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Official Calendar Of Events Commencement Week-end

Friday, December 11

6:00 P. M.—Informal Dinner for graduating Seniors at Bixler Home.

Saturday, December 12

6:30 P. M.—Senior Supper, Women's Dining Hall, Mayflower Hill.

8:15 P. M.—Glee Club Concert, Alumnae Building.

8:30 P. M.—Senior Ball, Woman's Union, semi-formal and open.

Sunday, December 13

9:00 A. M.—Faculty-Senior Breakfast, Elmwood Hotel.

11:00 A. M.—Baccalaureate Service in Chapel with President Bixler delivering sermon; Academic procession in cap and gown.

3:00 P. M.—Commencement Exercises, New Gymnasium, Mayflower Hill. Professor Ralph Barton Perry, Ph. D., of Harvard, speaker. All undergraduates are expected to attend. Academic procession in cap and gown.

5:00 P. M.—President's Reception for Seniors, Faculty, Staff and members of their families, Martha Baker Dunn Lounge, Women's Union.

Dr. Max Lerner, Famed Author-Professor, Here Friday To Speak In Lecture Series

His Subject: "A Fighting Faith For America"

On the 11th of December, Professor William Wilkinson of the History department will introduce Dr. Max Lerner, who will speak on "A Fighting Faith For America." This is the third of the series and like the others will be held at the Senior High School Auditorium and will start at 8:00 P. M.

A former editor of the Nation, Dr. Lerner has been teaching political science and government at Williams College since 1938. He is also the author of a number of books on current problems, his latest being "America Organizes To Win The War." Other recent books include "Ideas for the Ice Age," "Ideas Are Weapons, and It Is Later Than You Think." Two other books by Dr. Lerner are scheduled for publication during the coming season.

Dr. Lerner also contributes regularly to magazines of opinion. In recent months most of his articles and editorials have appeared in the New Republic. He is also Consultant for the Office of Facts and Figures.

Max Lerner was born in Minsk, Russia, in 1902 and was brought to America by his parents when he was five years old. He studied for a year at Yale and graduated in 1924. He

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'43 Oracle Nears Early Completion

Sweeping Changes Feature Yearbook

The staff of the 1943 ORACLE this week announced that practically co-incidental with Colby's first half-year graduation, production of the yearbook will be 85% under way. The final product will show the results of three semesters of work when it is delivered to the student body late in April, 1943, owing to the fact that the staff has been occupied with the book since last June.

Advance reports on the design of the annual indicate that it will present a new format on practically every page. Editor Tom Farnsworth told the ECHO this week that the only part of the yearbook which resembles former ORACLES is the "candid" section. "And half of that has been changed," he added.

Farnsworth is slated for graduation this month. He will then turn his editorship over to his assistant, Stan Frolio to wind up the remaining details of production.

Thus far, comments on the plan of the book from those who have seen

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News From Colby Service Men

With the coming of the Fall Dances this past week-end, many of the lads who have gone into service managed to get back to the campus. Among them were the following: Lieutenant Dick Hall, in chemical warfare, Lieutenant Hal Seaman, in the signal corps, Ensigns Bud Johnson, Cliff Cameo, and Bill Tucker who have finished Deck Officer's Training and New York. Jack Stevens was also up but Jack has not received his commission as yet due to a leg injury he suffered while playing football. He expects to be commissioned Lieutenant in the Army Air Corps in a few weeks.

Soon to see Bonaparte is Bob Rice now stationed at the Naval Reserve Aviation Base, Navy Yard, Philadelphia, Pa. Bob is a Naval Aviation Cadet and says he expects to be out with the fleet sometime in April. At the Navy Yard, Bob says they are

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Dr. Johnson To Lecture In Education 2 Next Semester

President-Emeritus Johnson will collaborate with Mr. Russell in giving Education 2, the course in Principles of Secondary Education, next term. He will lecture and conduct discussions at times to be announced later.

Dr. Johnson is an authority on secondary school education, a former professor of Education at Teachers College, Columbia, following a period as principal of Coburn Classical Institute he was principal of the University High School in Chicago. At a time when teachers are so urgently needed, Colby is especially happy to make available his rich experience in this field.

First Winter Commencement Exercises To Be Held In Women's Union Sunday

War Board Votes To Add New Courses

Military Subjects Offered Beginning February

Adoption of a wartime curriculum at Colby especially aimed to meet the needs of young men who will take only a partial college course before going into the Army was announced Saturday by President Julius Seelye Bixler.

