

COLBY STUDENT IS PRODUCER OF VERSE

Norris W. Potter Edits
Anthology of Colby
Poetry

"An Anthology of Recent Colby Verse," is the title of a book of poems edited by Norris W. Potter, Jr., '29, of Islington, Mass., and compiled from recent ECHO and Oracle contributions, which will come from the press this week. The book is perhaps the first undergraduate attempt of a Colby student to compile and publish a book of distinctly Colby verse.

Mr. Potter's volume consists of ninety-nine selections written by Colby people and comprises one hundred forty-four pages. The poetry is classified under such heads as "Songs of Maine" and "Nature Poems" and is illustrative of the type of poetry written by undergraduates and published in the college publications recently. The book is done in an orange binding with a gray title plate. It is copyrighted by the Colby ECHO Association and dedicated to Profes-



NORRIS W. POTTER

sor Cecil A. Rollins of the English department whom the editor acknowledges as one who furnished him very material assistance in the production of the volume.

Two additional features of the book are the introduction by Merle W. Crowell, '10, editor of the American Magazine, and an introductory sonnet by Professor Rollins.

The editor of the book, Norris Potter, has made no little contribution to its contents and several of his poems have attracted attention previously when published in the Literary Column of the ECHO. Potter is a member of the ECHO Board and Literary Editor. Besides his ability as a writer he is track performer and a member of the varsity track team. He is a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Among the comments which the attempt has brought is that of Professor Clarence H. White of the Greek language and literature department. Professor White says of the work:

"On one of my bookshelves is a treasured little volume of poems that bears the title 'In Many Keys.' Such title might well be given to the 'Anthology of Recent Colby Verses' just published.

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DR. LIBBY OUTLINES DEBATING CHANGES

English Method Has Great
Influence on Formal
American Type

A summary of the changes that have taken place in the style of intercollegiate debating was outlined recently by Dr. Herbert C. Libby, professor of public speaking, in an interview with an ECHO reporter. Dr. Libby intends to institute some of these changes at Colby this year. He said:

"Many changes have been taking place in the manner of conducting intercollegiate debating contests. The aim seems to be now to make these contests both interesting and instructive. In other days no thought was given to the pleasurable side of the public work except as the general subject matter might make its special appeal. A set form of speech and order destroyed all interest. A great improvement has come about through the adoption of the open-forum method of debating, and in permitting speakers some license in the exhibition of wit and humor. The English form of debating has had a good effect upon the American.

"Another change has come in a clearer understanding of the purpose of the contests. In other days each college concerned itself with the careful selection and training of a three-man team, and the worth of this team was judged pretty largely on its ability to gain favorable verdicts from boards of judges. Some half-dozen years ago our own college saw the absurdity in this, and Colby was one of the first colleges in the country to enlarge the debating squad and to require that each and every member of the squad must debate in some major contest. This meant of course fewer victories, for men of little or no experience and sometimes men of only fair ability were made to take their turn on the platform. It meant that we were for the first time getting less concerned over the idea of winning victories and more concerned over the experience to be given our students. I have always believed the policy right.

"The next step in the evolution of debating, and one that I hope to see taken here at Colby this year, is that of holding what are called 'decisionless' debates. This means dispensing with boards of judges. It means that we shall become more concerned over the success of the contest, than we will over the success of any one team. It means, too, that with the absence of decision, debates must be made more attractive in form and matter, and that will be a good thing.

"I am well aware of the chief objection that is made to 'decisionless' debates—the element of contest which culminates in somebody's making an award is gone, and therefore the life of the debate as a contest is lost. And the analogy is always drawn, in a spirit of great conclusiveness, between a football game and a debate: take away the thought of winning a decision in a football contest, it is argued, and the thing is killed. The chief difference between the two is that the one can be conducted ac-

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HERBERT E. WADSWORTH



PROF. HERBERT C. LIBBY



MERLE W. CROWELL



G. CECIL GODDARD

GENERAL HERBERT M. LORD NAMES EXECUTIVE DEVELOPMENT STAFF

United States Director of the Budget, General Herbert M. Lord, '84, who recently accepted the general chairmanship of the Colby College \$500,000 Development Fund Committee, announced his executive staff today. General Lord has selected chairmen of the various subcommittees who will aid him in the work of the whole project, which he will direct personally from his headquarters at the Bureau of the Budget in Washington, D. C.

The Hon. Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, vice president of the college and ex-officio chairman of the Board of Trustees, will serve as executive chairman of General Lord's staff. Other members of the staff include faculty men, student representatives, and prominent alumni. The complete staff according to the announcement is as follows:

Executive chairman, Senator Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, of Winthrop, Maine; vice president of the college and ex-officio chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Secretary, Dr. Herbert C. Libby, of Waterville, '02, professor of Public Speaking and Journalism; ex-mayor of Waterville; editor of the Alumnus.

Treasurer, Hon. Albert F. Drummond, '88 of Waterville, trustee of the college; treasurer of the Waterville Savings Bank; former member of the Waterville City Council, two years as a councilman and one year as an alderman; trustee of the Waterville Public Library; secretary of the Maine Savings Bank Association.

Director, Charles S. Brown, of Augusta, State Park Commissioner; formerly City Treasurer of Bath; prominent director of financial drives throughout the state.

Secretary to the director, Ernest E. Miller, '20, of Bethel, Conn.; Editor-in-Chief of the ECHO; president of Pi Gamma Mu; president of the International Relations Club; member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity.

Chairman of the prospect committee, Professor Ernest C. Marriner, '13, of Waterville, librarian of the college; chairman of the executive committee of the college.

Chairman of the publicity committee, Merle W. Crowell, '10, of New York, N. Y.; editor of the American Magazine.

