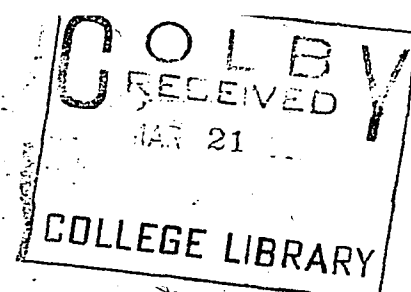


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## VARSIITY SHOW MAKES DEBUT FRIDAY NIGHT

### Marsh Assumes Job As S.C.A. President

#### Boardman Society Conducts Religious Work Conference

Under the leadership of its new president, Miriam Marsh, the Student Christian Association has begun the second semester in its new quarters in the Roberts Union.

#### Marsh Now President

Arnold Tozer, who served as S. C. A. president last semester, was graduated in February and Miriam Marsh, then vice-president, succeeded to that office. Robert Lucy, former co-chairman of Deputations Committee, now holds the office of vice president. Philip Peterson was voted into the Cabinet to fill the vacancy on Deputations.

It was also voted that Winston Clark, president of the Freshman Cabinet of S. C. A. should serve on the upper-class cabinet to provide closer co-ordination between the two organizations.

#### Boardman Conference

This week the Boardman Society is conducting a conference, dealing with various phases of religious work, under the student direction of Mildred Bauer and Marie MacNeil. Tomorrow afternoon Miss Barbara Arnold will be the speaker at the weekly chapel service in Dunn Lounge at 4:30.

A panel discussion will be held tomorrow evening at 7 in Smith Lounge with Miss Barbara Arnold, Miss Phyllis Rae Aden, and Dr. Winston King as speakers. Friday afternoon seminars, open to all, will be held with the visiting religious workers. The student body is invited to attend all the activities of the conference, particularly those students interested in religious work.

#### Delegation To Bowdoin

The most recent activity of the Deputation Committee was a delegation sent to Livermore Falls, to conduct church and young people's services on the weekend of March 10. The delegation included Ruth Rogers, June Jensen, George Bowers, and David Clement.

Last weekend Miriam Marsh, Alice Covell, Robert Lucy, and Winston Clark were delegates from the Colby S. C. A. to Bowdoin College where a cabinet planning conference of the four Maine colleges was held.

#### HAVE YOU GIVEN?

The American Red Cross needs your help.

#### SENIOR PLACEMENT

A few prospective employers of this year's seniors have already made arrangements to be on the campus for interviews within a few weeks. Seniors are reminded that their credentials must be in order if they wish consideration as prospective employees with these companies.

Seniors who desire to be interviewed by the representatives of the employers are requested to make individual appointments with Mr. Warren.

Elmer C. Warren  
Registrar

### Late Bus Discontinued Except On Sat. Nights

The discontinuance of the 11:00 bus from the lower campus every night but Saturday has been announced by Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds Francis Y. Armstrong. The buses at 11:00 and 12:00 on Saturday nights will remain on the schedule.

The cancellation action was prompted by the fact that the 11:00 bus on week-day and Sunday nights averaged four passengers per trip.

The 11:00 and 12:00 buses on Saturday night will have a fare of ten cents each way, and will use the same route as the College buses. The last bus from the lower campus on week-day and Sunday nights will, therefore, be at 10:15. The last one from Mayflower Hill at 9:50.

The late bus service, run by the Community Bus Lines of Waterville and charging a fare of ten cents for each trip, was inaugurated at the request of many students, and because of letters to the Editor in the COLBY ECHO which stated the need for such a service. Superintendent Armstrong and Mr. Arthur Duplessie, owner of the Community Bus Lines, made the original agreement tentative so that an adjustment such as this could be made.

"A dime or a dollar from every scholar" for the American Red Cross.

#### NOTICE

The Committee on Financial Aid announces that students now in college who intend to apply for aid effective during the college year 1947-48 must make such application not later than May 1, 1947. Forms for application may be secured at the office of either dean.

### Bixlers Back From Tour Of Many Western Schools

President and Mrs. Julius S. Bixler returned last week from a four-week tour throughout the country, lecturing at several schools and colleges.

Giving six lectures in the humanities course at Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Oklahoma, during a period of one week was a high point of the trip for President Bixler. This college, with approximately 10,000 students, has a veterans' village of 3000—probably the largest of its kind in the country where veterans and their families live together in what is practically an independent village.

#### Visit Lovejoy Memorial

The Lovejoy Memorial in Alton, Ill. was visited by the Bixlers. It was in this city that Elijah Parish Lovejoy published his newspaper, the Observer, before he died for the freedom of the press. In the office of the Alton Evening Telegram the Bixlers saw a piece of Lovejoy's press which had been recovered from the riverbed where the mobs had thrown it in their attempt to silence the brave newspaperman.

In Los Angeles, aside from attending the largest Colby Club meeting including 39 people, the Bixlers called on Merton Miller for whom our new Miller Library is named. There they were also entertained at dinner by Stephen Coburn Pepper, a cousin of Joseph C. Smith, director of Publicity. Mr. Pepper is the grandson of the former Colby president, George Dana Boardman Pepper. They met many members of the faculty of the University of California including President Sprout.

#### First Trip to Western College

It was actually President Bixler's first trip to a western college when he visited Oklahoma. He was impressed, he related by the intense amount of work and emphasis being put on the development of the humanities course in an agricultural college.

President Bixler also spoke at Pomona College, and he reports the small co-educational college to be quite similar to Colby with essentially the same ideas on education. At Scripps College, he says, he found an alert school for women which also featured the humanities.

#### Speaks at Smith, Mt. Holyoke

After a brief visit in San Francisco, the Bixlers left the Coast in time for speeches at Smith and Mt. Holyoke, March 9.

The Colby Clubs they visited were those in Philadelphia, Washington, St. Louis, Los Angeles and Berkeley. Many times on the trip they visited with Colby graduates.

### Seniors To Sponsor Tea Dance Saturday

A Tea Dance, sponsored by the senior class, will be held Saturday, March 22 from 2:30 to 5:30 p. m. in the Women's Union. Four years have elapsed since Colby has held a tea dance and the seniors wish to revive this precedent.

