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## Student Councils Work On Cuts

### Colby Faculty Plans Maine College Newspaper Staffs Gather At Colby For Conference

#### Professors Cover Conventions In Various Parts Of Country

Many professors are attending conventions and delivering lectures during the coming Christmas holidays in various parts of the United States.

Professor Newman, Secretary of the National Association of Biblical Instructors will be present at a meeting of this organization on December 26 and several days later will attend the annual convention of the Society of Biblical Literature and Exegesis. Both of these meetings are being held in New York City.

Miss Norwood tentatively plans to attend the Modern Language Association Conference in Chicago, December 27-29.

President Bixler will lecture at a meeting of the Woodfords Men's Club in Portland on December 21.

Dean Marriner has already attended the annual meeting of the College Entrance Exam Board in New York on December 5. He was in Boston December 7 and 8 where he attended the annual meeting of the New England Association of College and Secondary Schools, also, a meeting of the Reorganization Committee of the New England College and Mission Board, of which he is President.

Professor Carr will be in Cincinnati, Ohio where he will cover several conventions: the American Philological Association, the Archeological Institute of America, and the Council of the American Classical League of which he is vice president.

#### Powder & Wig To Stage Comedy By Noel Coward As Second Performance

Noel Coward's high farce "Hay Fever" has been selected by Powder and Wig for its second production of the year.

Copies of the play are now at the Library, and some will be sent to the Mayflower Hill branch immediately. Try-outs are open to the entire college and all who wish to try for parts must read the play in advance.

Trials will be held in the English Room, Chemical 28, from 4:00 to 6:00, Thursday, January 3, and from 7:00 to 9:00, Friday, January 4. Rehearsals will begin in the week of January 7. During the period up to Mid-year Examinations and during the Examinations there will probably be three rehearsals a week—special rehearsals at odd times during the Mid-year, if they are possible. After Exams, rehearsals will probably come four times a week, with one rehearsal extra for different groups.

A statement from Professor Rollins reads, "No one should appear for trials who cannot and is not willing to put in a considerable amount of time in rehearsal. Every possible consideration will be given in scheduling and conducting these rehearsals, but doing a full-length play is not an easy undertaking for anybody concerned in it."

Performance is tentatively scheduled for March 10. Casting will be done by Professor Rollins in consultation with members of Powder and Wig.



Top Picture, Editors-in-Chief of the four Maine College Newspapers meet. Sitting, from left to right are Herbert Moore, Bowdoin; Myrtle Holden, Bates; Hannah Karp, Colby; John Clement, University of Maine.

Bottom Picture, Delegates to Conference gather to discuss general problems of editing a college newspaper.

In the first conference of its type ever held in Maine, the newspaper staffs of Bowdoin, Bates, the University of Maine and Colby discussed their common problems last Saturday and Sunday. The meetings were held under the auspices of the Colby ECHO. Hannah Karp, editor-in-chief, was in charge of the general arrangements.

A general discussion of policy took place Saturday afternoon. At six o'clock a candlelight dinner was served in the Smith Lounge, with Pres. and Mrs. Julius S. Bixler and Prof. and Mrs. Gordon Smith as guests. Miss Helen Nichols assisted by Alice Rex and Jean Rhodenizer was responsible for the dinner.

Sunday morning group meetings were held, with the editors-in-chief forming one group, the news and make-up editors another, and the business managers a third.

Plans were made for intercollegiate exchanges, and it was agreed that similar annual conferences in the future will be valuable. Critical surveys of the several papers were made.

Bowdoin was represented by Herbert Moore, editor-in-chief; Leonard Bell, business manager; Blake Hanna associate editor, and Robert Miller, feature editor.

The Bates delegation included Myrtle Holden, editor-in-chief; Margaret Overton, circulation manager; Electra Zinzopoulos, managing editor; and Gloria Finelli, associate editor.

From Maine came John Clement, editor-in-chief; Helen Herrick, managing editor; and Olaf Chamberlain, news editor.

Colby's delegation included Hannah Karp, editor-in-chief; Anne Lawrence, news editor; Norma Taraldsen, news editor; Jean Whiston, make-up editor; Carol Robin, business manager; Frederick Sontag, men's editor, and Cloyd Anaseth, sports editor. Associate editors were also invited to attend.

We wish to express our deep appreciation to Stanley Gilman of Waterville Senior High School for taking the pictures of the News Conference for the ECHO.

### J. Rush Appointed As New Instructor

Announcement of a course in Journalism (English 7-8) starting in the Fall of 1946 has recently been made by President J. S. Bixler.

Mr. James B. L. Rush recently discharged captain in the Infantry has been named as instructor of the new course as well as instructor in English for veterans entering Colby in February 1946.

Mr. Rush is a graduate of Williams College, Class of '36, where he majored in English and graduated with "cum laude" honors. He also graduated from the Columbia School of Journalism in 1937, and, had before entering the army, had three years' experience with the Roslyn "News" of Roslyn, Long Island, and with the "Evening Tribune" of Hornell, New York. He has served as reporter, editor, special writer, "make-up" man, and in various other journalistic capacities. He has traveled extensively in Europe, and during the war served in England and France.

Mr. and Mrs. Rush expect to begin their residence in Waterville on February 1, 1946. During the second semester of the present academic year his work will be confined to English instruction of the newly admitted veterans.

### S. C. A. Gives Children's Party

On Saturday afternoon, a Christmas party was held by the Community Committee of the Student Christian Association for the children of Waterville in the gymnasium of the Alumnae Building.

The young guests played games and sang the usual Christmas Carols. After a reading of "The Night Before Christmas" by Ann Lefford, Santa Claus portrayed by Carl Ohlquist, distributed the presents from under the tree. Ice Cream and candy were served, climaxing the good time.

President Bixler requests that no trees on Mayflower Hill be cut down for use as Christmas decorations.

### Hallowell Contest In Public Speaking Offers Cash Prizes

The Hallowell Prize Speaking Contest will be held on January 10, at 8:00 o'clock in the Chapel, Old Campus. Prizes amounting to \$60.00 will be awarded by a board of three judges to first, second and third place winners.

Preliminaries will take place on the afternoon of January 7, in the Chapel. Eight finalists will be chosen by a board of five undergraduate judges, members of speaking classes of previous years. An excerpt of about two minutes, from a speech of ten minutes' length, will be given by each member of the class in Public Speaking, English 3.

