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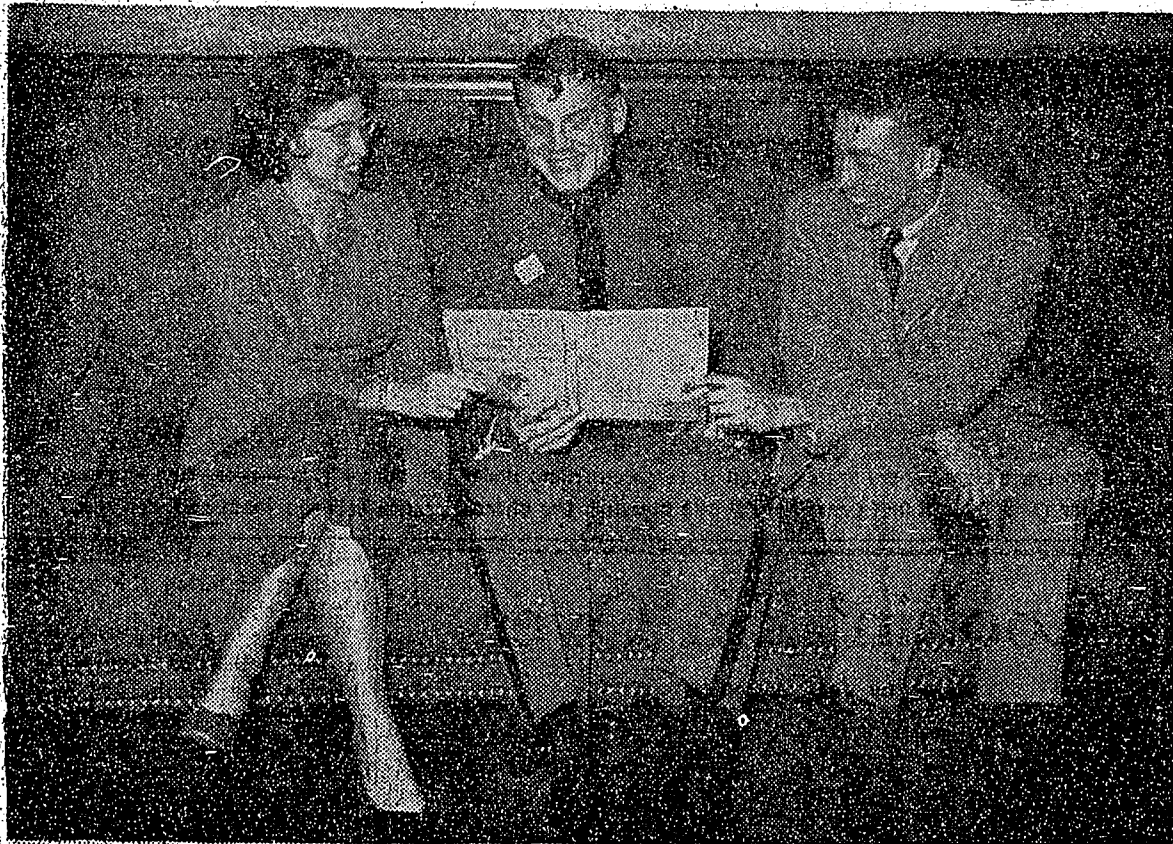
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Donald Jacobs and Cayo Burns representing Colby College are discussing the highlights of the West Point Student Conference on U. S. Affairs, with their host, Cadet Johns.

Conference On U. S. Affairs

Two Colby seniors, Cayo Burns and Don Jacobs, both members of the International Relations Club here at Colby attended the Second Annual Student Conference on United States Affairs held at the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, December 7-9. The conference subject for this year, "The Far-Eastern Policy of the United States - Problems and Objectives of the 1950's" was examined and discussed as four area sub-topics: India and Pakistan, Southeast Asia and the Philippines, China and Formosa, Japan and Korea.

Sponsored jointly by the U. S. Military Academy and the Carnegie Corporation of New York, the conference had a three-fold purpose: first, to produce an orderly and informative discussion of a broad and urgent facet of the U. S. Foreign Policy; second, to test, at the undergraduate level, the instructional value of the instructional values and possibilities of a conference program organized at the faculty level; and third, to extend cadet's contacts with their collegiate contemporaries in academic endeavor.

Dr. Joseph E. Johnson, President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace gave the high-light address. In it he pointed out that the U. S. had formulated its past policies by obscuring between what was believed to be good or bad. In the present crisis, and in the future, however the United States must choose between bad and worse. Dr. Johnson also emphasized that although the Far East situation at present commands the world's attention because of the

international attention involved, Europe is of greater military, economic, and political importance, and that it is in Europe that the final showdown will occur.

At the concluding plenary session it was concluded among other things that the United States must work toward recognition of Red China as soon as possible but that all our decisions must be backed in that area by economic, military and technical assistance taking care that we do not over commit our military forces.

Glee Club Concert Warmly Received

On Saturday evening, December 9, the Colby College Glee Club together with the Bowdoin and Pomfret Glee Clubs and the Brunswick Choral Society gave a stirring performance of Handel's "Messiah". The First Parish Church of Brunswick was filled to overflowing.

Led by P. Tillotson, the combined clubs sang powerfully and thrillingly the complicated choruses. The "Hallelujah Chorus" reverberated from the high arched roof to the very last row of the building. Soloists were Irene Woodworth, soprano; Marcia Merrill, contralto; Frederick Weidner, tenor; and Russell Crosby, baritone.

Seldom is such a large and enthusiastic audience seen at a "Messiah" performance. The crowd cheered loudly for dramatic "Tilly", under whose skillful direction the clubs did such an excellent job.

New Quality Point System Clarified

In an issue of the ECHO some time ago mention was made of the new quality point system which was to go into effect immediately. Here goes an explanation of it:

1. D's will no longer be allowed for the figuring of quality points as was the custom in the past.
2. The new system allows:
A — 3 points times hours credited
B — 2 points
C — 1 point
D — NONE
3. The same number of total quality points will be required — 196.
4. A student will be given credit in hours for the courses in which he obtains a D but no quality points.
- Miss Perkins, college recorder, hastens to report that there will be little difference in the standings of the present senior class, since the new system still allows some room.
5. And most important — A student will be allowed a minimum of 26 C's.

For those who find this system difficult to understand perhaps Miss Perkins will help you out.

Descartes Library Associates Topic

On February 11, 1650, just three hundred years ago, Rene Descartes died in Stockholm, Sweden. To commemorate this event, the Colby Library Associates listened to an address on Descartes by Dr. Clifford Osborne on Friday evening, December 8, at the Women's Union.

What sort of a man was Descartes? Dr. Osborne answered this question by a brief sketch of Descartes' philosophy of Descartes to that

Corey New Head Coach As Holmer Resigns

Walt Holmer, Colby football coach for the last four years, resigned yesterday, and Nels Corey, former assistant coach has been elected new head mentor for the Mules, it was learned as the ECHO went to press.

This announcement was made by Harland Durrell of the Waterville Sentinel in his regular sports column of that paper and was made available to the ECHO through his courtesy.

Colby's Athletic Council accepted the resignation of Holmer, and immediately appointed his assistant, Corey, the new coach.

Walter Holmer, former great back-field star for Northwestern University, was coach at Boston University before he came to Waterville in 1947. Plagued with bad luck and mediocre material Holmer was unable to show a winning team until this year when the Mules won four of their seven scheduled games.

Under his tutelage, the Colby Mules have pulled two great upsets, the most spectacular being this fall's win over the unbeaten eleven of Trinity, 6-0. The other was Walt's first year when a 1947 aggregation pulled a stunning 12-7 win over a great Bates team.

Nels Corey, young as he is, has a brilliant athletic background. He starred in football at Bowdoin under Adam Walsh. Until two years ago he was an outstanding coach in the prep school ranks of Maine while his outstanding M. C. I. lads of Pittsfield made themselves felt in Central Maine.

