

ANNUAL GLEE CLUB CONCERT, MURIEL DICKSON OPERA STAR, HIGHLIGHT MUSICAL EVENTS

Famous Metropolitan Soprano To Sing Operatic Arias In Program Monday Night

Accompanist Plays Music Of Liszt And Brahms

An unusually interesting program, rich in variety and range, will be presented by Miss Muriel Dickson, one of the leading sopranos of the Metropolitan Opera Association, in the Community Concert at the Waterville High School Auditorium, March 17.

Miss Dickson will sing operatic arias from Puccini's "Tosca" and "Madame Butterfly," and Massenet's "Herodiade," as well as sprightly Italian lyrics and groups of Scotch, English, and French songs. The last part of the program will be devoted to Gilbert and Sullivan airs from "Patience," "Ruddigore," "Yeomen of the Guard," and "Pinafore."

In 1935 Miss Dickson came to America as prima donna of the (Please turn to page 6)



MISS MURIEL DICKSON

Panhellenic Ball Takes Place April 5th

Dance To Feature Music Of Kearney, Kallander

The Panhellenic Dance, postponed for three months, will take place on April 5th, the first Saturday after vacation. Carrying out the Starlight Ball theme, as previously planned, the committee is working to make this dance even better than was hoped for last January.

Kearney, Kallander, and their twelve piece orchestra will furnish music for the ball. This band, famous in New England, has played at Dartmouth, Bowdoin, Yale, Tufts, St. Paul's, and Princeton. It has also played at Colby before.

Jean Cannell is in charge of the arrangements. Her committee consists of the following: Shirley Wagner and Cynthia Smith, decorations; Hester Hatch, chaperones; Jane Soule, publicity.

Bids may be obtained immediately after vacation from Jean Cannell at Foster House, or Jane Soule at Foss Hall.

Bowdoin Faculty Petition Senators

(From an article in the Lewiston Evening Journal of Thursday, March 6).

A petition by 42 members of the Bowdoin College faculty, urging support of the Lease-Lend bill, "without crippling amendments," was forwarded to U. S. Senators White and Brewster last week. A similar petition was prepared among the undergraduates.

The petitions differed in one respect. That to Senator White commended him for voting in favor of the measure in the Foreign Relations committee and requested his continued support so that it could pass as soon as possible without crippling amendments. The one to Senator Brewster urged his support of the bill.

Harold Polis, Talented Pianist, Appears As Soloist On Program Tomorrow Evening

Dr. Trust Will Speak At Monthly Forum

Dr. Harry Trust from the Bangor Theological Seminary will be the speaker at the monthly Forum to be held this Sunday, March 16, in the Congregational Church. His topic has been announced as "An Idea."

The service will begin at 6.30 under the leadership of Miss Alta Estabrook, '41. Frank Bailey, '42, will introduce the speaker. This will be a joint meeting of the Waterville churches, evening young peoples' groups, and Colby students, sponsored by the Forum Committee of the S. C. A., under Miss Ruth Roberts, '41, and Frederick O. Sargent, '42.

Colby Mules Play For Dance Following Musical

The Colby College Choir will present its annual concert and dance on Thursday evening, March 13th, in the Alumnae Building at eight o'clock. An interesting program which includes folk songs, popular songs, Negro spirituals, and the type of music which is generally referred to as "light classical" has been arranged. The women's and men's choirs will perform individually and later combine to form one choir.

A Colby undergraduate, Harold Polis, will render a solo at the piano. Following the concert, Jimmy Springer and his Colby White Mules will furnish the music for dancing.

Already this season, the Colby Glee Club has given concerts at Bowdoin and Westbrook Junior College. It has also taken part in the Christmas Festival which was held at the First Baptist Church in Waterville. Plans for a trip to Portland, and New Hampshire University are nearing completion.

Oracle Chosen For Exhibition

Paper Concern Intends To Display Yearbook

The 1941 Colby Oracle has been chosen by the S. D. Warren Company to be exhibited with other college yearbooks throughout the country, it was announced this week by Edward Quarrington, Editor-in-Chief. Each year, the Warren Company, one of the largest paper manufacturers in the country, picks five or six of the outstanding college yearbooks from coast to coast and includes the books in a nation-wide display.

The Warren Company will place an Oracle in each of six travelling yearbook exhibits. These exhibits are shown at S. D. Warren salesrooms throughout the nation and are also sent to colleges and high schools. Besides the exhibit of the Oracle the Warren Company will use 3500 copies of the first sixteen pages of the Oracle to send to practically every high school and college that publishes a yearbook.

Dismantled Plane Causes Comment

The advent of an airplane to Chemical Hall recently caused much comment and conjecture as to its use. The plane will be used for demonstration work in the Secondary Aviation Course being offered by the College Airways' Incorporated and the United States Civil Aeronautics Authority.

A requirement of the C. A. A. is that an airplane must be in evidence in the room where the course is being taught. To fulfill this requirement, the "Gee Boo," which is the name of the plane, was dismantled and taken to the room in Chemical Hall.

The plane is still in a dismantled state. It is doubtful whether it will be rebuilt, as has been the guess of some, because, in its capacity as a demonstrator, the machine serves best when torn down.

"Kind Lady" Next Dramatic Play

Famous English Play Written By Walpole

Powder and Wig announces the Walpole-Chodorov play, "Kind Lady," as the third production of the season. This will come on Thursday, May 1, at the Alumnae Building at 8 o'clock. A good cast has been selected. Committees are already at work on details of the production.

"Kind Lady" is the famous play, adapted by Edward Chodorov from a story of the English writer, Hugh Walpole, produced in New York in 1936, and revived about a year ago. With the original leading lady, Grace George, it played through the summer and ran on into the new season of last fall.

The play is a combination comedy-thriller. Into a pleasant if somewhat somber English house in Montague Square come, first one, then seven intruders. The "Kind Lady" who admitted the first is slowly overwhelmed by the strange "gang" of unwelcome visitors, isolated from her friends, imposed upon without limit. But right conquers all; at least, we hear it is so.

For the comic elements, there are scenes of gay Christmas preparation, the introduction by Phyllis, the "Kind Lady's" young niece, of her American fiance, and rather grim humor of English low-life characters.

