

# Interfraternity Council Lowers Pledges' Scholastic Requirements

## Phi Beta Kappa Elects Eleven Students From Class Of '49

### Plan April Initiation On Mayflower Hill

Phi Beta Kappa Secretary Philip Bither has announced that eleven Seniors have been elected to the Honor Society.

Georgiana Alger, a mathematics major; Nydda Barker, Psychology-Sociology; Martha Bennett, English; Arthur Blasberg, History-Government-Economics; Ruth Endicott, Pre-Medical; Barbara Grant, Biology; Daniel Shanahan, Mathematics; June Stairs, Psychology-Sociology; J. Steward Thurston, History; Haroldine Whitcomb, Business Administration; and Ivan A. Yeaton, Business Administration, make up the list of electees.

The formal initiation banquet will be held in Roberts Union on Tuesday evening, April 19.

The initiation address will be given by Professor Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., of the Harvard University History Department. Professor Schlesinger's topic will be "The Future of Democracy."

### Pand W Presents 'Hasty Heart' Wed.

The Powder and Wig will present "Hasty Heart", a comedy drama, on Wednesday night, March 23 at 8:00 P.M. in the Women's Union. The play will be presented for the benefit of the Mayflower Hill Fund.

The Inter Fraternity Council has requested the fraternities at Colby College to hold their usual Wednesday night meetings on some other night in order to enable the members to attend "Hasty Heart."

#### British Hospital in Burma

The "Hasty Heart" is centered around a Scottish soldier in a British hospital in Burma during the war. He is the only person in the ward who does not know he is going to die.

The play has the qualities of being both serious and comical at the same time.

Eugene Jellison '51, plays the role of the austere and cold Scot who ignores the tender cares of the English nurse played by Elizabeth Beamish '49.

#### "As Naked As A Grape"

The comedy is provided by William Ryan '52, who as Tommy, an English soldier, attempts to solve for posterity the question of what Scots wear under their kilts.

The combination of love and friendship after overcoming many problems, finally enable the nurse to gain the Scot's love and for Tommy to endow the world with his newly found knowledge.

Professor Frederick Main directs the play.

### Marriage Lecture Thursday, March 17

The second of a series of four lectures on Love, Courtship and Marriage will take place on Thursday, March 17 in the Women's Union at 7:30 p.m.

The topic of this lecture is "Understanding the Opposite Sex".

#### Two Speakers

Dr. Cella Hirschberger, an obstetrician who practices in Waterville, will present the feminine point of view.

Professor George Dufresne will be the speaker presenting the point of view of his sex. Professor Dufresne who received his Ph. D. at the University of Montreal has had experience in many fields.

He writes a script for a parent-child relationship radio program, is a psychologist, and is the Regional Supervisor of Psychological Services for Veterans in Quebec.

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### Gabe Lecture Thur.; Economist To Speak

Peter G. Franck, thirty-five year old economist, will be the Gabrielson series lecturer tomorrow.

Dr. Franck, lecturer in International Economics at American University, and economic adviser to the government of Afghanistan, will discuss "The Problems of the Government of Afghanistan."

#### Political Problems

His discussion will trace the historical and political problems of the country, and the economic and social progress which is being made there.

Dr. Franck, a naturalized American citizen, did graduate work and became a PhD candidate in economics at the University of California.

He received his Dr. of Laws degree at the University of Basle, Switzerland. He has also received a degree from the University of Berlin.

From 1943-47, Dr. Franck served as chief economist of the Industrial Division of the Office of Price Administration.

### Spring Show's Tryouts Completed By P And W

Trials for the Powder and Wig spring production "The Swan" were held Monday and Tuesday, March 14 and 15, from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

"The Swan" a modern classic of light comedy, was written by Ferenc Molnar who also wrote "The Play's the Thing", "Liliom", from which "Carousel" was made, "Guardsman", played by Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontaine, and "The Devil".

Applications can still be made for stage crew, business, and other crews. The performance will be given May 14.

### Second Career Conf. Is Successful; Discussion Groups Held by Speakers



"THE MAKING OF A SUCCESSFUL MAN is his willingness to accept responsibility," says David E. Lynn, Career Conference keynote and New York bank executive. Other consultants in the picture are from left to right, Robert Edgar, Oliver Comstock and Neil Leonard.

by Cynthia Crook '49

The Second Colby Career Conference is over! There will be no more bull sessions over coffee and doughnuts with the men who have been chosen as outstanding representatives in their respective fields or professions.

Until this time next year we will return to the academic vein of study, having benefited by this bit of personal exposure, if nothing more, to the men with whom some of us will some day work.

The keynote speech, delivered by

Mr. David Lynn, which was scheduled for 1:30 Friday, got underway a little late and because of the unfortunately small attendance it was held in Dunn Lounge.

Several other guest speakers arrived amid the spitting snow and rain on the 1:53 train so the Women's Union became the appointed rendezvous for all hosts and misplaced guests, and vice versa.

Various conferences were held

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## Colby, 1907: Snake Dance And Firecrackers Are All A Part Of Big Victory Celebration

The following letter was recently submitted to the Editor by Earl H. Brownlow, '10. Mr. Brownlow was of the opinion that his letter, a picture of student life in 1907, would be of interest to the Colbyite of 1949. Even a cursory reading of Mr. Brownlow's letter will substantiate this belief.

Waterville, Maine  
May 18, 1907

My Dear Friend:

Well, Miss Hoffman, this is, or rather has been, a beautiful May day. The leaves on the trees are just budding out and everything in general seems to be doing its best to make a pretty sight. It is spring, spring, spring!

This week, beyond a doubt, has proven as "fast" as any week I have put in up here. I have added several interesting things to my college life and will try to tell you something about them.

As I told you, Colby played Maine Wednesday, and we won, six to four. Ralph Good, the freshman pitcher and also my best friend here in college, was in the box for Colby and pitched a fine game.

As soon as the last man was put out, the cheer leader announced that everybody was expected to be at the chapel at seven o'clock to celebrate.

Well, everybody was there, and we certainly celebrated. It's a sure thing that I won't forget this one as long as I live.

We met at chapel and got the parade together. The band led off, twenty strong with about a hundred and twenty-five or fifty students following. The students formed in lines of about fifteen, each with their hands across each others' shoulders and with about fifteen feet between the lines.

#### Main Street Snake Dance

Then, with the band playing "A Cheer for Dear Old Colby" the parade started, all doing the snake dance. That is, one of the lines would start for one side of the road and one for the other just as fast as they could dance. It is a regular Indian dance.

When we got to Main Street every fellow lit either a red light or a Ro-

man candle; perhaps you can imagine those fellows dancing back and forth across the street waving their red lights or shooting off Roman candles, yelling at the top of their voices and almost drowning out the band which was making enough noise to wake the dead.

#### People Make Way

It was Wednesday (the stores are open here that night) so the street was crowded with people. We had just as much right of way, though, as if we had been out in an open field. Nobody dared say a word.

The fellows drove dozens of people in that had windows up, and were looking out, by shooting the Roman candle balls at them.

