

Varsity Basketball Practice Underway

Tentative Schedule Set With Bowdoin, U. Of M., Navy Cadets

Colby will again floor a varsity basketball team this semester, as eighteen men answered the call for players which Coach Gilbert F. "Mike" Loeb issued last week. There are twelve new faces among the candidates to offset the loss of nine players from the informal team of last term.

Practice has been held daily in the Field House. In an informal scrimmage against the Colby Cadets last Saturday, the teams seemed fairly evenly matched, although no score was kept.

A tentative schedule includes games with Bowdoin, the University of Maine, the Pittsfield Naval Air Cadets, and several local high schools. Last term Colby played five secondary schools, defeating Lawrence High School, Winslow High School, Coburn Classical Institute, and losing to Oak.

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Maine General Hospital Chosen For Med. Course

Colby College has announced its affiliation with the Maine General Hospital in Portland for the purpose of providing adequate clinical facilities to School of Nursing students. The curriculum has been so arranged by Miss Mary E. Curtis, director of the school, that a student who wishes to major in nursing may take courses required of any candidate for a degree in Bachelor of Arts at Colby, along with her preliminary sciences. Then for twenty months the actual training in general medicine, general surgery, operating room, pediatrics, and obstetrics will be given at the Maine General Hospital before the student returns to Colby for a final term when she graduates. This will qualify her to take the state examination for registered nurse.

In the near future there will be an announcement made concerning similar arrangements in the study of Psychiatry and the Public Health Services. The curriculum has been planned to fit into the accelerated program with four weeks vacation each year.

Formal Dance To Climax Winter Sports Week-end

Awards For Snow Sculpturing Skiing, Skating Sat. Night

Beginning Friday evening at 7:00 with a skating party, Winter Sports Week-end will continue through a formal in the Women's Union on Saturday night. The skating party, in charge of Helen Gould, will take place at the Front Street rink with an exhibition by Waterville skaters and Colby students. Music will be supplied and refreshments served. To this as well as to all other events, the Air Cadets are invited.

At 2:15 on Saturday afternoon snow sculpturing will be judged. Competition is between the floors of the women's dormitories and Hedman Hall, and all work must be done in front of the Union.

Directly after the snow sculpturing come the skiing events at 2:30 on the Chapel hill. Frances Willey is in charge and Emily Holbrook and Norma Taraldsen are assistants. Order of events is as follows:

Competition between houses, Individual events, Obstacle race, Down hill race, Simple Slalom, Exhibition by Dr. Guenther, Men's slalom.

The dance, which is formal, begins at 8:15 P. M., and at 9:30 President Bixler will award the prizes. Tickets may be obtained from Frances Barclay who is chairman of the week-end or from any member of W. A. A. Chaperones include:

President and Mrs. Bixler, Mr. and Mrs. John McCoy, Miss Runnals, Miss Sherburne, and Dr. Guenther.

William Blake Topic Of Libe Associates Meeting

Mr. Philip Hofer, curator of the museum of fine arts at Harvard University, was the guest speaker at the Colby Library Associates meeting held Friday, February 4, at 8 o'clock in the Dunn Lounge. His lecture was entitled "William Blake, the Artist" and was illustrated by slides.

Mr. Hofer opened his address by stating, "Few artists in recent years have been so much discussed, adored, disliked—and misunderstood—as William Blake."

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Increased Enrollment Expected To Replace Vacating Army

Dr. George Otis Smith

We of the ECHO staff pay tribute to the late Dr. George Otis Smith, member of the board of Trustees of Colby college since 1903, and chairman since 1934, and father of Joseph Coburn Smith our faculty adviser.

In commemoration of this beloved man, we quote excerpts from the remarks of Dr. Franklin W. Johnson delivered at the funeral of George Otis Smith, January 12, 1944.

"From my experience in later life I can see that he was the kind of a boy whom a college president would think of as a gift of heaven. He was an excellent student, exemplary in character and conduct, interested in and constructively working to promote the best in the community life of the college of which he was a part."

"His death will be mourned not only by his intimate friends who have known him here, but by countless others in every part of the country. I like to think of him, as my mind goes back over the years, as an ideal Maine type, born in a country town, educated in our schools, going forth to serve in larger and more conspicuous fields and then returning in his later years, not to a retirement to be spent in the enjoyment of a well earned ease, but to an active participation in the good life of his native state, to which he had already brought great distinction, as if he had a debt to pay to the State of Maine for the privilege of being born and nurtured here."

