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## Rossi To Return As Gabe Lecturer

"Pawns of Power Politics," a lecture dealing with Middle East, Asia, and Africa, will be the topic of Mario Rossi's at the Gabrielson lecture Thursday afternoon, March 25.

Mr. Rossi visited the campus last October as a member of the U. N. panel sponsored by the IRC and SCA. At that time, Mr. Rossi put forth the opinion that Red China would eventually be admitted to the UN, a move which he advocated.

Born and educated in Italy, Mr. Rossi is presently the UN correspondent for the Christian Science Monitor.

## Symphony Orch. To Present Pops

On Sunday afternoon, March 21, at Waterville High School, the Colby Community Symphony Orchestra is presenting their "pops" concert. The music is planned so that children as well as the regular adult concert audience will enjoy it. The program includes selections from Tchaikovsky's Nutcracker Suite, Haydn's Toy Symphony, a trumpet concerto Overture, Fred. Petra of Colby and Waterville will be featured as trumpet soloist. Dr. Ermanno F. Compagnetti conducts the symphony by Haydn, and Beethoven's Egmont orchestra, whose players are members of the Colby community and citizens of neighboring towns. The concert begins at 3:00 P. M. and the admission charge is 25 cents.

## P & W Hails 30th Year With Repertory Program

### Seeks Co-eds For Harvard Training

Next Tuesday, March 23, Mrs. Thomas Cantwell Jr., the assistant director of the Management Training Program at Radcliffe, will meet with interested senior women in Smith Lounge of the Women's Union. Here to interview the girls, she will answer any questions they may have concerning the one year graduate program.

Designed to give the college graduate the necessary skill and training for effective administration, the Management Training Program offers a combination of classroom study and on-the-spot experience. Many of the facilities of the Harvard Business School are used, and the major portion of the instruction is done by the faculty of that school.

The Program consists of two full-time job assignments, wherein the student first works as an unskilled worker and then, in the following spring, is placed in an administrative position. The work periods are followed by conferences and reports.

One of the outstanding features of the Program is its use of the case method. This method of study involves the presentation of actual case problems to the individual student for her analysis. Later the solutions of the problems are discussed in the classroom. This technique aims at teaching the student to solve problems which she will inevitably meet on the job.

For the celebration of its 30th year of theatre activities on the Colby campus, Powder and Wig will present for the first time in the history of Colby a repertory program of two plays to be given April 15, 16, and 17. To be given at that time will be Oscar Wilde's comedy of manners, "The Importance of Being Earnest," and Henrik Ibsen's social tragedy, "Ghosts." It should be noted that both of these dramas are to be found high up on the ladder of theatrical history. Ibsen, known the world over as the father of modern theatre, was a founder of the realistic school of dramatic writing. Out of his startling "real life" dramas has come the realization of the mid-twentieth century drama of Tennessee Williams and Arthur Miller. Wilde's "Importance of Being Earnest" follows the stylings of the fifteenth and sixteenth century plays of Ben Jonson and Moliere, continuing the comic tradition of social satire and criticism.

Both plays will be presented "Theatre-in-the-Round" fashion as was last year's production of "The Corn Is Green." This new development in dramatic technique enables the audience to sit AROUND the stage.

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## Actor's Lab Goes On Spring Tour

On Friday evening, March 12, members of Powder and Wig and the Actor's Lab traveled to Augusta with their director, Mr. Gene Jellison. There Mr. Jellison presented a talk as a part of the Augusta Community Lecture Series on several aspects of the theatre which was illustrated by two choral poems performed by the Colby students. The group presented Vaschel Lindsey's "The Congo", seen here early last December in P & W's experimental evening, and Archibald MacLeish's "The Fall of the City". This was the first time that Mr. MacLeish's poem had been interpreted in a choral reading since its publication some years ago.

This group will tour other sectors of Maine in the week preceding Spring Vacation. The same program presented in Augusta will be given for members of the Community Theatre in Portland tomorrow night, and next Tuesday for the Madison Teachers Association in Madison.

## '54 Campus Chest Dated April 19-25

Campus Chest comes again to Mayflower Hill the week of April 19 through April 25. The goal this year is fifteen hundred dollars to be divided among the Newman Fund, Negro Scholarship Fund, World Service Fund, Johnson Fund and the Student Government Fund. A great part of the money raised from the various services will be returned to the college in the form of financial aid and scholarships for prospective Colby students.

Planning Campus Chest this year are the following: Publicity, Co-chairmen, Arlene Berry and Ann Baker with Carl Single, Ruth Ann Simmonds, Janice Roberts, Laura Neuhaus, Candace Orant, Sid Farr. Continued on Page Two



Condon Medal Candidates — L. to R. Tony Yanuchi, Freeman Sleeper, and Roy Shorey Photo by Stone

## Senior Class Nominates 3 Condon Candidates

Voting will take place outside the Spa next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for the Condon Medal nominees from 9-12. The outstanding seniors have the following list of activities:

**ANTHONY YANUCHI** — Lambda Chi Alpha — Pres. of Senior Class; V. Pres. Newman Club; V. Pres. Student Govt.; Treas. Campus Chest; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Co-Capt., Varsity and Frosh Football; Baseball 1; Fraternity Rushing Chairman 2; Freshman Hazing Comm.; Men's Judiciary Comm. 1,2,3,4; Proctor 4; Colby Eight 1; Scholarship Comm., Major Psychology.

