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## ECHO Needs New Charter; Vote 'Yes!'

To Each Boss:

Printed here is a suggested new constitution for the ECHO Association of which you are a member. This revised Constitution is intended to replace the pre-war one now in effect.

The charter presented here is quite brief, yet covers the situation well. Basic changes are: 1, the fixed salary for executive officers (editor, managing editor, business manager); 2, the annual election and installation of officers to take place in January instead of June; and 3, deletion of lengthy paragraphs listing a, the various officers and their duties; by eligibility requirements of reporters and news-writers; and c, method of selecting new officers.

Reasons for these three changes are clear. The ECHO has in recent years grown into an organization with large fixed assets, expenses, and income. A fixed salary, found on many papers of similar size will encourage the top officers to greater and more careful efforts, while the prospect of an excess profit split will encourage the junior officers. Changing officers in the middle of the year rather than in June, will create continuity of effort. Lastly, by giving the editors, with advisor's approval, the right to select junior officers, they are not being saddled with excess, or drained by insufficient officers.

The organization of similar newspapers has been investigated, and the substance of this constitution well thought-out.

Copies of the old Constitution are available in the ECHO office and members of the ECHO Board are prepared to discuss the matter with you.

Voting will take place Monday morning, December 12, in the Library. As a member of the Association, you are encouraged to vote. As the senior officer of your Association, I encourage you to vote favorably.

Gerald B. Frank, Editor

## ECHO Needs This New Constitution

**ARTICLE I.** The name of this organization shall be The Colby Echo Association. Its purpose shall be to publish the undergraduate newspaper of Colby College, The Colby ECHO, and to carry on all subsidiary activities of the ECHO, such as the Colby Daily Bulletin and the ECHO Radio News.

**ARTICLE II.** Membership in this association shall consist of all properly enrolled students of Colby College. Each member shall pay his subscription fee \$2.50.

**ARTICLE III.** Officers of the ECHO Association shall consist of an Editor, a Managing Editor, a Business Manager, and other officers. The three named officers shall be chosen between Christmas and start of the second semester by the previous editor and the faculty advisor, in such a way as they deem fit. Other officers shall be elected, before the start of the second semester by the three new officers and the faculty advisor, with the advice of the previous editor.

**Section 1.** The Editor, as senior officer of the Association, shall have over-all responsibility for its functions in all departments. He shall be

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Principals in the cast of the Varsity Show which was presented at the Opera House last night. Seated, Joan Leader and Kenny Jacobson, composer and musical director; back and left to right, Bob Wilkins, Ellen Kennerson, Clifford Bean and Sarah Hollister.

(Photo from Waterville Sentinel)

## Kenny's 'Bottoms Up' Big Hit With Lively, Catchy Tunes

By Mary S. Bracy

### NEWSHORTS

#### Tea For Runnals

Monday, December 12, from 3:30 til 5:00, in the Women's Union, there will be a tea given in honor of former dean Ninetta M. Runnals, following the dedication of her portrait. The large gilt-framed picture will be hung in the Women Students' Activity Room where everyone may go in to see it.

#### Historians Discuss

History Society will meet next Tuesday, Dec. 13, at Roberts Union at 8:30. Guest speaker will be Professor Helmreich of the History Department of Bowdoin College.

#### Colby Speakers

The Colby Hour, heard over station WTVL on Sunday, December 4, presented Dr and Mrs. Ermanno Comparatti in a program on Robert Browning's "A Toccata of Galuppi."

This poem of Browning's was inspired by the great Italian musician, Galuppi. Mrs. Comparatti read the poem and explained the background. After the reading, Dr. Comparatti played Galuppi's sonatas in C minor and G minor followed by some gayer sonatas to end the program.

#### 'Holiday' Review

The success of "Holiday" which was presented December 2, by Powder and Wig rewarded the cast, director, and all others involved for the time and energy spent.

The audience seemed to enjoy the play and favorable comments were expressed about the casting of the parts, the make-up, and interpretation of the various parts.

#### French Club Meets

The French Club held its regular meeting on November 22 in Smith Lounge, Women's Union. Eleanor Runkle and Winona Nile presented some new French songs, and a group of records by Edith Piaf, famous French chanteuse, was heard.

"Bottoms Up," Varsity Show—1949, has taken its place with the shows of the past four years as the best and most outstanding event of the Colby Calendar. Written, directed, and produced entirely by the students, "Bottoms Up" was a finished and professional performance.

Although the plot left something to be desired, the cast handled the dialogue in a manner which covered many of the flaws. Sybil Green, Ellen Kennerson, Philip Lawrence, and Clifford Bean, were exceptionally good in their parts.

Kenny Jacobson's music redeemed whatever weakness that could be found. New, fresh, varying in mood and arrangement each song received immediate audience response. "Fire, Fire," "I'm Heading East," and "Everyday," to mention only a few which Colby students will be humming the rest of the year.

The cast and chorus acted and sang with a poise which repayed them for the months of rehearsals. Attention should be directed to the backstage "cast" who did as much as anyone to make the show a success. Stage sets, advertisement campaign, and business management shift applause to Ruth Stetson, Janet West and Robert Wehner.

Credit for coordinating the show goes to Bob Rosenthal who also helped to write the script and direct the acting.

#### Hear Messiah Here

Colby and Bowdoin College Glee Clubs will present Handel's "Messiah" Friday evening at 8:00 p. m. in the Lorimer Chapel.

The concert will be conducted under the direction of Frederic Tilletson, Bowdoin, and John White Thomas, Colby.

The soloists are, soprano, Sarah Hollister of Franklin, Pa.; contralto, Janet Perrigo of Augusta, Maine; tenor, Philip Lawrence of Toledo, Ohio, and bass, Joseph Unobskey '52, of Calais, Me.

## Organ To Be Ready For Holiday Sing

Wednesday, December 14, at 11:00 the Colby family will gather in Lorimer Chapel to participate in the spirit of Christmas through music.

We have all anticipated the day when we should hear, rather than hear of, the new German organ. At this assembly the organ will be played for the first time. It will mark a date in Colby history.

## Mules Downed In Boston Garden

By Alan Mirken

Despite the defensive strategy designed by Lee Williams to stop Chet Giermak, the William and Mary phenom racked up 36 points to lead his team to a 69-53 triumph over Colby at the Boston Garden on Tuesday night.

Giermak broke two Garden records in the contest. His 23 points in the first half were two more than the previous high, and his 16 field goals broke the old mark of 14.

Bright spot for the Mules in the encounter was the sparkling play of Jim Lazour, who gave the finest performance of his college career. Jimmy tallied 19 points on seven field goals and five foul shots. His accurate set shots enabled the Williams-men to stay close to the Indians until the closing minutes of the ball game.

The Mules had the "lump" at the start, and their inept ball handling enabled the Virginians to hoop eight points before the Colbyites had any. But the Williams-men regained their composure and were still the same eight points behind when the half ended with William and Mary leading 38-30.

Midway through the second half, the Southern Gentlemen began to widen the gap. The Mules were visibly tired as a result of their double teaming Giermak.

The rangy William and Mary center, who led the nation in scoring last season with a 740 point total, could not be stopped. No "goon" he displayed a variety of shots and a deadly eye.

In addition to Lazour, Ted Shiro who played with a pulled muscle, Sonny Welson, and Buddy Wall played well for the losers.

