

LITERARY SOCIETY  
HEARS ADDRESSProf. Weber Explains Lack  
of Literary Talent at Colby

The weekly meeting of the Literary Society was held last Friday evening in the Assembly room at Foss hall. The program opened with a musical selection by Miss Marion Johnson, '25, as violinist, and Miss Margaret E. White, '25, as cellist, accompanied by Miss Doris C. Sanborn, '27, at the piano.

Professor Carl J. Weber then addressed the members on the subject, "The Greatest Obstacle of the Literary Society." Professor Weber maintains that there is no literary atmosphere at Colby, one evidence of which may be found in the "ECHO." A college publication shows what the interests of the student body are, and an examination of the "ECHO" reveals the fact that the interest of Colby students are forty-one per cent athletic and the remaining fifty-nine per cent of a social nature. In such an uncongenial atmosphere literary activities cannot grow.

In explaining the cause of such a situation, Professor Weber first spoke of the athletic conditions, asking the question, "What are athletics for?" Theoretically they should aid the body physically, provide a means of recreation, and be of moral benefit in teaching such qualities as good sportsmanship. Actually they result in many physical injuries, are not a means of recreation in that they are hard work, not play, and lastly do not seem to make for good sportsmanship as witnessed by intercollegiate mud-slinging, etc. Money matters have to be taken into consideration, a coach hired so that we can win games, and last but not least, athletics are used to advertise the college.

A student has no right to the name unless he has the studious habit. Our work here thinking must become a pleasure, not an assignment. This is absolutely necessary for the cultivation of a literary atmosphere. Until we put outside things into outside hours, and get to the point where books assigned are a pleasure to read, our minds are not growing, and we do not get the true meaning of the word "literary." It is a serious matter, worthy of careful thought, for when the right atmosphere is gained the Literary Society can be one of the keenest things in our college life.

WILSON SERVICE  
IN CHAPEL

Dr. J. William Black, professor of History and Political Science at Colby college, gave an able and interesting address before the Colby students in the college chapel Tuesday evening. He spoke on Personal Recollections of Woodrow Wilson, at the same time outlining his achievements in education and politics.

Dr. Black outlined Wilson's character as follows:

"He was a profound scholar, a clear and deep thinker, a man of high ideals, and endowed with a great love for humanity in the mass; even though he seemed to think little of individuals and individual opinion at times. He was tactful of his views, he thought them out for himself; he was tactful and aloof; he did not welcome the counsel of others as much as most men.

"He had the breadth of vision of a Washington, the rugged love of democracy of an Andrew Jackson and the greatness of soul of a Lincoln, but lacked certain other qualities, which each of these men possessed, and which prevented Wilson in all probability from attaining the place in history that he might otherwise be entitled to hold."

## INTER-FRAT. TRACK MEET SOON

Now track candidates for the interfraternity track meet, to be scheduled very soon, are getting in shape by falling in with the veterans for a few laps around the rink. Every year hidden track prospects are brought to light by this meet. Men take an interest in this affair more than in any other and often surprise themselves. Besides the long run and sprint work there will be field events in which anyone can take part and a good number should enter their names right away.

DR. FOSTER SPEAKS  
AT FOSS HALL

Dr. A. K. Foster of Chicago, secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention, gave a very inspiring talk to a group of college women in Foss Hall parlor Saturday evening. He especially emphasized the power of the imagination, without which, work in any walk of life would become mere drudgery. Two things must be taken into account: first, do the work at which one is anchored; but, at the same time, allow the imagination to dart into other directions. By so doing one's potentialities will become possibilities, and not only can one accomplish the work at which he is anchored, but also he can do the outside things which he wants to do. He said, in part, that if every girl here would live so that every other boy or girl would strive to live up to her ideals, her reward would be greater than any honors or medals won at college.

VOLUNTEERS AT  
UNIV. OF MAINEColby Band Attends State  
Conference.

A delegation of nine students from Colby attended the state convention of Student Volunteers held at the University of Maine, February 29 to March 1. There were about a hundred delegates in all, present from Maine schools and colleges. Those who attended from Colby were Margaret Smith, '26, Doris Roberts, '26, Avis Varnam, '25, Eva Alley, '25, William Blake, '27, Theodore Emery, '26, Glenn Bainboth, '27, Ted Pierce, '27, and Charles O. Ide, '26.

The conference was opened on Friday evening with a banquet at Balentine hall. There were addresses by Pres. Little of the University of Maine and King Berge of Turkey. Pres. Little spoke of the obstacles in the way of living a Christian life. There are powerful physical, mental and moral forces to overcome, he said. He noted that this has been true since the time of Christ and stated that not nearly enough progress has been made.

The subject of King Berge's address was "What is the matter with the World?" He said that Western Industrialism in the East is at the root of most troubles.

The greater part of Saturday was given up to group conferences. The social problem and its various branches formed the nucleus of the day's thought.

Sunday morning there was a service in the Maine chapel at which Pres. Little addressed the assembly. In the afternoon the results of the previous day's work were submitted for final discussion. The convention decided that social differences can only be obliterated by destroying all race prejudices and establishing complete equality.

An open forum was then conducted. A half a dozen foreign missionaries including Dr. Hamlin and Dr. Watt of India were present to answer the questions of the students.

The convention was closed with an address by Mr. Clark of the Bangor Theological Seminary, who summarized the three days of work of the conference.

