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Debate Thursday

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PROCEEDS FROM DRAMATIC PRODUCTION WILL GO TOWARDS GYMNASIUM FUND

"RED" LOVETT CHOSEN VARSITY ICE CAPTAIN

At a meeting of the hockey men held last Monday, Walter "Red" Lovett, '31, was elected captain of the Colby hockey team. "Red" plays the center position and was one of the mainstays of last year's team. He is a letterman in football and was one of the stars on this year's great Colby eleven. In baseball he is a regular in one of the outfield positions. He is a handy man with the willow and has broken up more than one ball game by lifting the ball out of the park.

With election of Lovett as captain



"RED" LOVETT.

came the first call for hockey candidates from Coach "Bill" Millett who will handle both the varsity and freshman squads this year.

The following men make up the varsity squad from which the team will be picked: Capt. Lovett, Howard, Kenney, W. Draper, R. Draper, Delaware, Roberts, Tufts, Hedderieg, Webster, Hilton, McDonald, Davis, and Donovan.

Thanksgiving Dance Given By A. T. O.

A very interesting and successful Thanksgiving eve informal dance was held by the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity in their chapter house last Wednesday evening from 7.30 to 11 o'clock. The affair was attended by over 40 couples who danced to the music of George Allison and his Collegians.

The decorations were made up mostly of balloons. All of the walls were covered with blue paper upon which multi-colored paper balloons were pasted. From the ceiling hundreds of real colored balloons hung making a very pretty effect.

The committee was composed of Robert T. Brown, '30, of Fairfield; William A. Lyons, '31, of Needham, Mass.; and Henry W. Rollins, '32, of Fairfield.

The refreshments served at intermission consisted of ice cream, cake and punch. Patrons and patronesses were: President and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson, Dean and Mrs. Ernest C. Marriner, Dean Nettie M. Runnals, and Professor and Mrs. Galen Bastis.

STUDENT COUNCIL.

At a meeting of the Student Council, held in the "Y" room of Hadman Hall, Tuesday night, December 3, 1929, the official report of the Red Cross drive was duly submitted by the committee. The women's division turned in fifty-one dollars, and the men's division collected thirty-four, making a total of eighty-five dollars. Fraternity rushing was the subject of a rather lengthy discussion and a committee was selected from the council to investigate rushing conditions in other colleges. This committee is as follows: Gerald Johnson, George Grady, and Ralph Goddard.

SPEAKERS AT WOMEN'S CHAPEL.

December 5, President Johnson.
December 7, Professor C. Harry Edwards.
December 10, Professor H. C. Libby.
December 12, Mr. Motzner will give a Christmas talk.

Rehearsals For Play Going Along Nicely With Many Local Students in Cast

For the past week the cast of the coming production of Powder and Wig—The Queen's Husband—have been working faithfully. The first rehearsal was held this week on the stage at the City Opera House, where the performance is to take place, January 9. Professor Rollins director of the production, is hoping to get the entire entertainment ready for a dress rehearsal before the Christmas holidays so that the week left before the final evening may be used in perfecting the details.

Plans are already in the making for an extended ticket campaign which will be carried on by the members of the business staff. A year ago the Opera House was well filled for the Powder and Wig performance and it is certain that with the play which has been chosen this season a large audience may rightfully be expected to attend.

A few facts that were learned concerning the popularity of the actors and actresses among the college students shows that an unusually good group of students will represent Colby in The Queen's Husband. Especial interest among the town people arises from the fact that a large portion of the cast is made up of local young people.

From press reports concerning the success of former presentations of "The Queen's Husband," both by professional and amateur talent, it is evident that the play itself is one of the most popular plays produced in the United States within the last few years. After a successful season's run in the Dallas Little Theater in Dallas, Texas, the following criticism appeared, "No play in years has caused so much comment as has Robert Sherwood's The Queen's Husband." This statement is significant of the quality of the play.

When the comedy was first played in New York City two years ago Roland Young played the role of the King with such success that the play ran for many months. It has also had long runs in Chicago and other theatres. (Continued on page 4)

Colby To Debate Tufts On Thursday

The first intercollegiate debate of the season will be held Thursday evening, December 5th at 7.30, in the college chapel, when the Colby team meets Tufts College. The question to be debated is "Resolved, That the system of trial by jury should be abolished," and is last year's official Pi Kappa Delta question. The affirmative side will be upheld by the Tufts team, which will be composed of Robert P. Russell, '31, of Newton, Mass.; Richard A. Winslow, '30, of Auburn, Mass.; and George W. Parker, '31, of Meriden, Conn.

All of the Tufts debating team are experienced debaters and are veterans of last year's team. The negative side will be upheld by the Colby team which will be made up of Harold F. Lemoine, '32, of Kennebunk; Donald F. Poëlin, '31, of Fairfield; and Norman D. Palmer, '30, of Hineckley, who are also veteran debaters.

Harold F. Lemoine, manager of the Maine Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Delta, announces that an extended schedule is being arranged for this year. On the program are listed dual debates with the University of Maine and with New Hampshire State, that of the Maine-Colby debate is dated for February 21. Other institutions with whom negotiations are being carried on are Boston University, Boston College, New York University, and Massachusetts Agricultural College. It is also intended to make a trip through Vermont, taking in debates with the University of Vermont, Middlebury, and Norwich.

Plans are also underway to arrange a cross country trip to Wichita, Kansas, where the Pi Kappa Delta biennial convention will be held from March 31 to April 4. It is planned to debate eleven or twelve midwestern colleges on the trip. Already a debate has been scheduled for April 5th with St. Louis University. It is now seven years since a Colby debating team went on an extended cross country tour and the members of the team are looking ahead to the convention trip with anticipation.

CHARLES E. O'CONNOR SPEAKS AT CHAPEL

University of Maine Student Explains System Used at Orono Institution

Charles E. O'Connor, a member of the class of 1930 at the University of Maine was the speaker at the college chapel period yesterday morning. Mr. O'Connor was chosen by President Boardman of Maine to represent the University in this way when President Johnson of Colby invited a student of Maine to come down and speak to the Colby student body. Mr. O'Connor is one of the most outstanding men at the neighboring institution and he is remembered for his performance in the high jump and broad jump at the state track meet last June. He is also a member of the debating team, president of the Maine Athletic association and president of the Christian Association.

