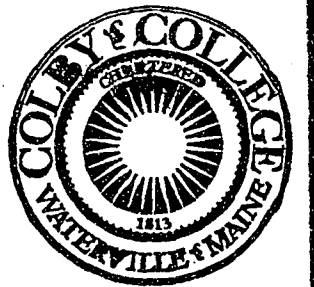


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What's This World Coming To?

Half of Faculty Oppose Viet War

A statement signed by 71 members of the Colby College faculty and administrative staff opposing the government's policy in Vietnam will be entered into the Congressional Record by Senator Ernest Gruening (D. Alaska). The 71 include approximately one-half of the college faculty.

Senator Gruening made the promise in accepting the document preceding the lecture which he delivered at the college a week ago.

The text of the statement read: "We have no confidence in our government's current policy in Vietnam. We are convinced that the military involvement of the United States in Vietnam is contrary to the immediate and long-range interests of our country. We oppose the war and call for the withdrawal of American forces."

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nights.

Bob Hayden and Phil Merrill, co-managers of this sinful spot, promise that the Wall will be open for the next two weekends until finals -- including after the hockey game tomorrow night --, and then will be open every night during finals.

They have obtained an allocation of \$200 from Stu-G, and this, combined with the Wall's profits, will pay for a bevy of "camp" flicks ranging from Humphrey Bogart and Boris Karloff to Errol Flynn and Hopalong Cassidy. A. W. C. Fields catastrophe will be shown tonight.

Vote Set On NSA and Judiciary; Stu-G Adds War Referendum

Student Government will sponsor the voting to take place this Thursday, December 7, on the National Student Association referendum with regard to the draft, drugs, and black power. At the same time, and perhaps even more important, students will be asked to vote on the Judiciary constitution and for one of five proposals on the Vietnam War.

The new Judiciary constitution must be first ratified by the student body before the administration can take action on it. According to Stu-G President Thom Rippon, "with the passage of this constitution, student participation in disciplined functions will become a basic right rather than a 'granted' privilege."

Three Levels

Three levels of Judiciary are established by the new constitution. The first, the Dorm Judiciaries, will handle various infractions within a student's respective dorm. An All-Campus Judiciary will make judgement on certain situations that are not covered by the Dorm Judiciaries.

Appeals Board

Probably the most important part of the new constitution calls for the establishment of an Appeals Board. Any student who feels that he has received an unfair decision from either the Dorm Judiciary or the All-Campus Judiciary may ask for a hearing before this Judiciary. The Appeals Board will consist of three faculty members to be selected by the Stu-G president, the head of the All-

Campus Judiciary, and by the college president.

This new judiciary establishes not only a system of appeals for the first time, but also establishes the rights of the defendant. Several of the vital factors involved in the latter include a clear and specific statement of the charge against the defendant, the use of character witness by the defendant, and the policy that the Judiciaries cannot consider any statements made by witnesses unable to undergo cross-examination by the defendant.

Strong Statements

President Rippon concluded: "We hope that the students and the administration will recognize that with this new constitution we are getting away from Colby's previous history of ambiguous and nebulous statements of student rights and privileges to explicit listings of these rights and privileges."

The referendum on the Vietnam War should, for the first time, permit the student body to express its own feelings with regard to the involvement of the United States in that country. Five resolutions, generally encompassing all points of view, have been drawn up. A student may vote for only one.

List of Referenda

I. The United States should immediately and unequivocally withdraw all military personnel from Vietnam, and should cease all militarily-directed financial aid to Vietnam.

II. The United States should immediately cease the bombing of North Vietnam for six months as

a reasonable gesture to bring Hanoi to the peace table while continuing its present forms of military activity in the South.

III. The United States should continue to support President Johnson's policies in Vietnam.

IV. The United States should further increase its bombing of North Vietnam and should deploy further troops in order to invade North Vietnam.

V. The United States should pursue the mandate of statement number four (IV) and should simultaneously invade Red China.

The USNSA national policy resolutions following in approximately the same form that they will appear on the ballot.

I. THE DRAFT (voting either for one or the other, or against both).

A. I am in favor of the majority resolution advocating the abolition of the present selective service system and the establishment of a voluntary army in its place.

B. I am in favor of the minority resolution advocating the abolition of the present selective service system and the establishment of a program of alternative compulsory service in its place. Such compulsory service would apply equally to males and females and would require a minimum service of two years in the army, or in some social service work such as the Peace Corps, Job Corps, or VISTA.

