

COLBY ECHO SOON TO CELEBRATE
ITS HALF CENTURY ANNIVERSARY

Publication Started By Joseph H. Files---
Early Editions Contain Interesting Comments On Football And The Gymnasium

The Colby Echo, the weekly student publication of Colby College, will shortly celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of its advent into the world of college journalism.

In March, 1877, a group of students under the leadership of Joseph H. Files, whom later years were to bring to the editorship of the *Daily Advertiser* and the *Portland Press* both of Portland, Me., resolved to found a publication "which should be an exponent of the College, an Echo of the ideas, views, and opinions of the students; a conductor to dissipate the pent-up electricity of college intellect, without any disastrous explosion."

At the outset the Echo was published monthly and was more or less of a literary nature, spiced a bit with irony and humor. The first issue gave a list of the faculty members who at that time were headed by Pres. Rev. Henry E. Robins, D. D. Professor Julian D. Taylor, A. M., was listed even at that early date as Professor of the Latin Language and Literature.

An estimate is given of the necessary expenses of a student at Colby, "not including furniture, books, apparel, traveling, and board in vacations."

Tuition and room rent-----\$42.00
Incidental expenses-----\$18.00
Board, from \$2.50 to \$3.50 per week-----\$97.50 to \$138.50
Fuel, washing, lights-----\$30.00

\$187.50 to \$246.50
Propaganda for a new sport is set forth by an Echo editorial writer. "There is a game not yet introduced at Colby—at least not yet played in a scientific way—a game in considerable favor at other colleges, which is as good in point of exercise as baseball, namely, football. As a game it is quite scientific, can be played by more at a time, does not require so much skill, and is not so dangerous as baseball. Let us have some football clubs organized as soon as the season opens. Bates has them, and so do Bowdoin, Harvard and Yale."

The mantle of the prophet is assumed by the Echo who had no doubt hazy premonitions of the radio and trans-Atlantic telephonic communication. "Prof. Bell with his telephone talks a hundred miles through wires. A concert in Salem is listened to by an audience in Boston. They play Yankee Doodle forty miles by lightning. Nothing is safe from the attacks of these scientific men. By the time that Prof. Bell has made the usual number of improvements in this far-sounding instrument, what limit will there be to his powers of talking? Perhaps we can hear the music of the spheres. No need of going to the opera; stay at home and hear the music just as well."

An appeal is made for a College Band, and delight is expressed with the new gymnasium which "stands on the site of the old one, and is a much handsomer and better building, being much larger, substantially built of brick, and well lighted. When the walls were going up last fall we feared that the building would be rather ugly in an architectural point of view. But when done it is really

LETTER OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all Colby-people and Sororities and Fraternities and friends of father who contributed flowers at his funeral and express our profound appreciation for all kindness shown either before or since our beloved father's passing.

Mrs. A. Marquardt and sons,
George A. and
Hermann C. Marquardt,
375 Olive St.,
San Gabriel, Calif.

NOTICE.

Any student who was absent from mid-year examinations because of illness or any other unavoidable cause may take a make-up examination by making personal arrangements with his professor. The absence must be excused and signed by the excuse officer.

SIGMA KAPPA SORORITY
HAS ANNUAL INITIATION

The fifty-first annual initiation of Alpha chapter of Sigma Kappa sorority took place on Saturday afternoon, February 12, in the sorority hall. After the initiation a banquet was held at the Elmwood hotel at which many alumnae were present. Mrs. Lois Hoxie Smith, '03, acted as toast-mistress in a very clever and amusing way. Muriel Vaughan Sanborn, '29, was choragus and during the evening many college and sorority songs were sung.

The following toasts were given: Seniors, Lucile Norine Whitcomb, '30; Idols, Emily Redington Heath, '26; Girls, Barbara Annette Weston, '29; Mr. Sigma, Annie Hooper Goodwin, '29; Arthur, Edith Watkins Chester, '04; Keepsakes, Lura Arabina Norcross, '27; Alumnae, Helen Coburn Smith, '27; Pan-Hellenic, Louise Jobson Chapman, '27; Pansies, Dorothy Daggett, '28; Adieu, Impromptu.

The initiates were: Kathleen Bailey, Farmington; Pauline Bakeman, Peabody, Mass.; Viola Lulene Blake, Winslow; Helen Woodford Brigham, Concord, Mass.; Alberta Louise Brown, Waterville; Janet Chase, Augusta; Dorothy Dean, Woodford; Isa Bubar Putnam, Danforth; Lucile Norine Whitcomb, Farmington.

The alumnae present were: Mrs. William A. Smith, Waterville; Alice Harriet Parmenter, Waterville; Alice M. Purinton, Waterville; Mrs. Webster Chester, Waterville; Mrs. Charles W. Atchley, Waterville; Myrtice D. Cheney, Portland; Mrs. A. E. Linscott, Portland; Marion Buzzell, Houlton; Florence Dunn, Waterville; Mrs. Ina T. Hooper, Winslow; Elizabeth Larrabee, Waterville; Ethel Childs, Waterville; Emily Heath, Waterville.

DRUIDS ELECT
NEW MEMBERS

At a meeting of the Druids, junior honorary society, which was held in the A. T. O. house at 1.30 this afternoon under the direction of President C. Evan Johnson the following juniors were elected to Druid membership:

Delta Kappa Epsilon: J. Lewis Lovett of Hudson, Mass.; Albert J. Thiel of Canton, Mass.

Zeta Psi: George C. West of Waterville; Charles P. Nelson of Augusta.

Phi Delta Theta: Jack J. Ricci of Meriden, Conn.; George P. Bernhardt of Lawrence, Mass.

Alpha Tau Omega: John A. Trainor of Waterville; W. Forrest MacLean of Norwood, Mass.

Delta Upsilon: Leo W. MacDonald of South Brewer; Elwood J. Hammond of Dexter.

Lambda Chi Alpha: P. Kenton McCubrey of Caribou; Charles M. Hannifen of Lynn, Mass.

Kappa Delta Rho: Donald H. Millett of Springfield, Vt.; William S. Tanner of Augusta.