**ROY SHOREY** — Zeta Psi — Outing Club 1,2; Fraternity Corr., Sec. 2,3; Echo 2,3; Stud. Gov't., Rep. 2; Men's Judiciary Comm., 2,3; Maine Intercollegiate Stu. Gov. Assoc., 2,3; Convocation Panelist 3; V. Pres. Junior Class; Pres., of Stud. Gov. 4; V. Pres., of Stud. Gov't. 3; Blue Key 4; Senior Advisor; Fraternity Treas 4; Evaluation Comm. 4; Dean's List 3,4. Major — Economics.

**FREEMAN SLEEPER** — Lambda Chi Alpha — Yacht Council 1; Classics Club 1; Fraternity Historian 2; Fraternity Corr., 3; Outing Club 2,3,4; Student Christian Assoc., 1,2,3,4; Vice Pres., 2,3; Pres., 4; Inter-Faith Assoc., 2,3; Soc. Comm., 2,3; Blue Key 4; Soph. Class Treas. Football 1; Golf 2,3,4; Powder and Wig 1; Lelia M. Forster Prize 1; Stud. Pastor E. Vas-salboro Methodist Church; Winner Library Essay Contest 3; Senior Scholar; Awards in General Scholarship 2,3; Dean's List 1,2,3,4. Major — Philosophy.

## Do You Want To Run For Stu. C.?

The Student Government has announced that it is ready to receive the petitions of candidates for next year's officers. The rules for submitting a petition are as follows: Article V of the Student Government Constitution Section 1

"Nominations for the election of officers of the Association shall be made by petitions which state the qualifications of the candidate. Petitions are to be turned in to the President of the Association. Any person, group, or organization may present a full slate of four candidates, one for each office, by furnishing a petition which shall include 25 signatures of students in each class plus 25 signatures undesignated. Any individual may run independently by presenting a petition of 75 signatures. A person may sign only one petition for a slate plus one individual's petition for each office."

Section 6  
"A candidate for office must have attained at least a 70 average. The Treasurer must have a course in Accounting and a recommendation by the Department of Business Administration."  
The deadline for submitting petitions is Friday, April 23rd.

## Hangout and SCA Hold Sports Nite

Hangout, with the help of S. C. A., is sponsoring a Sports Game Night on Thursday, March 25, in the Women's Union. The purpose of this Game Night is to provide some informal, inexpensive activity that the students would enjoy as much as with dates. The committee, with Bunny Guernsey as chairman, plans to have many activities going on. There will be basketball, volleyball and ping pong in the gym, bridge, canasta, checkers and a corner set aside for dancing in Dunn and Smith Lounges. To cover the refreshments, a small admission fee will be charged, probably about fifteen cents.

## Li'l Abner Will Reign On Sadie Hawkins Day

by Janet Nardgren, Nancy Hubbard



Li'l Abner Candidates — L. to R., Bill Ganem, Payson Sawyer, Dave Van Allen, George Dinnerman, and Lou Parsons Photo by Hatch

Hi yo' all:  
All yo' guys 'n' gals there at Colby done heard 'bout Sadie Hawkins Day and Li'l Abner, Mammy 'n' Pappy Yokum 'n' all dem other critter what lives in Dogpatch. Dem Tri Dots has writ 'n' asked me if'n I'd tell yo' all 'bout dis here extra special day. Well, it's like this—

Long 'bout March—that's right early 'n' spring yo' know—all dem

Dogpatch men that ain't a married really got a lotta runnin' to do. Now I'll be a tellin' yo' the reason for all this a'running. It seems that

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All seniors expecting to graduate in June, 1954, are asked to call at the Recorder's Office AS SOON AS POSSIBLE to check the spelling of their names as they will appear on the diploma.

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## Colby Graduate Recent Author

Professor Everett Marston of Northeastern University, a graduate of Colby College, has just written a first novel, **TAKE THE HIGH GROUND**. This novel, published by Little Brown and Co. of Boston is the story of a young English professor who returns after his war experience to teach in a small New England college.

Professor Marston was born in Maine. After attending Colby, he received his A. M. from Harvard. He has been on the faculty of Northeastern University since 1927, and is at present professor of English and Director of student publications. "I am not particularly newsworthy," he writes. "I am a teacher who has stayed in teaching because of human relationship with young people, rather than for reasons of scholarship or academic creativity." In addition to his teaching professor Marston devotes much of his time and effort to working with civic and welfare groups. Organizations with which he has recently been associated include the Big Brother Association of Boston, the American Business Writing Association and the Massachusetts Council of Churches.

## Freeman To Show Work Camp Slides

Mr. Barry Freeman will show slides of work camps in Mexico to the SCA this Sunday night in the Chapel Lounge. Mr. Freeman visited Mexico last year in connection with his position on the American Friends Service Committee. Sometime soon he will start work as a social worker for the three Indian reservations in Maine.