C. I am opposed to both the majority and minority resolutions.

DRUG LAWS

A. I am in favor of the NSA resolution advocating that all drug abuse be treated as a health problem rather than as a criminal offense; that the possession and sale of marijuana be controlled by an ad hoc legal instrument rather than be prohibited; and that the local, state, and federal governments re-evaluate their laws on hallucinogenic drugs (such as LSD) in light of current scientific research.

B. I am opposed to the NSA resolution.

BLACK POWER

A. I am in favor of the NSA resolution advocating black people achieving human rights by any means necessary.

B. I am opposed to the NSA resolution.

IV. I have not personally read these three resolutions.

The newly elected IFC officers are:

President	Rick Emery
Vice-President	Rob Rudnick
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Senior Christmas Ball
Friday, December 1
Alumni House

FREE PUNCH (Spirits!)

Dress: Semi-formal

8:30 - 1:00

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Sid Lerman
and His Orchestra
ALL SENIORS WELCOME

Gruening Terms Red Threat Almost Absurd

by Deborah Doggs

Senator Ernest Gruening (Dem.-Alaska) is by far the sanest and most reasonable spokesman for the Anti-Vietnam argument that Colby has had the pleasure of receiving so far this year. Eliminating the emotional and heart-rending defenses of his position, the Senator put forth his opinion and backed it up with hard, cold facts, which were unnerving enough by themselves.

He began with a brief history of our involvement in Vietnam, pointing out that we have never been asked to come in except to transport South Vietnamese people from the north to the south. He also knocked down Johnson's argument of our commitment being carried over through three presidential terms by pointing out that Eisenhower's commitment was in the form of about two billion dollars and a sum total of 600 officers to train the French troops; and that Kennedy referred to the war in Vietnam as being Vietnamese and not American. He also demonstrated how we had broken the Geneva conference agreements many times over, exceeding the times it had been broken by the North Vietnamese.

Referring to the government now in South Vietnam, Senator Gruening said that the elections had been rigged, since no "communist" could vote, and whether or not a citizen was communist was left up to our

discretion. Therefore, he said, we are supporting an unpopular and undemocratic government. Furthermore, we are the aggressors in a totally unjustified war.

The justification which our government gives us, of stopping Communist Chinese aggression by staying in Vietnam, is almost absurd, says the Senator. He points out that not a single Chinese soldier has entered the Vietcong lines so far, and that the Vietnamese come from a long heritage of hating the Chinese. On top of that, this war is, day by day, weakening our own strength against Communism, both in supplies and man-power, to the point where we could not fight another Vietnam if we had to. The presumption that by getting out of Vietnam, we would be laying ourselves wide open to attack by the Chinese, is ridiculous to the Senator. He points to several military leaders who say that we should not be in Vietnam, and that China is unable to fight us.

The Senator suggests that this war be put before the Senate, where a treaty could be drawn up getting us out of Vietnam and making provisions against the feared "bloodbath" which would follow our leaving Vietnam, says Sen. Gruening, is an unending war, and the only solution is to get out. He thinks America should admit that she made a mistake, and stop making a bigger one by staying in.

THE WALL

The Paper Wall, Colby's newest den of iniquity, opened two weeks ago in the old coed dining room in Roberts Union to a turnaway crowd.

An ice cream "parlor" with ancient movies and a modern jukebox, the Wall features negligible lighting and tables supplied by the Central Maine Power Company. The Wall is the brainchild of the Roberts Union Committee, led by the Union's dynamic new director Bob Gunn. By offering various concoctions of ice cream and coffee, it fulfills a need created by the Spa's being closed on Friday and Saturday

SAC

A Student Admissions Committee is being set up in co-ordination with our admissions department. Its purpose will be to talk with high school students about Colby, its good and bad points, trying to interest more applicants. Members of the committee will begin by returning to their respective high schools over Christmas vacation and speaking to prospective candidates. Hopefully, once the committee is established, it will extend its reach beyond the high schools already represented by our present student body. We, as students, will be able to give a more personal and accurate view of undergraduate life at the College than can our alumni interviewers or our admissions officers.

All interested students are welcome to come to a meeting with Dean Carroll, Dean of Admissions, on Wednesday night, December 6th at 7:00 in Smith Lounge, Runnels Union.

Editorials:

PRACTICING, NOT PREACHING

We were extremely proud last week when 71 members of the faculty and administration put their consciences on display before the entire community and publicly declared their opposition to the Vietnam War.