Two years ago, Nels was appointed assistant to Walt Holmer and took charge of the line. His ability was immediately recognized when the Colby line became the outstanding Maine line for last year. This year again, and even more effectively, Nels produced a group of linemen that gained the respect of all opponents.

More details were wanting as the ECHO went to press. The official announcement is expected to be forthcoming immediately. When all details are officially released, the ECHO will carry them via Bob Ryley's MULE KICKS.

HEY...Don't Forget Student Gov't Elections In January

The ECHO has been a constant advocate of the new Student Government and continuing its policy, though perhaps suffering the possibility of being repetitious, something need be said here and now about the election of officers for the Association in January.

By now the representatives for the Association have been elected. This has been a very simple process but the task before the student body as a whole and a certain few more ambitious students is not an easy one for several reasons. First, the time chosen for election of officers is indeed an inopportune one since there will be the usual rush attendant upon the arrival of mid-year examinations' life in which he compared

important reason is the absolute need for interested students to run for office, people who will take time out to realize what a good and well-run student government at Colby can do. Particularly in the case of the men students the answer to this will be — and what good is it going to do for me when I will probably be a thousand miles from Colby College at this time next year — There isn't much of any answer that will offer any consolation to them but THIS is apparent. The world doesn't cease to function merely because of a war, if that be the case, and on the other hand, to be even more passive, perhaps this "thing" will make student life all that much more remembered.

Though we all will be going home from the cares and troubles of college life wanting to forget them for at least two weeks, is it too much to ask to keep these things in mind? As many students who want may run for one of the four offices; president, vice-president, treasurer, and secretary. There will have to be some plans made NOW owing to the shortness of time involved before the election period and the requirements which must be met especially in regard to the prerequisite petitions. These are most important.

And now with all said but not done, I shoulder my typewriter and head for home forgetting absolutely everything.

R. J. BOWEN

Formal pictures for the Oracle are due January 6th. Glossy pictures should be 3 x 4 inches with head size approximately two inches (from hairline to chin).

of Saint Augustine. Born at La Haye in Touraine, on March 31, 1596, Descartes spent the first sixteen years of his life under the sheltering care of his mother and the teachers at the Jesuit school of La Fleche. Although timid and effeminate because of this protection, Descartes distinguished himself in his studies, especially in mathematics.

After graduating from the Jesuit school, he spent some time in Paris, ations. Second, and by far the most (Continued on Page Twelve)

Mule Hoopsters Drub Bates, 70-50

Playing what Coach Lee Williams termed their most "solid basketball on the season thus far", Colby's fast-stepping hoopsters bombarded Bates last Saturday, 70-50, for their first State Series victory.

The first half was a nip-and-tuck contest, with the Mules leading after the first fifteen minutes, 17-15. Colby's tight man-to-man defense and Lallier's, Finegan's and Welson's rebounding held Bates at bay, but inaccurate shooting kept the Mules from increasing their lead. At the end of the first etatio

the end of the half, the Williams-men ruled by a slim 27-24 margin.

The Mules turned on the steam in the second half with Shiro and Piacentini leading the way. As Bates began to tire, the Williamsmen heightened the tempo until, with five minutes to play, they owned a cozy 64-42 lead. The Bobcats out-scored Colby by one basket in the final eighth of the contest, but the Blue and Gray basketekers emerged with a cool 70-50 triumph.

COURT CLIPPINGS

Captain Warren Finegan scored 12 points and played one of his finest games since the 48-49 season. His rebounding was aggressive and effective.

Sophomore Frank Piacentini led the Mules in scoring with 15 points, while Ted Shiro and Brad Wall connected for 11 each. The Bates crowd childishly heckled Shiro during the first half, but silenced abruptly in the second after the All-Maine guard dumped three set-shots in succession. He left the game in its waning minutes amid a sincere ovation.

Pivotman "Spider" Lallier and Roe Nagle both were untouchable under the boards. The former received a blow in the ribs which limited his play in the second half.

Colby's unsung hero was playmaker Sonny Welson whose floor work was unexceeded.

Dubious officiating brought roars of disapproval from the crowd most of the evening. Fortunately, the healthy Colby lead eliminated all grounds for Bobcat gripes.

General opinion placed credit for the victory in the hands of the team as a whole. The Mules passed well and shot better — 29 field goals out of 74 attempted for a 39½ average.

Mules Lose Sloppy Game to Bowdoin Mule Cindermen Round Into Shape

Colby's heavily favored Williams-men opened their State Series competition for the year by dropping a sloppy game to the Bowdoin Polar Bears, 56-47.

The Mules, whose speed and height was supposed to leave Bowdoin at a standstill, found themselves hampered by the small confines of the Polar Bear court. The Colby rebounding left much to be desired, as even the towering pivot men could not keep the ball from Bowdoin's big guns, Jordan and Bartlett. Accuracy from the floor might have spelled victory for the Mules, but a 22% shooting average left them on the short end.

The game was close until the final minutes of play when the Polar Bears pulled ahead by virtue of Bart-

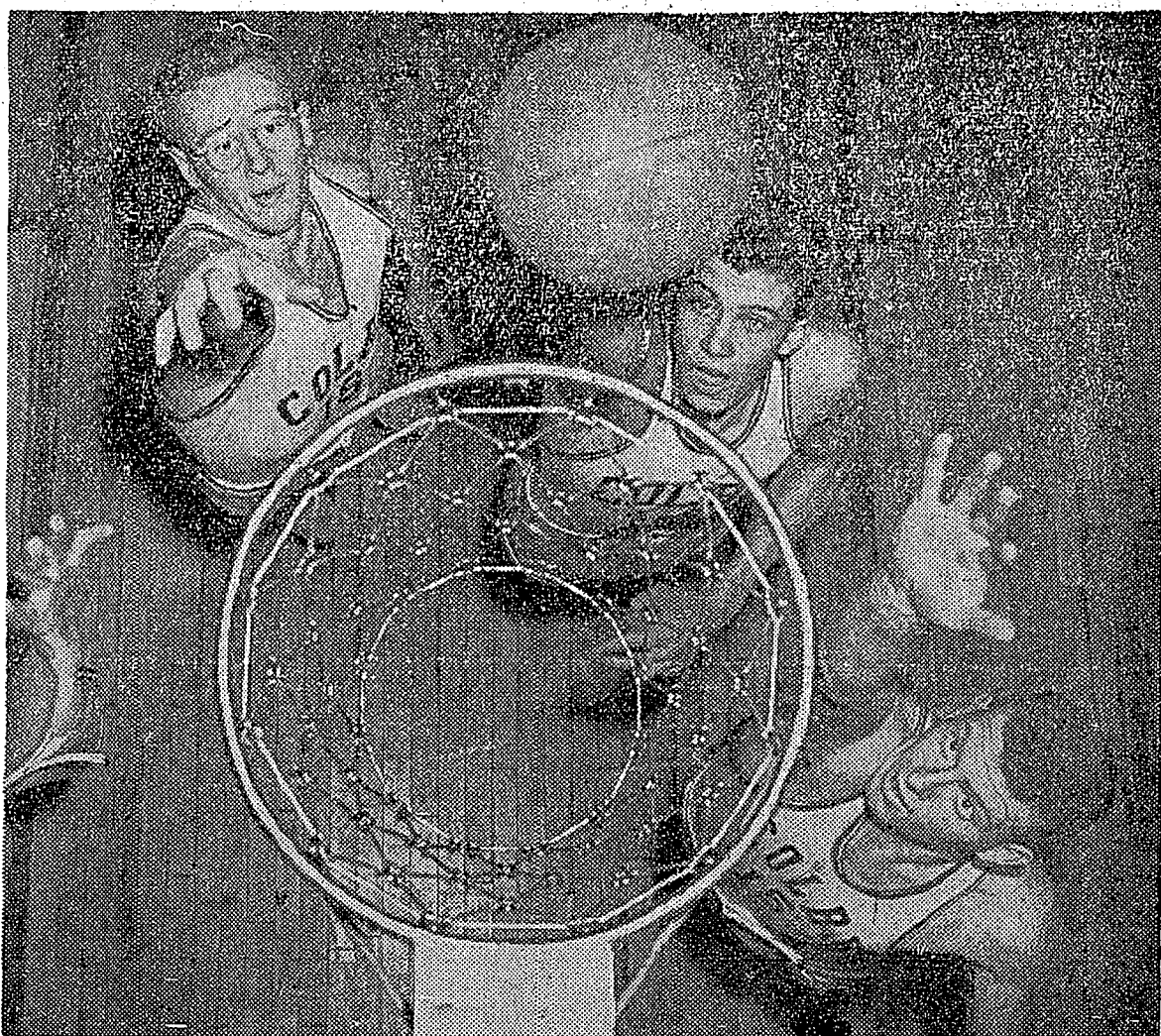
After three weeks of intensive practice, the Mule trackmen are rapidly rounding into shape for the big indoor season ahead. The first competition of the year took place yesterday in the form of an informal meet with the University of Maine in which both mile and two mile relays were run.