The Chapel has been decorated by the Delta Upsilon fraternity, and will serve as a suitable background for the Christmas program. The Glee Club will begin the singing with a few special carol numbers such as "The Holly and the Ivy," "Suzanne," "The Boar's Head," and a Bach corale. All of Colby will join in the singing of favorite Christmas songs.

It was not expected that the organ would be ready until some time in January, but through the efforts of Organmeister Herr Maule the organ is enough completed for the Christmas program.

Professor Everett F. Strong will accompany the singing on the organ.

Classes will be omitted at 11:00. The Library will be closed. What could be more appropriate for this annual Christmas assembly, held in Lorimer Chapel, and participated in by all, than that it should be accompanied by the first public exhibition of the new organ.

## Colby Republic's Hear Grad Of '35

An organizational meeting of the Colby College Young Republican Club was held Monday evening, Nov. 28 in the Hurd Room. It featured an address by Chas. Nawfel, a member of the class of 1935, who is a practicing attorney and Waterville's City Clerk.

A constitution was adopted and officers were elected. They are: President, Margaret Pierce; Vice-president, Gerald O'Roak; Secretary, Robert Joly; Treasurer, Sara Baines; Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Murray, and Auditor, Priscilla Leach.

Meetings are to be held on the second Monday of the month.

## Deschenes and Jacobs In Capping Ceremony

The Colby College School of Nursing held its Capping Exercises for the class of 1952, December 3, in the Women's Union. Elizabeth Jacobs and Beverly Deschenes took the Nightingale Pledge and received their caps, the symbol of their first advancement.

They will now continue their training in the Maine General Hospital in Portland and in other affiliated hospitals.

## Roberts Union Comm. Discont. For Present

On Tuesday, November 15, the interfraternity council met with Norman Smith and two independents to decide whether or not to have a Roberts Union Committee this year.

They decided to "Discontinue the Roberts Union Board of directors until such a time when a definite need arose for such a committee."



May Craig, Noted Correspondent  
(See Story on Page 10)

The Glee Clubs will be assisted by a string ensemble from the Colby Community Orchestra with Ermanno Comparatti, conductor, and Max Cimbalok, concertmaster. Piano accompanists are Paul Hinton and Harriet Sart.

# You And Your Student Council

Progress in government is always slow. Your Student Council will shortly enter its fourth year—its progress has not been fast.

The fault in this lies not entirely with the Council's members, although full time executives might here, as in other Colby organizations, cause it to sparkle.

Rather the fault lies with the present system of representation and with you, the students. The present system of representation is weak in that every student is not in close contact with his representative because that representative is a classmate (how often does a Colby Class meet?) and therefore, the council member cannot rightly weigh the opinions of his constituents.

You, in turn, do not make full use of the Council. Here is the body to discuss and recommend changes (if desirable) in the cut system. Here is the group to question (a most desirable thing) the present split of the money you pay as an activities fee. Here is the group to give life to your constructive criticisms. Yet, do you know the names of your two representatives, much less who they are? Have you ever attended a Council meeting?

As a young government, the Council's growth is but satisfactory. Your active interest is the paramount lack. Your council member's full time is also, but not equally important. The present system of representation is something for you and your Council to decide upon. We will comment more

closely upon it next week.

## Thursday's Movies

We are delighted to note that the Art Department is reviving its movie program. These films, depicting various art interpretations and expressions, are both enjoyable and educational. No error is made by attending; on the contrary, great benefit is derived.

We would only suggest that some introductory explanation be given each film, so that the non-art student can more easily comprehend the art aspect involved.

## Shop in Waterville

This ECHO is extra thick because this ECHO is your Christmas issue. Read it through; read the advertisements. Local Waterville merchants are offering you real bargains; take advantage of them. That is, shop in Waterville before you go home and, of course, mention your ECHO when you buy.

## Congrates !!!

Congratulations to the City of Waterville on their re-electing Colby Trustee Russell M. Squire, to the office of Mayor. The people know a good man when they have one.

## Foreign Reports

# Salzburg Most Picturesque Spot; Lee Begins Analysis Of His China

By G. I. Smith

As I look back over the entire summer, I am inclined to think that the most picturesque area that we had a chance to visit was Salzburg. This old Austrian city stands astride the Salzach river, and on the eastern end of the Bavarian Alps.

The city nestles for the most part in the trough formed by the river, but a few of the houses appear as if crowded uphill and now stand as sentries over the buildings below.

## Youth Hostel

We stayed in the "Jugendherbergung Hellbrunner," which was, in plain English, the local youth hostel. This was a rather inexpensive way to live—less than five cents a night. We felt that we could afford to stay more than one night.

While in Salzburg, we took a day trip to Berchtesgaden. We scrambled over the piles of rubble which used to be Hitler's beautiful home, greenhouses, SS troops barracks, and air-raid shelter complete with tile showers and plumbing. Also we went up to the 6000-foot-high Eagle's Nest lookout—reached by means of a tortuously winding road and by elevator through the solid rock core.

## August Snow

Unfortunately, five minutes before we reached the summit, it started to snow, thus ruining our view (this was the 18th of August!)

The annual Mozart festival was in full swing during our few days in Salzburg. As it turned out, we could not obtain tickets to any of the concerts as they had been sold out months in advance. We did hear a wonderful performance of Beethoven's Ninth Symphony, though, while seated on the pavement with our ears glued to the back-stage doors throughout the one-hour-and-twenty-minute performance.

## Second Trumpets

The acoustics were ideal, although the balance was a little predominated by the second trumpets—and no part is more distantly removed from the theme than the second trumpets.

We were extremely sorry to leave Salzburg after our scheduled three days had elapsed—we had come to like its atmosphere and character almost better than any other spot so far visited. Besides, where else would

This is the first in a series of articles by Colbyite John Lee. Lee, a native of China, has studied widely there in American schools, and has worked for various Chinese newspapers, including Shanghai's China Daily Tribune.—Editor.

Unity is the long-sought objective in China—and it has proved to be a very elusive one.

Every Chinese reformer or revolutionary leader has faced the same problem—how to bring the 600,000,000 people of China in its some thirty provinces together into one integral nation in the Western sense.

## 756 Dialects

It has not proven to be an easy job. China has vast territory; enormous population; 756 dialects, religions and races; and age-old provincial differences and prejudices. Thus it has always been a tough nut to crack. The late Dr. Sun Yat-sen, founder of the republic, once said in exasperation that the Chinese people were as so many grains of sand, easily blown away by the wind.

All Chinese read the same language, but from this written language derive hundreds of provincial dialects that when spoken, cannot be intelligible to anyone except the natives of the particular district that speak it. A person from a northern province, say Shantung for example, would no more understand a Cantonese than he would a native of Finland.

## Unity Almost Achieved

During the war against the Japanese enemy, unity of some sort was achieved, for then the people were in a patriotic frenzy that would not be denied. Yet even then, because most of the Chinese Army units were made up of former war-lord armies, lack of coordination at the front caused many disastrous defeats.

True, the Japanese were far more superior in equipment and training, but the flesh and blood that the Chinese pitted against steel would have been more effective had there been a unified command. There was no heroism lacking, but it was expended rather foolishly, and the result was catastrophic.

we be able to sleep for a nickel a night?

## Letters to Editor

# Sunday Night Bus; Weber Calls Error

There should be a bus to Mayflower Hill from the lower campus Sunday night after the 9 o'clock bus. A bus might be scheduled at 11 o'clock for the late theatre crowd which always attends the movies on Sunday night.

