a martyr in defense of rights which are guaranteed to every freeman by the constitutions of our state and National governments."

Meeting at Plymouth, New Hampshire, December 13th, 1837: Resolved that this meeting and the people throughout the land have a vital and solemn self-interest in the death of the Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, late editor of the Alton Observer, who has fallen by the hands of our countrymen in defense of the liberty of the press, in one of the free states of the Union. That on the citizens of influence and office in Alton, on the property and standing of that bloody little city, and not on the poor, infuriated, drunken mob, who were their instruments, rests immediately before God and impartial human judgment, the guilt of this riot and murder.

Dorchester: Anti-Slavery Society: Resolved, That we consider the conduct of the Attorney General of Illinois, at a meeting a few days prior to the murder, in stating publicly that Mr. Lovejoy would be killed within two weeks as worthy the frowns of an injured community.

A public meeting at Chichester, N. H., Dec. 14th, 1837: Resolved, That we commend the courage, firmness and courage, of the Rev. Elijah P. Lovejoy in his endeavor to sustain a free religious press at Alton, Ill., who though deserted by the civil powers, withstood unrighteous and murderous violence, died a martyr to the holy cause of right, and truth and freedom.

Concord, N. H.: That in the destruction of the Alton Observer the freedom of conscience and of religious opinion was assailed, and that it specially behooves the pulpit and the press to life up their voices in vindication of that freedom, and against any attempt to infringe its exercise.

Plymouth, Mass., Anti-Slavery Society: "Resolved that we have every reason to believe that had the citizens of Alton been faithful in sustaining the laws of the land, and in frowning upon the conduct of those who destroyed the press of Mr. Lovejoy, the blood of that good man would not, as it now does, cry to Heaven for vengeance."

Portage County, Pa., Anti-Slavery Society: Resolved, That Mr. Lovejoy laid down his life, in a cause worth of so noble a sacrifice, the cause of free discussion, of human rights and the freedom of the press.

Salem, Ohio, meeting: Resolved, That the compromise meeting at Alton, together with the course of the Mayor and other civil authorities had the direct tendency to invite that excitement which the cunningly and hypocritically deprecated.

Maine Wesleyan Journal: The blood of Mr. Lovejoy lies, we believe, at the door of civil authority.

Portland, Maine, Transcript: Though Lovejoy has earned the crown of martyrdom, and been taken from among us, he yet speaketh, and in a voice of thunder that shall penetrate where his living voice would never been heard, move thousands of hearts which his arguments would never have moved.

The Belfast Journal: The curse of God be on the heads of the infernal mob. He (Lovejoy) has died a martyr to the cause of liberty of speech and of the press.

New Hampshire Herald of Freedom: Not only has an editor been murdered for publishing his opinions, but the press throughout the country has had an outrage committed on it.

Keene Sentinel: "Lovejoy died in defense of what should ever be dear to American citizens, the right of free discussion, subject to the law, but in a portion of our land the law has no restraint."

Vermont Caledonian: The theatre of murders, of bloody and outrageous deeds of infamy has been transferred from Vicksburg to Alton. Let this place be forever remembered, let its name be written in the catalogue of all that is execrable—let the emigrant avoid it as he values his liberty, let him pass by on the other side of this Sodom of the West.

Vermont Watchman: "We have to record this week one of the most atrocious murders ever committed, Rev. E. P. Lovejoy, late editor of the Alton Observer, a man alike distinguished for his piety, and for his devotion to the sacred cause of liberty, has been murdered by a brutal mob."

Boston Daily Advertiser: "Incarnate fiends and assassins have robbed a wife of a husband, a child of a father, and society of a pure minded man. Free discussion has now her martyr, and it will rouse men who have souls to the defense of that dearest right."

Boston Atlas: "Vicksburg has for some time enjoyed a pre-eminence of murderous notoriety, but Alton, Ill., has lately stepped forward to dispute this unenviable situation, and has far outrun Vicksburg in the career of blood and infamy."