#### Fireworks and Noise

Horses danced and reared and cut up all kinds of antics, but the band, the shouting, cheering, and fireworks kept right on. We simply owned the town.

After giving all the college yells, counting out both scores, cheering every man on the team, the captain, coach, and then the college again, the band started up, and we marched all over the city, calling on and making each professor give us a speech.

#### Opera House Annoys

We then marched back down street again... down to the Opera House where a stock company was playing. Each man bought a ten cent ticket and we all piled up into the "split box" during the middle of the first

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### Many Pledges Out Under 1948 Ruling

The Interfraternity Council, on Wednesday, March 9, changed the 70 percent scholastic requirement for initiation into a fraternity.

The new rule states: "A pledge to any fraternity must achieve at least a 1.50 ratio of quality points to semester hours in the semester preceding his initiation."

Quality points are computed as the product of semester hours credited for a course and index numbers (A4, B3, C2, D1). The total number of the quality points is divided by 15, the number of semester hours per semester.

For example, a student receiving three C's and two D's would be eligible under the new system. Three semester hours times two (index number of a C) times three (number of C's) equals 18. Three times one, (index number of a D) times two, (number of D's) equals six. The total number of quality points is 24. This number divided by 15 is 1.6, or slightly more than the required 1.5 ratio.

The ruling will go into effect immediately.

The change was necessitated by the large number of Freshmen pledges whose first semester average was below the 70 percent requirement.

### Mules To Go South To Battle 6 Teams

By Alan Mirken '51

Barney Shotton, genial manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers, and Ed Roun- dy, coach of our own Colby Mules, find themselves in similar predicaments at the moment. Both mentors have an abundance of young, fast players on their rosters, but can only speculate as to which of these boys will represent their respective ball clubs in competition. Both teams abound with experienced fielders but the problem which both Shotton and Roun- dy must solve is, "Which players will hit consistently?"

Colby will embark for the South- land next week with this important problem still unsolved.

#### First Southern Trip Since 1941

The trip, first of its type for the Mules since 1941, will bring the club in contact with Navy, the University of Richmond, Randolph-Macon, Hampden-Sydney, and two service teams, the Quantico Marines, and the Second Army squad.

Barring a miracle, Colby will travel southward without having had even a bare minimum of outdoor practice. The batters, limited by the

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### Council Report Installation Of Clock In Spa Friday Promised

Student Council announced that a clock has been obtained from Day's Jewelry Store to be installed in the Spa Friday, March 18.

The decision was made not to send a representative to the New England Student Government Association Conference April 9-10 at Wesleyan College. However, a motion was made to have a report of the results.

A suggestion was received asking the reason why freshman papers could not be passed back to the owners. Professor Cecil Rollins replied that it is impossible to return English papers because they will be used again.

Student Council elections will be held Monday, Apr. 11.

## Discussion Of Negro and Civil Rights By Steele Featured At Gabe Lecture

Julian D. Steele, president of the Armstrong-Hemengway Foundation of Boston, discussed "The Negro and Civil Rights" at the Gabrielson Lecture Thursday, March 1.

Mr. Steele is a Harvard graduate and a veteran in the field of sociology. His work in the Armstrong-Hemengway Foundation is mainly devoted to eliminating racial discrimination in the Boston area. He

has opened many job opportunities for colored people.

### Problem of Lynchings

He pointed out in his talk the ways and means by which the negro in this country is subjected to severe and unjust treatment. The problem of lynchings and the almost complete lack of government concern in these cases was his first point in illustrating the need for a strong civil rights program.

The question of segregation was brought out by Mr. Steele. He showed its use in education, health, housing and many other ways. He stated that "segregation breeds inequalities." Stressing the need to break down the quota system in schools, discrimination in industry and in the business world, he argued for the acceptance of the negro on his own personal merits.

Professor Paul A. Fullam introduced the speaker.

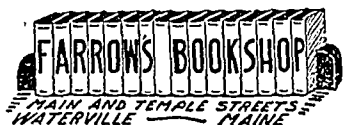
## Canterbury Club Hears Savage In Breakfast Talk

The Canterbury Club held its regular breakfast meeting Sunday, March 13, at St. Mark's Episcopal Church.

Mr. Thomas Savage, parishioner at St. John's Cathedral in Boston, and journalism representative at the recent Career Conference, spoke informally to the group and led a discussion.

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## Career Conference

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that afternoon and evening at which time the speakers talked of their own work and the potentialities in their field.

### Dinner With Faculty

By 5:30 stomachs were growling and even the most dignified of the guests appeared to have a famished leer. The faculty took over for the hosts and entertained the guests at a much needed banquet in Roberts Union.

Somehow, coffee and doughnuts are a necessity for a successful conference and the same was welcomed by all again at 10 o'clock following the business and education conferences in the Women's Union.

### Luncheon With Host

The student hosts accompanied their guests to Roberts Union for lunch and medicine shop talk flowed freely with talk of corporate finance, religion and, of course, we must add, journalism.

The party then adjourned to the lounges for an after dinner cigarette which ultimately led to the consumption of whole packs. Individual conferences were held upon request or as you may have guessed the bull sessions were resumed.

Again we were all thankful for the welcome tea and cookies put at our disposal.

All in all, the conference was a

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## 'Carmen' Playing At State Theatre

"Carmen," a French film production, will be shown at the State Theatre Wednesday and Thursday, Mar. 16 and 17.

The picture is being shown as a result of a poll taken of students and townspeople that indicated sufficient interest in foreign films to warrant presentation in Waterville.

According to a Providence movie critic, "comparing Rita Hayworth to Viviane Romance as Carmen, is like comparing a lighted match to a Bessemer Furnace."

In French, with English sub titles, "Carmen" has a musical score adapted from Bizet's operatic production of the story.

## Financial Aid Deadline Is Saturday, April 30

Saturday, April 30, is the final date on which students now enrolled at Colby may file Financial Aid Applications for 1949-50.

Students who intend to file such applications are urged to do so well in advance of the final date. Those who are in doubt as to their intentions should confer with their parents during Spring Recess.

Application forms may be secured at the offices of the Dean of Men and Dean of Women.

success, and although a larger crowd was expected, those who attended were reassuring. A vote of sincere thanks go to the guests who left their work for these two days, to the committee who has labored so hard for months on necessary arrangements, and naturally, to those important people who supplied the coffee, tea and doughnuts.

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## Lewisohn Address Tops State Hillel Convention

Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn, eminent author and professor at Brandeis University spoke on "The Intellectual Future of American Jewry" at a banquet sponsored by the Hillel Society Sunday, March 13.

Dr. Lewisohn emphasized the necessity of a thorough religious education, not only for members of the Jewish faith but of any religious group, for the betterment of society.

### Fundamental Difference

A controversial issue brought up by Dr. Lewisohn was his belief that there is a fundamental difference between different religious groups.

He does not attribute this difference to heredity or environment, but calls it a difference of the soul. To support this view Dr. Lewisohn cited historical events and said that the different groups were originally different.

### Different from Neighbors

If the Jews, for example, had not been different from their Assyrian and Babylonian neighbors, they would have continued living as their neighbors did, and not formed a new religion.