This step is the outgrowth of a trip by President Bixler to Washington for consultation with War Department officials, followed by intensive study by the War Curriculum Committee of the Colby faculty, consisting of President Bixler, Dean Ernest C. Marriner, Dean Ninetta M. Runals, Professor William J. Wilkinson

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College Takes Over "Y" For C. P. T. Flight Cadets

The Colby division of the Civilian Pilot Training unit recently transferred its living quarters from Mary Low and Taylor Houses to the Y. M. C. A.

The cadets have been in their new quarters for about a week. The building is being entirely renovated and work is still in progress in spite of the fact that the boys have moved in. The transfer to the Y. M. C. A. will offer the cadets such recreational facilities as bowling, pool, reading rooms, and game rooms.

Meals will still be taken at Foss Hall as has been done in the past. Until December 22 classes will be held on the college campus. After this date they will be held in the Y. M. C. A.

There are approximately eighty men in the new group. Thirty of them are receiving their primary training, and fifty are undergoing secondary training. The group also includes five instructor-refreshers. These boys are in their final course before becoming instructors.

W. A. A. C. Officer To Be On Campus Tomorrow

The third district recruiting officer from Portland for the Women's Auxiliary Corps will be at Colby tomorrow to explain the organization of that division of the Army. Miss Beth McArthur will talk briefly to any girls interested, but particularly to seniors who are interested in enlisting in the W. A. A. C. Information which applies principally to college women has been published and distributed throughout the country.

"1. Auxiliaries enrolled as basic, women's Army Auxiliary Corps, who at the time of enrolling are attending colleges or business schools may upon their request be permitted to remain on an inactive status until completion of the current school year or the course for which enrolled, if such course can be completed in less than one year.

"2. Auxiliaries enrolled on this basis will be informed that they can be given no assurance of being called to active duty within any specific period of time after completion of the school year or course for which deferred."



RALPH BARTON PERRY

Ralph Barton Perry To Give Graduation Address

On next Sunday, December thirteenth, the first group of Seniors to graduate under the accelerated program will receive their diplomas in the first mid-year graduation in Colby College's history. The men and women who comprise this body are to be congratulated for their splendid efforts in attending classes during this past summer and thereby graduate six months prior to the regular graduating schedule. Of these forty-four Seniors, two, George John and John Lomac, will not be present as they both will have left for the Armed Services before Sunday.

Plans have been made that these graduates will enjoy most of the exercises that thousands of Colby graduates have taken part in during the past. The first event of the week-end will be an informal dinner for the graduating seniors at the home of President and Mrs. Bixler at six o'clock Friday. On Saturday, at six thirty o'clock, a Senior Supper will be served at the Women's Dining Hall on Mayflower Hill. Later in the same evening, at 8:15, the Glee Club will give a concert in the Alumnae Building.

The Senior Ball will also be held Saturday evening in the Women's Union on Mayflower Hill, beginning at 8:30 P. M. Dress will be semi-formal and undergraduates are invited. Danny Danforth's orchestra will provide the music.

Exercises on Sunday will commence with the Faculty-Senior breakfast at the Elmwood Hotel at nine o'clock. President Bixler will deliver the sermon at the Baccalaureate Service to be held in the Chapel at eleven o'clock on Sunday morning. Also, at this time, the Academic procession in cap and gown will take place.

The Commencement exercises will start at three o'clock Sunday in the gymnasium on Mayflower Hill. Professor Ralph Barton Perry, Ph. D., of Harvard, will give the commencement address. Dr. Perry, who graduated from Princeton in 1896, has taught at Williams, Smith, and, since 1902, at Harvard. Besides being the Professor of Philosophy at Harvard, Dr. Perry is a well-known author. Among his numerous articles, essays, and books, his biography, "The Thought and Character of William James,"

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A Night At The Opera (House); or, A Saga Of Bingo, Screeno, Bank Nite, Free Dishes

(Also Movies)

One Saturday recently we decided that it was high time we visited one of Waterville's night spots, so we paid up our insurance and ventured forth to the Opera House. The marquee was what really sold us on the idea. It read:

Happy Jack Green in
"I'll let my gun talk for me"
with Mary (Sagebrush Sal) White
also Intimate Expose Completely Unexpurgated
Louise (Passion lips) Brown in
"Estate Moment" Children under sixteen
not admitted. Also comedy and serial
Play Hollywood tonite.