The general subject for the Contest is "The World We Live In." Many of the speeches are based upon studies of college and community problems as well as concerns of the national and world situation.

### Prof. Seepe Arranges Series Of Industry Trips

A series of plant visits aimed to find out first hand the problems confronting Management today, have been conducted during the past few weeks by Professor Arthur W. Seepe, Assistant Professor of Business Administration and Assistant to the Treasurer.

A number of undergraduates interested in labor relations, the labor supply shortage, plant location, machinery layout, internal plant conditions, and problems of obtaining necessary materials to swing into full peacetime production have joined in on these visits.

Among the plants visited are the Hathaway Shirt Factory, Waterville, the BFD plant, Oakland, a Fairfield plant, the Lockwood Cotton Co., Waterville, and scheduled for after Christmas are visits to the Waterville Iron Works, and the Hollingsworth and Whitney Mills, Winslow.

### SECOND SEMESTER ELECTIONS

Students presently in attendance and who register for the second semester will be enrolled in those second semester classes indicated on the approved election cards filed in the Registrar's Office unless they amend their elections in accordance with established procedures. Voluntary revisions of programs may be accomplished without penalty prior to 15 January 1946; the forms are available at the Registrar's Office.

Enrollment in certain second semester courses is cancelled if students fail to pass the corresponding courses during the first semester; the adjustments in programs caused thereby may be effected on Tuesday, 12 February 1946, registration day for the second semester.

Students are now reminded that tuition is due on Tuesday, 12 February 1946, and that no excuses or extensions are granted for late payment. Embarrassment and inconvenience may be avoided by paying tuition prior to the 12th of February.

Elmer C. Warren  
Registrar

### Joint Meeting Of Groups Discuss Proposed Change

A suggestion for revisions in the present cut system of the college was established at a joint meeting of the Student Government and Student Council, held in the upstairs lounge of the Alumnae Building at 8:00, Tuesday evening. The representatives of the two organizations met to consider this and other problems common to the women's and men's divisions. The decision for the suggestion to be brought before the faculty was made after the investigations and report of the Student Faculty Relations Committee was given and thoroughly discussed. The plan, which seems to be best for the college as a whole, provides for the establishment of a system whereby a student is allowed a minimum of two cuts per semester, giving him a small amount of freedom for unforeseen difficulties while the maximum number of cuts allowed is up to the individual instructor. This plan would in no way change the present ruling on cuts immediately preceding and following recesses. Also discussed at the meeting was the proposal of a new "Super Council" of men and women to supplement the present student governmental arrangement. It has become increasingly evident to the members of both organizations that such an executive body is needed for joint problems. The Government-Council voted unanimously in favor of such a step and organized a committee to investigate the matter.

Another unanimous approval came in support of the S. C. A. plan for a benefit basketball game to be held on January 12. The S. C. A. plan is for an admission charge to all students attending the Bowdoin game for the benefit of the world Student Service Fund dispensing with the need of soliciting. This is a step that has never been tried before in any college for this fund. Several members of the basketball squad have already voiced their approval and are planning to start the drive by purchasing tickets themselves. The two organizations are anxious to have this action carry through as an example of student initiative as well as the two important suggestions made earlier in the evening.

### Harold Clark '28 Returns To Resume Library Job

Among the many veterans returning to Colby this fall is Harold Clark, '28, book collector, amateur photographer, Lambda Chi Alpha, and Phi Beta Kappa.

Mr. Clark resumed his job as assistant librarian after two years service in the army. He was stationed at Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia, as an ex-Ray technician and instructor.

One of his special interests in the library is the Book Arts Collection. He has resumed his work of building up this group of books which are valuable because of their excellence in binding, illustrations, or printing.

A photography fan, Mr. Clark was affiliated with the Colby Camera Club before the war. He has entered his work in many local camera shows.

As a student at Colby, Mr. Clark majored in Latin, was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He began his work in the library at that time. After graduation in 1928, he received his M. A. at Columbia. He joined the regular library staff in 1930.

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## Assemblies . . .

Number of faculty members at Colby 50 (approximately)  
Members present at ALL-college assembly 18 (definitely)  
NEED MORE BE SAID?

And while on the subject of assemblies, it seems that the students might consider what constitutes a considerate and courteous audience. To those who wished to appreciate the fine selections presented by the orchestra and the instructive and interesting talk given by the speaker, the noise, inattention, and rudeness of many members of the audience were very distracting and annoying.

By requiring one assembly a month, the administration is asking very little in comparison to many of our neighboring colleges which require daily chapels. Therefore, the least we can do is respond conscientiously and adultly to this call to attain unity of a divided campus on such rare occasions. Worthwhile and enjoyable programs have been arranged; and it is a small token of respect to our college to be courteous and attentive at our assemblies.

H. K.

## The Echo Starts Its Good Neighbor Policy . .

This past weekend, the ECHO board played host to editors of the newspapers of Bowdoin, Bates, and the University of Maine. On this first occasion of such a gathering in Maine, ideas on policy, proposals of change, and constructive criticism were freely and cordially exchanged.

The gathering was not a conference in any formal sense of the word, but rather a meeting where difficulties and problems common to all college newspapers could be discussed and partially if not completely solved.

This was a first attempt, and one that was unanimously acclaimed as being very successful, and it is the hope of the ECHO that such instructive gatherings and friendly relations may be promoted among the Maine colleges in the future.

H. K.

## An Open Letter To President Bixler . . .

It is our understanding that the National Collegiate Athletic Association is holding its 40th annual convention at the Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, Missouri, on Jan. 9 and 10th. They have invited a delegate from Colby College to be present at the convention. The American Football Coaches Association and the College Physical Education Association are holding their meetings at the same time at St. Louis. Distinguished speakers will address the joint session of the above mentioned organizations, on the very important problems of the reconversion of the intercollegiate athletic program to a peacetime basis. There will also be discussion for both the small college group and the large college and university group.