POETRY CONTESTS NOW OPEN  
TO COLBY STUDENTS.

Maine Intercollegiate Contest open to male undergraduates of Bates, Bowdoin, Colby and Maine. Limited to 100 lines. Closing date, April 1. Maine Intercollegiate Contest open to women undergraduates of Bates, Colby, and Maine. Limited to 100 lines. Closing date, April 1.

Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas. Open to American undergraduates. First prize, \$100. Second prize, \$50. Closing date, March 15.

Poetry Society of America. Open to American undergraduates. One prize of \$100. Closing date, May 15.

## DEAN PHILBRICK A VISITOR.

Horbert S. Philbrick, '07, while visiting at his old home in Waterville last week called at the Deke House. Since graduating from Colby Mr. Philbrick has held professorships at various schools through the country. At present he is Dean of Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill.

HOCKEY LETTERS  
ARE AWARDEDMcGowan Elected Captain  
of Next Year's Icebirds.

The minor "C" was awarded to eight players, the coach and manager of hockey, by the Colby Athletic Association at a meeting held Monday night, March 3.

The men to receive their letters in hockey are as follows: Captain Grenville B. E. Vale, '24, of Glen Cove, N. Y.; John A. McGowan, Jr., '26, of Cambridge, Mass.; Harry Muir, '26, of North Vassalboro; Ellsworth W. Millett, '25, of Whitman, Mass.; Louis R. McBay, '25, of New Bedford, Mass.; William E. Fagerstrom, '26, of Worcester, Mass.; Richard J. Pike, '24, of Winthrop, Mass.; and Harland R. Radcliffe, '23, of Melrose Highland, Mass. Coach Euclid Helie and Manager Joseph P. Gorham, '25, of Houlton were also awarded letters.

A signal honor was conferred on Radcliffe, who was graduated from college last June. He was awarded the Colby minor "C" as appreciation for his services in the sport while in its infancy at Colby. He played left wing on the team for three years before hockey was recognized as a minor sport by the Athletic Association. Pike was also awarded a letter for service as he has been on the hockey squad for four years.

At a meeting held in the chapel Tuesday afternoon John A. McGowan was unanimously elected to captain the hockey team for the 1925 season. McGowan has starred on the team for two years, was selected by the Waterville Sentinel, as captain of the All-Maine hockey team, and should pilot the Colby ice-birds to victory in the coming season.

PHI DELTS HOLD  
ANNUAL BANQUET

Maine Alpha of Phi Delta Theta held its Initiation Banquet, Tuesday evening, February 26, at the Elmwood Hotel. Music for the occasion was furnished by the Phi Delta Theta orchestra.

The toastmaster for the evening was John Choate, '20. The speakers were: For the active chapter, Sylvester Sullivan, '25; for the Alumni, Judge Charles W. Atchley, '08, and Harry Tozier.

The initiates were welcomed by George H. Pratt, '26; the response was delivered by Robert S. Trowbridge, '27. Following these a short musical program was given with violin solos by Lee Nichols, '25, cornet solos by Kenneth Copp, '27, and a reading by Edward Baxter, '25.

The initiates were: Donald H. Fasset, West Medford, Mass.; Kenneth R. Copp, Skowhegan; Robert L. Bowdoin, White Plains, N. Y.; Robert S. Trowbridge, Morristown, N. J.; Ralph T. Flahive, Methuen, Mass.; Ralph F. Prescott, White Plains, N. Y.; Alan M. Lohman, West Orange, N. J.; George L. Middlesdorf, West Orange, N. J.; Vincent P. Mathews, West Orange, N. J.; Richard P. Staunton, South Orange, N. J.; all of the class of '27.

## PHI MU GIVES STRAW-RIDE.

Two haystacks full of merry couples left Foss hall early Saturday evening for Oakland. On their arrival an oyster stew supper was served by the ladies of the Universalist church. Attractive favors bore the rose and white of Phi Mu. Musical games and dancing furnished amusement for the remainder of the evening. The chorones were Mrs. Henry W. Brown, a patroness, and Mr. and Mrs. William Luce, the latter an alumnae of Phi chapter, University of Maine, '18. The guests were the Messrs. William W. Hale, '25, Ronald W. Sturtevant, '24, Robert C. Brown, '25, Raymond S. Grant, '25, Ralph M. Larrabee, '25, Earle L. Morrillman, '25, Stanley C. Brown, '25, Ralph Pooler, Delmont Bishop, '23, Clayton W. Johnson, '26, W. Preston Oatwall, '27, Elmont C. Cowing, '27, Greely C. Pierce, '27, Joseph A. Scharrar, '27, Frederick J. Stowart, '27, Theodore H. Flare, Jr., Frederick C. Wright, '27, Dwyeth T. Smith, '27, Kenneth J. Smith, '26, Alphonse W. Lawson, '27, Ross H. Whittier, '27, and Harry Muir, '26.

## HONOR ROLL

List of men who attended a rank of  
A in three or more three hour  
courses.

