

BARNET ORCH. HIGHLIGHTS WINTER CARNIVAL

IRC INTRODUCES NORMAN THOMAS TOMORROW

Subject Of Lecture Is Socialism's Meaning

The International Relations Club will present one of its most distinguished speakers of the year when Norman Thomas lectures January 20 at 8:00 P. M. in the Women's Union.

Mr. Thomas, noted lecturer, author, and presidential candidate of the So-



Norman Thomas

cialist party, has chosen "The Meaning of Socialism" for his topic. Princeton Graduate

The visiting lecturer was born in Marion, Ohio in 1884 and graduated from Princeton University and Union Theological Seminary before 1911. For several years he served as a Presbyterian minister in a number of New York City parishes. After 1918 his liberal convictions obtained expression in "World Tomorrow" and "The Nation", publications which he edited. In the meantime he was appointed director of League for Industrial Democracy and chairman of the postwar World Council.

Mr. Thomas' political life commenced in 1924 when he was an unsuccessful candidate running on the Socialistic ticket for Governor of New York. He later campaigned twice for the mayorship of New York City, and has been a respected, although defeated presidential candidate in every election since 1928.

Norman Thomas has written prolifically on moral and social problems of our time, numbering among his publications, "America's Way Out—A Program For Democracy", 1930, "Socialism on The Defense", 1938, and "Appeal to the Nations", 1947. He has also written many pamphlets, co-edited numerous publications, and contributed to socialistic and labor press.

Campus Chest To Start In Last Week Of Feb.

Plans are being organized for the annual Colby Campus Chest Drive which is scheduled for the week of February 26 to March 5.

The purpose of the drive is three-fold. Firstly, it is a means of combining all charity drives which affect the students into one group. Secondly, the Campus Chest is organized to instruct the student body concerning the need for donations. And, thirdly, it creates a spirit of giving and working together for one purpose among the students.

Ten organizations received gifts of money from the Colby Chest. They are: United National Appeal for Children; World Student Service Fund; China Relief; Near East Foundation; United Jewish Appeal; Care; Cancer Fund; Anti-Tuberculosis; Maine Seacoast Missionary Society; and Pine Tree Cripple Children Society.

Charles Cotton '49 and Mary Gardner '49 are co-chairmen of the drive.

Those on the planning committee are as follows: Claire Rosenston '40, Helen Leavitt '51, Richard Barta '51, Joseph Neldzinski '51, and Richard Johnson '51.

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Bowdoin Loses To Colby 62-48

By Alan Mirken '51
Coach Lee Williams' strategy, combined with the fine playing talents of the Colby Mules, forced Bowdoin into submission on the Mayflower Hill court last night. The final score was 62-48.

As the second half started, the Polar Bears, who at that point were trailing only 25-23, suddenly found themselves facing a "floating zone" defense. Unable to adjust themselves to the new setup, the visitors dropped behind 33-23 before three minutes of the period had elapsed. Colby then proceeded to turn a tight ball game into a rout.

The first half was marked by sloppy playing by both sides. During the second half, however, the Mules showed their superiority. Paced by Warren Finegan the Blue and Grey tallied steadily, at the same time displaying fine defensive skill. Time after time Bowdoin passes were intercepted and turned into Colby markers.

Russ Washburn must be commended for the fine game he played, particularly during the first half. In addition, Finegan and Mitchell performed exceptionally well.

Finegan was high scorer for Colby with a total of 16 points. Washburn hooped 14 markers to take second scoring honors.

Hill Project Viewed At Last Assembly

President-Emeritus Franklin W. Johnson at the assembly Monday, January 17, told the students about the series of decisions and events which no other American college can duplicate—the Mayflower Hill Saga.

In order to provide for more fraternity houses, another science building, two more men's dormitories and another women's dormitory, Dr. Johnson said that the College trustees have authorized a campaign for \$1,750,000, under the chairmanship of Reginald Sturtevant '21.

Following Dr. Johnson, Donald Leach announced that the student committee had answered the alumni quota of \$750,000 and the trustees' quota of \$350,000 with a quota of \$15,000. This quota was presented to the student body.

HARRY EMERSON FOSDICK SPEAKER FOR COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES



Harry Emerson Fosdick

Reverend Harry Emerson Fosdick has been obtained by Colby College as the speaker at its Commencement exercises on June 13.

A minister and author of note, Dr. Fosdick is a graduate of Colgate University and of Union Theological Seminary. He holds honorary degrees from 11 American colleges and universities and from the University of Glasgow, in Scotland.

Dr. Fosdick was pastor of the First Baptist Church in Montclair, New Jersey, from 1904-1915. In 1915 he became the pastor of the Riverside Church in New York, where he remained until 1946. Since 1915 he has been professor of practical theology at Union Theological Seminary.

By means of the radio, Dr. Fosdick has commanded a world-wide audience. He has also written numerous books on religious subjects and on the practical conduct of life.

Council Reports

Blue Key, Cap & Gown To Sponsor Conferences; White Mule \$500 To COC

Student Council met Monday afternoon, January 17, in President J. Seelye Bixler's office.

It was decided that the Blue Key and Cap and Gown should sponsor all future Career Conferences. At present the Council appoints the committee.

White Mule Money To COC

It was suggested that the Outing Club be given \$500 which was left over when the White Mule went out of publication. This money will help to finance the Winter Carnival and the other activities of the Club.

A suggestion was received concerning the publication of election results. The decision made was to publish the top two figures. However, the remaining results will be available to the students concerned.

The suggestion box has been set up on the second floor of the Library. Although some suggestions have been received without signatures the Council requires that all suggestions be signed. This system enables them to report the findings and action taken to the student concerned, thus fulfilling the purpose of the suggestion box.

Alumni Activities Explained By Chief

(Editor's Note—The following article edited because of space requirements, was received in the form of a letter from Robert Wilkins '20 the president of the Alumni Council. The letter, an explanation and justification of Alumni Association activities, was prompted by an article written by Thomas Keefe, Jr. '49, on Colby football prospects and the Alumni Association. Mr. Keefe's article appeared in the November 17 issue of the ECHO.)