Since these religious differences exist, Dr. Lewisohn went on to say, they should be cultivated and not neglected nor rejected. Customs and history of one's religion should be learned and revered.

### Ignored Great Mass

Dr. Lewisohn said that two thoroughly religious persons of different faiths are more likely to be tolerant (and he did not like the word "tolerant") of each other than two people of different faiths who deny their religion.

Dr. Lewisohn ignored the great mass of people who do not feel strongly about their own religion and who may or may not be prejudiced about another.

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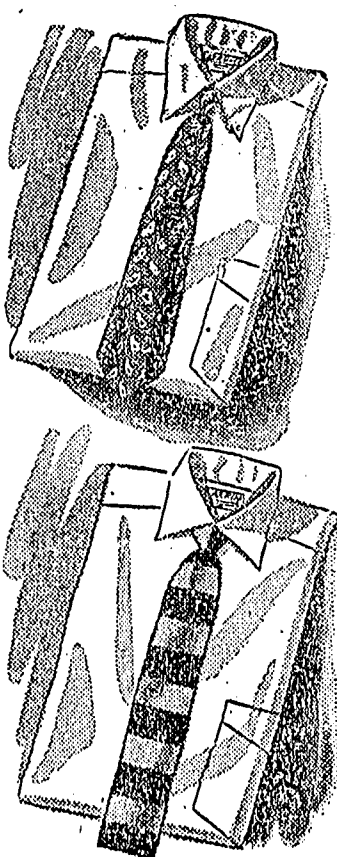
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### Watch Yourself Go By

Baton Rouge, Louisiana—(ACP)—A feature writer in "The Daily Reveille" of Louisiana State University warns coeds:

"Watch yourself go by! Look in the mirror. Do you have a lab slump, recitation hunch, lecture slouch or study stoop?"

"If you do it's a sign that you are taking good things for granted. That, you shouldn't do. You must help those anatomic gadgets hold your body in a graceful position if you want them to do right by you.

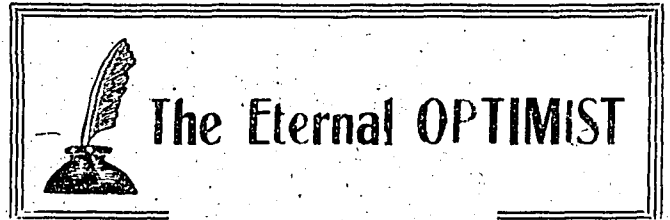
"If you tire easily or if you aren't comfortable, chances are that your posture is dangerously off. Either you're guilty of toeing out as you walk, crouching over, allowing your stomach to lead the parade, or arching your back. All of these strain muscles that were never meant to carry the load.

"Check your front and back silhouette in a mirror. Add up the score. Then do something about smoothing the line—make your clothes look and fit better.

"Find a clean patch of floor and stretch out flat on your back. If you can slip your hand between the small of your back and the floor, you've an arch where none belongs. You need to strengthen the muscles which fight against sway back, protruding tummy and wagging derriere.

"Do this exercise ten times a day, lying flat on your back. Bend your knees, separating them a little. Lift the base of your spine off the floor as far as it goes—so your torso is pinned to the floor. Now push the lower half of your spine down toward the floor.

"Keeping that hollow almost non-existent, slowly slide your legs down toward the floor until they are all but to the ground. If you get a real pull on those lazy muscles, you'll have proof that you needed the treatment and that it's doing you good.



**FRIEND FORTHRIGHT IS NOW COMMENTATING**  
We mentioned the Howard Johnsonian cupola on the garage of Prexy's new house. "Ah, yes," he said, it's created quite a stir. \* \* \*

"It's Created Quite A Stir \* \* \*"  
To JET. By Forthright  
The Cupola on Prexy's House Created Quite A Stir, The Students and the Staff would know just what in heck it's for.

Some say, "Tis Prexy's sun porch, he's out to get a tan." Some think: "Tis observation booth, he'll be a weather man."

"It is," some say, "a home for birds, complete with education."

But Robin's house is lacking doors, and birds need ventilation.

The answer to this paradox is clear enough to see; The housing shortage here is great, a bedroom it will be. The mattress will sit vertical, with pillow in the air, And for the roomers' shirt and suit, we'll hang a sky hook there.

It sounds a might impractical, but laugh not at our plan, It's the nearest dorm to Mary Low for any Colby man.

**A PLATINUM SCHNOOKIE BUTTON** with diamonds to the Colby Park Dept., (W. Jennison, Prop.) for the new American flag now flying from the Memorial flagpole.

**March 10 Is A Holiday** in our book from now on, for on that date it first appeared. And, Oh, Poppa, does it look grand!

## The Colby Echo

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## Editorial

### Deans' List . . .

It has been proved many times by psychological studies that properly administered incentives may increase output and efficiency as much as 200%. In connection with these studies, a number of striking corollaries have been formulated with regard to the effectiveness of incentives.

Such findings may readily be useful in connection with incentives as we find them in education. For instance,

1. Whatever the nature of the incentive may be, the consequence to the individual should be immediate rather than remote.

2. The reward should be within the reach of the worker. If set so high as to appear unattainable it may create discouragement, rather than to incite to increased production.

It is generally recognized that the three most important incentives to a student in college are: 1. Dean's List; 2. election to Phi Beta Kappa and 3. personal satisfaction. The acquisition of an B.A. degree goes without saying—one wouldn't be in college if that weren't a powerful incentive from the start.

The incentive of personal satisfaction is perhaps the most intangible cited here. Election to Phi Beta Kappa incites only the true student and may be absolutely unnecessary in his case—the mere desire for knowledge permits him to attain this distinction without his having a conscious goal in sight.

But the recognition of achievement through Dean's List is an incentive which, if properly used, may serve to raise the general standard of work done in college.

Dean's List as it is at Colby compiles adequately with rule number two. It is not so rigid a standard but what many students can attain it with some degree of effort. However, it seems to rail short of the first requirement stated as it exists, under the new system of having one Dean's List only per year.

We appreciate the fact that because there are so many year courses, the marks of which are not regarded at mid-term, it would seem to be a superfluous type of reward. However, the mere fact that one's efforts are recognized along the road to a goal, provides considerable encouragement to renewed efforts.

As it is now, Dean's List is such a vague, remote possibility that students will assume an indifferent attitude toward first semester marks. Who is going to work his head off from September through January toward a goal which is nine months away?

It may seem almost childish and immature for college students to be speaking in terms of rewards, but when you consider that every one of our actions is ruled by some incentive, no matter how intangible or individualized, it is not so illogical.

By removing the goal of Dean's List for first semester, the college is taking away one of its most potent stimuli to better work and concerted effort. It is our opinion that the more frequently Dean's List was published, the longer it would be.