The NCAA was established by the college presidents in 1905 and it remains the only organization of national scope concerned with the welfare of the entire list of intercollegiate sports and their administration. This meeting comes at a time when all colleges and universities are confronted with many unusual problems in the conduct of athletics. It is our feeling that much benefit could be derived from sending a delegate to the convention in order to keep Colby in the forefront with the rest of the colleges and universities of the nation. In other words, we want to know the new and different methods and ideas that could make intercollegiate athletics at Colby everything they should be in the new era that begins on Mayflower Hill in the new year.

We believe the man best qualified and the man who has the students' and faculty's interest at heart is Bill Millett. It is a well known fact that interest in intercollegiate sports has increased since the war's end and will continue to increase in the future. It is definitely a very important part of the college curriculum. The investment, however small it may be, will reap value that cannot be ascertained in mere terms of money.

Signed,

THOMAS F. KEEFE, JR., Athletic Council.  
ROBERT SINGER, Athletic Council.  
COURTNEY SIMPSON, Co-Captain, Football Team.  
FREDERICK SONTAG, Men's Editor, The ECHO.  
DONALD BUTCHER, Varsity, Hockey, Baseball.

## 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 name used if requested. The Editor reserves the right to withhold from publication all or any part of communications received.

Editor's note: This letter was received in reply to the last "Colby Outlook" column, which dealt with the merger of the Armed Forces.

To the Editor:

In your article "Colby Outlook" in the December 5 edition of the ECHO you discussed the idea of a merger of the armed forces. I'm definitely against the plan, but that is not the object of this letter, the discussion of the plan.

My point in writing is to dispute your remark on the Marines being a "totally land force." That is quite erroneous and a slap in the face to a number (quite a number) of "Sea Going Marines." On every cruiser, battleship and aircraft carrier of the navy there are at least 80 marines. On the larger ships there are upwards of 120 marines. On the other ships of the navy there are marines doing everything from Captain's Orderly to manning the 20mm, 40mm and 5 inch secondary batteries. The marines also function as guards and instructors for the navy. Over half the Marine Corps is performing vitally important jobs for the navy, while the other half is working with the navy in securing bases in the Pacific.

Another statement you made about the navy shooting down army planes and vice versa, being due to the different services is entirely erroneous. It's mighty hard for a soldier, sailor or marine to recognize a plane going 300 miles per hour especially during an air raid or right after one. In a raid you have sometimes less than five seconds to swing your guns on the plane and fire, so if one of our planes approaches a ship in the wrong direction he is going to be shot down and no merger of the forces can ever prevent it. One evening on Guadalcanal we shot down 5 P39's in about 3 minutes, because they came in low (making recognition difficult) and circled the field in the wrong direction. It wasn't that they were Army Pilots and didn't know the rules of the field; they had been operating from that field for a week and did know the rules. That night they forgot and it cost them their lives.

One battalion was being supported by two destroyers on an attack. After the ships ceased firing we moved into the target area. Misunderstanding the command one of the radio men sent word to the ships to repeat, and as a result we lost about 95 men. Mistakes like that could not be prevented if Admiral King married General Marshall, so I suggest you stick to the facts and not theories when you write such an article.

LARRY WATTLES.

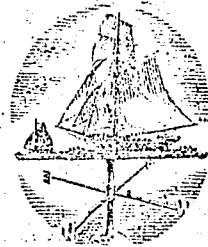
To the Editor of the ECHO:

Disappearance of college property has reached an all time high during the last few weeks. At the social room in the Alumnae Building intentional smashing of vic records was climaxed by the theft of approximately \$7.00 worth of new records. On the Hill everything from ashtrays to the Christmas wreath on the Union door has been taken. Obviously this must stop. It is incomprehensible that people do not realize they are proving nothing by such disregard of public property.

The money each of us pays to the school helps to provide these same things that are now going into various dormitory rooms where they do no general good. Furthermore it stands to reason that at some point college officials will cease to make replacements purely from the angle of financial impossibility.

Either we must stop acting like five year olds trying to get away with all we can, or else we can go on cutting our own throats with reckless abandon until all our privileges are suspended.

A. M. E.



## Weathervane

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LIEUT. NORMAN D. PALMER

"I'm wondering if the college is ready to offer something of real value to the returning service men, who will expect training that is vital and not hampered by too much academic trivia and outworn requirements. I'm also wondering if my colleagues have been aware of the significance of the events of the past few years, which have revolutionized the lives of all of us, and indeed ended the lives of far too many. The atomic bomb and its frightening implications and elaborations will probably mark a new and possibly tragic era in history."

From a recent letter from Lt. Norman D. Palmer, '30, recently discharged from the Navy, who expects to return to his position on the Colby faculty within the next few weeks.

## AND ON EARTH PEACE

Peace!  
How unsuspectingly  
From hands, too careless of the treasure held,  
Thou wert plucked

With villainous intent.  
Yet gloriously redeemed  
By blood and tears of countless souls,  
Akin in this; that thy fair name  
Must not derided be.

Peace!  
Thine enemies have borne  
The mark of Cain;  
Their horsemen of Apocalyptic fame  
Have stalked with their foul  
Instruments of death.  
To what avail? To blast  
Earth's harmony, and foil  
Thy ministrations to God's children,  
Already drunk with pain  
And misery.

Peace!  
Immanuel! God with us!  
What illimitable happiness  
Hath come to us, His creatures,  
As light and gracious presence  
Took their abode in human hearts.  
Immanuel indeed!  
With us is God!

Peace!  
Its doors ajar;  
And all men, everywhere,  
Are beckoned to its inner warmth.  
Thou art not just a gift;  
Thou callest us to truth and love;  
To justice, midst bewildering fear.  
No atombomb grim, nor danger for the  
human family.  
Lurks in thy wide domain.  
For God is there,  
And every good and perfect gift  
For earth's community.

Peace!  
Ye bearers of the Spirit of Immanuel,  
Cast down the altars of proud hatred  
cults.  
Establish with impregnable power  
Thy great enduring church,  
With healing for the nations of this  
earth.  
Untinselled, may we make our gifts  
sincere  
At this glad Christmas tide,  
And build in memory of our honored  
dead,  
A peace cathedral of the loftiest  
virtues,  
Sure building stones if we mere  
mortals would endure,  
And pass on to the human family  
That priceless gift of throbbing life,  
Now held within our grasp  
Of peace on earth.

## Canvassing The Campus

The collective heart of the co-eds did a collective slip last week, and is just recovering. The appearance in town of both Van Johnson and Dr. Norman Palmer was almost too much to take.