The Legislative Assembly of the New Student Christian Movement meets this weekend at Rolling Ridge, North Andover, Mass. Attending from Colby are Sue Johnson, Freeman Sleeper, Vern Sorenson, and Carl Austin.

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### P. & W. HALLS

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acting area, allowing the playgoer to feel that he is a part of the performance. "Ghosts" will be given on Thursday and Saturday evenings, the 15th and 17th, while "The Importance of Being Earnest" will be presented on Friday evening as well as at a special "reduced-rate-grab-seat" matinee on Saturday afternoon, the 17th.

The casts for both productions are as follows:

**Ghosts:**  
Mrs. Alving Carolyn Bruning  
Regina Ann Proulx  
Oswald Alving Walt Dainwood  
Pastor Manders Ted Brown  
Jacob Engstrand Warren Turner  
**The Importance of Being Earnest:**  
Lady Bracknell Carol Farr  
Gwendolen Joan Billups  
Cecily Jean Pratt  
Miss Prism Yvonne Noble  
Algernon Dave Mills  
Jack Ben Duce  
Rev. Canon Chausable, D. D.  
Merriman Ridge Bullock  
Tony Pew

### CAMPUS CHEST

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Program, Chairman Bob Johnson with Marilyn Faddis, Carol Branchi, Kay Hartwell, Jennie Davis, Lois Weaver and Diane Reynolds. Treasurer, Tony Yanuchi. Solicitations, Nancy Eustis, Mary Mastin, Don

Vollmer and Art Rotherberg.

The fraternities, sororities and clubs will combine during the week to lend their services in raising the funds for the drive. On Monday, the 18th, Chi Omega and Tau Delta Phi will work together; Tuesday, SCA and Zeta Psi; Wednesday, Sigma Kappa and Delta Kappa Epsilon; Thursday, Delta Delta Delta and Alpha Tau Omega; and on Friday, Alpha Delta Phi and Delta Upsilon. These groups will raise money by doing odd jobs such as cleaning tables in Roberts Union and the girls' dorm, shining shoes, doing laundry, washing cars, sitting on bells and any other unique job that is suggested.

Tuesday, April 19, they hope to hold game night at Women's Union. Teachers will be present to officiate the games in which the students will participate such as bridge, canasta, bingo and ping pong.

On Thursday night the annual Auction will be held during which President Bixler, Dean Nickerson and Dean Tompkins will auction off their services. As usual a fraternity house will be auctioned off to be used for social events.

Concluding the week will be a concert given by Dr. Comparetti on Sunday, April 25.

The committee hopes this year's Campus Chest will be the best one yet!

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### Fraternity News

#### K. D. R. NEWS

Since we haven't had a column for months, we decided it was about time to "plug you in" on the doings at the K. D. R. house. Here's what we heard while roaming around the brothers' rooms.

Jay Smith was completely faked out for Sadie Hawkins by Mr. Good-Good. Krussell has been holding hamburg roasts in his room. (That's not all!)

Congratulations to Pete Green on becoming a brother. We'd also like to send out congratulations to Jack Davis on his recent pledge.

Art Goyette is now on the loose, girls. He is available in three speeds — 33, 45, and 78. Just call and ask for your speed. His roommate Davis was heard muttering — "She just blushed when I told her I helped with the script."

Good to see Brother Kilminster brushing off his varsity "C". Now that LaPointe has one too, at least Phil has company. Ladetto and Hoagland bombed off to Farmington for a weekend. Boys will be boys! Ed and Emile headed for the woods but Monty made it six weekends without leaving. Fernandez just went to bed with that yearbook. Cross knows best is the motto for the week for those boys who keep running downtown in convertibles. But Bob!

Bad news department—pledges knock off brothers in basketball game. Obery having a rough time keeping pledges in line. Free for the weekend — McComb and Little (if you dare). Our comment for the week is the cry heard in most rooms — no comment.

#### L. C. A. NEWS

This column can be no worse than last week's, so we will try again. Tomorrow is Sadie Hawkins' day

and I notice that Ted Somewhere hasn't got a date. Maybe it's because he runs too fast but come on, girls, give Ted a break, just like you did for Wayward McKeage.

Speaking of Wayward, we hear that he is not going to be here over the weekend because he has had a gross of offers to attend a dance at U. N. H. But his mind could be swayed.

The ideal couple for tomorrow night seems to be "Chat" and Judy. They have so much in common and so much to share.

The pledge basketball team licked the brothers by some 40 points thanks to a 15 point performance by Will Laverdiere. McKeage, with 4 points, did all he could. McKeage's floor play was outstanding, he didn't pass the whole game.

Dunbar took a quick weekend home after closing Jim Jamieson's eye with a rifle-like peg from 10 feet out.

Van Gestal, Leavitt, Stomps all got NICE dates, at least they say so. Brian is even more enthusiastic. He says and I quote, "This girl is the end and I look forward to many more exotic dates with this little hunk of feminine pulchritude."

See you next week and may the good Lord keep such columns as this out of this paper.