The cast is as follows, with some parts double-cast:

Mr. Foster	Edgar Martin
Mary Herries	Winnifred Odlin
Lucy Weston	
Beatrice Kennedy	Barbara Skohan
Rose	Ann Jones
Phyllis	Eleanor Mitchell
Peter	John Daggett
Henry Abbott	Lewis Weeks
Ada	Barbara Kalglin, Claire Tilley, Amy Lewis
Doctor	Henry Davidson
Mr. Edwards	Robert LaFlour
Mrs. Edwards	
	Mary Farrell, Diane Ferris
Aggie	
Joanna MacMurtry	Helen Sanbar
Rosenberg	Edward Quarrington

Committees Of The Colby Group For The Defense Of Democracy Make Reports On Various Activities Since Last November

Colby Graduate Talks On "Tour Of Canada"

James Bunting, '40, was a guest speaker for the monthly French Club meeting. The meeting was held on Friday at the home of Professor Strong. Ten members were there to hear Mr. Bunting give an account of his trip through Canada as a companion of Professor Strong, the past summer.

Mr. Bunting used picture postcards, magazine photos, and actual souvenirs to illustrate his speech. He particularly described the fascinating points of quaint Quebec and his stay at the Chateau de Frontenac.

The members concluded the program by questions and a brief discussion concerning Mr. Bunting's account of Canada.

Speakers' Bureau Has Filled 36 Engagements

A question which has become a live issue on the campus since the formation of the Colby Group on the Defense of Democracy is "What is the American way of life?" This group was formed among the faculty and staff to further purposes which were stated, in part, as follows:

"They believe, furthermore, the mobilization of our intellectual, moral and spiritual powers is no less vital than our physical and economic preparedness, and that the primary task of all those who are connected with our colleges is to take the leadership in educating for democracy and the American way of life."

Under Professor Herbert L. New-

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Professor Weeks Talks To Chi Epsilon Mu

Last Friday evening, in the lecture room of Chemical Hall, the members of Chi Epsilon Mu, honorary chemical society at Colby, heard a talk by Professor Lester F. Weeks of the Chemistry department on the importance of chemistry in the national defense program. In his discussion, Professor Weeks made clear how vital is the role of chemistry in the present crisis and illustrated his talk with practical applications in industry.

George Stumpp introduced the speaker and presided at an important business meeting. It was decided that on March 20, such members as are interested will tour the Hollingsworth & Whitney Paper Company mill in Winslow.

Committee Asks Student Opinion

Information Desired On Cheating In College

Students of both divisions may be wondering as to the origin and purpose of the questionnaires on cribbing, etc., that were distributed among them last week. These questionnaires came about largely as the result of the continual complaints by the student body to the administration concerning the large amount of dishonesty in academic work.

In answer to the various demands of students, President Johnson appointed a committee of five faculty members, headed by Professor Lester F. Weeks, and a student committee of eight, to deal with this problem. In addition to Professor Weeks, members of the faculty committee are Professors McCoy, Newman, Haynes, and Marchant. Two meetings were held and the questionnaire method was decided upon as the first step. Information was needed as to what extent the cheating occurred, what form is took, and suggestions for its cure.

It is the committee's desire that the questionnaire reach all students. Before they can go on with their work, the student's viewpoint and attitude are needed. At present most of the questionnaires are in the hands of the committee, and are being compiled.

Fraternity Dance Dates

Registrar Elmer C. Warren has announced that the spring fraternity dance dates were selected Monday, at the Interfraternity Council meeting, and are as follows:

May 16, Zeta Psi.
May 23, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Tau Omega, Tau Delta Phi.
May 29, Delta Upsilon, Phi Delta Theta, Lambda Chi Alpha, Kappa Delta Rho.

Your "Hit Parade"

It seems that the whole college had the same idea on which "big name" band should rate the first three positions. There's no longer any doubt that Glenn Miller is tops here at Colby; Tommy Dorsey takes second place, and Artie Shaw grabbed off the show spot.

Of all Miller's songs, "Moonlight Serenade," his first real sure hit, called the most votes. Dorsey's theme song "I'm Getting Sentimental Over You," was favored over the maestro's many others; and Artie Shaw's choice tune was "Frenesi," the currently-popular rumba-fox-trot.

No. 4. Tommy's kid bother, Jimmy Dorsey was close behind Shaw's heels to rate this high standing. "John Silver" was young Dorsey's mainstay.

No. 5. Still up among the upper half is the Father of Swing, Benny Goodman. A swift rise for Goodman with his latest, "Benny Rides Again."

No. 6. Drummer Boy Gene Krupa copped a good position, with his "Bugle Call Rag" getting the bid for his best number.

No. 7. 'Twas a tough fight, but the fact remains that Charlie Barnet is one of the favorites here at school. Two of Barnet's songs got the same amount of votes; so take your choice—"Pompton Turnpike," or "Cherokee."

No. 8. That man with the Kollege

of Musical Knowledge took eighth place. Kay Kyser's top tune is "You've Got Me This Way" with "Bad Humor Man" right behind.

No. 9. That super smooth band of Guy Lombardo is another Colby favorite. "Vilia" is the orchestra's best song.

No. 10. Orrin Tucker and Wee Bonnie Baker with their "You'd Be Surprised," just beat out Eddie Duchin's band by one vote. Duchin's "You Walk By" got the call.

As you can readily recognize, there were an innumerable number of favorite bands mentioned—the Boston Symphony Orchestra, the New York Philharmonic Orchestra and even "Shultze's Band" of "Strawberry Blonde" fame—but it would be impossible to list 'em all.

However, it is only fitting that we mention the name of the up-and-coming band which is most forward among students. That ork is none other than Vaughn Monroe who started off with a bang last season and is now going stronger than ever before. Monroe has two specials—"Or Have I" and "Dardenella."

Miss Olive Savage quotes the girls of the Alpha Delta Pi sorority as favoring Artie Shaw's hit song, "There'll Be Some Changes Made" for this week.

Musically yours,

Jimmy Springer.

CANVASSING THE CAMPUS

By Perley Leighton

This week your Campus Canvasser is happy to present a guest writer, the beautiful Winnie Muggan, fashion editor of Colby's own college rumour magazine.

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Well, hello, gals. After peeking about at all the simply gorgeous new clothes you're wearing, we just know that during the next gala vacation, you clever co-eds are going to be absolutely rushed!

Of course it's not yet time for Easter duds, but we know that it won't be long—after the spring recess, all the girls will be back with all the finery they told Mother they just had to have, and the boys here will be in such a whirl!

But I know you're simply dying for me to describe what's being worn. Not because you want to see your name mentioned, I'm sure, but just to see what's being worn. Isn't that right, girls? Well, let's get on the merry-go-round of new clothes.