Al Riefe's Orchestra will provide the music and refreshments will be served. Professor and Mrs. Charles Bacon and Professor and Mrs. Carl J. Weber will chaperone. Tickets may be purchased at the door for 60c a couple.

Sparky Johnson, Joce Hulme and Tossie Campbell are general chairmen, aided by Doris Meyer and Dotie Briggs.

By Eileen Lanquette

I was born on a springy day in May, 1946 at Colby College, Waterville, Maine. My birth was a little unusual in that I had two fathers and no mother to speak of, but the two together were enough to compensate for the lack of maternal affection, whatever that is.

#### The Parents

To get back to my story, I was conceived on the spur of the moment by two undergraduate students with musical and literary bents, Roscoe Schlesinger and Russell Farnsworth. Roscoe had a metropolitan back-

admitted me into that inner sanctum known as "The Colby Family." I rapidly became the pet of the school. No one had seen anything like me since "Royalty Flushed" in 1939 at the Opera House. People talked about me all over campus but I didn't mind—I thrived on publicity.

#### Hulme and Taylor Star

My fathers looked about for a cast to support me and finally chose the following: Jocelyn Hulme and William Taylor female and male leads respectively, Eileen McMahon and Fred Tipples, Alan Riefe, Hope Harvey, Nancy Semonian, Helen Jacobs,



VARSIITY SHOW CREATORS: Bud Schlesinger and Russ Farnsworth

ground, New York and Russell, a somewhat pastoral one, Millinocket. They decided to collaborate and I am the result of that pool of talents.

From the musical side of my paternal creators, the Schlesinger side, I inherited my musical scores. From the other branch, that is, the Farnsworth branch, I inherited my lyrics and the plot that holds me together, my framework, you might say. I had all the signs of a good musical comedy. Nature took its course and I hibernated until the end of the semester at which time I was brought forth, literally in my swaddling clothes and duly christened "Let There Be Men." (This was not just coincidence. You see, I had no mother.) Notice of my birth was registered with the local authorities, one Professor Cecil Rollins who gave me his blessing and a stamp of approval.

#### Polishing in Millinocket

But I was not yet ready to be acknowledged as a legitimate offspring. My fathers considered me a gem in the rough and therefore spent the entire summer giving me the polish they considered necessary for my debut into society. This process involved some difficulties since my parents had separated for the summer but they managed to carry on by mail. At the end of the summer, they met in Millinocket, Maine and completed the work. What a reunion that was! I shall always have a very tender regard for Millinocket, a feeling which all who know me will inevitably come to share.

By the beginning of October, I was quite ready to be launched upon my career. There was but one obstacle and that of a purely administrative character. No new additions were allowed on campus without the approval of the faculty. Accordingly I was presented by my fond and doting parents to Joseph Smith. He saw great possibilities in me and readily

Norma Roehm, Jeanne Smith, Betty Beamish, Joe Spina, Stan Frolio and Buzz Stebbins. It even included my two fathers, Schlesinger and Farnsworth. I was very fortunate to have so talented a cast for my formal debut.

By this time I had passed from infancy to adolescence, a very troublesome time for most youths and particularly for me. My script was constantly being revised to keep abreast of the current events on campus. Preparations were proceeding at a terrific pace. Rehearsal after rehearsal was held in the Women's Union, and I was getting more and more nervous as the time drew near. (This is the natural reaction of a young debutante). My indulgent parents spared no expense within reason, that is.

#### Many Song Arrangers

They had my songs arranged, all seventeen of them, some by Bradley Maxim and Paul Huber, others by Sid Lerman in Portland. My dance routines were worked out by Jocelyn Hulme, Norma Roehm and Cecilia Nordstrom.

My sets and staging were designed by Professor Rollins and his Dramatic Arts class. Harold Kearney was in charge of lighting effects.

#### Colby Musicians Play

The best musicians in Colby were hired to accompany me: Chick Bailey, Bradley Maxim, Robert Small, Orville Ranger, Gordon Miller and Arnold Tozer.

Posters were made by Joan Crawley, Martha Loughman, Donna Whitcomb and Virginia Hill. News of my debut was written up in the Portland newspaper and I even got my picture in the paper.

#### Russell and Bud Grateful

Russell and Bud are grateful to Cynthia Crook, Jodie Scheiber, Marjory Jackson, Jean Whistler, Shirley (Continued on Page 6)

## Joint Student Council News

Have you seen the designs for the new official Colby College ring?

No, you haven't. But you will soon. Lead die cuts and enlarged photographs of the possible face figures for the ring, long overdue, are expected to arrive within the next two weeks, according to word from the Student Council.

#### White Mule Suggested

The Colby Seal, the sloop atop the Miller Library, the White Mule, and a blue stone are, at the present, being considered as face emblems. The choice is by no means restricted to these possibilities, however, and members of the council are eagerly awaiting constructive criticism or better still, designs drawn by students.

George O. Clifton, the Balfour Company salesman, is a Colby alumnus and therefore in a position to give information which will help in choosing the best looking and most durable ring.

The Student Council members are acting as the ring committee.

#### Spring Weekend Plans

The SCA, all fraternities, and all sororities have been asked to lend their support to the council in making a success of Spring Weekend, which will probably come soon after vacation. Prospective plans include the hiring of a big name band.

Tommy Dorsey, Jimmy Dorsey, Vaughan Monroe, Gato Krupa, Ray Noble, and Tex Beneke with the Miller band will be on tour and within reach at that time.

The next ECHO will, in all probability, reveal whether a name band will be hired.

#### Roberts Union Rules

The male members of the council Tom Meahan, Dick Billings, Larry Kaplan, Dave Montt, and Harry Paul, president of the Interfraternity Council acting as a house committee, have drawn up the rules and regulations for Roberts Union. This committee is open to suggestions for improvements in any part of the work that it has done.

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## Is The Curriculum Growing Too? . . .

A Letter to the Editor printed in last week's ECHO expressing the desire of certain college students for a contemporary literature course at Colby is most certainly worthy of the notice of the administration. This suggestion is, however, but one small part of an over-all evaluation of the curriculum at Colby which should be carried out in the near future. Colby is a growing college. With the student enrollment nearing one thousand and the widely publicized new campus suddenly transformed from an empty shell into an active seat of learning, an enlargement of the curriculum is inevitable.