Five States Represented By February Freshmen

This semester five girls and eleven boys entered Colby as freshmen. These students represent five states. Two of the girls and five of the boys are from Maine. Six of the freshmen are from Massachusetts with one each from Connecticut, Maryland, and New Jersey.

The girls who entered are: Shirley Margene Bersey from Knox, Me.; Marie Louise Gannce from Fairfield, Me.; Mary Elizabeth Hall from Springfield, Mass.; Ruth Eileen Jaffe from East Orange, N. J.; and Charlotte Evelyn Weinburg from Cambridge, Mass.

The boys who entered are: Robert Laurier Barcelona from Lewiston, Me.; Leo Arthur Daviau, Albert Russell Freeman, William Robert Kershav, all from Waterville, Me.; Harvey Lawrence Koizim from Waterbury, Conn.; Robert Wescott McColler from Cumberland, Md.; David M. Marzynski from Brighton, Mass.; Albert Newton Penta from Stoneham, Mass.; Robert Saganaky from Brookline, Mass.; Leonard Robert Warshaver from Mattapan, Mass.; and Carl Roger Wright from Pittsfield, Mo.

Unique Facts About Jap Internment Camp Revealed

Colby students had the privilege of being addressed by Dr. Hugh Robinson, famous Colby graduate, at an all-college assembly held last Saturday morning in the Women's Union.

Dr. Robinson, a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, graduated from Colby in 1918; from Harvard Medical School in 1922; and has been a medical missionary in China for sixteen years. He has just returned on the Gripsholm from a Japanese internment camp in Manila.

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Dean's List Again Has Small Number

WOMEN'S DIVISION

Fall Term, 1943-44

Class of May, 1944

Albertie Allen, New Portland, Me. Phoebe Blaisdell, New Harbor, Me. Louise Callahan, Swampscott, Mass.

Nancy Grahn, Tenaflly, N. J. Bernice Knight, Portland, Me. Frances Shannon, Narberth, Penn. Mildred Steenland, Palisades Park, N. J.

Helen Watson, Hartford, Conn. Class of 1945

Marilyn Bryant, Lakeport, N. H. Mary Louise Fraser, Westbrook, Me.

Janet Jacobs, Atlantic City, N. J. Mary Elizabeth Lohnes, North Weymouth, Mass.

Lois Pinkham, Fort Kent, Me. Joan St. James, Millinocket, Me. Evelyn Sterry, Skowhegan, Me. Laura Tapia, Tegucigalpa, Republic of Honduras.

Jacqueline Taylor, Washington, D. C.

Class of 1946

Frances Barclay, Newtonville, Mass.

Georgina Gulliford, Saugus, Mass. Roselle Johnson, Middleboro, Mass. Hannah Karp, Haverhill, Mass. Marie Kraeler, New York City, N. Y.

Barbara Pattee, Salem, Mass. Sarah Roberts, Fort Fairfield, Me. Carol Robin, Providence, R. I. Priscilla Tibbotts, South Portland, Me.

Mary Young, Harrison, Me.

Class of 1947

Nancy Burbank, Berlin, N.H. Joan Hunt, Bayside, N. Y. Arline Kiessling, Melrose, Mass. Ann Norwood, Warren, Me. Jean Rhodenizer, Livermore Falls, Me.

Jean Snowe, Lewiston, Me. Jane Wallace, Little Falls, N. J. Dorothy Weber, Waterville, Me. Roberta Young, Harrison, Me.

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Sorority Pledges Decided By Preferential Bid List

Closed rushing began on Monday and some of those freshmen who were lucky enough to achieve a scholastic average of 70 or better have already attended one or more formal rushing parties.

Closed rushing, which bears an awe inspiring and slightly mysterious sound, may be explained as a time in which the four sororities give a series of large parties to which are invited girls whom they consider desirable as pledges. During this period a few simple rules made by Pan-Hellenic are in force. No eligible freshmen may be in the room of an upperclassman after 7:30 P. M., nor may an upperclassman enter a freshman room. At the close of the last formal party on Thursday night a silence period will be in force until Friday noon when all freshman preferential bid lists have been deposited in Miss Thayer's office. The purpose of this silence period is to enable freshmen to make the important decision of whether or not they will join a sorority without undue upperclass pressure.

Every eligible girl will receive a

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Campus Back To Exclusive Civilian Status By June

Seventy colleges which are aiding in the Army Air Forces college training program and fourteen civilian contract schools enlisted in the pilot's training program are being released for return to civilian uses, "to conform with the present requirements of the Army Air Forces" as the War Department put it.