The first formal competition of the year will be the Knights of Columbus meet at the Boston Garden, January 20th. Following this the Mule cindermen will enter the B.A.A. games on February 3rd, also at Boston. The team will participate in the aforementioned mile and two mile relays. Also, Roger Montgomery will be entered in the sprint events.

Although it has not been definitely decided who will comprise the two relay squads, it appears at this time that Roger Montgomery, Bob Brownell, Whitey Johnson and Seymour Bimula will run the mile relay with Bump Bean, Lum Leberherz, Don Merriam, and Bob Libby making up

lett's shots from outside the circle and some nifty fast breaks. The half-time score was all tied up 25-25.

High scorers for the Mules were veteran Brad Wall and sophomore Phil Philips with nine points each. The team felt that an off night in the shooting department and some sloppy passing spelled the margin of defeat.



Colby's towering skyscrapers are expected to reign supreme under the boards this winter. Roe Nagle (6' 7"), Ted Lallier (6' 7"), and Crif Crawford (6' 5") measure the short distance between them and the hoop.

Lookin' Em Over

by Jack Semonche

Here it is less than a week since the intramural basketball season opened and already the action is in full gear. As predicted the Lambda Chis are setting the pace, but the road to the championship is far from smooth. The D. U.s have given notice, by virtue of a pair of solid wins over the Tau Deltis and K.D.R., that they are definitely in the running for the intramural title. Also a dark horse has appeared in the race. This outsider is a surprisingly good Independent quintet, which convincingly whipped the A.T.O. team last Monday.

By the time this column reaches you the Indies will have been tested thrice more. They will have encountered the court squads of the D.K.E.s, the Phi Deltis, and the Zetes. The contest with the Zeta Psi's should have been the toughest to hurdle. We may be going off the deep end in predicting the rise of the Independent team on the basis of just a single game, but in this one contest the Indies did show the class necessary for the league title. The Independent team does have one shortcoming and that is

the two mile squad.

Depending upon the performance of the team in the two meets at Boston, there is a good chance that part of the squad will compete in New York at the IC4A meet in Madison Square Garden.

bably hurt the team, but it will be interesting to watch the progress of this long shot.

To bring you quickly up to date on the action of last week, the D.K.E.s downed the Phi Deltis by a 43-32 count, the D. U.s set back the Tau Deltis, 52-33, and the Lambda Chis won easily over the Zetes by a 53-25 margin.

INDIES WIN

The big surprise win of the campaign thus far, was the Indies 50-42 (Continued on Page Eleven)

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Mule Hoop Mentor Puts Basketball Frosh Hoopsters In Spotlight

by Paul Reece

Widely outdistancing his Maine colleagues, genial Lee Williams, Colby's astute cage mentor, has seen some painstaking work finally visualize itself this year with the official recognition that the 1950-51 Mule cluster is rated among the top hundred quintets in the East.

Since 1946, when Williams took over the coaching chores, Colby has compiled only a so-so record — 41 wins and 44 losses — but most of the

setbacks have been administered by potent Western teams with whom the Mules tangle on their annual jaunt. Lee contends that it is no disgrace to lose to these juggernauts, and his players and fans alike string along with this theory.

Against Maine competition, however, Colby has won more than its share under William's reign, annexing 23 decisions, while dropping 13. In 1949 his courtmen snared the coveted State Series crown. Whether this year's club will come through again remains to be seen.

As for Lee's background, he is a graduate of Courtland State College, and also boasts a Master of Arts degree from Teacher's College of Columbia University.

Williams's coaching career started oddly enough while in the Navy, in which he served from 1941 to 1945. In 1942 he was assistant tutor of the Great Lakes team, which won 34 games, while losing only three in breezing to the National Service Championship. The following year Lee moved to Dartmouth where he was assistant to Earl Brown. Incidentally, the Dartmouth squad that year merely racked up 18 straight victories, captured the E. I. L. crown and lost the N.C.A.A. title to Utah in a thrilling overtime session.

A policy which Williams undertook soon after arrival has placed Colby in the National basketball spotlight. On the western trip this year Colby tangles with such renowned contingents as Akron University, Rochester University, Buffalo University, and Bowling Green. Add to this formidable quartet of foes such schools as Brown, Providence College, University of Conn., plus traditional Maine rivals, and

Frosh Hoopsters Snare Opener 61-56

by Bob Frank

Paced by the sterling play of Whitey Thurston and acting-captain Gene Floyd, the baby mule basketballers outlasted a constantly-threatening Portland Boys Club aggregation 61-56 in a tight contest here last Saturday afternoon.

The game was close all the way as the starting combo of Alpert, Floyd, Jones, Keef, and Thurston secured a two-point lead 15-13 at the end of the first canto. The visitors shaved the lead in a tight second stanza to 26-25. In the third quarter, Messieurs Floyd and Thurston got hot. The former accounted for six, two of which were break-away lay-up shots.

The final fourth was "more of the same" as the Duo combined for thirteen more markers while teammates Pierson and Keef contributed another five. It was in the last moments of this period that the pressure of the game began to be felt. With one minute to go, Thurston garnered two more on a three-on-one break lay-up shot but they immediately got it back to close the lead to 59-56.

Colby attempted a freeze and took a subsequent foul opportunity out of bounds. The ball was intercepted and the visitors quickly moved down court. Two set shots were unsuccessful and then Floyd staged a solo dash to snare the clinching two just before the buzzer.

Besides the names mentioned

it composes a rugged slate to say the least.

Williams was President of the New England Basketball Coaches Association in 1949-50 and is currently Chairman of the Officials Committee of the National Association of Basketball Coaches. He is the only small college mentor to head one of the National committees.

Leo believes that his present squad is potentially the best he has ever coached at Colby. As it is a young team, however, he isn't making any rash predictions. After a rude opening defeat by Bowdoin, the Mules have begun to roll, but there is a long, frenzied season ahead, which will undoubtedly feature upsets galore.

When queried by the writer concerning his return next year, the personable mentor replied that it was a little early for contract talk, but that he hopes to be back, and then added with a slight chuckle that perhaps '52 would find him again in navy blue.

Frosh Football Record Impressive

by Paul Reece

"Future gridiron chaos at Colby appears a thing of the past" — at least for a couple of years — is the optimistic forecasting around campus. Reason: Colby's powerful, unbeaten, unscored upon and untied Freshman juggernaut.

In his first year as Freshman Mentor, Bill Flamish turned out a football machine which amassed five decisive wins against highly-formidable but definitely outmatched foes, thus furnishing Colby with its

above, notable performances were turned in by Jones, Haley and Harrington. Jones captured seven rebounds to tie Floyd in that department. Thurston led with thirteen. Others who contributed to the victory were Jabar, Mills, Weldfield, and Wodbridge.

Another reason for the frosh victory was their percentage of shots made. They sank twenty-five of sixty four (39%) field goal attempts and swished nine foul shots out of 15 (60%). Coach Ed Roundy commented that his charges did well for their first game considering the time that they've had to practice and play together. The frosh, incidentally, used the four-man figure eight offense and used a man to man defensive set-up.