Seniors.	
A. W. Burekel	9 Hours
P. W. Gates	9
C. H. Jordan	15
C. S. Lewis	9
W. J. McDonald	9
R. D. McLeary	15
W. A. Seamans	9
J. C. Smith	9

Juniors.	
C. H. Ayer	9
M. E. Bennett	12
C. A. Brown	15
R. C. Brown	15
A. K. Chapman	9
H. F. Colby	9
H. J. Greene	15
K. B. Howard	9
R. M. Larabee	15
E. H. Merrill	9
V. E. Reynolds	9
C. S. Roddy	15
R. P. Rowell	12
L. C. Varnam	9

Sophomores.	
D. N. Armstrong	12
F. F. Bartlett	9
J. H. Halpin	9
L. E. Knight	9
J. A. Nelson	9
A. E. Smith	12
D. E. Sprague	9
R. A. Stinchfield	15

Freshmen.	
James Brudno	10
K. R. Copp	9
B. G. Getchell	16
B. C. Getchell	13
Ollie Levine	10
C. O. Parmenter	13
R. P. Prescott	12
H. T. Trefethen	10

The honor roll for the women's division for the first semester is announced as follows:

Seniors.	
Ruth A. Allen	12 Hours
Marion E. Bibber	9
Marion D. Brown	15
Genevieve M. Clark	9
Rachel H. Conant	12
Sippelle R. Daye	12
Marion Drisko	9
Anna C. I. Erickson	12
Margaret T. Gilman	12
Mary E. Gorham	12
Mildred M. Todd	12
Margaret E. Turner	9
Evangeline W. York	12

Juniors.	
Eva L. Alley	12
Hazel P. Berry	9
Elsie I. Bishop	12
Louise M. Cates	12
Marita Cooley	15
Marjorie A. Everingham	9
Doris W. Hardy	15
Clara M. Harthorn	9
Viola F. Jodrey	18
Elizabeth B. Kingsley	12
Ethel P. Mason	12
Grace F. McDonald	12
Nellie E. Pottle	12
Leota E. Schoff	12

Sophomores.	
Marguerite Albert	15
Frances C. Booth	9
Agnes J. Brouder	12
Leola M. Clement	9
Irma V. Davis	9
Doris A. Dewar	9
Lena A. Drisko	9
Dorothy E. Farnum	15
Adelaide S. Gordon	9
Imogene F. Hill	9
Agnes E. Osgood	15
Girlandine L. Priest	9

Freshmen.	
Elizabeth E. Alden	9
Ruth E. Dow	9
Harriet M. Fletcher	15
Caroline D. Hoild	9
Eleanor E. King	12
Arlene S. Mann	9
Miriam E. Rice	15

## MITTELSDOFF TO RUN.

George Mittelsdorf, the freshman star sprinter, will take part in the National A. A. U. championships meet to be held in 22nd Regiment armory in New York next Wednesday night. The Blue and Gray dash man was chosen to represent New England at this meet because of his fine showing at the Boston A. A. meet a few weeks ago when he won the forty-yard dash in the very first time of 4.5 seconds. Up until this meet his ability was unknown but he will be under close observation from now on.

Recently Mittelsdorf was elected captain of the freshman track team. It was because he was a freshman that he was not invited to take part in the meet last Saturday in which Payne participated.

COLBY DEBATING TEAMS  
WIN TWICE FROM MAINEMake Clean Sweep on World Court Question  
--Roddy and Sprague Are Effective.DEKES WINNERS  
IN CARNIVALL. C. A. Takes Second Place  
in Ski and Snowshoe  
Events.

The Delta Kappa Epsilon outing team won the interfraternity meet on Saturday afternoon of last week taking thirty-one out of a possible forty-five points.

John A. Barnes, '24, was the outstanding hero of the afternoon. Barnes finished first in the snowshoe obstacle race, 100 yard dash and drew a second in the cross country snowshoe race. George Barnes, '26, stepped the 150 yard ski dash like an Alpine chasseur, with Gorham close on his heels. The two Jordans had a fight for third with the "Creek" winning. John Laughton, '25, ran a thrilling race in the cross country snowshoe event. Johnnie led all opponents by several yards at the tape. "Spark-Plug" Tash strove mightily to overcome Laughton's lead, but was handicapped too much by becoming mixed up with a barrel, on the way to the finish line.

Pierce of the Lambda Chi's was a good third in the cross country and missed out for first in the obstacle race by a matter of a foot or so. This race furnished much amusement for the on-lookers. Several contestants fell down before they reached the obstacles. The ski jump was eliminated from the program as the snow had all melted from the roof of Hedman Hall. It was expected that several records and perhaps a bone or two would have been broken in this event.

This meet was the first of its kind to be run off at Colby and all the fraternities should look forward to others in the future.

The prospects of an outing club team to participate in the Carnivals next year looks bright at present. We are losing two ski men, C. Jordan and Smith, also one snowshoe man, J. Barnes. However the ski team should be well represented by this year's regular, G. Barnes and A. Jordan together with Gorham and Nelson who were unable to compete this year. We also have two snowshoe artists, Laughton and Pierce of the Lambda Chi's.

Summary of events:

Snowshoe dash—J. Barnes, first; Laughton, second; Pierce, third. Snowshoe obstacle—J. Barnes, first; Pierce, second; Laughton, third. Snowshoe cross country—Laughton, first; J. Barnes, second; Pierce, third. Ski dash—G. Barnes, first; Gorham, second; A. Jordan, third. Ski cross country—G. Barnes, first; A. Jordan, second; Gorham, third. Total—D. K. E., 31; Lambda Chi, 14.

STUDENT COUNCIL HOLDS  
DANCE.

The Student Council held a most enjoyable dance last Thursday night, February 28, at the gym from 7.30 until 10.45. The dance was a tag affair, and well attended by both divisions. Music was afforded by the college orchestra composed of five pieces.