"Cattie" Nounsens has the cutest pair of red socks, and there's a story behind them. Not that we want to bring foreign relations into this column, but this is something you'll want to hear about. "Cattie" tells me that her mother was knitting them for the poor people in conquered Europe, and just couldn't decide where to send them. Finally, to settle the matter, she gave them to "Cattie."

In their latest issue, the editors of Barper's Huzzah published pictures of college girl fads. We are sure that the girls here at Colby are able to think up just as novel fads as those at any other college. In the way of

novelties, here's a few you girls will be interested in.

For that outdoor, winter-sport touch, have you happened to cast your eyes in the direction of "Tillie" McGraw (who by coincidence is a sorority sister of mine?) She has very unique ear pendants—two real snowshoes, with blue beads, and red and white ribbon woven through them, for that patriotic touch.

Then there's the latest addition to the stock of our "jacket girl," Fanny Noggins. It is a red jacket with gold braid, which she swears she bought from an organ-grinder in Connecticut. It is tied in the cutest way over the back of the head, with a small opening at the top where the neck would be. The sleeves are then tied over the top of this opening. It's really the original thing!

Well gals, time's up for now, and so we say "Adieu" again. And here's to bigger and better dances, and maybe I'll see you there, behind the mike.

Dr. Larrabee To Speak To Library Associates

The next meeting of the Colby Library Associates will be held on Friday evening, March 14, at 7:30 in Room 32, Champlin Hall. The speaker will be Dr. Stephen H. Larrabee of the Department of English. His subject, "The Incomplete Collector," will enable him to exhibit some of the most interesting and significant copies of books from his own private collection.

Hockey

Final Standings Of New England Conference

Team	Won.	Lost	Pct.	For	Against
Boston College	8	0	1.000	80	26
Colby	7	0	1.000	53	20
Boston University	6	3	.667	54	42
Northeastern	4	3	.571	53	34
New Hampshire	4	7	.364	38	63
Middlebury	1	3	.250	6	21
Bowdoin	0	5	.000	10	36
Mass. Institute Technology	0	9	.000	24	82

COLBY SCORING RECORDS

Name	G.	A.	Pt.	P.M.
Wallace	10	12	31	
Weidul	10	6	22	
Johnson	10	0	19	
Laliberte	4	3	7	
Fleld	2	4	6	
Woodward	3	2	5	
Rold	3	0	3	
Boach	1	1	2	
MacIntosh	0	0	0	
Cross	0	0	0	

TEN LEADING SCORERS

Name	G.	A.	Pt.	P.M.
O'Chambers, B. U.	17	41	2	
O'Chaisson, B. C.	20	37	10	
O'Brown, B. U.	14	28	0	
2'Hinos, B. U.	12	25	0	
O'Balino, B. C.	11	25	2	
O'Wallace, Colby	14	10	24	4
4'Boudreau, B. C.	12	24	4	
O'Dumond, B. C.	0	13	22	2
2'D. Perkins, N. H.	15	6	21	10
O'Powers, B. C.	10	11	21	8

Ski Trip Planned By Outing Club

Bus Leaves Parks' Diner Early Sunday Morning

There will be a ski trip to Mt. Washington on Sunday, March 16, provided those interested purchase their tickets immediately. They are \$1.50 per person for the round trip. If enough people pay the rate, the bus will leave Parks' Diner on Sunday morning at 7 A. M.

The trip will feature a hike up the Fire Trail into Tuckerman's Ravine where there is a lodge for resting and eating. During the day, those on the trip may either participate in the skiing or watch the others ski. The bus will return to campus about 9 P. M.

All those who wish to buy tickets are asked to purchase them at Dunham's Clothing Store immediately.

Cap And Gown Suggest New Plan For Foss Hall

At a senior class meeting this past week, the members of the senior class voted to adopt a new plan which was suggested by Cap and Gown.

This plan inaugurates something quite new into the dining room plans of Foss Hall, and will aim to bring the faculty and student body closer together. This will be done by the members of the senior women's division being allowed to invite faculty members to dinner in Foss Hall. This will occur approximately once a week. After dinner, there will be an opportunity for all of the women to meet the professors informally. This innovation will begin this coming week and will continue indefinitely.

Freshmen Told About Dishonesty

Professor Lester F. Weeks spoke to the freshmen at their assembly period Thursday morning on the subject of dishonesty in the form of cheating in the college.

A committee of five faculty members and eight students, two from each class, has been formed to look into the matter. Questionnaires were given out asking for student opinions on the forms, causes, and remedies of cheating.

There will be no freshman assembly on Thursday, March 13th.

Varsity Track

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40 yard dash—won by Bateman (C); 2nd, Coffin (C); 3rd, Lyford (B). Time, 5 sec.

300 yard dash—won by Lyford (B) 2nd, Bateman (C); 3rd, Thompson (B). Time, 33.8 sec. (ties meet record).

500 yard run—won by Maboe (B); 2nd, Thompson (B); 3rd, Bateman (C). Time, 1:17.8 min.

1000 yard run—won by McLauthlin (B); 2nd, Nickerson (B); 3rd, Weeks (C). Time, 2:19.8 min. (new meet record.)

Mile run—won by Drury (B); 2nd, Nickerson (B); 3rd, Quiney (C). Time, 4:42.8 min.

2 mile run—won by Drury (B); 2nd, Gordon (B); 3rd, Quiney (C). Time, 10:24.2 min.

45 yard high hurdles—won by Pratt (C); 2nd, Hildebrandt (C); 3rd, Tufts (B). Time, 6.2 sec.

Pole vault—Tie between Thompson, Daggett, and McNamee (C). Height, 10 ft. 6 in.

Broad jump—won by Daggett (C); 2nd, Lyford (B); 3rd, Bateman (C). Distance, 22 ft. 3 in.

High jump—won by Peters (C); 2nd, Webster (B); 3rd, McNamee (C). Height, 6 ft. 2 7-8 in. (new meet and Colby record).

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Stuart Chase, Noted Economist Interviewed By Gerald Gilson, Echo Associate

Stuart Chase says that he merely learned to work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, although records indicate that he received his B. S. degree there. "He really went to school at Harvard." His father, a well known accountant, sent Stuart to Harvard to learn the finer details of accounting and finance. The son worked himself up from a nine-dollar-a-week job to the rank of a Certified Public Accountant, only to enter upon a career as one of America's most colorful and versatile author-economists.

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Born in New Hampshire, where he lived only the first two years of his life, Mr. Chase still remains a New Englander, now residing on his Connecticut farm.