Chairman of the student committee, G. Cecil Goddard, '29, of Portland; business manager of the ECHO; student manager of the Colby College store; president of the A. T. O. fraternity.

Chairman of the State of Maine committee, Hiram W. Ricker, '15, of South Poland.

Chairman of the general alumni committee, Hon. Charles E. Gurney, '98, of Portland, State Representative 1917; Senate, 1919-1920. Trustee of the college.

Chairman of the Boston Alumni committee, T. Raymond Pierce, '98, of Wellesley, Mass.; broker.

Chairman of the Chicago Alumni committee, Shailer Mathews, '84, of Chicago, Ill.; Professor of Theology at the University of Chicago; eminent author.

Chairman of the Connecticut Valley Alumni committee, Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, of Hartford, Conn.; teacher at Hartford High School; trustee of the college.

Chairman of the New York Alumni committee, Frank W. Alden, '98, of New York City; trustee of the college, former member of Waterville City Council.

Chairman of the Waterville Alumni committee, Dr. J. Froelich Hill, '82, president of the Board of Trade of Waterville; president of Konnoche

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DR. FRANKLIN JOHNSON LAUDS COLBY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

WADSWORTH OUTLINES DEVELOPMENT FUND

Gives Outline of History
of Development
Fund

Senator Herbert E. Wadsworth, chairman of the Board of Trustees, outlined the evolution of the Colby College \$500,000 Development Fund Committee at the regular faculty meeting held last Wednesday afternoon in Chemical Hall. Senator Wadsworth stated that he wished to impress upon the faculty that the project is backed by the full board of Trustees and "has their full sympathy and cooperation."

In part Senator Wadsworth said: "The plan was instigated by Mr. Edmunds of New York who was a trustee at the time. He moved that a committee of the Trustees be appointed to devise ways and means of securing a new gymnasium. In the motion it was voted that the chairman of the Board and President Roberts should serve on the committee and that others be appointed by the chair, as I remember it. The motion carried without objection. Later the chairman called a meeting of the committee and after a discussion it was decided that Pres. Roberts carry on the campaign for funds. He desired to do this even in his weakened condition and proceeded to communicate with the alumni from whom he solicited funds and pledges. At the time of his death he had secured in cash and pledges some over \$40,000. It was his last great effort and he was very desirous that the college have the athletic equipment needed. After his death, and the death of Mr. Edmunds, the campaign languished for a time. Later we decided that this work begun by Pres. Roberts should be finished and the committee secured the services of Prof. Libby to carry on. He met with success but it seemed best to the committee that we should have in addition to Prof. Libby a full time man to give his whole attention to this task and Mr. Charles S. Brown of Augusta was selected and he is giving his whole time to this matter and to the advancement of Colby's interests.

"This movement is not an independent affair sponsored by a few, but is an effort by the whole college and we feel that we should succeed not only because of the great need of this equipment but because it is a duty handed along to us by Mr. Edmunds and by our late Pres. Roberts who gave of the utmost of his failing strength to this work up to the very last of his life."

K. P. K. FRATERNITY BUSINESS MEETING

Elect a Delegate to The
National Convention
of Society

Edgar B. McKay, '30, of Waterville, was elected as the delegate to represent the Kappa Phi Kappa chapter of Colby at the national convention of the fraternity to be held in Springfield, Ohio, February 20, 22, and 23, at the regular bi-weekly meeting held Tuesday evening at the Kappa Delta Rho house.

The convention will be the fifth general assembly of the national educational society. It is held in conjunction with the National Educational Association's Annual Convention to be held in Cleveland, Ohio, beginning the following Monday. The business of the convention will include the electing of the officers of the national fraternity for the next term of two years, as well as the taking up of other matters of interest to the fraternity. Teaching problems and questions of educational interest will be discussed in conference groups.

McKay is a junior and an honor student in economics and history. He is a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity.

College bread is made from the flower of youth and the dough of old age.

Presents a Challenge to The Loyalty of Alumni

"No such challenge to loyalty has ever been presented to the alumni of the college," says Dr. Franklin W. Johnson, '91, president-elect of Colby, concerning the project of the Colby College \$500,000 Development Fund Committee in a statement to the ECHO released today. Dr. Johnson bases his remarks upon his observations of the attitude and condition of the college during his recent visit to Colby the first week in January. In his statement he said in part, "My recent visit to Waterville has filled me with enthusiasm. As a loyal graduate of the College I have long felt that Colby was one of the best of the small colleges. After a week's inspection I find it a much better college than I had thought.

"One of the most gratifying of my discoveries was the attitude of confident expectancy on the part of students, faculty, trustees, and citizens of Waterville that much better things are coming soon. The college is soon to reap, in larger measure than during his lifetime, the fruits of the labors of our great president, Arthur Roberts.

"Typical of the present spirit is the launching of the new Colby College Development Fund. The campaign for a new gymnasium, which has gone on haltingly since the President's death, had anticipated the raising of \$100,000 by next Commencement. When President Wadsworth of the Board of Trustees and Mr. Brown told me of the plan to raise five times that amount, my first thought was that either they or I were dreaming. After the plan was outlined in detail, I realized that it was no dream, but was built on substantial expectation of success. No such challenge to loyalty has ever been presented to the alumni of the college. The service which the college has rendered—and the possibilities of further and enlarged service will make an effective appeal to the imagination of socially minded people of large means in our own and other states.

"There are many crying needs of the college. One of the most pressing is that of adequate equipment for the physical activities of the men. This proposal does not aim simply at the development of athletic teams to participate in inter-collegiate contests. It looks to the development of a broad health program, with suitable physical activities for all, in which the college teams will be but a by-product of a larger program whose aim will be to disseminate health information and to develop habits of wholesome and effective physical activity which will function throughout life.