We deposited thirty cents (or a bushel of potatoes) with the lady at

the window and received our ticket. (Though not till she had gnawed on our quarter for a moment). Then we tried to find our way into the theatre. This was a little more difficult than one might think. We went from door to door looking for an entrance, and in a period of less than five minutes we had (1) shaken hands with the mayor, (2) received a check for \$7.12 cents from the overseer of the Poor, (3) been sentenced to five years in jail for burglary, and (4) been made a member of the City Council. Finally we uncovered the interesting fact that the downstairs portion of the Opera House serves as the Waterville City Hall, but it wasn't till we handed our ticket to the Chief of Police that we finally got sent upstairs. (This baffled us for awhile; we had asked for orchestra seats, but it seems that at the Opera House,

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1943 Oracle . . .

The ECHO was permitted a sneak pre-view of the 1943 Oracle last week, and from the looks of the dummy copy we can assure everyone that the war curtailed very little of Colby's annual yearbook. It is now nearly completed. The changes are many, in fact it was hard for us to find something appearing in the book exactly as it did a year ago. The entire format has been modernized and improved. Verily, the members of '43 and the entire college can look forward to a distinctive and different college annual.

To graduating editor Tom Farnsworth and his staff goes much credit, we feel, for doing such a splendid job under considerable handicaps of time, material and money. This may be the last regular yearbook for the duration, and it is a worthy one.

Sir Echo Speaks . . .

Printed below is a letter from one of many students who feel that the declaration of a five and a half week vacation was an unwise move for Colby to make at this time. Everything said in the letter is true, but the ECHO feels that some reply to the charges made, is justified in the interests of impartiality. For after all, the college is doing everything in their power to help the students and undoubtedly had good reasons for making such a move. An interview with one member of the administration brought out a number of things that should be known and appreciated by all students.

First, the faculty has long felt the desirability of eliminating the let-down that occurs after Christmas vacation, and ending the semester in a logical place instead. So last spring the faculty saw their opportunity to accomplish this by starting earlier, eliminating Thanksgiving vacation, and shortening the semester a bit so as to get exams over with by Christmas. It was a worthy experiment.

As this fall progressed, however, it became apparent that most colleges would admit freshmen at the mid-year period, and that the balance of arguments now seemed to favor a return to the conventional college calendar. Since Colby was committed to graduate some seniors this December, the only feasible way to get our calendar back in step with those of high schools and other colleges throughout the country was to pause and wait for the others to catch up.

Obviously, this was not the ideal solution. It would

Students Urged To Work On English Prizes

The English Department last week called attention to the desirability of using the long January recess for the preparation of manuscripts to be submitted in the annual Prize Poem and Prize Essay contests. These contests are open to all students in the college, and no restriction is placed on subject, form, or length. In general, a poem should contain at least twenty-five lines and rarely more than a hundred. For the purposes of the Essay contest, the word "essay" is taken to include report, review, dissertation, thesis, as well as personal essay. No paper which has received class-room criticism or an instructor's correction may be submitted in either contest.

Three copies of each manuscript must be submitted before noon of Friday, March 12, 1943, if they are to be considered in these contests. Each manuscript must be signed with a pen-name, the key to which is given

have been far better if all the other schools had also seen the advantages of ending the first term before Christmas and then we all could have begun again the first week in January. Unfortunately, Colby found herself out in front and all alone.

But the administration feels that no Colby student has any legitimate kick about this experimentation except that he had to come back too early last September and lost about a week of the usual pre-Christmas vacation. The three weeks extra vacation in January may be bore-some, but it is hard to see whereby a student is any worse off than if he were studying for finals at this time.

The ECHO feels that the faculty should be given credit for venturing into new plans that make this a better college, and just charge this particular experiment off as one that didn't quite click.

—W. F.

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 of the Echo:

As the first semester of the 1942-43 year draws to a close at Colby College that question "Where do we go from here?" becomes the most pertinent query for students. They are wondering if the college faces closure for the duration in the next six months or if it will be taken over by the Army or if it can struggle along at its present wartime speed for the remainder of the war.

The recent action by the President of the United States in ordering all enlistments curtailed makes it apparent that the underclasses in all colleges are going to suffer severe manpower reductions, since many of their numbers had not enlisted in any reserve corps and are now subject to call at any time.

The fact that the Secretary of War stated last September that the Army Reserves might be summoned in January and the receipt of six months notices by Marine Reserves opens another channel toward reduction in student ranks. A good percentage of the upperclassmen are in these branches and their departure would considerably weaken the two upper classes.

A third contributing factor is the six weeks vacation which may find several students obtaining wartime jobs and continuing in them until summoned into service. The need for men in all industries and in agriculture is before the eyes of every young man constantly and the lucrative pay is also a constant temptation.