Not long ago, several Freshman girls were hiking on Mayflower Hill and passed a man-cutting bushes. One of the girls, concerned about college property, went up to the rather shabbily dressed gentleman and asked him if he had permission to do what he was doing. He, very good naturedly assured her that he did, that he "worked around here." As the girls continued their walk, President-Emeritus Franklin Winslow Johnson smilingly resumed his "work."

A Midnight caller at Foss Hall caused a commotion the other night—with reason. There's nothing quite like waking up and finding a robust little mouse preparing to make a nest in one's pillow.

At last Christmas vacation has almost arrived. The only regretful thought we have about it is that if Christmas comes, mid-semester certainly aren't far behind. However, we, aren't bright enough to let it worry us for long. Merry Christmas.

Late News Flash!!! Colby hits the big time—steak was served at lunch yesterday.

## Maxwell, Brown Wedding Dec. 16

The marriage of Vivian Maxwell and John W. Brown will take place on December 16th at 2:30 P. M. in the Sacred Heart Church of Waterville. Following the wedding, a reception will be held in the Smith Lounge of the Women's Union.

Vivian, who graduated in the class of 1944, is at present the Assistant to the Publicity Manager. While at Colby, she was an English major, active in the SCA, and editor of the ECHO. Her present activities include the Assistant Editorship of the Colby Alumnus, membership in the Girl Scout Council, and the American Association of University Women.

John Brown, a veteran, whose home is in Chelsea, Massachusetts, is in the class of '49. He was a First Lieutenant in the 403rd Bombardment Air Force, and served 21 months in the Pacific. During his military service, he received the Air Medal and 2 Oak Leaf Clusters, in addition to the Asiatic Theatre Ribbon with 5 campaign stars, and the Philippine Campaign Ribbon with three battle stars. He is now a member of the Officers' Reserve Club.

The bride's gown will be white, with a satin bodice, and marquisette skirt and train. She will wear a finger tip veil, and her bridal bouquet will consist of cascaded white roses and white sweet peas. The bride's attendants will also wear white, and will carry poinsettias.



## Tea Given By Associates To Honor Veteran Nurses

A tea was given this afternoon in the Dunn Lounge for returned nurse veterans by the Nurse Recruitment Committee of the American Red Cross and the Colby College School of Nursing.

All local nurses were invited to be present to enjoy a social hour with their former associates. The committee in charge of the tea included, Mrs. Georgia Winters, R.N., chairman, Miss Pearl Fisher, R.N., superintendent of Thayer Hospital, Miss Mary Curtis, R.N., director of Colby School of Nursing, Mrs. Mary Madocks, R.N., Mrs. Eleanor Gustafson, R.N., Mrs. Amy Allen, R.N., Sister Mary Edmund, Sister Blanche, Mrs. Loretta Towne, Mrs. Emily Jordan and Mrs. Mary LaFleur.

Acting hostesses were the student nurses of the Sisters' Hospital and students of Colby's School of Nursing.

Invited veterans included, Mrs. Charlotte Sibley Berg, Mrs. Norma Apelian, Mrs. Marie Stafford and the Misses Albertine King, Diane Joseph, Alma Moses, Gabriel Giroux, Adolphine Nadeau, Delphine Dostie, Glendora Pullen, Rose Ratte, and Dora Martin.

## Skiing Notice

All women students who are expecting to take skiing instructions with Mrs. Bither in January must sign up on the bulletin boards in the Women's Union or Foss Hall before they go home for Christmas vacation. One hour a week of Physical Education credit, in place of one hour of the activity now taken, is allowed. Upperclassmen may also register.

The Physical Education Department has about twenty pairs of skis for the use of women students. Boots must be provided by the individual.

All students are asked to store their skis in the racks provided in the basement of the Women's Union. An iron for use in waxing skis, a system more effective, easier on the hands, and quicker than the usual method, can be found in the basement.

Get in form for the skiing events during Winter Carnival Week-end. Sign up for skiing now!

## Professor C. Anthon Discusses Modern Historian's Dilemma

The all-college Assembly Friday evening, December 7, was addressed by Professor Anthon on the subject "The Modern Historian's Dilemma." Professor Anthon told of \$5,000,000 offered to anyone that compiles the history of World War II. He also stated that the task is a practically insurmountable one as authentic records of local, state, and national importance would take years to compile, even with assistants.

The orchestra, led by Dr. Compatti, played two selections the march Jolly Coppersmith and the Sleeping Beauty Waltz by Tschalkowsky. President Bixler led the entire assembly in the singing of Christmas Carols.

## HEADQUARTERS NINTH AIR FORCE Public Relations Office

Colby Echo, Waterville, Maine:

The Bronze Star Medal has been awarded to Paul J. Harold of 72 Orange St., Waltham, Mass., agent of the Criminal Investigation Detachment at Ninth Air Force headquarters "for meritorious service in connection with military operations."

Inducted into the army in August, 1943, he has spent the past 22 months overseas and also has been awarded five battle campaign stars and the French Police Medal.

He was selected for the investigative assignment from an army unit when it was learned he was an investigator for the United States Department of Labor in Boston, Mass.

Before entering the service he graduated from Colby College at Waterville, Maine. His wife, Mrs. Paul J. Harold, resides at 72 Orange St., Waltham, Mass.

## Atom Bomb Control Results In Protest From College Youth

College youth over the country has been much aroused by the potential threat of the atomic bomb. Bennington College, along with other colleges in America, has felt the threat that the atomic bomb may lead to a race for world armament and, eventually, to complete world destruction. Feeling this threat, Bennington has written to Colby College requesting us to join with college youth throughout the country in sending a petition to the President, in writing to Congressmen to put the atomic bomb under effective international control which will attempt to harness its destructive possibilities.

Enclosed in this letter was a copy of Bennington's petition which I. R. C. will discuss preliminary to its meeting on Wednesday, December 12th. From this meeting a petition, similar to the one below, approved or modified by Colby Students, will be presented to students and faculty. This petition should be considered thoughtfully by Colby, for the atomic bomb is, undoubtedly, a determining factor in our future and that of our civilization.

Following is a copy of Bennington's petition:  
Honorable Harry S. Truman  
President of the United States  
The White House  
Washington, D. C.

