

PROFESSOR MARRINER DELEGATE AT BOSTON

Represents Colby at Annual Meeting of N. E. Association

Professor Ernest C. Marriner, chairman of the Executive Committee, represented the college at the annual meeting of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary schools at the Hotel Statler, Boston, Friday and Saturday. The principal business of the meeting was a discussion of the recognition of Junior Colleges.

A committee headed by President Sills of Bowdoin offered a report setting minimum standards for Junior



PROF. MARRINER.

Colleges. As this report was unsatisfactory to many of the delegates, it was resubmitted to the committee for a year's further consideration. Colby is especially interested in the outcome of this matter because of the attempt of one of our preparatory schools, Ricker Classical Institute, to do Junior College work.

The meeting was also attended by President-elect Franklin W. Johnson, who for many years has been closely associated with the relationship between colleges and secondary schools.

DELTA KAPPA EPSILON ANNUAL HOUSE DANCE

Many Features Serve to Make Affair Highly Successful

About sixty couples were in attendance at the annual formal dance of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity which was held at the fraternity house on College avenue last Saturday evening. Music was furnished by George Allison's "Blue Serenaders."

The decorations for the affair were very simple, the only speciality being the background of fraternity colors for the orchestra.

The patrons and patronesses were: Professor and Mrs. Euclid Helle; Mr. and Mrs. D. Putnam; Alfred K. Chapman; and Dean Nettie M. Runnals. Refreshments of sandwiches and coffee were served during intermission.

Among the alumni present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Fred Terry, Jr.; Francis Bartlett and James Peabody, both of the class of '26.

The dance committee consisted of: Donald E. Allison, Edward F. Hayde and Philip L. Miller.

Inter-Relations Club Postpones Meeting

The regular meeting of the International Relations Club was omitted this week because of the conflict of student activities and examinations preceding the Christmas vacation. The study of Central American problems will be continued after the opening of college in January.

At the next meeting of the Club, members of the University Women's Group, which is affiliated with the student organization, will report on the recent book by the American statesman, Charles Evans Hughes, entitled "Our Relations to the Nations of the Western Hemisphere."

The general topic for study that is being taken up by the club at present is "Our Policy in the Caribbean." This topic will be continued until the available information regarding the situation caused by the intervention of the United States there has been exhausted. The study is intended to be comprehensive in nature and a keen interest is being shown by all members of the club.

THOMPSON PORTRAYS DRAMA OF "DISRAELI"

Lectures to Large Audience at Congregational Church

Edward Abner Thompson, noted lecturer and reader, gave a dramatic reading of the drama "Disraeli" before an audience of four hundred people in the First Congregational Church, Temple street, last Monday evening. Rising to the heights of dramatic oratory Mr. Thompson charmed the many students of the college, faculty members and townspeople with his portrayal of the play.

The lecture was given under the auspices of the college and was the third of a series which will extend throughout the winter and spring. The fourth lecture of the series will be the occasion of the appearance of Herbert M. Lord, of the class of 1884, Director General of the Budget of the United States, who will speak on the subject "Our Nation's Business."

The dramatic reading of "Disraeli" given last Monday evening marked Mr. Thompson's second appearance in Waterville this fall. Mr. Thompson, who is a graduate of Bowdoin college, of the Boston School of Expression, and at present teacher in that school, is a dramatic reader and lecturer of considerable reputation throughout New England. His first appearance before the students of the college was so successful, and received so much approval from those who heard him portray "Cyrano de Bergerac" that the college committee in charge of procuring lecturers booked him for a return engagement. "Disraeli" is the powerful and appealing drama of the most spectacular episode in the political life of (Continued on page 4)

WINNER ANNOUNCED IN ECHO SLOGAN CONTEST

"A Bigger, Better Building for Building Bodies" is the winning slogan in the Colby ECHO'S Slogan Contest which closed last Saturday night at 12 o'clock. The winner of the prize of ten dollars in gold offered by the ECHO for the best slogan is Mr. R. P. Hodson, '29, of South Thomaston, according to an announcement made this morning by Dr. George G. Averill, chairman of the judging committee of the contest.

The contest, of which Mr. Hodson is the winner, was sponsored by the ECHO with the idea of obtaining the best possible slogan to be used by the Athletic Building Committee in connection with the drive for a new gymnasium. The purpose of the ECHO in running the contest was to secure a slogan which would give a distinctive tone to the gym campaign and would facilitate in the "selling" of Colby generally.

The committee on judging the slogans submitted by many members of both divisions of the college, was of the opinion that the slogan submitted by Mr. Hodson was the only one of the nature desired by the officials of the contest. In commenting upon the decision of the judges, Dr. Averill said:

"Although the matter was fully explained in advance, many of the contributors seemed to have an idea that it was necessary to 'slam' the old gym, whereas the ECHO was anxious to secure a slogan that would help to raise funds for new construction."

The committee of judges selected by the ECHO was composed of the following: Dr. George G. Averill, chairman; Professor Cecil A. Rollins, of the English department of the college; and Nathaniel L. Silowitz, '20, of Brooklyn, N. Y., from the student body.

For the benefit of those students whose submitted slogans were not chosen by the awarding committee, the ECHO is reprinting in this issue the rules upon which the contest was run.