Therefore, the students ask "What should we do?" They feel that to do nothing for a whole month in the ordinary middle of the school year is criminal waste of manpower in these urgent times, and yet not many employers are willing to take them for only a four week period.

It seems almost a deliberate wastage on the part of the college to leave its students on the outside in this manner. They adopted a speeded program last winter designed to aid young men to complete their requirements for a degree in a shorter period, and yet they now remove almost all of the period gained by an extended vacation in the very heart of the college year.

The college authorities have announced that they are seeking more students for the freshman class to replace those seniors who will graduate this coming Sunday. If this is true, they are willing to sacrifice the welfare of their older students who are striving to complete a half-finished education for that of some high school semi-seniors who are not ready for college and unless they are extremely fortunate will not have more than a semester's credits before they are called to active duty.

It becomes more apparent as the days pass that some members of the faculty who voted for the adoption of this measure regret their action now. But the plan has been accepted and any action for its repeal or modification must come from them. Is it not for them, therefore to answer the question "Where do we go from here?" which is so urgent in the students' minds?

—DICK REID.

To the Editor of the Echo:

May I use your columns to call to the attention of the College community the fact that both faculty and students are not only invited but urgently requested to attend the graduation exercises to be held in the new Gymnasium for Women at three o'clock on December thirteenth. The date was chosen with the hope that it might prove a convenient one for the College as a whole.

The exercises are planned with the idea of giving our graduating seniors a farewell which shall express the feeling of the entire College body. It will greatly contribute to the success of this first formal exercise in the new building if everyone will plan definitely to attend.

J. S. BIXLER.



CANVASSING THE CAMPUS

By HARRY LEVIN



We are pleased to be back in harness again after having floundered around for several weeks, and we wish to thank our female counterpart, Marry Hevin, for having filled in so capably while we were ill and unable to come to grips with the subject at hand. And so to press for the last time this year.

The subject on everybody's lips these past few days has been that of the revised war curriculum. Students all over campus are discussing the changes that have been made, and considering the results that they think will follow. The biggest news is the announcement that high school seniors without diplomas will be admitted to Colby for the second semester. It looks like after all these years they have finally legalized our entrance into this institution.

This new development will change our whole educational structure completely. Every time the Dean sees the young lad who sells papers in Chemical Hall he shudders to think that perhaps he is an applicant for admission. Only the other day one of the subjects in the Child Psychology class went into Chemical to get his NYA pay for the work he is doing in letting himself be studied, and before he had left the building he had filled out an application for admission, gotten all kinds of propaganda from the publicity office, and had been accepted by the Dean and congratulated by the President before he managed to blurt out the fact that he was only six years old, in the third grade, and besides his father was a Bowdoin man.

Another course that ought to be

taught instead of this map-reading and blueprint reading course, is one in Road Map Folding and Time-Table Reading. Hours of precious time could be saved yearly if motorists were able to quickly and efficiently fold the road maps that they use to travel. And think of the time that could be saved by a nation of people that knew how to interpret time-tables correctly. This course would revolutionize the transportation industry and save millions of man hours annually. One of the inmates at a certain Augusta institution has made the proposed subject his life work, and announced that he will be free to take over the course as soon as they give him his new strait-jacket. Right now he hasn't a thing to wear.

Probably the funniest occurrence of the month happened in Champlin Hall at 8:00 o'clock recently. A class was in session at that time when suddenly the door opened, and a freshman stumbled in through, his eyes barely opened to the light of day. This unfortunate creature crawled over numerous legs and finally heaved himself into a vacant seat in the center of one of the rows of chairs, and proceeded to finish getting dressed preparatory to continuing his sleep when he was startled to hear the professor say, "Aren't you in the wrong room, young man?" The freshman opened one eye cautiously, peered around him carefully, forced himself to his feet and said, "Oh, my Gawd! Isn't today Monday?" When informed that it wasn't he made a hasty exit, and was last seen putting his alarm clock on the rails in front of an onrushing locomotive.

Dean Runnals Tells Frosh All About Final Exams

Miss Ninetta M. Runnals, dean of women, addressed the freshman class Monday morning on the subject of mid-year exams. As an introduction she read part of an essay called "Petering." Applying it to the past (or to the future). Dean Runnals quoted a Mount Holyoke professor by defining an educated person as one "who does what he doesn't want to do when he doesn't want to do it."