#### L'I'L ABNER

Continued from Page One here in Dogpatch there's a lot o' gals what ain't a married 'n would sho nuff like to be. Also seems that these here gal's pappies and mammies have been shoulderin' the burden o' their bord 'n keep fer more years than's tolerable. Now we deems matrimony's joys and bein' sure o' eatin' regular the birth-right of our fair Dogpatch womanhood. Since there be plenty o' young men what could marry these here gals but acts so onery 'n won't the mayor a few years ago proclaimed and decreed that there was to

be a Sadie Hawkins Day.

Now this here mayor was Hekze-biah Hawkins, our first 'n' most revered Mayor of Dogpatch 'n' he laid down this law. The reason he a'done this thing was to get his own daughter Sadie off'n his hands, she hein' the homeliest gal in these here hills and there ain't no two ways 'bout that.

As I said b'fore this is an extra special day cuz all those unmarried gals gotta chase them unmarried men, 'n' if'n they's a'ketch 'em, the men by law gotta marry the gals!

Ah hears that yo' all at Colby am celebratin' Sadie Hawkins Day on the twentieth o' March. Ah sure nuff would like to be there but ma li'l son Ebenezer, the onery cuss, left the gate open (still don't know if'n he done it on purpose) 'n all the pigs is roaming 'round Dogpatch. W's havin' an awful hard time catchin' 'em. So ah's gotta stay here 'til they all is found. Ah's a'hoping that maybe come next year Ebenezer 'n ah might amble on down that a'way.

Good luck gals!

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### A CHANCE TO PRAISE

In the past this column has been devoted mainly to pointing out the difficulties and faults that Colby has. But it has been brought to our attention, through one of the letters to the editors, that Colby really is not as bad off as everyone deems it to be. We would like to agree with that statement because we profoundly believe that things are not in any state of chaos by any means. We still affirm that much is to be desired and that many difficulties do exist and shall continue to exist. The important thing to remember is that in relation to the other institutions of our type Colby can and does rank highly! It is indeed heart-warming to be able to praise rather than degrade this college for a change. It seems that in the midst of all our griping we fail to realize the good attributes with which we are endowed. However, in regard to this statement on griping, I would like to reiterate Vice-President Eustis' recently-made comment at the Winter Sports banquet. He asserted that he should be very unhappy if the state of griping ceased. He realized that although continual ridiculing becomes somewhat tiresome and very pessimistic in attitude, it nevertheless is indicative of action rather than passiveness. The students of Colby repeatedly comment on the apathetic stagnation in which we are embodied, yet they fail to realize that by their own complaints they create the ripples that dissipate this stagnation.

Once again we would like to state that it gives us great pleasure to eulogize Colby and its assets. However, we must continually demand more for only by demanding perfection can we achieve mediocrity.

J. J.

### LETTER TO EDITOR

Open Letter to the Colby Echo:

In recent years I have been appalled at the exorbitant rates which the students of this school have been charged for damage, malicious or accidental, in college dormitories. Such prices as \$60-\$100 for a dormitory room door; \$20 for an overhead light globe; \$2 for the replacement of a window, etc. ad infinitum, to my mind conote a high pressure business operation of which this school has been guilty.

The maintenance department has been guilty of the breach of every ethical code of values being taught by the professors of this college. Its unjust attitude and that of the administration in taking advantage of the students of the college to "teach

them a lesson," so to speak, is as immature as the immaturity they wish to convict.

Ladies and gentlemen of Colby College — is this right? Is this charge a breach of the college's ethical code or is it placed in the consistent unrest of the students as part of the whole. I believe that it is the latter.

True, restitution should be made, but the amount is my "gripe." I think it is ridiculous, unscrupulous, and unjust. The replacement of a dormitory door at \$60-\$100 a throw is bad enough, but when the same door is done over and put back as a new one, that is disgusting.

Sincerely,

A member of the Colby Family (Ha!)

## Christie Leaves Colby In June

By Stephen Levine

This article, or biography, or salute, or whatever you want to call it resulted from a very interesting interview with a very interesting person. Those of you who know Colonel Christie only from his stern dictums on the ROTC bulletin board will find in here perhaps something of interest even to you. He is a colorful person.

After receiving a BA degree from Williams College, the PAST enrolled in the Flying Cadets of the U. S. Army Air Force, in August of 1940. On April 26, 1941, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Air Reserve. Going to the Philippine Islands he was a pilot in the Third Pursuit Squadron of the Twenty-fourth Pursuit Group attached to the Far East Air Force. This was in July, 1941, just five months before the attack on Pearl Harbor and the Philippines. In December, the destruction of our aircraft was so great, that his group was moved out to Batian. On the



COLONEL CHRISTIE

Photo by Stone

ninth of April, 1942 he was captured by the Japanese forces and forced on the now infamous Bataan Death March. Three years later, in August of 1945, the Colonel was liberated by Soviet troops in a camp up in Mukden, Manchuria. Hospitalization and recuperation in the States followed, from October, 1945 until June, 1946. At that time, he attended the Public

## In Memoriam

Oliver came to Colby as a freshman in the 1957 class. However, on account of extenuating circumstances, he was permitted to live in the Phi Delta house, where his big brother, Bob Johnson, took care that he would never be a dangerous exception to the rule outlawing any member of the freshman class to be rushed before he ever came to Colby.