For many, it was perhaps a difficult decision to make. Unknowing people will label them with a wide assortment of generally uncomplimentary names. They will be badgered and bothered by those who support the men in Vietnam by sending them to what history shall deem unnecessary death; they will be ridiculed in silence by those who have nothing more fruitful to do with their lives.

We, however, feel honored to be the students of people who demand morality in the face of the encroaching totalitarian state, in the face of a government whose draft director can call for reclassification to 1-A for anyone interfering with the involuntary servitude of military conscription. These people have sacrificed an all-too-easy silence to the hardships of personal integrity . . . can we do the same?

JUDICIAL SYSTEM MUST BE RATIFIED

Referenda on several important resolutions will be voted on next Thursday. Copies of the individual NSA articles have been available for two weeks. Whether we belong to NSA or not is of no earth-shaking quality, for NSA still has the stigma of being a CIA front to wash away; the important thing is that for once we all speak out. Student Government has compiled a list of five resolutions on Vietnam that are in no way connected with NSA. The faculty has spoken, and now it's our turn. Our names won't be on public display as were those who signed the faculty-administration petition. Thus there are four major referenda: drugs, black power, the draft, and Vietnam. Vote; urge your friends to vote; see what Colby is really like.

The other question to be voted on is the new Judiciary constitution. Several of its major points are outlined on page one, and complete texts are posted throughout the campus. This constitution should receive unanimous support, for it suddenly brings the Colby Judicial System from some offshoot of the Inquisition to an extremely comprehensive, fair, and constitutional one in which a student cannot be "railroaded" by a trumped-up charge and a powerless judiciary. If you vote for anything, vote for this.

IS B and G FOR REAL?

Last year a definite article was begun, entitled *Buildings and Grounds Laziness or Just Plain Stupidity*. That article, we are sad to report, is still being written due to the vast number of new entries that are produced each week. Most spectacular this week was the manner in which this noble lot recently shoveled the walks. They did sun dances for a couple of days down at the office hoping that the snow would melt away. This failing, they shoveled less than half of all those walks snowed upon, and of those shoveled, very few were blessed enough to have the shovel reach all the way through the snow and touch the walk. It is extremely difficult to find even one walk on this entire campus that is free from ice. We should think that the administration would get after the strong right arm of B and G, especially from the generally expensive liability aspect involved with slippery walks.

At the same time, we might mention that it took B and G four months to get a lock on one student's door; the Tau Delta parking lot remains a rutted pigsty of broken glass and other tire-loving objects. We will soon publish a rather large list of B & G's "contributions" to the campus. If you know of any, please send them to the ECHO office, together with your name for confidential verification.

If we weren't with the ECHO, we guess we wouldn't do much work for pegen wages, either.

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Right To Dissent

Being Realistic About Protest

by Peter Jost

Many uncertainties have emerged in our lives as a result of a certain war of the last several years. Even at distant Colby we have been forced to consider the implications—moral, social, political, economic—of our national actions in a far off place as well as on a personal level, the meaning of the actions for our individual lives—higher prices, the draft, and such. The war has stretched the fabric of our society to its breaking point, magnifying old defects and creating new ones. We are all too aware of this process, we had to face up to it, city riots being a spectacular example. Yet if there is anything that can still be said with certainty, it is that we do not wish to know anything about our uncertainties we have all had a part in creating. Is it ironic that, by trying to ignore the problems we have made, we are breeding new ones?

To answer this question we have to ask another. Where is the most obvious evidence of a desire for blindness? I think our fear of self-knowledge can be seen most clearly in our dislike of dissent and criticism in American life. An unpopular war makes this problem

more glaring, but it is always around. Dissent is unpleasant. It is often irritating and distracting. It may seem irrelevant or overly caustic. It distresses us, upsets our normal way of thinking, and carries us along an uncertain path requiring nasty and unhappy choices.

A Sermon That Stung

A most prominent example of this process can be seen in the President of the United States. He goes to church one Sunday, fresh from a tour of military bases and, as usual, assumes that the minister has been carefully picked to deliver a programmed sermon of praise. Hearing just the opposite, he leaves the church looking like he had been sitting on a Viet Cong booby trap and cannot even muster a goodbye for the "preacher." Certainly both the President's personality and the war have contributed to his inability to tolerate dissent. However, he didn't pick up this attitude entirely on his own. Even though many Americans greatly dislike their President, they dislike the "irrational" dissenters even more. Thus 100,000 protesting college students become a scattering of wild screaming beatniks who are at best, well intentioned but con-

fused, and at worst, anarchical terrorists, frothing at the mouth with Bolshevik dogma and seething with free lust. We tend to feel there is something innately "wrong" with peace demonstrators, simply because they are demonstrators.