Y. W. C. A. BUDGET
IS ANNOUNCED

The Y. W. C. A. budget for the year 1926-27 has been drawn up and is as follows:

National dues, \$140; Student Fellowship, \$100; College year for Chinese girl, \$38; Maqua Delegates (2), \$62; National Convention Committee, \$5; Music Committee, \$5; Social Committee, \$25; Publicity Committee, \$5; Membership Committee, \$10; Handbooks, \$125; Emergency Fund, \$15; Meetings Committee, \$120; Total, \$700.

It is interesting to know the financial requirements of the Y. W. and to know for what purposes the money raised is used. To make this budget each woman student must give at least \$3. Because there are 225 members of Y. W., \$80 was made at the Silver Tea; this leaves \$620 to be given by the members. \$670 divided by 225 equals \$3 (approximately).

FIRST DEBATE IS
AT CHAPEL TONIGHT

Marquette University is The Opponent—Rhoades and Peakes are to Speak for Colby.

The first debate of the year will be held in the college chapel this evening, at which time Colby will meet a two-man team from Marquette University of Milwaukee, Wis., on the question, "Resolved, That the Democratic Ideal is a Mistaken Sentiment."

Marquette University will uphold the affirmative side of the question and will be represented by Herbert J. Steffes and Willard F. Henoch, both of Milwaukee.

Mr. Steffes is a Junior in the School of Law at Marquette, and is a veteran of the championship Liberal Arts inter-departmental debating team of the University, which was defeated but once in three years. He is also a member of the Marquette debating team which toured the West and Southwest of the United States in 1925-26; a veteran of the Cambridge-Marquette debate in 1926; a veteran of debates with Chicago-Kent College of Law, University of Arizona and Northwestern University. He is president of the all-University Honorary debating society and a member of the Delta Theta Phi National Legal Fraternity.

Mr. Henoch is a member of the freshman class at Marquette School of Law and a veteran debator. He was a member of the Lawrence debate team on a tour through Washington and Oregon in 1925 and also a veteran of the Occidental-Marquette debate of 1927.

The Colby team which will defend the opposite side of the question consists of Marion N. Rhoades, '27, of Belfast, and Lawrence Asa Peakes, '28, of Poultney, Vt. These men are experienced debaters and were chosen from a group of candidates of the debating squad as logical men to represent Colby.

Mr. Rhoades is a member of the senior class and has had three years training in the field of oratory. He has participated in the Goodwin and the Hallowell Prize Speaking contests for the past two years and has been a prize winner in both. He also participated in the Murray Prize Debate. He was president of the Pi Kappa Delta Forensic Society last year and at present holds the office of manager of Debate in the Colby Debating Society. He was one of the victorious debaters in a joint debate with the University of Vermont last year on the proposition of Government Ownership and operation of the Coal Mines.

Mr. Peakes is a member of the junior class and a veteran debator of last season. He participated in a dual debate with the University of Maine in 1926 on the proposition of Uniform Marriage and Divorce Laws in which Colby was victorious by a unanimous decision of the judges. He has been very active in public speaking contest and competed in the Goodwin and the Hallowell Prize Speaking contests and also the Murray Prize Debate. He is president of the Colby Debating Society and is a member of the editorial staff of the Colby Echo. He is also a member of Pi Kappa Delta forensic society.

The debate in the college chapel tonight marks the beginning of a busy season for Colby. There are twenty-one members of the squad this year and before the season closes in April each man will have participated in at least one debate. On February 22, George Washington University will debate here, March 5th Colby will debate Boston College here; on March 19 another team meets Massachusetts (Continued on page 4)

NOTICES.

Hockey Tonight—
Bates vs. Colby
Waterville Hockey Club Rink
Eight o'clock.

Debate Tonight—
Marquette vs. Colby
Colby Chapel
Eight o'clock.

Tentative—
Gym dance after D. U.-A. T. O.
basketball game.
Tuesday evening, February 22.

Senior Photos—
Senior photos must be taken before February 21.

SHERWOOD EDDY TO
LECTURE HERE SOON

Will Give a Series of Six Talks—Has Many Interesting Recent Experiences to Relate.

Sherwood Eddy has recently returned from conducting his sixth annual seminar of representative American writers and speakers who have endeavored to make an impartial study of conditions in Europe. His last trip included Great Britain, France, Germany, the central European countries and Russia. In England Mr. Eddy personally met Premier Baldwin and other political and industrial leaders, and in Germany President Hindenburg and representatives of the various parties in the Reichstag. In Russia the party interviewed some thirty outstanding leaders of thought and life in that strange land of contradictions, including Stalin, Lenin's successor, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and of Education, the heads of various departments of state and church, friends and foes of the present regime.

As the first representative, unofficial body of Americans of the kind, they were permitted to make an impartial study of actual conditions in the new Russia. As this was Mr. Eddy's fourth visit to that country, he was able to compare conditions under the present government with those of the former Czarist regime. He was the first foreigner to challenge the Soviet leaders to a public debate upon the subject of religion and the existence of God. After nine years, flooded as we have been by propaganda red and white, it will be a privilege to have some one who has no axe to grind, no case to make for or against Russia, and who is not afraid to tell us just what he saw.

Sherwood Eddy, now a world figure in Christian leadership, was graduated at Yale in 1891. He went to India in 1896 at his own expense. After fifteen years of work among the students of the Indian Empire, he was called to be Secretary for Asia for the International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations. Nine years of service in this capacity among the students and officials of India, China, Japan, the Near East and Russia have been characterized by the brilliance, energy, judgment and devotion so singularly combined in this man.

In 1912, 1913, and 1914, Mr. Eddy was engaged with Dr. John R. Mott in conducting meetings for students throughout Asia. Notwithstanding the War, the audiences in China averaged 3000 a night. In Hongkong 4000 students and business men attended and it was necessary to hold three meetings in three successive hours in one of the largest theatres in the city to accommodate the crowd. The officials of China, from the President and Vice President down to the governors and local officials, received (Continued on page 4)

PROFESSOR ROLLINS REPRESENTS
COLBY AT YALE DRAMA CONFERENCE

Many Colleges And Universities Send Delegates--Work Supplies A Much Needed Element In Education.

STUDENT PUBLICATION
SUPPRESSED IN KANSAS

(New Student Service.)