"The success of this campaign will provide adequately for such a program and will provide in addition for some of the other needs. The score with which the plan has been worked out by the committee of the trustees, and the experience of Mr. Brown in carrying similar enterprises to successful completion justify our confident expectation that the Colby College Development Fund is soon to be a reality."

L. C. A. FRATERNITY PLEDGES SUPPORT

The Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity is the first of the Colby fraternity groups to pledge its support to the Colby College \$500,000 Development Fund Committee. The pledge was made in the form of a communication to the ECHO today. The statement reads:

The Colby Echo: Alpha Rho Zeta of Lambda Chi Alpha wishes to pledge its support to the \$500,000 Colby Development Fund. We have absolute confidence in the Directors of this Fund and faith in the project. We feel that this is to be a great forward movement for Colby College and as students of Colby wish to have a part in it.

We take this opportunity to announce that we are willing to do everything in our power to promote the Fund and would like to co-operate with General Lord, Senator Wadsworth, and Mr. Brown in making the Fund a success.

The Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity,

Financial Report of the Colby Oracle Association

I take pleasure in submitting the following financial report of the Colby Oracle Association for the fiscal year 1927-28.

Finances of the Association are handled in the following manner: All receipts are placed in the hands of the college treasurer and are credited to the Oracle account. No expenditures are made until bills have been approved by the Faculty Adviser and an order drawn for their payment.

Profit and Loss Statement, Year 1927-28.	
Sales (Student)	\$ 3,085.00
Sales (College)	40.50
Advertising	308.00
Total Receipts	\$ 3,473.50
Expenses.	
Printing	\$ 2,116.10
Engraving	720.70
Stenography and Photographer	227.05
Faculty Cuts	100.00
Borders, Designing, etc.	73.24
Postage, Insurance, Express	30.30
Telephone Calls	25.10
Lithographs and Contracts	14.50
Traveling Expenses	6.80
Misc. Expenses	17.30
Total Expenses	\$ 3,397.51
Profit for the year	\$ 135.00

Since the Faculty designation of an Advisor for the Oracle Association the closest cooperation has existed between the Oracle Board and the Advisor chosen.

The plans for the 1928-29 Oracle are now well advanced and it appears that this year's book will be one of the best ever published.

A. G. BUSTIS, Faculty Adviser.

Mid-Year Examination Schedule

The schedule for midyear examinations beginning Monday, January 28, 9 A. M., is printed below. Concerning deficiency exams, the faculty has ruled that arrangements must be made in advance for all deficiency exams to be held on January 26, 1929, from 9-12 A. M., and 2-5 P. M.

Classes that meet at	Classes that meet at
Monday A. M., 8 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.	Monday P. M., 9 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Monday P. M., 10 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.	Tuesday A. M., 10 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Tuesday P. M., 11 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.	Tuesday P. M., 11 A. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Wednesday A. M., 1:30 P. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.	Wednesday P. M., 2:30 P. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
Thursday A. M., 8:30 P. M., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.	Thursday P. M., 8 A. M., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Friday A. M., 9 A. M., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.	Friday P. M., 10 A. M., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.
Saturday A. M., 11 A. M., Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday.	

Neither Seniors nor Graduate Students are excused from semester or final examinations.

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WEDNESDAY, JAN. 23, 1929.

Wonder if the ECHO'S any good! It is the end of the semester. If you have appreciated the work of the student journalists you might tell them. If you think the Literary Column has been especially good a little commendation might inspire the Literary Editor to do a still better job next semester. How about the sports? and the make-up? When the staff men do good work they don't mind being told. Tell the worst to the Editor.

This "flu" epidemic brings home the fact that the college should have an infirmary. The spread of the infection about the campus could have been reduced to a minimum with the proper facilities. One or two men suffering from the "flu" in one of the fraternity houses are in a position to infect the whole group. Such has been the case during the last few weeks. Most of the victims have undoubtedly received their "gifts" through the association with fraternity brothers.

The matter of an infirmary could be managed through a regular term bill assessment—say of ten dollars a semester. With an average of six hundred twenty-five students in college the income in this way would amount to twelve thousand five hundred dollars a year. After two years of such assessment it would be possible to build and equip an infirmary that would be adequate for the care of fifty persons. And the assessment income would provide for its maintenance thereafter.

A permanent personnel of a doctor and a nurse could be retained for less than half the amount of the income and additional emergency assistance secured when necessary. Eventually the support of the institution might be derived from an endowment.

The plan has the merit of being a plan. No doubt it is imperfect, rudimentary, full of holes. But along with our other development it is a good thing to consider. A slight epidemic is a good warning—if it is heeded.

To the Editor of the Colby ECHO:

I have just seen a copy of the "Anthology of Recent Colby Verse," and I want to express my enthusiastic approval of this bit of undergraduate work. The poems are indeed of unequal merit, and some of them are sophomoric in their immaturity, but any critic of the volume should remember that these authors make no pretense to being Robinsons or Sandburgs or Millays. Nor does Mr. Potter, the energetic compiler, present this volume to the public with any other claim than that it is a first attempt to collect some of the scattered verses of Colby's undergraduates.

My first reaction to this book was the thought of how impossible such a production would have been when I was myself an undergraduate in this college. I very much fear any Senator who attempted to compile his classmates' verses would, in that day, have met only ridicule from students and no misunderstanding from faculty. The student "ho-men" of the college would have said of such a despised "stuffyboy," "Good Lord, what is the dear old college coming to? Poetry, Oh my aunt!"

Colby has no Will Snow on its faculty, no such eccentric, poetic genius as that interesting teacher who is making it possible for Wesleyan to claim for its undergraduates some of the best modern verse that reaches publication. But all the members of Colby's English department give sympathetic encouragement to the men and women in college who would try their hand at verse. This is especially true of Professor Cecil A. Rollins, for whose classes many of the poems in this volume were first written and to whom Mr. Potter has fittingly dedicated the book.

