

"Don't ever dare to take your college as a matter of course—because, like democracy and freedom, many people you'll never know anything about have broken their hearts to get it for you."—Alice Duer Miller

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## Annual AFROTC Ball Scheduled For Feb. 26

On Saturday evening, February 26 the Colby AFROTC unit will hold its third annual Military Ball in the Women's Union. George Dinnerman, chairman of the dance committee, has announced that the music will be provided by Jimmie Hanson's 15 piece orchestra. Hanson's is well known throughout the New England area, and his orchestra which includes two vocal stars, will perform from 8 to 12. The well known Colby Eight, led by John Philbrook will be among the added attractions. The Color Squadron, which was the highlight of Waterville's Armistice day parade, will execute a precision drill. The dance is formal and cadets will be in uniform.

Chairmen of the various sub-committees are: Louis Zambello decorations; Staev Kaufman, invitations; Robert Schultz, refreshments; Thomas Finn, tickets; John Dutton, publicity; John Delea band; and Sid Farr, program.

General Deichmann, commander of the Air University which runs the AFROTC, has been invited, but was forced to decline due to previous engagements.

## Ford Poll Shows Nearly Even Split Opinion On ROTC

In connection with the self-study program now being carried out at Colby and sponsored by the Ford Foundation, a survey was taken of faculty, freshman and sophomore men concerning AFROTC. A questionnaire was submitted to a total of 247 men students on which asked: Do you favor continuance of the ROTC program with the first two years required? In answer, 46 Freshmen and 25 Sophomores voted yes, 97 Freshmen and 78 Sophomores voted no. When the advanced ROTC students were questioned, 15 out of 22 replied favoring continuance. According to the faculty poll, 40 out of the 78 wished to see the program continued as a required part of the curriculum; 28 voted to have it elective and 10 members of the faculty disapproved of either alternative. The possibility of having ROTC an elective course was greeted with 102 favorable responses on the part of the Freshmen and 74 on the part of the Sophomores. Only seven of the 22 advanced students who returned the forms approved of this proposal. Following this, the question was asked as to whether the student would take the course if it were elective. Freshmen who answered in the affirmative numbered 71 and those who answered in the negative numbered 67. The ratio among the Sophomores was approximately 1:1, those voting yes 50 and no 49. Eighteen of the advanced students said that they would take the course if elective.

The faculty was also questioned concerning the use of civilian instructors for the non-military units of the program. Forty-four of those interrogated considered this idea beneficial. Moreover, 37 professors sanctioned the substitution of regular related semester courses for selected blocks of the program. Sixteen favored reduction of graduation credits from the present full credit for each course in Air

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## Humanities Face Conformity Threat

We hear much about the reawakening interest in the humanities, the new appreciation of the generalness in the liberal arts, the growing dissatisfaction with overspecialization. Maybe so. But these signs are minute, I suggest, to those coming from the other direction. I offer the proposition that the trends that have been working against the humanities are likely to increase, not decrease, in the decade ahead.

I make the proposition because of a belief that the low estate of the humanities is intimately related with a philosophy of society that is coming to be the dominant cultural movement in the United States. The decline in English majors, the vocationalizing of college curriculums—these are no isolated phenomena; basically they are all of a piece with a great many other superficially different problems. They are the outward manifestations of a cohesive ideology, the effects of which can just as easily be traced in such disparate fields as advertising, popular magazine fiction, and life in suburbia.

Wherever it may be found and in whatever form the new illiteracy is nourished by several simple articles of faith. The essence of them is this: First, the individual exists only as a member of a group. He fulfills himself by working with others; of himself he is nothing. His tensions, his frustrations—these are penalties for his failure at adjustment, and they should, at all cost, be exercised. Ideally there should be no conflict between man and society, and the good world that we must strive for is one in which all are harmonious with one another and in which the measure of man's activity is how well he contributes to that harmony. Above all else he must "get along."

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## Stu-G Discusses Campus Chest & Spelling Tests

Appropriations for the money which should be received from the students during Campus Chest Week, March 3-9, will be divided as follows: 30 per cent to the World University Service, an organization which helps to buy books, dorms and schools all over the world to promote more free learning for a free world; 10 per cent to the Negro Scholarship Fund; 20 per cent to the Newman Fund, which makes cash gifts to students who are faced with some unexpected money crisis during the school year; and 40 per cent to Student Government Scholarship Fund, which is given out in the spring to needy students on the campus. Since 60 per cent of the money of this drive will stay on campus this is a good reason to support the Fair and Faculty Show during the Campus Chest Week.

Election of class officers will be held next week, and everyone is advised to vote for his class during the polling period. It is felt that these class officers elections should be held in the spring, and have the officers in office during the whole school year. Such a change will be recommended for next year's officers.

The spelling test for freshmen has been discussed extensively at Stu G for the past two weeks, and with professors and the Committee on Standing. Any constructive suggestions would be greatly appreciated.

It will soon be an easy matter for any school organization to obtain a speaker from another Maine college. Lists of all professors from the four colleges may be made available for such purposes, as soon as their interest can be determined, and arrangements for their expenses can be made.

Meetings are held every Monday at 4 P. M. in Roberts Union. If everyone wishes to know how Student Government works, or has any suggestions to make, he is welcome at any time.

## Russian Geneticist Is Averill Lecturer Tonite

By George Castell

Too often, students the idea that there is a division between scientists and humans, apparently meaning that they think that those connected with science are somewhat colorless individuals who are not able to enjoy themselves. Although this idea can possibly be substantiated in some cases, it certainly does not apply to the Averill Lecturer who is to speak at Colby on Friday, February 18th. Mr. Theodosius Dobzhansky has been de-

## Colby Cadets Run Only College GOC Post In Country

This college has a right to be proud, for as far as the Colby Department of Air Science knows, the Reserve Officers Training Corps at Colby is the only group of cadets that is operating a Ground Observer Corps post at a college in the United States. At present, about 40 percent of the Freshmen, 16 percent of the Sophomores, and all of the Junior and Senior Cadet Officers have volunteered for Ground Observer Corps duty. Four, two hour shifts of "watch" run through the night, the first of which starts at midnight, the last, ending at 8:00 a.m. The number of times that a cadet serves depends entirely on the number of men that are willing to work; in other words, the more that volunteer for duty, even now with only three months more of college left, the fewer times cadets will have to work—perhaps only once, every two or three weeks. The obvious reason for GOC is for the protection of this country; the more subtle reason, as citizens of the United States, each one of us has an obligation to this country, and by operating a GOC post we are helping to fulfill our obligation. Unfortunately, however, since neither the Air Science Dept. or the College Administration will make GOC compulsory; the students apparently do not feel that there is a need, and as a result the cadets of Colby have not been cooperating as much as they could or should.

Actually, the Ground Observer Corps in the Waterville Area began some time ago—during the Second World War. At this time the GOC tower was located atop the Senior High School building, downtown, but at the end of the war, its activities ceased. Then again, within the last

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Theodosius Dobzhansky

scribed as: "Explosive," "Spontaneous," and a "Man never without an idea".

Mr. Dobzhansky, a Russian, is concerned chiefly with genetics, a portion of evolutionary science dealing with natural development, and evolution. He was graduated from the University of Kiev and started teaching immediately afterwards in

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## Art Dept. Adds New Instructor