In regard to the collegiate, but impractical, fad of cramming for examination, Miss Runnals suggested that we throw away our books, say we don't care (and mean it), and go out and play or go to bed. There is a "but" to this, however,—you can't expect to know what you have never taken the trouble to learn. Classify your material in logical order so that it makes a clear impression on you. Take this material to the exam, then "remember what you know, and apply

what you remember."

Above all be physically fit. When the body is weary, the mind won't function and the thoughts will not come as you wish. An examination is a time for the assorting and arranging of ideas, and should be fun.

NOTICE

All students have paid for their ECHO for the full year. Anyone not returning second semester is requested to leave their address with Pat Small, Business Manager, at the D. K. E. House before Saturday, so your copies can be regularly mailed to you from February to May.

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Colby Faces Providence For Last Game Of Year

Friday's Game To Be Best Of This Season

The three games which the Mule hoopsters have already played have been against non-college teams and although they have played very good ball, especially the quintette from Bath, they have not had that certain unity which goes with a college team. Friday, however, will find the Colby squad facing a polished Providence College squad and those who were here last year remember that Providence beat us by one point. Like Colby, the visitors lost only their captain in last year's graduation and therefore Friday's game will really be a thriller and anyone can win.

As far as the personnel of the opposing team is concerned there are three letter men on the starting line-up and the other two are experienced players. Co-captains Bob Reilly, at forward, and Chet Zabek, at guard, are fair sized boys, standing 6 feet and 6 feet 1 inch respectively, while the other letter man, Larry Drew, the other guard, is 6 feet 2 inches and weighs 205. The center is Ben Pagliaroli, one of the several squad men standing at 6 feet 3 inches, another 200 pounder and Ted McConnon uses his 6 feet, 170 pound frame in the other forward position.

Outstanding in the reserve department are two freshmen, Palmieri and Martin, who are also over 6 feet 2 inches, and another letter man from last year by the name of Michaud. One thing very certain about this team is the fact that it is definitely not small. There are only three men under six feet on the whole squad.

TURKEY DAY MEET SCHEDULE

Thursday
3:30 16 lb. shot, open.
Broad jump, open.
4:15 12 lb. shot, novice.
28 lb. hammer, open.

Saturday
3:00 Mile.
Pole vault.
3:10 45 yd. high hurdles.
3:20 40 yd. dash, open.
3:30 40 yd. dash, novice.
3:40 600 yd. open, high jump open.
3:45 800 yds., novice.
3:50 1000 yds., open.
4:00 1000 yds., novice.
4:10 300 yds., open.
4:20 300 yds., novice.
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Mule Kicks

By Dick Reid

Colby's 1942 gridiron performers are receiving plenty of mention from the experts on the various all-teams which are chosen at this time. Ray Verrengia was chosen third team All-New England fullback last Sunday, and Phil Caminiti and Burt Shiro received honorable mention on the Associated Press Little All-America team yesterday.

Look for plenty of action Friday night at the doubleheader basketball attraction in the Colby Field House. Providence was the team that beat Colby out in the last eight seconds of play last season in the first game, and Colby is out for revenge.

Coach Bill Millett of the freshmen expects his hardest battle of the season from Waterville High in the preliminary. The Purple Panthers are loaded with talent and plenty of reserves.

There was considerable comment on the poor showing by Coburn last Tuesday night in comparison with his fine teams of other years. The war is the sole guilty party. Last season under Tweet Reardon, the Tigers were among the top few in Maine prep school circles. But Tweet and most of his players have departed and the team even lost its new coach, Oren Shiro, to the Navy only two days before the game.

A tip off as to the balance of the varsity basketball team comes in examining the scoring records for the first three games. Against Bath, Frank Strup was high man, against Fort Williams, it was Ben Zecker, and last night Captain Johnny Lomac took the honors. But those on the inside also give plenty of praise to Phil Caminiti and Locke Jennings for the fine defensive play and flashy ball handling.

The Turkey Track meet is the feature week-end attraction this week with several good contests in sight. According to Coach Perkins, the Dekes are favorites, but two or three other frats and the non-frats as well have potentialities.

It will mark the end of the trail for Captain Johnny Lomac Friday night and for several others it might be the last time on the floor since calls to service are becoming more frequent each week. They will probably appreciate a good turnout from the students, so, get behind your team, Colby.

Best wishes to the
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Wearing The "C"

In this last issue of the ECHO we will try to give you a thumbnail sketch of the eight senior letter winners who will graduate on Sunday.

Ed Alexander

A Connecticut man, Ed earned his letter in tennis and as a basketball manager. He won the Hamlin contest and the Sophomore Declamation. He is an A. T. O. and will go into the Army from the enlisted reserve.