Piano, R. P. Staunton, '27; cornet, K. E. Copp, '27; saxophone, J. F. Fowler, '27; banjo, K. M. Rood, '26; drums, M. G. Kilburn, '25.

This team has done some fine work this year and all who attended the party pronounced the music excellent.

McGarry, '24, was "the committoe" in charge and much credit is due him for cleverly managing the whole affair. The patrons and patronesses were Dr. and Mrs. Parmenter and Miss Van Norman. It was a decided success, and we all look forward to more such dances during the remainder of the college year.

The Colby Debating teams won a decided victory over the University of Maine in a dual debate between the two colleges on Friday evening, February 29. The question was, "Resolved: That the United States should join the Permanent Court of International Justice under the plan as outlined by President Harding." The Colby affirmative team debated in Waterville and won by a three to nothing decision of the judges. The negative team debated in Orono and won by a two to one decision.

The affirmative team was made up of Coburn H. Ayer, '25, Willard A. Seamans, '24, and Clarence Roddy, '26. The finished manner in which they supported their side of the argument was a credit both to Dr. Libby who coached them and to the college. The star speaker of the evening was unquestionably Clarence Roddy. His clever rebuttal contributed much to Colby's victory. The best speaker for the Maine team was Edward M. Curran who made a fine impression. His teammates were Harrison Richardson and Theodore Hatch who both did good work.

The Colby negative team which went to Orono was made up of Kenneth E. Shaw, '25, Russell M. Squire, '25, and Donald A. Sprague, '26. Sprague did especially fine work and his rebuttal was a big factor in Colby's second victory.

A dual debate between Colby and New Hampshire State is scheduled for the near future. The teams which meet the New Hampshire debaters will be made up of other men in the debating class who did not take part in the Maine debate.

PAYNE RUNS  
IN NATIONALSColby Athletes Not Quite  
Able to Place in Inter-  
collegiate Championships.

Rollo Payne, captain of the Colby cross country team and Maine intercollegiate champion, finished fifth in the national intercollegiate champion meet in the 22nd regiment armory in New York last Saturday night. It was an invitation race and the cream of the nation competed for high honors. It was expected that the Colby long distance star would do even better than he did because of his fine showings in previous championship meets.

Verne Booth of Johns Hopkins set a new record in this race while Harry Haline of Georgetown, pressed him hard to the finish. McLane, who won this same race last year came third. Payne was running fourth until the very last when Lormond passed him at the tape. The Blue and Gray runner placed second in the Boston A. A. meet when Lormond was not even able to place.

Two mile run—1, Verne Booth, Johns Hopkins; 2, Harry Haline, Georgetown; 3, McLane, Penn.; 4, George Lormond, B. C.; 5, Roland W. Payne, Colby. Time 9 min. 36 sec.

One mile relay—Won by Yale; Norton, Gallus, Gage, and Chapman. Time 3 min. 22.0 sec.

Freshman medley race—Won by Boston College; O'Connor, Ingoldby, McKenry and McCloskey. Time, 7 min. 0 8-10 sec.

Severely yard dash—Won by Chester Bowman, Syracuse. Time, 7 2-10 sec.

High hurdles—Won by Charles Morro, Penn. State. Time, 9 1-10 sec.

Broad jump—Won by Albert Rose, Penn. 22 ft. 3 1-8 in.

Weight throw—Won by Gates, Princeton, 40 ft. 8 3-8 in.

One mile run—Won by Schuyler Enech, Penn. State. Time, 4 min. 24 sec.

High jump—Won by Clarence Flahive, Boston College, 6 ft. 1-8 in.

Shot put—Won by Ralph Hills, Princeton, 40 ft. 3-4 in.

Two mile relay—Won by Georgetown, Broons, Gogan, Holden, and Masters.

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News Editor for this week: Alfred K. Chapman, '25.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 1924.

The returns from our Five Best Books symposium are still coming in. If you have any convictions on the subject, send them along.

As yet, no entries have been received in the State Literary contest. Come on you poets and short-story writers. Is Colby going to be completely whitewashed by Bowdoin, Bates and Maine?

According to a professor of Northwestern University the reasons for so many flunks are: first, students do not take enough time to eat and sleep and, second, many spend too much time practicing the fine art of loafing. At any rate, we take enough time for eating and sleeping.

## AS OTHERS SEE US.

If you are ever in England, never admit that you are from Colby college, or they will feed you a tallow candle or some such Eskimo delicacy. At least, they will if all English have the same ideas about our college as the writer in one of their periodicals. The following ludicrous account actually appeared in the April, 1923, issue of "The Landmark," monthly magazine of The English Speaking Union. Read it and laugh:

"March, and bitter chill it was. The snow creaked and crunched under the boy's feet, as with the shovel in his stiff hands he dug out a path. Not far to go, but he shivered painfully as he made his way. The chill moonlight guided him to a small mound, and when after hard exertion he managed to reach it, he dug away into the white heap. Uncovering a tarpaulin that all but cracked in the cold, he burrowed down beneath it, and gathering it tightly about him, he went to sleep.

"An Arctic adventurer? A wanderer on the western plains overtaken by a storm? Not in the least. A student from Colby College in the State of Maine, going to bed on the sleeping porch.