BOX SCORE

Colby (61)	Goals	Fouls	Points
Thurston r. f.	8	3	19
Keen r. f.	0	0	0
Weldfield r. f.	0	0	0
Keefe l. f.	2	1	5
Haley l. f.	1	0	2
Woodbridge l. f.	0	0	0
Jones c.	2	0	4
Mills c.	0	0	0
Alpert r. g.	1	1	3
Pierson r. g.	2	0	4
Floyd l. g.	10	3	23
Jabar l. g.	0	1	1
Harrington l. g.	0	0	0
Totals	25	9	61

Portland (56)	Goals	Fouls	Points
Defelo r. f.	5	2	12
Whitemore l. f.	6	2	14
Labri l. f.	0	0	0
Jordan c.	5	4	14
Shaw c.	0	0	0
MacMillan	1	0	1
Curtiss r. g.	2	1	5
Monte Carlo r. g.	0	1	1
Hopkins l. g.	0	0	0
Johnson l. g.	2	4	8
Totals	21	14	56

Officials: Bruno and Poulin.
Time: 4-10's.

top yearling squad in the past quarter century.

The "Whiz Kids" combined a hard running backfield with a tremendous line to escape the season unscathed. Two line standouts, tackles Tony Yanuchi and Jim Park Co-captained the crew on its merry way. Teams which felt the force of the Mule contingent included, Higgins, M. C. I., Bridgton Academy, Hebron and Coburn.

The Frosh opened their campaign at the expense of Higgins by registering an easy 21-0 victory. Maine Central Institute was victim No. 2 in a fray which gave the Baby Mules a scare for awhile, with the final score reading 12-0. The remaining three tilts were absolute routs.

Singling out individual performers would be quite a chore. Teamwork and spirit was the order of the day whenever the Frosh eleven took the field. If one was to nominate a backfield man for top honors, then fiery halfback Gene Floyd would no doubt be the leading candidate.

Listed to receive numerals are: Joseph Albert, Dick Beatty, Bob Blacker, Emil Caouette, Tom Davis, Bill Edson, Phil Ferrall, Gene Floyd, Dick Fornaciari, William Ganem, Bob Hudson, Tony Jabar, John Jannoni, Russell Kerr, Dick Kilborn.

Don Killeen, Maurice Mathieu, Lee Niles, Dick Noonan, Jim Park, John Ressler, Bob Sheerin, Charles Sleeper, Ted Turchon, Bob Voorhees, Dick Whiting, Charles Windhorst, Tony Yanuchi, Bill Ames (Mgr.) and George Barton (Mgr.).

The season's summary.

Colby Frosh 21	Higgins	0
Colby Frosh 12	M. C. I.	0
Colby Frosh 57	Bridgton	0
Colby Frosh 26	Hebron	0
Colby Frosh 39	Coburn	0
Totals	155	0

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CHRISTMAS 1950

As another Christmas rapidly approaches, the clouds of war once more hang heavy over the world. The song of peace that heralded in that first Christmas two thousand years ago will once again be re-echoed throughout most of the world. Yet, when one considers the conditions existing today, he is tempted to view with cynicism the basic spirit of the Yuletide season. Yet this is the one time during the year when we should not be cynical. Rather it should be a time for renewing our hope and our trust in the true idea behind Christmas. During this brief period, most men and women actually live in the spirit of friendliness and peace, but too soon the season is forgotten for another year.

During the past decades we have tried periodically every other solution to our personal and national problems except the solution of brotherhood and good will. Many children will come to their Christmas trees this year never having known anything but a world at war or preparing for war; thus testifying to the failure of our previous solutions.

So, amid the presents and parties of this Christmas, let us pause and ask ourselves if the Christmas Way might not be the right way we have been seeking — and through the year-round application of these attitudes we may build for the future true peace on earth and men of good will.

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No Change no braggers
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Some cry, some bask
Burro wants worthier task
All he has to do is ask
The mask.
All the time this animal
Is part of great big ball
As wide as it's tall
Foll! Foll!
Yet there's some peace
Some mind some fleece
Golden thoughts never cease
At official teas.
Relate these same teas
To us's and we's
Ball and parts cant decease
In unities.

The H. M. can say little. Colleges are filled with those bitter (with or without structural) ideas. All have reason to lament the divorce between brains and bricks; yet, the constructive ones, are not allowed.

Sure we like unities and hope, but where can they exist when even an individual search is threatened by the didactic and the pedantic and the narrow and the killing.

Wits End

by Stanley Sorrentino

Last week's puzzles were so easy that I refuse to tell how to do them. I hope you didn't lose any sleep figuring out that Ann was 15.

This week's trick is self working and requires no practice to perform. First take the jacks, queens, kings and aces and a four out of the deck of cards.

Effect and Secret

Place "four spot" on table letting it represent a four room house. First enters four jacks into house, each going to a separate room. (Place jacks in four separate piles around "four spot"). Queens are next placed in house each going to a room. (In placing cards on piles be sure to place each card on top of the one below it so as not to disturb their order when being picked up.) Kings and aces are placed in the same manner upon the jacks and queens. Now gather the four piles into one heap — may be cut as many times as desired. Deal cards face down one at a time into four separate piles again. Alas, alas you now discover that the jacks are in one pile, the queens in another and so forth.

Now for the puzzle of the week, which is a real hard one, so put on your thinking caps and go to work.

Mr. Bishop received a check and in somewhat of a daze over his good fortune, went to the bookstore to get it cashed. There, Mr. Howard, who had been up all night correcting exams gave Mr. Bishop dollars where he should have given cents and cents where he should have given dollars. Both were busy talking about the poor marks of their students and didn't notice the error. Mr. Bishop went on his merry (Xmas) way. After spending 62c, Joe discovered he had too much money. In fact, he found he had twice the amount of the original check so he decided to go back to David. He was waylaid by Mr. Williams, who tried to tell him about his new portfolio and when he finally was ready to go to the bookstore, he had forgotten how much the check was. Can you help him PPPPP

SHOWCASE

by PHILIP BAILEY

Whatever one may think about Arthur Miller's "All My Sons" as a contribution to the drama of our time, few who saw the Student Production of it last Saturday evening could deny its effectiveness as theatre. It must be admitted, however, that this cannot be said with much conviction about the Thursday performance, and those that were present that night might well ponder what all the shouting is about.

The opening night's performance was, it seemed to me, quite uninspired, except for the central scene of Act II, and the effect was achieved more by the novelty of the staging, the sensationalized plot, and the social problem raised than by the quality of the acting or the clarity of the interpretation. Fortunately, these limitations were largely overcome on the next performance, and it is with no little relief that I confine my comments here to this second performance.

The response which greeted this production was, with justification, eagerly enthusiastic, in fact, that eagerly enthusiastic — so enthusiastic, in fact, that it has become somewhat difficult to maintain one's critical balance: a reaction not unnatural on a campus starved for something beyond mere entertainment.

Clearly, the extent to which one responded to this impressive production depended, not upon the actors, who did justice to Miller's play, but upon the play itself. For my part, it is an inferior product, lacking in acute insight, deficient in character drawing, contrived in plot and too much given to melodrama to be satisfying in the final analysis.

Worse than that, it is preachy, containing an ethical message of the responsibility of each for all forced upon us, not by character, but by words, delivered at various points in the play with a kind of hysterical urgency which is not impressive. The action proceeds from the playwright's "message" and not from character, and without fully developed characters, unhindered by suspicious circumstances, serious and lasting drama cannot be written. In short, I felt tricked and cheated by the play.

On the other hand, "All My Sons" while no tragedy, is a good comment upon a timely social problem, containing a condemnation of war-profiteering and a refutation of self-deluding materialism. It is also good theater, however melodramatic, and the cast achieved with it a theatrically forceful production, charging it with a good deal of vitality which was well-created and admirably sustained.