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We, the members of the Maine Gamma Alpha Chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity, wish to thank all the members of the Colby Faculty and student body, who rendered such ready aid at the fire which destroyed our home last Friday. We also wish to express our sincere appreciation to the fraternities and residents of the dormitories, who so kindly gave us the use of their rooms.

ELMER L. WILLIAMS,
WILLIAM F. CUSHMAN,
CHESTER L. ROBINSON
For the Chapter.

FIRE AND WATER WRECK A.T.O. HOUSE

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their way a long distance in the walls before they were found. The fire thereby had a considerable start, and was in a place hard to get at. Smoke from burning mattresses and blankets in the ram pasture of the A. T. O. house made it impossible to breathe on the third and fourth floors of the building. The fire gained the blind attic above the fourth floor and slid along, through the ceiling and in the roof beams, so that it made entrance into the Zeta house.

The flames, being confined to a three foot space above the heads of the workers, were hard to get at, and required a lot of water. Three lines were laid, and one was carried on ladders to the roof. The water, thick with ashes and dirt, came streaking down the winding stairways of both parts of the buildings, and played havoc with the new paper and finish of the Zeta Psi house.

Serious fears were entertained for the college bell, which occupies a belfry atop of the building. It was feared that the bell would part from its moorings and descend through

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the house, but when the firemen went home the ancient casting was still in place, although its weight, coupled with the loss of underpinning, had canted the belfry over to a good angle.

Both fraternities have their chapter halls on the fourth floor of the building, where the smoke was the thickest. Members of each fraternity, however, got to these rooms, and saved their charters and paraphernalia, although doing it required taking no small chances.

During the fire, the work of salvage went on. Ropes dangled from the windows, bearing beds, tables and chairs. Mattresses flung from above, landed with a heavy thump in the wet snow. Desks came out piecemeal. Trunks were carried out, piled high with all sorts of decorations and belongings. Rugs flew through the air, unrolling as they came. Some heroes began to throw pictures, frames, glass and all from fourth story windows, but this ceased. Coats, shoes, travelling bags, baseball bats, bottles, blankets, books, notebooks, all sorts of things whirled through the air and were stacked up on the campus until the place looked like the camp of gypsies.

Saturday morning, President Roberts consulted with the committees on finance and on grounds and buildings from the trustees, and discussed the matter of rebuilding. It was voted that work commence Monday, and the Horace Purinton company was engaged for the job. It is expected that the building will be ready for occupancy again in about six weeks. The damage was severe in the Alpha Tau Omega section, the floors being gone beyond repair, the plastering ruined, and the woodwork hopeless. Zeta Psi's plastering is useless, and the papering and finish throughout the house is a mess. Both chapters had insurance on their furniture. While the reconstruction is going on, an inter-fraternity conference is in progress in the other fraternity houses on the campus and on the avenue.

CONFERENCE SLOWS UP IN PAST WEEK

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well as the natural market exists next door to Japan on the Asiatic mainland.

Other sources of natural products, as well as other markets have been developed by other countries to meet their growing needs, and before the development of what may be called modern applied commercial ethics, some of those countries laid plans to exploit China without full respect to China's right to her own wealth. However, that right is now recognized publicly, and Japan herself, although her access to Chinese supplies and to Chinese markets is of supreme importance to her economic existence, is determined that there shall be no infringement of Chinese rights, no exploitation of China in any way detrimental to China.

Japan would be the first to suffer after China herself—from harmful exploitation of China. Even if great development work should be undertaken in China, and her production of raw materials enormously increased by an outside nation, unless the profits of that work should stay in Chinese hands it would mean that Chinese purchasing power would not be proportionately developed; in other words there would be no corresponding growth of the Chinese market for manufactured goods. Japan, needing that market, would be the direct loser.

It is thus clear that Japan has a direct and vital interest in the establishing of prosperity and of political stability in China. To other countries, as America and Great Britain, the attainment of these ends means much, in the way of increased trade, but to Japan it means life or death. Thus it is obvious that the impatience to Japan of a desire to dominate China either economically or politically is to impute to her stupidity—or an ignorance—which she does not possess.