My dear President Truman,  
In view of the grave challenge to our security and the peace of the world as stated so clearly in the declaration of the 400 experts of the Association of Los Alamos Scientists on October 13, 1945, the undersigned students and faculty of Bennington College feel compelled to ask you:

1. to propose at once in the name of the United States Government the creation of an international commission for the control of production and use of atomic energy, and to pledge the readiness of the United States to comply with the full inspection of our production facilities and the control of their use by that commission on the single condition that other countries do the same.

2. to see to it that this action be taken regardless of the progress of legislation on domestic control of atomic energy research and production.

3. to demand extensive hearings on legislation proposing the creation of a domestic agency controlling research and production in the field of atomic energy.

## Students Recruited By White Mule

In 1934, the Colby WHITE MULE was recognized as one of the leading college humor publications in the country. It is the aim and ideal of the present editorial staff to attain and if possible, surpass this former standard. However, the members of the editorial board earnestly solicit the wholehearted co-operation of the student body in order to reach this mark. With this co-operation, and the development of The WHITE MULE as a true organ of the student body, the magazine may hope to achieve the fullest measure of success.

If you can write, if you can draw, if you have any special talent that you think will benefit the magazine, please, and we mean please, do not hesitate to contact Tom Keefe, Roberts Hall or Helen Jacobs, Louise Coburn Hall.

If you want to work on the magazine, let's make it snappy, because the WHITE MULE goes to press on Feb. 14. If you are especially interested in the literary field, don't forget the first Annual White Mule Short Story Contest, with a first prize of twenty-five dollars, which closes on January 28th. And lastly if you fancy yourself as a future financial magnate, got a valuable start to your career by joining the WHITE MULE's business staff.

## Students Hold Parties As Christmas Activities

### Chi Omega

The Chi Omegas held their annual Christmas party at Mrs. Millett's home Monday night, Dec. 10, at 7 P. M. Refreshments were served.

The sorority is planning to send gifts to the State Institution for Crippled Children in Portland. Every year Chi Omega sends presents to various institutions.

### Delta Delta Delta

The Mother-Daughter banquet was held in the Blue Room of the Elmwood Hotel on Friday, Dec. 7.

On Wednesday evening, Dec. 12, the Tri Deltas held their Christmas party at Ruth Marriner's home.

### Alpha Delta Pi

The Christmas party will be held Wednesday, December 12. The sorority has held try-outs for the play under auspices of Pan Hellenic, which will be presented January 12.

### Sigma Kappa

Sigas held their Christmas Party, under the direction of Mary Ellison and Gloria Grinnell, at 7 o'clock on Wednesday evening, December 12. Members, pledges and guests met in the gym for games before adjourning to the sorority rooms for refreshments.

Marguerite Baker and Helen Knox were initiated into the sorority Sunday evening.

The play for Pan Hellenic competition has got under way with Jean Snowe acting as director.

## Fred Rock Becomes New Beetle Driver

Ever since he doesn't remember when, Fred Rock, the latest addition to the Colby bus-driving staff, has liked to ride in and drive cars and buses. This sentiment seems to be inherited by his son Frankie whom is oft times seen guiding the process of delivering mail and Colby Students simultaneously while in an advantageous point at the front of the Beetle.

A former foreman at the textile mill, Fred informed wide-eyed listeners that he told his old working companions that the thing he liked best about his new job was the fact that we all the time sing. Perhaps, if the reader of this illustrious sheet has ever noticed, Fred slows the bus down when a good or choice song is ensuing so he can better hear it. Grating chains and rattling chains which drown out the voice of the Colby potential glee club members, annoy

Fred who has liked music since way back.

Here we add a note of appreciation from Fred to the fellows because they heed the NO SMOKING sign on the bus (although taking note of said sign does not seem to be the order of the day.)

Come the new year Fred tells us that he will have a new cap complete with emblem signifying Colby bus-driver.

Invitations are extended to all students wishing to participate in the Christmas caroling to be held on December 13. The group, under the direction of Ruth Marriner, will meet at 7:15 at the Alumnae Building, and plans have been made to go up by the Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

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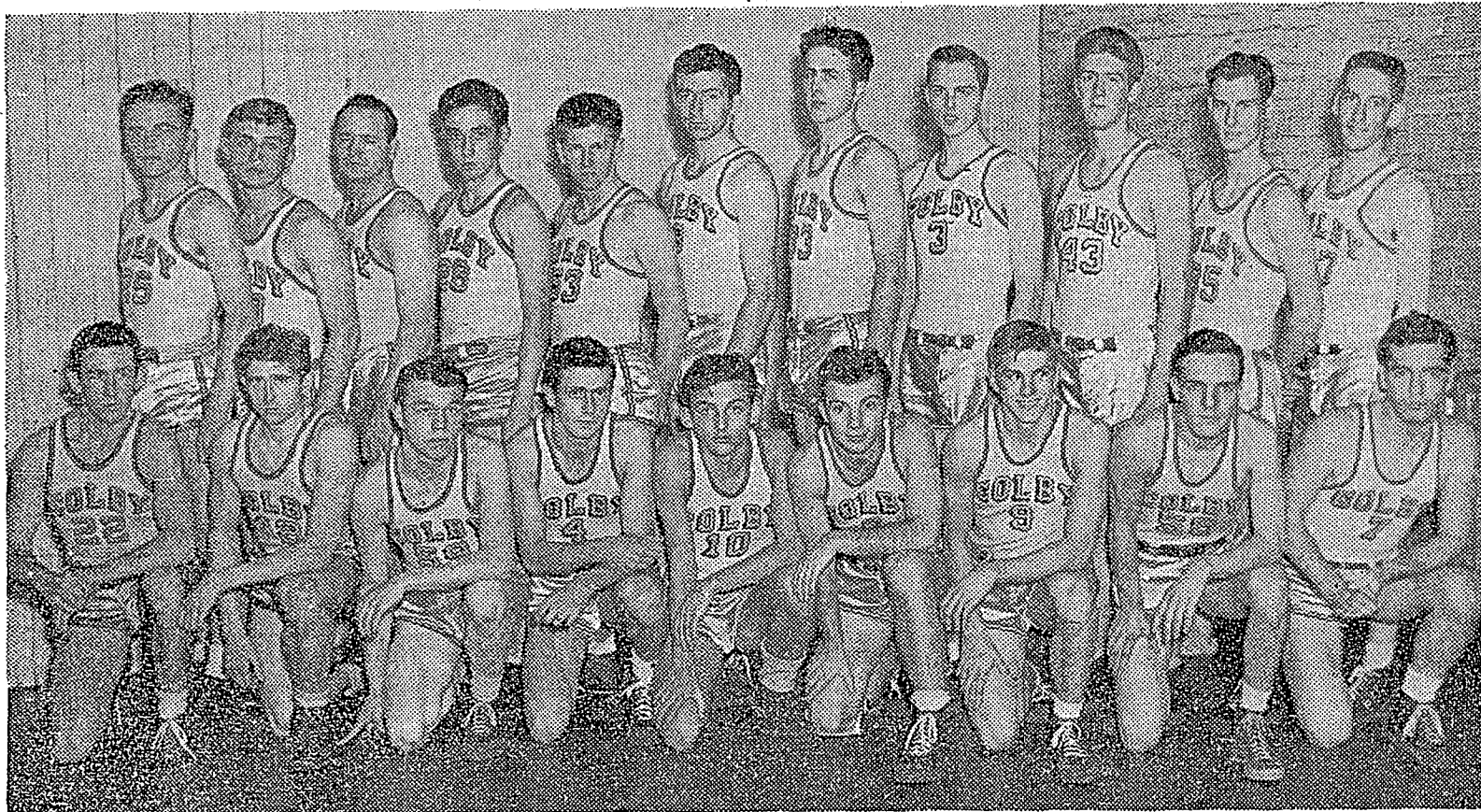
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# Colby Schedules Two Games