1. Contest began with the November 28th issue of the ECHO and closed December 8, 1928.

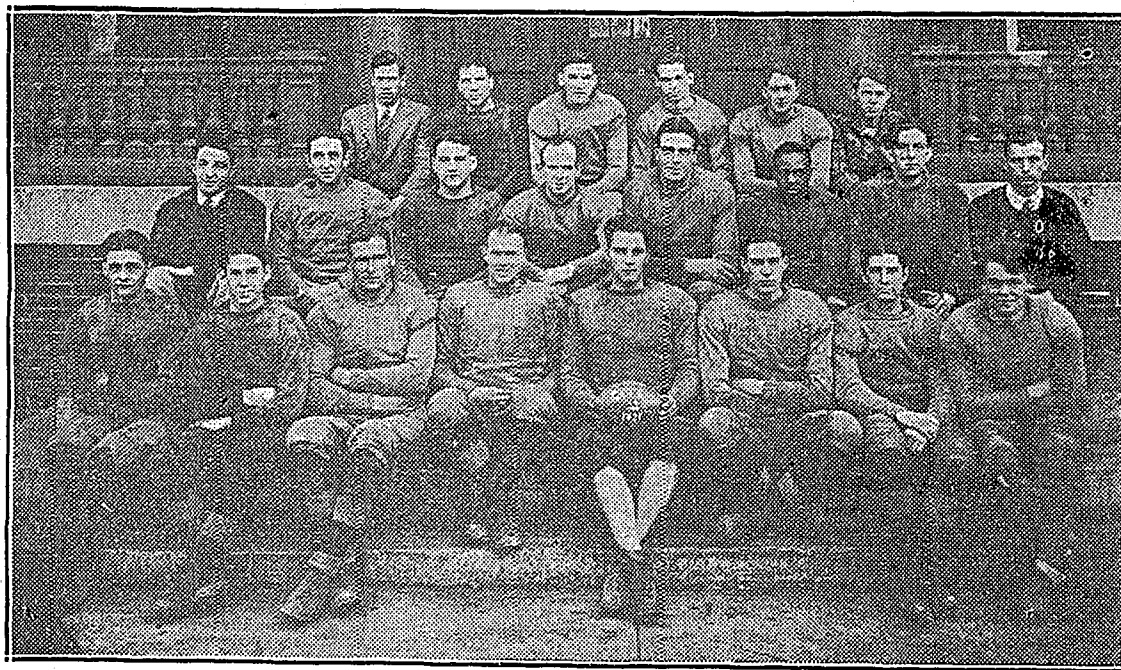
2. Slogans submitted were not to be over seven words in length.

3. They were to be suggestive without being descriptive, and were not to include the words "gymnasium" or "Colby."

4. They were to be catchy, and

5. Easily retained in the memory.

6. Any number of slogans could (Continued on page 4)



COLBY FRESHMAN FOOTBALL SQUAD

FROSH GRIDDERS IN SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Coach Rogers' Pupils Lose But One Game—Records

The Colby college freshman football team under the able tutelage of Coach Jack Rogers, former Colby backfield star, completed a very successful season. They played five games, won three, tied one and lost one.

After less than two weeks of practice they played their first game of the season with Higgins Classical Institute on Seaverns Field and put over a 6 to 0 victory on the preparatory school eleven. The following week the squad journeyed to Bucksport and there defeated the strong E. M. C. S. team 7 to 0.

On October 27 the freshmen traveled to Houlton, the longest trip ever undertaken by a frosh grid outfit where they pinned a 27 to 0 defeat on Ricker Classical Institute. The following week the yearlings battled M. C. I. to a 12 to 12 tie on Seaverns Field. The game was one of the best seen on the local surface, aside from the varsity games, in many years. Their first defeat came in the closing game of the season for while their bigger brothers were at Orono taming the Black Bear, a powerful Kents Hill team came to Seaverns Field and put over a 12 to 0 victory.

Their record is all the more remarkable when it is considered that they spent most of the season in dummy drills with the varsity and had little opportunity to develop an offense of their own. They were taught the plays of Colby's major opponents and the fine manner in which they used these plays against the varsity was one of the reasons for the success of Blue and Gray this year.

While all of the members of the squad received valuable training which will be valuable if they report for the varsity in the future, there were several stars developed who are (Continued on page 3)

NEW COLBIANA WILL APPEAR ON THURSDAY

Cover Design and Features Will Make Issue Best in Years

The Colbiana is scheduled to come from the press Thursday noon with a new cover and the best material it has ever had. There has been a great improvement in contribution, although the editors feel that the material is not representative of the whole student body.

There is especial improvement in the poetry. Contributors are Eleanor Rogers, Elsie Lewis, Eunice Poye, Mary Allen, Eleanor Butler, Frances Weiss, Evelyn Morrison. There are editorials by Mary Allen, Rena Mills, Harriet Kimball, Lucile Whitcomb, Flora Riddout, Annie Goodwin, Martha Allen, Pearl Grant, Elsie Lewis, Lucy Chapin, and Rena Mills are contributors of essays, short stories, and articles.

Other special features are the joke page, snap shot page, Aunt Clara's column for Co-ords, and Ros Collegii.

The editor feels that the board has shown a fine spirit of cooperation, and wishes to thank the staff for its assistance in the editing of the issue.

SORORITIES HOLD RUSHING PARTIES

Sigma Kappa.

Alpha chapter of Sigma Kappa sorority entertained with a colonial dinner at the Elmwood Hotel on Saturday evening.

The banquet table was decorated with cut flowers and candles. The colonial idea was carried out in the place cards, colonial dolls dressed in pastel colors, and in the corsages which were given as favors. The first numbers on the program were given between courses: a dance by Janet Chase, '28, and Muriel Sanborn; and a solo by Martha Allen. The last number on the program was a skit arranged by Annie Hooper Goodwin, and presented in costume by Ruth Daggett and Martha Allen. Music was furnished by a string ensemble.

Among the guests were the following alumnae: Miss Florence E. Dunn, and Miss Emily Heath, of Waterville; Miss Janet Chase and Miss Helen Merrick of Augusta.

Delta Delta Delta.

Alpha Upsilon chapter of Delta Delta Delta was hostess at a formal pany dinner given to rushees at the Elmwood hotel from six to eight, Tuesday evening, Dec. 4.

Hand painted pansies adorned the invitations and menus. The dinner table resplendent with soft candlelight, was simply decorated with the sorority colors and profuse bouquets of pansies. The desserts were served in such a way as to give the effect of potted pansies. Each guest was given a fancy silver, gold, and blue pocket-book.

Dinner music was furnished by Allison's orchestra. The girls sang sorority songs and danced between courses.

The following musical program was presented:

See Saw.....Seven Tri Delta
Pansy Garden.....Ruth Bartlett
Violin Solo.....Joe Barakat
Tri Delta Sweetheart.....

Whistling.....Eight Tri Delta
Violin Solo.....Edna Campbell
Skit and presentation of favors.....Joe Barakat
—Eleanor Lunn and Ruth Bartlett

Alpha Delta Pi.

Alpha Delta Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi sorority closed their rushing season with a party held in Elks Hall, Dec. 5, from six to eight o'clock. The idea of an old-fashioned dinner party was carried out in hall and table decorations, the color scheme being blue and white, the sorority colors. On the walls were blue silhouettes of ladies in old fashioned dress, standing out against a background of white. Blue and white shades softened the lights and white streamers divided the hall. In one end dancing was enjoyed and in the other, tables forming a diamond and lit by candles were set. The favors were nose-gays of sweet peas. Hand painted old-fashioned garden scones decorated the combined place cards and menus.