He began by saying that Colby students doubtless knew something about the Maine athletic teams but that he was going to talk about something perhaps less familiar, that is the Christian work at the university. In referring to this subject of Christian work Mr. O'Connor read a part of Mr. Nathaniel Butler's address read at the 75th anniversary of the founding of Colby. As Mr. Butler said, so does Mr. O'Connor; that "The purpose of Christian work in a college is an attempt to increase the spiritual faculties."

With this end in view the students at the Orono institution have shown themselves to be, as a group quite interested in this phase of student activity. The Christian association at Maine began a few years ago and has grown to so great importance that a centrally located building of twelve rooms is entirely given over to the use of the association. The association hires four full time workers, two of whom devote their time to the interests of the men's division, one for the women's division and a secretary. In this building there are reading rooms and a smoking room. This smoking room is frequented by the freshmen as this is the only place they are allowed to smoke.

Mr. O'Connor went on to tell of (Continued on page 4)

Plans For Johnson Reception Developing

Plans are rapidly developing for the reception to be given Wednesday evening, December 18, by the Waterville Colby Alumni and Alumnae Associations in honor of President and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson.

At a recent meeting of the special committee in charge of this event, it was stated that all friends of the college are cordially invited to attend this reception, which promises to be one of the outstanding social events of the college this year.

The new Alumnae building will be the scene of the brilliant affair which will take place between the hours of 8 and 10 P. M.

Following is the committee of Waterville people in charge of the reception: Dr. J. Frederick Hill, general chairman; Mrs. Martin Bartlett, chairman of the music committee; Mrs. Herbert C. Libby, chairman of the refreshment committee; Mr. John E. Chouteau, chairman of the usher committee; Miss Florence Dunn and Mr. A. F. Drummond, chairman of the finance committee; Mr. Harry S. Brown, secretary of the committee.

Other members of the committee are: Dr. George G. Ayer, Mrs. A. Raymond Rogers, Miss Nolla Merriek, and Judge Charles W. Atchley.

It is expected that a large number of alumni and alumnae from out of the city will be present. The officials and friends of the college have shown their interest in President Johnson by giving him many receptions but the coming affair is expected to be of unusual interest.

The chapel program for the coming week as announced by Professor Herbert L. Newman, chapel officer, is as follows:
Friday, December 6, Mr. W. Walter Banton, district manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance of Bangor, will speak in the series of vocational addresses.
Monday, December 9, President Franklin W. Johnson will speak.
Wednesday, December 11, Harold W. Richardson, Bates senior will speak.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON SPEAKS ON TRAVELS

Belittles Idea That Prevails Among Americans Regarding Foreigners

In continuing his interesting series of travel talks President Franklin W. Johnson spoke Monday morning to the men's division at the regular chapel period. He followed up the thought of his last week's address in that he spoke on experiences and conditions that he found in his travels in the Near East.

The President said at first that we are inclined to dislike and mistrust those with whom we are not acquainted. "We speak of the unspeakable Turk," he said, "and usually regard him as an unlovely person." He then went on to tell more of his interesting experiences in Constantinople where he spent several days three winters ago. "Contrary to popular belief most Europeans like the Turkish people," was one of the surprising statements made by the speaker. He told of an incident which well brought out one of the outstanding virtues of the Turks' honesty. He told of being on a ship outside of Constantinople and having a letter which he wished very much to mail. He asked a Turk if he would mail the letter and gave him a small sum of money with which to pay the postage. To Dr. Johnson's surprise the stranger returned about half the money and told him that he had been given too much. This was but one of the several incidents which led the president to believe strongly in the strict honesty of the Turkish people. In concluding his remarks in regard to these Turks President Johnson said, "I have always found the Turk (Continued on page 4)

President Announces New Scholarships

President Franklin W. Johnson announces through the ECHO that, when scholarship aid is awarded in February, the awards will include eight special scholarships of one hundred dollars each. These scholarships will be awarded to the man and woman in each of the four classes who, in the judgment of the committee on scholarships, best combine high scholastic attainment with stringent financial need. These scholarships will be known as the Senior, Junior, Sophomore, and Freshman Scholarships for Men and for Women respectively.

Applicants for the general scholarships must understand that the mere filing of an application does not mean the granting of scholarship aid. It is probable that not more than half the applications can be granted. The college cannot allot scholarships beyond the income for that specific purpose. Since not all applications can be granted, the committee on scholarships will insist upon strict enforcement of the rules governing scholarships, the most important of which are that the application, blank, properly filled out, must be in the hands of the college treasurer not later than December 15, and that the applicant must pass five three-hour courses the first semester.

Y. W. C. A. Entertained By Coburn Orchestra

One of the largest audiences of the year attended the Y. W. C. A. meeting Tuesday evening, December 3, when the Coburn Classical Institute Orchestra, led by Mrs. Frederick Lobdell, played a group of concert numbers.

The program rendered by the orchestra consisting of piano, Margaret Salmund and Ruth Hendrickson, first violin, Corinne Langlois and John MacIntyre, second violin, Harriet Nelson, cello, Edith Langlois and Richard Huzzey, flute, Harold Brown, and saxophone, Edward Gurney, was as follows: March, Distant Greeting; Dance of the Happy Spirits; March Romaine, the number which won first prize for the Coburn orchestra two years ago at the State Contest; Piano Solo, Chopin's Prelude 21, by Ruth Hendrickson; Intermezzo, which Coburn played last year at the contest, winning second prize; The Guardsman's Choice.

The concert was most delightful and it is hoped that the Y. W. C. A. will be favored with another visit from the orchestra some time in the future.