THE 1945-46 COLBY BASKETBALL TEAM. WILL IT BRING HOME THE STATE TITLE?

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Second Row (left to right): Lowell Haynes, Joe Kozarnowicz, Rod Myshrrall, Burt Silberstein, Carl Wright, Bob Mosely, Scott Schaller, Connie Shepard, Bill Mitchell, Jim Taber, Cloyd Aarseth.

With their first victory safely tucked away the Colby cagers will take to the road tonight and tomorrow in the hope of extending their unbeaten skein to three straight. Tonight the Mules move into Portland to take on a crackerjack Y. M. C. A. team, and then it's on to Durham, New Hampshire, to pay their respects to the hoopmen representing the State University there.

Coach Roundy was well-pleased with the showing that his two teams made against Dow Field on Saturday night, and it looks as if he'll use these two entire units in each game. The "A" squad consisting of Chet Woods and Rod Myshrrall at forwards, Connie Shephard at center, and Bob Mosley and Barney McDonough at guards will probably start; and will alternate with the "B" team with Arvy Holt and Burt Silberstein up front, Bill Mitchell in the pivot slot, and Joe Kozarnowicz and "Lefty" DiFrederico handling the back court. Carl Wright, Ed. Coughlin and Cloyd Aarseth will be available if any changes in the top ten are needed.

#### Lee Plays For Portland

The "Y" team that Colby tangles with tonight, might give the Blue and Gray the stiffest opposition that it'll face all year. Its roster is loaded with several high school stars and fellows who saw service at some of the Maine colleges. The crew is led by Jenny Lee, a former Colby hoopman, whose basketball prowess is still mighty vivid in Coach Roundy's memory. Lee attended Colby three years and was recognized as one of the finest ballplayers in Maine, and one of the better engemen in New England.

Aiding Lee, will be Hank Stillman who cavorted for our Colby team last spring. Stillman is no slouch either, as witnessed by his abbreviated career with the White Mules; for in six games, little Hank averaged better than 10 points a game—the best record in Maine collegiate circles last year. Add to these two, Dan Drossel, former Portland luminary; Johnny Mulhern of Cheverus; and Clett Theriault, also of Cheverus, and you've got a potential world-beater. It'll be good experience playing against a veteran outfit of this type; and the Colby quintet should pick up quite a bit of court savvy.

#### Colby Should Get Nod

New Hampshire is more or less of an unknown quantity at present. They haven't played any games thus far, and the tilt with the Mules will be their opener. Chances are, the Blue and Gray and the New Hampshire clubs are about on even terms, and the game promises to be a nip-and-tuck affair. However Colby should get the nod on the experience it will have picked up in its first two outings.

## Mosley, Myshrrall To Captain Varsity

Rod Myshrrall, a freshman, and Bob Mosley, a transfer student from Farmington Normal School, were elected co-captains to lead the 1945-46 Colby basketball team, at a meeting of the varsity Squad on the eve of its opening game against Dow Field. Both are veterans of World War II, and stand-out ballplayers on this year's Mule aggregation.

Myshrrall, of course, was a Colby hero on the gridiron this past fall, and gives promise of repeating those exploits on the basketball court. Rod is an all-around athlete, having starred for Stearns High School of Millinocket in football, basketball, and baseball. Later, at Higgins Institute he duplicated this performance by gaining a major letter in each of the three above sports.

#### Myshrrall Happily Married

Myshrrall enlisted in the Army Air Corps in January of 1942 and served for three and a half years, receiving his honorable discharge in July of this year. He was married in September and lives downtown with his wife, who can be seen whenever Rod performs, giving him all the moral support possible.

Mosley is a veteran also. He attended Bar Harbor High School, where he won his letter in football, basketball and track. He graduated in 1938 and continued his education in the fall of that year at Farmington. Here he won two more letters; one for basketball and one for cross country. It was in Bob's third year at Normal School that the United States was thrust into war, and he immediately enlisted in the Navy.

#### Serves Almost Four Years

Bob served for almost four years before being discharged, and held the rank of Fire Controlman 1/C upon his release. He too is very happily married, and his wife Marie is the very able and efficient receptionist at the Foss Hall desk. She's mighty cute, and a really rabid sports fan.

To both of them, Bob and Rod, we say: "Good Luck."

## Athletic Staff Sponsors Annual Basketball Clinic

Last Saturday afternoon the Colby Athletic Department was host to over thirty-five coaches and officials, who attended the annual Colby College basketball clinic. The program got under way at 1:30 P. M., and lasted through the entire afternoon.