Soon after his birth in Florida, Oliver was taken to New York where Bob soon became his closest companion. It was only natural that Bob should want Oliver to come to Colby.

Oliver became a figure of renowned in the Phi Delta house because of his strange love of warm water baths rather than showers and his yen for fish. The aforementioned fish were obtained from Winslow and were kept alive in the bath tub. Unfortunately the bath tub was too warm and the fish died before Oliver had the pleasure of trapping them and devouring them alive.

These little eccentricities of Oliver's were forgotten by his new brothers because of all the laughs that he provided. He was the house character without a doubt. It was on his behalf that the house maid called the Phi Delta house a zoo.

The night Oliver scared the watchman will go down in fame. Oliver, with his bulging eyes, was on the second floor landing. The night watchman entered the house, went up to the landing, and ran. He swore that he would never enter the house again but Oliver was finally proven to his satisfaction to be perfectly harmless.

The real event that makes Oliver a famous Colby Phi Delta was his hunger strike. After winter vacation Oliver would not touch food. He was a Gandhi crying out possibly because his warm bath had been taken away and partly because the

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Relations Schools at Carlisle Barracks, Pa., and Craig Air Force Base, Alabama, graduating in November, 1946, and February, 1947, respectively. From April to July, 1947, Christie was the Public Relations Officer at Mitchell Air Force Base. Also in July, 1947 he was awarded a regular Air Force commission. Until November, 1949 he served as the Public Information Officer for the 2230th Air Force Reserve Training Center.

More schooling was in order and he attended and graduated from the Air Command and Staff School at Maxwell Air Force Base, in Alabama. Next, he was back at the PIO for the 52nd Fighter-All Weather Wing at McGuire AFB, Fort Dix, New Jersey, from November, 1949 until April, 1950. Then he served as the acting PIO for the First Air Force Headquarters, at Mitchell Field, New York.

In July of 1950, Major Christie volunteered to act as the assistant PAST at Williams College, his Alma Mater. This he did, and with such aptitude that he was then sent up to Colby as the PAST and organizational head of the Air Science Department. This unit was new when he took over. In August, 1951, he was promoted to his present rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

Young looking for his age, (he was born in 1918) this soldier and pilot can tell many stories of his experiences at the hands of his Japanese captors. He said that anything you might have heard about the cruelty of the Death March is probably true. He came close to being bayoneted himself. However his particular group received good treatment in the POW camp. He confessed that his only claim to fame about the war was that he survived it. At the time he was in Bataan he was a very new second lieutenant. There were twenty-one planes and forty-four pilots. He saw no actual combat flying against the enemy be-

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## OPEN FORUM

Dear Editor,

I have just returned from an Inter-Collegiate Forum which was held at Brown University. At this conference were representatives from Bowdoin, Brown, M. I. T., Columbia and Dartmouth but to mention a handful. While I must admit that the social aspects of the weekend were great, nevertheless, it was the contact with fellow fraternity men which really gave it value.

When men from fourteen different colleges get together, there is bound to be an exchange of ideas. This is particularly true when the topics of discussion include hazing, student faculty relations, fraternity rushing, etc. Student Government has received extensive written reports on each of these and various topics discussed, but they don't tell the whole story.

Last week when I left for this conference, I felt that Colby had been failing in a great many areas. Maybe that is why I was chosen to go to this conference. Regardless of the reason, it did open my eyes. I really had a chance to stack Colby up against fourteen other very accredited colleges. At first I tried to see how much better off these other colleges were. In a short time it became apparent no matter who I spoke to, whether from Middlebury, Amherst or where, that Colby was pretty well off. We have problems but let's remember that they are relative. We are not perfect but we seem to be further-down the road of success than most schools.

I found when we put our "drinking problem" in its right proportion and discussed real problems, Colby didn't seem half as bad as some of us make it out to be. In areas that really count, Colby is way out in front. Our food is tops. We can get seconds and more. Some colleges give only one serving. We got all the milk we want. Some colleges give their students one bottle a meal!

We have an excellent infirmary. I know because I spent a few days recuperating there after my weekend. Some colleges don't have half the facilities and none of the wonderful personnel!

Many of us feel that freshman orientation, hazing, etc. could be improved here at Colby. Not only

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FROM: John B. Philbrook

TO: Colby Echo, Colby College, Waterville, Maine

SUBJECT: New Proposal for Fraternity Rushing

For many weeks now I have been acquainted with the problem of fraternity rushing at the college. It has been my purpose to work out a system which would satisfy all the desires of the Administration as they were convincingly presented to the Inter-Fraternity Council. I feel that after discarding many of the more obvious solutions (for they, in fact, pose serious hazards to our integrity) I have at last arrived upon the only answer which will make rushing effective quickly, as early, as painlessly as possible.

The incoming freshman class generally averages in the vicinity of 170 men. At the present quotas we can assume that 120 men should be pledged to fraternities out of that class. If we then subtract this number (arbitrarily, for we want homogeneity in our fraternities) from the original 170 men we have only 50 men not invited to join fraternities.