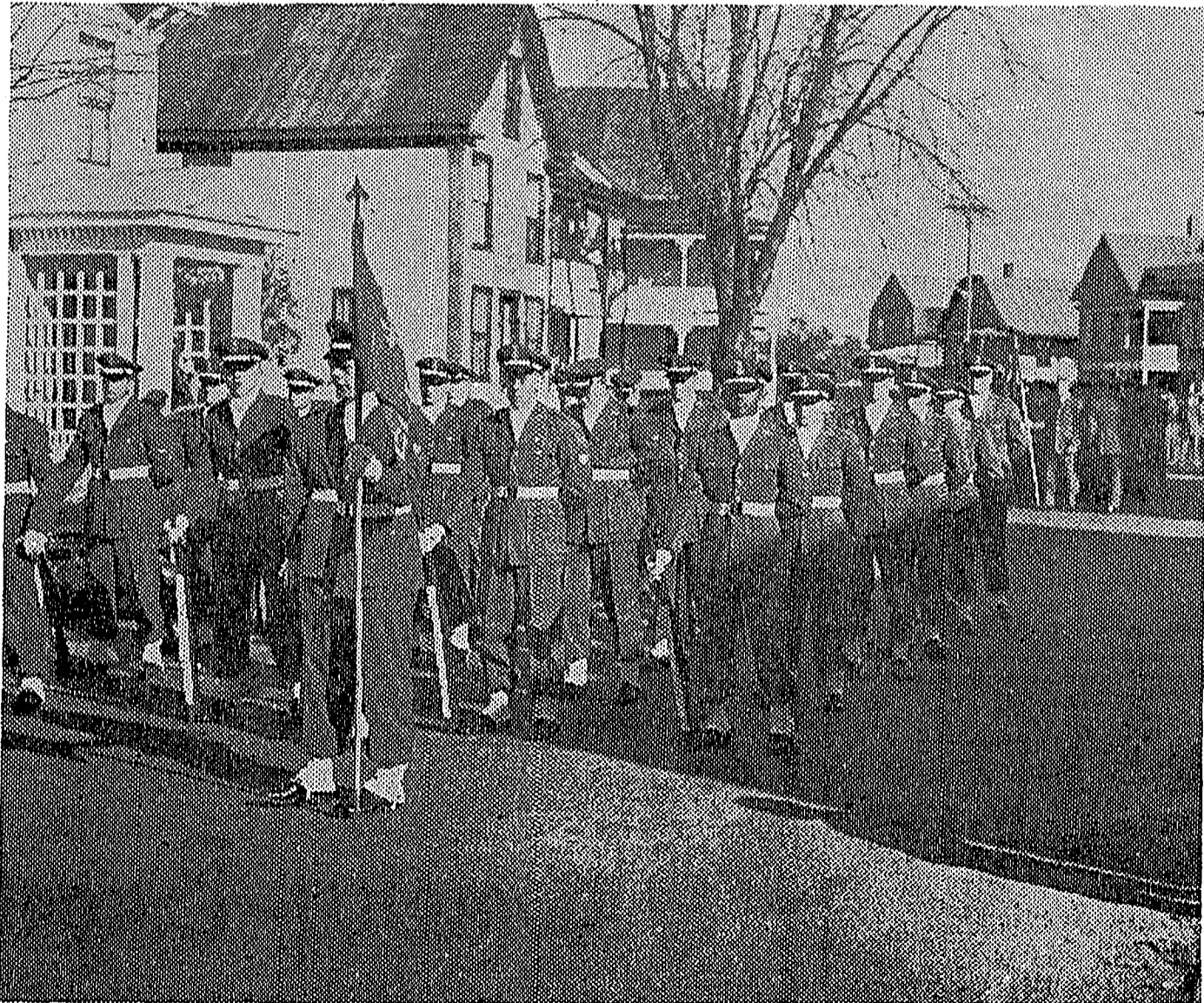
Mr. Melvin Waldfogel is the visiting professor who commutes from Boston every Friday afternoon to teach the Venetian and Baroque art class here at Colby College. He was educated at the University of North Carolina where he received his A.B. degree and at Harvard where he received his M.A. degree. At present Professor Waldfogel is working on his Ph.D. thesis which deals with the French artist, Cezanne. He received a fellowship from Harvard to study in Europe in preparation for this thesis.

Specializing in the art of the 17th century, our visiting instructor at present heads a section at Harvard on "The Introduction to Art History." Mr. Waldfogel is married and resides in Cambridge, Mass.

The practice of having educators from other colleges give courses here at Colby is an outgrowth of the recommendations made at the time of the Academic Convocation of 1953. Last year many students were able to take the architecture course offered by Professor Hudnut also of Harvard.

### REPORTER'S BOX

George Castell  
Anita Falter  
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Pictured above is the Colby Color Squadron which will perform a precision drill at the annual Military Ball to be held next Friday. Photo by Tracy

LITTLE MAN ON CAMPUS

by Dick Bisler



"School — School — School — Thank Goodness it's Friday"

RUSSIAN GENETICIST

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Kiev and at the University of Lenin-grad. Mr. Dobzhansky was interested in genetics and the theory of evolution long before he came to America...

He and his wife came to this country in 1927, due somewhat to internal troubles in Russia, but more because of the influence of T. H. Morgan, a Nobel prize winner, who was surrounding himself with bright young scientists interested in genetics.

Upon his arrival Dobzhansky went to the California Institute of Technology, with Morgan, where he engaged in the study of flies and the development of different species. Exactly ten years after his arrival, in the year that he was being naturalized as a U. S. citizen, his book,

"Genetics and the Origin of the Species" was published. It was looked upon as a classic, and was considered by many, next to Darwin's "Origin of the Species", as the best ever written. In his book, Dobzhansky supported the theory of natural selection, the work of Darwin serving as a stimulus for his biological research. The two problems which

confronted Dobzhansky and his colleagues who were working on the theory of natural selection were one: What caused the origin of new variations in animals and plants?—and two: What caused the perpetuation of these by heredity?

Another extremely interesting contribution that Theodosius Dobzhansky made was his attempt to clear up the difference between the theories of Russian and Western Geneticists. Even up to date there has been a conflict between Lysenko, a Russian geneticist, who says that there is such a thing as a Russian Race, and the Western Scientists who thoroughly reject the whole idea. The conflict is not a personal battle between the politically dominated Lysenko and our Averill Lecturer, but Dobzhansky, since he apparently has informing contacts with Russia, is attempting to make the case clear that there is no such thing as a Russian Race.

Mr. Dobzhansky is the Ex-president of the Genetics Society of America, and is a member of the American Society of Naturalist, The Society for Study of Evolution, the National Academy of Science, the American Philosophical Society, the Royal Danish Academy of Science, and the Brazilian Acad. of Science. To hear this person, with his interesting background, should be both an honor and a privilege.

COLBY CADETS RUN

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year, the operation of the GOC post was resumed, and it was at this time that the problems started. For some reason the top of the Senior High School became a difficult place to get to; people going on duty had to climb over roofs, up narrow ladders, and when they got to their post, chimneys surrounded them. The citizens disliked working there and as a result the post became somewhat inactive, operating on only a part time schedule. At this point, Colby came into the picture and although it was first thought that Colby students would go down to the Senior High School, no way of transportation was found to take cadets to the High School at the two hour periods during the night, and — the plan was abandoned. It was then suggested that the cadets stay on campus for their "watches" and although Mr. Harry Roux, Chief Observer of the Waterville Ground Observer Corps was in charge, he turned over the running of Colby's post to Mr. Minot Greene, seven squad leaders, and the Colby Department of Air Science. The summer presents another problem, a time when Colby will be unable to man their post. It is hoped at this time that Mr. Roux will have found another sight in Waterville for the GOC post and that during the four summer months

he will be able to run a 24 hour shift. However, to operate the post all day, over 200 volunteers will be needed.

It seems as though the Waterville Post is suffering from very much the same illness as the Colby Post, a case indifference. Although several individuals are working hard and spending many hours, a task such as GOC requires the support of as many as possible. At times the job seems thankless, but when a plane, flying "very high", "direction south", flies over your post, there is a certain feeling that comes over you for you never know but what you might be spotting "THE" plane.

HUMANITIES FACE

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Now, is this simply a way of describing a point of view, a way of talking about uniformity? Not at all. To a degree people have always been conformists and always will be; what are we talking about is the open, articulate rationalization of conformity into something almost akin to a religion. For these tenets, these propositions are openly, indeed evangelistically, spoken, and they are being spoken more and more often. This is the heartland of the new illiteracy.

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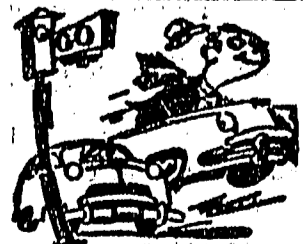
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## Newman Club To Sponsor Lectures Mademoiselle Sets March 1 Deadline

At a business meeting held Sunday, February 6th, a representative group of Newman Club members met to plan the club's activities for the second semester.

Under the leadership of President Tom Finn, and with the counsel of Father Hachey of Saint Francis de Sales Parish in Waterville, the club members decided to sponsor a five lecture series on love, courtship, and marriage. These lectures will be modeled on the current Cana Conference Series of Lectures being sponsored in Waterville this spring.

At Colby however, this series will be designed as short informal talks given by prominent local citizens. After the lecture, the students will have the opportunity to discuss the topic under consideration with the lecturer and among themselves. The club selected the marriage lecture series because it felt that these lectures will benefit the greatest number of its members, undergraduates as well as graduating seniors.

The schedule for the second semester has been arranged as follows:

- Feb. 20 - Meeting, Lecture and Discussion.
- March 6 - Meeting, Lecture, and Discussion.
- March 20 - Meeting, Lecture, and Discussion.