Last Sunday night over twenty people were clustered around the bus shelter waiting for a ride to the hill an hour after the departure of the bus. If a good Samaritan does not arrive to take these people to the hill, they must either walk or pay an expensive taxi fare.

Most fellows take their dates out to the movies on Sunday night. Other students consider Sunday night as a good chance to bowl.

A bus scheduled at this time would be a great convenience for the Colby

student who wishes to spend a leisurely Sunday night downtown.

It not only would be, but should be. A very valid idea.—Editor

Dear Editor:

Your issue for December 1 contains, in heavy type on page one, a notice reading as follows:

"Professor Carl Weber announces that the December meeting of the contemporary literature club has been called off. President J. S. Bixler, who was to have delivered an address on Goethe, will not be able to attend."

Many of your readers must have been puzzled by this front-page announcement, not only because of the fact that Goethe is not a "contemporary literature" author, but also because—

1) President Bixler was not sched-

uled for any address before the contemporary literature club; and

2) Professor Weber made no announcement regarding the December meeting of this club, or (for that matter) regarding any meeting of any club or other organization.

I wonder whether your reporter was trying to say something like this: "Librarian James Humphry, secretary of the Colby Library Associates, announces that the December meeting of the Library Associates has been called off. President Bixler was to have delivered an address on the Bicentenary of the birth of the German poet Goethe."

In any case, your readers in general may be, and all members of the Colby Library Associates will be, interested to know that President Bixler's address on Goethe has not been called off, but has merely been postponed to January 20, when the Library Associates (NOT the contemporary literature club) will meet in the Dunn Lounge of the Women's Union.

Carl J. Weber

# WORLD-WIDE WEEK

By Howard Sacks

A spectacular achievement in post-war economic recovery was unveiled in Puerto Rico this week. The culmination of five years work showed many major accomplishments. This Caribbean Island has completed the largest single housing project in the world. School, hospital, and health services have vastly increased. A major tourist development program was launched and executed. More than 50 industrial companies have begun operations in Puerto Rico, creating some 8,000 new jobs.

World economists should take note of Puerto Rico's blueprint for resurgence, which is now a reality.

## Congressional Ignominy

Representative J. Parnell Thomas did not contest the charges against him of payroll padding and receiving kick-backs from fictitious employees. Thomas withdrew his plea of not guilty and entered a plea of no contest.

If convicted, the maximum penalty of 32 years' imprisonment would give Thomas sufficient time to cogitate his unsuccessful conspiracy and fraud.

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## COCAdoodle Doings

# 'Spagats A' Meat Balls'; Winter Carnival

By Geof Lyford

The biggest d - - - truck you ever saw took what seemed to be half of the Club to a real spread at the Great Pond Lodge. With the aid of Mrs. Bishop, Miss Aldrich, "Fitz" Barnes, and Johnny Baum, Jo Shey was able to make good her promise to give us all a fine meal of "spagats a' meat balls."

Bob "Ole Faithful" Dobbins got us the transportation and Johnny Fuller with all of his 165 truck driving pounds wheeled the hay-packed COCs out to the Lodge. Joe Bishop, who dragged his wife away from the Faculty Wives Tea for the occasion, and Herb Gullburgh made up the male constituents of the chaperonage with pleasant efficiency.

## Loeb Discusses Carnival

At the November 22nd meeting, Mike Loeb spoke to the Katahdin Council about the coming Winter Carnival and the scheduling of athletic events for this and subsequent Carnivals. At this point the Club wants to give public thanks to Mike and the Athletic Department for its interest and help in making the Carnival a success as it is sure to be.

He presented to the Club a three-point plan. First, The Club should make long range plans with the Athletic Department and the College Calendar for setting the dates of the Winter Carnival to enable the Department to schedule good, home

games for the teams at times when the players and students would be able to take part in the festivities. (Party, party you know).

Mike's second point was the donation of admissions to all athletic events during the weekend to the out-of-town guests of students holding Carnival Bids.

# Yogi Speaks

Do you remember that sunny, muddy, sloppy day we were so suddenly blessed with last Wednesday? Well, the following took place in the Spa the night before:

Scene: A booth in the Spa. Crowd?

Weather: Cold, dreary, wet, disgusting.

Characters: "Fizz" Frazer, his girl across from him, me beside her and you might have known it, too, none other than that eminent protagonist of the neeties of societal decorousness, "Moose" Leveeque.

## ONE WHOLE ACT COMPLETE

Fizz, "Dull day, isn't it? Could use a ray of sunshine around here."

Moose, "Yes, it's a good day for it, isn't it?"

## FINAL CURTAIN

Why is Al Riefe wearing Dutch wooden shoes? No, it can't be the mud because one of our informers revealed that Al's roommate has been

His third gift was the allocation of all receipts from paid attendance at the Ski Jumping meets this year to the Club.

It was agreed by the Council to take advantage of Mike's generosity and they passed, unanimously, the motion to follow up the points of the "Loeb Plan." Mr. Loeb (we ought to be formal after what he has done) complimented the Club on its fine work in the school and especially on the development of the Ski Area.

John (I was first this year) Harriman, Dave Dobson, Karl Raup, and yours (I end sentences with a preposition) truly, have grass-stained bottoms to prove that we were the first to try the boards this season. We would have tried the jump, which is now ready, but the half inch of white stuff wasn't quite enough.

The Ski Lodge is now almost completely tar-papered through the efforts of the usual gang which includes MARK (mention me, or else) MORDECAI, who I failed to name last time.

giving Al a Dutch treat and Al, great performer that he is, is playing his role out to the letter.

We were much gratified to observe the ultimate condescension of our "busses." They actually creak to a stop in front of the Roberts Union before (be sure you got that) they stop in front of the library.



## Of Social Significance

By Nancy Ricker

THE VARSITY SHOW, gala annual musical show written and presented by Colby's most outstanding talent, was received with enthusiasm by a full house at the Opera House last night. Laurels once again go to Kenny and Bob for the writing and production of a terrific show. And every member of the dramatic and production staff deserve recognition for the vast amount of time and energy put into it.

Captivating as the romantic leads were Sarah Hollister and Phil Law-

rence, supported by Sybil Green, Roy Tibbetts, Joan Leader, and Bob Wilkins. Ellen Kenerson, Mary Thomas, and "Bump" Bean deserve merit for their excellent character interpretation, and much credit goes to the splendid singing and acting of all the chorus members.

Congratulations also to the unsung backstage collaborators—namely, Audrey King, Assistant Director, Mary Jordan, Assistant Musical Sequence Director, "Stubby" Crandall, also assisting with music, Ruth Stet-

son, Stage Designer, and Tony Alloy in charge of lighting.

THE COLBY ECHO threw open the doors of its wigwam last Saturday after the game and sponsored an informal dance in Indian motif. Responsible for the fun and entertainment were: Dale Dacier, Chairman, Wendell Peabody, Evangeline Sferes, Jean Remington, Diane Sargent, Ellen Hay, Electra Paskalides, Loretta Mearns and Joan White.

POWDER & WIG'S Presentation of Barry's play "Holiday", was rated tops in entertainment last Friday night. Those having major roles and doing an admirable job were Janice Pearson, Eugene Jellison, Caroline Wilkins, Frank Dyer, Jim Bradford, Bill Ryan, and Dale Dacier.