If we wish to get uncomfortable, we can look around a little closer to home. I think a poll of Colby students would show most opposed to President Johnson and his policies. Yet the number who have in any way made their feelings known reveals what they think of speaking out.

The Fairy Tale of Extremism

The standard escape clause used by people who dislike rallies, flagpole vigils, demonstrations, letters of protest, or other forms of dissent is that they are "too extreme" or "the wrong way to accomplish anything" or "not really helpful." They cling to the fairy tale that vested interest or mass inertia can always be overcome by innocuous discussion and the passage of time. Unfortunately, it is a sad fact that in this cruel world one often has to introduce a measured amount of trauma before anyone even notices. Let alone is goaded into action. Has the small amount of Civil Rights progress in the South been due to sions between George Wallace and the Negro community? If your pleasant suburb is integrated, will it happen without someone challenging the status-quo? Will the United States get out of Vietnam because of Lyndon's sympathy for the Vietnamese people?

Here at Colby, we all know that "study hours" were the result of simple filing of petitions with the Deans by individual dormitories. A mere formality? Is that what we needed to do all along? Don't kid yourself. A lot of people had to create a considerable feeling of unpleasantness before this change and it would not have occurred otherwise.

Limbo Of Dissent

We all dislike wars, and social problems, and all the little nasties of life. Yet we also fear dissenters, who are often the impetus for change and better conditions. College students of the 1950's were known as the "silent generation" for obvious reasons. (MOST) colleges have changed considerably since then. Now many persons are disturbed at student activism and protest in the 1960's. They fail to realize that it is the desire for "consensus" that breeds extreme reactions of the Black Nationalists, radical anarchists, Communists, and more militant hippies. We don't like even moderate dissent because it throws us into that kind of strange uncomfortable limbo that accompanies change. So we suppress our thoughts and discourage those who do not. "You shouldn't ought to criticize." And all the while real extremes of violent protest are building up to be released on a startled community.

This is a paradox of uncertainty. If we accept it and the accompanying dissent, we can shrug off the little hurts and stand a chance of making progress. If we do not think, and persist in blaming the irritating people who criticize, the results are guaranteed to be disastrous.

Elliot Jaspin

Letters to the Editor

Nov. 17, 1967

To the Editor,

It grieves me very much that great minds like those of Mr. Jaspin spend time waiting about the "parochialism" of others, whom they claim are not of their world. Perhaps Mr. Jaspin suffers from that horrible disease of narrow mindedness which he pretends to want to eradicate. It seems to me that there are many people on this campus who appreciate the efforts of Mr. Evans and Mr. Weaver (sic) to provide organized activities of interest to portions of the students on campus. If Mr. Jaspin has never participated in athletics he perhaps cannot understand the individual sense of accomplishment in exercising a developed physical talent. Even the Greeks recognized the need for a balance between the activities of the mind, soul, and body. If Mr. Jaspin has achieved this harmony, or if anyone on this campus has reached such a state of development, let him write conjectures on the intellectual stagnation of all. Let him bewail the false path which the deceived have taken. Otherwise, I suggest Mr. Jaspin attempt to keep his views from encompassing universal right.

No one pretended to say the only concern of students was homecoming and soccer, but they are concerns. They don't need to be defended. Man, I hope, is not structured such that his mind develops in only one area. Nor, I hope, is there only one right, good way to live. Many of us on campus subscribe to "newspapers of the world" and are very much concerned with events taking place. We also are concerned and recognize our immediate situation and feel the need to act within it. Four years is not a long time and I hope that many people will spend the greater part of the rest of their lives work-

ing on and concerned with our social and political structures.

Meanwhile, Elliot, we play soccer, basketball, football, etc., while there are enough people with enough time and enough stamina to play. Meanwhile, Elliot, we go to Rascals concerts to hear and judge for ourselves what half the young people in the country rave about. And meanwhile Elliot, we read and take note of outside events, hoping that our news media will attach prime importance to events on campus.

I feel it a waste of the millions of dollars spent on Mr. Jaspin's education if the only way he knows of to secure his own point of view is to say that it is the only one and that those who do not cleave to it have barren minds.