Being given the difficult assignment of portraying a middle-aged stolid materialist, Ian Robertson as the father achieved the desired effect more by the sheer vigor of his acting than by an inherent mastery of Joe Keller's personality. Always in Robertson's portrayal there was a too-conscious striving to create the figure of an aging, loud-mouthed businessman, guilt-ridden and confused, and while at times this character clearly emerged, at other moments it was forced and strained. The actor's rapidly-changing facial expressions appeared to be kind of experimentation, often highly successful, but sometimes degenerating into a Jimmy Cagney snore; and the effectiveness of the lines was hindered by the annoying over-use of the word, "Look". I cite these weaknesses only to stress the fact that despite these, Robertson turned in a commendable performance and succeeded in a difficult role where most would have failed.

In the role of the son, Chris, Gene Jellison had the equally ar-

duous task of making this empty mouthpiece for Miller's ideas flesh and blood, and while he succeeded in making him believable, the character did not remain very interesting. Nevertheless, Jellison proved himself very stage-wise and capable of a greater range and power than he has exhibited before. My only criticism of Jellison, both as an actor and a director, is that too many of his emotional fireworks explode too early in the evening, leaving the real climaxes incapable of full expression. This was, to me, quite obvious in the poor handling of the final father-son scene of Act II, when both actors failed to rise to the full dramatic portrayal of Miller's script.

Frank Dyer's portrayal of the impetuous and embittered George was for the most part sharply realized and forceful, one of the outstanding characterizations of the production. While not always under perfect control, Dyer's performance achieved a naturalness and power that made one glad to see him doing something worth while at last.

In contrast to the overt violence demanded by these roles, the performances of Alyce Moskowitz as the mother and Dale Dacier as Anne provided a welcome balance and much needed variety. With restraint, dignity and sensitivity, Miss Moskowitz created out of her tiredness a strength which would have been broken by any unnecessary emotionalism. She could have been more forceful in her vital lines at the end of Act II, but withal, I found the interpretation well-controlled, consistent, and appealing.

Miss Dacier's performance, as Anne, was intelligent, briskly played and strong. Although her voice lacked a warmth and was often inaudible, it was a relief to listen to its sanity amid the strangled sobs and anguished tones of the others. Her facial features were capable of a high expressive quality, and she proved that when she wished, she could do more on the stage than look cool, sophisticated, and bored.

The minor roles of the neighbors were, despite Miller, effectively done and carefully balanced, with Barbara Scott's freshness and innocence played off against Joan Gridley's petty viciousness and with Al Martin's enthusiastic stupidity contrasted with Mel Lyons' quiet knowingness.

Technically, the production was highly commendable: the music was well-chosen and not over used, the lighting, adequate, while Phil Arey's staging of the whole production utilized all the potential power of the arena-theatre.

An ambitious production of this kind can, with all its limitations, say and do much for its audience. Its total issue is stimulating, its characterization is worthy of discussion, its very failure as great tragedy has implications concerning our culture which could be pursued endlessly. Above all, this production proved, I think, that there does exist here a responsible audience, capable of supporting controversial plays. For all these reasons, "All My Sons" while not great, has been amply adequate unto the day. I liked it.

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Classic Club Meeting

A meeting of the Colby Classics Club was held Wednesday, November 15, in the Women's Union. A good group of students interested in the furthering of classics at Colby College was present.

An interesting talk was given by Dean Marriner about former teachers of the classics at the college. Of particular interest to the students was the fact that one of the boys in the present Freshman class, Phineas Barnes, is a direct descendent of one of the first teachers of the classics at Colby. Another one of the former teachers mentioned was Professor Taylor who, with 67 years of service at Colby, holds the longest teaching record in United States

New Rule On Social Conduct

Through the columns of the ECHO the Administrative Committee calls the attention of students and faculty colleges.

Dean Marriner also stressed the part that classics had played in the spread of culture through the Western World. Besides this important cultural background, students of the classics receive valuable aid in expressing their thoughts through the study of the languages of the Greek and Roman civilizations.

The meeting which began with the singing of several Latin songs concluded with the serving of refreshments. A general discussion period followed.

to two actions, both of which are effective immediately.

1. The rule printed in the Gray Book, implying that cheating applies to examinations only, is an editorial error. The long-standing rule of the college has never been changed. All forms of cheating, whether in the classroom or in prepared work, are included in the rule.

2. The Committee has met the request for more specific regulations dealing with the use of alcoholic beverages by adding the following to Rule A3 on page 20 of the Gray Book (the rule pertaining to off-campus functions): "College rules prohibit the serving of alcoholic beverages at these off-campus functions. Serving of alcoholic beverages includes setting up a bar by or for the organization holding the party, and use of alcoholic beverages in any rooms reserved for the party."

E. C. Marriner, Secretary

I. F. C. Wants Increase In Representation

Fraternity members have not reacted uniformly to the new rule that requires chaperones at all college functions to fill out questionnaires on student conduct and observance of college rules. Some members feel that the new rule will discourage some of the faculty from consenting to chaperone at college functions; however, the representatives of the Interfraternity Council feel that the new rule will not greatly affect fraternity - sponsored functions. Chaperones should not be discouraged by the paperwork, as it only concerns observance of college rules and does not imply any change

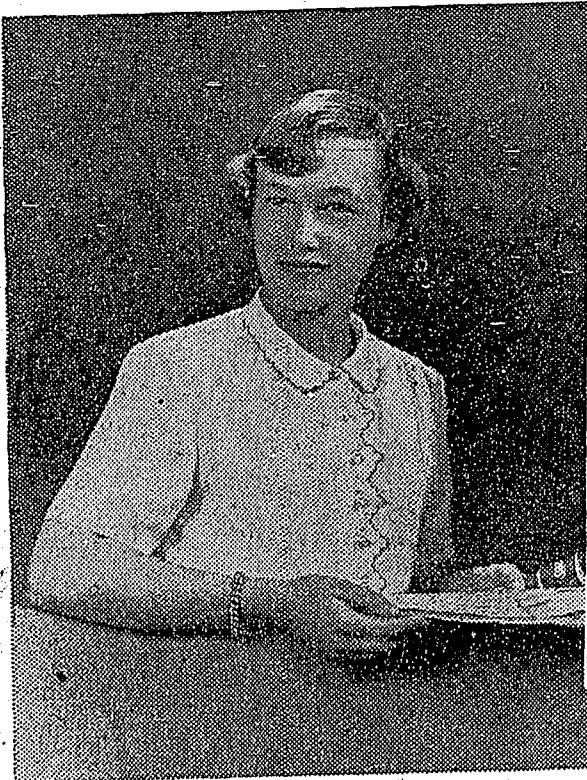
of these rules.

The Interfraternity Council is seeking greater representation on the Social Committee. Now the council has one member, as does each major campus group; however, it feels that because it represents more than half of the men in the student body, it should have a more proportional representation.

The fraternity smokers will be held during the period from Monday, January 12 to Friday, February 16. The dates for each fraternity's open and closed smokers will be drawn at the next meeting of the council.

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Pahellenic News: Rushing Review

The following girls were pledged this fall to the four Colby Sororities:

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SIGMA KAPPA: Jean Brewer, Ruth Brindley, Joan Dawes, Edwina Dean, Rosalie Dulaney, Janet Fraser, Carlyn Grutzner, Joan Hall, Mary Hitch, Judith Holt, Carol Homrula, Nancy Ives, Gertrude Jefferson, Josaphine Peary, Patricia Potter, Georgia Roy, Barbara Squire, Jean Strickland, Jacqueline Warendorf, Judith Witherbee, Joyce Witham.

ALPHA DELTA PHI: Jo Anne Conkling, Dawn Dunn, Nancy Fortuine, Ruth Gallup, Eleanor Johnson, Lois McCarty, Ferna Munce, Mary Owen, Priscilla Parsons, Susan Smith, Dianne Stowell, Ann Thoman, Eleanor Turner.

CHI OMEGA: Elaine Bethell, Ronda Capen, Anne DeLameter, Marjorie Hill, Jean Huntington, Nancy Mayer, Carol Robinson, Jean Strout, and Rosemary Thresher.