Holding a cigarette very casually in his little black holder, and not always flicking the ashes into a tray, Mr. Chase sketched brief bits of his career, speaking in a manner at the same time informal and independent, a manner which one might more associate with a newspaperman than a leading economist.

As an accountant, he developed a keen sense of efficiency and a desire to eliminate waste. He soon became extremely interested in economics, and was greatly aided by his sense of exactness and specificity. He began to form what he felt were definite solutions to definite economic problems. In fact, rarely does one find the combination of an outstanding accountant and economist in one man.

Mr. Chase, appalled by government waste, and the effects of this waste on the consumer, began writing "only

to expound his ideas, and not for the love of writing itself." His "Tragedy of Waste" and "Men and Machines" were extremely popular, for in them Mr. Chase revealed the knack of transmitting highly technical economic problems to the intelligence of the untrained layman.

When Mr. Chase and his colleague Mr. Schlenk, collaborated on "Your Money's Worth," exposing some of the unbelievable burdens the average American consumer bears, they were swamped with thousands of requests for the "best buy" in this commodity and the "best buy" in that commodity. Thus arose the idea for "Consumers' Research," and its practical application took place when Mr. Chase received ten thousand dollars from a friend to finance the organization. At present Mr. Chase is not actively connected with "Consumers' Research," simply because he finds it impossible to attend trustees meetings in New Jersey. He pointed out that despite much manufacturers' opposition, the organization is ever expanding its laboratories.

Mr. Chase's interests are by no means confined to economics. He is an authority on semantics, the science of word meanings. His interest was attracted to this field when he was advised to read "Science and Sanity," by the Polish Count Korzybski, a famous mathematician and a friend of Mr. Chase's. The book lay on the economist's shelves for six months, but when he finally did read it, he did not stop until he became an authority.

Mr. Chase has been actively connected with the government. An adviser for the S. E. C. and T. V. A., he has also been an investigator for the Federal Trade Commission.

He has also done some seminar teaching in economics in summer courses at Harvard and Yale, where he did some work with Thurman Arnold.

Dr. MacKenzie Speaks At General Assembly

Canadian Gives Attitude Of Students Toward War

Dr. Norman MacKenzie, president of the University of New Brunswick, was presented as guest speaker at the joint assembly held in the Alumni Building on Monday, March 10.

After reviewing the relationships between Canada and the United States historically, geographically, and commercially, he stressed particularly, Canada's importance to the United States in terms of industry, commerce, and strategic positions. Then Dr. MacKenzie introduced and answered a question frequently asked by students, "What is the attitude of Canadian Universities and Canadian students toward the war?" At this point he stated that Canada entered the war, firm in the conviction that the alternative was worse and believing that she has the right to determine her own future. This expresses also the attitude of the students, who are at present receiving military training and war-time training in the universities.

Finally President MacKenzie said, "All are fighting to insure the liberty of action for Canada. Canada has made her choice to fight to the bitter end and, in spite of cost, to defeat the Totalitarian Governments."

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Kappa Phi Kappa Initiates Six Men

On Thursday evening, March 8, the honorary professional education society Kappa Phi Kappa initiated six new members. Those initiated included Keith Thompson, '41; Ronald Wallace, '41; Ben Harding, '42; Harold Rhodenizer, '42; Eero Helin, '42; and A. Wilder Pearl, '42.

After the initiation, Mr. Edgar McKay, instructor at the Winslow High School and an alumni member of Colby's Kappa Phi Kappa, gave an interesting talk on a new method of teaching the social studies, which has been conducted at the Winslow High School as an experiment. The next meeting will be on April 10 at the home of Professor Colgan.

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Stuart Chase . . .

The views of Mr. Stuart Chase, noted economist and lecturer, who spoke last night under the sponsorship of the Colby Lecture Series, provoked much comment, favorable and unfavorable. But the very fact that the views of Mr. Chase did provoke comment suggests mental stimulation. Agreement with his opinions is entirely up to the individual.

Mr. Chase claimed that we are employing a "horse-and-buggy" economy for a power age. He enumerated five economic concepts prevalent today, but which he says were applicable nine or ten generations ago, when a farm like that of his ancestor's was 90% self-sufficient. These "mental barriers" are:

- (1) Reluctance to spend as a means of eliminating unemployment.
- (2) The belief that jobs are procurable, but that lack of ability or initiative, of both, is keeping many unemployed.
- (3) Saving is a virtue—this in particular Mr. Chase branded as outmoded.
- (4) Individual acceptance of relief from the government is humiliating—Mr. Chase cited railroads and banks as "high examples."
- (5) That increased government power is undesirable. Mr. Chase claimed that a government must do whatever cannot be done otherwise.

He further stressed the need for a "financial invention." This is necessary, Mr. Chase believed, to keep in step with technological improvements. As one such "invention," he suggested a flexible interest rate, with an absolute minimum for government-financed housing and soil-conservation projects.

Many will disagree entirely with the economist's ideas on "mental economic barriers." Many more will take strong issue with his unorthodox financial proposals. Many may not have liked his "crack" that Hoover's hopes of "two cars in every garage and chicken in every pot" materialized into "a chicken in every garage."

We can listen to more such men with new and controversial solutions to our contemporary problems, social, political, or economic. Mr. Chase, we thank you.

—G. A. G.

Revised Dean's List . . .

At present, members of the faculty are considering a revision of the present Dean's List—unlimited cut system. Under the present system all students with an average of eighty or over are placed on the Dean's List and automatically receive the privilege of unlimited cuts. With the revised system, there would be two Dean's Lists, one for those with an average from eighty to eighty-five or eighty-eight, and a second for those with averages above this.

Thus students on either Dean's List would have the privilege of unlimited cuts, but those on the higher Dean's List would have the additional honor that usually accompanies Dean's List students in other schools.

We heartily recommend such a revision of the present system as a means of adding another incentive to raise scholastic standing at Colby.

Senior Exams . . .

There is a petition before the faculty requesting that all seniors be exempted from taking final examinations in any courses in which they have an average of eighty-five or over.

The advantages of such an arrangement, both to the student and professor are obvious. The time which the student would ordinarily put in reviewing a subject which he has already mastered could be spent where it was more needed.

With the elimination of a portion of the examinations which he would ordinarily correct, the professor can get his senior marks in sooner, and be able to give more attention to those examinations which he does correct.

In addition to these two important advantages, there would be the added incentive for students to keep up with their daily work in an effort to attain the average necessary for exemption.

Systems similar to this are in effect in many other colleges and in a great many high schools; in some places the privilege is extended to all classes. The idea is certainly worthy of the consideration of the faculty.