Advancements are being made even now but there is still much room for improvement. An examination of the situation seems to reveal that it is not so much the elementary as the advanced courses which need to be multiplied. And among the advanced courses, Colby needs as many more as possible that are conducted as seminars. A Liberal Arts College must provide basic knowledge upon which a student may formulate sound ideas but it must also give a student the opportunity to discuss his ideas with other students and professors who have studied the particular subject. Such discussion can never successfully be accomplished in large classes. There is hardly a conceivable college subject which does not warrant at least one seminar. Colby can not possibly offer too many courses of this type to her upperclassmen.

With the enlarged number of courses, the related problem of additional "majors" being made available can be answered. Two suggestions for initial improvements should be: enlarging the art and music departments thus making possible separate majors in the two subjects; and providing a Government major with more advanced courses in that vital field.

If Colby's curriculum is to be worthy of its new campus and adequate for the enlarged student body, there must be some changes and additions made. Steps have been taken in the right direction but the task is never-ending if Colby wishes to keep its halls of learning alive with new ideas.

R. M.

## Concerning The Faculty . . .

After years of delay, Colby can finally utilize its new and enlarged plant. There has been, of course, a corresponding increase in the size of the student body. However, what is probably the most integral part of any college—its faculty—has hardly increased at all. An examination of the facts will reveal a rather disconcerting situation.

In 1939, a normal enrollment year, the student body numbered about 688 while there were about 56 on the teaching faculty. In other words, there was one professor to 12.3 students. This is somewhat excessive when compared with other colleges.

At present, there are approximately 876 students enrolled at Colby. The teaching faculty now numbers about 58. In other words the faculty has increased at the rate of one for every 94 students which is highly inadequate.

The three things which more than anything determine a school's scholastic standing are its admissions policies, the achievements of its graduates, and the caliber of the faculty. In order for Colby to maintain a high rating, it must provide an adequate teaching staff.

Teachers like most of us tend to become quite mercenary, when they depend on their teaching for their sustenance. Teaching salaries at Colby must be high enough so as to attract able and competent men. Teaching conditions should be such that these men can give their best to their classes. The increase in the professors would also alleviate the heavy administrative burdens which have become so heavy on the shoulders of the few.

We already have a fine nucleus to build around. An excellent tradition, adequate salaries, pleasant working conditions and a fine campus will undoubtedly be an inducement which will build an able and respected teaching staff at Colby.

S. I. K.

## Letters To The Editor

All letters should be sent to The Editor of the Colby Echo. They must be accompanied by the writer's name which will be withheld on request. These letters do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the Editorial Board of the ECHO.

Dear Editor:

In reply to your letter of March 1st asking for information concerning the proposed tower, I submit the following:

A group of civic-minded students met last night to discuss the possibility of raising money for the Memorial Tower, which is to be erected at the top of Mayflower Hill.

An advisory committee which investigated materials available for immediate construction of the tower, which would be called the Mayflower Memorial, proposed that it be built almost entirely of stone, with circumscribed gutters spiraling to the base, so that if a transport plane should hit it, the blood of the passengers and the harmful fluids from the airplanes' engines would run down the sides to the base, where it could be carried off in great quantities in ten-inch pipes.

The problem of lighting the tower was brought up, but it was pointed out that, (1) the cost of maintaining such a light would amount to as much as two dollars a month, (2) the use of a light would defeat the purpose of the tower, and, (3) the possibility of an airplane's hitting a lighted tower in a fog are very slim indeed.

After much deliberation as to the height of the proposed tower, it was agreed that it should be at least 300 feet higher than the Miller Library, which, of course, was built for the same purpose. The treasurer requested that construction of the tower be put off for an indefinite period, until such time as we can raise enough money to insure completion, pointing out that many years have passed without a plane crashing into the Miller Library.

Our chairman pointed out, however, that construction should start immediately; for if a fully-loaded transport should crash into the library, the incident would rob this committee of its glory and would endanger a successful beginning for the Mayflower Memorial.

In order to lessen the chances of this happening it was proposed that our committee establish a fund for maintenance of a light on the Miller Library, until such time as construction on the memorial tower is completed.

However, the chairman pointed out that he has cautiously suggested the installation of such a light to the Administration, and they seem to be unanimously against such a light, realizing, of course, the need to establish tradition to the Miller Library, and hoping that even yet the library tower may fulfill its purpose.

Richard W. Billings

To the Editor:

The proposal by "Two Interested Students" of a course in Contemporary Literature deserves a well-considered reply; and since the limited space which your columns afford does not permit a thorough examination of the proposal, or even if an answer to the specific questions asked by your "Two Interested Students" (e. g., "What better way is there to help students... have their own works published?"), may I invite them, and any other interested students, to meet me, and other members of the English staff, to an informal conference on this subject, at 3:45 P.M., on Friday, March 21, in Room 208-C, Miller Library.

Sincerely yours,

Carl J. Weber

Last June parents and friends of graduating students were turned away from the Hotel Elmwood in spite of the fact that they had made reservations in advance for their stay in Waterville during Commencement week. The reason given was that accommodations were taken over by

## Campus Chatter

Dear Maw:

This shore is a funny school up yhar in Maine. I sometimes rise up a chuckle at what the folks around here say. Why 'tother day I heard about one of the fellers who was goin' down town to make a dentist appointment fer his room-mate. When he got back his friend asked him if he'd done it and he said 'Why yep. I hev.' But b'gawd, come right down to it he fer-got to look and see who the dentist was when he made the appointment. Guess you mighta laughed too, Maw; after all you can't always be self-conscious 'bout you ain't got no teeth.

And then onct I was watchin' a rehearsal for the Varsity Show that everyone's goin' to on Friday nite and I seen this boy Riefe standin' on the stage waitin' fer his cue. He was all wrapped up in one of the curtains (the boys at collich are versatile—they get wrapped up in 'most anything...), so instead a comin' in when he's supposed to he stands there and sez, 'Hey, anyone around here got a piece of soap?' Wouldn't put it past him neither, Maw.

Better send back my long reds too; it ain't spring yet. Matter of fact it was so cold a few weeks ago that one of the boys almost convinced his professor that there shouldn't be any outside reading on the final exam. But I guess professors ain't that gullible.