The year 1847 marks the beginning of organized alumni activity at Colby. Today the opinions of some 6,000 members are voiced in the Alumni Council which numbers 60 representatives and meets at least twice each year. Here are some of the recent accomplishments of this body, too numerous to describe in full. The Alumni Fund through which Colby receives each year from Alumni subscription an amount approximating the income on \$1,000,000 of invested funds is an annual affair. Three war memorials—the carillon bells, the flagpole and scholarships for children of alumni who died in World War II were recently provided. The institu-

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Administration Answers Suggestions Submitted To It By Student Council

To the Student Council of Colby College:

The communication of the Student Council dated December 9, 1948, was placed before the Administrative Committee on December 14.

The Administrative Committee deeply appreciates the fine cooperation of the Student Council and is eager to work with the council in effecting constant improvements of the conditions under which we mutually work.

In regard to student complaints this committee holds that the procedure should be as follows:

1. The Student Council should investigate the complaint and determine whether it is, in the council's opinion, justly founded.

2. A representative of the Coun-

cil should then carry the complaint to the college officer immediately concerned.

3. The Administrative Committee will serve as a board of appeal, to which the Student Council may bring complaint if action is not taken to correct the situation or if they are not convinced that the correction cannot be made.

4. Complaints appealed to the Administrative Committee will receive thorough consideration, and the decision of that committee will be final.

Concerning the six complaints listed in the letter of December 9, the committee makes the following reply.

1. The bus schedule is controlled by the Transportation Committee. That committee acts under explicit orders from the Executive Commit-

tee of the Board of Trustees that busses shall be operated only to transport students to classes, meals, and all-college functions.

Transportation for evening work at the library by students living on the old campus is provided by a bus up when the library opens up and one down when it closes. To provide additional bus during the evening, except when special all-college functions are scheduled, goes beyond the trustee restrictions.

2. Bus drivers have instructions not to unload passengers at Women's dormitories on trips down. The college has no obligation to transport students from one point to another on the Mayflower Hill campus.

3. There is no such place as the corner of Main and Gilman streets. (Continued on Page 2)

Formal February 11; Bids Now On Sale

All rumors notwithstanding, Charlie Barnett's Orchestra will play at the Winter Carnival Ball on Friday, February 12.

The dance will be held in the Colby Field House from 9.00 P. M. to 1:00 A. M. Bids for the entire weekend will go on sale in the near future and



Charlie Barnett

will cost \$4.50 for members of the Outing Club and \$5.50 for those who don't belong to the organization.

Friday, February 11, inaugurates the celebration with the afternoon hockey game with Northeastern, the banquet at Mary Low Hall and the dance, with the traditional crowning of the Carnival Queen at midnight. If possible, the Governor of Maine may be present.

An inter-collegiate ski meet, with teams from MIT, Maine and Bates definitely coming, snow-sculpture judging, and the famous inter-fraternity Rum-Runners Relay are planned for Saturday with a sock dance, ice-show, and skating on the pond in the evening. The Fraternity houses will be opened that night and everyone is cordially invited to visit.

Increase Of \$1.00

Chapel at 10:45, the inter-fraternity ski meet, and some other, as yet undecided function Sunday evening will bring to a climax the 1949 Colby Winter Carnival.

The increase of \$1.00 over last year's bid price will help defray the extra amount demanded by having a big, well-known band, according to the co-chairmen of the event, Dick Leonard '50 and Fay Klafstad '49.

However, this festival must break somewhere near even if such privileges and weekends are to continue at Colby. They strongly urge everyone who can possibly do so (this includes the students who trek home after exams and forget to come back) to help by their participation, to prove that such affairs can become a tradition and welcomed part of the Colby year.

Assisting the two chairmen are: Alan Rieff '50, who was instrumental in securing the services of Barnett; Richard Beal '50 and Margaret Stowell '51, who are in charge of dance decorations; Barbara Starr '50, who will handle all details concerned with the Carnival Queen; Paul Christopher '51, June Stairs and Joseph Putnam '49, managing the Saturday night events, Donald Jacobs '50, transportation; Philip Dine '50, publicity; and Patricia Blake '51, chaperones.

Echo Board To Resume Printing Daily Bulletin

The Daily Bulletin, a daily mimeographed composite of college and personal notices, will be published under the auspices of the ECHO Editorial Board, beginning with the second or third week of February.

Any person interested in working on the Bulletin should contact Alvin Schwartz, Editor of the ECHO.

"Tones Of Amazement" Well Received; Production Features Outstanding Songs



FROM THE CAST OF "TONES OF AMAZEMENT":—Left to right, Hope Harvey '49; Ellen Kenner-son '50; composer and co-author Kenneth Jacobson '50; Nancy Semonian '49; and Paul Glasgow '50.

By Patricia Blake '51

Colby's annual Varsity Show struck Waterville's Opera House with the force of a musical cyclone.

Kenneth Jacobson '50 who wrote the music and lyrics and Gerald Stoll '49 who wrote the book, together created a show that is sure to be remembered as one of Colby's best. A near sell-out audience responded with laughter and applause to the humorous lines, uproarious characterizations, and catchy tunes.

Semi-Grecian Chorus

Narrators Phillip Lawrence '50 and Martha Jackson '49 did a striking job in leading a semi-Grecian chorus in an effective stage technique. Elizabeth Beamish '49 is to be equally praised for the direction of the show.

The story, one of domestic intrigue and a not-too-subtle warning to men, moved swiftly through a multitude of complications involving some very laughable people.

Paul Glasgow '50 and Tobey Har-

vey '49 were well cast for the parts of Mr. and Mrs. De Vuyer. Conrad White '49 once more came through with a convincing performance; this time as a butler who gives some dangerous advice on love.

Gerald Stoll amazed us again with his ability to pinch hit as the love-involved butler's son when Robert Wilkins '51 fell sick. His loves in order of occurrence were Ellen Kenner-son '50 as the earthly Ruth who wanted a man, and Nancy Semonian '49 as the lovely but torchy Jane who got him.

Sign Of Triumph

A special applause went to Roy

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Tibbetts '50 who rolled his eyes and clowning his way into the character of the pathetic mother's boy, Roger.

People were still chuckling when they left the Opera House and up and down the streets they could be heard singing the catchy lines of "Do, Do, Do, Do, Do" and others. This was but another sign of Gerry's and Ken's triumph.

COMPLIMENTS OF

NOEL'S CAFE

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Administration Answers

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The committee assumes that the council means the corner of Main and Center streets. Several members of the committee are themselves users of the bus during the coldest months, and they appreciate the comfort that a shelter would provide. Nevertheless, the suggestion is not practical.