No two readers are likely to select the same poems as their favorites in the volume, but all will probably agree that, as a work of poetic art, Mr. Potter's own sonnet, "The Burial of Thomas Hardy," is the best of the collection. Realizing that personal tastes differ widely and that comparisons are usually odious, I am nevertheless willing to state that the other poems which especially strike my fancy are the unsigned sonnet, "Kennebunkport" with its unforgettable final line, "Perhaps this came from Singapore," the subtly ironical sentiment of "April First," and Dr. Florence E. Dunn's exquisite lines, "A Free Foot."

Colby's thanks and Colby's praise to Mr. Norris Potter! As the years go by, may we have more like him in our student body. Colby will always be proud of her athletes, her debaters and her musicians. But it is a sign of the varied and versatile appeal of Colby today, that she also gives marked recognition to those mystic souls, her poets.

Sincerely yours,
Ernest C. Marriner,
Librarian.

Literary Column

BIBLIOMANIA.

Among the latest of the college library's acquisitions are two fascinating books about books. One is "Books and Bidders," by Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach. The other is "This Book-Collecting Game," by A. Edward Newton. It is fortunate that they were procured at the same time, since one is an excellent companion volume to the other. The authors are fast friends, live in the same city, have nation-wide reputations as bibliophiles, and write in the same informal, anecdotal manner.

Dr. Rosenbach is the foremost bookseller and art-collector in the world today. The "Rosenbach Galleries" on Walnut street in Philadelphia is a veritable treasure house of rare books, manuscripts, and objects of art. His book is a delightful description of the adventures of a bibliomaniac, and is replete with fine illustrations and reproductions.

Mr. Newton is the well-known author of "A Magnificent Farce," and "The Amenities of Book-Collecting." His new book is a series of enthusiastic reminiscences concerning his never-ending pursuit of rare volumes. No amateur collector should allow it to go unread. For 40 years Mr. Newton has played this noble "game" of collecting fine bits of English literature. Considering the venerable age, splendor, unbroken continuity, and enormous range of English literature, this is indeed one of the most distinguished hobbies in which a gentleman can indulge. It has, moreover, its full share of thrills, pursuits, and unexpected opportunities. Incidentally, as Mr. Newton proves, it can be made very lucrative.

He describes several auction-room incidents which illustrate how amazing profits may be reaped by an alert collector. In 1764, Henry Fielding's library was sold; books filled with his autograph notes brought but a few shillings each, and five volumes of legal manuscripts in his own handwriting only thirteen shillings. Yet not long ago a man paid Charles Sessler, the Philadelphia bookman, three thousand dollars for a copy of Tom Jones in boards uncut. Another collector paid thirty-three dollars for a second edition of Goldsmith's "Deserted Village," and later sold it for one hundred and ninety. Recently at an important sale in London a batch of sheet music tied together with a string was bought for three pounds. No one dreamed that the bundle contained a copy of excessively rare Shelley item—"The Posthumous Fragments of Margaret Nicholson." But it did, and after it changed hands several times it was sold in New York for eight thousand dollars.

Mr. Newton is a Samuel Johnson enthusiast and is largely responsible for whatever vogue Johnson has among American collectors. One of

the most entertaining chapters in his book describes how his wife acquired a first edition of the famous Dictionary for three hundred and twenty dollars. The chapter was first printed as an essay in the Atlantic Monthly, for April, 1927.

The present writer, who happened to be in Philadelphia at that time, read the article the day it appeared. That same afternoon, after spending several hours in the somber beauty of Dr. Rosenbach's galleries, he wandered down Walnut street and stopped before Charles Sessler's book-store. There, occupying a window all by itself, was a genuine two-volume first edition of the Dictionary—in good condition, and priced at two hundred and fifty dollars! Not having the price, the writer sadly relinquished the hope of snatching a bargain, but went inside to have a closer look. Mr. Sessler, who is a friend of Mr. Newton, courteously permitted a closer examination of the Dictionary. During the course of a very interesting conversation, it developed that Mr. Sessler had not read Mr. Newton's essay in the Atlantic Monthly.

Several months later when the writer was again in Philadelphia, he revisited Sessler's.

"The price of that Dictionary," said Mr. Sessler, with a twinkle in his eye, "is now \$300. In a year or two it may be worth \$400."

All of which goes to indicate how even the veriest amateur may stumble on a profit in "This Book-Collecting Game."

N. P., '29.

SONNET TO ONE WHO JOURNEYS FAR.

Farewell is not our word, for you and I
Cannot be sundered whom all things unite,
Between whom is one bond of day or night,
And over whom there dreams a single sky.
I give thee blessings by the moon; no sigh
I send thee by its meditative light—
Rather would I by its pervasive might
Forbid thee lest thou even think goodby.

When there shall come a whisper down the wind,
When earth is warm and sweet beneath thy hand,
Although forlorn beside some far-off sea,
Still shalt thou know me there, though left behind;
Still shalt thou know, though death thy days demand,
There is no world I may not share with thee.

Contrib., '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 Polonius:

We beg to differ with you in your statement that students returning to Maine from the Christmas vacation were characterized as "the worst ever" by railroad men. The conductor of a train on which we were passengers informed us that the number of flask-toting college men was exceedingly small.

"The torch is passed to us; we must run our own race." Be careful, Polonius, don't grab the torch at the wrong end or don't run in the wrong direction.

Your letter, we dare say, does not help in the way of giving the college the right kind of publicity.

Try again, Polonius, you're probably good at heart.

Yours for the right kind of publicity,
Mike and Iko.

Dear Gladiolator:

It seems unfortunate that at the opening of what promises to be a new era in Colby history a man is absent who, in spirit and capabilities is in accord with the expressed policies of our new President.