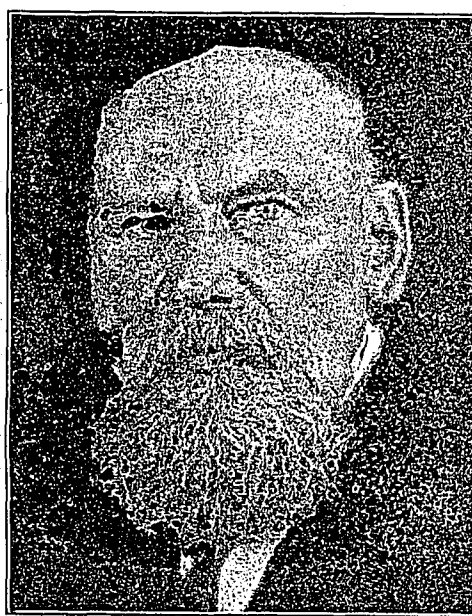
COUNT TOLSTOY SPEAKS TO LARGE AUDIENCE ON BOLSHEVIST RUSSIA

Stresses The Fact That It Is The Peasants That Are The Backbone Of Red Republic

Count Ilya Tolstoy, second son of the great Tolstoy, whose influence was so potent to mould the intellectual and spiritual life of Russia, spoke to a Colby audience gathered in the Alumnae Building Friday evening. His visit to Waterville is part of an American tour which he is making it being the occasion of the 100th anniversary of his father's birth. He is prepared to speak on the philosophy of his father, or on the results of the Bolshevik Revolution in Russia, as they appear to him. At the will of

active feature of this Russian peasant's home is the huge stove. Here the thrifty housewife prepares her meals; on its broad top the old folks and the children sleep. Under it is a space where a lamb or chickens are kept. It is even used for a sort of Turkish bath.

Fifty per cent of the present Russian peasantry are illiterate, as compared to sixty per cent two decades ago. But illiteracy said Count Tolstoy does not always mean ignorance. They are rich in beautiful traditions



COUNT ILYA TOLSTOY

the audience he spoke on the latter subject.

Count Tolstoy's introductory words stressed the misrepresentation of facts made by so many who go to Russia to see Bolshevism, but where eyes are blinded by the machine itself. Visitors are taken about the country by wily interpreters, who take care that the American or European traveler shall see only what the Bolshevik government wishes him to. His trail is followed up by a troop of indefatigable spies. Not knowing the language of the nation, the alien visitor cannot be set into the midst of the peasants, whose life is the life of Russia. The machinations of Bolshevism repress all political discussion which might enlighten a chance eavesdropper.

Count Tolstoy lived in Russia for 11 years and has been kept informed recently by letters and conversations, so that his description of conditions there may be taken as authentic. Of the 150 millions in Russia, 125 millions are peasants, living in villages of all sizes scattered over the nation. "It is the peasants," said Count Tolstoy, "who have fed Russia in the past, who are feeding her now and who will feed her in the future. Their living conditions are poor. On the average a peasant owns a hut in a twenty-acre lot, perhaps a cow, and some chickens, and if he is fortunate, a garden plot. His average yearly salary is \$75, one-half of which must go to the government for taxes. Their huts are primitive, often with no floor, with roofs of straw, in the northern part of the country made of logs, in the south of bricks or even clay. The main utilitarian and decor-

and proverbs, in folk songs, from which the famous Russian composers have gained inspiration. The peasants are the salvation of Russia.

The industrial class is the lowest in Russia. They originally came from the villages, but, losing the virtues of the peasant, they gained no saving education in the city. The middle class in Russia is similar to that of all other civilized nations, composed of merchants and doctors and teachers. The group of intelligentsia in Russia, who can be hardly called a class, are very few in number, but highly educated, many having received degrees from great European colleges. They are disdainful of (Continued on page 4)

FROSH DANCE HELD IN ALUMNAE HALL

The annual dance, given by the men's division of the class of 1933 in celebration of their successful banquet which lifted the rules set by the sophomore class, was held Saturday evening in Alumnae Hall from 7.30 to 11 o'clock. A large crowd nearly taxed the capacity of the gymnasium and the affair was considered very enjoyable and successful.

Music was furnished by George Allison and his Blue and Gray Serenaders. The committee in charge of the dance was made up of John M. Fletcher, '33, of Belfast; Frank M. Cobleigh, '30, of Newton Highlands, Mass.; and Gerald A. Johnson, '30, of Waterville, chairman. The Student Council supervised the dance and the three men on the committee are members of the Student Council and were authorized by it to take charge of the affair.

The patrons and patronesses were President and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson, and Professor and Mrs. Thomas B. Ashcroft. In the receiving line were President and Mrs. Johnson; John H. Lee, '30, of Portland, president of the Student Council; and John M. Fletcher, '33, of Belfast, president of the freshman class.

JAPANESE SALE TO BE HELD BY Y. W. C. A.

A Japanese sale and silver tea set to be given by the Y. W. C. A. at Foss Hall, Friday afternoon, Dec. 6. The sale is under the management of Eleanor Rogers; the tea, of Barbara Libby. The many really lovely and useful articles, such as Japanese prints, jewelry, and pocketbooks, will be on display in the library, which is to be decorated in Japanese fashion. Invitations have been sent to many of the college patronesses, and it is hoped that the attendance will be large.

NOTICE.

The annual New England "Y" college conference will be held at Poland Springs, Me., Feb. 28, to March 2. It is hoped that a large number of Colby students from the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. will attend.

NOTICE.

All books withdrawn from the College Library before December 10th will be due before the Christmas holidays begin. Those borrowed after December 10th will be due January 8th.

Reserve books may not be taken out for the holidays until December 13th, and then only with the permission of the Librarian or the Assistant Librarian. In general not more than one reserve book may be taken out in any one course by any one student.

A meeting of Kappa Phi Kappa will be held at the home of Prof. B. J. Colgan, 12 1/2 West street, Thursday evening at 7.30.

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WEDNESDAY, DEC. 4, 1929.

The chapel exercises for the men's division are still held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings.

The librarian of the college is preparing short book reviews of new acquisitions to the book stacks which the ECHO will print each week. If sufficient interest is shown this library announcement section will be continued.