Rifle Club . . .

In connection with the work progressing on the campus toward aiding the Defense of Democracy, it would seem appropriate to start a rifle club here at Colby. There is a good rifle range in Winslow, and quite a few sharpshooters among the students. The practice as well as the recreation such an activity would offer should help a great deal toward doing our part for national defense.

All those who think they can shoot or would like to shoot should read the notice found elsewhere in this issue.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

(The ECHO does not necessarily agree with letters printed in this column. All letters must be addressed to the editor and signed by the writer, whose identity will be withheld and pen name used if requested. The editor reserves the right to withhold from print all or any part of communications received).

To the Editor:

Recently, during a quiz given in one of my classes, the professor stepped out of the room for a moment. Immediately note books and textbooks were opened: conversation began. Upon the professor's return, things returned to normal.

The men were not the only offenders by a long shot. It appeared as though at least seventy-five per cent of the class cribbed on that quiz. Certainly seventy-five per cent of the Colby students are not dishonest. What, then, is the cause of this dishonesty. . . I think there are two causes: In the first place, there is a general feeling that if X can use his book, why can't I? X may feel the same way as he looks at Y, but somewhere there is an original offender, some student who has no qualms as to his dishonesty. For him, there is no excuse.

Secondly, there is a general feeling at Colby that the faculty should act as a squad of policemen. The student feels that if he can be dishonest and get away with it, so much the better. He feels that if the faculty can't catch him, that is their hard luck. This is an unfortunate idea. The faculty are not hired as watchers, and before accusing anyone of cribbing, they must, of course, be extremely certain of his guilt.

At several colleges (Princeton and Haverford for example) the honor system has been incorporated. Under this system, there are no proctors at examinations; the student is expected to watch out for himself and his neighbors. He is sworn to report any dishonesty within twenty-four hours after it takes place. If he sees his neighbor cribbing, he should tell his neighbor to report, and then if the latter refuses, he should be reported. Ideally, under this system, you should report yourself immediately after you have committed any dishonesty which will in any way affect your mark. (This, I admit, sounds awfully high-minded, but when the student is put on his own, he comes face to face with his conscience, and consciences are tricky things).

Lastly, an honor court would be set up. This court would be composed solely of students, and they would try all violations of the honor system.

There are some reasons why the honor system would be hard to install at Colby, but the present system is so unsatisfactory that a change would be well worth the effort.

—Student.

THIS COLLEGIATE WORLD

Berkeley, Calif.—(ACP)—Nearly half the steel for the world's largest cyclotron, the University of California's 4,000-ton atom-smasher, has been put into place.

A total of 3,700 tons of steel, as much as is used in the of Uncle Sam's cruisers, will go into the magnet alone. The base and half of the vertical columns of the magnet have been completed.

When the magnet is finished in April, work will begin on a building to house the cyclotron, with the machine expected to be in operation by the fall of 1942.

The new cyclotron will dwarf the 225-ton atom-smasher on California's Berkeley campus now the largest in the world. Professor E. O. Lawrence, inventor of the cyclotron, expects the new machine to open up new worlds to science.

The 4,000-ton cyclotron will be at least five times as powerful as the 225-ton machine. It will bombard atoms with a beam of atomic particles traveling at 80,000 miles a second, which corresponds to 100,000,000 electron volts of energy.

"OUT OF THE NIGHT"

By Emanuel K. Frucht

"Out of the Night," by Jan Valtin, is one of the most thrilling and terrifying books written during the past decade. It is absolutely guaranteed to keep your interest at all times, an interest that will keep mounting until one reaches the climax of the book—the capture of Jan Valtin by the German Gestapo and the subsequent description of what occurs to political prisoners who are "drilled" endlessly to deliver information to the secret police.

The career of Valtin started at an early age when he became involved in the German Communist movement in Hamburg and immediately afterwards got a position on board ship and set sail for foreign lands. In the course of a few years, he visited Chile, America, Norway, India, England, Russia and other lands—always with the intent of carrying on the work of the "party" by making its organizational set-up more efficient and effective. Immediately after the overthrow of the Weimar Republic, plans were laid for great strikes and demonstrations to be led by the Communist groups to seize control of German cities and to ultimately establish the Soviet Union of Germany. This attempt failed miserably and hundreds of young Communist men and women gave up their lives for a cause and ideal which they felt was worth fighting and even dying for.

When the crucial test came in Germany, the Communists declared that the Social Democrats, not Hitler, was their chief opponent and they united with the Nazis to overthrow the Weimar Republic. Once the Republic was overthrown they found out quickly, too quickly, that they were the next victims on the Gestapo list and thousands of German Communists were slaughtered in cold blood during the days that immediately followed the advent of Hitler to the position of Chancellor of the Third Reich.

Valtin now had to work in an undercover manner to escape the constant watch that was maintained over all known opponents of the new regime. One day he was captured and brought before the Gestapo agents in the worst concentration camp of all, known as the "horror" camp. His vivid and accurate description of the workings of the camp literally turns one's stomach upside-down. We have heard much of the brutalities and sadistic qualities of the Nazi regime, but nothing that I have ever read constitutes such a terrible indictment of a system and its leaders, as his brutal and frank discussion of the horrors and tortures in a Nazi prison camp. I would like to let Valtin explain in his own words: "My lips were devoid of feeling. The front of my shirt and coat were full of blood. Again the whip. There is a pain that is worse than death. I sagged to my knees, groaning, and then my head was on the floor. I heard the whip sing and bite around the back of my neck." The Gestapo agent justified this by saying: "We don't like to hurt any man. But when a man is in possession of information we need, and refuse to give it—all means are justified to make him talk. We find that a high plane of sustained horror is often convenient for reasons of state. Do you understand that?"

It has been claimed by many people that there is no such person as Jan Valtin, and that the whole book is merely a story invented out of the imagination of some writer. Perhaps that is true, but I doubt it because the book has that "ring" of utter sincerity that comes out of contact with situations that were entirely possible in a world that has gone mad. Jan Valtin has come "out of the night" of Hitlerism and Communism into the broad daylight of a free and awakened nation. Let us not forget: He that hath eyes to read, let him read—and profit by his reading.

COLBY 25 YEARS AGO

From the ECHO of
March 8, 1916

A total of 15 delegates from Amherst, Middlebury, Bowdoin, Brown, Tufts, M. I. T., and Colby will be present at the northeastern convention of Delta Upsilon fraternity to be held at Colby this week-end.