Among the afternoon's instructors were Bill Mansfield, former Winslow High coach, who spoke on "Zone Defense;" Wallie Donovan, coach of the Waterville High School Basketball Champs, who spoke on the "Fast Break in Basketball;" Henry Shanahan, former Lewiston High mentor, who talked about "Attacking the Zone Defense;" and our own Coach "Eddie" Roundy who discussed "Man for Man Defense." Ralph Brewer, president of the Maine Basketball Officials Association, discussed basketball rules in general.

#### Many High Schools Represented

Among the Maine high schools represented were: Waterville, Lewiston, Fairfield, Cony of Augusta, Erskine Academy, Coburn, Freedom, Livermore Falls, Richmond, Mexico, Albion, Brewer, Unity, Skowhegan, Clinton, Hallowell, Bangor, Oakland, Winslow, and Guilford.

President Bixler was an interested spectator all during the afternoon's proceedings; and following supper, the visiting mentors were guests of the Athletic Department at the Colby-Dow Field basketball game.

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## QUEST and CONQUEST

By Anne Houston

Most of the inter-dormitory badminton games have been played off, but there are a few finals in the various houses still left to be played.

Foss Hall has two games yet to be played. Alice Crooks and Janet Royal play for the semi-finals, and the winner will play Janet Bessey in the house finals. In the doubles, Shirley Bond and Tema Kaplan will play Anne Whitehouse and Janet Bessey to determine the winner.

#### Whitcomb Winner In Dunn

Over at Dunn House the winner of the singles is Deanie Whitcomb, while the doubles are yet to be played. Beverly Hallberg and Toby Harvey will play Nancy Semonian and Deanie Whitcomb to determine the winner of that.

Hedman has completed its tournament, and Jeanne Pelletier is the top one in the singles; and she and Pauline Vitkauskas won the doubles. Over at Mower House only the doubles were played and Janet Pride and Doris Kashima won it.

I doubt whether the games will be finished before vacation, but if they are the scores will either be posted or announced for the various houses.

"Bill" Millett and the Athletic Department were hosts at an informal Christmas party for the men students last night in the Men's Gymnasium. With "Pop" Newman, Coach Roundy, and Johnny Haefernecker also in attendance, it was purely a men's show. After some brief words from "Bill" and "Pop," the "chow hounds" dug into the food on hand; and in no time it was gone and the get-together was termed a success. This is the second of these informal Christmas parties, last year marking their inception by "Bill" and his crew. To the Athletic Department, I'm sure all the men will join in saying, "Thanks, and a very Merry Christmas."

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# SPORTOPICS

By Cloyd Aarseth

It's getting to look more and more as if this is definitely a Colby year; that is so far as Maine Sports' Circles go. On the basis of their showing last Saturday night, the basketball Mules must certainly be considered a real power among the hoop exponents of this state.

It would be foolish to go off the deep end and predict great things for this year's hoop squad; because it just isn't done on the basis of a team's performance in one game. It's early in the year and a lot of things can happen to this club, and the other three clubs who will be battling for the State Title. But one can't help being most optimistic about this Blue and Gray team.

## Colby Defense Tight

Against Dow Field Saturday night the Colby crew made a fine showing. Defensively, the team left little to be desired. Bob Mosley and Connie Shepard had their own way under the offensive, and defensive backboards;

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and the Bombers were held scoreless for almost nine minutes. When the Army boys finally did hit, the Mules were away and winging on an eleven point lead. And in the first twenty minutes the invaders were able to rack up a mere nine points. To prove this basket stinginess was no fluke, the Blue and Gray repeated their performance in the second half when the Bombers could garner only nine points too.

Offensively, the Mule play was not of the same caliber. A total of 36 points in forty minutes does not square up against a good high-scoring outfit; and improvements are in order if the hoopmen are to keep their record unblemished. And Coach Roundy will probably see that whatever changes need to be made, are taken care of—but quick.

## Mules Have Tough Game

They'll have to be made quickly, because the squad will have its hands full when it takes on the Portland Y. M. C. A. tonight. This five has some mighty fine ballplayers on it, and tonight should prove the metal of the team. The Mules might even get trimmed; we wouldn't be too surprised if they were. One thing is sure; if Colby gets by this Portland Club, then our team is really going places. The squad closes out its abbreviated road trip tomorrow night when it takes on New Hampshire at Durham. This should be a Mule win, since the University team isn't figured to be too strong. Then a three-week lay-off; and the Blue and Gray open the State Series' competition against Bowdoin on January 12.

## Colby Mules Overcome Dow Field Five In Season Opener With Win Of 36-18

By Bob Matusoff

In the opening game of the 1945-46 basketball season, the Colby Mules impressed the 800 fans in the Colby Field House as they defeated the Dow Field Bombers by the wide margin of 36-18.

Although the Army offering was slightly weak, the Mules looked in much better form than had been anticipated. The passing and ball-handling, in general, was good, and the Mules defense was practically impenetrable.

## Myshraill Tallies 12 Markers

Rod Myshraill, who starred on the Colby football team last fall, is also, as the Bombers found out, a top-notch cager. The Stearns "Powerhouser" paced the Roundymen with 12 points, including 5 field goals.

Chet Woods, the only starting veteran, was right on his heels, with 3 goals and 4 fouls, for a total of ten points. Shephard, Mosley, and McDonough, also shined, as Coach Roundy's latest edition of Mule quintuplets rolled over the Dow Field men; and it is generally conceded that when the State Series rolls around, Colby will be out there with the poise, finesse, and polish of a championship aggregation.

Frankie Knox and Lt. Joe Quatro, who also coaches, were the Bangor Bomber's leading performers.

## Woods Opens Scoring

Woods opened up the scoring attack in the opening minutes of the game by sinking a lay-up and following almost immediately with two foul shots. Myshraill was right behind him with two field goals, Woods pushed in two more foul shots and Myshraill one, as the Colby offense raced to an 11-0 lead before the Bombers knew what had happened; and Colby ended the quarter, leading 12-3. The Mules doubled this score in the second period with Shephard and Silberstein adding two-pointers in addition to the Mules two high scoring forwards, who ended up the half on the top end of a 24-9 lead. The third period reading was 31-14 and the rest of the game was easy riding for the Colby Quintet.