4. The Administrative Committee fully agrees with the Student Council that some way must immediately be found to improve campus lighting. To get the best outside lights will be extremely difficult, because there are no available lines, and the Campus Development Committee of the Trustees very wisely forbids the use of overhead lines.

The only feasible means to improve the present situation is by use of flood lighting. This is very expensive and must therefore be held to the minimum. The first step will be by placing a flood light on the southwest end of the library and women's dormitories. The present flood lights on Roberts Union and East Hall light that area as fully as can be done at present. The Superintendent of Buildings has agreed to study the lighting problem and to experiment from time to time with various methods. Probably no final solution can be found until the expense of suitable, ornamental street lamps can be met, and access made to the underground lines.

5. The Superintendent of Buildings has agreed to improve the condition of the walks between women's buildings and the library. It is left for the Superintendent to decide whether a plank walk or some other method will best meet the situation until a more permanent walk can be laid in the spring. The committee would at this time point out that the walk cannot cross the Women's Ath-

Freshmen Schedule Play Presentation For March

The class of 1952 will present as the second annual frosh play, the Broadway success "George Washington Slept Here" by Moss Hart and George Kaufman.

Mrs. Gordon McKey will again direct the production. She will be assisted by Harland Eastman '51, and Stuart Warshaw '51. The play is scheduled for presentation at the end of March.

letic Field, but must join the driveway at the point north of Mary Low Hall.

6. This committee is determined to do all in its power to see that classes are dismissed on time. Unfortunately the tower clock is not dependable, but undergoes intermittent gains and losses each day. The official clock is the one behind the telephone switchboard in the Miller Library, and the operator checks the time daily. All members of the faculty, other college officers and the bus operator have been instructed to synchronize their watches with this official college clock. The faculty has been urged to see that each class is dismissed on time.

For the Administrative Committee
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Vaughn Monroe talks it over with one of his lovely Moon Maids, June Hiett. Hear them on the Camel Caravan... Saturday nights... CBS.

Letters To The Editor

All letters to the Editor must be accompanied by the author's name and address. These will be withheld on request. Letters to the Editor should be no more than 200 words in length. In case of longer letters, the ECHO reserves the right to edit them so they do not exceed this limit.

Digging Up Holes And Filling Them In . . .

To the Editor:

I think Colby is making some progress in student-administration-understanding. However, I think a word on some of the things we see about the campus would help out this understanding a great deal.

Some of us get the idea that Colby is interested in getting a lot of money for new buildings and yet it seems that they spend a lot of unnecessary money digging up holes and filling them in again.

I refer particularly to the hole in the lawn of the Roberts Union and the long ditch back of the Library, during the digging of which they shot through the main power line. Of course, I am willing to be shown, but it seems to me that whatever underground work was necessary in these two areas could have been done before roads, walks and lawns were built.

Regarding the power line, it seems inconceivable that a campus planned as well as this, could be dug into with the diggers not knowing what was underneath.

Of course, I hope that this extra digging is not costing Colby a lot of money, but I think you can do a great service for student-administration relations if you can explain just what has been going on.

Inquisitive

The Eternal OPTIMIST

THE ACTUAL MOVIES OF CHILD BIRTH produced by the University of Chicago and presented here yesterday brings Golden Schnookie Buttons to its Colby sponsors.

THIS EDUCATIONAL AND ENLIGHTENING FILM brought many facts out of the realm of imagination and into true reality. Those in the mixed audiences who attended one of the four showings undoubtedly benefited.

WE HAVE BUT TWO QUESTIONS. Why wasn't there more advance publicity given so that more could see the film, and why was no question period offered? Anyway, let's see more of this type education at Colby. It's good!

FRIEND FORTHRIGHT wrote this Shakespearean sonnet about his favorite foes—the bell girls. He explained things with this pugnacious statement: "It all began when Professor Fullam never showed up . . ."

SONNET IN PRAISE AND IN QUERY

To M.D., D.A. and H.P. By Forthright

Oh, bell girl, be a lady to the core—
In sweet tone softly offer when we call
By telephone or coming in the door:
"Good greeting, this is such and such a hall".
Smile, and bright with cheer, do wish us well;
Then ask us whom we seek and go in haste
To fetch the lass; for when you man the bells
The caller's time (and her's) you must not waste.
Prestige, there is, to sit behind that desk;
There is a thrill when telling her he waits;
And pleasure's in assisting him with quests;
Delight in laughing with him when she's late.
And yet, there is one paradox to show:—
Why do you "clam" when he YOUR name would know?

FLAGPOLE FLASH TO JOE MCSHMOE, JR.:—
Several of our Family's more radical members have threatened to raise the "Hammer and Sickle" on the Memorial Flagpole if the American Flag does not appear there soon.

IS THIS A SIGN OF COMMUNISTIC ACTIVITY, or just over-zealously pushing patriotism? Huh, Joe, Huh??

THAT DADAIST MOVIE, "ANAEMIC CINEMA", shown last week by the Art Department left us with but one jaw-hanging comment:—daaa, daaa . . .

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Editorials

Three In Two Days . . .

We made the discovery, after checking the examination schedules, that we're no exceptions to the "three finals in two days" complaint that has been souring Colby personalities twice a year for as long as anyone can remember. The Director of Schedules has done as fine a job as he possibly could, under the existing system, and certainly cannot be held to account for some of the weird and troublesome schedules that have appeared. The fault lies entirely with the system.

The ECHO submits, for faculty consideration, its plan for alleviation of the difficulties encountered in scheduling final examinations under the present system.

1. Three weeks before the commencement of the reading period, two finals schedules would be released. Both schedules would include examinations for all courses, but both the examinations and the time they would be scheduled for, would differ.

2. Two weeks before the commencement of the reading period every student would be required to submit to the Director of Schedules, a program of finals he has chosen from the list posted.

There are certain advantages to be gained from putting such a system into effect.

First, almost all examination conflicts would be avoided.

Second, such a system would enable the student to determine the type of schedule that best fitted his needs. In an academic system that places as much stress on the final examination as ours does, such freedom of choice is very necessary.

We are aware of the difficulties present in instituting such a system, but feel confident that a majority of these can be overcome.