Between courses, songs and dancing were enjoyed. Helen Ramsey, '31, interpreted an Arabian dance accompanied at the piano by Helen Paul, '30, Lillian Morse, '29, and Elizabeth Libbey, '29, did an old-fashioned waltz in appropriate costumes. (Continued on page 4)

HENRY B. HALL TO SUCCEED RIDGEWAY

Will Commence Duties After The Christmas Holidays

The Executive Committee of the College has announced the appointment of Professor Henry B. Hall of Boston to conduct for the remainder of the year the courses formerly conducted by Professor George L. Ridgeway of the Department of History, whose resignation was necessitated by serious illness.

Professor Hall holds the Doctor of Philosophy degree from Harvard and has had teaching experience at Wesleyan, Boston University, Wellesley, and Harvard. For three years he has been engaged in editorial and other literary work. He is the editor of a well-known series of recent volumes on American Economic History, of which the authors are such noted specialists as Professor Carver of Harvard, Professor Fairchild of Columbia, and others of equal reputation.

Professor Hall is available for the substitute position now open at Colby because he is at present doing free lance literary work, including short stories for leading magazines. He will begin his work at Colby on January 3, or immediately upon the reopening of college after the Christmas vacation.

The assignments for the students in the history courses will be held the same as previously announced. In the course of European History a complete thesis is due on Monday, January 21. In American History the complete thesis is due Monday, January 21. In both these subjects no postponement beyond this date will be permitted. In the course of Political Science the examination on Beard, chapters 18, 19, 20, 21, will be held Thursday, Dec. 13.

L. G. A. FRATERNITY HOLDS HOUSE DANCE

Chapter House Decorated in Novel Manner—Music by Hood

The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity house was the scene of a very attractive house dance last Friday evening, at which the spirit of the Yuletide season predominated. About fifty couples enjoyed fox-trotting and waltzing under the very pretty and appropriate decorations of mistletoe and evergreen. In one corner of the hall room there was a very attractively trimmed Christmas tree upon which hung novel dance orders which were given to the guests as they arrived. Dancing was enjoyed from eight to eleven-thirty.

The committee in charge of the dance consisted of W. R. Wyman, '29, of Fairfield; chairman, G. G. Henry, Jr., '30, of Ashfield, Mass.; C. B. Dorman, '31, of Belmont, Mass.; and H. G. Bonnell, '31, of Waterville.

The patrons and patronesses were Professor and Mrs. Cecil A. Rollins, Conch and Mrs. Edward C. Roundy, Dean Nettie Runnals, and Mrs. Philip Hall. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served at intermission. Hood's Merry-makers furnished the music for the dance.

COLBY SORORITIES ANNOUNCE PLEDGES

Many Members of Women's Group Pledge to Organizations

In accordance with the vote of the Panhellenic Council about two weeks ago the six Colby sororities have gone through with the usual rushing procedure and announce the following pledges:

Sigma Kappa: Ruth E. Ramsdell, '32, Charlestown; Louise Mulligan, '31, Revere, Mass.; Martha Johnston, '32, Kennebunk; Helen Marcia Daye, '32, Waterville; Phyllis C. Weston, '32, Skowhegan; Eleanor H. Rogers, '32, Haverhill, Mass.; Sophie Reynolds, '29, South Portland; Marion L. Richardson, '32, Rockland; Jean S. Wellington, '32, Monticello; Winnifred E. Hammett, '32, Danielson, Conn.; Elizabeth Beckett, '30, Calais.

Delta Delta Delta: Gwendolyn G. Mardin, '32, Portland; Dolores Dignam, '32, Waterville; Phyllis C. Farwell, '32, Waterville; Marjorie J. Van Horn, '32, East Boothbay; Doris M. Campbell, '32, Bath; Verna L. McGee, '32, Auburn; Justina M. Harding, '32, Washington, D. C.; Marion L. Merrill, '32, Fort Fairfield; Louise M. Dyer, '32, Camden.

Chi Omega: Phyllis E. Hamlin, '32, Milo; Helen A. Simmons, '32, Oakland; Kathryn C. Hilton, '32, Waterville; Dorcas M. Paul, '32, Michigan City, Indiana; Marion A. Lewis, '32, Waterville; Viola R. Rowe, '32, Waterville; Hope R. Pullen, '30, North Amity; Mary E. Allen, '31, Houlton; Ruth E. Brown, '32, Fairfield; Estelle P. Taylor, '32, Harmony; Mary G. Palmer, '32, Hinkleley; Lucille F. Blanchard, '32, Waterville; Hildred P. Nelson, '32, Fairfield.

Alpha Delta Pi: Ruth L. Andrews, '32, Wytopitlock; Marilla E. Barnes, '32, Fort Fairfield; Ella C. Gray, '32, East Holden; Neta C. Riley, '32, Lynn, Mass.; Madeline P. Scott, '32, Medford Center.

Alpha Sigma Delta: Abbie M. Boynton, '32, of Hanniker, N. H.; Gladys M. True, '32, Skowhegan.

Phi Mu: Martha L. Hamilton, '32, Caribou; Barbara Hassen, '32, Fairfield; Evelyn L. Johnson, '32, Caribou; Florence E. Marble, '32, Harmony; Dorothy L. McNally, '32, Clinton; Evelyn M. Pratt, '32, Lawrence, Mass.; and Marguerite deRochemont, '32, Rockland.

DELTA UPSILON GIVES ANNUAL HOUSE PARTY

Comedy Sketch Features Event—Unique Favors are Given Out

The annual fall dance of the Delta Upsilon fraternity was held in the fraternity house in North College from 7.30 until 11.30 o'clock last Saturday evening. About forty couples besides patrons and patronesses were present to enjoy the puppy dance music furnished by Manson's Serenaders from Gardiner, assisted by Edmond Marsland of the fraternity. The hall was tastefully decorated with colored paper streamers and curtains, confetti and small streamers adding to the color of the affair later in the evening.

A bit of amusement was furnished those present by two of the fraternity members who were dressed up to impersonate an angry mother who had come after her wayward daughter. Just before the music stopped the mother appeared in the doorway resplendent in a beautifully flowered hat and flowing dress that dated from the gay nineties. The daughter was reluctant to leave the company of Mr. Harvey Potter but finally was dragged away by the irate mother who let the dancers know her views concerning the younger generations.

Following this act refreshments were served. Favors in the form of stationery were given out to the women present.

The patrons and patronesses were: Miss Corinne B. Van Norman, Professor and Mrs. Lester S. Weeks; Professor and Mrs. Edward J. Colgan; and Mrs. "Ma" Hanoy.

The dance committee was composed of: Harvey Potter, '29; George Andrews, Jr., '30; and Edmund Marsland, '31.