The new phone system is still sorta confusin'. Dotty Briggs was on bells one night and one feller called up and sez, 'That you, Maybelle? Geez, I been missin' ya. There just ain't another gal like ya in the world. Meet me at the station in half an hour, huh?' Pore guy; there warn't no Maybelle at the school.

Heard a story while back 'bout some guy who had just learned to write. His mother asked him what he wrote. 'Don't rightly know,' he said. 'I ain't learned to read yet.'

That's all, Maw. Wisht you could be here for the Varsity Show; it's mighty clever. Give m' love to Paw; also Jeannete, Isabelle, Ruth, Annie, Maizie, Mathilda, and all the other cows.

X.

The following are the telephone numbers by which the Men's Dormitories may be reached. In West Hall, Chaplin, 81996; Pepper, 81962; Robbins, 81973. In East Hall, Butler, 81933; Champlin, 81934; Small, 81964. In Roberts Hall, 81964.

the college Alumni Council to be used for members of the Alumni Association, who not only wished to attend the Alumni College, but the commencement exercises as well.

This same situation is likely to re-occur this year. Already parents who have written to the Elmwood for reservations, having previously been told that they would be available this year without any fear of interference by the Alumni Association or any other group, have received letters stating that accommodations are now unavailable for this very reason.

We all regret that hotel facilities in Waterville are definitely limited. Since we realize that they are, however, why not whenever possible plan our activities with this fact in mind? Is it completely selfish of the seniors to feel that their college commencement should not be marred by their parents being deprived of a convenient and suitable place to stay when they come to Waterville to experience what is to them in most cases one of their proudest and happiest moments?

Would not the interests of all be better served if these events were not held simultaneously? Until the facilities that Colby has planned for such times become available, it would certainly seem that consideration should be exercised by the Alumni Council by planning all alumni activities to take place after Commencement. In this way much of the overcrowding and ill-feeling that has been brought about in the past will be avoided, to the benefit of all concerned.

A Senior

## Just A Word In Passing

by J. B. Hinson

We worried our knee-length loafers on the other day in preparation for a voyage to the Opera House, put on our dirtiest scowls, and dove out on the sidewalk. Our outlook was muddier than the roads and we spoke in voices as low as our intentions.

And then it happened. An ice-cream cone came towards us, closely followed by a girl with the loveliest smile adorning her face that you can imagine. The effect was instantaneous and miraculous, for immediately the gray clouds parted and we assumed once more the insouciant attitude that characterizes us among our friends and intimates.

### A Bright Smile Will Linger

Just a word in passing, a bright smile that will linger in everybody's heart is all that is needed to make this campus the friendliest three square miles in this solar system.

In my little old town in Missouri, you'll often be greeted by what the elite, the intelligentsia, call "a yodel."

"Howdy," he'll say, "think the rain'll hurt the rhubarb?"

"Think the rain'll hurt the rhubarb?"—a silly phrase it seems, with no sense. But at least you were greeted and your day started off well.

### Uncle Bill and the Bathtub

I'll never forget the day the bathtub came—with a set of directions. Ma used to fill it up with hot water every Saturday and ring a bell. We would run our fastest because the tub would hold only sixteen and there were seventeen in the family.

Poor Uncle Bill would try, but somehow he'd never make it. One week-end when he heard the bell he started for the house. He was running in earnest; he really meant to get there, but Fate, in the form of a clothesline, got him. He hit it at full speed, going down like a sack of wheat into the rhubarb patch. He never had a chance. He lay there three weeks but he wasn't lonely. We kids would pass by him and wave, calling, "Howdy, Uncle Bill, think the rain'll hurt the rhubarb?"

### "Howdy, Rhubarb"

Then he passed away and we put him in his favorite resting place—in the bathtub, and we placed the bathtub in the rhubarb patch. Now as we go past the spot we always yell, "Howdy, rhubarb, think the rain'll hurt Uncle Bill?"

This bit of reminiscence will serve to show each of you that, beginning with a modicum of politeness and amiability, in no time at all you can run the entire gamut from the introduction to the acquaintance to familiarity to intimacy to intercourse, social of course, and establish yourself irrevocably as a fast friend.

## how to play gin rummy

by Al Riefe

The game from gin rummy is long time ago invented by O. Stewart Gotz, who by other name known as "Stow." There is already many type gin rummy. First type gin rummy is gin rummy played by kidnappers who are waiting for ransom money play while. They are hiding out so policeman not finding them are. This type is being called hydrogin. Next comes people who all night the game playing are. This type is being called nitrogin. With type comes system.

First system is "Pittsburg middle system." Is picking up the first ten cards your partner throwing down your doing. Then by next ten plays is throwing them down you are again. Next system is "Dontchard system." When it's the cards shuffling for the deal you are, is on the floor, the nine by diamonds under the table you are dropping. Now you know you should not anything around from the nine by diamonds saving around be. The last system is being the "Windsor knot system." You grabbing opponent's by the and passing remark like, "My, my what a knot. At same time you in opponent's eye looking with one eye and in opponent's hand with other eye. This requires building up of strength of eye muscles. Some people is coming naturally too.



## Three-Phase War Memorial Is One Part Of 1947 Colby College Alumni Fund Drive

The Colby College Alumni Fund has \$10,000 this year as part of its goal for a war memorial to those men and women of Colby College who have served in the Second World War.

Rather than erection of a statue which would soon be forgotten, the war memorial will be in three phases. The first part will consist of a flag-pole to be placed in the middle of the front campus in front of the Library. It will have an elaborate granite base upon which will be engraved the names of the sixty-six Colby men who were killed in the war.

The second phase will be to install some carillon bells in the chapel tower. In the chapel will also be mounted a tablet in honor of all Colby men and women who served.

The third phase will be a living memorial for the children of those sixty-six Colby dead. They will receive a series of \$1,000 scholarships for the entire four year college course.

The goal of the Alumni Fund, which is the annual giving of Colby men and women to the college, will this year be \$40,000 due to the War Memorial Fund, and is in charge of Robert Wilkins, of Hartford, Conn., who is this year's chairman. The usual goal has been from \$25,000 to \$30,000 each year, and this money is spent for things which the college ordinarily does not furnish, and is a practical way for the alumni to further the interests of their college.

## 80 Students Volunteer For Blood Donor Drive

The completed sign-up list of the Red Cross Blood Donor drive reveals that eighty students have volunteered to donate their blood. The committee in charge announces the drive a success.