"Colby is one of those American colleges where the students may sleep out of doors. So eager are some of the young people to do this that winter itself does not drive them in. Though close to the Canadian border, as American distances go, they reckon not of Canadian winters but sleep from choice on the porches of their boarding houses rather than in sheltered bedrooms, though both porches and beds may be covered with snow. To dig his way across the veranda, shake the snow from the blankets, and climb into a bed that only a Polar explorer would find natural, is a manner of retiring that is not at all unknown to a Colby student. Not even Esquimaux are so heroic at bedtime.

"Sleeping arrangements similar to those at Colby College are to be found in other colleges and universities of the United States. As a 'college activity' outdoor sleeping seems to be coming more and more into favor. Yet with all those students who couple with their education this delightful and salubrious pursuit, the honors, perhaps, should go to the hardy young spirits of Colby."

## ROOSEVELT ON FOOTBALL.

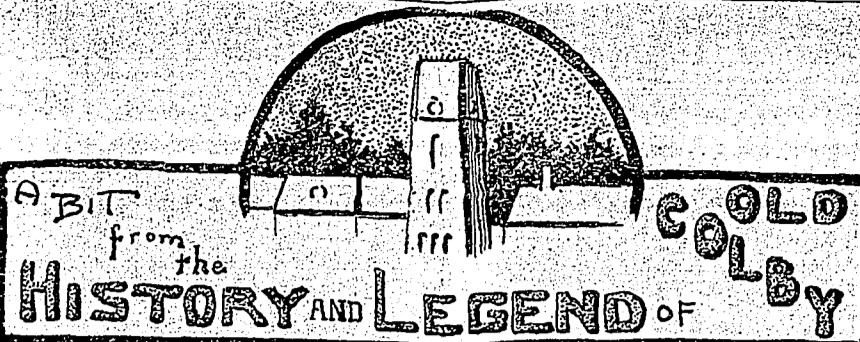
Probably there has never been in the White House a man who was more in enthusiastic sympathy with American sport than Theodore Roosevelt. Always advocating "the strenuous life," he typified all that is best in athletics. Hard-hitting, clean, game to the last minute, it is no wonder that he was the idol of red-blooded Americans. Therefore it is with peculiar interest that we read his views on football written to one of his sons. The following is taken from "Roosevelt's Letters to His Children:"

"Dear Kermit:

"I am glad you are playing football. I should be sorry to see either you or Ted devoting most of your attention to athletics, and I haven't got any special ambition to see you shine overmuch in athletics at college, (at least, if you go there), because I think it tends to take up too much of your time; but I do like to feel that you are manly and able to hold your own in rough hardy sports. I would rather have a boy of mine stand high in studies than high in athletics, but I would a great deal rather have him show true manliness of character than show either intellectual or physical prowess, and I believe you and Ted bid fair to develop just such character.

Your loving,

FATHER."



## AN EDITOR, STATESMAN, AND AUTHOR.

In the library, beside the magazine rack is a marble bust of one of Colby's famous graduates of the first few years of the college. The subject is Honorable James Brooks, who graduated in the class of 1828, for many years a prominent journalist and statesman in New York City. The bust is the gift of his son, Hon. J. Wilton Brooks, a leading New York lawyer.

James Brooks was born in Portland in 1807. His father, Captain James Brooks, was commander of the brig "Yankee," a privateer, which went down with all on board during the war of 1812. James attended the public schools until he was eleven years old, and was "bound out" after the old New England custom, to a Lewiston merchant. But he showed such ability that his employer released him from his obligations in order that he might continue his education.

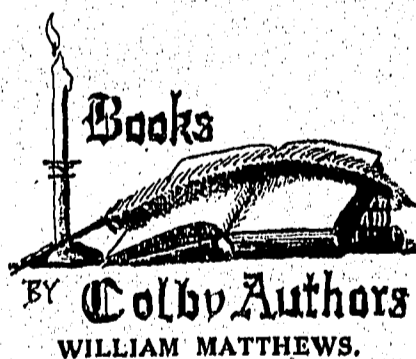
After completing his preparatory studies, James entered Colby, or, as it was then known, Waterville College, in 1824. He supported himself like many another student of this period by teaching school during the long winter vacation. He graduated with honors in 1828. For the next year, he taught in the Portland Latin school at the same time studying law. Though admitted to the bar, he pre-

ferred a journalistic career, for which he showed great aptitude. He joined the editorial staff of the Portland Advertiser and a few years later was elected to the Maine Legislature.

He was editor and proprietor of the New York Express for many years and had a long political career in the state of New York. He was a member of the House of Representatives in Washington for thirteen years and was recognized as one of the leaders of the Democratic party. He was unjustly accused of complicity in the "Credit Moblier" scandal which hastened his death in 1878.

Mr. Brooks was always an able writer. His early contributions to the Portland Advertiser were extensively copied even in the journals of other countries. A prominent contemporary said of his literary ability:

"For perspicuous narrative, terse comment, apt reflection, ready information, courteous tone and distinguished manner he was as remarkable as for his unflagging labor, untiring enterprise, and intuitional knowledge of the salient points of affairs. He attained success as an editor, an author, and a politician, and could have attained greatness in any one of which he might have chosen to devote the whole, not a part, of his very clever thoroughly trained powers."



Doctor William Matthews, a graduate in the class of 1895, is one of the most famous authors on the graduate list of Colby.

Upon graduation he immediately turned to literary pursuits. He edited the Watervillonian, then the local paper, and later edited The Yankee Blade, the Gardiner, Maine, paper. In 1892, he accepted a position as professor of rhetoric and English literature in the University of Chicago. Some of his most famous works are: "Getting on in the World," "The Great Converse," "Words, Their Use and Abuse," "Hours With Men and Books," "Wit and Humor—Their Use and Abuse," and "Conquering Success, or Life in Earnest."