Bob Dennison

This Phi Beta Kappa student comes from South Paris. He won his letter while a sophomore in baseball and also played two years of basketball. Bob has been an assistant in the training room and is an officer of K. D. R.

Dick Field

Dick has been a great hockey player during his years at Colby and was named in the Who's Who in American Colleges. He is president of the D. U. fraternity, student vice-chairman of the interfraternity council, and vice president of the Sons of Colby.

John Lomac

A product of Portland and of Coburn, Johnny won his "C" in basketball and as you all know is the captain of this year's team. He was president of the D. K. E.'s during the summer session. John has also been outstanding as an actor.

Fred Main

Fred is another Phi Beta Kappa man and hails from Island Falls. He earned his letter as a track manager. His activities have included Glee Club, dramatics, and the Chapel Choir.

Dick deNazario

We wouldn't call Dick the "Jersey Bounce," but he does come from Bergenfield, N. J. He worked four years before he finally got his letter in football. He has been an officer of the A. T. O.'s and is vice president of the student council. He is another member of the Army enlisted reserve.

Lou Volpe

Lou is the second football captain Colby has had in recent years to come from Quincy. His outstanding qualities have won him recognition by Who's Who in Colleges. He is president of A. T. O., vice president of the senior class, and vice president of the honorary society Kappa Phi Kappa.

Ernie Weidul

Ernie comes from Dedham and is another great hockey player as well as a football man. He is president of the Dekes, sports editor of the ECHO, member of Powder and Wig, and on the interfraternity council. A Dean's List man his first two years. Ernie is in the U. S. Army Signal Corps.

Frosh Win Over Winslow And Trounce Coburn

The frosh kept on the victory trail this past week with victories over a strong Winslow High School outfit, and a one-sided victory over an outclassed Coburn Classical Institute team. The experience of the freshmen played an important role in both games as their better ball handling and cool-headedness aided them no end.

Paced by Dick Michelson and Ed Moriarty the yearlings proved too much for the scrappy Winslow lads and they finally succumbed only in the last few seconds when Mike stole the ball and tossed to Moriarty under the basket for the points that meant victory. The Mulettes stalled with the ball in the middle of the court until time ran out and the final score being 33-31.

The completely outclassed Coburn

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Mules Beat Dow Field And Fort Williams

Coach Mike Loebs' White Mule quintet went through the week with a clean slate in taking two games from service team opponents. Last Friday night the Mules tasted victory for the first time this season when they subdued a fighting Fort Williams team in the field house by a 56-50 count. The game was a thriller all the way with the lead changing hands two or three times. Zecker led the Colby scoring with a tidy sum of nineteen points followed by Locke Jennings with 12 to his credit.

The Mules continued on the victory train again last night with an impressive 54-40 victory over the Dow Field service team of Bangor. The Mules started out in their usual slow pace and found themselves behind just before the first half ended. With the score 10-1, they finally came to life and brought themselves to 10-6 at the end of the first period.

Soon after the half Locke Jennings tossed in four field goals to put the Mules into a lead that was never threatened. Captain Lomac's eighteen point total led the scoring with Locke Jennings contributing ten to the cause. The defensive work of Caminiti and Strup was a shining light all the way as in other games.

Tigers also fell before the Millett-coached yearlings by a one-sided count of 52-20. Bink Hammond and Michelson also led the onslaught with 14 and 12 points apiece.

The preppers never showed any scoring punch at all until the last period when a whole flock of subs were sent in and they managed to garner twelve points in the final quarter.

Field Events Will Be Held First Day

To night will see the frat houses blacking out a little earlier, and benevolent fathers will be seen ushering their charges off to the ramp at an earlier hour than usual, for tomorrow inaugurates the annual indoor Turkey Day Meet.

While the book-makers refuse to operate on this meet because of the wide open appearance, it should do no harm to send out a few feelers here. Warranting special attention will be the D. K. E. trio of Robinson, Turner, and Dolan with whatever help may be drawn from the house for the novice events. These three should make a bid for a crop of blue ribbons. Also shaping up well in the pre-meet picture from the standpoint of distribution is the D. U. aggregation of Brown, Cousins, Sanborn, Lucy, Ryder and Poirier, plus the novice support. As usual the non-frats are sending out a formidable array consisting of Lewis, Reifel, Quincy and Callahan. These combinations appear at this point to be the most heavily laden with track candidates, however, anything can happen and novice work will largely tell in the end.