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GHOUL-HAUNTED SHADES DISPELLED.

What a drubbing Polonius takes! Even the "Alumnus" hints that he is "senseless."

Supposing Polonius is senseless and granting that he merely wished "to arouse discussion and popular interest" is it not true that we sometimes fail to see our college in just the right light? When we are criticised severely enough we can usually find sufficient of the lawyer in us to make a defense. And the defense may be educational. It may give us a new inspiration of self-confidence and have an altogether wholesome effect.

Would it be too great a sin to come to the defense of the good Polonius? Aye or nay, it is immaterial. There was a great deal of educational value in the response which that gentleman drew from Professor Weber. The college may need no defense, but it needs an occasional airing just to take the cobwebs out of the souvenirs.

But the college is not a collection of souvenirs. It is fine to gaze across a static landscape of tradition and accomplishment. It is better however, to view a dynamic present that is full of progress and upbuilding. Professor Weber stressed the dynamic Colby and not the mossy past, but he did not dishonor old Colby traditions. He helped to whisk away some of the dry-rot known in morose circles as the "good old days." The professor might be more appropriately thanked for showing up Colby's "better present." Surely Polonius secured a defense of Colby but it was hardly "needless" since it aided in the dispelling of the sinister defeatism.

CHRISTMAS.

If even the Scrooges of the world become benevolent at Christmas time, if the shop-girl has a smile for her customer, if the newsboy gives a grin with his paper, it is entirely fitting that the college student, who has so many things done for him, should show in some way that he is keeping alive the Christmas spirit. In the regular routine of classes and activities which take into account our interests and welfare alone, it is hard for the Christmas spirit to get a foothold. We are apt to look upon Christmas as an activity of the world outside the college, and to give to it only the meaning of a pleasant vacation and holiday.

There is something in observing old Christmas customs which acts as a flood-gate to the thoughts and emotions of good-will and rejoicing. The customs observed in the women's division of singing Christmas carols early on the last morning before vacation, of entertaining every year at a Christmas banquet, and of contributing in a material way to the happiness of poor children, are to be commended. In these customs there is not only an immediate pleasure given and received, but they also indicate that an effort is being made to cultivate the real Christmas spirit. That spirit, in spite of the superficial attachments which we enjoy, will always mean genuine hospitality, good-will, and thankfulness.

L. N. W.

THE EVOLUTION OF A GYMNASIUM.

An interesting bit of information regarding the origin of the campaign for a new gymnasium for the men's division appeared in the recent edition of the Colby "Alumnus." It is a sort of study in evolution since the first real steps were taken back in 1926 when the members of the present senior class were freshmen.

"In the years to come inquiry will be made as to what prompted the Board of Trustees to inaugurate a campaign for a fund with which to build a new athletic building. Of course the records will be found in the large book belonging to the Secretary of the Board, but as that book is not easily accessible and is usually tucked away in a bank vault that it may escape prying eyes, other sources will need to be found.

"The two documents given below tell the story fairly well. They do not tell of any meetings that were held by the students, or of any later campaign among the students for the raising of the fund; they simply give the large facts of petition and reply. Document Number One:

"To the President and Members of the Board of Trustees of Colby College,

Gentlemen:

"I beg to present the following petition unanimously adopted by the Men's Division in mass meeting assembled on the thirteenth day of April, nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

"Whereas, the present gymnasium at Colby College is woefully inadequate in size to accommodate the student body, is sadly lacking in proper equipment for the training of our athletic teams and for the physical development of the whole student body, and is so antiquated in construction and appointment as to offer a positive menace to the health of its users,

"Whereas, our college is at a distinct and unfair advantage in being forced to compete athletically with its three rival Maine colleges now possessing modern gymnasiums,

"Whereas, we, the entire men's division of Colby College, desire to promote the welfare of the institution,

"Be it Resolved, that we hereby petition the President and the Board of Trustees of Colby College to appoint a committee which will conduct an immediate and vigorous drive for the erection of an adequate modern gymnasium on the campus.

"Student Council of Colby College,
By S. B. Berry, President."

Document Number Two:

"Mr. Stephen Berry, Representing the Men of Colby College:

"My Dear Sir:

"At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of Colby College, held in Portland, April 17, the Secretary presented a petition signed by you in behalf of the men of the College, asking that immediate steps be taken to provide an adequate and suitable gymnasium, and rehearsing the disadvantages of the present situation, and the difficult condition which it imposed upon the athletic teams of the College, also the unfavorable comparisons that were drawn between Colby and her competitors in athletics.

"It was unanimously voted that the Secretary acknowledge the receipt of the petition and express to the petitioners the entire sympathy of the Trustees with the spirit and object of the petition. They will take the matter up in good faith at the June meeting, to consider and determine what action should be taken to accomplish the end desired.

"By order of the Trustees,
"Edwin C. Whittemore, Sec."

"And the undergraduate body, Men's Division, in order to show that they meant business, raised the sum of \$700, and that sum is today banked and drawing interest in the Waterville Savings Bank of Waterville, Me."

Literary Column

REBUKE.

You say you never saw a plumed lord
Beneath our casement thrum a lyric gay?

You say we're not the kind for whom
A sword
Is drawn and duel fought at break of day?

Well, maybe so, but did you ever think
How unromantic is a college youth
When perched upon the none-too-steady brink

Of some decapitated Ford? "In sooth,
My lord, the down upon thine upper lip

Will never cause this maiden's heart to miss
A beat, and faltering with love, to skip

And race within, when you imprint
A kiss

Upon her ruby lips." Oh, no, and

when
You bawl with nasal whine and
scrape a uke,
We sit and pray and long for real
he-men,
And with disdain your uncouth cut
rebuks.
Our faces may not launch a thousand
boats,
But then, at least we have more
wit by far
Than you who wear the lengthy coonskin coats
And by your ways our lovely campus mar.

G. A. L.

PHAEDRAK.

(Whom Theseus Prefers to Ariadne.)
Green were her eyes as seas are green
When all the wealth a thousand suns
Have buried there shines golden
through;

Her mouth was mockery of sweet
things

Half-breathed. The warm white hollow of
Her throat, a place to drop a kiss
And leave it for eternity.

And as the Thracian hero passed
Her by, her lids down-drooping, like
The wings of doves, upon her eyes
Were provocation.

For Phaedra hungered for this youth
And in the sanctuary of
Her dreams dreamt things unhal-

lowed, but
Twice dear for that.

Contrib. '29.

URIAH SPEAKS HIS PIECE.