P. S. Most of us find time to do quite a lot of "thinking" without "think-labs" and without pay.

Jan Semonian '68

JASPIN REPLIES:

It is unfortunate that Miss Semonian did not feel compelled to attack my thesis that there is an intellectual parochialism inherent in the Colby educational system. Perhaps her next letter will consider such signs of this parochialism as the lop-sided representation of the Northeast in the student body, the President's curious statement on the Jan Plan, or some of the rote lectures of the Faculty. She might also wish to expand on her "P. S." Does Miss Semonian feel that she would not profit from constant contact with leaders in the arts and sciences? Would it be wrong to call such an attitude parochial?

In any case, I enjoyed her brilliant defense of the need for athletics at Colby, though my article did not deal with that subject.

BUSINESS MEN

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IT CAN'T HAPPEN HERE!

(From The Trinity Tripod, November 18, 1967)

by David Green

Now that Lieutenant General Hershey has declared that demonstrators who obstruct military recruiting process will be drafted, the following may be expected to happen.

December 12, 1967: By executive order, all anti-war demonstrations are outlawed. Violators are to receive a 30-year jail term. Dean Rusk declares, "It is by no means unconstitutional to outlaw any act which is harmful to the national interest. Demonstrations prolong the war, and therefore more American lives are lost."

December 14, 1967: Students for Democratic Society announce that they will stage an anti-war demonstration in Washington on Christmas Day.

FBI Reports

December 19, 1967: The Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that the SDA, ADA and thirty-two other political organizations have been supplying the Viet-Cong with military secrets and ammunition. The House Un-American Activities Committee immediately calls for the disbanding of the organizations, and the arrest of their officers.

December 21, 1967: 278 members of the outlawed organizations are arrested; among the arrested are John Kenneth Galbraith and Benjamin Spock. In the face of unfavorable newspaper articles, Galbraith is released.

Spellman Appointed

December 24, 1967: Secretary of the Interior Udall reveals that he has been asked by President Johnson to develop an area in the Yukon. In his Christmas Eve speech, President Johnson appoints Cardi-

nal Spellman Supreme Overseer of Church Affairs.

December 25, 1967: Fulton Sheen, Bishop of Rochester, is excommunicated.

January 2, 1968: Pentagon spokesman McClosky discloses that all college professors and administrators will have to sign a loyalty oath expressing their confidence in the President's handling of the war. Dean Rusk explains that the purpose of the measure is to display "a united front against Communist aggression."

January 9, 1968: Attorney-General Ramsey Clark orders the universities to dismiss all teachers who have not signed the oath and give their names to the Justice Department.

Marines Close Harvard

January 27, 1968: Four hours after the administration of Harvard University turns down a second ultimatum, 6,000 marines march into Cambridge and close Harvard. Over 300 students are seriously wounded during the action. That night, President Johnson reports to the nation that the "pacification of New England has been accomplished."

February 11, 1968: The administration denies that there are over 7,000 political prisoners in the Yukon. Dean Rusk emphatically states, "This is but another example of the Leftist-oriented press's desire to cause panic."

Westmoreland Request

February 16, 1968: General Westmoreland asks the President to do something about the press. He informs the President that "the ability of our soldiers to fight to the best of their ability is being handicapped by prejudiced accounts of the progress of the war."

February 22, 1968: Speaking at a

Daughters of the American Revolution dinner commemorating the 236th birthday of Washington, President Johnson announces that he has ordered that there should be some "limited" control over the press.

March 1, 1968: Ground forces invade North Vietnam. President Johnson appeals for "red-blooded American patriotism."

March 2, 1968: The New York TIMES condemns the action as barbaric.

J. Edgar Hoover "Disgusted"

March 3, 1968: FBI agents storm the editorial office of the New York TIMES. J. Edgar Hoover says, "I am disgusted by the filthy anti-American propaganda we found in that office. I am ordering that the TIMES cease publishing its paper until this mess is cleaned up."

April 19, 1968: The Pentagon burns. Wilbert Garnicht is arrested on the scene after being found with

matches in his pocket outside the Pentagon.

April 20, 1968: The FBI reveals that Garnicht was a Communist agent under the employment of Senator Wayne Morse. President Johnson asks a joint session of Congress to grant him special legislative powers in "this time of great national emergency."

Special Powers

April 21, 1968: President Johnson is granted special powers. He orders the suspension of habeas corpus in cases involving national security.

April 30, 1968: Over 2,000 civilians are arrested. Attorney-General sets May 5, 1968 as the date of the trial for the main conspirators in the Pentagon Plot.

May 5, 1968: Wayne Morse, Eugene McCarthy, John Kenneth Galbraith, Franch Church, Walter Lippmann and Joan Baez go on trial.