For the past ten years **MADemoiselle** has been publishing outstanding stories written by undergraduate college women. Many of these stories have subsequently appeared in **BEST AMERICAN SHORT STORIES** and in the **O. HENRY MEMORIAL AWARD PRIZE STORIES**. This year the

- Discussion.
- April 10 - Easter Sunday, Communion Breakfast, Sacred Heart Church.
  - April 17 - Meeting, Election of Officers.
  - April 21 - All-College Dance.
  - April 24 - Meeting, Lecture, and Discussion.
  - May 1 - Communion Breakfast, Sister's Hospital.
  - May 8 - Meeting, Lecture, and Discussion.
  - May 16 - Spring Outing at Lake Messalonskee.
  - May 19 - Ascension Thursday, Mass in the Chapel.

During Lent, the Rosary will be said each night at the Women's Union at 6:30 by Colby's Catholic contingency.

A schedule will be printed and distributed to Newman Club members, and the titles of subsequent lectures will be published.

magazine is interested in encouraging young, new talent. Any woman undergraduate under twenty-six years old who is regularly enrolled in college is eligible.

The two winners of the College Fiction Contest will receive \$500 each and publication of their stories in **MADemoiselle**. The runners-up will receive honorable mention in **MADemoiselle** and the right to buy the rights to their work at the regular rates will be reserved. The winners of the College Fiction Contest will be announced in the August, 1955 issue.

Stories should run approximately from 2,500 to 5,000 words and more than one story from each contestant will be considered. Stories that have appeared in undergraduate publications are acceptable if they have not been published elsewhere. All entries must be typed double-spaced on regulation-size typing paper, using one side only. The entries must be post-marked no later than midnight of March 1, 1955. The guarantee of a return of the stories, a large manila enveloped, self-addressed and stamped, should be included with the entry. Judges are **MADemoiselle** editors whose decisions are final.

In addition to the Fiction Contest **MADemoiselle** is also announcing a new Art Contest, designed to discover young talent in colleges and art schools throughout the country. Any woman under twenty-six years

age enrolled in college is eligible. The two winners of the Art Contest will illustrate the two winning College Fiction Contest stories and will receive \$500 each for publication of their work. Honorable mention will be given to five other artists and photostatic copies of their work will be kept on file for possible future assignment commissioned by **MADemoiselle**. The winners of the contest will also be announced in the August issue.

A maximum of five samples may be submitted. They may consist of work previously done or work specifically done for the contest. Those who choose to do a few samples specifically for the contest should do illustrations interpreting a piece of **MADemoiselle** fiction published during the past year. Original work may be submitted if it is no larger than 8½" x 11½". Photographs of the work may also be submitted in the same size, either in black and white or color transparencies. All work entered should be unmounted, unframed, and unframed.

The deadline and return envelope apply here as above. The judges will be three persons prominent in the field of art, whose names will be announced in a forthcoming issue of **MADemoiselle** and all decisions will be final.

Questions and entries for the contests should be addressed either to

## Hillel To Sponsor Author - Classicist

Following a Hillel breakfast, Dr. Moses Hadas, author and classicist, will speak for the Hillel group at Colby College on Sunday, February 20, at 11:00 A. M. Among the numerous books that Dr. Hadas has authored are: *A History of Greek Literature*, *A History of Latin Literature*, and *Ancilla to Classical Reading*. Dr. Hadas is a contributor to many scholarly periodicals and is Professor of Greek and Latin at Columbia University. He has frequently appeared on Columbia Broadcasting System's 'Invitation to Learning' and is an unusually provocative lecturer. Dr. Hadas will speak on the topic Jewish Survival—a comparison of Alexandrian and the contemporary American Judaism. All are invited to come and hear this outstanding speaker.

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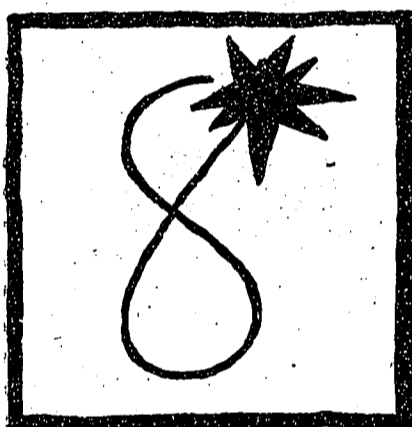
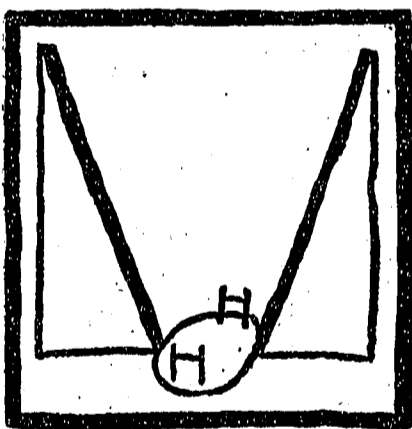
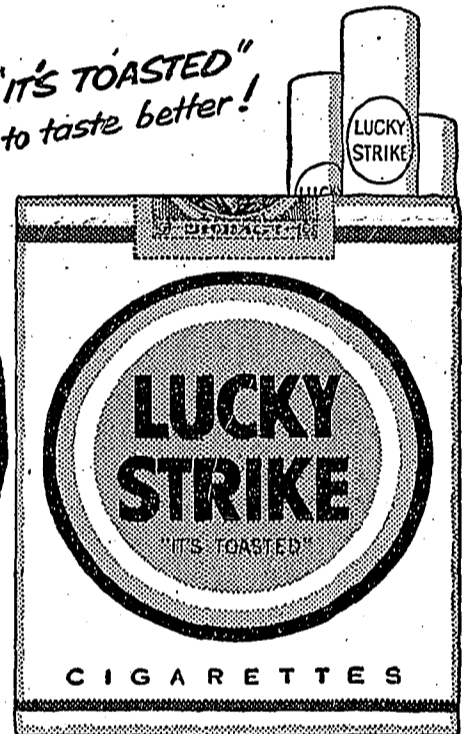
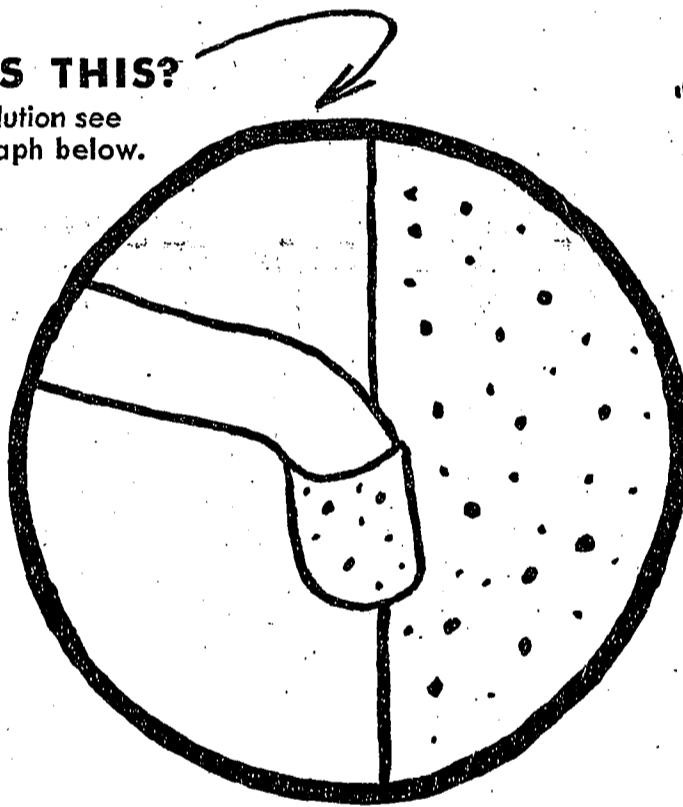


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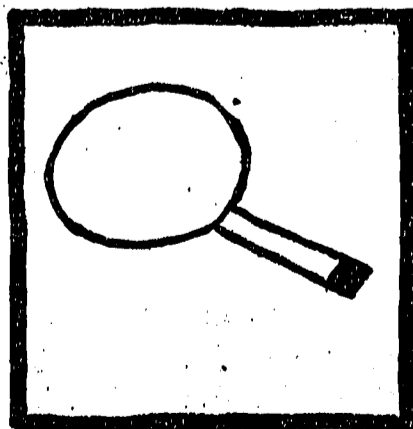
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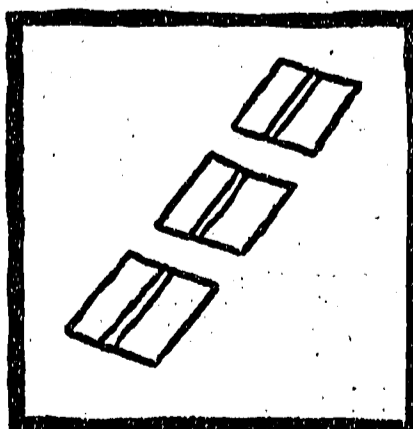
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EDITORIALS

The Extinct Species

There have been several spontaneous discussions on both ends of the Colby campus in the past few months concerning the whereabouts of the Colby male. While he may be quite in evidence on Saturday evening and during big weekends, the rest of the time he is virtually extinct. This is particularly true as regards club meetings, committee functions and it even has a tendency to creep into the field of publications.