The annual Waterville concert of the Musical Clubs of Colby will be held at the Opera House on March 17th. The program includes numbers by the glee clubs, soloists, the mandolin section featuring "ragtime Hawaiian" music, the orchestra, violinists, and the club reader.

Nearly 30 New York alumni turned out March 3rd to meet at the Sherman Square Hotel and recall old times at Colby.

Personal-of-the-week: "Carrol Flanders, '17, went home over Sunday."

The Dramatic Club is concluding plans for a trip which will include stops at Harrison, Oxford and Norway. The Dramatic Club at Bowdoin has expressed a desire to exchange dates.

Lyman Abbott offers an essay on Patriotism for this week's readers. Also "literary" is the bit of humor in Scientific Sam's dissertation on Brass: ". . . there is metallic brass and personal brass. . . In beginning to complete the finishing of the end of the composition, it might be well to state that metallic brass has been referred to by well-authenticated people by the connotative phrase; 'fool's' gold; while the other variety is 'Diplomatic Dope.'"

IN THE COLLEGE WORLD: Professor Baldwin of South Western complains that too many students engage in smoking and spooning. He classes both as "completely bad." . . Washburn needed some money and appealed to the seniors. They came through with \$3,000 and are now seeking exemptions from final exams. . . Professor Albert K. Heckel of Lafayette college defines the ever-troublesome topic: "the honor system."

RIFLE CLUB

All students interested in starting a rifle club should see Edwin Alexander. Leave word at the A. T. O. House or call 1403-W.

CAMERA CLUB

Members of the Camera Club are reminded that the class in printing this Friday will meet in the Dark Room in Foss Hall. Please note also, that arrangements have been made with the Dance Class, the members of which will act as subjects for a class in indoor lighting and group picture taking, for a joint meeting Tuesday evening, March 18th, at 8:00 P. M., in the Alumnae Building.

FUTURE WOMEN'S ASSEMBLY

Miss Ninetta M. Runnals, Colby Dean of Women, will be the speaker at the next regular upperclass women's assembly in Chapel, Monday, March 17.

ARTS CLUB MEETING

On Friday of this week, March 14, at 4 P. M., the Arts Club will hold a meeting in the Music Room at the Alumnae Building. The speaker will be Dr. Ermanno Comparetti, who will give a lecture with musical illustrations on folk songs. Everyone interested is cordially invited to attend.

NOTICE

A group-survey of Waterville housing conditions will leave from Champlin Hall at 2 P. M. on Saturday, March 15th, with Rev. Robert Beaven in charge. Mr. Wilson of the faculty is expected to be present. All those who are interested in any aspects of the housing problem are invited to join the group.

The Colby Oracle would like to obtain any photographs or snapshots made by students throughout the college year. Any student who has pictures that the Oracle might use is requested to give them to Edward Quarrington at the A. T. O. House not later than Sunday, March 16.

PROSPECTIVE TEACHERS

Seniors who plan to apply for teaching certificates are asked to meet at 10 A. M., Friday, March 14, in the Chapel.

CLASS OF 1942, WOMEN'S DIVISION

The members of the women's division, class of 1942, are invited to take a vocational interest test at 4:30 P. M., Tuesday, March 18, in the Chemistry lecture room.

Elmer C. Warren, Registrar.

Peace Commission Will Sponsor Conference

Delegates From Maine Colleges To Attend

The Peace Commission of the Colby S. C. A. will sponsor the Second Annual State Peace Conference to be held this Saturday, March 15, here in the Alumnae Building from 4:00 to 10:00.

Delegates representing all of the Maine colleges will convene for the afternoon session under the leadership of Miss Eleanor Smith. Miss Smith comes to Colby from the Peace Service Commission of the New England S. C. M. in Boston.

Following this meeting, a buffet supper will be served, also in the Alumnae Building, and the conference will close with an evening session. Co-chairmen Mary Jones, '42, and Frank Bailey, '42, cordially invite all students interested in the problem of peace in a warring world to attend the sessions of the conference. Reservations for the supper should be made before Friday noon, girls with Ruth Sanderson (tel. 1403-W) and boys with John Wood at Roberts Hall.

Sorority News

On Saturday, March 8, Phi Mu sorority held initiations for the following: Eleanor Cornish, Nancy Curtis, Katherine Howes, Barbara Griffiths, Arlene O'Brien, Corinne Jones, Gertrude Szadzewicz, and Lucille Up-ton.

In the evening, an initiation banquet was held at the Elmwood Hotel with Miss Margaret Johnson, '40, as toastmistress. Miss Ruth Graves was the speaker for the active members and Corinne Jones spoke for the initiates. Miss Ruth McKay was the speaker for the alumnae.

The committee in charge consisted of Jean Pearson, Eleanor Furbush, and Theodora Wright.

On Saturday, March 8, Josephine Pitts and Mary Frances Shannon were initiated into Beta chapter of Chi Omega. The initiation banquet date has been set for April ninth.

Delta Delta Delta has announced its officers for the coming year. Elections took place on Monday evening in Foss Hall. The following were elected to office: president, Virginia Duggan; vice president, Sue Rose; recording secretary, Marjorie Cate; corresponding secretary, Elizabeth Coles; treasurer, Ann Jones; marshal, Margaret Campbell; chaplain, Priscilla Hathorne; librarian, Muriel Carroll; Historian, Frances Brewer; rushing chairman, Catherine Buckley and Marjorie Brown; social chairman, Natalie Mooers.

In the Intersorority basketball tournament the Chi Omegas are leading, having won four games. The results are as follows: Chi Omega defeated Tri Delta 14-7. The Sigma Kappas and Non-sorority teams tied at 11-11. In the second set of games, Sigma Kappa defeated Phi Mu and Chi Omega defeated the Non-sorority team 27-0. In the third series, Sigma Kappa was defeated by Chi Omega 16-15, and Delta Delta Delta defeated the Phi Mu's 15-7. In the last games played, Delta Delta Delta defeated Non-sorority and Chi Omega defeated Phi Mu.

The Phi Mu-Non-sorority game and the Delta Delta Delta-Sigma Kappa game will be held on Tuesday at 3:30. The Tri Deltas are standing in second place with two wins, the Sigma Kappas are close behind with one win and a tie. Non-sorority is third.