That person is Dr. William J. Wilkinson who, as a professor, as an educator, and as a man we know and respected as the peer of any man in the faculty, as nonpareil in his own field.

It is rumored, and it is to be assumed, that Dr. Wilkinson's departure was due to a contravention of the policy of the new regime as directly expressed by Dr. Johnson to the western alumni the other day. With equal persistence it is rumored that Dr. Wilkinson is unhappy and dissatisfied in his present position. Does not this suggest that it might not be

impossible for Colby to procure once again for herself one of the best professors in the East?

Yours,
Undergrad.

Dear Gladiolator:

Our fellow student "A-1" has indeed brought up a meet topic for discussion: "Why was 'Wilkie' allowed to leave Colby?"

Dr. Wilkinson had those rare qualities of the real teacher: a winning personality, a discerning taste in the selection of material, and a virility of presentation. Yet he was allowed to go to a school which has the possibility of offering but one advantage over his chair in Colby. Is it possible that the traditional economy of the "powders that be" has carried itself to an extreme?

Yours,
"Curious."

DR. LIBBY OUTLINES.

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cording to certain hard and fast rules, judged by the eye, while the other can be conducted under no set of rules and must be judged by the mental process of putting two and two together and getting four. The most inexperienced side-liner can plot a football game, for usually the ball either goes over or it doesn't; in debating, it takes an extremely brilliant mind to pass upon the merits of arguments extending over one to two hours. Because it is impossible always to secure the expert judges, the results of intellectual contests become a matter of snap judgments. I know of nothing that so quickly destroys the happy spirit of rivalry for rivalry's sake or so curbs freedom of speech and action on the platform or so often leaves a spirit of dissatisfaction among debaters and their followers than the board of judges and the decision that they must make."

Y. W. C. A. Notes.

The Y. W. C. A. had a very enjoyable meeting Tuesday, with Neal Bousfield as speaker. He showed and explained stereopticon slides of the section of China in which his father, Dr. Bousfield, has been working for many years. As he lived there himself for several years, his explanations were very interesting.

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Crippled, Mules Beaten In Hard Clash With Polar Bears

A fast Bowdoin hockey team defeated a crippled Colby squad 2 to 0 in the second state series game of the season...

The summary: Bowdoin Colby Ward, lw rw, Delaware Tiemer, c Lovett Dwyer, rw lw, Kenney Stone, rd ld, Carlson Thayer, ld rd, MacDougal Howland, g g, Irvine Spares, Colby, Pomerleau; Bowdoin, Parker, Rose, Souther, Andrews. Score, Bowdoin 2, Colby 0; goals made by: First period, Tiemer (unassisted); second period, Thayer (pass from Dwyer). Penalties, Carlson, Tiemer, 2 minutes (tripping). Stops, Howland 12, Irvine 23. Referee, F. A. French, Lewiston. Time, 3-15's.

Frosh Lose Hockey Tilt With Coburn

The Coburn hockey team won from the Colby Freshmen on last Wednesday afternoon 6 to 0, in a somewhat one-sided game played in the college rink. Rancourt led the onslaught for Coburn by scoring twice in the first period and again in the third...

The summary: Coburn Colby Freshmen Stewart, lw rw, Conant Pomerleau, c Hilton Turbine, rw lw, Howard Rancourt, ld rd, Hardy Harmon, rd ld, Webster Hickey, g g, Jakanoski Spares, Colby, Davis. Coburn, Niverson. Scores, first period, Stewart (unassisted), Rancourt (unassisted), Rancourt (unassisted). Third period, Turbine (rebound), Pomerleau (unassisted), Rancourt (unassisted). Penalties, Rancourt, tripping, 1 min. Referee, Richardson. Stops, Jakanoski 11, Hickey 6.

Phi Delt Hoopmen Easy Winners over L. C. A.

A fast moving Phi Delta Theta team swamped Lambda Chi Alpha 61 to 21 in a basketball game played in the gymnasium on Friday afternoon. The Lambda Chi's started the game at a fast pace and for a moment they looked very dangerous but the Phi Delt's rallied and took the lead after the first few minutes and were never headed from then till the final whistle. Grady exceeded all individual scoring records made so far this year by tallying 23 points. Hansen, his teammate, was close behind with 18 points.

Table with columns: Phi Delta Theta, G., F., T.P. Hanson, rf 7 4 18 (Arnold) 1 0 2 Grady, lf 10 3 23 (Hatch) 0 0 0

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Financial Report for Football Season, 1928.

Table with columns: Receipts, Expenditures. Varsity Coaching 2,866.67, Freshman Coaching 233.50, Letters, Numerals and Certificates 20.25, Training Camp 580.08, Scouting Games 133.86, Telephone and Telegraph 29.38, Trucking Equipment 30.50, Medical and Hospital Bills 202.50, First Aid Supplies 184.85, Installing and Removing Flood Lights 23.40, Posters 31.50, Lime 12.60, Laundry 35.55, Labor on Field 28.60, Equipment 1,084.19, Newport Game, Guarantee and Officials 574.30, Newport Game, Gate Receipts 170.00, New Hampshire Trip 460.80, New Hampshire Guarantee 600.00, Tufts Trip 779.75, Tufts Guarantee 600.00, Norwich Game, Guarantee and Officials 903.25, Norwich Game, Gate Receipts 231.50, Worcester Polytechnic, Guarantee and Officials 1,016.88, Worcester Polytechnic, Gate Receipts 176.00, Bowdoin Game, Guarantee 500.00, Bowdoin Game, Rain Insurance 168.75, Bowdoin Game, Officials 185.24, Bowdoin Game, Police 35.00, Bowdoin Game, Tickets, Ushers, Advertising, etc. 68.16, Bowdoin Game, Gate Receipts 3,376.00, University of Maine Trip 276.85, University of Maine Guarantee 1,000.00, Bates Trip 262.50, Bates Game, Comp. Tickets for Coaches 20.00, Bates Game, Expenses of Band 60.00, Bates Guarantee 1,000.00, Higgins Game, Officials and Guarantee 102.00, Higgins Game, Entertainment Team 21.00, Higgins Game, Gate Receipts 22.25, Bucksport Trip 111.40, Bucksport Guarantee 60.00, Ricker Trip 286.88, Ricker Guarantee 100.00, Maine Central Institute, Officials and Guarantee 60.00, Maine Central Institute, Gate Receipts 49.00, Kents Hill Game, Officials and Guarantee 60.00, Kents Hill Game, Entertainment Team 21.00. Totals 7,384.75 11,471.19. Deficit to be Covered by Appropriation 4,086.44.