On Sunday, October 1st, the Panhellenic Coffee for all freshmen and transfer women students was held in the Women's Union. Preceding the Coffee, a discussion period was

held to explain the rushing system used by the Colby Sororities.

A Panhellenic Breakfast for all sorority members was given on Sunday, October 15th.

The future plans of the Panhellenic Council include a picnic supper for the pledges of the four sororities on Wednesday, December 6th. The volley ball tournaments between the sororities begins this Sunday afternoon.

The Panhellenic Council's special project for this year is to improve the entire rushing system as used by the Colby Sororities.

The Colby Panhellenic Council is a member of the National Panhellenic Council. It meets every Wednesday afternoon and is composed of eight members — two representatives from each sorority. The present Council members are: Chi O., Helen L. Campbell, President; Nancy Nelson, Secretary-Treasurer; Sigma Kappa, Barbara Jefferson, Sylvia Rice; A. D. P., Nancy Williams, Joan Drew; Tri Delta, Ann Morrison, Beverly Baker.

CHI OMEGA NEWS

On November 8, Chi Omega pledged Penny Thrasher of Newton, Mass., Ronnie Capen of Mountain Lakes, N. J., Susie Delameter of Newton, Mass., Amy Bethell of Ann Arbor, Mich., Marjorie Hill of Waterville, Jean Strout of Livermore Falls, Nancy Moyer of Summit, N. J., Carol Robinson of Cincinnati,

Ohio, and Jean Huntington of Fitchburg, Mass.

A party was held after the pledg-

ing and each class presented a skit and refreshments were served.

Initiation was held earlier this fall

for Loretta Thompson of Washburn, Shirley Harrington of Belmont, and Joyce McGuire of Andover, Mass.

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Fraternity News

A. T. O. NEWS

At the Fall sports banquet Brother Dick Verrugia, Colby's defensive center, was elected Captain for the 1951 season. Brothers Bernard, Cawley, Fraktman, Fraser, Harrington, Hibbert, Kiernan, Reed, Verrugia, and Wales were recipients of varsity C's.

Brother Chet Harrington, varsity offensive right half back was the recipient of the Wadsworth Award given to the most outstanding player of the season. Both he and Brother Ed Cawley were chosen to the All-Maine Offensive team.

The A. T. O. Fall formal dinner dance was held Friday, December 8, at the Lancey House in Pittsfield.

PHI DELTA THETA NEWS

The fraternity is proud of Bob Cannell who was elected to All-Maine team as defensive end. We

Arab Poetic Work Topic at Fireside Chat

by Edward Bittar

President and Mrs. Bixler held a "fireside chat" last Sunday evening at which an interesting discussion of the Luzzumiyat of Abu Al-Ala was carried on.

The Luzzumiyat, a tolerably long poem which surpasses the Rubbuiyat of Omar Khayyam in both poetic beauty and grandeur of philosophic thought, was looked into. Copies of the poem in English were given out and so the discussion was reinforced and made more delightful by the act of reading it.

Dr. Bixler gave a brief but pithy account of the Arab world of the 10th century and observed what the literary and philosophic and religious forces were like at the time; and this, in turn, to influence the thought and outlook of Abu Al-Ala.

This discussion was somewhat of an experiment. The endeavor was to perceive how the Orient is the other half of the world, indeed, a complimentary half. And in many other ways, the attempt was to discern the places where East and West meet.

It is hoped that the next topic will deal with the life and writings of Gandhi. Such a topic would be timely as well as of importance to all students who express an interest in the intellectual and moral problems of man.

will all remember his great play this year.

We are also proud to announce that Bill Sauerbrey was accepted as a pledge at a recent meeting.

The fraternity basketball team is preparing itself for league play by practicing daily in the Boy's Club gym. As yet the team has not been picked.

On November 21st, we presented a Thanksgiving basket to a needy family in Winslow.

D. U. NEWS

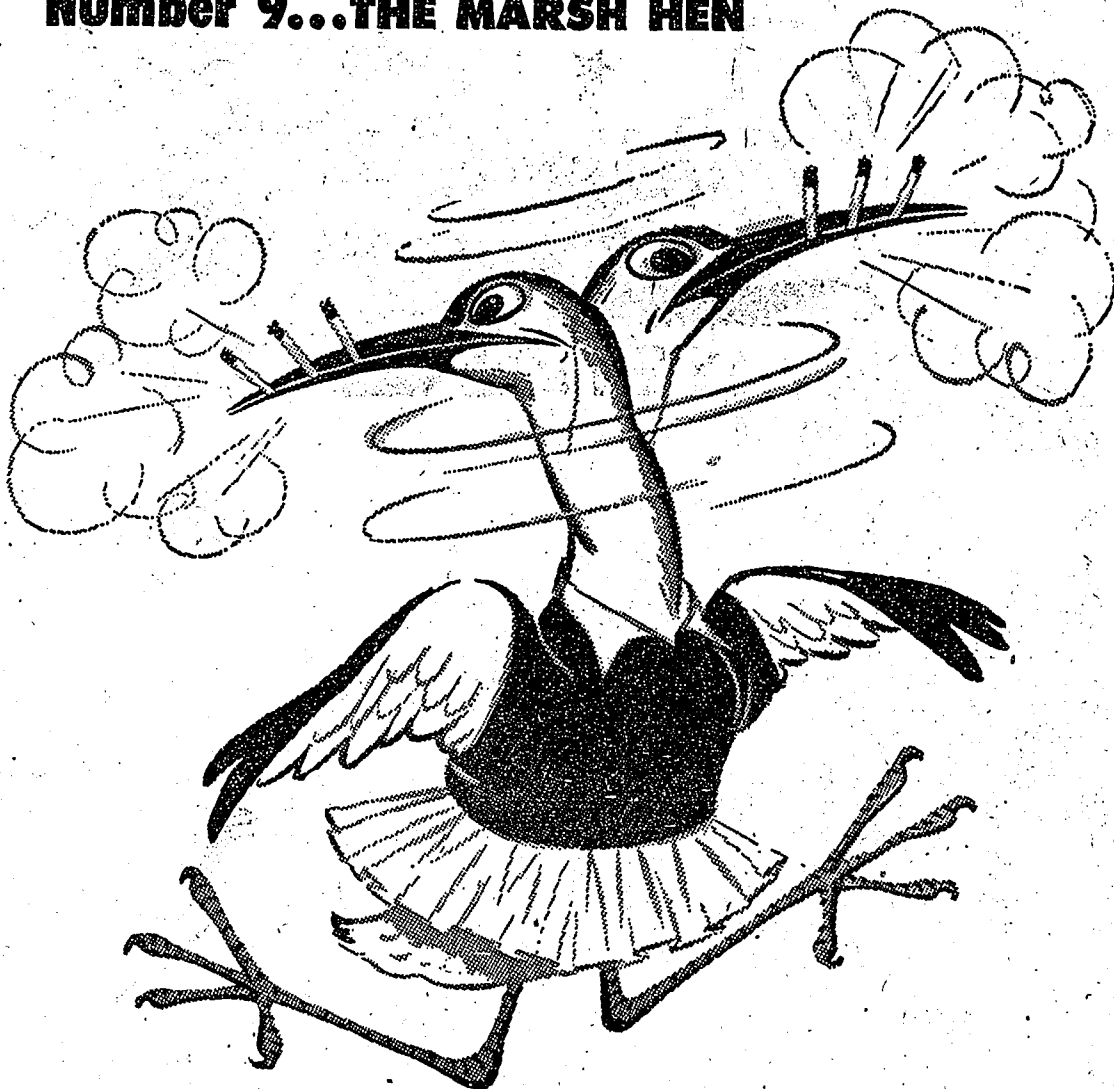
Delta Upsilon reports that Christmas lighting on the chapel has been completed.

The fraternity basketball team played Higgins at Higgins on Dec. 7. On November 30 the DU team defeated the Lambda Chi Alphas, but lost to the Alpha Tau Omegas.