According to the official college registration lists, the Colby student body is composed of approximately 550 men and 525 women which is almost an even distribution with the advantage slightly in favor of the men. This situation should insure at least half of the members of such activities as Outing Club, Glee Club and Echo, not to mention such things as religious clubs and various committees would come from west of the Chapel — i. e. the male division. However a quick glance around any such meeting will inevitably show nearly a 2:1 ratio in favor of the female participants.

The question arises — why is this so? Could it be that it is considered unmanly to take part in such groups? Or are the courses at Colby that demanding? Or are there other amusements such as flicks and bull sessions which are more interesting? Certainly the women on campus have just as many courses and they are just as tough as those of their male classmates; and many girls in addition to their regular courses and activities, carry jobs averaging from 8 - 15 hours a week. In addition the boys have the advantage of no closing dormitory hours by which deadline to finish up a meeting or special project.

The whole problem resolves to this — what do these "men" expect to have for background references and interests after leaving Colby? And do they expect the women's division to carry the entire responsibility for planning and carrying out the majority of Colby's extra curricular activities in the meantime?

The situation as it now stands is not an encouraging or a healthy situation and it is up to the men themselves to realize this and take some positive action. Perhaps the few outstanding leaders that are present on our campus could encourage a more varied activities schedule for their fraternity brothers and friends.

Congratulations . . .

The ECHO would like to commend the various singing groups on campus for their contribution to a successful Carnival weekend. Surely those of us who filled the Chapel Sunday afternoon appreciated their wonderful performance. The Glee Club, the Colbyettes, and the Colby Eight, have spent long hours of hard work in perfecting their musical talents, and if the recent concert is a criterion for judging the results, their efforts have been well rewarded. The tireless and inspiring leadership of Mr. Re should be noted. Under his direction the Glee Club has extended its plans to include a concert in New York, while both the Colbyettes and the Colby Eight are contemplating trips even farther south. These groups should receive our utmost support for their major contribution to the cultural life of the campus.

Letters to the Editor

February 18, 1955  
 Miss Rebecca Rowe  
 The Colby Echo  
 Colby College  
 Waterville, Maine  
 Dear Editor:  
 I would like publicly to express my appreciation, and I'm sure the appreciation of the Winter Carnival Committee, to Hank Balzo for talking over my work as Carnival Ball

Chairman while I was unable to carry on my duties during a stay in the infirmary.  
 Certainly this is a position that receives little recognition, and Hank deserves congratulations and thanks for the fine job done, and for the many hours of sleep understandably lost.  
 Sincerely,  
 Leo Fernandez

William Weiner  
 Newly Appointed  
 Economics Prof.

Colby College has recently acquired a new member to its faculty. Professor William Weiner, M. A., is filling in for Professor Brechenridge, who is on leave of absence for the semester. Professor Weiner occupies the position of Instructor in Economics here at Colby.

Mr. Weiner's home address is Hartford, Connecticut. He is now married and has spent three years in the armed services. In the line of education, Mr. Weiner has graduated from the University of Texas earning his BA and MA degrees, and he has also attended the University of Columbia, where he worked toward his PhD degree. At present, his thesis "The Hope Natural Gas Case — A Study of Its Historical Background and Economic Significance" is nearly completed, and he hopes to be able to submit it to Columbia University this week. He has formerly taught economics at two branches of Rutgers University, Mississippi State College, and the University of Massachusetts.

Among his hobbies Professor Weiner lists sports; especially football, basketball and baseball. He is also interested in fishing; both fresh and salt water. In literature, drama seems to interest him most. He also enjoys playing a game of cards, chess, or checkers.

During his years in the service Mr. Weiner traveled over most of Europe, mainly in England, France and Belgium. Apart from the service, he has traveled in the eastern, southern, and southwestern states of this country.

When asked about his impressions of Colby, Professor Weiner replied that the students are interested in

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Democracy In Action  
 On The Colby Campus

The move for democracy as manifested in the American Revolution has come a long way since 1776, and we see its operation in all aspects of our life today. Here at Colby we see democracy at work in our Student Council and Student League. For the benefit of the male students on the campus who may wonder what the latter organization is, I think it is about time they learned a little about the executive body which regulates the life of Colby women.

Each woman student has a voice in the Women's League as she is responsible for the election of members to the Executive Board each spring. In the fall each dorm elects a Dorm Chairman who is responsible for relating all decisions and discussions to their respective dorms. Two members from the freshman class are also elected by their class at that time.

Dues of \$1.50 a year from each member are included in the Student Activities Fee, our only source of income. This money is used for the Women's Handbook, Christmas banquet, newspapers, \$1000 scholarship, and other activities for the social and intellectual education of the women's student body.

The purpose of the League is not simply to make rules and enforce them, but to let each student understand the reasons behind the rules which are designated for their benefit. If a group of girls come before the Executive Board with a petition for a change in policy, their ideas are thoroughly discussed and often influence future policies. An example of this occurred last year when the freshmen requested later hours for

study at the library as they were unable to complete assignments before the 8:30 curfew. As a result the Executive Board sanctioned the adoption of a Freshman Honor System which permits them to remain at the library until their work is completed.

Student League is one aspect of democracy in action on the Colby campus.



Jean Hawes  
 photo by Hoyt

Fantasia Beats  
 Sun And Rain

On Thursday afternoon, the sun poured its warmth over a small territory in the State of Maine that didn't particularly want it. The territory was the grounds of Colby's campus. These same bright sun rays are loved in the grassing season, but who wants a warm day for a "Winter" Carnival. As the sun beat down unmercifully on the snow sculptures, the once distinct features of Jiminey Cricket, Donald Duck and his three nephews, and others began to cloud. Students braced the sculptures, added more snow here and there, and made a wish for a cold night.

The Friday sun dawned just as bright and the melting sculptures of the day before were the melted sculptures of that day. Maybe this was a sad beginning for the Carnival but the students didn't let the dampness of the snow get into their hearts; rather, they turned the bright sunlight into a wonderful week end.

The week end was officially started Friday night at the Carnival Fantasia Ball by the coronation and proclamation of our lovely queen, Berry Wellersdieck. She received her crown in regal fashion from President Bixler, then proceeded with her escort to dance to the music of Tommy Girard and his orchestra. The students really seemed to enjoy the music as there was a crowd even until the end of the Ball. The turnout for the dance was very good considering that there were other schools having their winter weekends at the same time. The Winter Carnival Committee consisted of Nori Edmunds, chairman, Art Engdahl and Marilyn Perkins, co-chairman, Hank Balzo, and Leo Fernandez deserve a note of special thanks for a successful dance.

Saturday morning found not enough snow to hold the skiing events as scheduled, so they were moved to Farmington. There were various activities such as decorating and a jazz concert to keep the students busy in the afternoon. In the evening there was a good attendance at the basketball game against Boston. Trophies were awarded at

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Off Campus  
 With Charlie Morrissey

The University of Minnesota Quiz Bowl kids, who have mowed Saturday nights over NBC, came up with a complete blank on one down twelve universities in the weekly College Quiz Bowl program question last week.

Not one could repeat the second stanza of the University's alma mater, "Minnesota, Hail to Thee."

RUSSIAN EDITORS

Letters recently circulated by student councils from Swarthmore and Oberlin Colleges proposed inviting Russian College newspaper editors to the United States to let them see American life firsthand. Last year, U. S. college editors made such a tour of Russia, and came back with firsthand views on the everyday affairs of the Russians they met. This proposed tour has been denied by the State Department, however, and yours truly thinks the State Dept. has really missed the boat. What do you think?