Interesting extracts from his works will show the worth and character of

a man whose ideals and principles were formed from four years of study at Colby.

In his preface to "Wit and Humor—Their Use and Abuse," Dr. Matthews states "Believing that the wisdom and usefulness of the 'comic teachers of true philosophy,' especially those of the highest order are unduly appreciated; that we Americans need their aid more, perhaps, than any other people, not only because we are overworked and over serious and need increased play to balance the excess, but because, as the late Edwin P. Whipple has observed, we too generally lack the faculty or feeling of ridicule, the counterfiet detector all over the world, and are therefore gullied by all those pretences which require a vivid sense of the ludicrous to be detected. Believing too, that wit and humor, so potential for good, are too often perverted by us to illegitimate uses—I have been tempted to write this book."

Dr. Matthews gives no definition of wit or humor, for he believes that there are some things easier to understand than to define, and among them are "that cold, sparkling, morcuring thing which we call wit and that genial, juley, unconscious, impersonal thing which we call humor."

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During the five days beginning February 28, Colby has been very fortunate in having the services of Dr. Allyn K. Foster of Chicago. During his stay Dr. Foster made many speeches every day not only addressing the students at chapel and var-

ious mass meetings but also lecturing in several classrooms, speaking at the Kiwanis Club and several other meetings and preaching at the First Baptist church on Sunday. His efforts have been devoted not so much in giving us new ideas but in interpreting ideas which we already had. He attempted especially to show us how the Bible and science fit in together and supplement each other instead of conflicting. He has built up his talks around this central theme.

On Saturday morning Mr. Foster addressed the Men's division at chapel. At this time he emphasized that religion should bring happiness and not long faces. He then demonstrated in several ways the meaning of his statement. The first thing we should do to make our lives happy is to meet squarely and absorb the ob-

stacle that stands in front of us. Secondly, we should find happiness in meeting and bearing responsibility. Lastly, we should find joy in the great adventure of life, in being men enough to take a chance.

At a meeting on Monday evening in the college chapel, Dr. Foster spoke about twenty minutes on the evolution of the Bible from its earliest writings to its climax, the story of Jesus. He showed that the Bible had evolved from more primitive ideas to its present state, also that it could not be taken absolutely literally because of the frequent use of figure of speech.

After the address he answered questions from the audience. The question was asked about miracles and their significance. Dr. Foster stated that miracles are something outside of scientific understanding. He showed their importance in strengthening our religion.

Each question was answered in a clear way so that one could easily obtain a formula for fighting his way out of difficulties. Exceptionally fine advice was given to the students concerning reconciling the parents at home to modern religious thought when the speaker said that we should not be in too great a hurry to express our own ideas.

In all his speeches Dr. Foster emphasized the existing needs of the world. He took a very liberal and Christian view of life that we should not be too quick to condemn our fellows because they may wander from the path for it is often that God chooses these men and women to do His work.

Dr. Foster's stay has opened up a great path for Sherwood Eddy who is to follow him in a few weeks. He has given us a clearer and surer idea of our beliefs and removed many obstacles. The influence of his visit cannot help but be felt for a long time to come.

Dr. A. K. Foster, Student Secretary of the Northern Baptist Convention, addressed a joint meeting of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. in the chapel last evening. There was an excellent attendance by members of both divisions.

Dr. Foster's final message was an appeal to the students from a religious standpoint to consider how they were going to devote their lives. He urged the student to follow the call of God in whatever field they might embark. He stated that there are many critical moments which confront college students.

His speech was in part, "The question of how we shall answer God's call is a frequently occurring one. In rejecting God's call many people say they are unfit but this is the way we should feel. All through history the men and women on whom Christ has laid his hand have said, shrinking away, 'I am unworthy.'"

"Any time when you have a little light about the Christian life is a critical moment. You never can tell, when you come to a junction, where the branches will lead to. College students and college athletes are often so busy with other things that they find but little time to think of God." Dr. Foster also pointed out the terrific needs of the world today and urged the students not just to sit on the outside of great experiences but to get into them.

## A. T. O.'S WINNERS BASKETBALL GAME

Phi Deltas, Non-Frats and Lambda Chi's also Victorious.

The Delta Upsilon Alpha Tau Omega basketball game, which has been a subject of much discussion during the past week, was played yesterday afternoon in the Colby gymnasium before a large crowd. The A. T. O.'s succeeded in winning from the D. U. team by a score of 51 to 21. The game was fast and showed good playing on both teams. The A. T. O.'s were much superior in shooting, especially in the last half. For them D. Nickerson and Schmiedel were the stars, Nickerson getting 28 points and Schmiedel 17. For the D. U.'s Johnson was high point man but was not going quite up to his usual form. He had played a good defensive game.

By winning this game the A. T. O. team is tied with the Non-Frats for first position. They will probably play the tie off next Monday night.