"The rush to enter college, following the World War, is over, according to Dr. Adams Leroy Jones, Director of Admissions of Columbia University," says an article in the Literary Digest entitled "College Attendance Falling Off." The report of Dr. Jones is based on the figures of the Association of American Universities. A bulletin of Columbia continues, "Certainly the growth of population is much less than a few years ago, and the growth of colleges is very likely to fall still more in the course of a decade unless the values or other attractions of college training shall come to appear still more widely than at present.

"The strong institutions will probably continue to grow partly at the expense of the weak, but any general high rate of growth in the future would seem to depend on a still stronger feeling on the part of the public that a college training is a valuable asset."

There is a time in every man's education when he arrives at the conviction that envy is ignorance; that imitation is suicide; that he must take himself for better, for worse, as his portion; that though the wide universe in full or good, no kernel of nourishing corn can come to him but through his toil bestowed on that plot of ground which is given him to till. Emerson, who said those words, evidently once went through that stage of life's indecision where a student tries to decide whether or not to continue his major.—Exchange Editorial.

Literary Column

COMPOSED BEHIND A CLOSED DOOR.

Now you are angry with me;
I told you, you were cruel and selfish;
I showed you; where you hurt another,
Now you are angry with me;
You defy me,
But when I am gone
You will stare at the door and out of the window.
How do I know? I know because I love you.
Lucrotius.

THANKSGIVING.

Lord, you've brought me happiness,
This year, each year—
I would thank you, Lord, for truth,
That makes life clear.

Little, gentle words of praise
For the joy that through the days
Springs itself, so unafraid,
Over each new year you've made,
Lord, I offer now to you—
Life is simple, for it's true.

Joy is mine, that I may say,
"I am thankful, Lord, today,
For the year that I have spent,

THE TEACHER.

"Today, I speak on bibliography,"
The teacher said.

And by the word evoked,
A reedy rattling—as of dry, dead bones—
Our ears offended. Names of books. . . of bones
An hour to spend in cataloguing bones!
Or books! 'Tis sure, a teacher holds from Heaven
Clear title to the charnel-house of time;
And thence drags grisly specimens to shake
Before the dulling eyes of careless youth.
Ah me! Can these bones live?

The teacher spoke:
And what the prophet saw in days long fled
We saw again; The bones grew each unto
His fellow; then beneath our gaze were clad
With comely flesh, stood up, and breathed the breath
Of life.

An hour of counting bones? Instead,
Our souls conversed with God-inspired men.

C. A. R.

Full of cheer and deep content;
For a strength that would not lean
Toward a narrow life, and mean."

Lord, you've brought me happiness,
This year, each year—
Keep me safe upon the way
That makes life clear.
Contrib.

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE COLBY COLLEGE LIBRARY.

Shaeber, Matthias A. Some Forerunners of the Newspaper in England, 1476-1622.

An investigation of the dissemination of news in England prior to the coming of the newspaper. Some of the methods used were word of mouth, private letters, broadsides, ballads, and "News-books." The people were no less interested in murders and love affairs than are the present day readers of the tabloids. They were even more gullible, however, believing many improbable tales of miracles, monsters, etc., brought to them through their news sources.

Havemeyer, Loomis. Ethnography. A new and authoritative book about savage races throughout the world, including the African and Australasian blacks, the negritos, and savage members of the brown, red, yellow, and white races. The main aspects of their self-maintenance, self-perpetuation, self-gratification, religion, and regulative organization are studied.

Hagberg, Knut. Kings, Churchills and statesmen.

A Swedish view of English politics, and personages in contemporary British affairs. The sketches of Lloyd-George, Churchill, Baldwin, and others less prominent are extremely clever, and penetrating.

Rolland, Romain. Beethoven the Creator.

The author of Jean Christophe takes Beethoven from his thirtieth year and studies the high points of his career; the great creative periods. There is a thorough analysis of Beethoven's music. The author's style is flowery and exaggerated at times, but he gives one some comprehension of what the great composer stands for.

Burns, Cecil D. 1918-1928: A Short History of the World.

A review of world trends and developments in the ten years since the war. Part one surveys the years of the transition to peace in Europe and Russia, and the position of the League of Nations. Part two discusses the new system at work, beginning with the revival of Russia and followed with the reestablishment of Europe. Part three interprets the new issues arising in Turkey, Asia and Africa, and closes with an indication of the next act in the world drama.

Ye Gladiator Column



Letters in the Gladiator 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.

Ye Column of Gladiators:

Somebody said that somebody else was going to make chapel compulsory. Now I ask you nonchalantly why be like that? For two reasons I would be different.

First, I would not have compulsory chapel—not because the following personages are against it, but because their statements seem to indicate that compulsory chapel is a fallacy.

Donn Craven Laycock of Dartmouth says of chapel: "Dartmouth ratched the decision that in all probability there was little good accomplished by forced attendance at any religious exercise. When the compulsory factor in chapel attendance was entirely removed at Dartmouth, the attendance, as was to be expected, fell off to a very large extent. Not-

withstanding our experience, I think it is fair to say that the decision was in almost all cases unanimous."

Dean Sperry of Andover Seminary: "No man who cares for religion can be happy at the travesty of worship, which goes on in many, if not most, compulsory chapel services."

Second, we could easily change our present system to a more interesting one and yet have it noncompulsory.

Realizing that a religious exercise should be held in order to inspire and to inculcate habits of worship, may I suggest that we adopt something new.

For instance, since a ten minute service means nothing, could we not have a longer period which would come one day a week. Perhaps Wednesday at 9.40 to 10.20, thus necessitating a cut of ten minutes from the end of the nine o'clock class.

As such a program would, of course, not be compulsory it would be necessary to have the most interesting exercise possible. This could easily be done in the time allotted. Perhaps, however, my readers would say that regardless of interesting programs only a few would attend. "Maybe so," says President Eliot of Harvard. "but the ten persons who listen are inspired." If so, the inspired ten might be able to sway the prejudices of the many non-attendants! What say you?

Non-compulsorily yours,
Bhpm.

Dear Gladiator:

After a consideration of the method employed in carrying out the recently inaugurated "Cut System" we feel that an expression of our opinion is justified. Does the faculty feel



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that the present system is the best? Is it not true that many of the professors agree that it is wrong? Is it not true that opinions should be weighed rather than counted?