TAX ON FRATS

A bill permitting individual towns to tax fraternity property or to exempt it from taxation, is being discussed by the Vermont State Legislature. An open hearing was held last week in Montpelier. The bill is of particular importance to Vermont, Middlebury, and Norwich. Under the Grand List the houses would be taxed approximately from \$511 to \$1278 per year. The immediate effect upon fraternities would be that each member would be responsible for upwards to \$25 of the assessment. This would increase the cost of the individual's education and would have a most noticeable effect on other fraternal non-profit organizations who do much for a community.

MASCULINITY AND FEMINITY TESTS

College women underestimated college men's liking for flowers, women with short hair, window shopping and modern art, it was shown in a recent survey of Beloit College of Wisconsin. Beloit College men taking the survey test turned the tables and underestimated the fairer sex's liking for the sports page, trout fishing, outdoor camping and washing the car.

Both groups rated each other's likings accurately on wearing rings, talking about sex subjects, reading of economics and travel, and attending church parties.

The project was an attempt to determine if the interests of men and women could be used as indications of masculinity and femininity.

# Hangout Discusses Social Events Problems & Plans

By Jean Pratt

At the weekly meeting of Hangout Executive Committee, plans were announced for the Variety Show to be held April 7 and the Greenwich Village Dance, April 9. This week the Hangout Room will be open after Saturday night's basketball game and on Sunday morning and Sunday night. It will not be open Friday night, because of an Averill lecture and a basketball game.

Ideas for the near future are a Hangout-sponsored basketball game, with the proceeds to go to the hockey rink fund, and a Hangout-sponsored bridge tournament.

The committee discussed problems that have arisen in the operation of the Hangout Room. Various opinions were expressed, and all Hangout members promised greater cooperation in this matter.

On Wednesday, February 24 at 6:45 in Averill Auditorium Hangout will present Alfred Hitchcock's "The Lady Vanishes." Admission is 25 cents. Hangout loses money on its weekly movies, but this loss is absorbed by any profits made in the Hangout Room.

## Intramural Basketball League Standing

As of Tuesday, Feb. 15th

	Won	Lost	P.C.
A. T. O.	4	0	1000
D. K. E.	3	0	1000
L. C. A.	2	1	667
Phi Deltas	1	1	500
D. U.	1	1	500
K. D. R.	1	2	334
Tau Deltas	0	2	000
Indies	0	2	000
Zetes	0	3	000

### Changes in Schedule

Game between DKE and KDR scheduled originally for Monday, Feb. 21st, has been re-scheduled to Wednesday, Feb. 23 at 6:30; also the Tau Deltas vs DU game as scheduled on February 9th has been re-scheduled for Wednesday, February 23 at 7:30.

So far this semester the women's social events have been few, due to the necessary time and money which all groups have spent on Winter Carnivals preparations.

One important event was the A D Pi Play Day which was held in the Women's Union on February 6 from 2:30 to 5:00 P. M. The A D Pi pledges sponsored this function for the pledges of the other sororities. Planned sports events were participated in by about 40 girls. A non-competitive game of volley ball was played followed by a series of relay races which was won by the Tri Deltas. In basketball the Tri Deltas and the Chi O's won the first two games and the Chi Omegas were victorious in the play-off battle. For over-all sports superiority, a prize trophy was presented to the Chi O's by Andie Peacock, the Pledge President. Refreshments were served in the Smith Lounge.

At 8:00 P.M. last evening the Sigma Kappas gave a dance in honor of their pledges in the Dunn Lounge. Present as guests at this dance were two Independents and two members of each of the other sororities. Music for the dancing was provided by Dick Magill, and punch and cookies were served for refreshments.

A new initiate of the Sigma Kappas this week is Hope Palmer. Both the Chi Omegas and the A D Pis have announced the recent

elections of new officers, who are as follows:

AD Pi President Nori Edmunds; Vice President Ellie Reig; Treasurer Jo Raffay; Corresponding Sec. Louise McGuinness; Co-Rush Chairmen Joan Williams and Carol Barton; Recording Sec. Lesty Travers; Chaplain Micky Chomicz; Guard Jackie Heubush; Social Chairman Marilyn Goddsey; Pan-Hell Representatives Pat McCormick and Jo Larry; Registrar Fo Xenakis; Ways and Means Pat Harrison; Service Projects Katy Koons; Campus Activities Nancy Nielson; Executive Members at Large Mary Lawrence and Dot Greenman; Room Chairman Nan Miller.

OHI OMEGA President Bunny Henderson; Vice President Jo Sturtevant; Treasurer Carie Drigotas; Secretary Jean Harlow; Pledge Trainer Gabby Krebs; Pan-Hell Representatives Kip Figuereza; Rush Chairman Perky Perkins; Chapter Correspondent Nancy Stag; Rec. Chairman Carolyn Donley; Activi-

ties Chairman Arline Berry; Social and Civic Chairman Babs Faltings; Personnel Chairman Ginny Graves; Vocations Dotty Clapp; Room Chairman Cindy Gardner; Song Leader Marilyn Howarth.

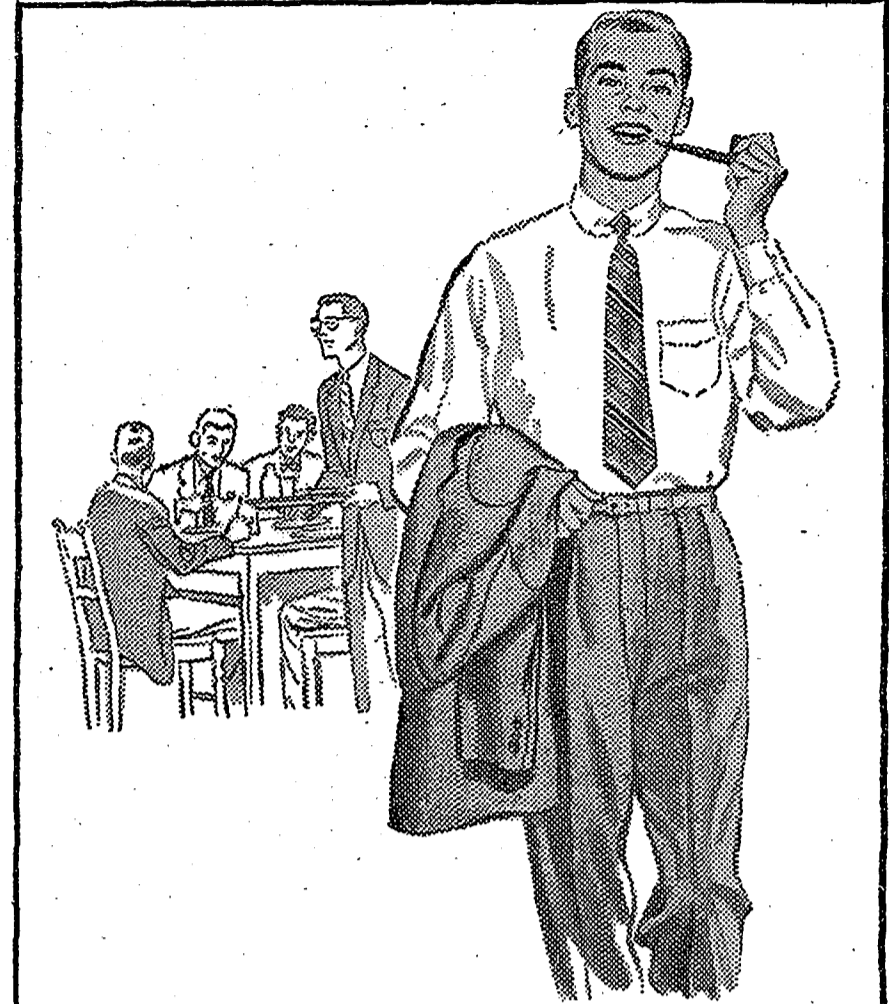
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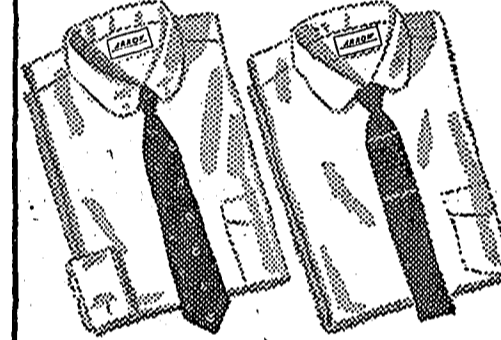
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## U of Maine Cops Carnival Ski Meet

University of Maine skiers grabbed first place in the slalom, jumping and downhill contests at Farmington last Saturday. These, plus Wayne Libby's triumph in the cross country the day before, gave the Black Bears a clean sweep of the Colby College Winter Carnival meet. Maine finished with 385.54 points followed by Colby with 302.19, Harvard "B" with 283.25 and Bowdoin with 179.85. Leon Akers, who won the jumping events for the University of Maine with jumps of 87 and 83 feet, was awarded the Skimeister Trophy for all-round proficiency. He was second to Libby in the cross-country and was eighth in the slalom and downhill.