May 7, 1968: They are found

guilty, and temporarily sentenced to serve time in the Yukon until final punishment is decided upon.

Vietnam Victory

June 1, 1968: The President reveals that the war for democracy in South Vietnam is nearing victory.

June 5, 1968: President Johnson orders that the universities remain closed in September. "We cannot allow cynical intellectuals to interfere with the national purpose," declares the President.

July 4, 1968: In an Independence Day speech, President Johnson vows to "seek out and destroy the enemies of our founding fathers."

July 19-22, 1968: Race riots break out in Watts and Harlem. President Johnson sends in troops and declares martial law throughout the nation.

August 4, 1968: Senators Kennedy, Percy, and Fulbright ask the Senate to repeal Johnson's special powers.

Congress Adjourned

August 5, 1968: Johnson orders the Congress to adjourn until further notice. Percy, Fulbright, and the Kennedy family flee from the United States. Dean Rusk promises that "conspiracy will not go unpunished."

September 4, 1968: Cardinal Spellman advises President Johnson to allow the conversion of conquered North Vietnamese Buddhists.

September 28, 1968: President Johnson calls off all electioneering. He announces that the Republican Party's nominee has agreed to conduct a quiet campaign from the door-step of his home on the slopes of Mt. McKinley.

October 12, 1968: Speaking at an Italo-American dinner in honor of Columbus' discovery of America, President Johnson exclaims that "America is what Columbus dreamed it would be: A haven for the oppressed, and a pillar of Man's freedom."

November 5, 1968: President Johnson is re-elected president, receiving an unprecedented 99.8% of the popular vote.

Suspense

Gesamtkunstwerke

by Dan DeNicola

There isn't much doubt that anyone who saw P & W's production of Marat-Sade two weeks ago left the Opera House thoroughly entertained. Peter Weiss has written a play that is a challenge to any director's skill, but Irving Suss seems to have successfully coordinated the music, dance, mime, dialogue, and chorus of his talented cast of forty into a precisely "disorganized" Gesamtkunstwerke. Considering the multiplicity of action, one could not have asked for a much better production of a play whose effect depends so much on production.

But if one left the theatre thoroughly entertained, one might have later felt some sort of an emotional hangover. Perhaps it is Puritan guilt feelings, but one is wary of so much sheer sensory stimulation. We would like to be reassured that there is some purpose to all the noise and the blinking lights. Marat-Sade is a play of ideas, certainly, and to make ideas dramatically exciting you have to dress them up. But just what are the ideas so elaborately caparisoned in this play?

Some of the greatest works of tragedy have been concerned with the discrepancy between man's intentions and his ability to realize those intentions. The Herald's comment that "Talk's cheap, but the consequences of action are colossal" is perhaps a concise statement of the whole principle of tragedy. A man may imagine ideals, formulate plans, or plot out courses of action, but as long as he continues simply to think, his ideas are unimportant. It is only when he actively attempts to impose these ideas on his world that he can feel himself

to have any sort of meaning. The tragedy itself sprouts from the fact that, more often than not, ideas put into action become the source of a variety of horrible things, such as murder, suicide, and eye-plucking-out, which, after all, is not really what they were intended to be. The great dilemma is then, simply, to act (and perhaps destroy oneself) or not to act (and thus not to exist).

So Weiss' play sets the dilemma before us once again, with Marat starring as the Idea of Revolution, and the Reign of Terror playing the role of Idea converted to action. Weiss, however, changes things around somewhat by making this drama only a play put on by lunatics. The effect is one of alienation, certainly, though not of the Brechtian sort. (Dr. Suss quite clearly corrected this common misinterpretation by preserving the outer illusion of the insane asylum even into the curtain calls.) We are set apart from the act-or-not-act theme of the inner play in order that Sade may examine for us the whole concept of humanity which it embraces. In this outer context, then, mankind becomes a hoard of madmen, and the consequences of all his actions are doomed irrevocably to absurdity. Rationality and logic are seen to exist only in the mind; as soon as they are trans-

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Eight Days A Week

Muskie, Messiah and Sex

Friday, December 1

- 7:30 Dedication of the sculpture on the theme of the Whole Man — New Phys. Ed. Complex
- 7:30 Film Direction: "The Bailiff" — Given Aud.
- 8:30 Senior Ball — Alumni House

Saturday, December 2

- 3:00 Freshman Basketball vs. St. Francis at home
- 7:30 Varsity Hockey vs. AIC at home

Sunday, December 3

- 8:00 Christmas Concert, Colby Orchestra and Glee Club, featuring Mozart's Symphony No. 39 in E flat Major and Handel's II Pastor Fido

Runnals Union

Monday, December 4

- 4:00 A talk by Senator Edmund Muskie on "Foreign Affairs and Vietnam" — Dunn Lounge
- 8:00 Phi Beta Kappa Lecture, Frederick Hard "Some Relationships Between Poetry and Painting in 17th Century England"

Tuesday, December 5

- 7:00 Sex Lecture for Women, Dr. Dore - Given Aud.