High scoring can now go to anyone of three, Jim Bateman, John Turner, or Jerry Lewis. Running events are limited to two apiece, field events are unlimited. Bateman will have both running and field to draw upon, Turner can collect some points on the weights, while Jerry Lewis will be unlimited in the field.

Novice is open to all frosh and non-track men. Varsity is open to all. Prizes for the first three teams in the scoring are a turkey apiece, and sixteen baskets of fruit are waiting for the individual winners.



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S. C. A. To Give Annual Party For Local Children

Christmas will come to Colby early this year when the annual Christmas party is held for one hundred underprivileged Waterville children Saturday, December 12, in the Alumnae Building. One hundred representatives from the men's and women's divisions will each take one child to the party.

The physical education departments will be in charge of the games. The Freshman Drama Group will present Bird's "Christmas Carol" as a part of the entertainment, which will be followed by Christmas stories.

Santa Claus will be a guest of the afternoon to present the gifts which are given by the students who take the children.

The Community Relations Committee, with Barbara White as chairman, will be in charge of the party. Everyone who would like to go and take a boy or girl is urged to make their plans now.

WAR BOARD VOTES

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(history), Professor A. Galen Eustis (business administration), Professor Carl J. Weber (English), Professor Lester F. Weeks (chemistry), and Professor Sherwood Brown (physics).

Three major changes in curriculum and practice are included in the announcement:

1. A freshman curriculum providing courses considered desirable by the War and Navy departments for young men soon to enter the armed services;

2. Provision for entering Colby at the beginning of the second term, February 1, by those who graduate from a city high school at this time or who (wish their principal's recommendation) wish to begin college before finishing their final year of high school work.

3. Making all courses of term length (instead of the full year) so that a student will have complete courses to his credit if he has to leave after only a few terms.

Beginning February 1, Colby is also offering new courses in blueprint reading and in map reading, meeting government specifications, and a course in Japanese will be offered if there is sufficient demand. A new course in Democracy will be given taking up the development of the American ideal in its theatrical and historical phases.

While these courses apply particularly to men, they are also open to women students at Colby.

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A NIGHT AT THE OPERA

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downstairs is upstairs. Upstairs is upstairs, too). At the head of the stairs, three men were standing. One checked our gun; another took our ticket; the third handed us a mysterious card marked **Hollywood**.

At this point we wandered into the theatre proper. (It must have been a special occasion there, too, because everyone was wearing a new and exotic perfume, Cheval No. 5) and found a seat between a very stout woman and a couple of very lively youngsters. The last two seemed to resent our presence no little bit. Throughout the performance they kept pointing their fingers at us and saying "Bang, you're dead." (As a matter of fact, we were the most lively person around; when we left after having seen the entire four and one-half hours show, neither the woman nor the little boys had stirred).

We arrived at one of those tense moments. It must have been tense. The background music was tense. The audience was tense. Then everything went black. There was a groan from the audience followed by a pregnant silence. Then there was a flash on the screen 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1, and we were back in the sawmill. There things looked black, mighty black. At that moment we wouldn't have given a gold nugget for Sagebrush Sal's chances. She had made astoundingly little progress toward the blade while the lights were out; now she was on her way again. Would the hero arrive in time? The suspense was killing us; it was also killing the little boys sitting next to us, for they turned their attentions to shooting the villain. (It didn't seem to phase him in the slightest). Just as Sal was screaming, the villain was laughing, and the hero was banging on the door, the lights went out again. The thread was broken.

But, no, of a sudden we were back in the middle of things. Unfortunately the sound track hadn't joined us, and it was a little disconcerting to see the villain saying in the hero's voice "I'm coming through that door, Spike Valden; you're an ornery critter." He came through, Spike took careful aim, fired, and missed. The hero struck him down, and then a simple note appeared on the screen telling us to buy War Bonds and Stamps. That was that. The lights went up, and the game **Hollywood** commenced.

Hollywood is really not particularly difficult. The card one is handed has three rows of five animals. When one gets five animals in a row, one shouts "Hollywood" and then, supposedly, a small fortune is dropped in one's lap. The only trouble is you have to get your five in a row on the first five animals called in order to take the jackpot. The Jackpot that night was \$1787, and some indication of the ease with which it may be taken was given us when it was announced that next week's jackpot was to be \$1788. There is a consolation prize of \$25 in case no one wins the jackpot. After the first five spins there was a long pause and then the manager patted his pocket and the game continued. (At that point we had two in one row, and one in both the others). Finally after eighteen spins we were within a lion of winning when a stork appeared on the screen. (The manager stood on the stage and gave hints; he wasn't allowed to say what the animal was, but he could help. For the stork he said "this animal brings the baby, it has a long bill, and its name begins with an 's,'" someone in the audience murmured stork, and it was immediately taken up).