This system positively deprives those of ability of the right of a college man. A professor takes one's attendance into consideration when compiling his ranks. The student suffers and then the Registrar deducts two per cent from his final mark. Thus the student suffers doubly. Why shouldn't the professor, who knows the ability of his pupil, be considered more capable of fairly ranking him than an office which can but systematically follow rules. We come to college to learn. We are told that "we get out of college what we put into it." We upperclassmen have proven that we are capable of doing college work; yet we are being treated like children.

Is it possible that the authorities feel that a student who is earning a B in a course can justifiably be pointed out as being incapable of doing college work? This is exactly what is going to happen at "Dear Old Colby."

Imagine the plight of the unfortunate student who is ill for two or three days and is obliged to have cuts charged to him, because he would rather attend classes than stay out the remainder of the week, in order to present a doctor's excuse which costs an unnecessarily expended two dollars.

Would not a serious reconsideration of this system be justified at the next meeting of the faculty?

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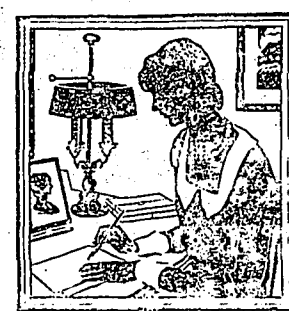
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The Lambda Chi went into first place in the interfraternity bowling league last week by taking three points from Delta Upsilon. The last year champs hold second position with only one point ahead of the Dekes.

Standing.	Won	Lost
Lambda Chi	11	1
Delta Upsilon	8	4
Dekes	7	5
Zetes	5	3
Kappa Delta Rho	4	4
Non Frats	3	5
Phi Delt	2	6
A. T. O.	0	4
Theta Kappa Nu	0	8

Records.

High average, LaFleur, 102.
Single String, Pagan, 127.
Three strings, LaFleur, 313.
Team single, Delta Upsilon, Lambda Chi, 487 team total, Delta Upsilon.
Averages 90 or better: Lunt 98; Maxim 97; Herd 96; Roberts 94; Cloutier 93; Levine 92; Lord 92; Pagan 92; Arber 91; Hardy 91; Allen 91; Tyson 90; Cole 90; Yuknis 90; Bonsall 90.

Promising Hurdler Lost To Track Squad

The track team suffered a great loss this week when Bill Steinhoff was forced to leave college. Steinhoff was one of the most promising hurdlers in the college and his absence will be seriously felt. With his going, a total of no less than seven hurdlers have left the squad since last June. Four went by graduation, Seekins, Walker, Benson, and Ryder. Wheeler failed to return to college in the fall. Now Steinhoff has left and the only remaining man, Robinson, is ineligible. Surely no track team ever suffered as great a loss as this and the fact will not be brought home until the Blue and Gray cinder artists meet some stiff competition as they will in the spring meets.

Steinhoff, in his first year of intercollegiate competition last spring, showed his ability at getting over the timbers and showed great promise in the meets, scoring in all of them. He was developing fast under the capable tutelage of Coach Mike Ryan and no doubt would have accounted for several points in the state meet this year if he had been able to remain in college.

Batson Wins Hill And Dale Crown

The annual cross country championship race, an annual feature of the track season, was run off last week over the three mile course. Weather conditions were unfavorable since the course was covered by a six inch blanket of snow making the going difficult. The seniors won the event with the freshmen running a close second. Sophomores were third and juniors fourth.

F. M. Batson crossed the finish line first leading by a margin of twenty-five yards. His time was 17 minutes 32 seconds. Caddoo was second, 50 yards ahead of Cabana, who took third; Clement was fourth; Farnham, fifth; Christie, sixth; Sleeper, seventh; Egert, eighth; Flaherty, ninth; and McKay, tenth.

MRS. COLGAN IS HOST TO ALPHA SIGMA DELTAS

Monday evening, November the twenty-fifth, the members of Alpha Sigma Delta sorority were entertained by Mrs. Edward J. Colgan, one of the sorority patronesses, at a Thanksgiving dinner party.

The Thanksgiving idea was carried out in appropriate decorations, place cards, and favors. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing.

The 44th annual meeting of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools is to be held at the Hotel Statler in Boston on Friday and Saturday, December 6 and 7. The advance program names President Johnson as one of the guests of honor at the dinner on Friday evening, and at the Saturday morning session he is to present a paper on "The Expanding High School and the Four-year College."

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Over Mac's Lunch

English Club Holds Weekly Meeting

Whether or not romantic poetry was inferior to classic poetry was the subject discussed at the meeting of the Colby College English club, held at the Kappa Delta Rho house Monday evening.

John R. Walden, instructor in English literature, and Alfred K. Chapman, also an instructor in the same subject, were the speakers of the meeting. Mr. Walden was the first speaker and he endeavored to show those present that romantic poetry was necessarily inferior to the classical type. He hinged his argument first on the question of what we really call good poetry. Poetry which lives is generally considered to be what we judge poetry by so Mr. Walden went on in an effort to show that classical poetry outlives the romantic kind.

"What lives longest," said the speaker, "is that which is closest to human nature." The task then was to prove that classical verse was actually closer to human nature than was romantic. The old poetry of the Greeks and the Romans was taken to be the examples of classical verse and the works of Tennyson, Keats, Shelly and the best part of the 18th and 19th century writers were taken as the romantic type of writing. Mr. Walden said that every human is made up of two parts; the impulses or emotions and the element of law or restraint of emotions and impulses. He claimed that the romantic poetry was too much given to the showing of impulses and emotions and hence was unbalanced. In finishing his presentation of facts Mr. Walden read a passage from Sophocles' "Oedipus Rex," and showed examples in it of the classical style and the features of the poem which marked it as essentially classical.