The summary:  
A. T. O. (51) (21) D. U.  
D. Nickerson, lf. lf. Smolter  
Schmiedel, rf. rf. Herbert  
O'Donnell, c. c. Johnson  
Meynham, lg. lg. Weymouth  
G. Nickerson, rg. rg. Weymouth  
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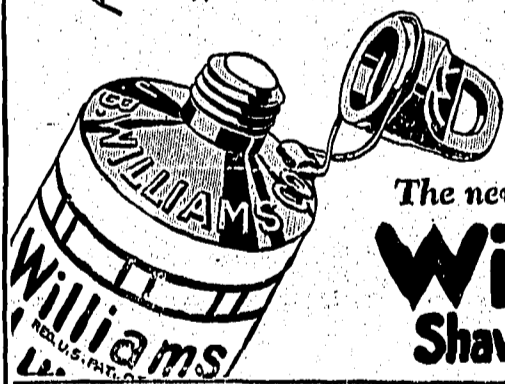
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cier.

Goals from the floor: D. Nickerson 11, Schmiedel 7, O'Donnell 4, Johnson 2, Hebert 2, G. Nickerson, Foster, Beatty, Weymouth.

Goals from fouls, Johnson 5, Schmiedel 2, Saucier 2, D. Nickerson, O'Donnell.

Referee, R. E. Haines. Scorer, McAllister. Timer, Macomber.

### Phi Deltas Victors.

Phi Deltas (46) (10) L. C. A. McLeod, lf. lf. Nesbitt Holcomb rf. rf. McLaughlin Shoemaker, c. c. Laughton Haines, lg. lg. Andrews Bowerhan, rg. rg. Goddard Substitutions: Wyman for Nesbitt, Shanahan for Holcomb.

Goals from floor: Shoemaker 10, Haines 6, Wyman 3, Shanahan 2, McLeod, Holcomb, McLaughlin.

Goals from fouls: Shanahan 4, Shoemaker 2, Wyman, McLaughlin. Referee, Howard. Scorer, Macomber. Timer, McAllister.

### Non-Frats and Lambda Chi's Win.

Non-Frats (38) (10) Alphas Chafetz lf. lf. Nickerson Rood, rf. rf. Pinkham Mason, c. c. Rhodes Fauce, lg. lg. Merrill Levine, rg. rg. Wright Goals: Chafetz 6, Rood 6, Mason 5, Levine 3, Nickerson 2, Pinkham, Merrill, Rhodes.

Goals from fouls: Mason 2. Referee, McAllister. Scorer, Edwards. Timer, Sackett.

Lambda Chi (26) (9) Zeta Psi Muir, lf. lf. Soule Wyman, rf. rf. Powers Laughton, c. c. Goodrich Andrews, lg. lg. Cowing Goddard, rg. rg. Pierce Substitutions: Howland for Pierce, Tarpy for Cowing.

Goals: Wyman 3, Laughton 3, Tarpy 3, Powers. Goals from fouls: Muir 2, Wyman, Andrews, Tarpy.

Referee, Lorinsky. Timer, Sackett. Scorer, Edwards.

### League Standing.

Fraternity	Won	Lost	Pct.
Non-Frat	6	1	.857
Alpha Tau Omega	6	1	.857
Delta Upsilon	5	2	.714
Phi Delta Theta	5	2	.714
Delta Kappa Epsilon	4	3	.571
Lambda Chi Alpha	2	5	.286
Alpha	1	6	.143
Zeta Psi	0	7	.000

### COLBY STUDENTS AT NORTH FIELD.

Howard B. Tuggey, '25, and Raymond A. Grant, '25, were delegates at New England Intercollegiate Y. M. C. A. conference held at Northfield, February 13 and 17. The conference was held for the purpose of discussing the new ideas in "Y" work. Many speakers of international renown were in attendance to present modern world problems. It was stated that the field of service covered by the Y. M. C. A. is broader than it has ever been. The delegates from the various eastern colleges were urged to give this type of work serious consideration.

## FRATERNITY NEWS

### DELTA KAPPA EPSILON.

Joseph C. Smith, '24, made a trip last week to the Maine woods in the vicinity of Moosehead where he had the pleasure of seeing many of the activities of the Great Northern Paper Company.

Clayton W. Johnson, '25, has moved into the Deke House.

Leslie H. Wyman, '26, went to Portland, Monday to take physical examinations for West Point.

Richard A. Harlow, '22 called at the Deke House Monday.

George A. Roach, '26, spent the week end somewhere. (?)

"Governor" Shaw, '25, and "Mayor" Sprague, '26, were welcomed home with due honor from their victorious trip to "Maine." Needless to say they were duly impressed by the ceremonies.

### PHI DELTA THETA.

Charles Shoemaker, '25, spent the week end at Augusta.

John Burke left Thursday morning for his home in Orange, N. J.

Richard Staunton, '27, spent the week end at Farmington.

George Mittelsdorf, '27, left for New York Monday.

Brothers Sullivan and McLeod spent the week end at Skowhegan.

### ALPHA TAU OMEGA.

"Freddie" Baker, '26, spent Monday and Tuesday at the house.

"Dent" Nickerson, '27, attended the B hop at the Farmington Normal School last Friday night.

"Bob" Jacobs, '24, visited in Augusta and Vassalboro over the week end.

John K. Pottle, '18, called at the house last week.

"Spiker" Williams, '22, was a visitor at the house last Friday. He is engaged in the fertilizer business in Houlton.

Roy Hobbs, ex-'24, called at the house Saturday.

### LAMBDA CHI ALPHA.

Charles O. Ide, '26, and T. H. Pierce, '27, attended the Student Volunteer Conference at the University of Maine during the last week end.

Leroy S. Savage, '27, has returned to resume his studies.