Ted Lallier, '53, of Belmont, Mass. and Paul Aldrich, '52, of Lincoln, Maine, have accepted pledges to Delta Upsilon.

Campus Interviews on Cigarette Tests

Number 9...THE MARSH HEN



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by MAX SINGER

LOOKOUT this week asked 26 students what mistakes of doctrine or action, if any, they thought were responsible for our foreign policy problems. Because of the diversity of replies and the small size of the samplings a statistical analysis is not particularly useful so instead I'll describe the more common or interesting points of view.

In my selection of opinion I will

not attempt to push my ideas but will try to reproduce the pattern of opinion as it appeared from the survey.

"We should have gone to war with Russia back in '45 or '46 and it still is a good idea; but we shouldn't use the atom bomb". This was an opinion expressed only by one person although considered as the extreme of the "get tough with

Russia" school it could be called a section of a quite popular body of thought.

Two more comments in this line were that "The only difference between Acheson and Chamberlain is that Acheson doesn't carry an umbrella", and "We put too much trust in the Russian government".

The opposite segment of opinion said, "The US foreign policy is too aggressive", and "the US is afraid of compromise".

Valuation of our policy ranged from "It's (US policy) all mistakes" to "our policy has been good, it is not the cause of our problems".

One comment which is perhaps typical of the criticism as a whole because of its self-contradiction was, "They don't have gentlemanly finesse. They talk in circles and don't face facts". Here is what appears to be complaint about not being tactful and not talking tough in the same breath.

There were many variations of the "get tough" and "compromise" positions. Two people wanted to place more reliance on international organizations; one by "strengthening the UN, I don't know how", and another by organizing a "deminform".

Several people felt that we should have given Chiang Kai Shek more support and one said we should stop pacifying England.

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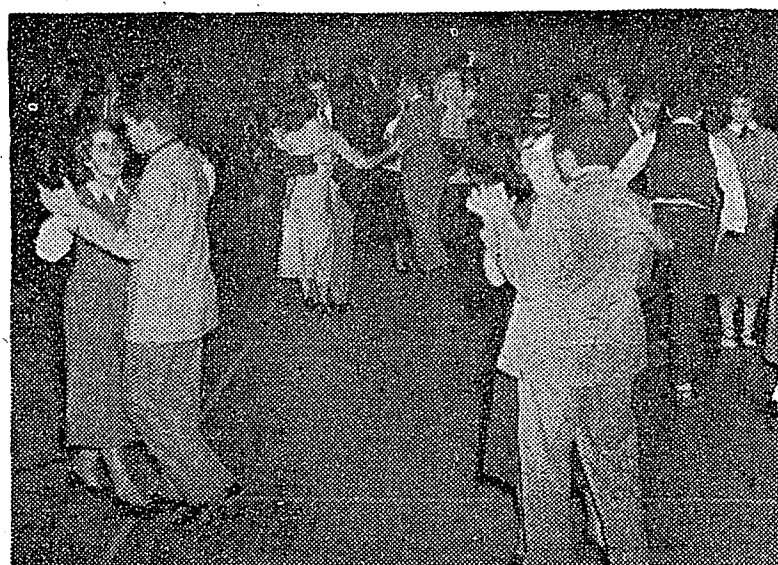
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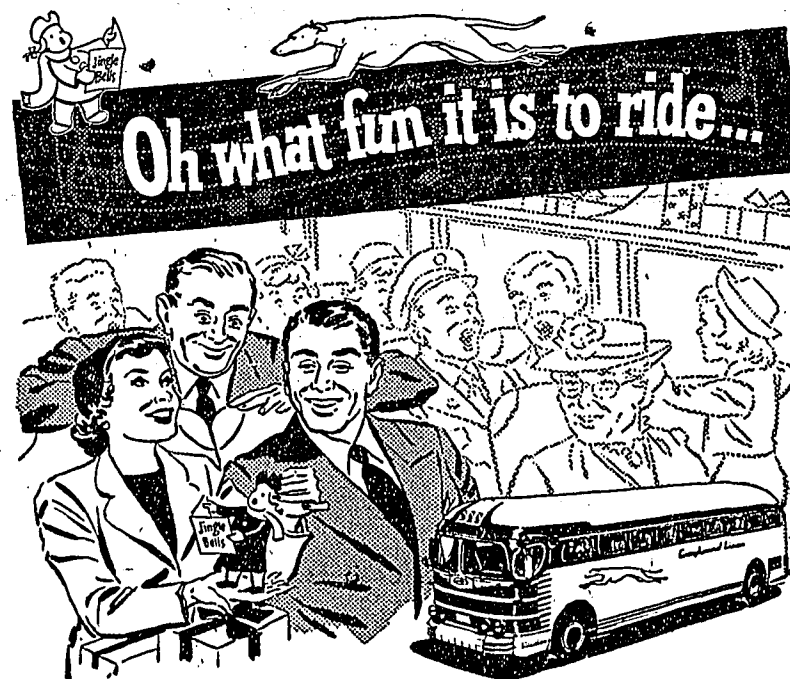


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Madelyn Wechsler, '53, has been appointed by MADMOISELLE to represent this campus on the magazine's college board. "Mike" will compete with 700 appointees from colleges all over the country for one of the guest editorships to be awarded this spring. In addition to three magazine assignments which will be judged competitively, as a College Board member, she will report to MADMOISELLE on "campus news fads and fashions during the college year".

19th Century Lithographs Exhibited in Dunn L.

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THE LOOKOUT

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There was a feeling of a grave lack of effort on our part to enforce our principles in the areas where we have control or influence. I agree that we should bend every effort in support of attempts of peoples all over the world to attain freedom and justice, and that we should not support Facists (Franco) or oppressors of minorities and exploiters of slave labor (Union of South Africa).

One person said we shouldn't have crossed the 38th parallel and several said our problem went back to the early '44 and '45.

"There isn't any foreign policy", said one student but another complained that "We try to use the UN as an instrument of our power".

"We think we can convert everyone to Americanism and don't try to understand their ways. Communists get a hold because they have taken the time to find what people want", said another student.

While many of these opinions are true judgements (either right or wrong) representing intelligent consideration of the facts, others appear to me to be either emotional prejudices derived from the tremendous amount of propaganda circulating today.

Perhaps an enumeration of the six points of Secretary Acheson's "Strategy for Freedom" (taken from his speech of Nov. 29) will bring joy to

the hearts of those who lament our lack of foreign policy.

1. "The development of an international order for the preservation of peace and freedom under the UN." Recent action implementing of this policy was the initiation and support of the proposals, just passed by the General Assembly, to provide for means of by-passing the veto power in case of aggression and to set up permanent national contingents of troops available to the UN.

2. "The development of regional groupings to insure collective security by cooperative defense measures". In execution of this idea Secretary Acheson has successfully carried through negotiation of the Atlantic Pact and has increased cooperation under the Rio Pact.

3. "The RAPID building up of military strength at home and abroad among our allies"

4. "Economic cooperation" which has been implemented by the Point Four program, ECA, etc.

5. "A readiness at all times to negotiate just settlement of international disputes and to find just accommodations of conflicting interests."

6. "A firm adherence in all our actions, at home and abroad, to the moral values which give meaning to our lives."

Together these six points are an attempt to "CREATE SITUATIONS OF STRENGTH" which is our basic foreign policy.

Perhaps this exposition of some of the bases of our foreign policy will silence some people who are crying for what they already have.

I would like to ask the people who complain of appeasement what they mean. Where in the last two

years is there an incident of appeasement? Is by-passing the Russian veto power appeasement? Is intervening in Korea and occupying land on the Manchurian border appeasement? Is forming a mutual defense pact which includes neighbors of the Communists appeasement? Was the air-lift appeasement?

A fundamental error in the judgement of US power is basic I think to many misconceptions. I think that if the following were taken into consideration a better understanding of our foreign policy might be reached.

1. American wishes and influences are not all-powerful. Much goes on that we cannot stop and much that we wish for is impossible to achieve.