There were immediate screams of "Hollywood" from all sides, and by the time the dust cleared, there were some eighty-seven people on the stage waiting to share the \$25.

Finally things quieted down. The winners collected their 29c per head and returned to their seats. Then "Ecstatic Moment" began. It was complete and unexpurgated, and for our money we wished it had been less complete though we could see nothing about it to expurgate. Old Passion Lips' passion lips left us cold. And so the evening went. But the thing that hurt most of all was when we finally did roll around to the saw mill scene again. We were happily sitting through it a second time when we noticed that the little boys were looking at us accusingly so we plunked on our hat guiltily and left the place feeling that every eye in the house was upon us.

—CARL STERN.

SERVICEMEN

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held to a very strict time schedule.

The Zete house received a letter from Bud Phillips who is a corporal in the Dental Corps stationed at Bowling Green, Virginia, at the sixty-sixth station hospital. To quote from his letter, "We are now at A. P. Hill, Virginia, in pulpulating quarters shimmering under the spacious skies—in other words, we are roughing it out by sleeping in parabola shaped tents—this camp is a preparing ground for overseas duty. We stay here six weeks or so, then zoom!" Bud says that he has two hundred patients with whom he is getting practical experience.

Many of you will probably remember Bill Lyman, a freshman last year. Around the middle of last summer Bill enlisted in the Merchant Marines and is now attending the U. S. Merchant Marine Academy at Great Neck, N. Y. In a letter to Dick Fellows he apologized for not writing sooner and stated, quote, "It seems our section in this great academy became senior deck section about that time. In other words, we were the next to ship out for our six months at sea. So we were busy and yesterday we went on a cram course which excluded all the government required course. Ten straight hours of naval communication, a test. Tomorrow we spend a day aboard the

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training ship at actual gunnery practice up the sound, and that finished that. Then we stick around till we pass the tests, and get our tickets in visual signalling. We probably will be shoving off for the blue waters next week some time."

That's all for this semester. We have tried to keep the college community informed of the diverse activities of Colby men now serving our country. Write to your friends in the service during vacation and bring back news of them for our first issue in February.

—RAY GREEN.

LECTURE SERIES

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then went to Washington University in St. Louis where he received his M. A. degree in 1925. Two years later he obtained his Ph. D. degree from the Robert Brookings Graduate School of Economics and Government in Washington, D. C.

His first position was as assistant editor of the Encyclopedia of Social Science. He later became this publication's managing editor. In 1932 he joined the faculty of the Sarah Lawrence College in Bronxville, N. Y. During the summers of 1933-35 he was director of the Wellesley Summer Institute and during 1934 was director of the Consumers Division of the National Emergency Council. During 1935-36 he was a lecturer at Harvard University and the following year accepted the editorship of the *Nation*, a post he held until 1938, when he joined the Williams College faculty.

Dr. Lerner is married to the former Anita Marburg, and they have three daughters—Constance, Pamela, and Joanna. They make their home at Williamstown, Mass.

SELECTIVE SERVICE

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to the closing of college for the current semester, he should register at the Selective Service Office in Waterville, located in the Rancourt block,

corner of Main and Silver streets. The registration hours are 9:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

If the registration period for a particular student falls on dates later than the closing of college, he should register at the Selective Service office in his home community. Legally a registrant may register at any Selective Service Office in the United States and ask that the data be transferred to his home board.

E. C. Marriner, Dean.

COMMENCEMENT

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won the Pulitzer Prize in 1935.

All undergraduates are expected to attend this function. The Colby orchestra will provide music for the occasion which will be followed by the Academic Procession in Cap and Gown.

Directly after the commencement exercises, the President's Reception will be held in the Martha Baker Dunn Lounge in the Women's Union. This reception, the concluding feature of Commencement Week-end, will be for the Seniors, Faculty, Staff and members of their families.

ORACLE

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it has been highly favorable. One of these is from President Bixler. In making public a letter signed by the President, Farnsworth expressed the hope that the finished product would come up to expectations.

The letter reads: "Dear Tom: I have just looked over your plans for the 1943 ORACLE. It seems to me to be a very creditable job, especially in view of the many war-time difficulties you must have encountered. I am delighted that the Class of 1943 which has had to suffer so many curtailments in its plans has been able to come through with such an outstanding achievement. May your work receive the recognition it deserves. Sincerely yours, J. S. Bixler."

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