C. B. Chapman, '25, and Mark L. Ames, '24, were recent visitors at the home of the former in Boston.

E. Harley Foote, '27, is expected to return from Cambridge this week to continue his college duties.

### DELTA UPSILON.

Arthur Snow, '24, reports the Provincial Convention at Montreal a huge success. "Art" says Montreal is a nice town but it had a very depressing effect upon him. "Squeak" says nothing except that the convention was full of spirit and the McGill gang are a "ruddy" good bunch of fellows.

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Commission reports that conditions between College avenue and Winslow are as usual. John takes his position very seriously and is certainly a conscientious observer.

"Ted" Emery, '26, returned from Y. M. C. A. conference at Orono. We wonder whether he attended a "Y" conference at Orono or a matrimonial conference at Brewer. Anyway, "Ted" made the Brewer bridge in 10 flat. A new record.

A number of the boys annexed themselves to the "Iron Man's" expedition and invaded Clinton Monday.

We were glad to see Squire, '25, come through at Orono. But we cannot help observing that being Dr. Libby's "Pet" he couldn't do otherwise.

## FOSS HALL NOTES

The freshmen members of the P. H. Club entertained the other members at a party, following a short business meeting Wednesday evening.

A pleasing program was given: a pantomime by Miss Russell and Miss Cain being the chief feature. Refreshments consisting of fruit salad, cookies and punch were served. Much credit is due to the different committees for making the evening so enjoyable.

Miss Jennie Nutter, '25, went to Guilford, Friday to be operated on for appendicitis. Her mother, who arrived here Thursday evening from Monson, accompanied her.

Miss Avis Varnam, '25, went to Maine as a delegate to the Y. W. C. A. convention, which was held there Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Eva True, '27, who has been ill with the measles is able to attend classes again.

### SIGMA KAPPA.

Doris E. Wyman, '23, who is teaching in Revere, Mass., was the guest of Hilda Worthen for a few days this week.

Julia Hoyt, '22, called at the hall the first of the week. She is teaching at Marshfield, Mass.

Dorothy L. Austin, '25, was the Alpha delegate to the Delta and Omicron banquet in Boston.

Alpha chapter of Sigma Kappa has received the announcement of the birth of a daughter, Margaret Ellen, born February 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Moore. Mrs. Moore was formerly Bertha Gilliat, '22.

The senior delegation had a birthday party at the sorority hall, Friday evening in honor of Helen Pratt.

### CHI OMEGA.

Miss Frances J. Tweedie, '27, is the guest of Miss Leonora E. Hall, '27, at her home in Hampden this week end.

Miss Marion L. Cummings was called to her home in Hebron by the illness of her mother last week.

Miss Amy V. Robinson, '25, and Miss Doris W. Hardy, '25, were delegates to the banquet and dance at Xi Beta chapter, University of Maine last week. Others who attended were Miss Flora M. Harriman, '25, and Evelyn Gilmore, '26.

Miss Marion A. Merriam, '25 has been entertaining her sister Miss Helen Merriam of Springfield, Mass.

Miss Nellie E. Pottle, '25, spent the week end with her mother in Winthrop.

Miss Grace A. Fox, '24, went to Skowhegan, Friday.

### DELTA DELTA DELTA.

Helen Hight, '27, and Payalono Decker, '27, spent the week end at their homes in Skowhegan.

Margaret White, '25, spent the week end at her home in Augusta.

Marjorie Sterling, '25, and Betty Tarrant, '26, spent the week end at the home of Miss Sterling's brother at North Anson.

A party was held after Fraternity meeting Wednesday in honor of Freshmen's first attendance. Delightful refreshments of strawberry shortcake were served by alumnae.

### ALPHA DELTA PI.

Miss Eva L. Alley, '25, attended the Maine Student Volunteer Convention at Orono last week end.

Miss Ruby Hutchinson of the Farmington Normal School was the week end guest of Miss Doris V. Keny, '26.

### PHI MU.

A ten pound box of chocolates to the fraternity announced the engagement of Miss Alice E. Mantor, '24, to George Brown, a Sigma Mu, ex-'25, of Bowdoin.

An enjoyable "Anglo" and "Lena" snowshoe party took place Monday evening.

Miss Helen Stone, '27, spent Wednesday in Augusta.

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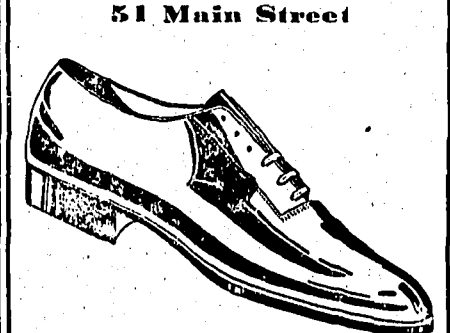
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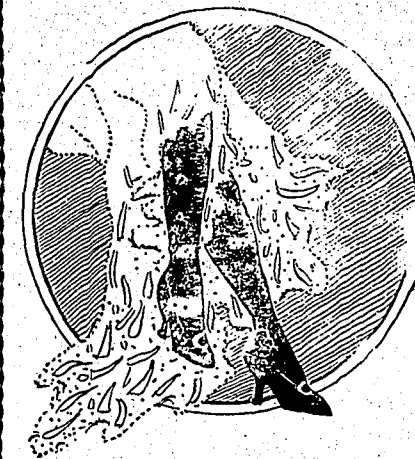
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