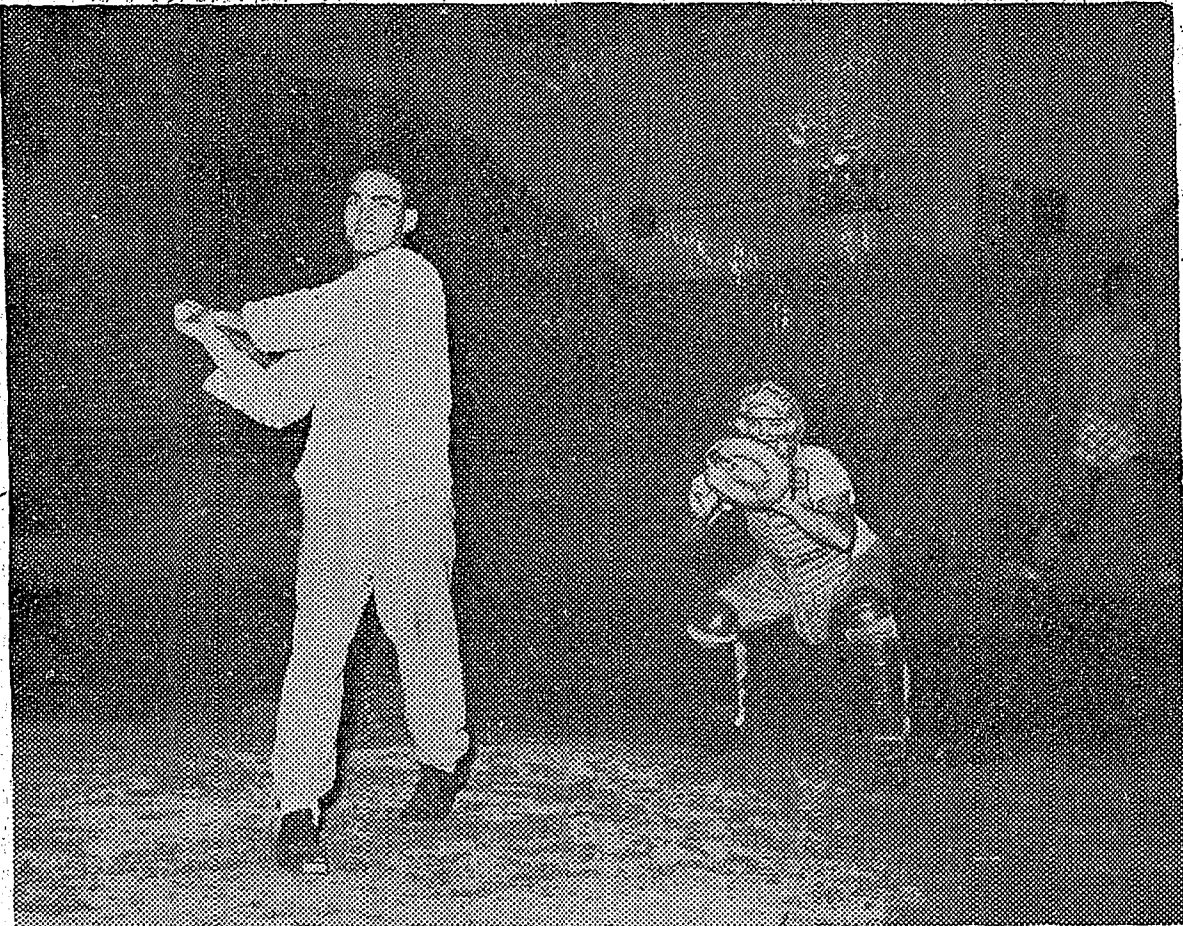
In order to assure that this plan be executed with fairness to all, I suggest that the names of these 120 honored men be sealed separately in unmarked envelopes and sent on the opening day of classes to the State Prison at Thomaston, Maine. Here they will be placed in a large, sturdy orange crate and placed in the office of the head warden. Eight inmates who are serving unpardonable life imprisonment sentences will then be asked, by the warden, to select fifteen envelopes each from the orange crate. (These lifers are to be used in order to assure that no partiality be shown—they couldn't care less about fraternities. These selections will be recorded by another inmate (not necessarily a lifer, for his records will be supervised by the warden for authenticity) and sent by a armored car to the Mayflower Hill Campus of Colby College to be distributed indiscriminantly to the presidents of the eight fraternities on our campus. This list will then become the incoming pledge class of the fraternity.

In this method, one can easily see,

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# Spring Sports -- Get Ready

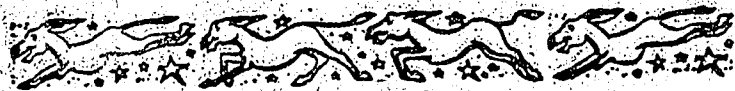


Two spring captains — Left, Stan Doughty — Right, Bob Jacobs



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## MULE KICKS



The new snow seems to have set the sports picture back a few weeks or so, but there are those who think that things will be ready to roll as soon as spring vacation is over and done with. Acting on that assumption let's take a quick look at the coming sports picture and try to see what the future holds. In the spring the sportsman's mind almost invariably turns to the subject of baseball, and acting on the assumption that it does, and that, therefore, baseball is an overworked field of endeavor, I'm going to shy away from the great American pastime for this week and give a little more attention to Colby's other spring sports, tennis, golf and track. Let it be enough for now to say that Eddie Roundy takes 15 boys yet to be named South over the vacation to play a total of seven games, and that trip should tell a lot more about the baseball team than I ever could.