The actual donation will begin Wednesday afternoon March 19th. Each week, ten volunteers will be taken to the Sister's Hospital to have their blood tested and typed. Then they will be put on call for donations as their particular blood types are required. It is requested that those who go to the hospital in the afternoon have no lunch beforehand.

Since this drive is under the auspices of the Red Cross, that organization will arrange for the transportation to and from the hospital.

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## Cast For 'Our Town' Tentatively Chosen

The results of tryouts for Our Town are now available. The following cast is a tentative one (double cast in some instances):

Stage manager—Harry Paul, Guy Smith.

Dr. Gibbs—Harry Paul, Guy Smith, Arnold Tozer

Joe Crowell—R. Rosenthal

Howie Newsome—Leon McFarland

Mrs. Gibbs—R. Jaffe, B. Hallberg

Mrs. Webb—H. Harvey, H. Jacobs

George—Pape, Farnsworth

Rebecca—R. Barron, C. Leonard

Wally—

Emily—J. Snowe

Professor Willard—Bradford, Schwartz

Mr. Webb—Tozer, Smith, Greeley

Simon Stimson—F. Hubbard

Mrs. Soames—H. Nourse, M. Hathaway, Logiudice

Constable Warren—Bowers

Si. Crowell—Jacobson, Rosenthal

Sam Craig—Schwartz, Jacobson

Joe Stoddard—Greeley, Tozer, Smith.

Woman in Balcony—Hallberg, Nourse

Lady in Box—Logiudice, Jacobs

Man in Box—

Baseball players—from second cast

Choir, and crowd. All not named, and others.

THE FIRST REHEARSAL will be at 3:30 P. M. Tuesday, March 18, in the WORKSHOP. All are asked to be present to make plans for rehearsals.

## Dutton House Has 100% In Colby Red Cross Drive

Dutton House holds the honor of turning in a hundred per cent contribution to the annual Red Cross Drive.

Professor Everett F. Strong is in charge of the faculty and staff collections. Student representatives are as follows: Nancy Joel, Dutton; Ruth Pierce, Mower; Martha Jackson, Dunn; Pat Lydon, Hedman; Janet Pride, Foss; Jocelyn Hulme, Mary Low; Hilda Proctor, Louise Coburn; Charles Grenlagh, Roberts; Ellis Carpenter, North College; Howell Clement, West; Charles Debevoise, East; and Roberta Longley, town student.

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## Sparks And Nicoll Elected Frosh And Soph Presidents

### Freshmen Elect Clark, Hamer, Jacobs To Offices

John Sparks was chosen freshman class president at the elections held at the close of the first semester. Others elected to top positions were: George Clark, vice president; Elizabeth Hamer, secretary; and Donald Jacobs, treasurer.

Johnny Sparks comes from Lynfield, Massachusetts. He attended the Wakefield High School and before coming to Colby served with the army in Europe. Sparky is a member of the Outing Club and is a Delta Upsilon pledge.

George Clark, the freshman choice for vice president, comes from Milton, Massachusetts. He attended Milton High School, Hebron Academy and Duke University. George served three years in the army and was guide at the War Crime Trials at Nuremberg. It was while at Fort Dix playing baseball for Coach Roundy that George became interested in Colby—and here he is. George was a star on the basketball court but baseball is his first interest. George is pledged to Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Elizabeth Hamer, who will hold down the position of secretary for the freshman class, comes from West Roxbury. She attended Girls' Latin School. Betsy, a Colby Daughter, is on the house committee at Foss Hall. She belongs to the Outing Club, is a member of the S. C. A. Community Committee, and is pledged to Sigma Kappa Sorority.

Donald Jacobs, chosen by the freshman class of 1950 to keep the accounts and handle the money, comes from Gardiner. "Pudge" served in the navy for a year before coming to Colby where his sister and brother are enrolled. Besides that, he is a Colby Son. Don is another Alpha Tau Omega pledge and won his Colby "C" for football. He also played on the J. V. basketball team.

### Appleton, Gardiner, & Mahoney Elected To Other Positions

Donald Nicoll was elected president of the sophomore class at the elections, Monday, March 10. At the same time, John Appleton, Mary Gardiner and Jack Mahony were elected vice president, secretary and treasurer respectively.

Don Nicoll, a graduate of Boston English High School, comes from West Roxbury, Massachusetts. He is one of the busier men on campus, being a member of the S. C. A. Cabinet, business manager of the Glee club, and pastor of the Riverside Congregational Church.

Coming to Colby from Cony High in Augusta, the six-foot vice-president is known on campus as "Big John" or "App". A pledge to Delta Upsilon Fraternity, John is a Business Administration major. "App" says that the infirmity is a good hide-out and he should know after his frequent visits! But come spring he says, "No bandages, no slings!"

Meg Gardiner, secretary, hails from Great Barrington, Mass. She is a math major and plans to teach after graduating from Colby. During the summers she works as a waitress which she considers a diversion from studying. Meg simply "adores" long walks and is an ardent bridge fan. She is a member of I. R. C. and the Outing Club.

Jack Mahony, of Skowhegan, is an old-timer at Colby. He came here in '41 and returned this year after an interlude of three years with the Marines. Jack, a Delta Upsilon man, goes out for track and baseball and says he plans to spend the summer in "the usual way," fishing and swimming. Nudd Street, Waterville seems to be his territory. Jack is taking a pre-veterinary course and is quite enthusiastic about it.

## Annual Book Prize Announced For '47

The Colby Library Associates have announced the deadline for entries from those competing for the annual book prize.

Any senior wishing to compete for the Library Associates Book Prize must submit to Professor Gilmore Warner or Professor Walter N. Breckenridge, not later than noon on Monday, March 31st, a list of the books in his collection, and a brief statement of the principles which guided him in making his selection.

Each year the Library Associates give fifteen dollars for the purchase of books to the senior with the winning library. Last year this prize, which was awarded to Eugene Struckhoff, was augmented by five dollars each from Frances Shannon and Georgia Brown, winners in 1944 and 1945 respectively.

Professor Warner said that in offering this prize the Library Associates hope to stimulate a greater interest in selecting and collecting good books.

The winning library will be exhibited to the public.