Thursday, December 7

- 7:30 Messiah Sing — Lorimer Chapel

Friday, December 8

- 5:30 Freshman Basketball vs. No. Yarmouth - home
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"THE HOLT TRADITION GOES ON, AND ON . . ."
by Bill Burges

Now that we've returned from Thanksgiving vacation, and left fall sports behind, it's about time to take a look at the prospects for that most popular of Colby's intercollegiate sports -- varsity hockey.

Coach Charlie Holt has built a winning tradition with Colby hockey teams. The last two years, the Mule six has made the finals of the ECAC Division II post season tourney, winning the crown as Lee Potter posted a 5-0 shutout over Merrimack in 1966, and dropping a decision to the same Merrimack squad at the Alford last year.

Potter, however, has graduated. This season's Mule sextet will not only miss Potter, but high scoring defenseman Mike Self, who paced the Colbyites to two fine seasons. The services of versatile Dick Lemieux and fast, hard hitting Paul Cronin are also gone.

MANY RETURNEES

But nobody should shed tears for Coach Holt. Captain Ken Mukai heads a host of returnees and fine sophs that promise to carry on the winning Holt tradition.

There will be a new draught on tap for Colby hockey fans this season (and we don't mean that "Big John's" is finally getting Ballantine). That is, instead of the usual three-line, two-defense setup in which Holt has grouped his charges in the past, the Dartmouth graduate has a new scheme of personnel organization. The Mules will operate with three complete teams in an effort to develop more perfect teamwork. Each team, then, will be on the ice only as a unit if all goes as Holt plans.

The first unit will consist of linemen Ted Allison, Bobby Waldinger, and Bill Henrich, all seniors. The defense will be in the hands of Captain Mukai and sophomore Todd Smith.

The scoring capabilities of the Allison-Waldinger-Henrich forward wall have already been established. All three are smooth skaters and effective around the net. This line played together last year, and they know each other's moves intimately. It is from here that the heart of the Colby attack must come, making up for some of the scoring potential that left with Mike Self.

—MUKAI AND SMITH—A GOOD COMBO—

Mukai, a two year veteran, and the captain, is a cagey defender. Almost impossible to beat in a one-on-one situation, Ken will be a steadying influence on his backline mate, rough and tumble sophomore Todd Smith. Smith, who was judged one of the top fifty high school hockey prospects in the nation by a national magazine before his senior year at Wellesley, Massachusetts High School, will be a pleasant surprise to Colby hockey fans. Not only a good defender, but the possessor of an excellent shot, Todd will come as close as anyone could to filling the flying skates of the great Self.

The second unit features forwards Mark Janes and Wick Phillips, both junior lettermen, and steady senior Pete Frizzell. On defense are junior Gordie McNabb, and lanky soph Skip Wood. Based on last year's performances, the unit should also be a good one.

The linemen all enjoyed good seasons last year, and all are excellent around the net. Janes and Phillips are particular scoring threats, while Frizzell has an unusual ability to be in the right place at the right time.

—McNABB A STICKOUT—

If we were to list a standout on this unit, it would be canny Canadian Gordie McNabb. Gordie was a member of Holt's first line as a sophomore last year, but when injuries forced him to defense, the versatile skater proved to be equally adept to the backline. A cool customer under pressure, McNabb will be a good partner for the sophomore Wood, who showed unusual promise as a freshman last year.

The third unit will probably see considerably less ice time than the first two, and thus is likely to see some personnel changes as the season progresses. Fighting for spots on this unit are juniors Bob "Hawk" Anthony, Jimmy Patch, and Pete Hoffman. Sophs Andy Hayashi and Jack Wood are also in the thick of the battle for lineup spots, as are others. Hoffmann, who plays both forward and defense, as does Patch, could prove to be particularly useful as a wing man if injuries impair the effectiveness of any member of the first two alignments.