If we start off with Andy Tryen's track team, we run across a group of boys who could have a very good season or a very poor one. Doesn't seem to be much sense in that sentence. What I mean is that the Mules have several boys who can come in first—the question is "do they have the depth to place second and third and thereby win a few meets?" In Captain Bob Jacobs the Mules have one of; if not the state's best hurdlers. Also there can be no doubt as to the fact that Don Moore is a good dash man. True, he's had some tough luck in the indoor meets thus far, but with the proper training Don can and will win. Lindon Christie can win in the long runs and Bob Barnes never fails to give a good account of himself, but who is going to back these boys up. Colby is as always, weak in the weights, but if Andy Tryens can find a couple of strong men plus a little depth in the running events, the Mules won't have a bad season. However, this is a man-size job and personally I wouldn't envy anyone having to do it. Nevertheless, the challenge has been sounded and the result remains to be seen. In any event, you can be sure that the Mules will always TRY to bring the bacon home and as I've said before "what more can you ask?"

Moving on to tennis we find very bright prospects indeed. A team that last year captured the state crown has quite a few of its members back for another whirl. Captain Warren Crosby, undefeated in last year's play, leads a veteran squad which should give a good account of itself. Ross Bear, Dick Ullman, Charlie Macomber, John Marshall, Al Clapp, Did Abedon, Forrest Barnes and Dave Wallingford are all working out under Mike Loeb's watchful eye, hoping to have a hand in repeating last year's great undefeated season. Let's wish them all good luck.

Golf seems to be much the same story. Last year's record was not as good as it might have been, but half of the team is back for a second try. Phil Kilmister, who lost the state championship to Maine's Tommy Golden by only one stroke last year is on hand, as are Captain Dick Jones, Dino Sarikides and Pace Sawyer. Both the golf and tennis teams start their seasons with a trip to Boston just after vacation and perhaps we should wait till then for further comment. In any case, if teams can be planned out on paper (and they can't), Colby should do all right when the grass has riz (I saw that phrase outside a drive-in). Let's wait and see.

Just a final sentence to give credit where credit is due.

Lou Zambello was M.V.P. captain elect for next year, and foul shooting champ at the banquet last week (that's Basketball), Bobby Bruns was most improved player (also basketball) and one can think of no one who rated it more, Jake Peirson won the ski award for

## Roundymen Brace For '54 Schedule

Coach Eddie Roundy has announced the 1954 varsity baseball schedule. A trip South has been planned over the Spring vacation, with another trip to Boston coming up around the 24th of April. The complete schedule is as follows:

March 29—Temple at Philadelphia  
 March 30—Towson at Baltimore  
 March 31—Towson at Baltimore  
 April 1—Ft. Belvoir at Washington  
 April 2—American U. at Washington  
 April 3—Villanova at Villanova  
 April 5—Upsala at Newark  
 April 19—Bowdoin at Brunswick  
 April 24—Boston U. at Boston  
 April 26—Yale at New Haven  
 April 27—Trinity at Hartford  
 April 28—Northeastern at Boston  
 May 1—Maine at Orono  
 May 5—Bates  
 May 7—M. I. T.  
 May 8—Bates at Lewiston  
 May 11—Maine  
 May 15—Bowdoin  
 May 17—Bates  
 May 19—Dartmouth  
 May 20—Bowdoin at Brunswick  
 May 24—Maine at Orono

Twenty-two games in all — More spring schedules will follow.

### IN MEMORIAM

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 administration would not take better care of his wants and supply him with a new tank. He continued not to eat for a long time. In distress Oliver's brothers made him the center of their activities for many nights. They toasted to his life. They prayed in their manner that Oliver would eat. Oliver, however, never understood their wishes, for Oliver had died.

Bob, Archie, Lenky, and Buz, his roommates and immediate family, had a tremendous funeral pyre to honor their friend and to hope for his immortality. The pall bearers were Bob Bruns, Jack Delay, and Joe Waggonback. The pyre burned high and the laments were many, but after the funeral instead of burying him, Bob and Oliver's friends decided to stuff little Oliver. This Phi Delta will be seen forever in Dr. Dunham's anatomy room. Oliver is a foot and a half alligator.

M. V. and Dick McKeage was captain of next year's hockey team. The frosh basketballers elected Bill Toomy as their leader for the past season. All these boys are good examples of the best in their field.

## Loeb's Announces Swimming Meet

The Intramural Athletic Council has made plans to hold an intramural swimming meet at the Waterville Boys Club swimming pool on Wednesday evening, March 24th. All fraternities have been notified of this swimming meet and many swimmers have been kicking up the water at the Boys Club pool in preparation for this first intramural water splash. Spectators are welcome as there is a small balcony at the pool for those who wish to observe the various events. Starting time has been set for 7 P. M.