OF INTELLECTUAL SIGNIFICANCE was the fine presentation of Browning's "A Toccata of Galuppi's" together with selections from the music of Galuppi. Mr. Ermanno Comparetti played the music of Galuppi and Mrs. Comparetti gave a reading and general background of Browning's poem; they appeared on the Colby Hour over WTVL on Sunday.

## Constitution

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paid by the association \$50.00 a semester.

Section 2. The Business Manager, as an executive officer of the Association, shall have the responsibility for the business department, its officers, and its functions. He shall be paid by the Association \$35.00 a semester.

Section 3. The Managing Editor as the other executive officer, shall

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT WEEK we anticipate the Glee Club's annual presentation, Handel's "Messiah," a beautiful Christmas tradition no one will want to miss. It's to be given tomorrow night in the chapel, and the soloists will be the following: Soprano, Sarah Hollister; Contralto, Janet Perrigo; Tenor, Philip Lawrence; and Bass, Joseph Unobsky.

COMMENDATION belongs to the IFA and fraternities and sororities who will once again give their Christmas party for community children. Each fraternity and sorority spon-

have responsibility for the editorial department, its officers, and its functions. He shall be paid by the Association \$35.00 a semester.

Section 4. The other officers shall be responsible for such duties as assigned to them upon their appointment. They shall at the end of the Association's fiscal year divide among themselves at a ratio agreed upon by them at the beginning of the year, funds earned that year in excess of \$100 to be set aside for the Capital Improvement Fund.

Section 5. The Editor may recommend, and with advisor's approval, may dismiss an officer upon proper warning. In case of dismissal, the salary shall be prorated.

Section 6. All officers shall remain in office from the first issue of the second semester of one year to the last issue of the first semester of the following year.

ARTICLE III. This Constitution shall amend and immediately replace that one now in force upon approval by the majority of the members voting. In the future, this method, or a majority vote of the Student Council can amend this Constitution.

Gay Gibson  
JUNIOR DRESSES



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**COLLEGE SPECIAL ROUND-TRIP TICKETS**  
For Students and Faculty

They'll be available at your home town ticket office between December 20 and January 16. On coach or Pullman, they give you the same discount and the same ten-day stopover and free baggage checking privileges as a regular round-trip ticket... but with much longer time limits. For example, get a College Special to return to school after Christmas and it will still be good for a trip home for spring vacation any time from February 15 through April 19... or for

summer vacation any time from May 1 through June 30.

ASK YOUR HOME STATION about College Specials. Most stations will have them on hand. At smaller stations, the ticket agent will gladly get a College Special Ticket for you. Just give him a few days advance notice when you plan to go.

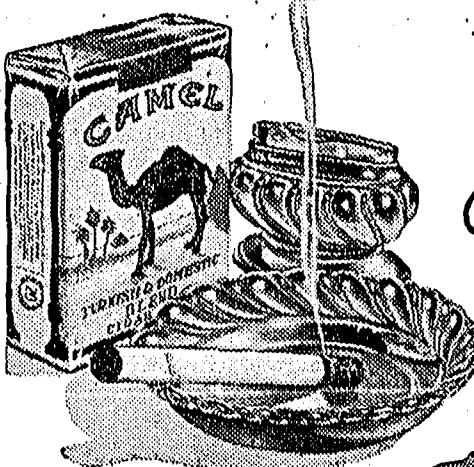
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## MULE KICKS

By Alan Mirken

The Mules will repeat as State Basketball Champs!

Throughout the fall, as we looked forward to this current basketball season, we feared the Williamsmen would be too hard hit by the loss of Russ Washburn and Bill Mitchell to take the title this year. Washburn was the offensive mainstay last season. He was the man who could be counted on to hit double figures consistently. His steady scoring punch was always there in the clutch.

Mitchell, on the other hand, was the bulwark of the defense. He was assigned the colorless job of guarding the scoring threats of all Mule opponents. For that reason he did not score many points himself. He was too busy holding down the opposition. But his excellent defensive play was responsible for many Colby victories.

Williams does not have a man of Washburn's capabilities this year. Tubby's deadly set shot will be missed considerably. Nor does the Mule Mentor have a reliable defensive guard such as Mitchell. But he does have the two things he expected to lack most, depth and variety.

Saturday's game with Bowdoin was far from a hoop classic. The Polar Bears were pitiful. They were out of condition, and showed nothing on offense or defense. But the contest served to illustrate the type of ball club Williams has. He was able to change his offensive tactics time and again by juggling his lineup.

Moreover, the juggling was done without weakening the team. Last season there was a marked difference between the first and second teams. This year, with the exception of Shiro and Finegan, the difference is in style of play, not ability.

Sonny Welson, who has improved tremendously since last year, is strong under the boards, and a good man for setting up plays. When he operates from forward he alternates with Finegan in working the bucket.

George Paine has a good set shot, and works more from the outside. His shots weren't hitting too well against Bowdoin, but once he starts hitting, he's a definite scoring threat.

Buddy Wall, who was hampered by a slightly sprained ankle on Saturday night, is a hard driving ball player who can hoop the ball from outside or close, depending upon the type of play called for.

Freddy Blake, another hard driving forward, has not yet rounded into shape, but he is destined to play a prominent role in the Mule attack. Fred was out for football and reported late for basketball, but he is coming along fast. He played good ball against Bowdoin and has improved steadily in practice sessions.

Diminutive Artie White has a deadly one hand push shot. Were it not for his relatively small size he would see a lot more action. As it is he's a good man for spots as his 11 points in the second half of the Farmington game indicates.

Moving back to the guard spots we find Jim Lazour and Herb Nagle, two good playmakers. Lazour is one of the four returning lettermen, and Nagle is up from last year's frosh squad. Both of these boys can be relied upon in the clutch.

Teddy Shiro, probably the outstanding player in the state, continued to amaze us on Saturday with his phenomenal driving layups, and expert ball handling. Teddy is a true master of the game. He is a consistent scoring threat himself, a good playmaker, and a sturdy defensive ball player.

Captain Warren Finnegan is a rough man under the boards. He is the type of ball player who is at his best when the pressure is the greatest. Finnegan's shooting is most unorthodox. He always reminds us of Joe Medwick, former Cardinal Dodger, and Giant outfielder who could make the most routine catches look spectacular. But Warren usually sinks a good percentage of his shots and they pay off on points, not style.