You may steal my girl, my wallet,
You may take my wreath of bays,
You may write my fame in water
Down the future's misty ways.

You may make my name a mockery
Fit for sport and tavern jest.

You may trample on mine honor,
Smash the things I love the best.

You may blast the hopes I've builded
I'll but turn the other cheek,
And in dulcet tones I'll carol

"Blessed are the poor, the meek."

You may call me knave and caiff
I'll but bend submissive knee,

But I'll rend you, curse you, crush you—
If you take my "tux" from me!

'29.

Ye Gladiolator Column



Letters in the Gladiolator Column are expressions of opinion by individual contributors to that column and the editor assumes no responsibility for any statements, allusions, or assertions made in them. The column is a free-for-all and student contributions are solicited.

Dear Gladiolator:

I wonder if any steps have been taken by the faculty toward a moderation of the horrible system of mid-year and final examinations which we have at Colby.

It would be a good plan for the examinations to extend over such a period that no one could possibly have more than one exam in any one day. This would give each student a fair chance to pass all his exams. As it has been in the past, a student having an exam in the forenoon usually hits that one well, while if he has one in the afternoon he is so tired that he falls down on that.

Since this has been true neither does the professor get a true idea of the student's ability nor does the student have a just chance at passing his examination.

Why can't we have some announcement of this in the ECHO so that the student body will know definitely how their exams will be arranged and be able to plan this accordingly?

Sincerely,

Guilford.

Dear Gladiolator:

Dame Rumor has it that Bowdoin has adopted the system of temporary captainship of athletic teams. For several years this system has been in vogue throughout the West, but the

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eastern colleges, always conservative and slow to recognize the value of new ideas, have been backward in their testing of the plan.

The fundamental idea is that the influence of fraternity politics has gained such a hold on the elections of athletic captains, that no longer is it possible for the best man to receive the position. If one fraternity or one group of fraternities has a plurality of votes they may control the election.

Under the new plan a temporary captain is elected before each game to serve for that game. At the end of the season the team elects one man to the position of honorary captain for the year.

While there are advantages to this system it would appear that there are also some disadvantages. If the captain has anything whatsoever to say about the plays which the team is to follow while on the field, then a man with little or no ability of leadership would be more than useless. But this fact may be offset since one such man elected for the entire year could completely ruin a season.

Fraternity politics are more prevalent in some colleges than in others. We cannot deny that Colby has at least her share, and possibly more, and several years may see the plan in effect here. Meanwhile the plan is well worth considering.

Yours sincerely,

Polonius.

Chapel Attendance.

Chapel attendance figures ranging from 65% for the senior class to 79% for the freshman class have been released by Dr. Thomas B. Ashcraft, professor of mathematics and chapel officer. The figures cover the period from the opening of college in September to the first of December and are based upon the reports of student monitors.

Over the entire period the percentages are:

Seniors—65%.
Juniors—75%.
Sophomores—70%.
Freshmen—79%.

A slight decrease in the attendance of the juniors and seniors obtained during the last week of November while a fall of nineteen per cent took place in the freshman attendance. The percentages for the four classes during the last week of November were:

Seniors—64%.
Juniors—74%.
Sophomores—70%.
Freshmen—60%.

Dr. Ashcraft finds the attendance at chapel very gratifying and reports that the faculty as a whole is well pleased with the turnout this fall. He announces also that the same attempt will be made after the Christmas vacation to obtain a variety of outside speakers. He intends that the chapel speakers shall be drawn from the various walks of life and that a goodly number of them will be professional men from several fields.

It is the further plan of the chapel officer to check the attendance of those students whose personal attendance average falls below that of their class. This checking will begin immediately upon the opening of college after the vacation.

The class of 1928 at Whitman college left \$28,000 to the college in the form of insurance policies.

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VARSITY HOCKEY TO BEGIN NEXT MONTH

Team Weakened by Loss of Many Veteran Performers

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The Colby hockey season will get underway immediately after the Christmas recess when Coach Roundy will call out his candidates for the first workout of the season.

Losses by graduation and withdrawal from college have cut a wide swath in the ranks of the men who were expected to be available for the varsity this year. Of the first string six last year Captain Drummond, "Al" Thiel, and "Fat" West received their sheepskins last June. Captain-elect Sturhahn and Scanlon, who starred for the freshmen early in the season and saw much service with the varsity after midyears, have withdrawn from college. The positions left vacant by the loss of these five men will be hard to fill.

Available from last year's squad are Carlson, Scott, Lovett, Pomerleau, Irvine and Tattersall. Carlson has been a member of the varsity for three years. He plays a rugged type of game on the defense and will form the nucleus about which the team this year must be built. Scott, who has played three years as a forward, is undecided as yet whether or not to report for the puck passing game, and probably will not be seen on the ice this winter.

Lovett and Tattersall are the two outstanding candidates for positions in the forward line on the basis of their performances in past years. Tattersall has seen service as a spare for two seasons and last year showed up well when called upon for relief duty. Lovett was one of the outstanding players on the freshman team last year and late in the season saw some service with the varsity. Pomerleau, another man who has seen service as a spare on the varsity should be ready to make the varsity grade this year. Irvine, sub-goal for two years, will be the outstanding candidate for the position formerly held down by West.

From last year's freshman aggregation comes James, goalie; Kenny, forward; Pollard, defense and Dow, defense. All of these men looked good as members of the yearling team and will be active candidates for positions on the varsity this year.

Colby will meet Bowdoin on January 8 for the first contest of the season and January 12 Bates, will be their guests in Waterville. These will be exhibition games. The State series will open on January 21 when Colby will entertain Bowdoin on the Waterville ice.

Phi Deltas Lead Colby Frat Bowling League

The returns from last week's bowling matches resulted in wins for the Phi Deltas and Zeta Fraternities over the Lambda Chis and Deltas respectively. The match between the Phi Deltas and Lambda Chis took place on last Tuesday, in which the Phi Deltas took three of the four points. Dave Vigue was high man for the winners, with a single high string of 110, while Maxim of the losers rolled up a record in the league so far for a single string of 115.

The Zeta pin pickers took over the Deltas by four points. Arber for the Zetes got an average of 102 for three strings, while his total of three strings was 305.

On Monday the Phi Deltas hung up another scalp by taking the non-frats over in all four points. Delaware set up a new record with a single string of 127 which is only one point under the alley record.

Other games scheduled this week are:

Tuesday, K. D. R. vs. Lambda Chi.
Wednesday, Deltas vs. D. U.
Thursday, Zetes vs. Lancers.