NR

### And Then There Was Ice . . .

We've put off discussing lax snow and ice removal mainly because we've been alternately plagued by two fears, either the snow would melt or the situation would have been remedied by the time the editorial appeared in print. A recently bruised hip, however, has prompted us to discard both eventualities and take typewriter in hand. The hip was bruised in a fall on the completely neglected Lower Campus paths. An accumulation of ice, at least an inch thick, has coated the path running parallel to College Avenue for weeks. The necessity of clearing a walk leading to dormitories housing over three hundred men, and further, leading to laboratories in use by an equally large number of students, is as obvious and necessary as the daily collection of refuse. Simple application of rock salt or ashes could have prevented a multitude of bruised hips and skinned knees resulting from such an oversight.

In the event of further freezing weather or snow we recommend that the Department of Buildings and Grounds take this basic and very necessary action.

AS

### Washing Machines . . .

The successful introduction into Waterville of public coin washing machines again brings to mind the ever valid suggestion for installation of similar machines in Colby dormitories.

Frequent use of these machines by large numbers of Colby students explodes the "lack of use" argument against their installation. If machines located at a relatively inaccessible point in town are as popular with the student body as the volume of trade would seem to indicate, machines operated in a more convenient location and at cost would in all probability be almost overwhelmed with use. A small fee, possibly ten cents, could over a period of months insure enough revenue to both pay for the machine itself and any repairs that might be necessary.

The original purchase could be made by student council, or even by the administration. The operation of the machines might very well be handled by the individual dormitories.

We suggest that student council further investigate the feasibility of such a scheme, and act positively in regard to it, if at all possible.

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### The Echo Commends . . .

Despite disappointing attendance at the Keynote Address of the Second Annual Career Conference, the student committee under Sidney McKeen, '49, admirably accomplished its purpose of making clear to those who took the trouble to be interested in their future, the rather sketchy road ahead. An invaluable service to the interested student has been performed.

The ECHO commends the Student Planning Committee for its efforts and should like to wish them greater success in the form of greater student response when the third Annual Career Conference convenes next year.

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## 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.

To The Editor:

I feel almost compelled to reply to the "Empty Pews" editorial appearing in last Echo (March 9) urging attendance at Lorimer, and observing the alleged "embarrassment" of Chap. Wagoner and Pres. Bixler regarding less than scanty attendance there.

Clearly, the Chapel, excepting the considerable opportunities it offers our committee-conscious confreres, has ceased to exist as a campus force even as ineffectually as under the late S.C.A. "Empty pews" are but one evidence of that death of enthusiasm, a sterile, cold reflection of a skepticism carried to absurdity, a cider-and-donuts deep theology, a series of sermons ranging from lofty similes from the Scriptures of the Orient \* \* \* to a marionette's employment of a tireless series of quotations and platitudes.

It is unfortunate that in an effort to be as "liberal" (euphemism for lack of opinions), as magnanimous as possible, our academic leaders have created a spiritual vacuum, suggesting what many of us have come to believe—that corporate religious development in a liberal arts college is impossible. The message of Jesus Christ has become embarrassing to us. It simply has no place in a society which has made such Easter Island gods of skepticism and vagueness. It is the same acquiescing, disastrous skepticism that reigns in our philosophic discussions in which, indifferently discussing the truest notions in the truest, loosest terms imaginable, we refuse to believe that we have any responsibility in coming to any conclusion on them. \* \* \*

Thoughtful students will not long be satisfied with "ten minute talks," "Skeptic's Hours" and a Christianity built on convenience and negativism. If their professors cannot offer them a positive standard of thought and action, they must turn elsewhere. \* \* \*

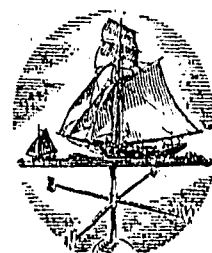
What we cannot find in our texts, or in our lecture halls, we may find in a forced return to orthodoxy, to the Augustinian idealism of the Middle Ages, in which men were not fearful that a glimpse into their own hearts would betray them. From the professorial chairs of await us with unequivocal faith, rigid, wholesome standards, constructive discussions. They speak to us, without embarrassment—the T. S. Eliots, The Fulton Sheens, the C. S. Lewises, clearly, quietly, warmly, with sense of perspective, direction, method, purpose. For them history has a meaning. We have progressed. We are progressing. Man is not slave to each epoch, or slave to doubt. Between academy and life there is little distinction and should be less. The ethical and the speculative exist and progress on an identical plane.

Their position is unmistakable and their pews shall not be empty. If necessary we will walk miles to hear them.

Paul F. Sullivan, '51

## Weathervane

Colby Community  
Symphony Orchestra



By Thomas Hansen '52

To the casual observer, it might easily have been a band of gypsies breaking camp behind Foss Hall last Sunday afternoon, but actually it was only the Colby Community Orchestra loading its paraphernalia to take to the road.

Pittsfield was the destination, and it was there, at the Maine Central Institute Gymnasium that the orchestra played its first out of town concert of the season. The program was the same as the one played here for the Campus Chest Drive three weeks ago.

No one knows better than a Colby student that gymnasiums do not make ideal concert halls, so it is impossible to judge whether or not the orchestra was in top form for the Pittsfield concert.

One thing, however, is certain, the orchestra shows a marked improvement in precision, flexibility, and ensemble with each repeated performance.

By the unrelenting efforts of its conductor, Dr. Ermanno Comparetti, the group of frightened instrumentalists who gathered at the Alumnae Building for the first rehearsal last September has emerged as an orchestra with confidence.

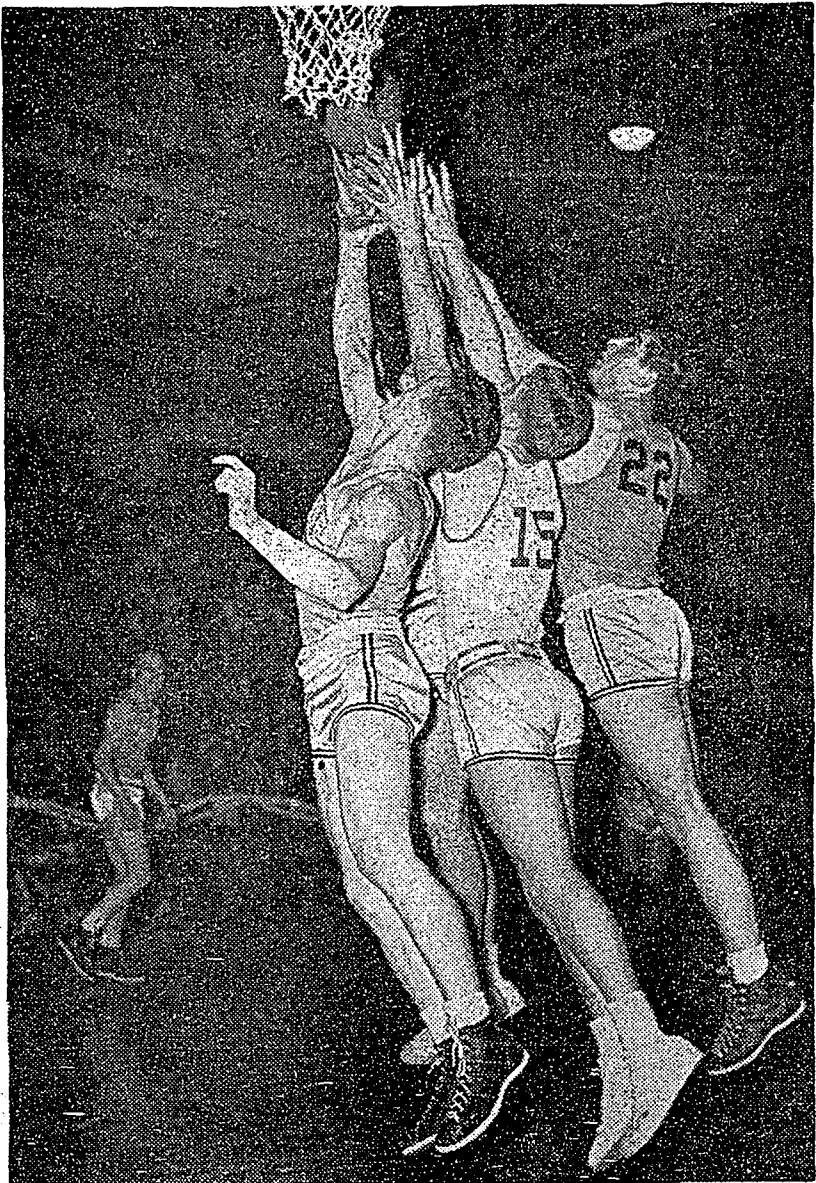
With an orchestra composed largely of amateurs who are seeking to master the difficult art of playing together, it seems that the general purpose of the orchestra is being achieved.