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## Puila Presented With Gold Baseball For Participation In All-Star Game



Mico Puila receiving 'Gold' Basketball from Bill Millett

Dominic "Mico" Puila, captain of last season's Colby Mule's baseball team was presented his gold baseball recently for his participation in the East-West All-Star College game at Boston's Fenway park last summer. Faculty Manager of Athletics E. W. Millett made the presentation.

Puila was the first Colby athlete to represent the school in any such All-Star contest. Alternating in the outfield with Charley Trippi, of Georgia football fame and who recently accepted offers from professional football and baseball clubs, Puila aided the Eastern team in its 6-2 victory over the Western Stars by batting in two runs.

In the sixth inning of the game, Puila knocked in a run with a long fly ball and pushed another one over the slab with a single in the eighth in his two trips to the plate.

As Captain of last season's baseball team, Mico was unable to reach his peak form but still managed to wind up with a batting average of over .300. Greater things are expected of him this year on the diamond if his showing on the football field last fall is any indication. Puila was selected as All-Maine guard for his outstanding playing last autumn.

During his tour of duty with the Marines during the war, Puila played for the Marine Flyers in the 14th Naval District League which comprised some of the hottest baseball outside of the major leagues. Mico's team

was managed by Ted Lyons and Dom found himself playing beside Ted Williams of the Red Sox and Bob Kennedy of the White Sox, but he maintained a batting average of .295 even in such star-studded ranks.

To Puila, the big thrill of the war came when he came up against Luman Harris of the Athletics who had pitched seven hitless innings until Dom caught a fast one and parked it over the fence.

Puila has one more semester to go after this June at Colby and after that looks forward to a career as a teacher-coach.

## Spring Track Starts With 35-Man Team

In preparation for Colby's second semester of varsity track and the start of the outdoor season, Coach Swede Anderson is sending his men through daily practices at the field house. Weather permitting, the tracksters will be getting the feel of the cinder path once again in the next few weeks.

The track candidates for the outdoor season include the following men:

Dana Robinson, newly-elected captain, Cal Dolan, Jay Hinson, Don Heacock, Harry Marden, Dick Reid, Danny Shanahan, Phil Dine, Dick Pullon, Dick Brier, Bill Nichoff, Red O'Halloran, Al Silberman, Jack Driscoll, Sam Monaco, Aaron Sandler, George Smith, Hugh Jordan, John Harriman, Gordon Miller, Al Gates, Phil Lawson, Bob Rosenthal, Bob Olney, Charles Greenlaw, Jim Nole, Gordon Watts, Dick Remy, E. B. Dowe, E. W. Anthony, Jack Crowther, Don Jacobs, Dave Marzynski, Jim Alex and C. Sanborn.

## Four Colby Players On All-Maine Team

Bangor Daily News All-Maine Team includes four Colby players among ten candidates selected.

### Forwards:

Simpson, Bates  
Joyce, Bates  
Clark, Colby

### Center:

Washburn, Colby

### Guards:

Jaworski, Colby  
Boynton, Maine  
O'Donnell, Maine  
Barry, Bates  
Hunter, Colby  
Speirs, Bowdoin

Colby, 4 men; Bates, 3 men;  
Maine, 2 men; Bowdoin, 1 man.

## Walt Holmer Comes To Colby From B. U. With Fine Record And Years Of Experience

by Sid McKeen

Selected over 75 applicants, Walter R. Holmer was announced as Colby's new head coach of football Sunday to take the place of Danny Lewis who vacated the position last December. President Bixler, in making the announcement after consultation with the athletic council, declared that Holmer will officially take over on August 1.

Walt Holmer, whose last coaching job was at Boston University last fall where his Terriers turned in a 5-2-1 record, is at present serving as physical director at the Cushing General Hospital in Framingham, Mass. He will come to Colby this spring to supervise spring football drills although he will not officially take the reins until late summer.

A graduate of Northwestern University, Holmer played varsity back for three years, being named captain of the 1928 squad and chosen as All-Big Ten in 1929. After taking his sheepskin at Evanston, he joined professional ranks and performed in the regalia of the Chicago Bears and Chicago Cardinals in the '30-'34 period when those two elevens were the class of pro football.

In 1934, Colby's new mentor accepted the assistant pigskin position at Boston University under Pat Hanley. With Hanley's resignation in 1942, Holmer became head coach of the Terrier team. With the advent of Tom Hamilton's Navy Physical Education program, Coach Holmer entered the navy in 1943 and was made an instructor at Chapel Hill, N. C. He left the navy in 1945 with the rank of Lt. Commander, the same rank held by his predecessor at Colby—Danny Lewis.

Returning to his new job at B. U., Holmer conducted football in the '45 season on an informal basis and also in the return of peacetime football this past fall as his Terrier gridders were downed by a powerful Syracuse eleven. After the Syracuse setback, however, his club bounced back to win five, lose two, and tie one—three

deadlock coming with vaunted Brown 14-14 in one of the eyebrow-raisers of the 1946 campaign.

With the decision of Boston University officials to put football at the Hub school on a "big time" footing, Holmer resigned and took his present position at the Cushing Hospital. Coach Holmer comes to Colby with hearty recommendations from some of the East's best coaches, including Dick Harlow of Harvard.

## Early Baseball Practice Reveals Promising Team

By Burt Krumholtz

(Ed. Note:) The editor regrets that while observing a practice session, Mr. Krumholtz was struck on the head by a fly ball. He will report on baseball activities upon regaining consciousness: Athletic fee will be raised next semester in order to replace the damaged ball.

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## Sighs and Cheers

Don Sterner



Due to a make-up error last week, my column was captioned with a head and by-line of my constituent Bob Matusoff. This week, with my own caption, I wish to elaborate and conclude my views on athletic scholarships, which, I advocated Colby needs.

Perhaps, in my initial statements on the subject last semester, I did not state my ideas too clearly. At any rate, it is apparent that I was misinterpreted and misjudged to a great extent. I will clarify herewith my position on this controversial matter.

I stated that I favor athletic scholarships. I do. I also stated that Colby has a need for such scholarships. It does. What I failed to say, however, was the degree of scholarships which Colby should give and the manner in which they should give them.