Among the institutions to be released are these in the East: Colby, Mass. State, Springfield, St. Anselm's, Buffalo, Canisius, Niagara University, Rochester Business Institute, State Teacher's College of New York, Syracuse University, Albright, Alleghany, Bucknell, Clarion, Dickinson, Duquesne, Geneva, Gettysburg, Grove City, Lafayette, Pennsylvania State, St. Vincent, Slippery Rock State teachers, State Teachers College of Pennsylvania, Susquehanna, Williamsport, Dickinson Junior College, Norwich, University of Vermont.

The reasons given by the War Department have been to relieve an excessive and unnecessary burden on the nation's railway systems, and at the same time to effect a large saving of travel funds and military man hours in transit. The headquarters for the 21st College Training Detachment are at Maxwell Field, Alabama. The closing of the Detachment at Colby and the placing of the men further south will save extra transportation and bring the men nearer to the basic training centers.

The War Department has not issued any official statement but it is known that the training program is so large at present that there is no more need of pilots. The Public Relations Officer for the 21st C. T. D. has stated, "As the story has been released by the 'wire services,' the original goal of 100,000 pilots has been more than accomplished as of the 31st of December." Further reports say that casualties less than 20% of what has been expected in the Army Air Corps have led to the closing of the colleges where the air students reach the first stage in the Air Corps training program.

Colby will not be seriously affected by the departure of the Air Corps. In fact, the college will have more opportunities to expand civilian facilities. Dramatic art will once more be a part of the curriculum when Professor Rollins is released from teaching the Army. Dean Marriner, in an

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White And Marker NewHouseChairmen

Meetings to elect house chairmen and proctors for this semester were held last Friday evening. Muriel Marker, '45, and Barbara White, '44, were elected as house chairmen in Louise Coburn and Mary Low respectively.

In Louise Coburn the following proctors have been elected: Ground floor, Barbara King, Jean Rhodenizer, and Muriel Marker; first floor, Elvira Worthington, Thelma Giberson, and Marjorie Maynard; second floor, Barbara Soule, Polly Callard, and Joan Sellar; third floor, Anita Herdogen, Sarah Roberts, and Lillian Hineckley.

In Mary Low the following proctors have been elected: first floor, Bernice Knight, and Nancy Pattison; second floor, Louise Callahan, Adele Grind, red, and Nancy Burbank; third floor, Barbara White, Annabelle Morrison, and Jane Bell.

A Pacifist Looks At The War

By Mary L. Roberts

John Swomley, associate secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, who received his M. A. degree in history and his S. T. B. degree at Boston University, addressed a large group last Friday evening under the sponsorship of the S. C. A. Reconstruction Committee and the current events group. Mr. Swomley analyzed the present scene as confirming the principles of non-violence.

Pacifism rests on the philosophical belief that no good can come from evil. Its religious basis is a belief in the innate spiritual goodness of man, and therefore, in the universal brotherhood of man. The pacifist regards war as an evil from which no other good can come. War causes further wars. Social and economic evils have their roots in a society built on war.

Since World War II is caused by evil in both the past and the present, Mr. Swomley maintains that the only way to eliminate further wars is to eliminate the evil by substituting good in its place. War, as the primary evil, therefore becomes the chief enemy, and an immediate end of the war the chief goal.

Mr. Swomley substantiated this stand by an analysis of the present scene in which several trends are evil.

The first is shown in polls, similar to our Gallup poll, taken in Britain on the question, "Who are our real enemies, the Nazi regime or the German people?" In 1939 ninety per cent said the Nazi regime and six per cent the German people. A few years later, the figures had changed to fifty per cent saying the Nazi regime was the real enemy and forty per cent the German people. Four months later forty per cent blamed the Nazi regime and fifty per cent the German people. In this country also the trend since the Atlantic Charter has been away from talk of mercy and justice to talk of revenge. Talk of punishment of war criminals has replaced talk of feeding Europe.

A further trend here is found in the foreign policy of the United States, which has recently shown a tendency to further fascism abroad. This has been done by U. S. military aid to a tottering France, by the support of Dalan in North Africa, and by the support of the Ethiopian war hero, Bagdolio, in Italy. In contrast to this, Bonos, the one really successful democratic leader of a European nation, is held in a political prison by the Allies. This policy, Mr.

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Colby's Fifth War . . .

Colby College was founded during the War of 1812, and since then has remained open during all ensuing wars. Yet, students were heard remarking on registration day that Colby was going to close when the Army Air Force moved out. The comment that Colby would never be able to survive without the money obtained from the 21st C. T. D. was heard frequently.