In the jumping event won by Akers with jumps of 87 and 83 feet, Colby had a seventh in the person of Bud Bates who jumped 74 feet and 68 feet, a ninth in Dick McGill who jumped 71 and 66 feet, and Rollie Sherman closed out the scoring in this event 64 and 58 feet. The downhill event was won by Frank Morgan of Maine with a time of 33.4 seconds. For Colby, Dick McGill ran the course in 38.6 for a sixth place finish. Rollie Sherman was seventh, covering the slope in 44.3 seconds. Bud Bates and Andy Johnson were 11th and 12th with times of 57.1 and 56.3 respectively.

Jim Knowles of Maine won the slalom event with a time of 27.6 seconds. Colby got the 10th and 11th positions in this event with Bud Bates darting between the poles in 36.4 seconds and Dick McGill doing the event in 39.5 seconds.

For the undermanned Colby team it was a very favorable showing, finishing second in a field of four. Many of the Mules skiers gained valuable experiences in this meet. The whole team will be definitely in good shape for remaining meets of the season.

## Inter-Fraternity Swim Meet

The Intramural Athletic Council has made plans for the second annual inter-fraternity swimming meet for Wednesday evening, March 23rd, to be held at the Waterville Boys Club swimming pool. All swimmers in each fraternity should get ready for the big splash.

Events for the swimming meet will be as follows: 40 yard free style; 40 yard back stroke; 40 yard breast stroke; 100 yard free style; Medley relay-120 yards, (40 yard backstroke, 40 yard breaststroke, 40 yard free style) 3 man team in this event; and the 240 yard free style relay—4 man team, each man swimming 60 yards.

The physical education department may use the swimming pool at the Boys Club on Tuesday and Thursday afternoon from 1:30 to 3:30 P. M. and all students are welcome to come to the pool and report to Mr. Tryens, instructor in swimming during these hours on Tuesday and Thursday. Entry forms for the intramural swimming meet will be sent to each representative to the Intramural Council within a few weeks.

## Intramural Bowl League Schedule

All matches to be rolled at the Metro Bowling Alleys  
 Friday, Feb. 18, 3:45 DKE vs Zetes and ATO's vs Tau Deltas.  
 Mon. Feb. 21, 3:45 LCA vs KDR and DKE vs Tau Deltas.  
 Tues., Feb. 22, 3:45 Tau Deltas vs LCA and Zetes vs ATO.  
 Wed. Feb. 23, 3:45 DKE vs KDR.  
 Fri. Feb. 25, 3:45, Zetes vs KDR and ATO vs LCA.  
 Mon. Feb. 28, 3:45, DKE vs ATO and LCA vs Zetes.  
 Tues. Mar. 1, 3:45 KDR vs Tau Deltas and DKE vs LCA.  
 Wed. Mar. 2, 3:45, KDR vs ATO and Tau Deltas vs Zetes.  
 Mon. Mar. 7, 3:45, DKE vs Zetes and ATO vs Tau Deltas.  
 Tues. Mar. 8, 3:45, LCA vs KDR and DKE vs Tau Deltas.  
 Wed. Mar. 9, 3:45, Zetes vs KDR and ATO vs LCA.  
 Fri. Mar. 11, 3:45 DKE vs KDR and Tau Deltas vs LCA.  
 Mon. Mar. 14, 3:45, Zetes vs ATO and DKE vs LCA.  
 Tues. Mar. 15, 3:45 KDR vs ATO and Tau Deltas vs Zetes.  
 Fri. Mar. 18, 3:45, KDR vs Tau Deltas.  
 Mon. Mar. 21, 3:45, DKE vs ATO

and LCA vs Zetes.

Four points to each match—one point for each of three strings, and one point for total pin fall.

Team managers are responsible for reporting the results of each scheduled match to the Field House office. This applies to the manager of the winning team. Each team to consist of five men in each string.

### WILLIAM WEINER

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 the subject matter and compare favorably with the students that he has taught elsewhere. He thinks that the atmosphere here is conducive to study and teaching, and he likes the small campus which makes it easier to get to know the students and faculty better.

### FANTASIA BEATS

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 half-time for the skiing events by Mike Loebs, Director of Health and Physical Education.

As everyone was leaving the field house after the game, they were struck with a rather cold, night air which made walking unpleasant and somewhat lessened the ideas of travelling from house to house for the fraternity parties. The parties were very good, each in their individual entertainment.

The cold weather remained for

Sunday, but some brave students stuck their noses outdoors to go to morning chapel. After grumbling stomachs, which had missed their breakfast, had been fed, their owners walked on slippery paths to attend the Glee Club Pops Concert. The concert added a very good final touch to the last day of Winter Carnival.

A large number of fun-weary students folded themselves to bed early Sunday night. They awoke Monday morning to find only the bare sticks of the snow sculptures as the last remains of the Carnival. They tucked away their programs, their issue of THE BLUE LIGHT, and their wilted flowers to be found again in the future and to recall happy memories of Winter Carnival, 1955.

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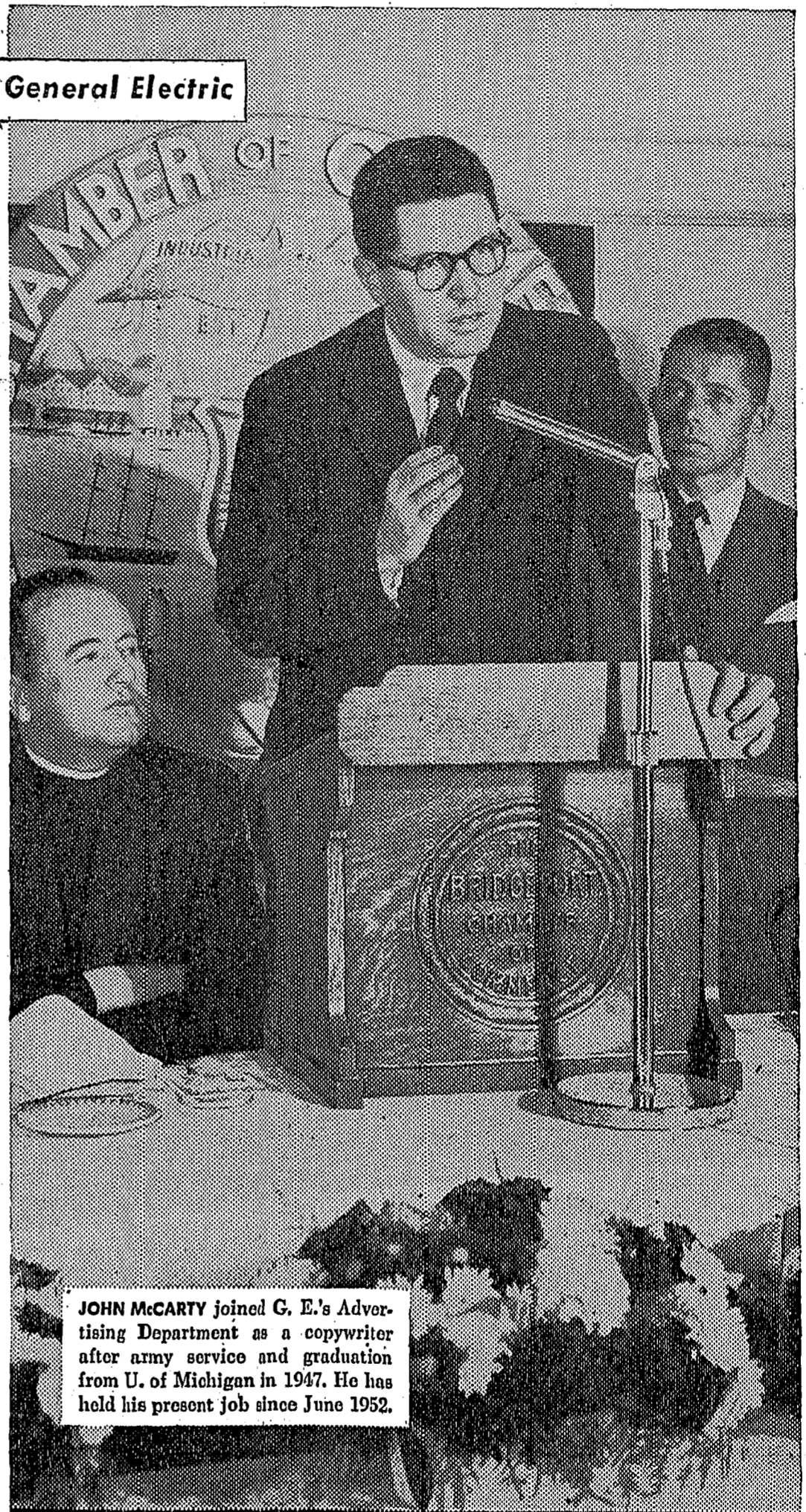
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# Colby Ices Bowdoin; Huskies Sat.