FROSH GRIDDERS.

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sure to make bids for positions on the first team in the near future. Burnett, halfback; Foster, guard; Walto, fullback; Herd, halfback and Bagnall, end, were some of the outstanding stars of the season.

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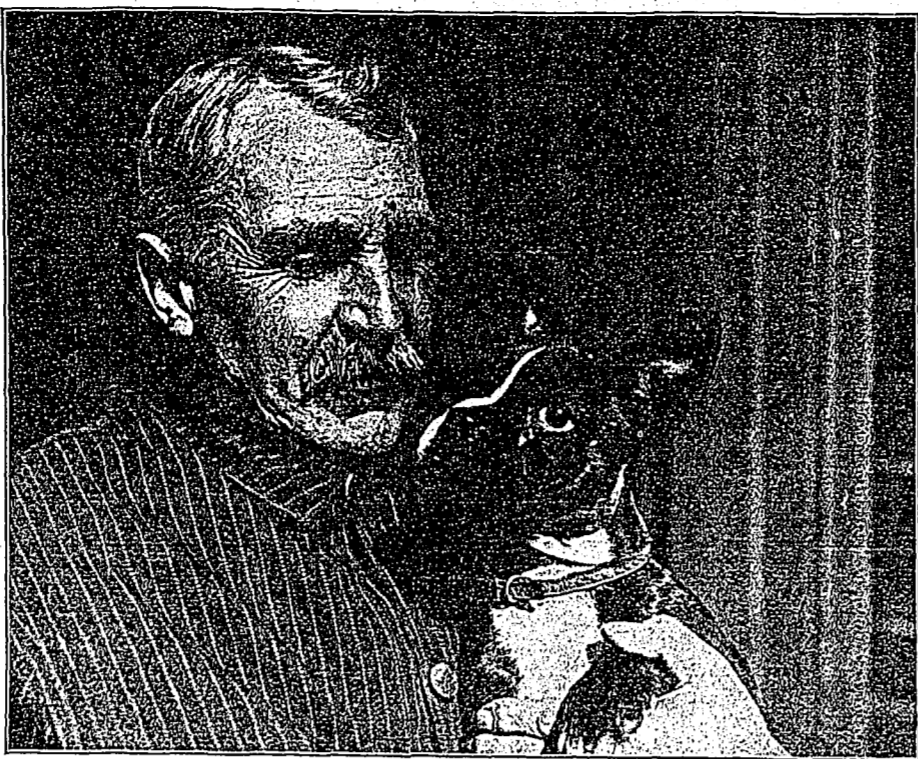
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"Hey! what's the big idea this morning? Six o'clock doesn't mean quarter-past seven. Come on, snap out of bed and tend that fire!"

Thus does "Chef" wake his assistant janitors, who, for some unaccountable reason, have failed to answer the trumpet call of the alarm clock. However, let it be known that the blast of "Chef's" trumpet never fails its purpose. At such a time the students rise to action would not have been quicker had "Chef" been a fire-breathing dragon.

Although only a few have known "Chef" in this capacity, every Colby man knows him as "the god-father of all Freshmen." He can easily remember how, as a Freshman entrant, he wondered what that character of the Freshman Bible would be like.

"Hello, there! What's your name? You're a pretty good looking feller, ain't cha? Well, let me see. You seem to be a right sort of a chap, so I guess I'll put you in the corner room with that other feller," is a typical welcome.

Sitting back in an easy chair, puffing contentedly on his pipe, and holding a small dog in his lap—why should he not make a lasting impression on one who comes with the view of meeting grimaced critics? His cheerful appearance causes the newcomers to feel at home. His method of salutation is one of his characteristics. On one day he calls you, "Professor" and the next "Doctor." Under his gruff nature is a true and sincere love for Colby and "his boys."

It is doubtful if everyone knows how "Chef" received his nickname. It was while running a boarding house that he first assumed the role of a friend of Colby students. There he became popular with his many patrons, which, incidentally, led to his becoming known by the college authorities. At this time came a decided change in the management of Colby. The campus was converted into a training camp, the spirit of war replacing that of study. Hedman Hall and the Zeta Psi House served as barracks, the Phi Delta House was used for a hospital, the A. T. O. House was the Y. M. C. A., and the Lambda Chi House was used as the officers quarters, while "Chef" did cooking for the whole camp in the locker-rooms of the gym.

An influenza epidemic spread through the campus. Many left the camp. "Chef" was not compelled to stay but because of his interest in the college and in "his boys" he kept on duty and in many instances helped to nurse the sick.

"Chef" is a real institution at Colby. He has been here for eleven years, the official keeper of the campus and king of all he surveys.

Seven Men Report For Fencing Squad

Prof. George B. Vilos, head of the department of German, is continuing the work which he began last year when he introduced fencing in the college and at the present time he has seven men working out daily in the gymnasium.

Four of these men were under the direction of Professor Vilos last year and have developed rapidly in recent weeks. The veterans from the squad of last year are Thomas A. Record, '30, of Livermore Falls; Gordon L. Johnson, '30, of Houlton; Nathaniel L. Silowitz, '29, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Arthur H. Snyder, '29, of Portland. In addition to their experi-

ence last year these men did considerable work this fall. Record and Snyder gave an exhibition at the Colby Night celebration. At the Kiwanis Midnight Revue held recently in the City Opera House, Johnson and Snyder gave one of the first exhibitions of the art of swordsmanship ever seen in Waterville.

The men who are working out under the tutelage of Dr. Vilos for the first time are, Richard P. Hodsdon, '29, of South Thomaston; Malcolm S. Weed, '30, of Waterville, and Harold F. Lamoine, '32, of Kennebunk. These men have not had much experience with the foils but should develop during the coming months.

Tentative plans have been made for matches with other teams during the coming winter months. Bowdoin, Norwich University and Fort Williams are represented by competent teams and it is hoped to arrange matches with one or more of these teams in the coming season.

VOLLEY BALL MANAGERS ARE NAMED BY HEALTH LEAGUE

At the weekly meeting of the Health League in the office of the department on Wednesday, Dec. 4, the volley ball managers for the year were chosen as follows: Senior, Miriam Thomas; Junior, Ruth Young; Sophomore, Isabel Clark; Freshman, Justina Harding. Volley Ball leagues will be formed to play interclass games after vacation. Those who plan to go out for basketball after the opening of the new gymnasium should join the leagues, however, as they will be permitted to drop out when basketball is started.

IVERSON BROTHERS DISPUTE NORTHWEST HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP.