It is not my intention that Colby should go all-out for their athletes such as some large universities have. This would mean lowering all entrance requirements for the athletes while maintaining them for the remainder of the students, which would be decidedly unfair. It would also mean giving monetary settlements for athletes solely on the basis of their enrollment at Colby and other bonuses throughout the year for their athletic performances. This type of scholarship we do not advocate for a college of Colby's caliber and standing.

What we do favor is concisely this. If an athlete from a high school or prep school has sufficiently good marks and is a slightly above average student, although lacking in one or two requirements for entrance, he should be given a chance to enroll. This may apply to all students. What if he does lack a math or a history requirement? At least give him a chance to prove himself at Colby for a year, during which time, he can compete in freshman athletics. If, at the end of this time, he can not make the grade and has to leave, no harm has been done.

If he makes the grade at Colby, he will be an important addition to the varsity club his sophomore year and Colby will have him instead of some other school. As to financial aid, he could be given enough to cover either his room rent for one year or his board for one semester or any other combination. This could very well be given as a scholarship award instead of a college job, assuming that his previous marks show some justification for warranting it. Due to the fact that he is out for a sport, he spends a great deal of time on the practice field, restricting his allotted time for studying, and, if given a college job, it places a heavy burden upon the athlete in his attempt to keep up in his studies. If a form of scholarship award was given to him outright, he would have more of an opportunity to keep abreast of the other students. Those that couldn't justifiably be awarded scholarships, could be given jobs which would not occupy too much of their remaining time especially during a particular athletic season.

At the present time, those individuals who are receiving scholarship awards on their intellectual ability and are not engaged in an authorized sport would have ample time to earn their money through board jobs and not suffer therefrom insofar as grades are concerned. Some people might say that these suggestions would actually set up a policy similar to that of other colleges, who pay their athletes a wage for playing for them, only cloaking it under the term "scholarships." We believe not. The individual's need for financial assistance would be the basis for all college aid and a certain portion of both scholarship awards and jobs should be set aside principally for needy athletes and if not fully utilized for this express purpose would become available for other students.

It might be maintained by some people that athletes, as well as any student, are eligible for scholarship awards "if his marks warrant it" under the present policy. Granted, but the present policy is not broad enough. It should be broadened to the extent that athletes would be given at least a slight opening in Colby's "iron curtain" without absolute deterioration of policy which would be classified as unjust discrimination.

This is the essence of our athletic policy as advocated for Colby. It may appear to be a bit rough and sketchy but the details could be worked out satisfactorily by the responsible authorities. What I merely desired to state here was the basis for the method which could be used in the "sort of athletic scholarships" needed for Colby.

## Colby Staff Enlarged With Three New Members

Colby, this semester, not only has new classrooms, it has added three members to its staff.

### Manages Bookstore

David C. Howard, in addition to being the Manager of the new Bookstore and Spa, is an Instructor in the Department of Business Administration. He will assume some of the teaching work of Professor Joseph W. Bishop.

Mr. Howard graduated from McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario and Harvard Business School. At Harvard he was Research Assistant working on international economic problems for 10 months. He served four years in the Air Corps and is holder of the Distinguished Flying Cross. He spent 32 months as a prisoner of war in Germany where he taught French, Economics, and Russian. He also served on the camp es-

cape committee as a general adviser and specialist on German Railroads.

### Served in Field Artillery

Mr. James Humphry has assumed his duties as the Librarian of Colby succeeding Dr. Gilmore Warner who will continue as Associate Librarian but will also conduct courses in history, taking the place of Professor Emeritus William J. Wilkinson.

Mr. Humphry graduated from Harvard. He then worked in the New York Public Library, at the same time attending Columbia University School of Library Service from which he received his B. S. He served 50 months in the Field Artillery.

### Native of Korea

A newcomer also, is Dr. Donaldson Koonin who, on February 15 began his job as the new Assistant Professor in the Geology Department. He received his Ph. D. from Columbia. Formerly, he taught at the University of West Virginia.

Born in Korea, he served in the Office of Strategic Services during the war, using his personal knowledge of Korea.

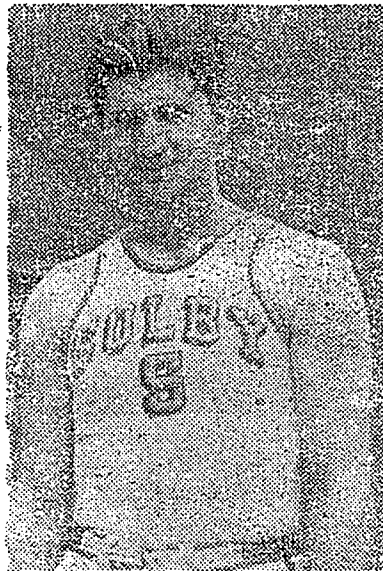
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## "Mitch" Jaworski Elected Honorary Hoop Captain

After playing one of his finest and his last game of his college career, "Mitch" Jaworski was elected honorary captain of the Colby quintet.



Mitch Jaworski

Mitchell came to Colby in the fall of 1940, started playing basketball in his sophomore year and the next season soon became one of the top scorers of the team. He left to join the U. S. Marines, where he served until the fall of '46 when he returned to Colby.

Not being in too good condition, he didn't see much action, but he stuck it out, working day after day, to get himself into shape, where many a "former star" might have quit. By mid-season his weight was beginning to be felt around the court and "Mitch" finished out the season, as did the team, in a blaze of glory. In his last game, Jaworski, playing his usual brilliant defensive and backboard controlling game, scored 12 points from his guard position, as the Blue and Grey hoopsters bested Bowdoin, 59-48.

At their team dinner the Williams men elected Jaworski honorary captain for the '46-'47 basketball team—a tribute to one of the most well-liked athletes that Colby has the privilege to graduate. Good luck, Mitch!

## U. S. MARINE CORPS OFFERS COMMISSIONS TO UNDERGRADUATES OF COLBY

The U. S. Marine Corps recently announced the reactivation of its Platoon Leaders Classes. This method of officer procurement affords freshmen, sophomores and juniors of selected accredited colleges and universities an opportunity to become commissioned officers in the Regular Marine Corps and the Marine Corps Reserve.

### Major Russell Visits

Major G. F. RUSSELL, head of Marine Corps Officer Procurement for the New England Section, will visit the Colby College Campus on 2 April 1947, to discuss the program and interview applicants.