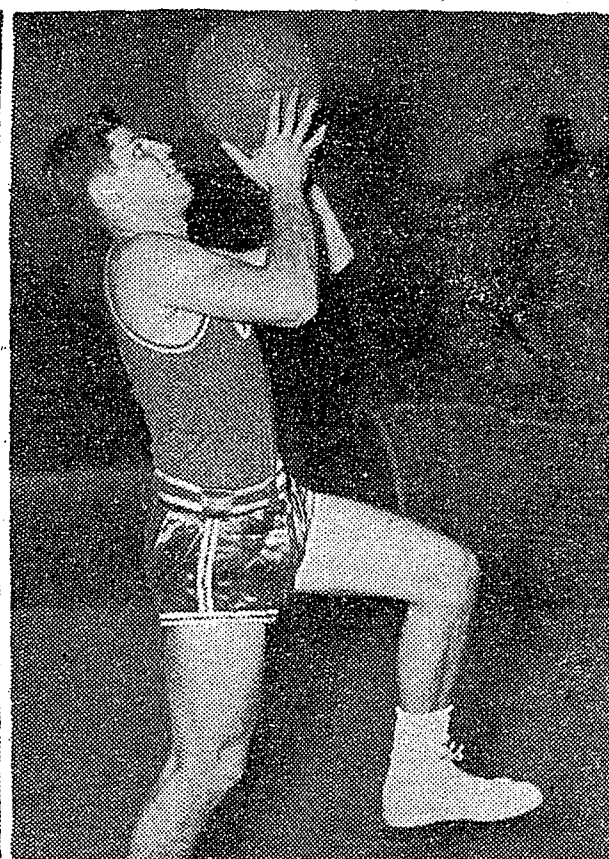
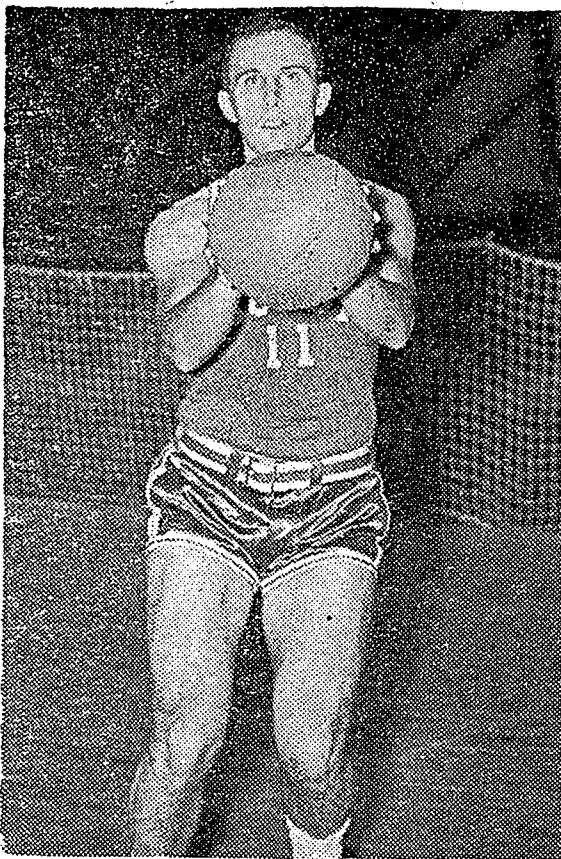
The Mules' real test takes place up at Orono tonight where they play a strong University of Maine five. The Maine Bears were heavy pre-season favorites to take the title, and their trouncing of Bates last Saturday night means that they must have something. That something is just about the same as they had last year, as most of their letter men have returned. They also have a few sophomores in their lineup.

If the Williamsmen can get by Maine tonight, they should be able to roll to the championship. The Christmas western trip should give them a good bit of added experience. Also the team will be somewhat strengthened the second semester by the addition of the Jaber brothers. Normie and Johnny figure to see quite a bit of action when they become-eligible with Paul and Herbie.

The Jabers transferred en masse from Boston College in February, and, according to intercollegiate rules must wait a year before playing for Colby.

If the Mules drop their encounter with Maine their task will be made much more difficult. However, if they win this one they should have little trouble with Bates on Saturday night. Scouting reports of the Bates-Maine game call Colby 20 points better than the Bobcats.

Three straight series wins would look pretty good in the record books. They would also give the Mules much self-confidence. Win or lose tonight, we still believe that Colby will take the series.



George Paine (left) and Jim Lazour, two of the Mule starters against Maine tonight. Lazour scored 19 points in the William and Mary game to pace the Williamsmen.

(ECHO photos from Waterville Sentinel)

## Two Colbyites Receive Honors

By Mark Abramson

On the basis of selections made by coaches representing the smaller schools in the nation, Will Whitely and George Bazer, Colby linemen whose defensive and offensive play was outstanding this year, have been awarded honorable mention on the little All-America eleven.

Whitely, a 5-ft. 11-in. tackle weighing 195 pounds, is particularly able on defense and isn't likely to be fooled on the same play twice. Will's presence in the line next season will strengthen the forward wall, and his experience should be an important factor. Whitely will be co-captain of the Mules in 1950.

Bazer, 5-ft. 10-in. 185-lb. guard from Revere, Mass., comes from a football playing family with two brothers having performed on the gridiron. George accomplished a feat rarely done in this era of the two-platoon system, remaining on the field for 60 minutes in virtually all the games this fall.

He attained his greatest heights in the 7-7 tie with Bowdoin, and was a consistently strong asset to the squad. Coach Holmer hails the selections as a well-deserved honor earned by two boys who like to play football and will continue to play it well.

The little All-American team, not to be confused with its big-time counterpart, is chosen by the writers who have in their possession the names of players chosen by coaches in all parts of the country. Each coach names the players on his squad who he believes are worthy of All-America honors, and by the ballot system the final first, second, third teams and the honorable mentions are selected.

State and sectional elevens are valuable in determining the candidates most likely to rate All-America. In addition to the Colby boys on the team, Bob McAvoy, Bowdoin back, earned a spot on the third unit.

about the lower hooks with the result that the coats have to be piled up three deep. This is most disconcerting to all.

This is also true of slickers, rain hats and boots. Since most of the slickers and hats look alike and because of the crowded conditions, someone is always walking off with the wrong slicker. This is true of boots, also.

There are, I believe, three solutions to this problem. One: will the unlucky people who have 8:00's please hang their coats on the lower hooks so that the top ones will remain free. In this way a few more coats might be hung up. As far as boots go, either don't wear any or else break down and sew a name

## Mules Down Bowdoin In Slow Moving Game; 60-44

By Ben Sears

Ted Shiro, Warren Finnegan, James Lazour & Co. dropped into Coach Lee Williams' back pocket, a hot sixty to forty-four upset win over a highly favored Bowdoin quintet last Saturday night. In beating the favored Bowdoin five, the home club

showed that they were not to be counted out of the battle for the 1949-1950 Maine State Basketball Title.

Colby broke the ice in a little over a minute when Shiro drove in for a lay-up shot. Bowdoin tied it up three minutes later on two foul shots. The home five did not employ the fast break that it has been noted for in the last few years, but preferred to move the ball down slowly and bang away from far out. Colby went in front again when Finnegan dropped a lay-up. Again Bowdoin tied it up and then went ahead seven to six. Shiro dropped a long shot to put Colby back into the lead eight to seven, and from then on it was Colby all the way.

## Husson Trounced By Flashy Frosh

By Dave Lavin

A hard driving, fast breaking Frosh five ushered in the 1949-50 basketball season with a convincing 66-37 victory over an outclassed Husson College team. The Mules displayed lots of speed and plenty of aggressiveness with which the Husson five couldn't cope.

The home quintet jumped off to a quick 12-6 lead which they kept adding to, and at halftime the score was 28-17. The driving lay-ups of Hawes and the fine ball handling and shooting of Frank Piacentini featured the action in the first half.

The early minutes of the final stanza saw some fine hook shots by Bob Gordon, but the consistent shooting of Gott, Husson center, kept the visiting quintet within sight of the Mules. However, with the scoreboard reading 44-31, the Roundymen went on a scoring spree which saw them widen the lead to twenty points. Coach Roundy sent in wholesale substitutions, but the score kept mounting steadily.

It was apparent all evening that the Baby Mules have a wealth of material which promises to improve as the season goes along. Ted Lallier and Row Nagle did yeoman work off the boards all evening, and the shooting of Piacentini and Hawes also stood out. However, the passing on the fast break was often sloppy, but with more work it is sure to improve. On the evening's performance alone, it is apparent that with their great over-all height and fine speed, it will take a top flight team to defeat the Freshmen.

tape inside of them.