There is the difficulty of producing two finals for a course, instead of the customary one. Under the proposed system such a difficulty seems unavoidable, but we feel that greater student effort, and more gratifying grades will accrue from a double finals schedule and will compensate the extra labor involved.

The second difficulty presenting itself is that of an increased proctoring force in face of an increased number of examinations. In this instance we suggest that both female and male honor societies be requested to complete part or all of the proctoring assignment. Such a proctoring system is not a new innovation. It has been attempted in many Eastern colleges and universities with great success.

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Return Of Hour Exams . . .

The ECHO proposes that a more satisfactory system be considered for correction and return of hour examinations, quizzes and papers.

We grant that many instructors are overburdened and that these instructors could not be expected to return examinations with as much promptness as would be desirable.

We therefore suggest that time limits based on the number of students and classes the instructor teaches be established for return of all student work. Such time limits would assure the student a knowledge of his standing in the course and enable him to more intelligently act in regard to the weaknesses and abilities reflected in his papers and examinations.

AS

Outside Our Walls . . .

Tomorrow, January 20, Truman will be inaugurated as President of the United States. Although the day will pass as any other day at Colby, it might give our minds a little breathing spell if we spend a few words on matters national and let matters Colby take a back seat.

More than Truman's proposals for readjusting taxes, repealing the Taft-Hartley Act, or even national health insurance, the appointment of Dean Acheson as Secretary of State has taken the foreground in the news of the nation.

Acheson, being a member of the Hoover commission, agrees fundamentally with the policy of streamlining the state department. It would seem that now with Budget Director James E. Webb as Under-Secretary of State, some real overhauling might be done. Webb has been reported to be a man with a zeal for efficient management. He accepted his new post only on the condition that he would not be hampered in his desire to reorganize the all too many overlapping offices and inefficient personnel.

The hope of a more efficient administration in the state department is not taking the spotlight. The inevitable question "What will the policy toward Russia be?", has much more popular appeal. All sorts of facts have been dug up out of Acheson's past to try to find the key to what the future may hold. His former "soft" policy, his more recent "tough" policy, his association with the Hiss brothers, and his help in formulating the Marshall plan, along with many other such factors, have been played up in the public's eye as "telling" factors. The tendency is to establish his future record by the great amount of emphasis placed on his past record. Agreed, we should know a man's past to know the man, but as times change, so do the man and his ideas.

To know what Acheson did in 1939 and even in 1947 is important, but it is now 1949 and what he does now is perhaps different from what he would have done in 1947. His statement last week to the press to promise to get all Reds out of the department is one of the present factors that would seem to be more indicative of his policy than would any past action.

FB

Big Weekends, Present And Future . . .

Winter Carnival is scheduled for the weekend of February 11. We feel this weekend is especially noteworthy in establishing the precedent of "bigness", that Colbyites have been clamoring for as long as the college has permitted dances.

It is likely that weekends of this caliber will not be forthcoming in the future unless this one is conducted on a financially sound basis. Financial soundness depends on more than satisfactory attendance which in turn depends completely on the student.

The ground work for this Carnival has been completed. The rest is up to you.

AS

Musings . . .



From the January Issue of MOTIVE

This Collegiate World

East Lansing, Michigan—(ACP)—Michigan State College now offers a course in music therapy.

"Music therapy is the treatment of physical and mental ills by the use of music. Here is a sample of how it works:

"A woman is brought into the hospital suffering from a mental maladjustment. Since 60 per cent of all mental patients are suffering from environmental disorders we will attribute her behavior to this cause. Withdrawing from all reality she is now living in a world of the unconscious. She cannot perform even the simplest voluntary action.

"It is an exceedingly difficult task for a psychiatrist to aid her while she remains in this state. At this stage the music therapist brings various types of music from his file. A study of the patient's background has revealed that she is a descendant of foreign born parents. Folk songs are played repeatedly. Suddenly one of them causes her to weep bitterly. It was a song that her mother sang to her as a child.

"Although this little incident seems insignificant, it is a very important advancement. It has forced the patient to momentarily face reality. The psychiatrist takes it from there."

EDUCATED PEOPLE ARE FREE PEOPLE

This is about the time that many students get that itchy feeling of wanting to get away from it all, give up the books and head for the hills or some practical job that doesn't involve progress tests or the C-courses.

It's a waste of energy, they say. A worthwhile job is more valuable than fundamentals of logic or the basic philosophy of Schopenhauer. And when you're working for a living, they add, who gives a darn about Pericles or Nietzsche or how to find the square root of nothing.

"Educated people are free people," says General Dwight D. Eisenhower, president of Columbia University in "An Open Letter to American Students."

It is to the interest of every college student to remain in college and gain the foundation that education gives. And that foundation is the knowledge of what to do about public affairs as well as private deeds and when to do it. Thorough higher learning makes for rational thinking and rational living.

—"Florida Alligator", University of Florida, Gainesville

THINGS COULD BE VERSE

There was a line, a mighty line
Before the Commons door,
And Willie, waiting for his lunch
Was Number Twenty Four.
But Number Three had twelve good friends,
And Number Eight, eleven,
While Willie found to his surprise
He now was Forty Seven.
And tho the people far up front
Were moving quite a lot
The longer Willie stood in line
The farther back he got.
This struck the boy as mighty silly
But lunchtime never came for Willie.

—"Syracuse Daily Orange"

At least half the heredity-environment controversy has been settled by an LSU professor.

Says the prof: "The chances are that if your father and mother didn't have any children, you won't either."

—"Daily Revolve"

We think that a lot of live-wires would be dead ones if it weren't for their connections.

—"The Iowa State Daily"



MULE KICKS



By Bob Slavitt '49

The Punch was tremendous!

Sometime, in the life of every person, he learns that sweet words are often only a cover for pretty lousy thoughts. We are now through being nice to people. We thought that our handling of the western basketball trip had been too kind. The opportunity to be nasty was never better, but our soft heart, or soft head, makes us overlook the bad points and pick out the good.

The thanks we received for this was a thorough back-stabbing by the very soul we had been nice to. The next time we are nice to anyone, please send a head doctor up to give us a quick check. Lee, the next time you have anything nasty to say, say it to my face. I may be a cub reporter, but I never picked Colby to come within 15 points of Kentucky. And in public too! A little over enthusiastic weren't you, Coach?