Such remarks have amazed the majority of students who heard the rumors circulated about campus. President Bixler has assured Colby students that the college will function as it did before the Air Corps arrived last February. And we wish to impress it upon those who are still skeptical about the financial status of our college that Colby has had a non-profit contract with the Army Air Corps. It is true that the Army occupation of the buildings vacated by Colby students when the war began solved a problem for the administration. However, when the Air Corps has left, the administration is planning to make use of as many of the buildings as possible, perhaps to house additional women students.

Colby students who in all good faith fear for the fate of their college should, nevertheless, stop to think before repeating a story about the status of the college.

—L. C.

After The Peace . . .

In the immediate years after the peace, college and universities will have an all important part to play in reconstruction and aid in preventing a gigantic and disastrous economic crisis which would doom from too rapid demobilization of the army and navy.

With the termination of the war, there will not be a complete termination of present training and the maintaining of a large army and navy. The government plans on a seven-ocean navy and a standing army of approximately two and a half million to police the world after the armistice. A plan of this type will require an army officers corps only slightly smaller, and a naval officer corps no smaller than that of the present emergency. Being mindful of this need and sensitive to the possibility of creating an economic crisis through rapid demobilization, the military authorities probably will keep them in uniform and require them to undertake or complete their college education. It is even possible that the college programs will be greatly expanded to serve as shock absorbers between a wartime and a peacetime economy and that many more thousands of soldiers, sailors, and airmen not now in the college training programs will be included in the post war enterprise.

The present contraction of the college training program is undoubtedly being carried on with an eye to the future. This gradual reduction of Army, and, later the Navy programs, in colleges is preparation for the armistice. A sudden and extensive reduction would result in chaos and in the failure of many institutions. This will give colleges ample opportunity to revert to civilian use exclusively. However this must not be confused with the main cause for the War Department's recent announcement. Rather it is that goal set is being reached. Thus the present program, calling only for replacements, eliminates all need for the present extensive training programs.

J. E. McC.

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.

Dear Colby:

The Season's Greetings from "Down Under!" I've been planning to write for some time but have been doing a little running lately and haven't had a chance. Join the Army and see the world.

Anyway, here I sit on Christmas day, in a lather of sweat, fighting off clouds of mosquitos the size of sparrows. Please enter my address on the mailing list and send along some copies of the Alumnus! Any and all news from home is welcome, and the Alumnus is just what I need. It's a great and interesting experience here in Australia. The country is wild and rugged, plenty hot at this time of year too, and the people have tremendous excess energy. One of their dances makes a jam session in the Women's Union pale by comparison. Of course traffic runs the wrong way and the money is weird, but my head is bloody but unbowed! My best regards to the Colby Family, I remain,

As ever,

PAT SMALL.

(Editor's Note—Pat Small served on the ECHO staff as Business Manager last year.)

To the Editor of the ECHO:

There was quite a discussion last year about the advisability of shutting down sororities for the duration. Many sorority girls felt that their groups did not offer enough benefits to be continued in this time when the college was cutting out all clubs and activities that were unessential. Many felt both within and without sorority, that the groups fostered cliques. Instead of working together as a college, we spent too much time working against each other.

Sororities have been given a reprieve but the probation period isn't up yet. The whole system is under inspection. It is up to all of us, to pass inspection.

This week will be hard on us all, but if the rushees can keep their heads above the oceans of creamed chicken that will pass before them, and if the upperclassmen will keep enough out of the frenzy of attracting prospective so that Monday we can all sit down peaceably together with no daggers passing across the dining room we will have accomplished a lot toward learning to live together.

Here's to a safe and sane rushing.

—N. J. J.

To the Editor:

Four awards in dramatic writing are offered in the ninth annual competitions of Dramatists' Alliance of Stanford University. The late great Stephen Vincent Benet is remembered in a new prize for radio plays in prose or verse, preferably on American themes such as the poet himself produced so richly; the award is fifty dollars and recommendation to radio production units. Other awards are the Anderson prize of one hundred dollars for verse drama, in full length or one-act form; the Etherage award for full-length comedy, also one hundred dollars; and the Gray award for dramatic criticism, which brings twenty-five dollars and recommendation to standard periodicals. The most producible of the dramas offered for the Anderson and Etherage prize will be staged by Hillbarn Theatre, only summer repertory theatre of northern California.

No second prizes are given, but leading honors plays are sent with the winners to Samuel French, NBC offices in New York, MGM, and responsible producing units among community theatres, as part of the Alliance's effort to introduce new playwrights to the country at large. Other privileges extended to contributors include the critical review of the season's best contributions, presented first at the Dramatists' Assembly in summer following the competitions, and issued in printed form in the association's Bulletin each year; brief written critiques (two for each item) of contributions for which the writers pay the nominal fee of three dollars; introduction of promising dramatists to members of the association already placed in theatre and cinema, for advice and assistance.