The events are as follows: 40 yard free style, 40 yard back stroke, 40 yard breast stroke, 100 yard free style. Two relay events are also included, 120 yard medley relay, three man team, consisting of 40 yards free style, 40 yards back stroke and 40 yards breast stroke and a 240 yard free style relay with 4 men on a team, each man swimming 60 yards.

The intramural swimming meet will climax the swimming season since both the women's division and the men's division have been using the Boys Club pool for swimming classes during the past winter season.

Entries are due at the field house office no later than Saturday, March 20th, and all men interested in entering the meet should contact their intramural council representative for the necessary rules of the meet. Professor Loeb's has stated that he hopes a large entry list will be posted since he is strongly in favor of continuing the program of swimming at the college.

## L. F. A. Restages 'Prisoners' Apr. 8

The Inter Faith Association has announced that because of the many requests, Powder and Wig's production of Christopher Fry's religious-verse-drama "A Sleep of Prisoners" will be presented once again in Lorimer Chapel on the evening of April 8th. Fry's modern drama was given on February 17 as the climax of this year's successful Religious Emphasis Week program.

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**CHRISTIE LEAVES**

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cause, as you will remember, the majority of our aircraft was lost during the attack by the Japanese. Then came Bataan, and all the rest.

When he leaves us in June, Colonel Christie will go back to the flying business, either in the Military Air Transport Service or as a transport pilot. Whichever he does, he will be satisfied. But, an officer gets taken off the strip after logging a certain amount of flying hours. What then? He would like to go back into the public relations phase of the Air Force, as a liaison between the people and the service. This educates the civilian population and orients them to service, policy, events, history, and the like.

Both President Bixler and Dean Marriner have told this writer that Colonel Christie is tops in his field. He began the AFROTC detachment here, and has taken it out of its infancy into one of the leading units in the country despite its size. To Lieutenant Colonel Charles Philip Christie goes the thanks of the Faculty, the Student Body, and this paper.

**FROM JOHN B. PHILBROOK**

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we are able to completely eliminate the evils of fraternity rushings. The marks of freshmen and upperclassmen will be unaffected, (the time consuming labor all performed by convicts who have nothing better to do), the houses will be exactly even

in numbers, thus eliminating unduly strong and correspondingly weak fraternities, and most important of all, the fraternities will take on a likeness never before possible. In short this system of "rushing" could be classified as "ideal" and yet remain within the realm of things possible. Frailties of human nature have been completely defeated. Sociologists take note! A fraternal Utopia lies within our reach!

**OPEN FORUM**

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could it be but it is. We seem to be taking many more constructive steps toward helping our freshmen than most colleges.

I could go into many more areas and point with pride to Colby's

achievements but it is enough to say and justly that we stand out head and shoulders above many other schools. The men leaving the conference I know had a feeling that their respective colleges had a long way to go to catch up to Colby and

they do! So, if you're thinking of transferring give it more than just a second thought. You are really kidding yourself if you think some other college is the solution for all your problems.

Vic Scalise

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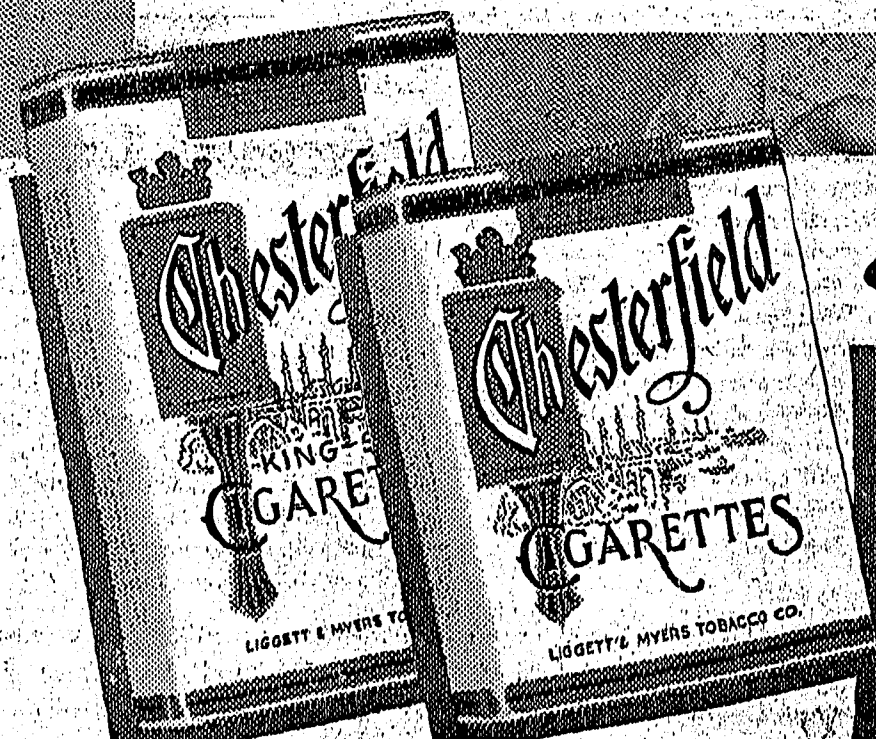
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