As hosts, M.C.I. and the Pittsfield townspeople could share laurels with any community of the South.

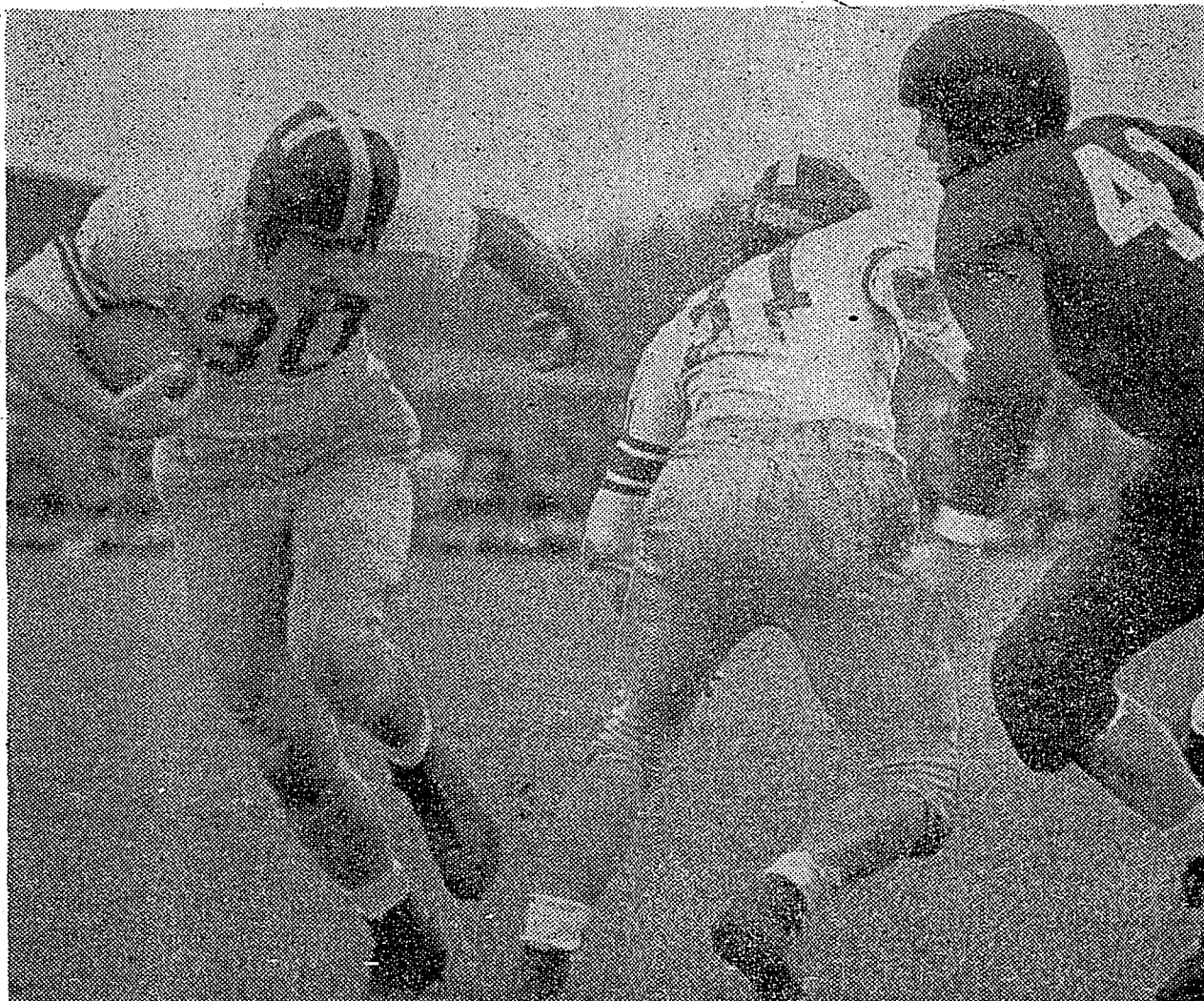
A feast at the Lancy House was so ravenously devoured by the members of the orchestra that Dr. Comparetti evidenced grave misgivings for the concert that was to follow.

However, when the concert began, the reception by the audience so much excelled the feast that the musicians could think only of giving their best.