Recent contributors whose work has been recognized by press and public since their entry in these competitions, include Owen Dodson of Virginia, whose poems and poetic play have been published in Theatre Arts Magazine; George Seibel of Pennsylvania, whose work has been accepted by French; Charles Angoff, whose drama produced by Blackfriars in New York was criticized in The New Yorker and the metropolitan dailies; Ned Rosing, who published a radio play in Directions Magazine, and had his honor play in the Dr. Christian Contest broadcast nationally last July.

Writers should send for registration forms and information at once; final date for the present series of competitions is March 15, 1944. Address all inquiries and contributions to Dramatists' Alliance, Box 200 Z, Stanford University, California.

—D. A.

DEAN'S LIST
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Fall Term—1943-44

Class of 1944

Roland J. Barriault, Waterville, Me.

Charles A. Hannigan, Houlton, Me.
Peter H. Igarashi, Denson, Ark.

Class of 1945

Class of 1946

William L. Whittemore, Skowhegan, Me.

Class of 1947

Cloyd G. Aarsoth, Woodhaven, N. Y.

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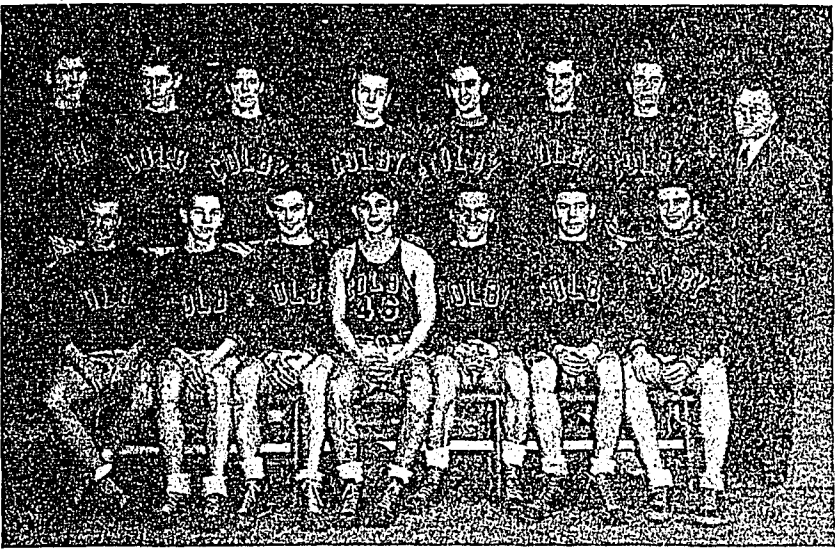
The editor of the Oracle has made a request for informal snapshots of life at Colby. These should be given to Frances Shannon quickly.

W. A. A. NOTICE

Alice Katkauskas was chosen the Senior representative of the Women's Athletic Association.

NOTICE

W. A. A. extends a cordial invitation to all members of the faculty to its formal dance, Saturday evening, February 12.



Front Row— (left to right): Ulman, Clement, Nardozi, Foster, Briggs, Bruckheimer, Rogers.
Back Row: McCoy, Clark, Jones, Thomas, Gill, Bromley, Gutteridge, and Coach Loebs.
Not in picture: E. Kaplan

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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land and Waterville High Schools.

The players in the picture who are not back this semester are as follows: Kerry Briggs, Wilton; Paul Bromley, Waterville; William Gutteridge, Lawrence, Mass.; Edward Kaplan, Dorchester, Mass.; Donald McCoy, Newton, Mass.; Clifford Rogers, New York City; and Prince Thomas, Masardis.

The full names and addresses of the others follow: David Bruckheimer, Scarsdale, New York; David Clark, Newtonville, Mass.; Howell

Clement, Portland; Melvin Foster, Dorchester, Mass.; Leonard Gill, Amesbury, Mass.; David Jones, Marblehead, Mass.; Robert Nardozi, Mount Vernon, New York, and George Ulman, Monson.

Newcomers to the squad are Ralph Barron, Clinton; Herbert Cates, East Vassalboro; Edwin Caughlin, Clinton; Richard Granger, Worcester, Mass.; Jordan Kaplan, South Norwalk, Conn.; Albert Penta, Stoneham, Mass.; Theodore Russell, Winslow; Robert Sagansky, Brookline, Mass.; Leonard Warshaver, Mattapan, Mass.; Chester Woods, Providence, R. I.; and Carl Wright, Pittsfield.