Members of the Platoon Leaders Classes attend two six week summer training periods at the Marine Corps Schools, Quantico, Virginia. No military training is required during the academic year, and members of this program are not subject to call to active duty except during the existence of a National Emergency.

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## ATO's And Non-Frats Tied For First In Inter-Fraternity Basketball Contest

In the inter-frat basketball league games last week the red-hot Non-Frat five still kept their pace up with a hard-fought, close decision over the DUs, 25-24.

The fast-moving ATO nosed out the fighting Tau Deltas 36-34 and the struggling DKE 32-30. Both games were close ones and the ATO had to fight all the way.

After having lost to the Non-Frat club, the Phi Delt quintet came back to beat the DKE 45-27 and squeezed out the DU's 35-34 in one of the best games played this year in the league. With but 20 seconds to go and with the Phi Delt's leading 33-32, Ralph Fields scored for the DUs with a nice one-hander. Toomey then passed to Golden, and with five seconds to go, Golden scored a long set shot

making the score 35-34 as the horn blew.

The LCA held their own by defeating the KDRs 34-20. The KDR also suffered another defeat at the hands of the Zetes 46-33.

The standings are:

	Won	Lost
Non-Frats	3	0
ATO	3	0
Phi Delt	2	1
Tau Delt	2	1
LCA	2	1
Zetes	1	2
KDR	0	3

## Lower Requirements Set For Colby Track Letters

The Athletic Department has announced the lowering of the requirements for earning Varsity Letters in Indoor and Outdoor Track. The requirements are now as follows:

WINNING first place in any dual or triangular meet; a point or fraction of a point in any meet with four or more colleges competing; or a total of 6 points for the season. Running on a winning relay team in any meet with four or more colleges competing or breaking the Colby College record in intercollegiate competition.



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## Fraternity News

Recently elected officers of Delta Upsilon fraternity for the second semester are: Robert Lucy, Jr., president; Richard Marcyes, vice president; Charles Cousins, treasurer; Harry Lightbody, secretary; Charles Sanborn, corresponding secretary; Roy Leaf, guard; William Mansfield, chaplain; Ted Russell, choragus; Cyril Joly, Jr., social chairman. On March 19, twenty-seven men were initiated into the fraternity, including Phillip Blake, who was pledged two weeks ago.

The Phi Delt has recently elected Tom Burke as their new president. Other officers elected for this semester are: Colby Tibbetts, secretary; Edward Birdsey, treasurer; Bob Tonge, social chairman; Robert Bedig, chaplain; Jim Alex, choirmaster; Mico Pulia, pledge chairman.

Samuel Atwater is the newly-elected president of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. Other officers are: Phil Watson, vice president; Charles Carpenter, secretary; Edmund Miselis, treasurer; Frederick Perkins, Jr., corresponding secretary. An informal closed dance was held last Saturday evening in the Smith and Dunn Lounges in the Women's Union.

The newly elected slate of officers of the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity is headed by Donald Leach, president. Other officers elected were: Perry Harding, senior tribune; Arthur Warren, Jr., junior tribune; Robert H. Brunell, praetor; Richard D. Sampson, quaestor; George K. Black, pontifex; Lewis T. Voultos, centurion and Paul Merrifield, Interfraternity Council representative.

## Sorority News

Claire Finkledey, president of Chi Omega, reports their initiations will take place the 29th and 30th of this month. A banquet at the Elmwood is also scheduled during this time. Officers for next year are to be elected at the next meeting.

Dean Ninetta M. Runnals was the informal speaker at the last meeting of Sigma Kappa sorority. Plans were completed for a closed "vic" dance in the Woman's Union Thursday, March 27th. Sigma Kappa initiation and banquet at the Elmwood are planned for April 9, according to the president, "Sunny" Ellison.

Members of the Tri-Delt sorority of which Frances Whitehill is president, have been actively participating in their Delta week, which got underway last Wednesday. Barbara Preble, Martha Daggett, Virginia Flagg, Constance Leonard, Beverly Holt, Nancy Arditt, Barbara Barrows, Cynthia Leslie and Pauline Berry will be initiated at a formal ceremony, March 19.

Wednesday evening Alpha Delta Pi sorority initiated: Eleanor Ackerman, Donna Barter, Kay Clark, Shirley Fellows, Erdine Hocking, Hazel Huckins, Doris Knight, Jane O'Donnell, Norma Roehm and Janet Snow. Following the ceremony, a banquet was held at the Crescent Hotel. Hazel Huckins and Kay Clark won first and second prizes respectively in the contest for the best essay on "What Alpha Delta Pi means to Me." First prize in the song contest was awarded to Norma Roehm for her four submissions. A Colby banner was given to Doris Knight for being the best pledge. Dorothy Worthley, president, announces a new rushing season is planned for the week-end of March 22.

## VARSITY SHOW MAKES DEBUT

(Continued from Page 1)

Lloyd, Ruth Marriner, Bill Mason for all the help they gave them in presenting me to Colby society.

Everything was ready now. But fate intervened in the form of a broken ankle. My leading lady has her leg in a cast but, fortunately, will still be able to appear with me, when I make my debut Friday night in the Women's Union at eight o'clock.

In bringing the story of my life to a close, I should like to add that my creators are eternally grateful to Miss S. I. Sherburne "without whose gracious cooperation they could have done, nothing."

## Club News

**German Club** The German Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, March 26.

**Glee Clubs** After their recent concert at Dover-Foxcroft, the Glee Club is continuing their Monday night rehearsals of Mendelssohn's Elijah in preparation for the performance of April 13.

**Canterbury Club** The members of the Canterbury Club will match athletic skills on Sunday night, March 23, at a bowling party. A conference of all Canterbury Clubs in Maine is being planned, for a tentative date sometime in May. Further information regarding this will be forthcoming.

**Medical Society** The Colby Medical Society held its first meeting this semester on Monday evening, March

17, in the Women's Union. Dr. Theodore Hardy of Waterville spoke on "Anesthesia, Its Use and Development."

**Spanish Club** At the Spanish Club meeting last Tuesday night Spanish songs were sung and a game played in Spanish. Every Tuesday evening there will be a Spanish table for dinner at Foss Hall. Anyone interested is requested to see Barbara Foley, Foss Hall.

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