A mass meeting of Kansas City, Missouri, Junior College alumni unanimously demanded a re-hearing of the case of Gerald Fling, who was expelled from the college for helping publish *The Sacred Cow*, an insurgent undergraduate paper.

Unless amicable relations are established between the students and the administration the resolution urges the appointment of a new president. There have been intermittent revolts between students and authorities since 1921 and *The Sacred Cow* was partially the outcome of a clash between student council and president.

When *The Collegian*, official student organ, was suppressed it proposed to print reviews of "The Silver Stallion," "The Professor's House," and "The Dybbuk," also a letter charging the faculty with unfairness in student dealings, *The Sacred Cow* was brought out by five students. The forbidden reviews were published, also a quotation from George Bernard Shaw's article in *The New Student*, an intercollegiate publication, saying "If the students of America do not organize their own education they will not get any. In forming intellectual Soviets and establishing a Dictatorship of the Learner, American students may save their country—if it is capable of being saved."

Four of the students apologized for their part in this venture, the fifth flatly refused. He was expelled by President E. M. Bainter, who remarked at the time, "This is part of a nation-wide movement of the reds to wreck our educational institutions." The American Civil Liberties Union has come to Fling's aid.

The alumni action was taken after a report for the alumni council by Paul Porter, University of Kansas student and New Student contributors, and Clarence O. Senior, also at the University of Kansas.

SENIOR CLASS
HOLDS MEETING

At the senior class meeting held this afternoon it was voted that the class purchase blazers, the design to be decided upon by a special committee.

The nominating committee was appointed by President U. Cleal Cowing as follows:

Ralph T. Flahive of Methuen, Mass., chairman, Frederick E. Baker of Portland, John A. Nelson of Augusta, Bassford C. Getchell of Needham, Mass., and Clement Taylor of Winthrop.

NOW OBSERVING
SACRIFICE WEEK

Tuesday, February 15, marked the beginning of Sacrifice Week, which is being observed by the women of Colby. Money, ordinarily spent for pleasure, is given to the Y. W. C. A. This sum is then sent to the Student Friendship Fund which gives aid to students in foreign colleges, and helps a great deal in the hostels. This fund is very efficient in securing positions for students who desire self-help. The budget of this organization is \$52,000, and the combined Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A.'s of the country are endeavoring to secure the entire amount.

COBURN GIRLS
LEAD Y MEETING

The regular weekly meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held Tuesday evening, February 8, in Foss Hall assembly room. A group of twelve Coburn girls took complete charge of the meeting. The first part of the program consisted of a short play whose central theme was Americanization. The costuming of the characters of the different nations was very effective. The program was concluded by a religious service, reading of the Bible, and special music.

Professor Cecil A. Rollins of the Colby college faculty was Colby's representative to the Conference on the Drama, held under the auspices of Yale University, February 11 and 13.

This is second great conference that has been held among the colleges on the subject of the drama, the meeting last year being held at the Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, Pa. Colleges and universities all over the United States were represented at New Haven over the weekend and many of the leading secondary schools of the East also sent delegates. At the present time there are 164 colleges and universities where practical work in dramatics is carried on.

Throughout the Conference the attending visitors met as groups and Professor Rollins was present at the meetings of the college section. Among the speakers who addressed the gathering Saturday morning were: Miss Jeanette Marks of Mount Holyoke College, A. M. Drummond of Cornell University, and Sawyer Falk of Hillsdale College, Michigan. In summary, the speakers believed that work in dramatics must be considered primarily as work in education. They were interested in the subject because they felt it as a vital part of college work and they were anxious to find a place for it in the general college program. It was their experience that students have found in dramatic work an avenue of artistic freedom and expression in the development of personality. They also were convinced that the need of dramatics called for the highest standards of scholarship and art.

Saturday afternoon the time of the delegates was profitably occupied when representatives of the professional theater spoke before the Conference. Many were the delightful hits and cogent criticisms that were given in the speeches of the afternoon. The chairman, Mr. Brock Pemberton, spoke particularly of the censorship problem which at the present time is troubling New York City. The agitation for censorship, in his opinion, lies in the fact that this is the worst period of a very bad theatrical season and that the whole movement is an attempt to boom business. It is his belief that there will be no censorship in New York City.

Mrs. Edith R. Isaacs, of the Theater Arts Monthly, declared that drama in New York was hampered by the intolerably high rents of the theaters. To pay rents managers must have box office successes. Consequently plays that are artistically excellent often have no chance with inferior sensational plays. Mrs. Isaacs looks to the theater outside New York for the best dramas of the future.

The two plays produced Friday and Saturday nights were composed and the entire lighting and scenic effects executed, by students of the University Department of Drama. Friday night those present witnessed "Lazy," a play of the Ozarks which Professor Baker termed "a play in the making." Saturday night "The Patriarch," a powerful tragedy of the southern mountains, was presented.

Professor Rollins declares that the conference was an eye opener as to the valuable and inspiring work that is being done in the drama all over this country. He declares that an artistic renaissance may come through this movement. He is convinced that this work supplies a much needed element in modern education and modern life. He expresses satisfaction that such schools of the drama as this one at Yale and at the Carnegie Institute of Technology are getting high standards of excellence and are training leaders in that particular field. Most colleges and universities do not want and should not have elaborate courses but should offer something which will awaken and nourish the love of beauty and train the students to become intelligent and appreciative members of the artistic audiences which will attend American theaters in the future. Taste grows only by being exercised. The work in dramatic expression elevates the taste.

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DUST INTO DUST.

"Dust thou art, to dust returneth," co-ords, truly enough. The requirement of four years of "P. T." for members of the women's division at Colby is, according to the consensus of opinion, criminal. Two letters condemning the four-year requirement have come to The Echo within a short time. It might not be amiss to select a few quotations from the first:

"... gymnasium practice comes at inconvenient hours. . . we swallow dinner in twenty minutes, hustle back for the sake of our health into a two by four cellar called 'The Colby Women's Gymnasium.' Here we roll around the dirty gym floor . . . here we feel the drafts of damp air, for if we want air at all it must come in drafts through the 'windows' that aren't visible except with a microscope. . . try as we may we never fail to hit the beams and knock a pound of plaster on our heads."