The second solution is to hang the coats in the almost forgotten cloak room on the other side of the Library. Of course this does involve a walk across the library and it is further away from the Spa, but it will save wear and tear on your coat.

The third solution is for the college to build a bigger cloak room, but this is impossible, but it might be a thought for some of the new buildings that are going up.

At the end of the first quarter the home team had a nineteen to twelve lead, and pulled out in front twenty-two to thirteen in the middle of the second period. Finnegan, Shiro, and Paine broke through the Bowdoin defense and dropped in lay-ups and Blake dropped a long one. Bowdoin put on a last minute rush in the closing seconds of the period, however, and closed the gap till the home team led by only a score of twenty-nine to twenty-five at the half.

In the third period, Colby began to pull away and was never less than ten points ahead for the rest of the game. Shiro gave the fans a taste of his superb ball handling which proved to players and fans alike that he is one of the best guards in the state.

With seconds to go in the last period, Colby led by a score of fifty-nine to forty-four. Warren Finnegan sank a foul shot which put Colby into the charmed sixty point circle. Teddy Shiro was hurt in the second half and was forced to leave the game.

Colby played a superb man-to-man defense during the entire game. Bowdoin could not break consistently into the Colby bucket for lay up shots, and Colby controlled their own backboard at all times. Fred Blake, sophomore up from last year's junior Varsity, filled in for Shiro after the latter was hurt, and controlled the rebounds off the Colby boards so well that there is no doubt as to his value to the team during the coming campaign.

Jim Lazour also looked good, and Warren Finnegan played his usual steady game. The scoring was split even over the team with Shiro dropping fourteen, Finnegan nine, Bud Wall seven, Lazour eight, Blake eight, Welson five, Paine six, and Artie White four. Colby was unable to control the rebounds off the Bowdoin backboard, and thus couldn't run up a higher score.

## Coed Outlook

At 12:00 every day the battle of the girls' cloak room in Miller Library begins. "Where's my coat, where's my hat, where's my boots?" are all heard. About 1:00 if you are lucky you'll emerge victorious. Of course this is all slightly exaggerated, but it does concern a subject that is near and dear to every coed's

heart—namely, the lack of hooks on which to hang your coat in the cloak room.

There just doesn't seem to be enough hooks for the four or five hundred coeds to hang their coats on. Consequently, one is apt to find her coat on the floor, people walking all over it, and just about everything else. The early birds always seem to hang their coats on the top hooks

and everyone else seems to forget

**Varsity Track**

For over a month Colby's cinder-men have been prepping for their indoor track events. Although they will only compete in two meets this winter, their practice will get, and keep, them in condition for the outdoor track season in the spring.

The two varsity contests will take place in the Boston Garden, where Colby is entering the mile relay in the K. of C. meet on January 21, and the B. A. A. meet on February 14. Our entrants will be matched against runners representing schools of similar enrollment.

There are fifteen men vying for the four berths on the team. Though it is too early to say with certainty who will win, the eight top contenders right now are "Bump" Bean, "Stretch" Burnam, "Red" O'Halloran, and Bob Brownell, Dick Cham-

**Femmesports**

By Nat Howe

The interdorm badminton and basketball tournaments are getting under way this week and should be over shortly. A basketball champion will category, and Joan Withington, who

berlin, Bob Libby, and Bob Hooper and Dick Pullen from last year's var-from last season's freshman squad.

received a Class C award. These awards are only given for the top result from both the upper and lower campuses and it is hoped that a play-off between the two campuses can be arranged.

The W. A. A. board was notified last week that two of our girls had received high enough scores in the National Telegraphic Intercollegiate Archery tournament to receive certificates. They are Alyce Moskowitz, who was awarded one for the Class B

awards are only given for the top scoring participants and so we are really proud that two of our Colby girls got them.

Now that Johnson's pond is frozen over and the smooth skating down there and at the various rinks around town is luring us away from our books, we'd like to remind all potential Sonja Henies to keep track of their skating hours to turn in to the winter sports manager at the end.

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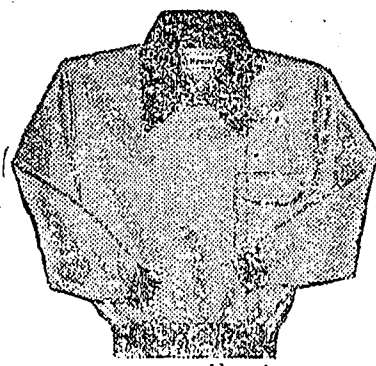
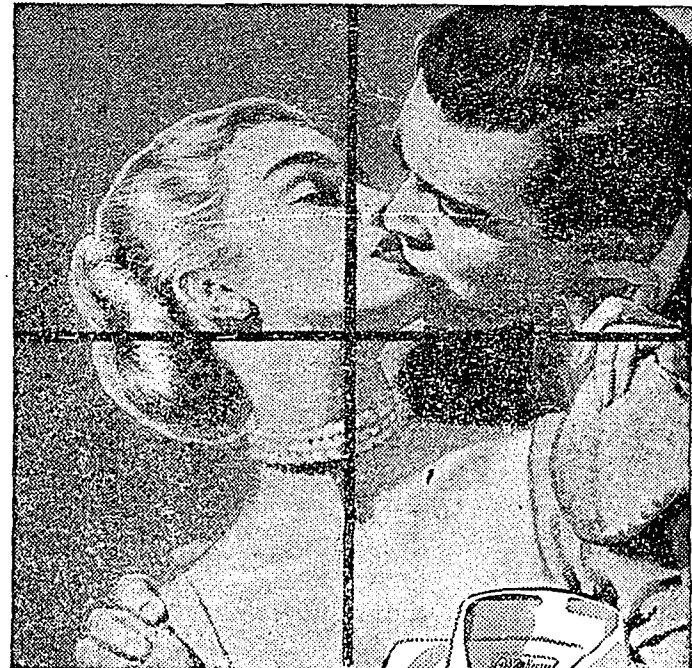
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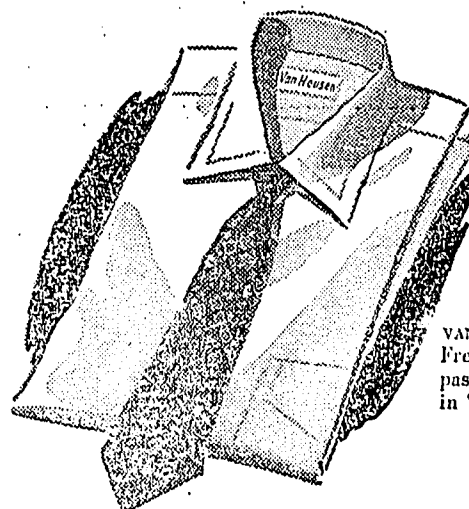
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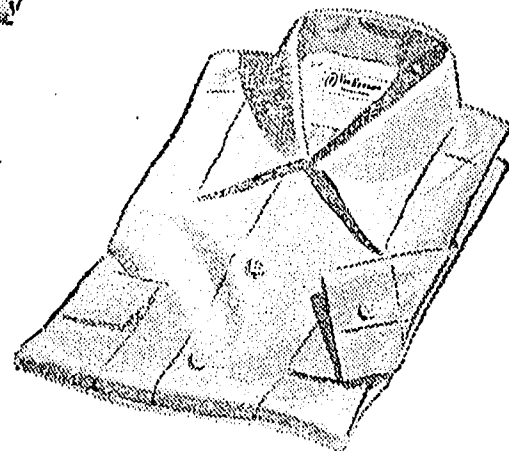
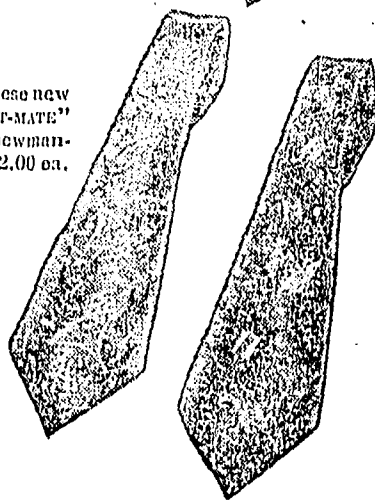
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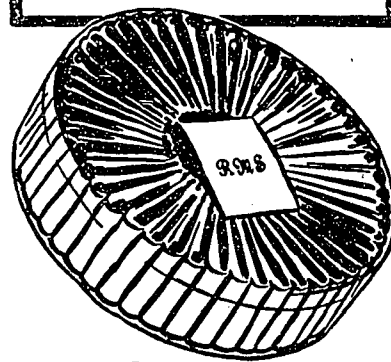
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### Independent Council Represents Non Frat