The time has come to go on another crusade.

In 1924, the presidents of the Maine colleges put their collective heads together and came up with a decision that has continued through the years under the name of the "Presidents' Rule". The meat of the rule is this: there shall be no inter-collegiate competition between freshman teams within the State of Maine. With a few minor exceptions, this rule has been strictly adhered to by the four colleges who ratified it.

The rule has its good points, but it also has its bad points, and I feel that the bad ones come out far ahead. The reason, say the proponents of the rule, that freshman competition is bad, is because it creates a sort of super competitive spirit among immature students. In short, it throws the freshman into the tangle of inter-collegiate competition, before he has been indoctrinated into the "it's all a game" attitude. So what!

Another bad feature of freshman competition is the trend towards subsidization that may arise. I don't follow this one, but maybe you will.

Let's look on the other side of the ledger. The freshman teams in this state, suffer annually from a lack of opposition. They find that the prep schools, with few exceptions, are not quite in their class. Winning teams thrive on competition, and if a good club continues to play inferior opponents, it will itself become poor. At least it will not improve. If the calibre of sport in Maine is to improve at the collegiate level, the freshman teams will have to improve. One way of improving them is to give them something to improve against.

As the rule now stands, the only way that this can be done, is to schedule out of state teams. This is, above all else, costly. Freshman inter-collegiate competition within the state will afford the various freshman teams the competition that they need to improve, and be ready for varsity play. It will give it to them at a minimum of cost to the schools. It will create a spirit that is healthy and at present somewhat lacking.

Colby's Athletic Department has realized the value of the abolition of the present rule, and favors a rule that will allow all freshman competition with the sole exception of football. The gridiron sport is left out in the cold because the powers that be feel that the freshman will not be able to adjust himself to his studies. Maybe! Who knows? Anyway, it's a major move in the right direction. The rule, if nothing else, is archaic to begin with, and ought to be studied for that reason alone. Twenty-four years is a long time, and a lot of things can change. It is worth an airing.

Last Saturday, Colby had the first all-winning day in a long long time. We have come a great distance along the road to athletic fortune in the past year, and maybe this is an omen of the future. It sure looks good in the papers though. Maybe 1949 is the year after all.

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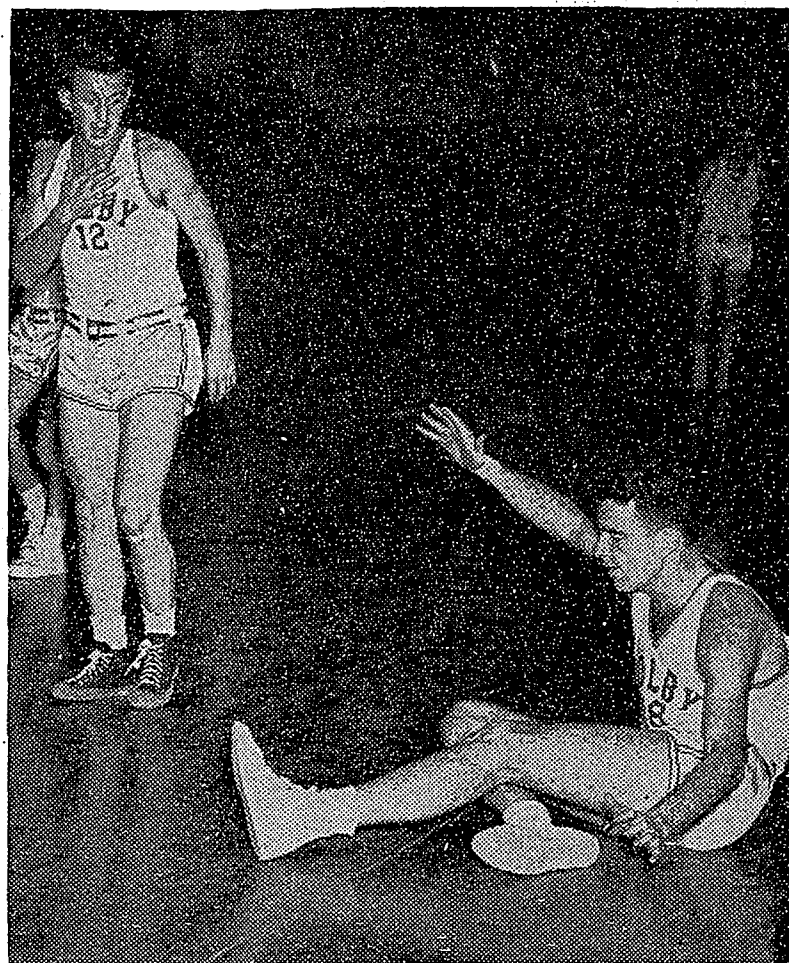
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Frosh Hoop Squad Cops Sixth Straight

By Robert Ryley '52

Those red hot Colby Junior Hoopsters annexed another decisive victory over Coburn Institute 72-49, while extending their unbeaten record to six victories and no defeats for the season.

The opening minutes of the game, saw an inspired Coburn five start fast and quickly take the lead. At the end of the first quarter Coburn possessed a three point advantage but faded rapidly in the second quarter.

Coburn's shot percentage at the end of the first half was slightly terrific. In the second half the "Mules" steadily opened the gap and were never seriously challenged again.

Continuing a stellar performance at center was Paul "Poo Poo" Aumond, with a high of 26 points.

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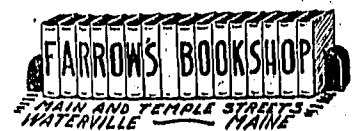
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Alumni Activities

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tion of a Student Loan Fund, the creation of a Department of Health and Physical Education, the abolishment of the old Athletic Association and the inclusion of athletics in the operating budget of the College are other Alumni accomplishments. Perhaps we need not mention that the Alumni raised \$300,000 toward the erection of the Roberts Union and the Alumnae \$100,000 for the Womens' Union. Public relations committees, visiting committees in connection with the College curriculum and kindred activities which relate to the welfare of Colby people have been an Alumni responsibility.

To go back a few years it is recorded that on August 8, 1866 an Alumni vote discarded a statue for Civil War heroes in favor of Memorial Hall which was erected with the cooperation of the trustees. Phi Beta Kappa came to Colby through the influence of the Association and Chemical Hall, on the old campus, resulted from an Alumni movement in 1892.