And from the second we have:

"... the injustice of Colby girls being required to take four years of gymnasium work. . . Why are we forced to suffer four years of physical torture. . . no other college in the world, I believe, requires more than two years. . . If we were allowed a little leeway in our work it wouldn't be so bad. . . only on certain days are we allowed to substitute snowshoeing, skiing, walking, etc., for exercises in that little stuffy box of a gym."

These letters show a spirit of righteous indignation on the part of Colby women in regard to physical training. At the University of Maine the requirement is two years; at Bates, three; at the University of New Hampshire, two; at Boston University, two. At Colby where the girls exercise in an oversized band-box, the requirement is four years.

The Colby women's gymnasium is not a suitable place in which to carry on the work of physical training. The college authorities who require four years of dust inhalation by the women know this, but have failed to remedy the condition. The reference for this statement is the Colby College Catalogue which states under the title of equipment for physical education in the women's division, "Funds are now being secured to provide a suitable place for carrying on the work." What clearer way is there of admitting that the present hole-in-the-wall is unsuitable?

"If we were allowed a little leeway in our work it wouldn't be so bad. . . only on certain days are we allowed to substitute snowshoeing, skiing, walking, etc.," says one of our letters. Permitting this "leeway" is at present the only remedy for the objectionable condition of physical accommodations. The girls should be allowed at any time to substitute for the gym work any form of outdoor exercise which the instructor approves. Too much leniency cannot be shown in this matter. Of course, the injustice in requiring women to take four years of such work is obvious. In the rest of the curriculum the junior and senior is considered to know what courses she should take and thus electives are available. Not so in "Physical Torture." Is it not reasonable to believe that after two years of P. T. a woman is able to use some judgment?

The remedy for the present evil is: First, permit almost absolute freedom of exercise in out-of-door sport as a substitute for gymnasium work; and second, change the requirement in physical education from four to two years, an entirely sufficient requirement.

If this is not done our girls may well join our old friend Omar Khayyam when he says:

"Ah, make the most of what we yet may spend,
 Before we too into the Dust descend;
 Dust into Dust, and under Dust to lie,
 Sans Wine, sans Song, sans Singer, and—sans End."

Why is there more dissatisfaction with marks this semester than there has been at any time within the last four years?

Should our government withhold longer any recognition of Soviet Russia? Should we ratify the Treaty of Lausanne with Turkey? Now that we have signified our willingness to enter the World Court, what should our attitude be toward the League of Nations? Just how far ought we to go in urging Europe to limit land armaments?

These are some of the questions which Herbert Adams Gibbons asks in his reading course, "The Europe of Our Day," which has recently been added to the college library.

Instead of answering the questions Mr. Gibbons challenges the reader with a discussion of Modern Europe and of six readable books which will enable him to answer the questions. The books are "Europe Since Waterloo," William Stearns Davis; "Twenty-five Years," Viscount Grey; "A Brief History of the Great War," Carlton J. Hayes; "Europe Since 1918," Herbert Adams Gibbons; "England," William Ralph Inge; and "Economic Development of Modern Europe," Frederic Austin Ogg and Walter Sharp.

The above quotation taken from "The Antiochian" of Antioch College reveals one of Antioch's most important features. Reading courses by prominent authors and by professors at the college are instituted and much publicity given them in an attempt to interest those who are not able to take similar courses. These students find it possible to investigate, with the proper guidance, any subject in which they are interested.

Similar courses outlined by members of the Colby faculty, given proper publicity, and made available at the library would be valuable. It would give the student who has not attained a rank of 85 in his courses an opportunity to learn, with the benefit of the professors' knowledge, at least a little more than is required of him, almost an impossibility at the present time.

LITERARY COLUMN

LIBRARY NOTES.

While the library may well be expected to contain all the works of those English and American novelists of any repute, there are still many omissions from our shelves. As opportunity offers, the librarian is completing these sets. The most recent accession of this sort is the purchase of separate volumes of Hardy and Meredith, so that the complete works of those writers may now be found. It is the intent that, before next fall, sets of others writers shall be likewise complete.

Students and faculty members who recall the visit of Hugh Walpole to Colby a few years ago will be glad to know that his latest novel, "Harmer John," is now on our shelves.

The most highly endorsed biography of the month is "Palmerston," by Philip Guedalla. Our students of European History are already familiar with this author's "Second Empire," and will want to read his latest work, of which critics say, "It makes one live in reality the days of Palmerston."

We are indebted to the generosity of Everett C. Marston, 1924, of the firm of Houghton Mifflin Co., for an additional copy of "The Intimate Papers of Colonel House." Charles S. Estes, 1884, has also presented ten valuable books to the library.

One of the most loyal friends of our library is Edward F. Stevens, 1889, librarian of Pratt Institute Free Library, and director of Pratt Institute Library School. His gifts to us amount to more than twenty volumes each year.

SONNET.

There is a kind of spring that ever boils
 From sources undiscovered to human eye,
 And man who drinks thereof shall live or die
 According to the circumscribing soil
 In which the liquid substance finds its bed.
 The water in the spring was pure at first,
 But impure man too often quenched his thirst,
 Till all about was desolate and dead.

Where he had trampled, stooped and stained the sod,
 A leprous toxic seeps and fouls the spring,
 To some as deadly as a strychnine dose.
 But others do not suffer: they are those
 Who, blessed with love, will purify the thing
 That poisons, knowing life springs but from God.

R. M. G.

ULTIMA THULE.

The silent moon last night was riding high,
 A silver siren that lured on our bark,
 And yet was queen of sea and ship and sky.
 I lay alone, lost in the stillness stark,
 And watched the whited snails slip through the dark
 And overside could see the Hell lights break
 As moonfire lit the waves, and I did mark
 The eerie radiance of the vessel's wake
 Across the seas a-crawl, a flaming, mottled snake.

It seemed as if the mighty void then knew
 But three live things, the moon, the ship, and me,
 And I was thrall then of those other two.
 In all the mystic vastitude we three alone did live. And on that lonely sea
 My body merged to the wooden hull,

Limned on the endless night where universes skulk.

And yet there were in me no trembling fears.

Above, I saw the moon invoke and scan

Old legends out of long gone, primal years

And ages ere our puny time began.