Mr. Chapman then took up the task of refuting this idea of Mr. Walden's and tried to show the group that the romantic poetry was after all better than the classical. He said that romantic poetry was founded, first on aspiration. This quality is expressed time and again in some of the more prominent romantic authors and is even pictured in the Gothic cathedrals with their spires pointing skyward and bespeaking aspiration. On the other hand the Greek temples had none of this "aspiration" style of architecture but had a sense of the finished about them and a look of finality and balance.

The second characteristic of romanticism was that of wonder, wonder of what was beyond this life and imagination. This element was put forth as one of the leading reasons for the superiority of romanticism over classicism. On these two elements Mr. Chapman bases his opinion that his type of poetry was better than that supported by Walden.

A very interesting discussion followed this informal debate in which all of the students took part. It was announced that the next meeting of the club would take place on Monday evening, January 13, at 7 o'clock in the Lambda Chi Alpha house. The subject at this time will be in connection with the novel by Thomas Hardy, "The Mayor of Casterbridge."

COLLEGE LIFE IS LACKING AT COLUMBIA

Columbia University, the enormous factory of learning that reposes majestically off upper Broadway, is perhaps unique among American educational institutions for its almost utter lack of so-called college life.

Columbia is tremendously rich and immensely large. From property that it owns and other sources Columbia has an annual income of \$9,000,000. It has 36,000 students in all branches, 20,000 of them resident students for the winter term.

Yet such is the state of campus life that there are Juniors who have never seen President Nicholas Murray Butler in person, and who know only casually their instructors and classmates. One reason is that only about one-fourth of the students live near the university. The rest commute from as far away as Staten Island and suburban towns.

It is said that speakers and musicians engaged under university auspices for recitals and lectures often are disappointed to find their audiences composed, not of eager undergraduates, but aging men and women, some post graduates, and many morose curious citizens who never have been inside Columbia's massive halls.

Michigan opened its 1929 football season with a double header. The Wolverines played Albion and then tangled with the Mt. Union College gridgers. The same team started each game.

Night football isn't so new after all since it was heard from William and Mary that it was played at that institution fifty years ago—by candlelight no doubt.

POLLARD VICTORY OF INTEREST TO COLBY

New Governor Has Been Contributor to Colby Alumnus

The overwhelming victory of John Garland Pollard, of Virginia, in the recent gubernatorial contest, has special interest for at least one member of our faculty and four of our graduate body. When Professor Libby and the cross-country intercollegiate debating team visited William and Mary College, in Williamsburg, Va., in April, 1922, Mr. Pollard was then at the head of the Marshall-Wythe School of Law. To Mr. Pollard fell the duty of showing the visitors the usual courtesies, and at the evening debate, he presided over the exercises. His cordial greeting to the debaters and his words of high commendation for the work which they did in scoring a defeat against William and Mary was an incident of the long trip that the Colby visitors never forgot.

Because of this acquaintanceship, Professor Libby has kept in touch with Mr. Pollard during the years since. Mr. Pollard contributed to the Alumnus "A Citizenship Creed," which was adopted by the classes he taught in the Law School. This creed is printed in Volume 12, No. 2, p. 155, of the Alumnus and expresses in most excellent form the conception of the duty of a citizen to the government under which he lives.

Mr. Pollard is a staunch upholder of Jeffersonian Democracy, a supporter of Governor Smith for the presidency, a strong advocate of bone-dry enforcement, and was supported in the recent gubernatorial contest by the anti-saloon forces. That he will make an ideal governor in Old Virginia there is little doubt.

NOTED COMIC DECRIES COLLEGE SPIRIT

Rube Goldberg Says That In Its True Poetic Sense It Is The Bunk

"I most certainly think that college spirit, in its true, native, poetic sense, is the bunk. Now wait! Don't hit me. Let me explain," Rube Goldberg sets out in the December Colby Humor to define college spirit.

"First let me say I am concerned only with old age, bald headed, gouty, bulging bodied college spirit—the kind you should find in the old graduate who grasped his diploma twenty or twenty-five years ago and swore everlasting allegiance to every blade of grass that lifted its academic head upon the campus green. This is the only phase of the subject that is really important.

"The pyrotechnic display of love for the dear old alma mater during the undergraduate days must be taken on as a matter of course. The undergraduate, unless he has premature hardening of arteries, cannot help being infected with the virus of loud, glorious enthusiasm for the flaming black and blue, or was it the iridescent green and white? The so-called undergraduate college spirit isn't spirit at all. It is merely a healthy display of temporary patriotism due principally to proximity. The college boy is on a four year educational spree before going out into the world.

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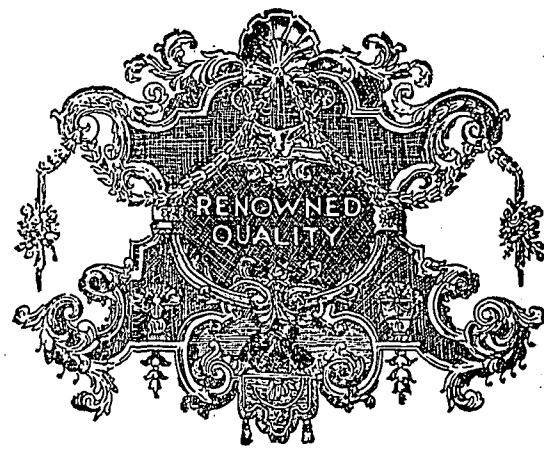
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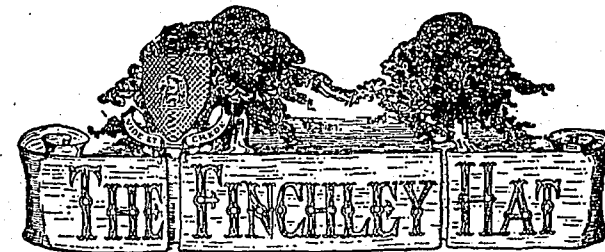
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"You may say that when a boy is willing to break his neck for his college on the football field, he is displaying the highest form of college spirit. I don't think so. He is breaking his neck because he loves the glamour of it, and because all the other fellows are breaking their necks, and because he is just a big healthy kid who likes to break his neck. I used to try to kill myself, making points for my side in a sandlot football game, and I don't believe I ever displayed any hysterical love for sandlots. It is the spirit of wanting to win rather than wanting to express a love for good old Wherelait.