2. America could probably not defeat Russia without allies. The actions of the "3rd force" of unattached nations would be decisive in a war.

3. Only by working through "law" and maintaining a morally defensible position can we keep up the diplomatic unity with much of the 3rd force that we now possess and which the Russians are working so hard to break up.

The most important thing to be learned from this survey is that we should not let our opinions be formed by name calling and unsubstantiated accusations. Cries of "appeasers" or "imperialists" mean nothing unless there are examples to back them up.

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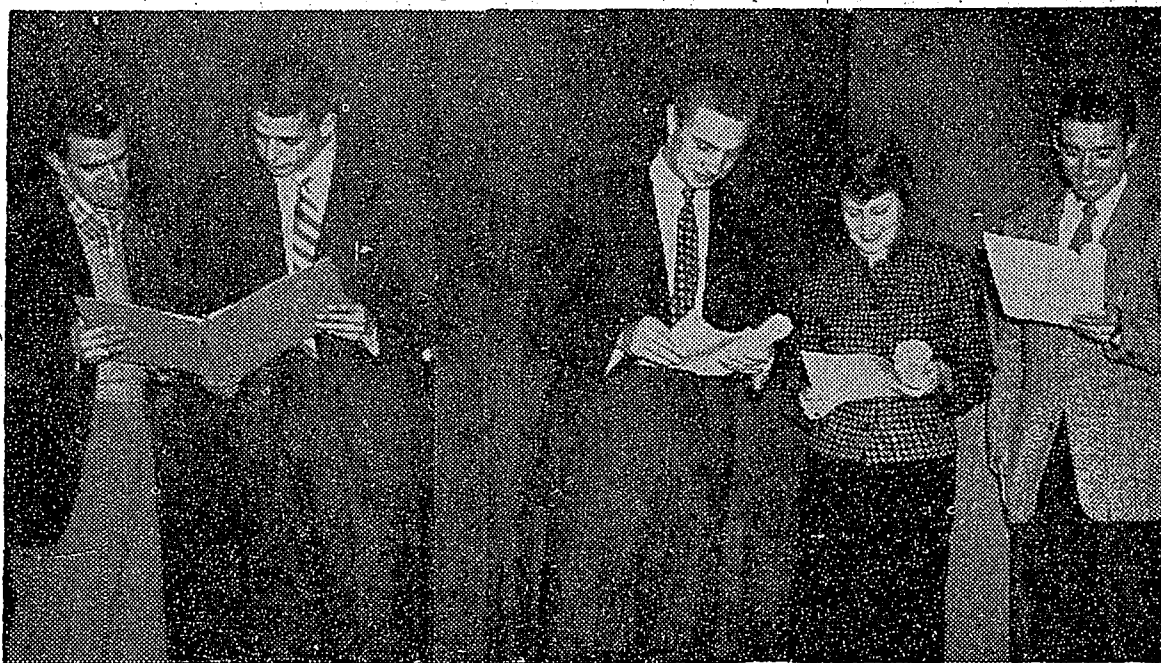
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A. T. O.'s Hold Faculty Tea

This past Sunday Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity played host to the faculty of the college at a tea in the A. T. O. House. Mrs. Richard Rush, Mrs. A. Galen Eustis, Mrs. George T. Nickerson, Misses Beverly Baker and May Rieker, and the A. T. O. housemother, Mrs. Jane Cameron poured and acted as hostesses for the occasion. Refreshments were served and movies of the Colby-Bates game and some ski movies were shown. This was for some faculty members the first occasion to see the interior of the house.

D. K. E. News

Four pledges were recently initiated into DKE: David Harvey, Scarisdale, N. Y.; George Murphy, Rockville Centre, N. Y.; Robert Gordon,

Newport, R. I.; and Seth Whitney, Milton, Mass.

The Deke bowling team, led by captain John Waalewyn, has been formed and has won its last two matches.

The Deke-Sigma Kappa Party will

Colby won its first home State Series game last Wednesday night by dropping Maine, 56-49. Although heavily favored, the Mules were unable to wallop the Bears as expected. Maine led at half-time, 31-23, but the Williamsmen returned in the final canto with a full court press that left the invaders helpless.

Coach Williams tried numerous combinations in searching for an effective offense. The combined efforts of Philips, Shiro, Lallier, Piacentini, and Jabar, were most instrumental in the victory.

be held this Sunday at the house. Entertainment and refreshments are planned and various groups in the house are planning "Varieties of 1950" for the festivities.

The Fall Formal will be held this Friday night at the house.

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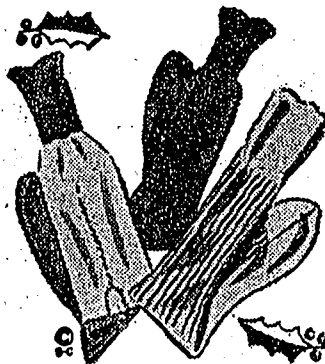
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triumph over the A. T. O.s. The final score makes the game seem much closer than it actually was. With the score 8-8 in the initial quarter, the Independents broke away. It was only in the final period when two of the Indie regulars were on the bench, that the Alphas began to make up lost ground. But by that time the Champlinites had the game wrapped up. Al Thompson and Bill Fitzgibbon, who scored 18 and 15 points respectively, led the running game of the Independents. Backboard domination was an essential factor in the win, but smooth effective teamwork played the major role in the upset. In a losing cause, Mal Andrews scored 12 counters for the A. T. O.s.

D. U.S. ROMP

The D. U.s picked up an easy

win over the K. D. R.s, even though the Kappa Delta Rhos did catch fire in the final stanza. 33-7 was the half-time score, with the Delta Upsilon on top. The K. D. R.s just couldn't seem to get going. Then in the second half they outscored the D. U.s 33-24, mainly through the personal effort of Joe Bryant. Bryant racked up a season high of 25 points, 20 in the second half, and the majority of them in the last few minutes of play. He was hitting from all parts of the court. It really was quite an exhibition. Lee Poliquin led the D.U. offense with 16 markers.

COURT MAGIC

In the final minutes of the evening, the L. C. A.s staged some of their court magic as they rolled over the D. K. E.s, 61-32. The contest started off very slowly with the quarter score being 5-2 in favor of the Lambda Chis, but mid-way thru

the second quarter, with the Epsilons leading, 10-8, the L. C. A.s began to roll, and from then on there was no doubt as to the outcome of the game. We really get a kick out of watching this Lambda Chi five in action. Not only does the team possess a well-balanced offensive, but also the quintet has an extremely sharp defense, contributing greatly to the team's success. Jack O'Meara who has become the playmaker of the Lambda Chis, not the scorer, still managed to head the scoring column with his 12 points. High scorer for the D. K. E.s was Fred Ziegler, who gathered in a total of nine.

In the intramural bowling league the race is still between last year's

championship A. T. O. team and the D. K. E. aggregation. The A. T. O.s have taken over first place on the basis of their 9-3 record, while the D. K. E.s slipped into the second slot of the standings with a 13-7 mark.

LIBRARY ASSOCIATES

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and in 1618 he went to Holland to serve as a volunteer in the army of Prince Maurice of Nassau. Avoiding battle as much as possible in order to study mathematics with the Prince's military engineers, Descartes finally conceived the method of analytical geometry which, along with other sciences, he continued to study for the next eight years among a group of learned men at Paris.

Forced to flee from Paris because of his revolutionary ideas, Descartes published his "Discourse on Method", "Meditations on First Philosophy", and "Principles of Philosophy" under the protection of Princess Elizabeth of Bohemia at the Hague. In 1649 Descartes was invited to the court of Queen Christina of Sweden, but the climate and early working hours brought him to his deathbed in 1650.

In his philosophy Descartes doubted everything until he was absolutely certain of it. His final conclusion was the famous phrase, "I think, I know that I exist, and I love the existence and the knowledge". Descartes thought of the universe as composed of extension and motion; Augustine saw only divine grace which entered within him to create a new man.

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