Maintenance Department Starts Glamourizing Hill

While Colby's students were home during the six-week vacation period, the college maintenance department got to work on necessary repairs. The gymnasium floor was resurfaced, and curtains were put up on the stage. Storm porches were put on the wom-

en's dormitories and the Union, and the interiors of these buildings were cleaned and painted. On the lower campus, the piping in Chemical hall was fixed, and Hedman hall was furnished with a lounge for the boys.

The department is planning to install a coffee silex unit in the Women's Union, and also an enlargement of the store facilities to include additional articles for the convenience of the students.

Coming Speakers

February

Friday, 4th, Mr. Philip Hofer of Harvard at Library Associates.

Saturday, 5th, Dr. Hugh Robinson, Colby, '18, recently returned on Gripsholm, at College Assembly.

Monday, 7th, Gov. Sewall at Adult Education Class in American Civilization.

Wednesday, 9th, Mr. William S. Newell, President of Bath Iron Works, at Adult Education Class in Labor Relations.

Sunday, 20th, All-college church service; speaker to be announced.

Monday, 21st, Rep. Margaret Chase Smith at Adult Education Class in American Education.

Tuesday, 22nd, Mrs. Marion Lyndon, Education Services Officer of O. P. A.

March

Friday, 10th, Mr. Hugh Hodgson in recital on Averill Lecture series.

Sunday, 12th, Monday, 13th, Rev. Irving Murray here as guest of Student Christian Association.

Friday, 17th, Professor Samuel M. Green of Colby at Library Associates.

Wednesday, 22nd, Mrs. Elisabeth May Craig, President of Women's Press Association of Washington.

Friday, 24th, Professor T. M. Greene of Princeton here as Averill Lecturer.

Saturday, 25th, Professor Greene at College Assembly.

Sunday, 26th, Professor Greene speaker at all-college church service.

Monday, 27th, Senator R. Owen Brewster at Adult Education Class in American Civilization.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATES MEETING

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No one completely understands Blake, partly because he lived in another age and partly because his ideas and visions are so far removed from life. However, the most important thing in art is not to dissect it but to enjoy it.

Blake's physical life was peaceful and frugal. He was born in 1757, the son of a hosier, and was brought up on the teaching of Swedenborg. Married early, he lived happily with a wife who understood the strange genius of her husband. Early in life he began to have the heavenly visions that marked him as a mystic.

Recognition of his genius came only with World War I. We are indeed lucky that so much of his work has been preserved when we consider how little he was appreciated in his own time. His painting is better known in the United States than in any other part of the world, and large collections have been built up by E.

W. Hooper, W. A. White, and Grenville Winthrop.

The first group of slides shown were his tempera paintings. Chief among these are "Nelson Guiding Leviathan," "The Canterbury Pilgrims," and the "Nativity." The latter was done in copper which has expanded so that the book is not in good condition.

Next shown were his illuminated relief printed books. In these he shows "the fervor and care of the medieval monk." In all these books there is a striking resemblance to the Gothic style of bookmaking. Among these books are "The Songs of Experience," "Book of Thel," "Marriage of Heaven and Hell," "America," and "Europe." He was much impressed by the American and French Revolutions, and in the latter two books he predicts that man must always be freed by revolt. The last and longest of these books was called "Jerusalem." In all of these he shows a great sense of color and powerful sweep of ideas.

His illustrations for publishers are very famous and among them are the illustrations for the "Book of Job," Milton's "Paradise Lost," and "The Divine Comedy." Throughout these series one sees much of his favorite device—mystical figures flying through the air.

Blake bears a great resemblance to Goya who also had a vivid imagination. Although Goya was a greater artist than he, Blake showed a heavenly touch that endears him to all.

Mr. Hofer concluded his address by saying, "Blake saw, as nearly as mortals can, Heaven in the beauty of his spiritual aim. Blake transcends the greater master."

At the close of the lecture Mr. Hofer displayed some of Blake's original books and engravings. Following this refreshments were served in the Smith Lounge.

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Marilyn Hubert is the industrious member of the Hubert, Hunt and Maynard threesome on the first floor of Louise Coburn. Though she expresses an interest in social work, her musical talents seem uppermost at Colby. She not only sings with the Glee Club, but manipulates a graceful bow on the violin. This Plymouth, N. H., lassie is now sporting a snappy and "very becoming," quote her roommates, new hair coiffure cut and styled by "Charlie" across the hall. And here's a rarity—she waves the flag for civilians!