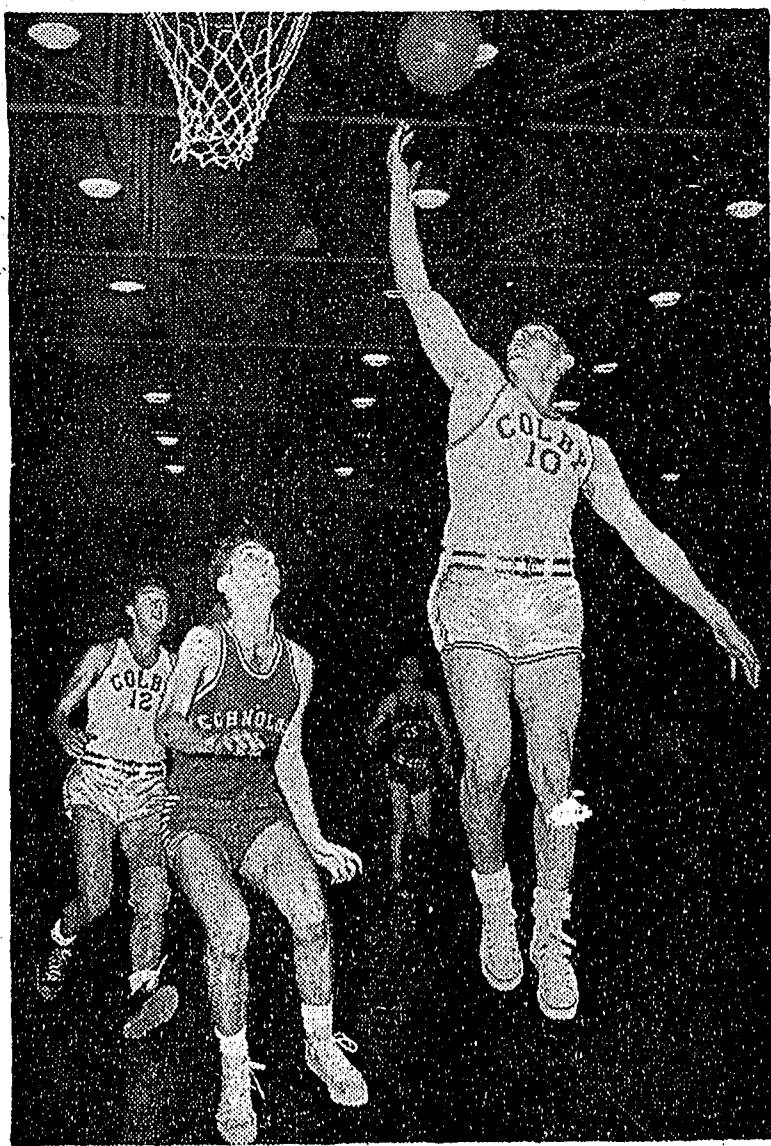
## Sportshot Review In Football, Basketball, Hockey



**WILL MITCHELL (NO. 15)**, Colby Captain and backboard ace takes another off the boards, as Colby downs Maine 60-45 on December 8.



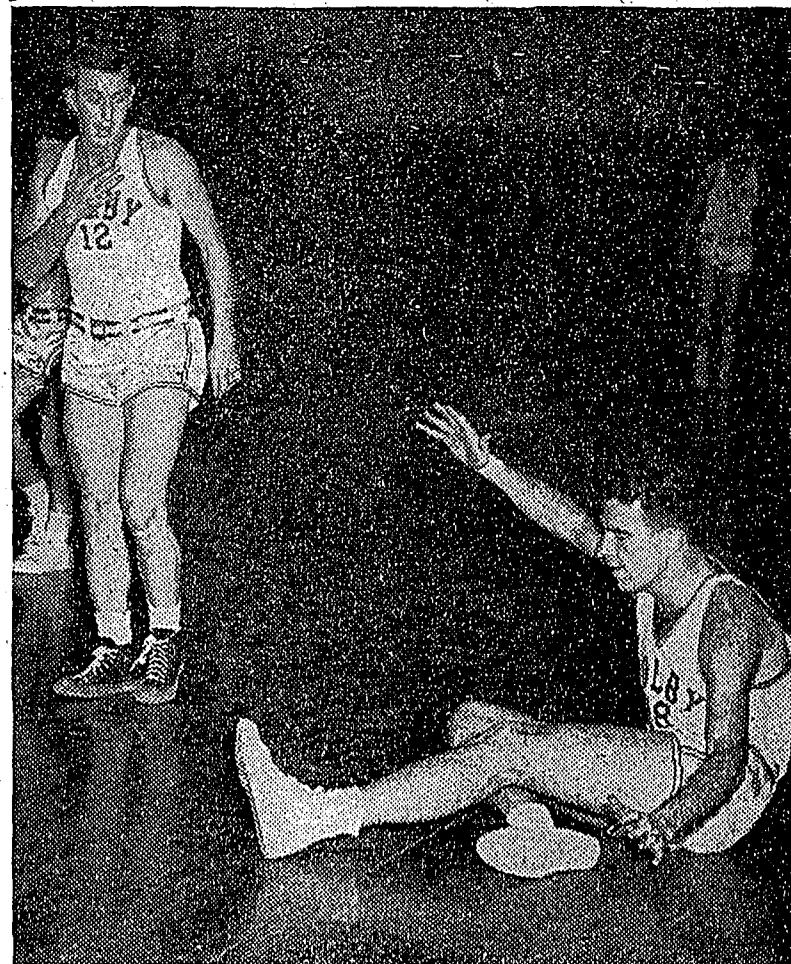
**BIG GEORGE MACPHELEMY (NO. 30)**, Colby's Football Captain smashes Coast Guard line for a sizeable gain as the Mules bowed to the Middies 19-14 on November 6.



**TEDDY SHIRO (NO. 10)** hits with another two-pointer as Colby takes M.I.T. 57-42 in the fieldhouse on February 19.



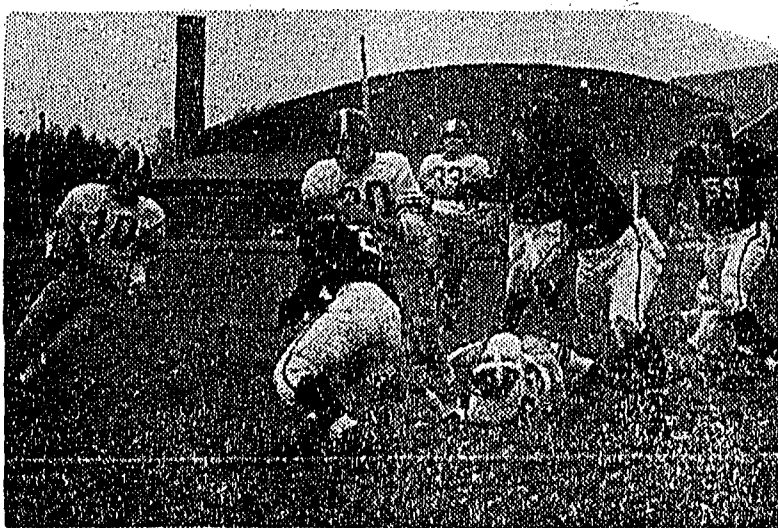
**NEW COLBY HOCKEY COACH, "RUM" LEMIEUX** prepares to show the boys how its done. Coach Lemieux took charge of the Hockey squad in mid-season guiding them to a fair season.