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Chairman of the Council is Robert Armitage, and the Secretary is Raymond Grant. Other members of the Council are Robert Rosenthal, Richard Bowers, Robert Wehner, Clifford Bean, Ian Robertson, and Arthur Wyman. Robert Wehner replaces Walter Alger, who resigned because of other duties, and Ian Robertson replaces Bradford Mosher, who is getting married this month.

The purpose of the Council is to provide for non-fraternity men activities that would otherwise be unavailable to them. This is especially true of social activities. The Council has sponsored several dances this year.

The Independents have a team in every inter-fraternity sport. The bowling team has started its season. The basketball team has started practice. There will be notices about practice on the Independent bulletin board, which is opposite the main bulletin board in the Library. Ian Robertson is Athletic Chairman.

There is a tutoring system, which has been set up this year. Students having trouble in any subject can get help by contacting Richard Bowers, Champlin. Students on the Lower Campus may contact Robert Wehner, North College.

### Art Dep't Will Show Two Movies

On December 15 the second set of art department movies will be shown. They will be "Destiny" starring Lil Dagover and produced by Fritz Lang, and "Die Sternernen Wunder Von Naumburg."

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# Bixler Says "Complete Construction And Colby Spirit Will Reappear"

By Robert Hartford

In an interview last week, Pres. Julius S. Bixler discussed the problems now confronting the administration.

The first problem is construction. Colby competes with nearly every other college in the country in attempting to raise building funds. President Bixler expressed his opinion that we are at a vital stage in our expansion; a new science building and a new girls' dormitory will complete the move to Mayflower Hill. The number of men who live on the hill next fall will depend on the number of fraternity houses that are completed at that time.

Everyone wonders what has become of the old Colby Family. President Bixler is a firm believer in the unity and enthusiasm which the Colby Family can provide, and expressed his belief that as soon as the college is completely moved to the hill, the split caused by the distances between the campuses will disappear, and the family spirit will again become a means for greater cooperation in the college life.

Another problem which the college faces is chapel attendance. Dr. Bixler recognizes the fact that modern students ignore the need for spiritual guidance and are unwilling to admit their need for wider emotional development through faith. He believes that while students work together in class and take part collectively in sports and dances, they should complete the circle of group activity by praying together.

The administration will maintain its policy of non-subsidization for athletics. Dr. Bixler believes that the standards of education, which are the real purposes of the college, must not be sacrificed to the secondary importance of greater cooperation in the college. (Continued on Page 12)

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## Fraternity And Sorority Latest Newshorts

### DU Has Had Active Week With Sports

Sports and decorating highlighted D. U. activities for the past week. Under the leadership of player-captain Jim Fraser, the bowling team successively dropped a match to Lambda Chi, and took one from the Zetas. The basketball team had

its initial practice last Saturday afternoon under the watchful eye of Bob Lee, newly elect-mentor of the club. With regard to varsity sports, Brother Bob Gabriel was elected one of the co-captains for next year. Lettermen for this season were Alex, Lawson, Tempesta, Gabriel and Fraser.

### KDR To Hold Xmas Party Following Game

President Harold Wormuth announces that Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity will hold a Christmas party and dance this Saturday night after the basketball game. The social event will take place in the KDR house. Social Chairman Milton C. Lightner will make the necessary arrangements for the program of events to be featured at the party. National President John Blakely of Kappa Delta Rho will be the honored guest at the Christmas social event.

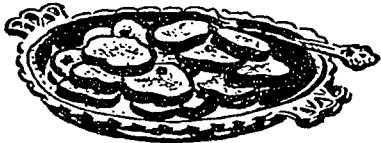
Athletic advisor Herbert Perkins reported at the last meeting that the KDR intra-mural program is going ahead at full speed. The bowling team under Maurice Ronayne is already competing in league matches and Howard Gaskill is holding regular weekly practices for the basketball team.

### Chi Omega Completing Plans For Two Parties

The members and pledges are completing plans for a Christmas party. Arrangements are being made for the annual mother-daughter banquet to be held January 11.

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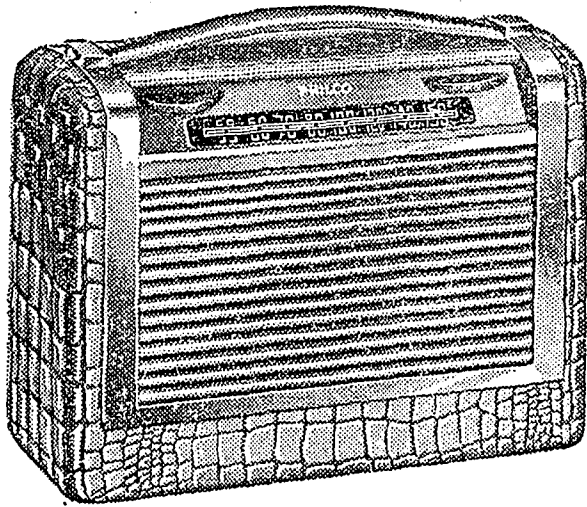
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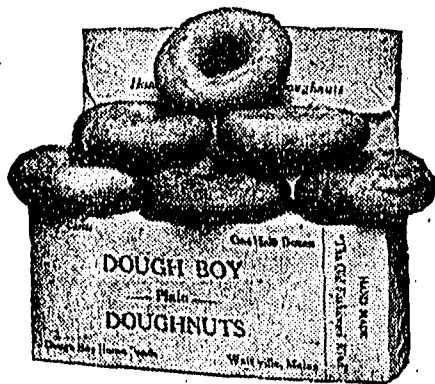
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## Of Social Significance

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sors ten children who will have the pleasure of candy, Santa Claus, and gifts along with the best of them. Managing Committee members from I. F. A. are Betty Metcalf and Joan Boedecker.