Joan Hunt, another Bayside beauty (hope they continue to come) with a turned up nose and sparkling blue-grey eyes is a med-tech major who pulls down "A's" with a mere toss of her pretty head. She loves to dance, but would appreciate a few more navy-blues at Open House. She and Midge, roommate No. 2, are in constant competition for conversational honors. Joan's stunning clothes are the result of a clever mother's ingenuity.

Marjorie Maynard, Midge, or the "Do I Worry, Yes, I Do" girl, is the blonde addition to room 109, L. C. Hall and comes to us from East Hartford, Connecticut. She's a great little dancer and loves to ski. She loves Spanish and would be a good candidate for a "Hi Neighbor" program

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for more reasons than adaptability to language.

Shirley Foster, enrolled in the nursing course, is known to us by the photogenic smile she flashes, complete with two dimples. Most of us would be grateful for one. A certain man in the Medical Corps of the Army whose picture is conspicuous on her bureau, also possesses a set of similar charms. Shirley is from Framingham, Mass., is a great sport fan and gets a big kick out of biology. Lucky little frogs!

Peggy Moody, who shares a double-decker with Shirley, occupies the lower bunk because she walks in her sleep. Night watchman beware of that flashing red hair! She is also a potential nurse and that hair would be tonic enough for anyone. Peg from Duxbury, Mass., and roommate, Shirley have been called a "couple of peaches" by an anonymous admirer. Enough said.

A PACIFIST LOOKS AT THE WAR

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Swomley stated, seems founded on a desire to set up a clerical-fascist regime in Europe against Russia. Evidence for this is a general trend in the press in the direction of praising Franco. A recent article in Collier's by Archbishop Spellman lauded Franco as a devout Christian. This fear of Russia is built on fears of a sovietized Europe after the war. Signs pointing in that direction are the financial support of underground movements in Europe, such as General Tito's partisans and the possible annexation of Latvia, Lithuania, and Estonia. Also Russia has demanded German labor to rebuild the great destruction wrought by the war.

For Britain, a fight to complete exhaustion means disaster. Her conversion to war industry is ninety per cent compared to no conversion of importance in the United States except in the metal industries. This with a Navy five times as large as Britain's after the war, will then give us control of Britain's markets. Only a negotiated peace can avert this complete disaster. A further evidence showing unwillingness to continue the war are two mutinies on British naval vessels being sent to the Far East. Mr. Swomley said he did not favor a negotiated peace with the Nazis, but with some other government set up by the German people.

The way out, Mr. Swomley stated is to proclaim peace aims immediately, such as will have psychological appeal to man everywhere. Such peace aims should speak with mercy and justice to the needs of the German and Japanese people, destroying the fear of invasion and a peace worse than Versailles, promising an equal share in basic needs of food, clothing, and shelter in the reconstruction period, and promising an end to persecution and no loss of territory beyond war conquest.

This is the pacifist way to end the war and to win the peace by removing NOW the evils which cause the war and are causing it to continue. Such evil as we call Fascism as opposed to Democracy exists not only over there but here at home. The elimination of such evil here will reach across the sea with its psychological impact and enables those there who share our ideals to lead their people in the overthrow of their fascist evil.

Colby Students Become Junior U.S.O. Hostesses

The Waterville U. S. O. is being carried on in a slightly different way this year. The U. S. O. committee selects a number of Waterville and Colby girls from a list of those who would like to serve as hostesses for one week. There is no partiality shown in choosing the weekly hostesses. The system is used so that all the girls may have their turns.

The rules have, also, been changed. A girl absolutely cannot enter the Waterville U. S. O. Lounge unless she presents her junior hostess card. Junior hostesses may not leave the lounge without special permission. Girls are not permitted to smoke while dancing or to wear slacks, saddle shoes, socks or "sloppy Joe" sweaters. Two violations of the rules will result in dismissal of the junior hostess.

Last Sunday night, February 6, from 4:30 to 7:30 a dance was held in the U. S. O. Lounge. The Colby junior hostesses who attended that activity were: Shirley Armstrong, Louise Boudrot, Polly Callard, Thelma Giberson, Roslyn Kramer, Gloria Kennedy, Nancey Loveland, Muriel Marker, Jean O'Brien, Marjorie Owen, Elvira Worthington, and Shirley Martin.

INCREASED ENROLLMENT

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interview with an ECHO reporter, said that it was too early to tell what will be done with the buildings vacated by the Army. However, Dean Marriner admits that more girls than ever before in the history of Colby will be admitted. As yet no plans for housing the girls have been made. There will also be an increase in the male enrollment under the new rehabilitation programs for discharged service men.