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Chemistry Department Rates High Among Its Contemporaries

By Tom Braddock

To many Colby students, the Department of Chemistry implies little more than a building called Chemical Hall in which, behind closed doors, a group of harmless grinds brew mysterious concoctions which at times vie with the paper mill over yonder in making their lives miserable and the atmosphere malodorous. But it is more than that. Colby is training men and women for graduate schools, for industry, and for the world of invention and discovery. Colby has an excellent reputation for producing good chemists, and rightly so. The Department of Chemistry of Colby College is recognized as one of the best in any of the small colleges of New England.

In the many years of its existence, the Department has trained men who have been preeminent in the scientific field. A Colby graduate is now chief chemist of the American Carbide and Carbon Corporation. Another was among the group of scientists who first succeeded in extracting bromine from sea water, while still another Colby man perfected a method of synthesizing camphor—a method which has aided in nearly overthrowing the great Japanese camphor industry. All this is no accident. The credit for raising the Department from almost nothing to its present level belongs to Professor George F. Parmenter, Merrill Professor of Chemistry, and head of the Department.

Dr. Parmenter came to Colby in 1903, and found little in the way of chemistry being offered. Previous to the erection of Chemical Hall in 1898, chemistry classes met on the first floor of Coburn Hall, in the rooms now occupied by the Department of Geology. There were three school terms in those days, and in the Department of Natural Sciences two courses were offered. The first term, the students studied general chemistry, the second term, physiology was offered, and the third term those students who had passed the first two terms with distinction were permitted to elect a laboratory course covering the work of the first two terms. The department was presided over by a Doctor Elder, a rather exacting person and an authority on Browning. He was aided by a student assistant, Ambrose Warren, the father of Professor Warren. It was the assistant's duty to arrange the lecture table for the professor, which he would do with the aid of detailed diagrams which the professor had made for him. The diagrams would indicate such things as a beaker to be placed six inches from the edge of the table, and a match seventeen inches to the left of that, with, perhaps, a flask or retort a foot farther to the left.

As interest in the chemistry course increased, a sort of mechanical qualitative analysis course was introduced. In 1898, the Department moved to the newly completed Chemical Hall. The original plan provided for the professor's office, a lecture room without blackboards, running water, electricity, a stock room, and one laboratory. The Department manufactured its own gas from gasoline. This gas was very unsatisfactory, as it had a high carbon content for illuminating purposes, which made it nearly worthless for heating.

In 1903, Professor Parmenter took Doctor Elder's place, and found very little theoretical chemistry being taught. Everything was learned by rote. The professor had distributed long sheets of paper on which were printed the first few words of sentences which would be used in the lecture. The students would cut out the fragments of sentences and paste them in a note-book, leaving two or three blank spaces below, as indicated. Then, they would diligently listen to the lecture, and, as the lecturer reached one of the printed passages, the students would write in the remainder of the sentence in the blank spaces. At the end of the next lecture period, the professor would require the students to recite the exact words used in the previous lecture and recorded in the students' note-books. If one word was misplaced in the recitation, the student got a zero for that day's recitation.

Doctor Parmenter, in his first year, changed the "learning by rote" sys-

Study Group Formed For Deputation Work

Inaugurating a series of study groups for training leaders in deputation work, the Freshman Deputation Commission invites all those students interested in deputation experience to attend the second group meeting Friday afternoon at 4:00 in the Alumnae Building.

Professor H. C. Libby and the Rev. Mr. Clifford Osborne, pastor of the Methodist Church, will instruct the group in "Speaking and Preaching." The first group meeting was held Tuesday under Miss Janet Marchant, head of the Women's Physical Education department, and Mr. Kenneth Smith of the State Y. M. C. A.

On Tuesday, April 8, there will be a third meeting led by Mr. Robert Beaven of the First Baptist Church and Professor Rollins on the subject of leading a discussion. On Friday, April 18, there will be a fourth meeting, the subject of which will be the leadership of public worship. This meeting will be led by Miss Faw and Mr. Beaven.

tem and taught the fundamentals of theoretical chemistry, such that the student had a real understanding of the subject. He also introduced more advanced courses, and gradually the department was forced to seek room to expand, so additional laboratories were built in the basement of the building. At first, Doctor Parmenter instructed all the courses, being assisted by a graduate instructor who was working simultaneously on a special problem, so that his work as an instructor and assistant to the professor was very much neglected. In time, the college was forced to engage a full time instructor.

One of Professor Parmenter's most brilliant students was Lester F. Weeks, now Associate Professor of Chemistry. Professor Weeks graduated from Colby in 1915, with Phi Beta Kappa honors. After taking graduate work at Harvard, he returned to Colby, and has been here ever since, with the exception of the period from 1920 to 1922.

The Department now has a staff of the two professors, a full-time faculty instructor, a faculty assistant, and five student assistants. Its teaching staff is of the highest calibre. Professor Parmenter is a member of Sigma Xi, national honorary scientific society, and holds the degree of M. S., Ph. D., and the honorary degree of Sc. D., the latter presented by Colby College. Doctor Wendall A. Ray, instructor of Chemistry, was graduated, summa cum laude, from Bates College in 1932. He is likewise a member of Phi Beta Kappa and of Sigma Xi. Pursuing graduate work at Harvard, Dr. Ray worked on various aspects of physical chemistry, and devised a new capillary method of measuring surface tension. This method has been accorded much attention in scientific circles, since it led to the discovery of interesting phenomena which had been previously overlooked.

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ed due to a lack of precision.

Although the laboratories are old and dark and, to some, appear very dingy, the college possesses some of the finest chemical apparatus. Such expensive equipment as a Parr bomb-calorimeter, a turbidometer, and much electro-chemical apparatus are in use in the department. The students of the Technical Analysis course have fine precision instruments for analyses, the results of which will have practical applications for the

consumer.

The Department has advanced a long way from the days of the Department of Natural Sciences, but is still advancing. The new chemistry building on Mayflower Hill will have increased space and facilities, will allow more expansion both in the number of students and in the number and variety of courses to be offered. Eventually, it is hoped that the staff can be augmented, and graduate work in chemistry offered once again.

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Sigma Kappa Holds Dance At Elmwood

On Saturday evening, March 8, the members of Sigma Kappa sorority held their annual formal dinner dance in the Alumnae Building. The striking red and white decorations were unusually attractive.

Lloyd Rafnel and his orchestra furnished music both for the dance and the dinner. Many couples took advantage of the music by dancing between courses.

Chaperones included Dr. and Mrs. Henry Aplington, Miss Elizabeth Kelley, and Professor Walter Breckinridge.

The committee in charge included Professor Mitchell, Ruth Macdougall, and Natalie Cousens.

President Johnson Back From Florida

President and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson returned this week by automobile from Florida where they spent a two-week vacation at Treasure Island.