A lot of the credit for the victory must go to Coach Roundy for pulling the winning combination out of the variety of possibilities and we know that with this team and the deep strength of first-rate reserves, the Colby White Mules should come out on top of many more tussles during the rest of the schedule. The only games that are to be played before the vacation are on December 13, when Colby travels to Portland to play the Portland Y. M. C. A.; and then on the following night, December 14, when they play at the University of New Hampshire.

The line-ups:

Colby (36)			
	G	F	P
Myshraill, rf	5	2	12
Holt, rf	0	1	1
Woods, lf	3	4	10
Silberstein, lf	1	0	2
Shephard, c	1	2	4
Mitchell, c	0	0	0
Mosley, lg	0	0	0
Kozarnowicz, lg	0	0	0
McDonough, rg	2	0	4
DiFrederico, rg	1	1	3
Totals	13	10	36

Dow Field (18)			
	G	F	P
Knox, lf	3	3	9
Taylor, rf	0	0	0
Quatrelochi, c	3	0	6
Smith, c	1	0	2
Huber, lg	0	0	0
Bettman, rg	0	0	0
Craven, rg	0	0	0
Paratro, rg	1	0	2
Totals	8	3	10

Referees: Brewer and Fortunato.

## Raiders Top Mules With 31-26 Defeat In Jayvee Starter

Winslow High School's Black Raiders put a damper on the Colby Junior Varsity's coming-out party last Saturday night, when they handed the baby Mules a 31-26 setback. It was the first game for both clubs and preceded the Dow Field-Colby Varsity skirmish.

By way of an experiment, Coach Roundy used nine of his varsity men in the preliminary encounter in a vain attempt to pull the game out. He used two separate clubs, one in each half; with just about equal success. But there seemed no stemming the Raider bid for a win.

## Winslow Takes Early Lead

Against the White Mules' "B" squad, the Winslow five jumped off to an early advantage; but the Blue and Gray fought back to knot the count at 7-all at the quarter. Winslow moved to the front in the second canto, however, and as the clubs hiked off at the half they held a three point lead, 16-13.

The injection of a new starting five at the opening of the second half failed to halt the Raider victory onslaught, and the boys from "across the river" held on to their three point lead and even widened it to five points as the final buzzer sounded. The Black and Orange were controlling the backboards with regularity and their shooting showed a decided edge over that of the Colby Jay-Vees.

## DiFrederico, Wall High Scorers

"Lefty" DiFrederico paced the Mule scorers with a field goal and four fouls for six points, while Lowell Haynes dropped in four points to take runner-up honors. Wall and Duguay, with ten and nine points respectively, led the Winslow point-getters.

The summary:

Winslow (31)			
	G	F	P
Yotides, lf	1	1	3
Hafenecker, rf	2	0	4
Dorosby, c	0	0	0
Duguay, c	3	3	9
Wall, lg	3	4	10
Guimond, rg	0	0	0
Gregoire, rg	2	1	5
Paquette, rg	0	0	0
Totals	11	9	31

Colby JV's (26)			
	G	F	P
Holt, lf	1	1	3
Raffo, lf	0	0	0
Wright, lf	1	1	3
Silberstein, rf	0	0	0
Haynes, rf	2	0	4
Coughlin, rf	1	0	2
Mitchell, c	0	1	1
Schaller, c	0	0	0
DiFrederico, lg	1	4	6
Tabor, lg	1	0	2
Aarseth, lg	0	2	2
Kozarnowicz, rg	1	1	3
Totals	8	10	26

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Lending pep to the special occasion were vivacious cheerleaders Frances Hyde, Audrey Drummond, and Barbara Becker, who are shown here with Dr. and Mrs. Averill after Dr. Averill had been presented with the key to Mayflower Hill, and Mrs. Averill with a dozen red roses. Remarked one student, "They're such real people that I feel as though I've always known them."

## Colby Women Celebrate With Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Banquets for undergraduate women were held last night in the dining rooms of Mary Lowe, Louise Coburn, and Foss Hall, with the traditional program of caroling and reading of the Christmas Story.

After dinner, in each dining room, the Christmas Story was read. Barbara Pattee was the reader in Mary Low, Jean Smith in Louise Coburn, and Hilda Farnum in the Foss Hall dining room. The readers place was taken by six carolers, dressed in white, carrying candles, who sang many of the old favorites. The program ended with everyone singing "Silent Night."

In Mary Low Hall, Jocelyn Hulme arranged the music and was in charge of the caroling. The other girls participating were Anne Hutchison, Effie Fletcher, Betty Wade, Betty Richmond, Dorothy Jackson. In Foss Hall, Hope Harvey was the leader and the other carolers were Martha Jackson, Anne Lofudice, Betty Bemish, Ann Jennings, and Chana Markor. In Louise Coburn, Helen Jacobs and Eileen McMahon were in charge.

Special guests were invited to each dining room to join in the banquet. Mary Low Hall had as its guests, President and Mrs. Bixler, Miss Curtis, Miss Marchant, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith. In Louise Coburn, Dr. and Mrs. Averill, Miss Runnals, and Miss Norwood were invited. Foss Hall entertained Miss Florence Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Weber, and Mr. and Mrs. Eustis.

## Glee Club Presents Impressive Program

A large number of the Colby family and townspeople attended the impressive Christmas Carol Service Sunday evening, December 9, at the Women's Union. President Bixler presided at the service, and the college Glee Club presented a well-balanced program of carols under the direction of Dr. John W. Thomas. The conductor made his first appearance, a most favorable one, at the college since returning from service with the armed forces.

The dignified processional and recessional added much to the solemnity and grandeur of the service. The majority of the selections performed were folk carols from fifteenth and sixteenth century England and Germany. In spite of the predominating women's choirs, the men were so skillfully arranged as to create, as near as possible, the quite successful and desired balance of parts.

From the standpoint of pure music, the "Snow in the Street" by the contemporary English folk-song collector and arranger, Ralph Vaughan Williams, proved to be the most interesting; this was effectively presented by the male choir. The well-known "Coventry Carol" was the outstanding composition as sung by the women's groups. Its simplicity was the predominant feature. The women's antiphonal choir heightened the general effect of the German "Horlick's Carol." An artistic interpretation of these carols by Dr. Thomas was highly evident. Ethan Newton and Lowell Haynes furnished supporting accompaniments.

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