## Pucksters Trounce Bears For First Win

### Hoopsters Loose 1st Home Game

With their three big men, Kevin Thomas, 6'8", Tom Kelly, 6'7" and Ralph Hubbard, 6'6", scoring all but 15 of the Terriers' points, Boston University rolled to a 79-60 win over Colby last Saturday night.

Colby managed to do very well in the first 13 minutes of play, the score at that time being 24 all. The Terriers then began to roll and jumped to an 8 point advantage at half time, leading 41-33. The Mules had been rebounding with the height of B. U., but could not stop the big boys from scoring.

The second half showed the Carnival fans a great exhibition of shooting by B. U. The Terriers shot close to 60 per cent in this half and ended the game with a per cent of 53. The Mules continued to fight, but B. U. would just not be stopped. Charlie Twigg played a fine defensive game by holding B. U.'s Gastall down to 2 points. Lou Zambello also played a fine defensive game for the Mules.

This was Colby's 3rd worst defeat (19 points) and our 5th loss in 18 games. Colby had not lost at home in 10 games, a streak started last year.

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Northeastern has always been known to put a good team on the ice. This year is no exception despite the Huskies' losing record to date. Northeastern plays all of the greater Boston colleges and the better clubs in New England. The Huskies will be minus their regular coach, Herb Gallagher, who is coaching the U. S. Olympic hockey team on a trip through Europe at present.

In his place will be the former three-sports star of Northeastern, "Tinker" Connelly.

With such skaters as Captain Watson and Vorderer, the Huskies

The Colby Hockey team, held winless for three years, came up with a well-deserved triumph over Bowdoin at Brunswick last Monday night by a score of 7-4. For Colby, it was a tremendous victory due to the circumstances surrounding the contest. The Mule puck chasers had not skated for nine days prior to the game because of weather conditions. The Mules, very short on manpower, used only two lines and three defensemen throughout the game. Bowdoin used three lines and four defensemen.

From the opening face off, it appeared as if the tough luck that has been following our hockey team for so long had been shaken off. The Mules scored twice in the first period to lead 2-1 at the end of that stanza. They scored four more in the second period to lead 6-2 and scored one in the last period with Bowdoin attempting to get back in the game at the end by scoring twice.

This game was a big one for the Mules' defensemen who played their best hockey of the season. They did everything; rushing, clearing the zone and covering in front of the goal in grand style; despite the fact that they were terribly undermanned.

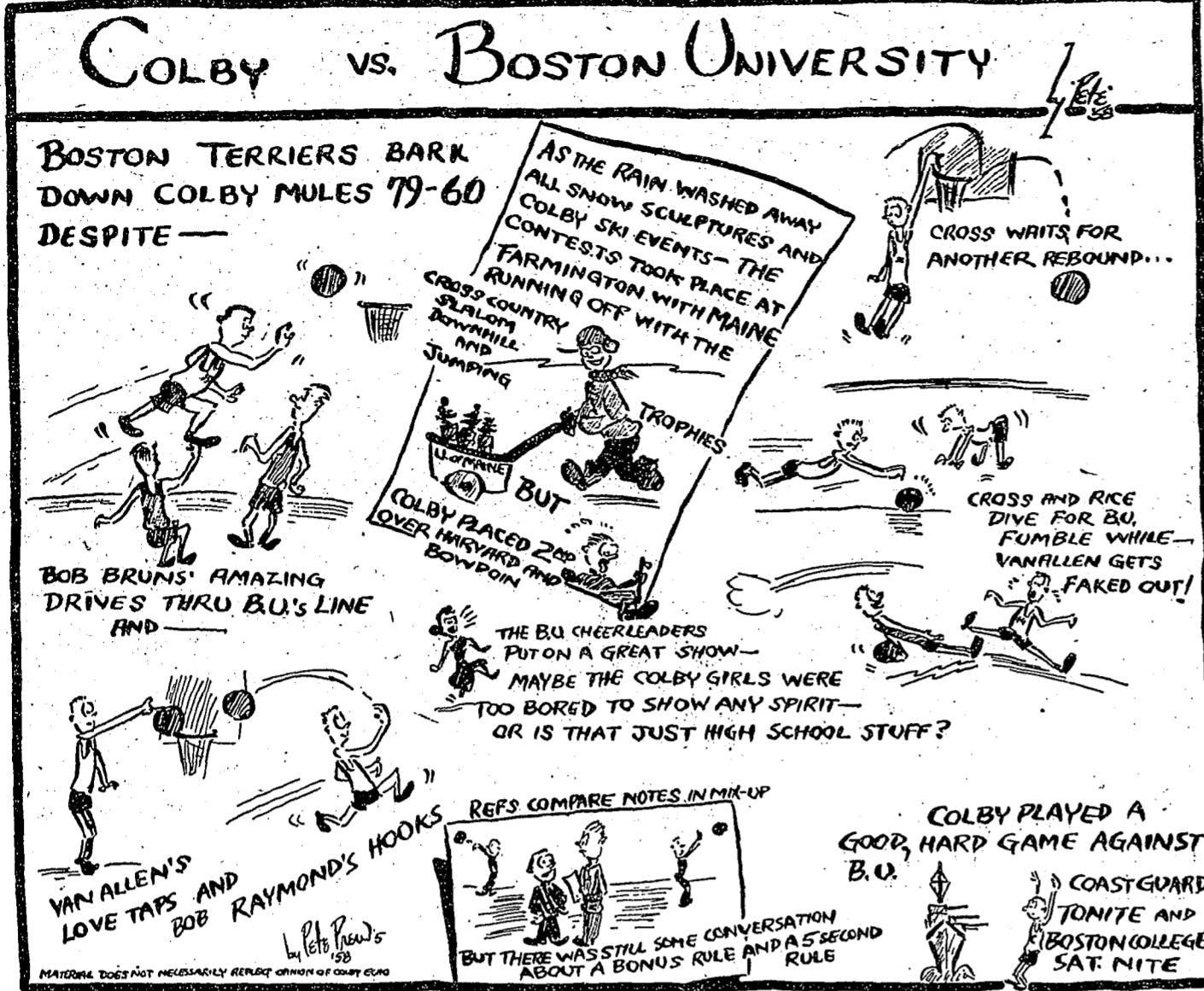
Leading the Colby Lamplighters was George Haskell, who came up with the "hat trick". Harry Way, playing his usual fine game, scored twice, while the other two goals were made by Charlie Brown and Al Clapp. Captain Dick McKeage, Guy Vigue, Chaslie Morrissey, and Don Vollmer all played terrific hockey, too.

The win was the first for Colby since 1952-53. It made the Mule's season record 1 - 5. This figure is not totally indicative of the type of hockey Colby has played this year. Two of those losses might easily have been wins. The other three losses were to Norwich, and the University of New Hampshire (twice) who have good facilities for regular practice and drawing talent.

It was a big win for Bernie Lalibertie's puck chasers, and they will be going all out out to close the season tomorrow with a win.

will provide the Mules with formidable opposition. Colby will probably start a line of George Haskell at center, Captain Dick McKeage at

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## MULE KICKS



As a lot of you have probably realized by now, Colby just went through one of her more disappointing and hectic Winter Carnival weekends in some time. Old Man weather was the big trouble maker, causing the hockey game with the Yale Cougars to be called off and forcing all of the skiing events, except the cross country, to be transferred to Farmington. Adding to this fact that the rain and warm weather ruined a promising array of snow sculptures and caused a train wreck, it is not difficult to understand why this weekend will not be well-remembered in Colby history.