After attending the defense conference of college presidents in Washington, they continued on to Williamsburg, Virginia, and visited William and Mary College.

Having arrived in Florida, President Johnson was kept busy attending meetings of Colby alumni. In St. Petersburg he met a number of Colby graduates on vacation, among whom was Commander Howard Tribou, retired, class of 1908, of the Navy.

After 5000 miles of driving, an average of over 150 miles a day, President and Mrs. Johnson returned to Waterville.

History Professors On "Colby At The Mike"

In the absence of Coach Roundy, Friday evening last, "Colby at the Mike" presented an impromptu broadcast, featured by Drs. Wilkinson and Palmer.

During the half hour program, from 7:45 to 8:15, Dr. Palmer and the "professor from Tennessee" discussed the world situation as regards the United States today.

The regular staff participated in the program. Frances Shannon at the piano played two Chopin waltzes. Barbara Kaighn and William Finkel-dey edited the news. Harold Seaman, sports announcer, discussed the past basketball season and predicted a successful baseball campaign.

In a brief interview, Oliver Millett, producer and announcer of the weekly program, disclosed the fact that both the Colby faculty and the Augusta station had passed favorable comment on the past and present "Colby at the Mike" broadcasts.

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Book Agent Tells Of Bombing Raid

Librarian Rush Gets Letter From Englishman

The library has recently subscribed to several different periodicals, it was announced last week. Among them are "Aviation," "Common Ground," "Film News," and "Key to Contemporary Affairs." Thirteen new books on Education and Psychology, seven on Fine Arts, forty-three on History, thirty-five on Literature, fourteen on Science, and twenty on the Social Sciences have also been added to our library.

Mr. Rush, our librarian, received an interesting letter from his book agent in London recently. Excerpts from it follow:

Dear Mr. Rush:

Thank you for your letter of November 14. I am sorry that I have not yet been able to find the "National Observer Special Lit. Supp." or the "Harper's Bazaar." I have not forgotten them but try continually to locate them both by inquiry and advertisement. This also applies to the other titles you have kindly sent me.

As I write the Jerry is overhead. He has been coming over every few minutes. The guns are barking and windows rattling. As each machine passes over one listens for the whistle of the falling bomb and when nothing happens one gets a feeling of disappointment, or shall we say sorrow that someone else is going to be hurt. Please do not think we are as brave as Captain Oates—but I have questioned many and all confess to the same feeling. We were upset in London when Coventry was so heavily bombed as we felt that we were used to it and therefore we should have had the pounding. None seem to be thankful that he has escaped and the other man hurt. I have yet to meet anyone who does not accept the business philosophically and in the daytime, at any rate, with a smile. One of the most cheerful is a close neighbor—in his nice house there are now only two rooms that he can use and both these have the window apertures boarded up as the windows and frames were blown out. The roof was lifted off but patched up.

We are all worried over the number of ships the "U" boats are sinking, but we have faith that Mr. Churchill will somehow overcome this. It must be worrying the producers overseas who have the things we want. We shall certainly miss your apples. At home we are having meals exactly as in peacetime except perhaps butter, but the ration, when mixed with an excellent margarine, is good. I, for one, cannot tell the difference.

Amusements and social life are practically dead. The rush to get safely home starts about 4 P. M. I usually arrive home around 6 P. M., and at that time the streets are quite deserted in our suburb.

Best wishes,

F. H. Swift.

METROPOLITAN SOPRANO

(Continued from page 1)

D'Oyly Carte Opera Company. Becoming an immediate favorite with audiences here, she was engaged by the Metropolitan before her company returned to London. She made her Metropolitan debut in 1930 in "The Bartered Bride," in which her lovely voice and lively acting captivated her audiences. She has been guest artist with several prominent American opera companies and has appeared at the principal American Festivals.

Miss Dickson is a native of Scotland, being the youngest of nine children. When she was fourteen she gave an audition for Vittorio Ricci,

the Italian singing master, who became enthusiastic over her natural talent and urged her to go to Florence to study. The next year her family took her to that famous Italian city, where she was Ricci's pupil for five years. In addition to her singing lessons, she studied piano, French, Italian, and German.

Besides her gracious personality, beautiful voice, and pure tone, Miss Dickson possesses a remarkable enunciation. A famous columnist has nicknamed her, "Muriel Diction."

At the concert, Monday evening, Miss Dickson's accompanist, Mr. Howard Kubik, will play two solos from Liszt and Brahms.

COLBY GROUP COMMITTEE

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man, chairman, and Professor Elmer C. Warren, secretary, activities have been carried on since November by the following committees: Community Relationships, Student Relationships, Humanitarian Relief, Information, and Press and Radio.

The Community Relationships Committee, under the chairmanship of Professor Libby, has organized a speaker's bureau to serve any group organization in Maine wishing a program on some aspect of "Defense of Democracy." Different faculty members, according to their specialties, have prepared addresses on the scientific, business, political, or historical phases of national defense, American ideals, or the European War. So far, according to Dr. Libby, 36 different engagements have been filled in surrounding communities.

The Students Relationship Committee, under Professor Marshall, has taken such steps as: promoting panel discussions between students and faculty on such questions as supplying

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arms to belligerents; holding discussions on pertinent topics after fraternity and sorority meetings; sponsoring a poem and essay contest on the theme of democracy; arranging for Colby girls to participate in sewing and knitting "Bundles for Britain."

The Humanitarian Relief Committee, under Professor Strong, has enlisted the services of many of the faculty wives. Through the efforts of this committee, a considerable sum of money has been raised through gifts, a bridge party, and faculty supporters and game parties. Other money-raising affairs are being planned. From the proceeds, donations have been made to Greek War Relief, a Flying Ambulance fund, and other worthy causes.

The Information Committee centers around Librarian Rush, and serves as a library for all publications which are being published on the defense of Democracy. This material, available to all members wishing data on this subject, includes books, reprints of speeches, foreign propaganda publications, and so on.

The Press and Radio Committee, under Professor Weber, is concerned with the spreading of the aim of the Colby Group on the Defense of Democracy through the medium of newspapers and radio. Panel discussions of current problems have been broadcast and others are planned. Views on "Aid to Britain" or the "Lend-Lease Bill" have been expressed

in letters to editors. In this paper, as you will recall, we have seen spirited discussion stimulated on such questions as what is the meaning of the phrase "the American Way?" or is conscription consistent with democracy? The net result of these controversies has been to center student thinking on the problems of American democracy.

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