One of the most important contributions made by the Association has been the amending of the Colby Charter to permit the election of Alumni

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DU's Lead League In Bowling Tourney

With only two scheduled games remaining, the DU's seem certain of capturing the first half of the Bowling League held at the Metro Bowling Alleys in Waterville.

The Lambda Chi's, close behind the DU's, lost their chance of winning the title, when they forfeited their first game.

Though DU will probably win the first-half crown, they will have to play off the second half winners for the championship and the trophy.

The standings:

| | W. | L. | Pct. |
|--------------|----|----|------|
| DU | 18 | 10 | .643 |
| Tau Delt | 15 | 9 | .625 |
| LCA | 17 | 11 | .607 |
| ATO | 13 | 7 | .591 |
| Zetes | 14 | 10 | .583 |
| KDR | 14 | 14 | .500 |
| Phi Delt | 8 | 12 | .400 |
| Dekes | 5 | 19 | .208 |
| Independents | 4 | 16 | .200 |

The records:

| | | |
|------------------|--------------|------|
| High average | Bill Tippens | 101 |
| High single | Dick Magill | 137 |
| High 3-string | Harry Wiley | 342 |
| High team single | DU | 537 |
| High team total | LCA | 1487 |

Single averages (95) or better:

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Bill Tippens | 101 |
| Don Leach | 99 |
| Jack Alex | 99 |
| Fred Phillips | 98 |
| John Chernauskas | 97 |
| Jim Frazer | 97 |
| Dick Magill | 96 |
| Harry Wiley | 96 |
| George Clark | 96 |
| Leonard Smith | 96 |
| Mel Lyons | 95 |
| Fred Allen | 95 |
| Bob George | 95 |

to the Board of Trustees. As early as 1873 the struggle began but it was not until 30 years later that the amendment was made. Today nine alumni are regularly seated on the Board to represent the interests of Colby men and women. Of course many other alumni are duly elected by the Board as permanent trustees.

Of this condensed record of achievement I will rest the case for the Alumni. If Mr. Keefe and his ECHO readers can agree that the Alumni Association has functioned constructively, then perhaps we should return to the original subject and consider again the 1948 football season.

The record of the moment is dim but perhaps the outlook brighter. Like every other small college, Colby has had its years of glorious victory and ignominious defeat. At times perhaps extreme measures have been necessary to reverse an unfavorable momentum. History will show that the Alumni have applied more than vocal treatment to such situations. Colby will again assume its proper place in the Maine athletic picture and, I am sure, in whatever remedies are necessary will be found Alumni action.

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MAINE AND BATES LOSE TO COLBY HOOPSTERS

Mule Kicks Bear's Tail; Shiro High In 60-49 Win

By Alan Mirken '51

Displaying marked superiority throughout the contest, Colby's Mules defeated the University of Maine at Orono last Thursday night, January 13. The score was 60-49.

The Mules edged ahead midway throughout the first half. From that point on, the home team failed to offer any substantial competition. The

half ended with Colby leading 32-20. Frequent substitutions throughout the second half by Colby mentor Lee Williams served only to narrow the margin of victory. At no time was Maine in a threatening position. At one stage the Mules led by 20 points. Ted Shiro was high scorer for the Blue and Grey. He hooped six field goals and one free throw for a total of 13 markers. Russ Washburn and Warren Finegan tallied ten points each.

Finegan played a fine game under the boards during the time he saw action. Sonny Welson, who replaced him for the major part of the second half also looked impressive. Although he scored only two points himself, Welson set up a number of scoring plays from his center post.

Pierce, Michelson, Paine, Mitchell, and, in fact, the entire Colby squad played good ball.

The victory was the second over Maine for the Mules this season. It was also Colby's third Series triumph in four starts.

Summary:

| Colby | Goals | Fouls | Points |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Washburn, rf | 3 | 4 | 10 |
| Pierce | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Michaelson, lf | 3 | 0 | 6 |
| Paine | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Finegan, c | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Russell | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shiro, rg | 6 | 1 | 13 |
| Jennings | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mitchell, lg | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Welson | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Sonia | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Lazour | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Billings | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Totals | 24 | 12 | 60 |

| Maine | Goals | Fouls | Points |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Peasley, rf | 6 | 2 | 14 |
| Lord | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Norwood, lf | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Kelly | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Goddard, c | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Mahaney | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Hopkins, rg | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| McCormick | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Osgood, lg | 1 | 4 | 6 |
| Jewett | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Feeney | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Farnsworth | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Totals | 19 | 11 | 49 |

Referees, Fortunato and Budnarik. Time 2-20's.

Ginger Fraser was the only Colby football player to ever be considered in the All-America selections.

Add to coaching ranks, former Colbyites Cecil Burns (Mexico), Donald "Sparky" Johnson (Boothbay Harbor), and Gene Hunter (Houlton).

New Hockey Coach



Romeo Lemieux '37

Baby Ice Mules Idle As Bad Weather Prevails

The first two games of the 1948-1949 freshman hockey season, had to be postponed due to the poor condition of the ice. However, the team has had some hard practice this past week and will be in good shape for a game against St. Dominic's squad on Tuesday afternoon.

Approximately forty freshmen tried out for the team, but the squad has since been narrowed down to sixteen. Among those remaining are several fine prospects and Coach Bryant is looking forward to a good season. The starting six will probably include Bill Gelotte, Right Wing; Wes Hays, center; Bernie LaLiberte, Left Wing; "Archie" Armstrong, Left Defense; Jack Carey, Right Defense; and Bob Crooke, Goalie.

A possible second line will include Jake Powell, Right Wing; Ray Keyes, Center; and Carl Leaf, Left Wing.

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Waterville Kiwanians Plan Sports Kavalkade

Many Colby students are planning for a gala evening when the annual Kiwanis Sports Kavalkade takes place on Friday evening, February 4th, in the College field house. The events start at 7:00 P. M. Tickets are available in the Colby Spa.

Every year Waterville Kiwanians join forces to bring to Central Maine sports fans a full evening of action-packed, colorful athletic events. This year two fast basketball games are the main attractions. Waterville High meets Cony of Augusta and Winslow High plays Lawrence High of Fairfield in a double-header. A junior boxing bout is carded and four bands will be on hand to furnish music.