D. K. E. will start off fraternity Christmas festivities with a formal dance to be held at Elks Hall this Saturday night. Members at work preparing for the dance are: Jim Doherty, Paul Flanagan, John Powell, Fritz Ziegler, William Heubisch, Jim Hall, Bill MacDonald and Phil Lawrence.

OF DISTINCT SIGNIFICANCE is terrific job the various fraternities, namely the DU's, Zetes, and Lambda Chi's are doing in decorating the campus with Christmas red and green.

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## Speaker Discusses State Of Affairs

Representatives from the International Relations Club met last weekend with 147 other New England delegates in Durham, New Hampshire, for a conference on the United State's

policy with the Far East.

Samuel Weyer from Columbus, Ohio, main speaker at the Friday lecture, discussed the present state of affairs in the United States and our foreign policy in the Orient.

"If we are going to have a diplomatic relationship with the Far East, we must first change our present situation in Washington," he stated.

At the conference, Professor Reichauer of Harvard College spoke. He was formally advisor to the State Department on Eastern policy. His analysis made clear to the audience the difficulties that the United States encounters in dealing with Japan and China.

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## Noted Correspondent Is Still Hopeful Of Peace

May Craig, Washington correspondent and world traveler is frightened by the thought of a welfare state.

In an interview with members of the ECHO staff and journalism students on Thursday, December 1, Miss Craig opined that we can hardly profit by a welfare state without heading towards dictatorship.

#### Marshall Plan Missused

Upon being asked if she saw any examples of the Marshall Plan's missuse in Europe, Miss Craig answered in the affirmative but attributed this missuse to the lack of morals which she believes most people exhibit in dealings with public funds.

Miss Craig believes that a war with Russia in the near future is ex-

tremely improbable, since Russia has no desire to fight at present. She did, however, advise her interviewers to watch Yugoslavia in the spring.

#### Rise of German Nationalism

Miss Craig feels that West Germany is leaning towards democracy and wants the protection of the United States against communism. She believes that German nationalism is again on the rise.

Miss Craig has been Washington correspondent for Maine papers for ten years. During the war, she made trips to the Mediterranean area and the Middle East. In 1946 she journeyed to Europe to study the occupation and in 1947 went to Europe for the inter-American Defense Conference. In 1949 she flew around the world in two months.

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### Colby Speakers

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Six students were chosen by Professor Robert Burdick to represent Colby. In dramatic interpretation Joanne Walker gave the final scene from Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland," and Paul Wescott gave a scene from Anderson's "The Masque of Kings." In prose reading Sarah Packard read the fantasy "The Littlest Angel," and Robert Williams read a humorous story of a Georgia coon hunt.

For an original oration Robert Grindle spoke on Education in Maine, and Herbert Adams spoke on Youth and Democracy. Adams also was entered in the extemporaneous speaking. He drew the subject A Stock Pile of Atomic Bombs as a phase of the general subject National Defense in the Future.

This Speaking Festival was the first of four events planned by the newly formed Maine Intercollegiate Forensics League, which had its inception two years ago when Colby played host to the four colleges for two debate tournaments.

### Doctor Bixler

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tance of having a consistently winning team. Other small colleges have superior teams without subsidization. Colby is in a position to attract educators and students because of several unique aspects. The Julliard School rates our community orchestra as one of the best. The Robinson Treasure Room has some of the most complete collections in the country. Dr. Bixler also mentioned the Bach organ now being installed in the chapel as a superb instrument.

President Bixler believes that Colby has an obligation to the community as well as to education. It must cooperate with the community in developing the innate abilities of its inhabitants, and at the same time must maintain standards of freedom and liberalism in order to contribute worthy citizens to the world.

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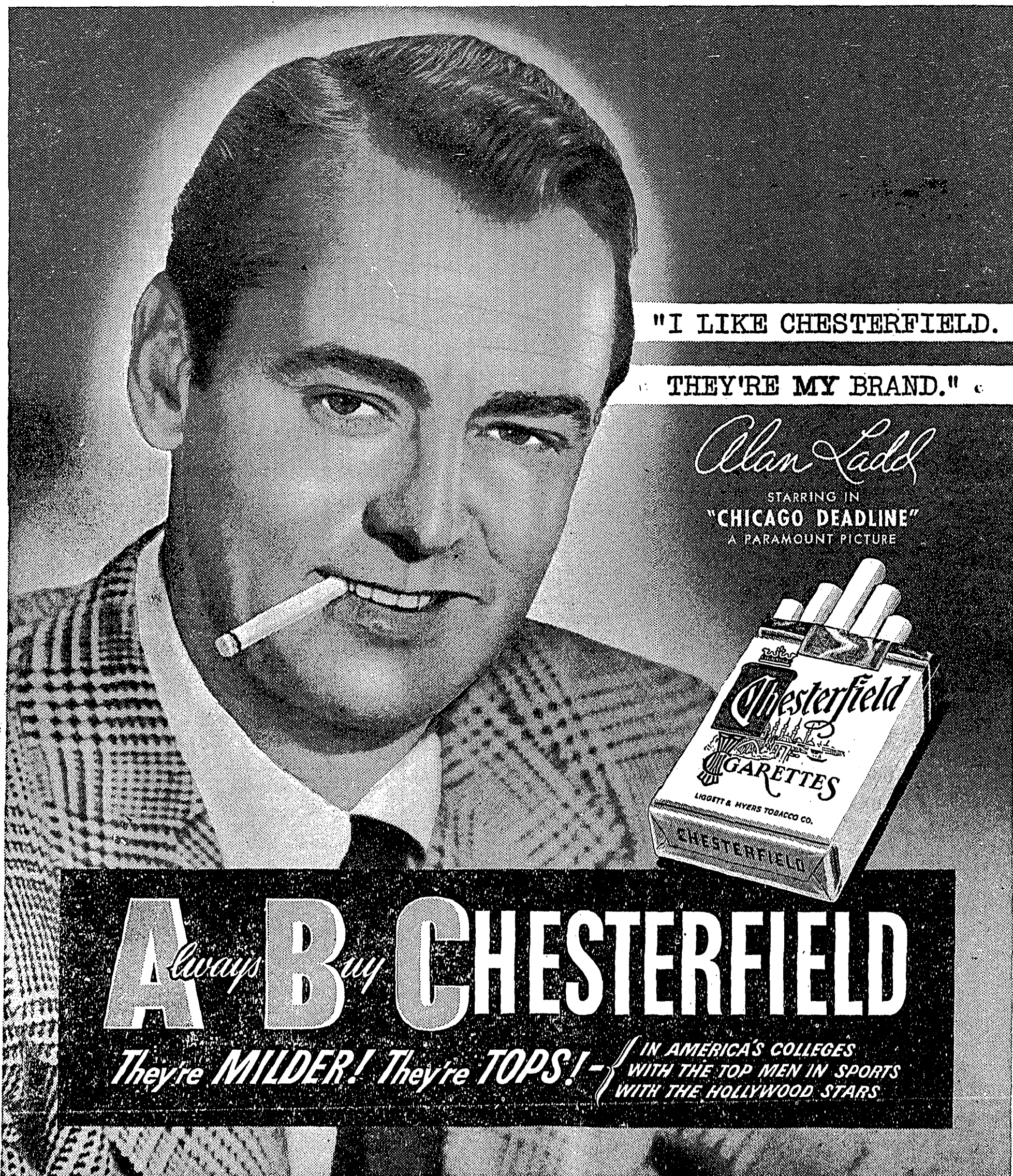
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