Table with columns: (Weaver) 0 0 0, Terry, c 6 0 12, Acierno, rg 0 0 0, Ferguson, lg 3 0 6, Total 27 7 61. Lambda Chi Alpha. Esty, rg 0 2 2, (Allen) 0 0 0, Wymann, lg 1 0 2, Hamlin, c 1 1 3, (Burns) 0 0 0, MacLaughlin, lf 2 3 7, Burns, rf 3 1 7, Total 7 7 21. Referee, Niziolek. Time, 4-10's.

Zeta Quintet Wins From Kappa Deltas

Zeta Psi defeated Kappa Delta Rho by the score of 24 to 23 in the fastest and closest game played so far in the interfraternity basketball league. During the first three quarters the K. D. R., quintet held the lead but in the last period the Zetas rallied sufficiently to win. McNaughton and Nelson starred for the winners while Slocum and Stewart played well for the losers.

Table with columns: Zeta Psi, G., F., T.P. McNamara, lf 1 4 6, Nelson, rf 3 2 8, C. Cowing, c 0 0 0, (Arbor) 3 0 0, T. Cowing, lg 0 0 0, McNaughton, rg 2 0 4, Total 9 6 24. K. D. R. Benson, rg 0 0 0, (Largerson) 0 1 1, (Allen) 0 0 0, Dow, lg 0 0 0, (Curtis) 0 0 0, Blankoslo, c 1 1 8, Slocum, rf 4 2 10, Stewart, lf 4 1 9, Total 9 5 23. Referee, Thornton.

Zetes Continue Leaders Of Bowling League

The Zetes last week increased their lead in the Interfraternity Bowling League by taking four points from the Lambda Chis. The D. U.'s are in second place and the Lancers are holding third place. The Delta Upsilon team again broke two team records with a big team single of 505, and a team total of 1431. Roberts, who has only bowled two matches for the D. U.'s brought his average up to 100 which mark Arbor has held since the league opened.

Table with columns: W., L., Pet. Zetes 14 2 .875, Delta Upsilon 11 5 .688, Lancers 9 7 .563, Phi Delt 8 8 .500, K. D. R. 7 9 .438, Dokes 7 9 .438, Lambda Chi 6 10 .375, Non-Frats 2 14 .125. Records, high average, Roberts, 100; single string, Delaware, 127; three strings, Delaware, 324; team single, Delta Upsilon, 505; team total, Delta Upsilon, 1431.

Basket Ball Schedule.

A revised Interfraternity Basketball Schedule made necessary by the postponement of games and the conflict of the one previously announced with the mid-year examination period has been drawn up by the Student Council committee in charge of the sport. This new schedule appears below. January. 22—D. U. vs. L. C. A., 8.00. 24—A. T. O. vs. L. C. A., 4.30. 25—Z. P. vs. L. C. A., 3.30. 25—D. U. vs. K. D. R., 4.30. 26—P. D. T. vs. L. C. A., 2.30. 26—Non-Frat. vs. D. K. E., 3.30. February. 2—D. U. vs. Z. P., 2.30. 2—D. K. E. vs. P. D. T., 3.30. 6—K. D. R. vs. A. T. O., 4.30.

apparent progress of the epidemic last Saturday made it seem advisable to postpone the gym dance scheduled for that evening following the basketball game. Two or three cases were severe enough, moreover, to warrant the removal of the students to the Sister's Hospital. The services of the resident nurse at Foss Hall has greatly relieved the situation there.

Nearly all the fraternity houses have shared in the epidemic, from three to six cases being reported in each. Three men were in the hospital this morning, but all are recovering satisfactorily. The men receiving medical care off campus are Louis F. Conant, '32, of Cambridge, Mass.; Howard H. Whitten, '31, of Clinton; and Leroy B. Starbuck, '32, of Westport, Conn.

Owing to the precautions which have been taken during the epidemic to avert serious illness, the influenza has not made a great invasion of the women's division.

An additional nurse has been employed to assist Miss Dunn the resident nurse in caring for the women, and care and attention have been given to the slightest colds. During the last week or two there have been on an average fifteen girls confined to their rooms at one time. Only a small percentage of three cases have been pronounced influenza, the majority being heavy colds. Very few of the girls have been seriously ill, and these few are on the road to recovery.

COLBY STUDENT.

(Continued from page 1) now issuing from the press. Here are songs and snatches that run the full gamut of the poetic scale from rhyming sonnet to the freest of free verse, and then spill over some of them into plain prose. The seers and singers are sons and daughters of Colby, past, present or prospective. Of some it may be said, they see better than they sing; their poetic "stuff" is better than their verse-form. Here and there is a graceful conceit marred by an atrocious near-rhyme, which of course is worse than no rhyme at all. But a subtler sin invades many of the selections in this little volume. I may be in error, but I strongly suspect that the youthful poet would do well not to let his fancies loose on the choppy seas of "free verse" until he has charted the course and marked well the shallows—in other words, has taken a good stiff course in poetics. He should at least know what he is free from and what he is free for. Over the portals of the court house in Worcester, Mass., are inscribed these words: Obedience to Law is Liberty. Even "free" verse has, or should have, its laws. Rayon is not silk though made into lingerie. Be it never so popular, toddling is not dancing. No more is prose transmuted into verse—"free" or any other kind—by the simple trick of chopping it up into lines and beginning each with a capital letter.