Proceeds of this charity event go to the Thayer Hospital Mansfield Memorial Clinic and to several other philanthropies.

Thelma Proctor Matheson '43 and our own Ann Beveridge '49 will display their prowess in baton twirling.

Femmesports

By Mary Hathaway '49

A coffee will be held Friday, January 21 for winners in the bowling, badminton, and volleyball tournaments.

The honorary- varsity volleyball team and class teams will be announced at this time. Individual winners in the other tournaments will also be recognized.

Inter-Sorority Tournament

Since the snow has finally come it is a good time to mention that anyone wishing credit for skiing or skating should record the number of hours and the dates and turn them in to either Lucy Tarr or Joan Cammann. The skiing classes will meet when there is snow enough with Mrs. Bither on the Chapel Hill. Watch the notices.

The captains of the lower campus volleyball ball teams are as follows: 1. Nat How, 2. Bev Cushman, 3 Doris Mayne, 4 Scotty Livingstone, and 5 Lucy Tarr. The volleyball tournament was completed Wednesday and the results will be made known at Friday's coffee.

The inter-sorority volleyball tournament started on Saturday, January 15. Alpha Delta Pi is leading, having defeated the Tri Deltas and the Sigmas as the Tri Deltas and the Sigmas beat the Chi Omega team the Chi O's are trailing again! Wednesday, January 19, A.D.P. will play Chi O and Tri Delta will play Sigma Kappa.

Some former Colby athletic greats now coaching in the neighborhood are Mico Puiia '48 (at Lawrence High), Phil Caminiti '48 (at Coburn Prep), and Abie Ferris (at Dean Academy.)

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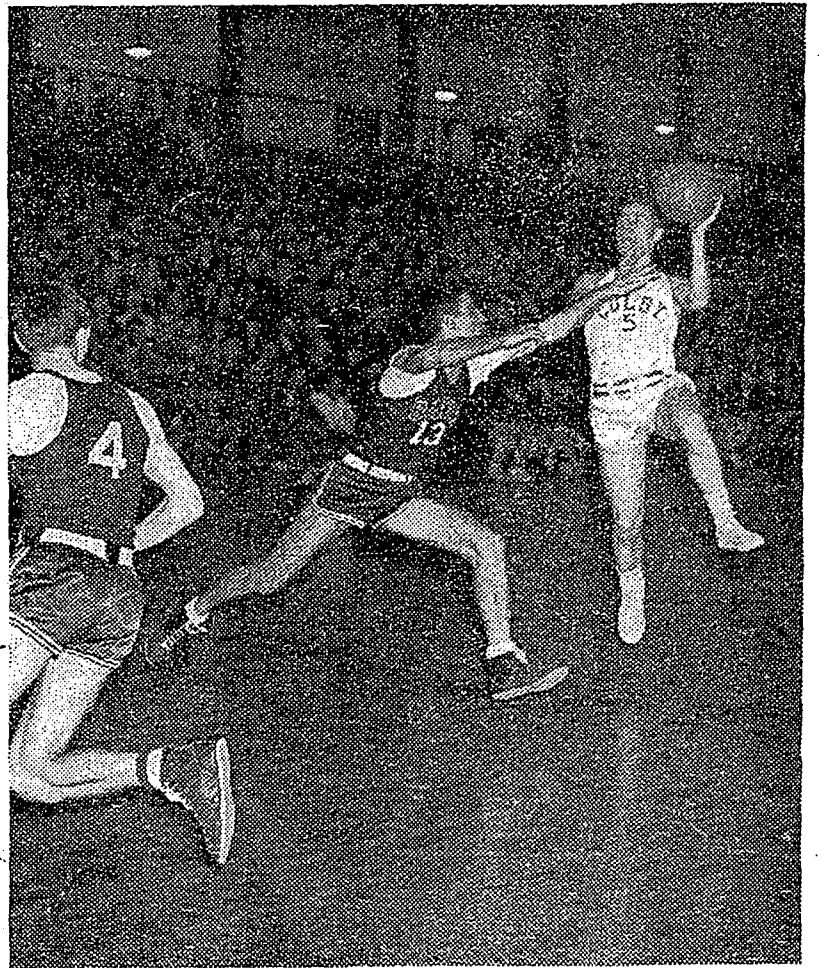
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"PUNCHY" MICHELSEN (NO. 5) tossing the ball through the hoop on the Mayflower Hill Court.

Colby Beats Bates 68-55 Michelsen, Washburn Star

By James Dick '50

After the famine, the feast. Tired of continually losing to Bates, Colby out-ran and out-shot the Lewiston club Saturday, January 8, plastering them with a 68-55 beating while breaking the all-time Colby scoring record.

Top Sided Defeat

It was only the second time in three years that Colby managed to beat Bates but the lopsided defeat heralded the end of the Bobcat's hex on the Mule.

After the first few minutes of play, the game was never in doubt. Colby's netmen, although having tough luck on many of their shots, piled up a large lead which they had no difficulty maintaining throughout the entire game.

Frosh Basketeers Crush MCI 66-50

By Russell A. Dixon, Jr. '52

Coach Eddie Roundy's hard driving frosh cagemen punched out another decisive victory over an eager but unsuccessful MCI quintet, to the tune of 66-50.

The frosh exhibited a beautiful display of team defense, smooth ball handling, and scoring power featuring "Bud" Wall in the top scoring roll with 18 points for the night. Paul Aumond as usual was amazing with his deadly hook shot, netting a total of 16 points.

Show Of Wizardry

Maine Central Institute presented a fast, aggressive, and always dangerous team that is possibly the best in Maine. Noteworthy among the opposing hoopsters was Yotides at forward and Dana at center, who threw in 20 points.

The junior Mules put on a show of wizardry wonderful to watch. "Wil" Gouzie and "Herbie" Nagel guarded our baskets beautifully while setting up plays along with Paul "Poo Poo" Aumond, Art White, Freddie Blake, Chuck Curtiss, and Bob Jones.

The game was marred, however, by numerous fouls. One such foul resulted in the unfortunate injury of Curt O'Brien, who was apparently pushed into a wall.

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ty maintaining throughout the entire game.

It was simply a question of how close a contest Bill Simpson could make it, and when he fouled out after seven minutes of the second half, Bates' flickering hope for victory sat alongside him for the rest of the game.