The magic of the ship renewed the art

Of ancient seas. An over-life there ran

Within us three, and I, of it third part,

Was glad, and knew old glories in my heart.

Cynicus.

GOSSIP OF THE GLADIATORS.

Dear Editor:

Apropos of a recent editorial in the Echo regarding the employment of additional assistants in the departments of athletics why not begin by giving assistants to some of our over-worked professors?

It has long been a custom at Colby to appoint as assistants in various courses, students who have done creditable work in that course, who have a high scholarship average, and who stand in need of the remuneration thus gained. It is very commendable on the part of the administration to thus recognize and assist these students. At the same time it can often result in injury to the scholastic health of many students. A small college has its disadvantages as well as its advantages and one of these, as many professors will admit, is the peculiar pressure that close contact with the students brings to bear upon the question of ranks. How much more difficult it is for a student assistant in his position of equality with the students to be absolutely fair to all concerned, including himself.

Another fallacy in our system lies in the fact that classmates sit as judges upon the quality of work done by another student. Of course "border-line" papers are reviewed by the professor himself; and others are dependent upon the opinions of student assistants.

This condition is unfair to the students who have the right to be judges solely by those who are competent and whose business it is to act in that capacity. In fairness to the professors and to the undergraduates, capable assistants should be employed. To do so is a step that should be taken, for by it all would be benefited.

Very truly yours,

U. R. L.

HOW MANY READ THE NEWSPAPERS?

Newspapers, a source of state, national, and international news, are read by an amazingly few women at Colby. This situation is alarming when we take into consideration the fact that both the professor of Political Science, and the professor of Journalism require the digesting of the contents of newspapers in their courses. There are 205 women at Colby. Of this number only 100, approximately, according to an informal survey made this week by an Echo investigator, read parts of the paper, usually the headlines. The number of women who read the papers from the front page to the final page, inclusive, is 18. Thus, there are 141 members of the women's division who do not read the newspapers at all. Are the papers too light for the intelligence of this class of 141 or do they rely on the other 124, who do read the papers, for misrepresented facts?

Have the Colby women of today any desires to become leaders in the several fields open to the fair sex? In other words, do they think of the future?

To answer the above questions one has to consider two types of minds. The first type scarcely thinks of the future. To the exponents of this type the future is nothing but a blank. The second type thinks constantly of things to come, and of present situations mainly in relation to the results that must arise from them. This last type is constructive. It interprets life in all its phases.

There are all kinds of books to read. They are being written every day. These books, though, are not as current as the newspapers. By reading several papers one is able to evaluate, and come to logical conclusions more quickly. Comparison is made easy. As Cardinal Newman says: "There is no enlargement, unless there be a comparison of ideas one with another, as they come before the mind, and a systematizing of them. We feel our minds to be growing and expanding then, when we not only learn, but refer what we learn to what we know already."

DEFINES DEMOCRACY.

"Democracy is the organization of society on the basis of respect for the individual," was the definition given by Mr. Charles Fleischer, former editor of "Democracy" and present editor of the New York American editorial page, speaking in assembly Friday morning.

Mr. Fleischer believes thoroughly in the individual. Self-consistency and self-confidence are two requisites in developing personality in the individual, he says. (The Antiochian.)

Dear Mister Gladiator:

Whereas with more or less indefinite wisdom some rapacious renegade has of late abstracted from divers points of vantage sundry of my artistic efforts, I must as artificer of the same protest his prematureness and demand his due discretion.

I do not boast of esthetic powers and such pestiferous placards as I execute are not to beautify the great outdoors but pointedly prognosticate some momentous event, and have cost me more or less of mental and of manual gymnastics.

So let's all look on them as sacred symbols of the unknown future, and hands off, Children, till the dumb, protesting creatures of my crazy crayons have spoken their pretty pieces and, as the ephemeral actors on the stage of life, their duty o'er, lain down to blissful dreams. Then the bodies are at your disposal and their obsequies are in your hands. May they enhance many a pensive den of lucubration! J. A. N.

And now we have a word or two from the other side:

Dear Editor:

I notice that some poor, ambitious senior has sent up a wall because he is being cheated by the faculty. He is not permitted to have classes every hour of the day. Poor man! Such inefficiency! Undoubtedly it is one of the worst evils of the college—this not permitting one to take more work than he can do justice to.

The fellow realizes that he would not be able to absorb the "all too lit-

tle learning to be had at Colby" in four years, taken in the normal order; but he must needs attempt it nevertheless. His object, he says, is not to get his A, B, or C in the course but to get what he can out of it each day. This of course is the right attitude. But has he the assnity to believe that if he falls short of getting a passing mark he has made the course worth his while, or the Professor's?

It looks as he says as if someone had an eye on the dimes and was letting the dollars go. Who is it? Does he make every one of his recitations count for the most—under his normal schedule? If this is the case he may yet see his "blazon" (Wot t'ell is it?) on Colby's campus; for myself I am not anxious to see such things around. No. 353.

The annual weeding process is over.

Some few, more fortunate perhaps than we think, won't be with us for the rest of the year. These have been weeded out, but these are not necessarily the losers. Many are left who are going to lose by remaining in college, and many are remaining because they have been able to hide behind a smoke-screen. Some are staying on because, by their heart-rending pleadings and hard luck stories, they have convinced the faculty that it would be committing a sin to turn them out. It is this very type, perhaps, that deserves the least sympathy. A man can't be blamed for trying his best to stay in college; none here want to leave at mid-year. But the student who can't carry on work that is sixty per cent efficient must realize that his endeavors should lie in another field, for a time at least. One of the greatest causes of undergraduate failure is immaturity of mind. Many students aren't old enough to grasp certain fundamentals. The fault is not their own, primarily; the fault is in the process of selectivity whereby certain men are allowed to enter college totally unprepared to grasp the subject matter imparted. This type of student should have no regrets that he is compelled to leave college; he should realize that he is yet young, that he has years ahead of him in which to get experience and that college doors are not shut to him forever. Let him get out and mingle with the world for a few years, do a little constructive work for a time, it makes little difference what kind of work it is, and then come back to college. Once back he will realize the value of his little period of world adjustment. A professor seldom flunks a man without good reason, and the student who gets hysterical and weeps and pleads and sets up straw men and wheedles his way back into classes after he has been asked to leave has a distorted vision of everything that a college training stands for. He has been asked to leave as much for his own good as for the good of the college. Let him take his medicine without a whimper. The man who has trained himself not to cry aloud "neath the bludgeonings of fate" has taken the first successful step toward returning to college and making good.