But when this and more by way of criticism is said, there still remains to say: there is enough of achievement and of promise in this little volume of gleanings from Echoes and Oracles to warrant its publication and to merit the interest and patronage of the Colby public. I venture the suggestion that it might even be profitably used in connection with some of our courses in English, for the exercise of literary tastes in picking out the wheat from the chaff. Might not even the chaff serve as a challenge to some budding bards to produce something better or die in the attempt? And I fancy there would be—even as in Browning Clubs—lively discussions as to what some of the poems are driving at.

The Muse is a coy and tricky maid. Apollo himself, the god of poetry, found her so. For did not Daphne, his belle ideale, just as he was about to catch her, turn into something wooden, a tree? But "Tis better to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all." And "Faint heart ne'er won fair lady." So I say to the worst stumbler in this group of Colby's young versifiers: pick up your faltering metric feet and pursue again the elusive Muse. You may yet overtake her. Anyhow, she's worth pursuing.

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The blare of the bugle as it sounded "colors" and the sight of the flag as it slowly descended from the top of the flag-pole in front of Chemical Hall caused a strange tightening in the throats of the small group of witnesses. It was the twelfth of December, 1918, and it was the occasion of the mustering out of the United States service of the Student Army Training Corps which had been stationed at Colby College. The day marked the close of twenty months of as exciting a period as the college had ever seen, a period filled with thrills and with heartaches, a period upon which Colby men and women may look back with a feeling of pride because of the part that they played in the great drama of the World War. Colby has always gloried in her traditions and the period of which this incident marked the close added still more reasons for Colby students to hold their heads high and throw out their chests.

The first real action taken by the students at Colby which indicated how high the patriotic feeling ran was a set of resolutions drawn up by the students and sent to President Wilson early in 1917. The resolution read as follows:

"Whereas, the United States is facing one of the greatest crises in its history, because of the unprecedented policy of maritime destruction interfering with the rights of American citizens upon the high seas, which policy Germany proposes to carry out; and

"Whereas, The President of the United States needs the unqualified support of every true American, therefore

"Be it resolved: That the student body of Colby College heartily endorses President Wilson's attitude, and pledges him their loyal support in whatever course he may follow for the protection of our seamen and our people in the prosecution of their peaceful and legitimate errands on the high seas."

On MARCH 7, 1917, there appeared in the ECHO a letter from George F. L. Bryant of the class of 1917 of which the following is a part:

"In view of the fact that so many of the New England colleges are organizing military companies for the purpose of training students to be soldiers who may answer the country's call in time of need, I think that Colby should begin at once to organize at least one military company, even though it may be a small one."

This letter bore fruit on April 4th when a meeting was held in the chapel and over sixty men enlisted in the Colby Military Company. The

men who enlisted signed the following pledge:

"We, the undersigned, hereby pledge ourselves to enlist in the Colby Military Company from this date until the week of final examinations and subject to the following conditions:

"1. To abide by all orders and regulations formulated by the proper authorities.

"2. This pledge not to be binding in case of enlistment in any branch of the United States Federal Service.

"3. All Federal Regulations gov-

erning infantry companies shall be enforced in this organization."

Lieutenant A. Raymond Rogers, of the class of 1917, an officer in Co. H, of the Maine National Guard, was chosen as drill-master and it was agreed that there should be at least four hours of drill each week. As evidence that the faculty was behind the movement we find that four of the college professors were enlisted in the company. They were Professors Harry, Franklin, Crowell, and Ellis. The company was organized on Wednesday and on Saturday the number of enlisted men had grown from sixty to one hundred.

But not all the men were content to stay in the Colby company but struck out for themselves so that by the eleventh of April, just four days after the declaration of war, there were thirty-four men enlisted in some branch of the Federal Service.

Rapidly the campus took on the appearance of a military camp. During the forenoon the National Guard company used the athletic field for drill purposes and in the afternoon the Colby company used it for the same purpose. Although the latter had no uniforms they rapidly began to take on the look of a military organization. They did so well, in fact, that when, on the eighth of May, they went to Augusta to take part in a patriotic demonstration, there were many favorable comments upon the appearance they made. The day previous to their trip to Augusta the company had been presented with a set of "colors" donated by Judge Leslie C. Cornish, of the class of 1875.

Every week saw one or more vacancies appear in the ranks of the students until by May sixteenth fifty-two undergraduates, or twenty per cent of the entire male enrollment of the college, were in the Federal Service. Then the Board of Trustees voted to make military training compulsory for all freshmen and elective for all upper classmen when the college should be opened in the Fall of 1917.

Then came the cold, hard winter of 1917-18 with its shortage of fuel and conservation of food supplies and in order to do its part in this particular the college closed some of its buildings to save on fuel. Even though set back in the center of the state and far from the main centers of military activities yet there was an uneasy, restless spirit on the campus which made it extremely difficult to keep the students at their books. And as the stars on the service-flag grow in number and now and then a star changed from blue to gold, the war was brought home with added emphasis and increased rather than diminished the spirit of unrest.