Let's look at the athletic doings of the weekend: The result of Colby's basketball game with Boston University was not too heartening either. The Mules ran into a tall and fancy-shooting Terrier quintet that was not to be defeated. The loss marked the end of Colby's winning streak on its home court that had run since late last season when Massachusetts edged the Mules at the fieldhouse. One of the most entertaining aspects of the game was the fine show put on by the two coaches, who did much to enliven what might have been an otherwise run-of-the-mill ball game.

But we must not let this pessimistic attitude get the best of us. There were a couple of bright spots over the weekend that have done much to take the sting from the previously mentioned misfortunes. First there was the modest success of the ski team. Although undermanned and to a great extent inexperienced, the Mules finished second to a classy University of Maine team and ahead of Harvard "B" and archrival Bowdoin teams. The Colby ski team has improved greatly since the venture to Lyndonville, Vermont. If there is snow and no further loss of personnel, the team should make a good showing for itself in its remaining meets.

I purposely saved the best news until last. I feel that last Monday's triumph of the hockey team over Bowdoin was the best and most surprising event of the weekend. When hockey was made an informal sport at Colby, I, as did many, felt that it might be the end of hockey until the completion of the rink. But the boys turned out and gave it their all despite the lack of adequate playing and practicing facilities and inconsistent scheduling. While most of their opponents used three pairs of defensemen and three forward lines Colby had to get along with two-lines and three defensemen. With conditions such as these and the inadequate facilities for practice, Colby was an easy prey for the schools on their schedule who had artificial ice and the resulting greater practice and array of talent. In the games when Colby was in its own class, the puck always seemed to be bouncing the wrong way. The hockey team was almost a joke around campus. People, not realizing the aforementioned circumstances, failed to support the hockey team. The only talk about the pucksters was concerning how much they would lose by in their next game. Last Monday night Colby accomplished what they had not done since the winter '52-'53, namely, they won a game. Coach Lalibertie's pucksters were never hungrier. It was a well-deserved triumph.

So far as this writer is concerned, "King Basketball" will have to take a back seat to this performance. Tomorrow is the season's finale with Northeastern. Hockey is back on its feet. Let's hope it stays there.

## Courtsmen Play Twice on Weekend

The Colby basketball team will play two games this weekend, tonight and tomorrow night, on the Fieldhouse floor. The Mules meet Coast Guard Academy tonight at 8:15 p.m. and Boston College tomorrow night, also at 8:15 p.m.

Colby will be out to make up for the shellacking they took at the hands of Boston University last Saturday night. That night, by losing, the Mules had their home court winning streak snapped. This winning skein had lasted since Massachusetts beat the Mules late last season by one point on the Fieldhouse floor. Now, all that is behind them and they will be out to get back on the winning track at home and sweep this weekend doubleheader.

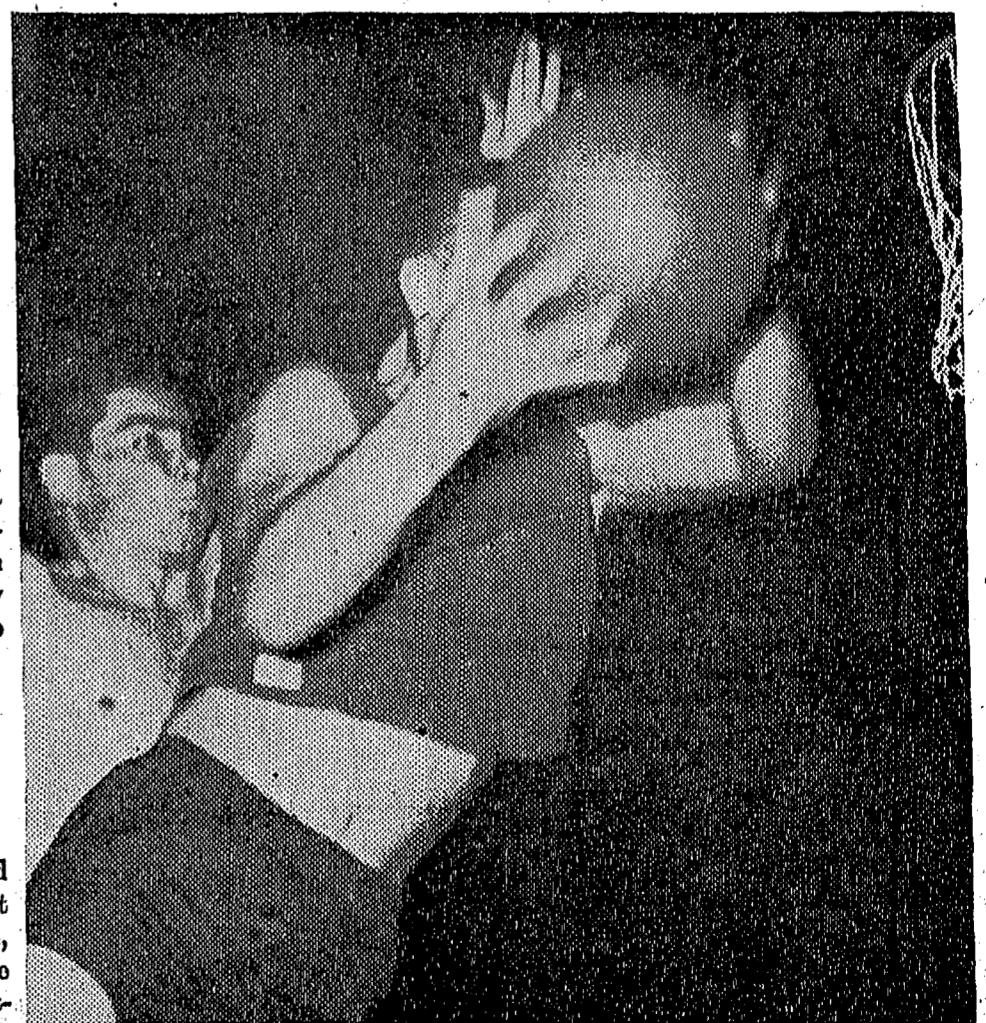
Tonight the Mules run up against a Coast Guard team of which little is known. Last year, Colby trimmed them here by quite a few points. The high flying Frosh team meets Nichols Junior College in the 6:15 preliminary.

Tomorrow night the Mules meet the Eagles of Boston College who have had a hot and cold season. The Eagles play a tough schedule and have run up against the best in New England college basketball circles as well as some of the best outside of N. E. Last season the Eagles came north and handed the Mules a nine point defeat, 59-50. This season the Eagles will be minus the services of their high scoring center Tony Daukus, who was lost through graduation. But, BC still has such dependable men as Tom Cullinane, Dick Shoffington and Phil Powell and they should prove to be a formidable foe.

Tomorrow night the Freshmen team will play Ricker College in a 6:15 tilt. With such scorers as Larry Oudmore, Chick Marchetti, John Edes, George Dineen, and Soupy Campbell, this game should prove to be well worth taking in.

## Mules Face Huskies Sat.

The Colby hockey team, fixed up by its first win of the season last Monday night over Bowdoin 7 - 4, hopes to continue on a winning note when it tangles with the Northeastern University Huskies at South End Arena. The face off will be at 1:30 p.m. Coach Bernie Lalibertie



Dick Huart drives past Don Martin in fast Intra-Fraternity action last Monday night. The K. D. R.'s came out on top in the fray.

### News Notes

Changes in car registration or license number since December 1954, should be reported to the office of Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds. Failures to report such changes may result in fines.

Mrs. Fortune, resident nurse of the infirmary, wishes to remind the students that the posted visiting hours should be observed. During other hours of the day, treatments are being administered and unexpected visitors upset the schedule which is necessary to insure proper care of the patients. Mrs. Fortune also asks that students not sit on the beds while visiting their friends.

#### FORD POLL

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Science. Reduction in the number of classroom hours of instruction in the basic courses (first two years) from the present three hours per week required by our own ROTC command to the two hours per week minimum required by the Air Force evoked a positive reply from 20 of the faculty questioned.

#### MULES FACE

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leftwing, and either Don Vollmer or Charlie Morrissey at right wing. If Volmer plays first line, Morrissey will center the second line with Al Clapp and Charlie Brown. Starting defense berths will go to Guy Vigue and Harry Wey, with Skip Hall in reserve. Goaltending will fall on either Dean Barry or Pete Bogren.

Tomorrow's game is the last of the season for the Colby hockey team. Let's hope that all of the hockey fans will be down at the South End Arena to root the Mules home to a victory and a successful windup to this year's hockey season at Colby.

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