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RELAY TEAM TO RUN IN LEGION GAMES

Northeastern And New Hampshire Universities to be Opponents at Boston—Men to be Chosen by Time Trials.

Coach Mike Ryan has announced that the Colby relay team will run in a meet at Boston, Feb. 22, against Northeastern and N. H. Universities. This race will be the greatest battle a Colby team has had for several years as Northeastern defeated the Colby team by a slight margin at the B. A. A. games February 5. The U. of N. H. has also a win over Colby, this taking place at Portland.

Colby will enter the race the under dog, but will be looking for revenge and will make the bid of their lives for victory. They have been coached never to stop running until they have defeated every man and every team which has defeated them and with this as their purpose they will be prepared to battle the two teams into submission.

The season's records of the three teams are very good, all three making good time at the B. A. A. games, each team clocking within a fraction of a second of each other. The races at Boston on February 5 required every man to run 440 yards but at the Boston American Legion games each man will cover 352 yards, nearly 100 yards less than in former races.

No team has been selected for the race and will not be until further trials are held with each man running his distance against the clock.

COLBY MEN COMPETE IN CHAMPIONSHIP CARNIVALS

AT BRUNSWICK.
The eastern division championship under the auspices of the Intercol-

legiate Winter Sports Union was held at Brunswick on February 11. The final result was: Bates 39, Maine 17, Colby 7, Bowdoin 4.

Corbett of Colby won the mile ski race in an exciting finish over Drabole of Bates. Corbett surprised everybody in this event, it being generally conceded that Bates would get the race. Corbett however gave his utmost to win the race and in his eagerness pulled a tendon in his leg, thus putting him out of the meet the following day at Bates.

Powder took fourth place in the cross country snowshoe race. The hardy runner was in second place until he had the misfortune of losing his snowshoe, which detained him for a considerable length of time.

D. Allen placed fourth in the seven mile cross country ski race. This race proved to be the fastest cross country race of the state meets of the year.

Colby placed fourth in the relay race, which was made up of Rollins and Corbett, skis, and Giles and Potter, snowshoes.

AT BATES.

At Lewiston on February 12 the Bates snowbirds again won the meet. The result was: Bates 49, Maine 18, Colby 5, Bowdoin 5.

In the ski cross country, Allen of Colby again placed fourth, being the only man to place in the event except for the Bates men, who took the first three places as they had done the previous day at Brunswick.

Colby placed third in the mixed relay race at this meet. The team being made up of Allen and Rollins, skis, and Potter and Giles, snowshoes.

D. Rollins took fourth places in both the ski proficiency and ski jump. Rollins showed good form in the jump and with more practice on distance should be a good jumper for another year.

CHAMPIONSHIP HOCKEY GAME THIS AFTERNOON

The interfraternity hockey championship of Colby college is scheduled to be decided this afternoon when

Alpha Tau Omega and Delta Upsilon meet in the final game of the series which began at the winter carnival last Monday.

For the first time in many winters at Colby the hockey title is again in dispute and the trophy, an appropriately lettered goal tender's stick, has been offered for the winner of the series.

Delta Upsilon has as its stars Bacon, W. Tufts and Pop Getchell. Bacon comes from the land where men are born with skates on, Canada, and is clever on the runners. His stick handling has improved during the past week and he is expected to be the shining light of the D. U. sextet. Getchell and Tufts have had experience in the ice game and enter the fray with their record of the first games of the series enviable. Bacon is the scoring threat of the D. U. team and upon his work depends in great part the chance of his fraternity to hang hockey laurels beside those resulting from their winter sports conquest last Monday.

Alpha Tau Omega lost its most valuable forward yesterday when Maurice Lord was taken sick and went to his home for at least a week, the grip causing his loss to the team.

MacPherson, stellar defense player of the Taus and the only man on the team to score this season, will be on deck to stem the Golden Tide. Erickson, who has added hockey to his football, baseball, and basketball activities, will be the net guardian for the Taus and he needs only continue the work which he has shown during the series in order to make it difficult for the D. U.'s to score. Callaghan and Nickerson will also be in Tau uniforms and are expected to play an important part in the contest.

NON-FRATS WIN FROM K. D. R. 27-21

Kappa Delta Rho went down before the Non-Frat boys Saturday afternoon by the score of 27 to 21. It was a close, hard fought game all the way through and either team was in reach of victory all the time.

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Non-Frat victory although McNaughton and Gunnarson played no mean game. Bailey and Bennett of Kappa Delta Rho kept their team in the running and together they nearly brought victory to the Kappas. However, to Sprague, Non-Frat, goes the credit, by means of his splendid defense work, of keeping K. D. R. on the small end of the score.

The summary:

Non-Frats.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
Wisnoski, rf --- 4	4	12	
MacNaughton, lf --- 3	0	6	
Gunnarson, lf --- 3	1	7	
Washington, rb --- 1	0	2	
Sprague, lb --- 0	0	0	
Totals --- 11	5	27	

K. D. R.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
P. Waugh, lb --- 1	0	2	
Carter, rb --- 0	0	0	
Smith, rb --- 0	0	0	
Bennett, c --- 3	1	7	
Smith, lf --- 0	0	0	
Marr, lf --- 1	1	3	
Bailey, rf --- 3	3	9	
Totals --- 8	5	21	

A. T. O. VICTORS OVER BOYS' CLUB

The A. T. O.'s, last year's frat champion, handled the Waterville Boys' Club a sweet trouncing at the club gym last Saturday by the score of 40-19. The first period was very interesting as the Boys' Club kept on even basis with the college five. However A. T. O. spurred in their usual form the final period and came out victorious.