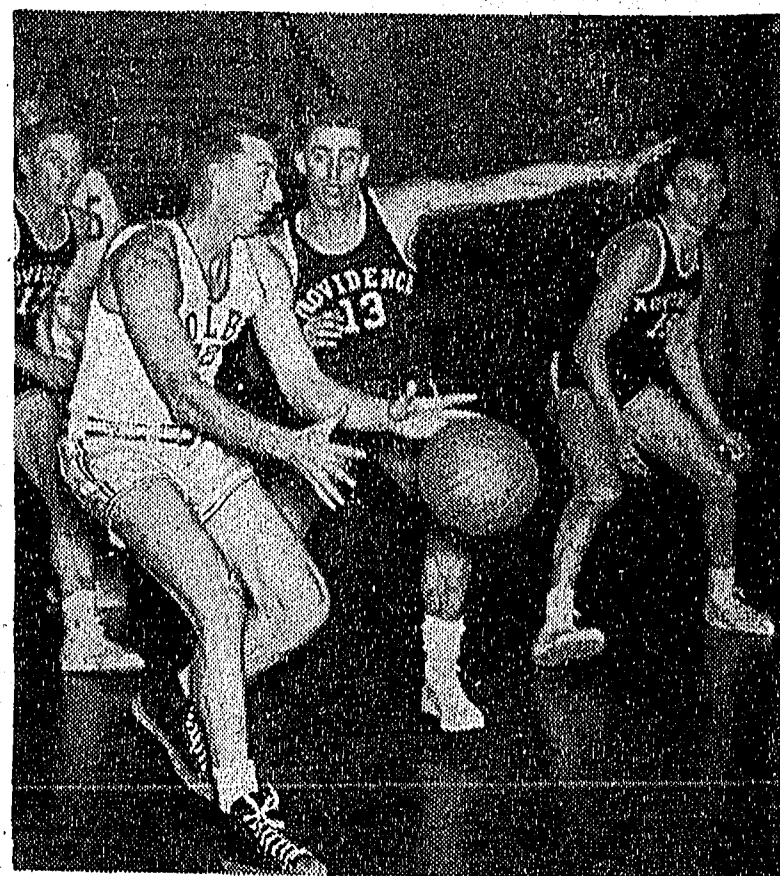
**WARREN FINEGAN (NO. 8)** takes a dainty skid as the Mules larrup Bates on January 8. Finegan, brilliant center found his feet often enough during the evening to dump 11 points through the hoop.



**JOHN SPINNER**, stellar goalie and Captain-elect of the Ice Mules poses in front of his cage.



**CHET HARRINGTON (NO. 10)**, seatback of Colby's pigskin array, circles Bowdoin and for a short gain. The Mules, dropped a 28-0 decision on October 23.



**RUSSELL "TUBBY" WASHBURN**, Colby's record-breaking basketball star, gets ready to add two more to his total of 20 in the Providence game of February 10. Final score: Colby 70 Providence 62.



## MULE KICKS



By Robert Slavitt, '49

Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their team, major league baseball team, that is. April is just down the road a piece, and the pennant race will thence commence. The two tribes, Cleveland and Boston, scalped the rest of the league last season, and they are the winter book favorites to repeat. Cleveland, especially, has improved its team at several key positions, and Veeck, Boudreau and Co. appear headed for another fat Series cut.

The acquisition of Mickey Vernon, and Early Wynn from Washington, and Papish and Tresh from Chicago gives added strength to an already sound club. Vernon, the finest fielding first baseman in the American League, rounds out the best infield in the league. Combined with Boudreau, Gordon and Keltner, the ex-Washington star will make the Cleveland inner defense the tightest around. Vernon, in addition to being a great man with the mitt, has shown his ability to hit the ball on many an occasion, and the change of scenery from deep in the second division to a pennant winner, may well revive the lanky sacker's batting eye.

Wynn and Papish, both consistent winners with weak clubs, will give the already strong Tribe pitching staff two more capable starters. With Feller, Lemon and Beardon already proven winners, Wynn and Papish will give Cleveland the best pitching staff in either league.

Their outfield will most probably be the same jumbled assortment of mediocre ball players shuffled in and out around a base of Doby and Mitchell. The big negro outfielder from New Jersey came along fast at the close of last season, and he should blossom into one of the steadiest gardeners in the league. Mitchell hit 340 plus last season, and he should be better defensively this season. Tresh will prove a first line replacement for the excellent Hegan. His experience will make him invaluable as a handler of pitchers, and he will give Hegan that needed rest in second games of double headers.

The rest of the league is a jumble of good hit no pitch, and good pitch no hit. Philadelphia has the next best hurling corps to Cleveland, but their other eight players are a collection of has-beens and never-weres. With the exception of Ferris Fain at first base, no member of the A's looks like steady major league material.

The Bosox have the strongest hitting aggregation in the circuit, and the best manager; but neither Macarthy or Williams can pitch or field. Pesky is a made over third baseman, and Doerr is past his prime. Goodman and Dropo are something short of sensational as defensive first basemen, but Dropo has yet to prove that he can hit major league pitching. There is no replacement for the aging Tebbets behind the bat, and Birdie can't go 154 games any more.

The Yanks have DiMaggio.

In the senior circuit the Braves are the team to beat, on their last year's record alone. They have not come up with a potential star during the winter, and their team is a year older at positions where they can little waste the year. Elliot is no youngster any more, and Stanky hasn't proven that his ankle will hold up. Torgenson is not, and never will be a major league first baseman. Masi is past his prime, and Salkeld never had one.

The outfield is one big question mark. Russel and Heath may or may not be able to play regularly, and Holmes is something less than a Tris Speaker in the field. Neither Conatser or Rickert look like major leaguers.

The pitching staff of Spahn and Sain, a day of rest, and a day of rain is the best in the league, and the addition of Antonelli and Roy maybe of some help. Bickford is a year older and a year more experienced. Voiselle is Voiselle.

The Giants will be the Braves' strongest opposition, with Brooklyn and Pittsburgh right behind. St. Louis will be in the thick of the fight. Philadelphia and Cincinnati are building fast, and either can upset somebody's apple cart. Chicago will be stronger simply because they can't get any weaker.

Up on Coogan's Bluff, Leo Durocher will field as fine an aggregation as has graced Mr. Stoneham's pasture in many a year. The pitching staff, strong at times last year, will be better and more balanced. The infield will have stronger replacements, and the outfield is still the best in the league. Walker Cooper is the big question mark. If the big catcher can find his '47 and pre-war form, the Giants will be a tough club to whip.

Jansen, Jones, Koslo, Kennedy, and Poat form a good nucleus around the mound. Hartung may live up to his press clippings, as may Hansen. Webb and Spencer, up from Jersey City and Atlanta, will handle the relief work, and they both have strong arms and fair control.

Anybody care to join me out on this limb?

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## Baseball

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season with Captain Johnny Spinner at the initial sack, Nels Goulet at second, Tommy Pierce at third, and Gene Billings at the shortstop post, he handled so capably for the frosh aggregation last Spring. Norm White will be behind the plate, and the outfield will be made up of Bob Nardozi in left, Will Eldridge in center, and either George Wales or Dick Grant in right.

Nardozi has been shifted to the outer pasture from the second base position he held down last season in an attempt to add batting punch to the outfield. Goulet, who understudied Clark at third base last season and saw quite a bit of action when Clarkie was on the mound, has moved over to the number four position in place of Nardozi.

### Pierce At Third

Tom Pierce will take care of the third base chores and Billings will have a crack at Tom's vacated shortstop position. Wales, who was a fine receiver for the freshmen last year, will be given the opportunity to make his mark in the outfield.

Spinner, Eldridge, and White, are the only holdovers from last year's club who will be performing at their regular positions.

### Shiro To Be Given Chance

Shiro, Harrington, Foster, Washburn, Miller, Mordecai and Roth will also be given the chance to break into the lineup.