"The whole thing is relative. If there is any such thing as college spirit, it is the four year variety. After that, it is just like belonging to a lodge, only you go once a year, if you go at all, instead of every Thursday night. And then it's pretty hard to get good beer."

A new rushing system has been introduced at Ohio Wesleyan. Freshmen write down the names of from one to five fraternities they would like to visit. Fraternities, likewise, indicate new men they wish to have visit them. Later, a clearing house will be established, so fraternities and candidates will be released as nearly as possible.

At West Virginia University Dr. A. M. Reese, head of the zoology department, was interrupted in his lecture a series of hisses, which proved on inspection to be coming from a rattlesnake on his desk. The snake will serve for a few demonstrations and will then be preserved in alcohol.

Seven members of the varsity football team of the University of Ark-

ansas are members of the local fire department.

Washington State College employs ten students in its fire-fighting patrol. They are split into two groups, one living at the fire station when the

other is off duty. They respond to both city and campus alarms.

A Korean student at the Southern Methodist University last June received three degrees at one time—B., A. M., and Ph. D.

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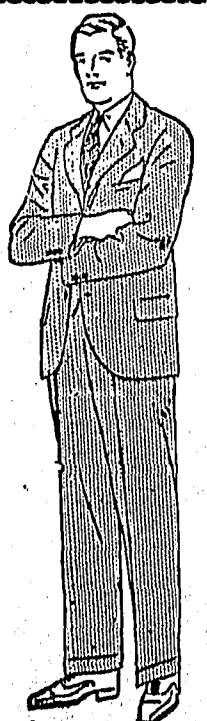
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ROMANCE LANGUAGES SOCIETY STARTED

Initiation Banquet is Held Fort Halifax Inn--Thirteen Neophytes Join

Omicron chapter of Phi Sigma Iota, honorary romance language society, was established at Colby last Monday evening. The installation ceremony was conducted by Professor Richard F. Mezzotero, national assistant secretary, professor of romance languages at Bates College, and president of the Kappa chapter at Bates. The installation ceremony took place at the Fort Halifax Inn in Winslow at 5 o'clock and was followed by a formal banquet. After the banquet Professor Mezzotero gave a very interesting talk on Louis XIV based on the two recent biographies of this great French king, one by Sisley Huddleston, "Louis XIV in Love and in War," and the other, "The Private Life of Louis XIV," by Louis Bertrand, a member of the French Academy. A general discussion followed this speech.

During the evening a large number of congratulatory messages came in from various other chapters from all over the country, notably from the Alpha chapter at Allegheny college, Meadville, Pa.; the Beta chapter at Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa. the Gamma chapter at the College of Wooster, Wooster, O.; from the Delta chapter at the State University of Iowa; from the Zeta chapter at Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa; from the Eta chapter at Illinois Wesleyan University, Bloomington, Ill.; from the Iota chapter at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis.; from the Kappa chapter at Bates College, Lewiston; from the Mu chapter at Lake College, Lake Forest, Ill.; from the Nu chapter at Morningside College, Iowa; and from the Xi chapter at the University of South Dakota.

Greetings also come from the national president and founder of the society, Professor H. W. Church of Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa.; from Constance Ferguson, national secretary, from Professor Carl Marquardt, national vice president, from Professor J. W. Olthouse, national treasurer, and from Professor Anthony Corbiere, national historian.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Professor Euclid Helie; vice president, Professor Everett F. Strong; secretary, Mr. Arthur C. Wallace; and treasurer, Miss I. Pauline Smith, '30, of Winslow. The members elected into the honorary society by virtue of their scholarship and interests in romance languages were Philip S. Bither, '30, of Linneus; Dorothy C. Bentine, '30, of Fairfield; Thelma Bamford, '31, of Houlton; Florence J. Connors, '31, of Bar Harbor; Ada M. Cram, '31, of West Baldwin; Mina A. Higgins, '30, of Dennysville; Pauline Morin, '30, of Ashland; Marjorie M. MacLaughlin, '30, of Harmony; Mary E. Rollins, '30, of Fairfield; Frances E. Thayer, '30, of Waterville; Florence R. Ventres, '31, Rockport, Mass.; and Marion R. White, '31, of Augusta. Rupert L. Loring,

'31, of Center Ossipee, N. H., who was unable to be present Monday night will be initiated at the first meeting to be held early in January.

French Club Holds Initiation Meeting

Le Cercle Francais held its second meeting Tuesday night in the Alumnae Building. Mr. A. M. Boeque, former minister of the French Baptist church of Waterville, gave a very interesting talk on French Art and Its Influence Upon Art in America. Of special interest was his description of the little house on the Maine coast, that was to have been the refuge of Marie Antoinette, the guillotined queen of France. Much of its art America owes to the French who were forced to flee during the troublesome times in France and to those who have come more recently to this country. In concluding Mr. Boeque spoke not too favorably of the futuristic and ultra-futuristic art with which the country is today burdened.

In the first meeting of Le Cercle Francais the following new members were initiated: Flora Trussell, '31, Philip S. Bither, '30, Merton Curtis, '31, George Macdonald, '32, Richard Packert, '32, Donald Smith, '32. The other members are: Mary Allen, '31, Clarence A. Arber, '30, Germaine Archambault, '32, Pauline Bakeman, '30, Abbie Boynton, '32, Philip Ely, '30, Evelyn Grindall, '30, Evelyn Johnson, '32, Bernadine Libby, '32, Anna Macomber, '31, Pauline Morin, '30, Louise Mulligan, '31, Hildred Nelson, '32, Ruth Ramsdell, '32, Liane Rancourt, '32, Eleanor Rogers, '32, Evelyn Rollins, '30, Helen Simmons, '32, Frances Thayer, '30, Louise Thomas, '30, John Webb, '31, Jean Wellington, '32, and Marion White, '31.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON.

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to be a person who is at all times genial and kind."