The summary:

A. T. O.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
Nickerson, lf --- 7	0	14	
Davis, lf --- 3	2	8	
O'Donnell, c --- 1	0	2	
Trainor, rb --- 5	0	10	
Callaghan, lb --- 3	0	6	
Totals --- 19	2	40	

Boys' Club.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
Denis, lb --- 2	1	5	
Larsen, rb --- 1	1	3	
Clukey, c --- 1	1	3	
Barakat, lf --- 2	0	4	
Arnold, rf --- 2	0	4	
Totals --- 8	3	19	

D. U.'S DEFEAT LANCERS 32-22

Delta Upsilon defeated the Lancers Club in the Colby interfraternity basketball league yesterday by the score of 32 to 22. Clough and Thornton, the latter a new addition to the D. U. quintet, and a member of the freshman class, were the strongest on the winning team. Thornton continued the work which he has shown during the games of the season and did an excellent afternoon's work. Caulfield of the Lancers Club was the star of his team, and looked the best man on the floor, while Knofskie, his teammate, played very well.

The summary:

Delta Upsilon.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
MacDonald, rf --- 1	0	2	
Clough, lf --- 5	2	12	
Thornton, c --- 5	1	11	
Nizolek, lf --- 1	0	2	
Emery --- 0	0	0	
Nizolek, rb --- 1	0	2	
Kusick --- 0	0	0	
Carson, lb --- 1	1	3	
Totals --- 14	4	32	

Lancers.			
Goals	Fouls	Points	
Uppatrom, lb --- 0	0	0	
Martin, rb --- 0	0	0	
Caulfield, c --- 0	0	12	
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McKeen, rf --- 1	0	2	
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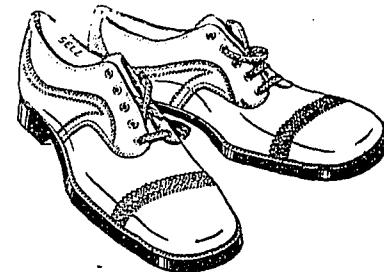
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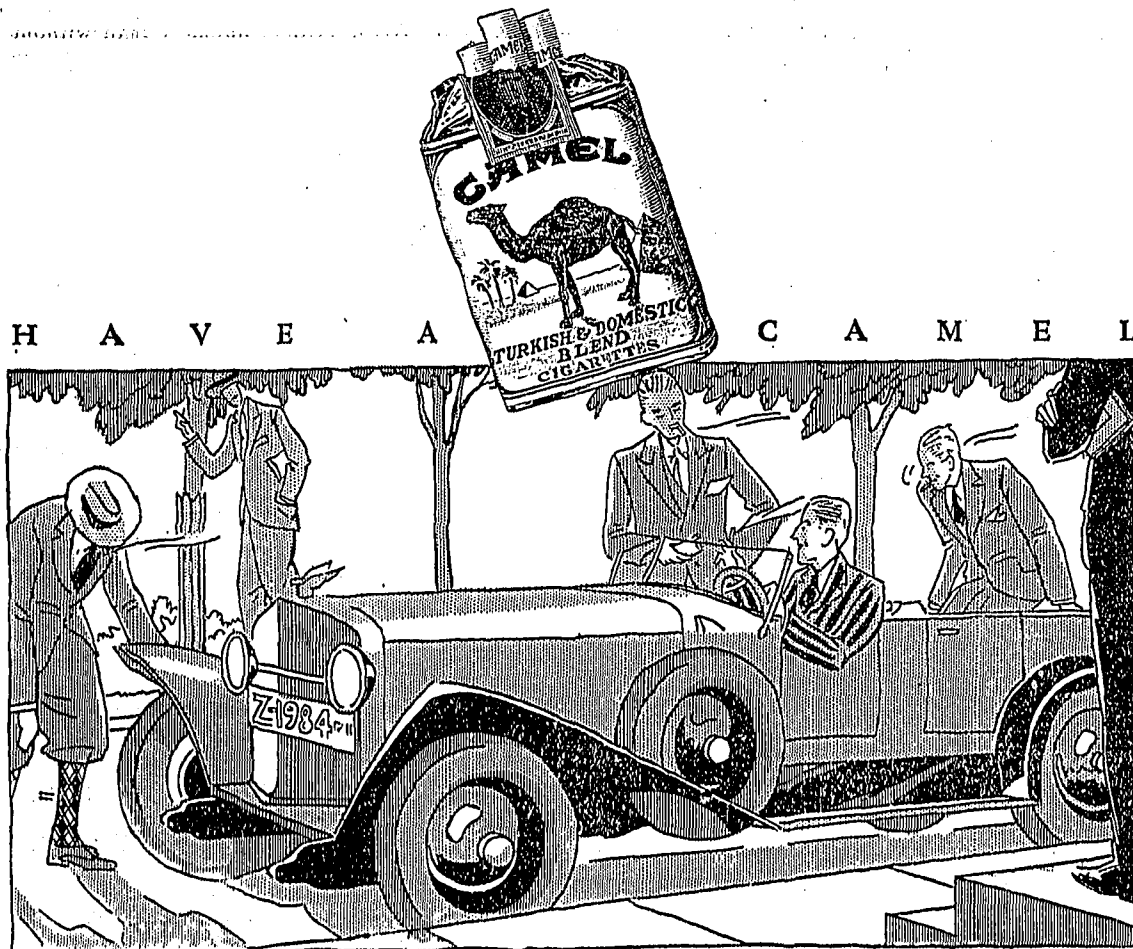
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FRATERNITIES MAY BE ABOLISHED AT SYRACUSE

(New Student Service)

A blow at fraternities, backed by the administration and supported by outside financial aid, which may result in their extinction on the Syracuse University campus, was struck here this week.

Declaring that fraternal groups as they exist in American colleges at present, are antiquated and a remnant of a medieval age of education, organization of a Student Union of several thousand members is announced.

Three months of secret meetings between administrative authorities and representative neutral students have preceded this move. Fraternities and sororities are in an uproar over the impending danger to their social status.

The chief aim of the new organization is to give the neutral students the social life and other campus privileges now enjoyed only by members of the fraternal groups, who form approximately a third of the entire student body.

The Union's first concern is the establishment of a central building where co-eds can gather between classes to study or lounge and chat without being disturbed by the male half of the student group. This will fill a need that has been felt keenly by the administration.