"I want to say that my brother, Kay, at Marquette, is a strategist when it comes to coaching hockey," says Emil Iverson, coach of the Minnesota team, in the January College Humor. "So when Marquette came to Minneapolis I decided to use a little strategy. As a result, we closed the season at Minnesota with a victory that was a romp for our boys."

"Now I ask you, who won the championship of the Northwest—Minnesota or Marquette? Marquette had the two greatest wings in college skating circles in McFadyen and Mackenzie, but Minnesota had the best team. Minnesota dropped two games in about sixteen; Marquette dropped one game in about ten, but Minnesota won the last and deciding game of the season, proving that the Gophers were best at the end of the season."

"After the game Kay Iverson was presented with a bouquet of lilies to take back with him to Milwaukee, and he accused me of doing it. In fact, he even went so far as to ask me who won the Northwest hockey championship. That's what I call rubbing it in. My answer was, 'We won.' Even though I have always warned him never to get saucy with his big brother, his reply was, 'You're crazy; Marquette won.' Figuring it from the percentage angle I guess his team did win."

"Today hockey is a sport that is commanding attention in the fiery field of intercollegiate sports, as well as in the professional arena," says Kay Iverson, brother of Emil and coach at Marquette. "Out here in the Middle West we are building up a hockey league whose teams should rank with those of the East."

"I claim that ice hockey is the world's fastest and most thrilling sport, and that it calls for better men. A hockey player must have courage—guts, if you please; he must have vitality, and be hard to hurt; he must have a keen mind, for instantaneous decisions are necessary; he must have speed."

"The game is hard and fast, so that it would not be difficult for rough play to start. That is one reason why we stress sportsmanship. A weakness in the collegiate sport today is a lack of good officials. I hope to see the day when hockey coaches can choose officials for their entire schedule before the season begins, without having to rush around for local talent at the last minute."

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COLBY GLEE CLUB ANNOUNCE ROSTER

Plans Made For Extensive Tour of N. E. States

The complete list of candidates for the Colby musical clubs together with the proposed itinerary were announced last night by Roy E. Smith, '29, of Waterville, leader of the clubs.

Rehearsals for the extensive program of the coming winter have been under way for the past three weeks with considerable success. According to Harrison Smith, director of music, the Glee club looks the best this year since he began to aid in training the boys. A great deal of enthusiasm has been shown and considerable work has been accomplished since rehearsals began. Mr. Smith announces that after the Christmas vacation more intensive rehearsing will be undertaken in preparation for the coming concerts. On the whole the club looks very promising, and it can be depended upon to once again carry the name and blaze the fame of Colby throughout the state and New England. The jazz orchestra, under the able leadership of Edmund Marsland, has also been rehearsing for several weeks, and it will form a valuable part of the combined musical clubs.

Mr. Smith is planning an extensive itinerary for the clubs this year. He has been in communication with several organizations and individuals throughout the state and in other parts of New England, and he hopes to be able to announce a definite schedule soon after vacation. It is, however, quite certain that the clubs will visit Aroostook County and the numerous Colby preparatory schools through that section of the state, localities on the coast, and perhaps southern Massachusetts, although nothing definite on that score is yet known. The season will end with the annual Waterville concert in the Opera House next spring.

The personnel of the clubs as announced is:

First tenors—John Chadwick, '30, of Norwich, Conn.; John Lee, '30, of Portland; Philip Ely, '30, of Florence, Mass.; Curtis Blakeslee, '30, of Troy, N. Y.; John Richardson, '29, of Waterville; and Philip Snow, '31, of Portland.

Second tenors—Arthur Snyder, '29, of Portland; Deane Quinton, '30, of Waterville; David F. Kronquist, '29, of Rumford, R. I.; Norman Perkins, '32, of Kennebunk; Sterling Ryder, '29, of Portland; Murray Coker, '29, of Fairfield; Franklin Colleigh, '30, Newton Highlands, Mass.

Baritone—George Andrews, Jr., '30, Tucson, Arizona; Arthur Stebbins, '30, Colchester, Conn.; Gerald Johnson, '30, Waterville; and Frank

Twadelle, '29, Skowhegan. Bass—Richard Cummings, '32, Newton Center, Mass.; Albert Murray, '32, Melrose, Mass.; Clarence Arber, '30, Dorchester, Mass.; Lucius Stebbins, '30, Colchester, Conn.; and Richard Hodsdon, '29, South Thomaston.

Jazz orchestra—George A. Allison, '30, West Medway, Mass.; Bernard C. Shaw, '30, of Waterville; Murray A. Coker, '29, of Fairfield; Samuel H. Marder, '32, of Roxbury, Mass.; Carroll J. Cooke, '29, of Meriden, Conn.; Stanton S. Weed, '30, of Waterville; Charles A. Cowing, '29, of West Springfield, Mass.; Lester A. Freedman, '32, of Lawrence, Mass.; and Edmund B. Marsland of New Britain, Conn.

ANNOUNCE LIBRARY VACATION HOURS

For the first time in Colby's history the college library will be open at regularly stated hours during the Christmas vacation. Until recently the student demand has not necessitated consideration of a vacation policy, nor have there been sufficient funds to supply the need. This year, however, Professor Ernest C. Marrier, the librarian, has determined to render vacation service especially for the benefit of those students and faculty members who use the vacation for the preparation of important work.

During the entire vacation period the library will be open from 10 to 12 in the morning and from 2 to 5 in the afternoon except Saturday afternoon, Sundays, and Christmas and New Year's Days. Ernest E. Miller, a regular member of the library staff, will be in charge.

Y. M. C. A. INSTITUTE PLANNED BY OFFICIALS

Committees for the promotion of the International Institute which the combined Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. groups are arranging to inaugurate at Colby during the winter were appointed by the central Institute Committee at a meeting held yesterday afternoon at Foss Hall.

It is planned to bring a team of three leaders in the field of international relations to the college sometime early in the second semester, the exact time being contingent upon the availability of the speakers. The speakers will visit the other Maine colleges during their stay in Maine and will conduct similar programs in connection with the "Y" groups in those institutions.