In the Fall of 1918 college opened into in order to allow the men to assist in the harvesting of the crops and into in September saw a new step in military activities when Colby, with an enrollment of 125 men, joined the ranks of the colleges having Army Training Corps. Upon their induction into the United States Service President Wilson sent the following message:

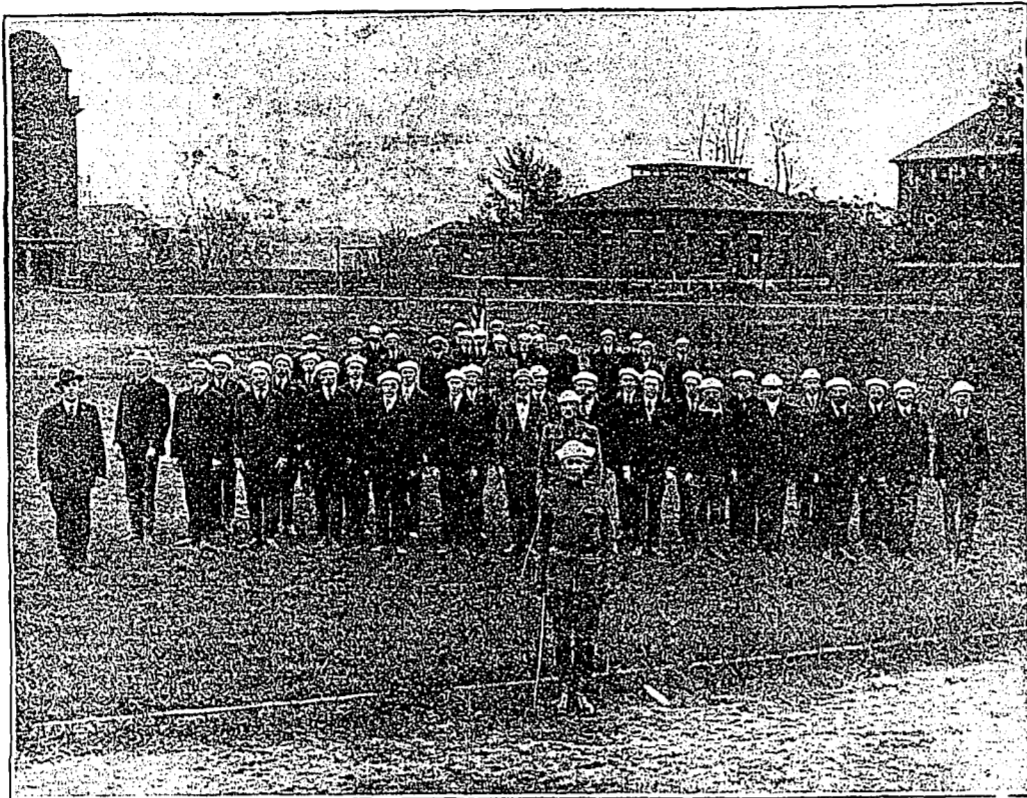
"The step you have taken is a most significant one. By it you have ceased to be merely individuals each seeking to perfect himself to win his own

place in the world, and have become comrades in the common cause of making the world a better place to live in. You have joined yourselves with the entire manhood of the country and pledged, as did your fathers, 'your lives, your fortunes, and your sacred honor' to the freedom of humanity.

"The enterprise upon which you have embarked is hazardous and a difficult one. This is not a war of words; this is not a scholastic struggle. It is a war of ideals, yet fought with all the devices of science and

ago armed guards patrolled its borders challenging all comers; that within these peaceful halls sounded the clash of arms and the tread of men wearing the uniforms of their country; that the service-flag hanging on the wall of the Chapel contained over three hundred stars, fifteen of which were golden.

Memorial Hall, the Woodman Stadium, and the Flag-pole are mute witnesses to the part that Colby has played in the making of the history of our country but they tell only part of the story. The rest must be found



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Much was planned for and great were the expectations of this organization but like many plans of "mice and men" they were "agley." An epidemic of influenza broke out and man after man was stricken until classes and all other items of routine were abandoned. The camp was saddened by the death of two of their comrades, Hugh Kelley, of the class of 1921, and Raymond H. Blades, of the class of 1922; and it was only through the splendid work of the contract surgeon, Dr. Cragin, that more did not follow them.

And so came the armistice and the question became, "what is to be done with us?" None knew until early in December when orders came from Washington to disband as soon as possible.

Not all the events connected with this period were tragic, however, as evidenced by an incident which occurred when Professor Chester took his geology class on a field trip. They went to Paris and after browsing around on Mt. Mica looking for specimens and had started for home they noticed a car following them. It soon overtook them and ordered them to stop. Out of the car stepped several men, one of whom said he was the sheriff, and wanted to know what they were doing. Explanations followed and it was learned that some patriotic citizen, seeing them climbing around on Mt. Mica, had immediately jumped to the conclusion that they were German spies looking for a place to establish a wireless station. Needless to say they were not long detained and arrived home without further adventure.

To see the campus now it is difficult to realize that only ten years

in the hearts of the Colby men and women and the fathers, mothers, wives, sisters, and sweethearts of those who played their part in these great struggles.

Shall Colby students not, then, feel that they have the right to hold their heads high and when they stand in the Chapel facing the two flags take the same pledge of allegiance that was taken by the boys of 1917-18?

"I pledge allegiance to my flag and to the country for which it stands; one nation indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

Edgar R. Howland, '27, of West Springfield, Mass., is entering the Government Aviation School in Massachusetts.

Darold E. Nickerson, '27, is employed with the Oakland Motor Car Co. He is about to enter the student course division furnished by the company.

Charles N. Pinkham, ex-'29, is employed in the drafting department of the Singer Manufacturing Co., at Bridgeport, Conn.

ALUMNI NOTES.

GEN. HERBERT M. LORD. (Continued from page 1) County Medical Society.

Chairman of the Western Maine Alumni committee, Spaulding Biscoe, '13, lawyer of Portland, Maine.

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