No mention has been made up to this point of the pitching staff. Jim Keefe, Frank Gavel, Bingo Leaf, and Walt Russell make up a corps which would make the average college mentor green with envy. In addition Roundy will have sidearm artist Burt Silberstein available for spot assignments. Southpaw Marty Kress may also handle some of the pitching chores.

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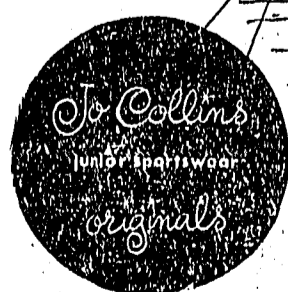
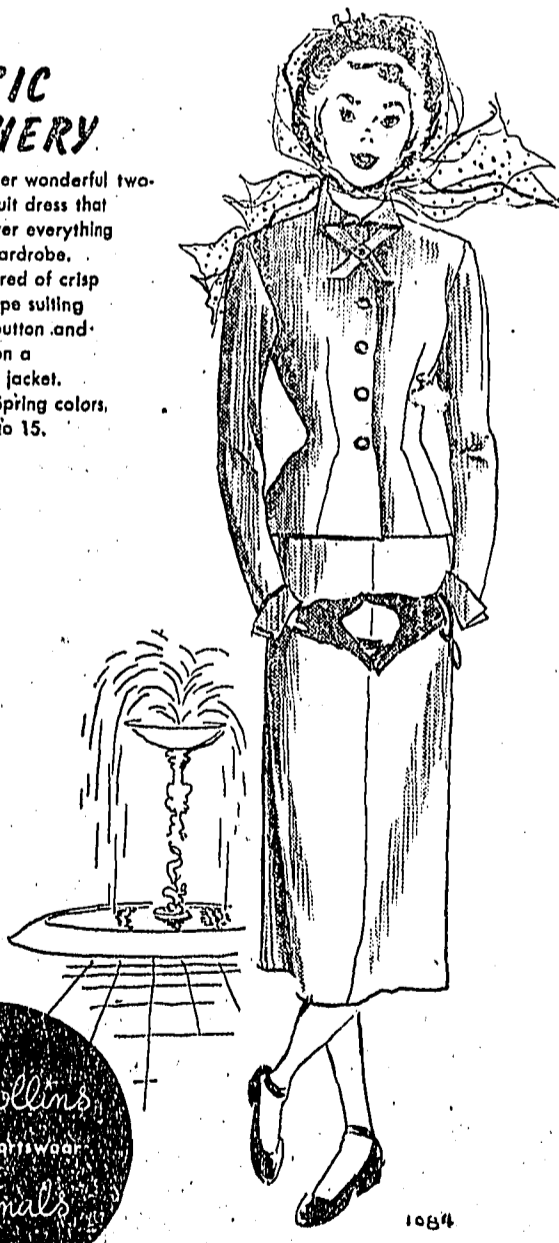
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## Bad Ice Plagues Lemieuxmen; End Season With 3-6 Record

By James Dick '50

After getting off to a bad start on the Boston trip before Christmas vacation, the Colby hockey team wound up the season with a record of three wins and six losses, under Coach "Rum" Lemieux.

The Mule skaters, hampered by the lack of practice on good ice, were thumped twice on the vacation trip by Fort Devens and Boston University. The team was then taken over by Lemieux, and they went on to win their next three games in a row—

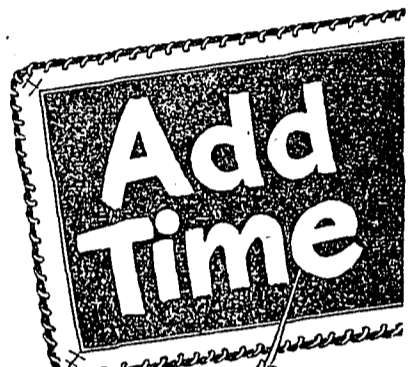
Fort Devens, Bowdoin and Suffolk.

According to Lemieux, the squad did better than he expected they would. Until the new rink was completed, the players did not have the benefit of practicing with boards.

In addition, good ice was very scarce; in fact, the best ice the team had all year was during Mid-Year exams when there could not be fully organized practice sessions.

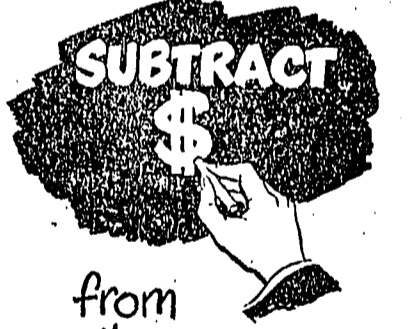
Lemieux singled out Goalie John Spinner and Ralph Bailey as the two outstanding players on the team. He called Spinner the best goalie he had seen all year and the main factor in keeping Colby from being swamped by some of the opposing teams.

Spinner, a senior, will probably be succeeded in the nets by Bob Staples, a boy who has come along very fast. In addition to Staples, Lemieux is counting on freshmen Wes Hayes, "Archie" Armstrong and Bernie LaLiberty to strengthen next year's team.



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## Colby, 1907

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act. Then we proceeded to put the show "on the bum".

Every time anybody came on that we liked, we would holler and hoot and yell, and when anybody tried to do anything funny, an awful groan or a funny laugh would go up.

A girl sang illustrated songs after the first act, and we assisted her right through and then called her back two or three times. Sometimes we would break in with one of the Colby yells or songs, or count the score. They would wait until we got through and then go on with the show.

The fellows yelled everything they could think of, from "Oh, but you're rotten" to "Where did they find you?" One fellow threw three lemons and two others gave a cornet duet.

After the show we took up our march again, and marched up to college and went to bed. That is, those left for Boston this morning and I

of us that did not get drunk did.

There were eight or ten guys roaming around through this dormitory, smashing the glass in all the doors, breaking all the electric light globes and everything else they could get their hands on until three or four o'clock in the morning.

This was only a celebration of One championship game—I can't imagine what they must have done last year after they won the deciding game against Bowdoin.

Frank Canally, our track coach, told him I wished I were going with him, but I would have to wait awhile yet. He is a corking fellow and I expect to stop over in Boston and see him when I go home.

Well I have written news enough for four ordinary letters, and so I will rest my argument for now. I will have more to tell you next time, as we play Tufts here next Wednesday.

With best regards and wishes I am,

Your sincere friend,

Earl H. Brownlow

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## Delta Elects Ardif Pres.; Initiates 14 Members

Nancy Ardif '50, was elected President of Delta Delta Delta Sorority in an election held recently. Virginia Flagg '50, was chosen as Vice President, Constance Leonard '50, as Recording Secretary, Beverly Holt '50 as Corresponding Secretary, and Antoinette Klement '50, as Treasurer in the same elections.

On March 13 the following women were initiated into the sorority: Beverly Baker, Caye Burns, '51, Joan Gridley, Sarah Hollister, Natalie How, Joan Kelby, Elisabeth Levardsen, Patricia Merrill, Ruth Merriman, Ann Orth, Ann Plowman, Elizabeth Shaw, Janice Vaughan and Alma Ward '50.

## French Club To Sponsor Films Concerning France's Culture

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