Temporary quarters will be rented or purchased within the coming month and outfitted with rest rooms, study rooms and an office for the Dean of Women, Dr. Iva Peters.

Eventually the Union plans to erect a permanent building with two wings, one to house women's activities and another for the men, which according to present plans will cost approximately \$1,500,000.

Fraternities and sororities are attacked as being "throw-backs" to the Stone-Age, exerting a detrimental influence on the whole university and fostering the clique-spirit of savages. Breeding of schism and discontent within the student body is laid at their door.

However, the chief interest of this new organization seems to be that of providing a well-rounded college life for every student in the university rather than just the few who belong to fraternities. Under its guidance, participation in a certain number of social functions is assured each student.

Plans for the Syracuse Union have been drawn from those of the universities of Michigan and Illinois. Officers will be drawn from the entire student body by a Governing Board of 12, and anyone enrolled in the university is eligible for membership.

SHERWOOD EDDY TO LECTURE.

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Mr. Eddy, sometimes sending out official proclamations of the meetings. In years filled with untiring activity time has been found for useful authorship. His most recent books "New Challenges to Faith," "Facing the Crisis," and "Makers of Freedom" were preceded by "The Supreme Decision," "The Awakening of India," "The New Era in Asia," "The Students of Asia," "With Our Soldiers

in France," "Everybody's World," and "The New World of Labor."

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His addresses are always stimulating for he has a message that is fresh and stirring. In schools and colleges, before business men—wherever he speaks, Sherwood Eddy is heard with keenest interest. He will give six lectures at Colby, being in Waterville on April 24, 25 and 26. The college students should take advantage of the splendid opportunity afforded them in hearing the messages which Sherwood Eddy will bring.

FIRST DEBATE TONIGHT.

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Agricultural College at Amherst. On March 11 a dual debate will take place with the University of New Hampshire and on March 29th Boston University will debate Colby on the Philippine question.

COLBY ECHO TO CELEBRATE.

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quite an addition to the grounds." It is interesting to contrast the present consensus of student opinion with this one of fifty years ago.

SCHEDULE FOR ORACLE PICTURES.

Thursday, Feb. 17—
12.30 Kappa Phi Kappa.
1.00 Kappa Alpha.
Friday Feb. 18—
12.30 Y. M. C. A.
1.00 Y. W. C. A.
Saturday, Feb. 19—
12.45 Student Council.
1.00 Student League.
1.15 Chi Gamma Theta.
1.30 Sons of Colby.
2.00 Daughters of Colby.
2.30 Women's Health League.
3.00 Aroostook Club.
Sunday, Feb. 20—
11.00 Echo.
11.30 Colby Oracle Association.
12.00 White Mule.
12.30 Colbiana.
1.00 Powder and Wig.
1.30 Epicureans.
2.00 Dramatic Club.
2.30 Girls' Glee Club.
3.00 Upsilon Beta.
Individual cuts must be in by the 21st.

COMING EVENTS.

Wednesday, Feb. 16. Hockey: Bates at Waterville. Debate: Marquette University at Waterville.
Tuesday, Feb. 22. College Holiday. Hockey: Bates at Lewiston. Debate: George Washington University at Waterville.
Wednesday, March 2. Debate: Gettysburg College at Waterville.
Saturday, March 5. Debate with Boston College here.
Thursday, March 10. Debate with M. A. C. at Amherst.
Friday, March 11. Debate with Boston College here.
Friday, March 25. Easter Recess begins at Noon.
Tuesday, March 29. Debate with Boston University at Boston.
Thursday, April 7. Easter Recess ends at Noon.
Tuesday, April 19. College Holiday.
April 24, 25, 26. Sherwood Eddy at Colby for three days.

INTERCOLLEGIATES.

To join a fraternity at the University of Heidelberg, a student must fight seven duels. After fighting the duels, whether victorious or not, the candidate is allowed to carve his name on one of the tables in the drinking room, and he is a full-fledged member.

Sixty-seven inmates of Sing Sing prison at Ossining, New York, have college degrees, according to a report recently made by Warden L. E. Lawes of the penitentiary. He further found that of the 1452 prisoners nearly one-half of them, 797, had received education up to the sixth grade. His research shows that an increasing number of convicts have an education, as the number of college graduates has increased from nineteen formerly, to sixty-seven this past year.

The answers to a questionnaire submitted to the students of Worcester Polytechnic Institute were interesting. With the exception of the Junior class, two thirds of the students looked with disfavor upon the copying of another's work, the other third favored it only in cases of dire necessity. The Junior class vote was 50-50. With the exception of the Freshman class 30 per cent are drinkers, 60 per cent smoke, and 75 per cent confess to using strong language on occasions. The subject of necking evoked a great hue and cry about being too personal, but 75 per cent thought it proper to kiss their lady friends good night and the same number admitted that they did whenever

the opportunity presented itself.

A novel basketball game was staged between two teams of the University of Illinois. Both the players and referees went through an entire game on roller skates.

A Chicago girl has suggested that students at Northwestern University wear blinders, similar to those worn by horses, in order to prevent side-long glances during written examinations. The experiment has been tried by the young lady in question and is claimed to be successful. The conscientious objectors to cribbing in our midst might try this as a last resort.

The six fraternities on the campus of Des Moines University, staged an all-fraternity smoker recently.

A questionnaire sent out to graduates of ten colleges and universities in this country shows that the student's ideal of a wife is a "home-

body" who will have at least two children, one who does not want a business career of her own, who does not smoke, drink or "pet," who is religious and conscientious, and who at the time of marriage is between the ages of twenty-five and thirty-five.—Boston Transcript.

RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas, it has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to remove from this earth our esteemed brother, Theodore N. Levine, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of Gamma Alpha Chapter of Alpha Tau Omega express our deepest sympathy to the family of our late brother, and be it further

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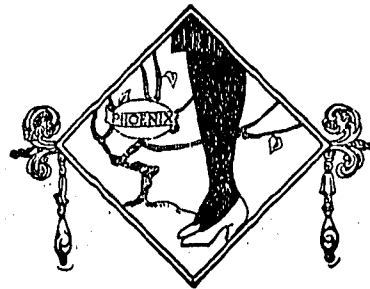
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