The committees appointed yesterday afternoon were for the arranging of the speakers' program, entertainment, and publicity. They are: Program committee, Dean Nettie M. Runnals, chairman; Dr. Curtis H. Morrow; Professor Herbert L. Newman; Florence Young, '29, of Brockton, Mass.; Barbara C. Libby, '30, of Albion; and Thomas A. Record, of Livermore Falls; entertainment committee, Professor Herbert L. Newman, chairman, W. Bertrand Downey, '30, of Wellesley, Mass.; Ruth Pinco, '30, of Milo; Eleanor H. Rogers, '32, of Haverhill, Mass.; and Wendell H. Thornton, '30, of Rockland; publicity committee, Ernest E. Miller, '29, of Bethel, Conn., chairman; David F. Kronquist, '29, of Rumford, R. I.; and Theodore Nelson, '30, of Newport, R. I.

The general Institute Committee is composed of: Ernest E. Miller, chairman; Dean Nettie M. Runnals, Dr. Curtis H. Morrow, Professor Herbert L. Newman, Theodore Nelson, W. Bertrand Downey, Thomas Record, Barbara Libby, Ruth Pinco, Florence Young, and Eleanor Rogers.

VESPER SERVICE WELL ATTENDED

Three hundred members of the student body, faculty, and citizens of Waterville attended a Christmas Vesper service in the college chapel Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The service was held under the auspices of the combined Y. M. and Y. W. C. A., led by Sterling Ryder, '29, of Portland, chairman of the program committee of the Y. M. C. A.

A song service by the musical clubs of both divisions under the direction of Mr. Harrison Smith, opened the program. The audience joined in the songs which included "The First Noel," "It Came Upon The Midnight Clear," and "O Little Town of Bethlehem." Following the song service the scriptural Christmas story was read by Miss Carolyn Horrick, '29, of Augusta, and Sterling Ryder spoke briefly on the "Meaning of Christmas."

The next number on the program was a violin solo, "The Lost Chord," by Professor Carl J. Weber accompanied at the piano by Professor Everett Strong. A Christmas prayer was offered by Professor Herbert L. Newman, and was followed by a vocal

solo, "Cantique de Noel," by Miss Alberta Brown, accompanied at the piano by Miss Muriel Sanborn.

The college men's quartette, consisting of John Lee, '30, of Portland; John Chadwick, '30, of Norwich, Conn.; A. L. Stebbins, '30, of Colchester, Conn.; and A. Murray, '32, of Melrose, Mass., rendered two vocal selections. The next number on the program was a bass solo "Jerusalem," by Clarence Arber, '30, of Dorchester, Mass., and the final selection of the afternoon was a violin solo "O Little Town of Bethlehem," by Miss Martha Johnston, '32, of Kennebunk. The service ended with all joining in the singing of "Silent Night."

THOMPSON PORTRAYS:

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England's great statesman and prime minister of the early 70's—the purchase, for England, of the Suez Canal which separates the Mediterranean and Arabian Seas and cut short the route from England to India by many thousands of miles. It is the story of a sincere and ardent imperialist's struggles against the stupidity and ignorance of the conservative element in his government and the machinations of the ever alert and aggressive Russia. The latter was endeavoring to beat England to the purchase of the canal and thus control the route to India and eventually seize that territory from its rightful owner.

The resulting episodes have been woven into a thrilling four-act drama, three of whose acts were given by Mr. Thompson. The latter's strong, rich voice with its marvelous range of tone and expression kept the audience in suspense throughout the entire evening. So quiet was the church at the most dramatic moments in the reading that a pin could have been heard if dropped. General expression of opinion at the close of the reading indicated that Mr. Thompson had scored another triumph.

WINNER SLOGAN CONTEST.

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be submitted, providing

7. Each was submitted on a separate sheet of paper with the name and address of the contestant in the upper right-hand corner of the sheet.

8. All slogans were to be mailed to the Editor of the ECHO, Box 157, Waterville, Maine, not later than 12 P. M., December 8, 1928.

9. The contest was open to students of the college only, exclusive of the members of the ECHO staff and other persons connected with the contest.

10. Positively no slogans were to be accepted except through the mails.

The ECHO reserves the right to decide all disputes connected with the contest which do not affect the decision of the judges. Awarding of the prize of ten dollars in gold will be made as soon as possible after the closing of the contest.

RUSHING PARTIES.

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tune. Several alumnae and Miss Ruby Stone were guests.

Music was furnished by George Allison's orchestra.

Phi Mu.

The Phi Mu fraternity gave its final rushing party at the Elmwood Hotel on Thursday evening, December 6. Dinner was served in the private dining room which was prettily decorated with rainbow streamers ending in the traditional pot of gold. Between courses a program was given consisting of two solo dances by little Gloira Gamacho of Miss Anderson's dancing class, a piano solo by Violette Boulter and Ruth Plaisted accompanied by Neta Harmon, a minuet by Grace Stone and Gertrude Sykes, and a modern dance number by Pauline Morin and Maxine Hoyt. Among the guests were Mrs. Bucknor, Mrs.

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and Miss Gwendolyn Johnson. The twenty members of the freshman class who were present received necklaces as favors. Music for dancing was furnished by Allison's orchestra.

Alpha Sigma Delta.

Alpha Sigma Delta held its final rushing party at Fort Halifax Inn, Friday evening, Dec. 7.

The dining room was decorated with yellow and white. Yellow candles furnished light for the diners and the tables were decorated with yellow crepe paper and white flowers. The freshmen girls and the patronesses were presented with dolls, dressed in yellow ribbon, and carrying crocheted flower baskets.

A play "Saturday's Children" was read before dinner and between courses.

The guests were: Mrs. A. F. Drummond and Mrs. E. J. Colgan, patronesses of the sorority.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

The Y. W. C. A. meeting, held Tuesday evening in the assembly room, was of a Christmas nature. After the singing of Christmas carols, Agnes Ginn read Philip Brook's poem "Christmas Everywhere." She was followed by Ruth Daggett who sang, "I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day."

The speaker of the evening was Mrs. Frank C. Foster, a student secretary of the Baptist Board of Education, and her subject was "Christ and the Spirit of Giving." She said that Christ himself was not a person who went around just accepting the world as he found it, but that he brought issues before the people, even though he caused them much discomfort. "We," she said, "have gained religious tolerance through studying other religions. But is it enough to be tolerant and should we not try to give the best of our religion to others?" To emphasize her point she spoke of Ghandi who is trying to make the women of India come from their seclusion and give themselves for their country. "We, as Christians," she concluded, "have tools with which we may work for the betterment of the world—our minds, our good will and our love."

An informal tea was held in honor of Mrs. Foster at the home of Mrs. Brown, 20 Boutelle avenue, Tuesday afternoon. A discussion, led by Mrs. Foster and Miss Runnals, was concerned with the ways in which the student can help the church and the ways in which the church can help the students. During the afternoon tea and sandwiches were served.

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