"The Armenian is one of the smartest, shrewdest men on the face of the earth," said the speaker in beginning a short talk about this race of the Near East. "They are making an honest effort to conform." The speaker went on to tell of two men, Sabba and Abhad, who were his companions and guides on a trip in this country. Sabba had full charge of the finances of the trip and did all the purchasing. At the end of the trip Sabba turned in to Dr. Johnson a very carefully itemized account of the entire purchases of the trip. In all of his dealing with these two men President Johnson stated that he had unlimited confidence in their honesty and strength of character.

Egypt was the next country discussed by the speaker, and here again honesty was the outstanding virtue of the people of that country. The Egyptian system of education came in for considerable praise from President Johnson who told of visits to universities in that country. "I spoke before 1500 students who understood English perfectly, although brought up in the environment of their native languages. There are trained men from the University of Beirut and other institutions of Egypt going out into the darkest parts of Central Africa well skilled in their respective professions of doctors, lawyers, preachers and teachers. The work carried on in the colleges and universities of that country is of a calibre comparable with the work done here."

In Jerusalem Dr. Johnson met the Turkish governor, who was an outstanding Moslem. It happened that this Moslem, El Muphti by name, had a son who had been a student at Columbia University and with whom Dr. Johnson was acquainted. A splendid feast was served by El Muphti for President Johnson and some other prominent American and European travelers. The speaker described the careful preparation and elaborateness of this feast and stated that he was amazed at the great hospitality of these people.

In summing up all of these experiences President Johnson said that "One has friends if he is friendly. Friendship is to be sought after everywhere. The influence of the college should be to enlarge the scope of friendship."

CHARLES E. O'CONNOR.

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the cabinet system at Maine that has been tried successfully for a number of years. There are three cabinets in this system. One is for the upperclassmen, one for the freshmen and one for the women. There are fifteen members chosen for their all-around ability and interest. Twelve of these fifteen act as regular members while three are general officers. The twelve members are divided into departments and each is the head of some section of student work. Some of these divisions are boys' work, campus service, particularly freshman week deputations, teams, vespers and other student projects including Bible

study. In all of this work Catholics, Protestants and Jews are considered on an equal basis.

To attest to the fact that students at Maine are interested in Christian activities Mr. O'Connor told the Colby audience that over \$1400 was raised this year for the Christian association. This is an average of more than one dollar per student.

In finishing up his address Mr. O'Connor spoke of the things that Colby and Maine have in common and he said that he felt sure that both institutions would lose nothing by devoting some of their time to the work of Christian activity.

The next speaker in the series will be Harry L. Richardson, a senior at Bates college.

PROCEEDS OF DRAMATICS.

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trical centers. Following this the Little Theaters secured the play and scored unusual success. Another long run of the same production was reported by Le Petit Theatre du Vieux Carre of New Orleans.

One of the interesting features of the play is the fact that the proceeds of the performance will go toward the gymnasium fund. That is additional reason for a large attendance not only from the present student body but from alumni of the college as well. Within the vicinity of Waterville there are sufficient graduates of Colby to fill the main floor of the Opera House. As far as is known The Queen's Husband will be the only play that will be given this season for the benefit of the Colby Gymnasium fund.

It has been rumored that scenery and stage settings may also be purchased with some of the proceeds of the play. These necessities will be used on the new stage in the gymnasium and will be of great assistance for dramatic productions of many sorts which are bound to come from time to time.

COUNT TOLSTOY SPEAKS.

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money, but truly interested in intellectual, scientific and political problems.

Bankers are held in low repute in Russia. The intellectual class, being so impractical and unused to affairs of practical life, were swamped in the Revolution.

The World War left Russia in the most excellent condition for Bolshevik propaganda. The food and ammunition supply and railroad communication service were scarcely adequate to the task of keeping 15 million men fighting. The half starved soldiers and the disheartened citizens welcomed the salvage which the communistic principles of Bolshevism seemed to hold out.

The old social order was a struggle between democratic and autocratic principles. On the one hand were the democratic village governments, the larger unit of democracy, the zemstvo, and in 1905, the national democratic legislature, the Duma. While on the other hand stood the Czar with all his appointed officials, represent-

ing all that was autocratic and oppressive.

Then came Bolshevism which was to abolish capitalism. The power was given to the lowest of classes, to the mobs in the cities. In 1917, the Bolshevik government had criers in every corner. Every man who owned a home of a white collar was declared an enemy of the people. The first four years were years of destruction; everything was nationalized and destroyed. Life in the cities became impossible, for food could not be procured. It became necessary in 1921 for the United States government to come to Russia's rescue.

The new currency is Russia's main problem. The government declared a monopoly on the purchase of wheat, but the paper money which the peasant received in return for his produce was very low in purchasing power. The price of wheat was set by the government at 29 per cent lower than it had been before the war, while the price of manufactured goods was raised by 250 per cent. Since the peasant refused to sell under these conditions, the Bolshevik scheme of things utilized force to compel him.

Thus the peasant is in far worse condition than he was before the war. Although in some cases, the bourgeoisie have been aided by the new regime, in the whole they, too, together with the middle class and the intelligentsia, have been mercilessly exploited. Religion, too, has been persecuted though recently to a lesser degree.

It is Count Tolstoy's firm conviction that a process akin to spring in nature is going on in Russia at the present time. New life, literary, artistic and intellectual, is springing up under the dead dried leaves of Bolshevism.

Bolshevism is a process of vivisection; Russia is bleeding under the cruel knife, is suffering horribly, but Russia is not dead yet, but is working to a new life, where there will be a great field for American capital, achievement and genius.

Count Tolstoy, answering the oft thought question, what would his father think if he had lived to see Bolshevism holding the reins of government, said he was glad that his father had not lived to see that day. His doctrine was one of non-resistance. He hated violence and loved the teachings of Christ. The great Ghandi of India is a living exponent of Leo Tolstoy's principles, which are the opposite of the subversive Marxian principles of Bolshevism.

Count Tolstoy is glad that America does not see fit to recognize the Bolshevik government. He says it is a government of fanatics, whose cult is Communism, whose god is the idealistic dreamer, Karl Marx. His hope is in saving principle of non-resistance, wherein lies the hope of mankind.

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