The first half was all Dick Michelsen. The phenomenal "Punch" broke Bates' back very early in the game as he fired baskets in from all over the floor. He gathered 16 points in his sizzling spree and, along with Warren Finegan and Tubby Washburn, built up a comfortable 37-18 lead at half-time.

Play Slow And Cautious

Up until the moment that Simpson exited, the play was quite slow and cautious on both sides, with fast breaks flashing only here and there.

However, with Simpson out and the other threat, Ace Bailey, guarded closer than Fort Knox by Teddy Shiro, the Bates squad threw away any floor plans that they had and ran. They scored quite a few field goals, but each time they missed, Colby grabbed the rebound and ran just as fast the other way.

Firm Grip On First Place

The victory gives Colby a record of 4 and 1 in State Series competition and a firm grip on first place. If the Mules do win the title this year, it will be the first time since 1941.

Washburn was high man for the Williamsmen with 22 points, closely followed by Michelson with 20. Simpson managed to get 17 points for Bates before he left, while Bob Carpenter took runner-up spot with 11.

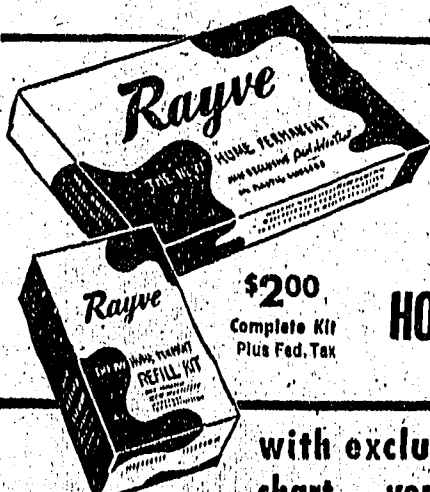
Lineups

| Colby | Goals | Fouls | Points |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Washburn, rf | 8 | 0 | 22 |
| Michaelson, lf | 10 | 0 | 20 |
| Pierce | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Finegan, c | 3 | 5 | 11 |
| Welson | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Shiro, rg | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Paine | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mitchell, lg | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Lazour | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Total | 26 | 10 | 68 |

| Bates | Goals | Fouls | Points |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Scott, lg | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Strong | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Lapointe | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Faulkner | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Somerville, rg | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| Simpson, c | 4 | 0 | 17 |
| Berry | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Perry | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Bailey, lf | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| Blackman | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Carpenter, rf | 5 | 1 | 11 |
| Collins | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| Total | 10 | 17 | 55 |

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1. Get the "feel" of the road. Before you start out, try your brakes while driving slowly and away from traffic.
2. Drive according to road conditions. Remember you may have to stop in a hurry.
3. Use tire chains on ice and snow. They aren't a cure-all for winter dangers but they do help.
4. Keep your windshield, windows and headlights clear of ice, snow and frost. You have to see danger to avoid it.
5. To stop on slippery surfaces, pump your brakes gently. Jamming them may throw you into a skid.
6. Keep your distance.

Concert Review

Community Orchestra Gives First Concert

By Mary Ellen Gardiner '49

The first Colby Community Symphony Concert of the year, given Sunday evening, January 18, featured Madeline Foley, 'cello soloist, in Schumann's intensely romantic "Concerto in A Minor."

Miss Foley's technical skill was commendable as was her interpretation of the powerful emotional passages which characterized the work. Yet the exquisite balance created by the sheer lyric quality of many phrases was upset in what seemed at times an unrelenting emotional playing.

Also of note in the rest of the varied program was the clear blending of string sections in Mozart's harmonious serenade for string orchestra, "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik." In the second part of the program, the "Russian Sailors Dance" by Gliere and Massenet's descriptive "Angelus" from "Scenes Pittoresques" were played vividly and with easy portrayal of the intended mood and scene.

Career Conference Planned Here Again

The Career Conference has now been tentatively scheduled for the weekend of March 11 and 12, according to Sidney McKeen '49, chairman of the committee.

A two-day program is being drawn up and will be announced to the school as soon as prepared. It will include an assembly program as well as provisions for private interviews with the various speakers who will be here.

A dinner meeting was held with a faculty committee last Monday evening to obtain suggestions for the conference and possible speakers in the various fields.

This conference will be the second annual career conference at Colby. Following the general pattern of last year's conference, there will be speakers representing various vocations and professions who will discuss the requirements and possibilities of advancement in their various fields.

Kindly Step To The Rear Of The Bus.

NEWSHORTS

MOVIE CHANGE—"The Youth of Maxim" with Boris Tchirkov featuring Shostakovich music will be shown on Friday, January 21 at 3:30 PM in the Alumnae Building and at 7:30 PM in Roberts Union. "All Quiet on the Western Front", originally scheduled for this date will be shown on Thursday, January 27.

ALPHA TAU OMEGA VOTE:—Alpha Tau Omega elected Paul Bourne '49, worthy master; Dave Montt '50, worthy chaplain; Eugene Britton '50, worthy exchequer; Ralph Collazzo '49, worthy scribe; Thomas Keefe '49, worthy sentinel; James Keefe '51, worthy usher; Carl Stinchfield '49, worthy keeper of the annals; Stanley Sorrentino '51, Assistant keeper of the annals; Ernest Carpenter '50, Palm Reporter.

DU ELECTIONS—John Mahoney '49 was elected president of Delta Upsilon at a meeting of that organization held on Friday, January 14. Other officers elected include: Roy Leaf '49, vice-president; Richard Borah '50, recording secretary; Charles Greenlaw '49, corresponding sec-

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retary; Ormande Brown '51, chaplain; Robert Lee '51, and Edward Stuart '51, choragus; George Doyle '51, guard; Robert Joly '50, chairman of the social committee. The new officers will be installed January 19.

SENIOR CLASS MEETING—A meeting of the class of 1949 will be held in the large Psychology classroom in the Women's Union at 4:00 PM on January 20.

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA VOTE:—Lambda Chi Alpha elected Charles Tobin '50, president, at their meeting January 12.

Other officers are: Jay Hinson '50, vice-president; George Johnson '50, secretary; Charles McIntyre '51, treasurer; George Wiswell '50, social chairman; Russell Brown '51, degree chairman; Leland Lowery '50, rushing chairman; Arthur O'Halloran '50, correspondent; James Dick '50, historian; Hugh Jordan '50, pledge trainer.

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