It is necessary to understand these fundamental truths before a clear comprehension is possible of the Japanese position in the Conference.

Let me say at this point that the rapid work that the Conference has done is due in large measure to the exact knowledge possessed by the American government of actual conditions in the Far East, and to their bearings on the Japanese economic situation. Sentiment here about the great Oriental Republic has been supplemented by information. The Governments at the Conference see clearly that before the many who reforms that have been proposed can be made effective sundry basic evils must be eradicated. And commu-

sions, the membership of which will include Chinese, will be appointed to study the facts in China, and to recommend, after due consideration of these facts, the proper remedies.

And when the remedies are applied, and the resulting political sanitation has been accomplished, you may be sure that China will have a new and unhampered opportunity to make the most of her vast resources of men and materials, and she will welcome the freely tendered assistance of her American, British, and above all, of her Japanese friends, whose "vital interest" in China is nothing more or less than China's prosperity.

An atmosphere of frankness and genuine co-operation among the nations has distinguished this Conference above all its predecessors. Of course the conditions that forced the Conference were new. Every nation had suffered by the war and every one of them was demanding whatever economic relief could be found. We in Japan were under a burden of armament taxation that was making the nation sweat. The same is true in the other countries, perhaps to a less degree. And the demand for relief came not from the government alone, but from the people themselves, from the tax payers, from the bereaved parents. So the delegations here were not at liberty to bargain, to trade, to exchange polite or ambiguous phrases; in the words of your great Secretary Hughes, they were here to get "action," and you know now that they have got it.

We Japanese, it is true, came here a little timid, but sure that our position was just, that we had made a fair estimate of conditions affecting Far Eastern matters, and were ready to display all the facts for examination and to join wholeheartedly in a frank discussion, to concede where concessions seemed to be justified, in fact, to do our best to arrive at a perfect accord with our neighbors in the interest of justice and peace.

You can, therefore, picture our complete gratification when we found, on arriving here and always since we have been here, a spirit of friendliness that matched our own, and a thoroughgoing and practical readiness to co-operate toward the accomplishment of the great common purpose.

The Conference has lifted the burden of suspicion and of misunderstanding and we are happy to see that our relations are re-entering a new period of the historic friendship that began seventy years ago, when your first messenger introduced us to the family of western nations.

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NOTES ON NEIGHBORS

The subject at the literary society last Friday evening was movies. Doris Wyman read an article on "Moving Picture Directors" and Helen Pratt spoke on the "Tendency of the Modern Movies." Marcia Davis rendered a vocal solo.

Charles Baker of Bingham called on his daughter Beatrice last week. Ruth Allen recently refereed at the Coburn-Waterville High basketball game.

Florence Probie, '21, spent Sunday at home.

Ethel Reed recently entertained guests from M. C. I.

Elizabeth Smith, '21, is teaching in Houlton High School.

Genevieve Clark, '24, is recovering from a recent illness.

INTERCOLLEGIATE BRIEFS:

Bowdoin is to send a debating team as far west as Ripon college, Wisconsin, in March. Five debates are to be staged on the way. Meanwhile, a home team is to debate Ripon and Wesleyan. Our old friends in debating, Tufts college, are among the teams to be met.

Amherst is to debate Vassar in April on the general question, "Industrial Relations." The exact wording of the proposition is to be determined by a third person who will announce it two weeks before the debate.

The University of Illinois is to have a grandstand that will seat 100,000 people.

Teams representing the faculties of Williams and Amherst colleges are to compete in basketball, squash, and handball.

Amherst is considering the adoption of serious changes in its honor constitution. Apparently some difficulties are being met, as three sets of rules have been turned down or sent back to the committee for amendment.

Boston University has recently formed a pistol team.

Cornell University has organized a class in basketball officiating.

The M. I. T. musical clubs have recently finished a 2500 mile trip, in which concerts were given at Rochester, Akron, Chicago and Cleveland.

President Lowell of Harvard, in his annual report to the overseers states that athletics, especially football, are being over-emphasized.

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