The date of the departure of the last squadron to train at Colby is not known, but it is estimated that some of the air students will be here until June.

President Bixler has summarized the situation in these words: "The announcement of the closing of the Army Air Forces Training Program has come as a surprise to all of us here at Colby, and an unpleasant one since it had seemed that from every point of view the program was going well. However, we can only be glad to have the report that casualties are fewer than had been expected and that not as many men will be needed as pilots. Further, this will give us a chance to concentrate on our real job which is that of helping Colby to become the best possible liberal arts institute of its kind.

"I do not think that Colby's chance to participate directly in the war effort is over. There are other ways in which we can do our part to speed victory as well as to plan for the post-war world. Meanwhile we welcome this evidence of the belief in high places that the end of this terrible struggle is at least in sight."

SKATING PARTY

Come one, come all to the skating get-together in the Front Street Rink, Friday evening, February 11, 1944. An exhibition will be presented by the Waterville Skating Club. There will be general skating for all and refreshments will be served.

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RUSHING

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preferential bid list. This does not mean, however, that every girl will be asked to join the sorority of her choice. In filling out the bid list the wise freshman will list only one sorority if there is only one she really wishes to pledge. It is not good practice to list all four sororities unless one would be equally satisfied with a bid from any one of them. Preferential bid lists are binding for one year. For example, a freshman who does not accept a bid from a group she lists can not accept an invitation to join another sorority within that year. Signatures should be affixed to each list, even if one does not plan to join any organization, and placed in the ballot box before Friday noon. Invitations to membership will be mailed on Saturday.

Serious consideration should be given the question of sororities. Deferred rushing was designed to give freshman and upperclass girls a chance to become well acquainted. Closed rushing gives the sorority members an opportunity to indicate their preferences. Keeping these facts in mind, one should be able to decide if one wishes to become a sorority member or remain independent and in which group one would be happiest.

DR. ROBINSON

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President Bixler introduced the speaker who told a few of his numerous experiences while an internee of the Japanese.

"I was in China in 1941," said Dr. Robinson, "and I thought there was going to be a war." In an attempt to get away from it, he went to Manila, arriving there on December 7th, the day the Japanese attacked Pearl Harbor. Being ordered off the boat on which he had hoped to sail to the United States, Dr. Robinson heard a radio call for volunteer doctors and nurses issued by the Philippine Red Cross. After four futile attempts at trying to get an opportunity to work for them, he turned to the Army and was quickly accepted by them.

When the army quietly moved out of Manila on December 30, there were approximately 900 patients in the annex to which Dr. Robinson was assigned.

At length a list was made of those patients who could walk and those who couldn't. Those who could not were sent to Australia. Those who could walk were shipped out at night. Dr. Robinson not being a member of the Army found himself left behind on January 1, 1942, with a handful of doctors and student nurses.

On January 2nd, 1942, the Japanese took Manila. On the 5th, they sent soldiers to the Presbyterian Mission and took Dr. Robinson and the other members of the group to a university where they were to register. Upon their arrival at the enemy alien camp there were no Japanese to be seen, no one but other prisoners. Dr. Robinson and his party camped out in an empty classroom.

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did," said Dr. Robinson, "was to form a committee." Those people who had lived in Manila were brought food and clean clothing by their Filipino servants, but the transients were fed by the Philippine Red Cross. Rations consisted of a cup of coffee the first day, sandwiches the second day. By the third day, the children were being fed, and by February 1st everyone was receiving two meals a day.

A medical service was organized in the camp by the Americans. By the fourth day, the hospital was completely set up. Dr. Robinson drew the first night duty. The only place he could find to put his bed was a small room where "bedpans and hot water bottles were kept." He was the first one in camp to own a "private room."

One of the first thoughts of the Americans was Education. Settling down when they finally realized that "MacArthur and the Marines" would not come right away, they established a wide range of courses, from kindergarten through two years of college. Because of a shortage of paper and chalk, education was a somewhat difficult proposition but nevertheless it was managed.

There were many different nationalities represented in the internment camp, "everything except Eskimos," recalled Dr. Robinson.

It was not until April of the first year that the Japanese realized the enemy aliens were being fed by the Red Cross. As an alternative measure, the Japanese gave the prisoners 35 cents a day for allowance. After inflation came, the Japanese raised it to 40 cents, and shortly before Dr. Robinson left, it was raised again to 50 cents per day. But this larger amount of money did not purchase as much food as the first 35 cents per day had.

The assembly closed with the singing of the Colby Alma Mater.

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