The goal will be able manned by sophomore Dan Timmons and junior Greg Eggleston. Both have looked good at times and the possibility still remains that they will share the duties. In any event, Holt has two competent netminders with which to replace the departed Potter.

Strangely enough, this observer sees scoring as the biggest potential trouble spot for the Mules. Much of the goal-getting success of last year's squad was caused by the extreme attention the opposition had to pay Self. The burly Canadian was always a threat to bust through from his defense spot. At times, it looked as if Colby was playing an entire game with four forwards and Mukai back on defense.

The squad has looked fairly impressive in scrimmages, however. It is a poised, veteran outfit that should enjoy a successful campaign.

Hoopsters Open Season Tonight; Appear Strong If Sophs Jell

by Jay Gallagher

Coach Ed Burke's varsity basketball team opens its regular season tonight at St. Anselm's. Co-captains Alex Palmer and Joe Jabbar lead the Mules into a year which will hopefully mark an upswing in the fortunes of Colby basketball.

The most encouraging sign to Coach Burke so far has been the spirit and hustle displayed by every member of his large (13-man) squad. His senior-laden team seems more than anxious to bounce back from last year's 4-19 season.

Offensively, Burke is looking for a more balanced attack this year in order to remove some of the pressure from high-scoring forward Alex Palmer (6-3). He believes that his other four starters, Bob Aisner (6-4), Walt Young (6-4), Joe Jabbar (6-0), and Dan Demers (5-11) along with oft-used sub-

stitutes Jay Dworkin (5-11) and Pete Bogle (6-6), possess the scoring potential to make a diversified attack possible. Such an offense would allow Palmer to play a better all-around game.

Hustle is the cornerstone of a good defense, and Burke looks for an improvement in this department. He considers his team to be in fine shape, capable of playing tough defense for the entire game. Guards Gary Weaver (5-10) and Jeff Hannon (6-0) especially are being looked to for many strong defensive efforts.

However, the Colby coach realizes that hustle, spirit, and a balanced attack don't mean much if you can't get the ball. Rebounding holds the key to a respectable season for the Mules. Bob Aisner,

Walt Young, and Pete Bogle are being heavily leaned on in this department. They form the heart of the defense and the sparkplug of the offense. Burke hopes to run a lot, something which is impossible without good boards. And a defense cannot hold up if the opposition keeps getting the ball. It is hoped that John Bubbar (6-2), Ron Eldridge (6-3), Dal Levick (6-2), and Ken Stead (6-3) will provide depth for the rebounding corps.

Burke is guardedly optimistic about the up-coming season, looking for improvement in every phase of the game. But he realizes that his club can only go as far as its board strength will take it, and how far this will be is hard to say until the Mules face a team of equal or greater height.

Varsity Sports for 2 Years

Harriers 4th at IC4A's

Colby's varsity and freshman cross country teams both had one of the outstanding days in the annals of the college's athletic history as the varsity placed fourth among 31 teams and the frosh were fifth among 25 teams in the IC4A championships at Van Cortlandt

Park in New York City on November 20.

The IC4A meet is the largest in the East, and Colby's high placement brought much recognition to the school, especially when one considers that this is only the second year that Colby has had a varsity cross country squad.

Only Springfield, Temple, and LaSalle placed higher than Colby's varsity in the team standings. The Mules beat such schools as MIT (which beat Colby in a triangular meet Homecoming Weekend), Delaware, St. Joseph's, Colgate, Morgan State, and Tufts (another loss revenge).

Sebs Mamo, Colby's top man, was again second to New England champion Ambrose Burfoot of Wesleyan. Burfoot was recently named in the Boston Herald as America's number one long distance runner. Ken Borchers, 49th the week before in the New England meet, was an astonishing 24th as he ran the greatest meet of his life.

Tom Maynard, the lone junior on this year's squad, was a strong 30th. Bob French, 66th in the New England, was 44th. And Shoeless Phil Morgan, the Hawaiian who never ran cross-country before this year, was 101st.

The freshmen, led by Gary Burfoot in 14th, continued their domination of New England colleges as their closest competitor, Springfield, was 52 points behind.

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Fall Frosh Finish 15-4

by Jay Gallagher

Colby's fall freshman sports teams compiled an impressive record of 15 wins and 4 defeats. Coaches Weinbel, Dunklee, and McGee are eagerly awaiting the athletes who made this record possible to become eligible for varsity competition.

For the third successive year, the freshman cross-country team went undefeated in dual meets. Gary Burfoot, Bob Wilson, and Ernie Simpson led the junior harriers to ten successive wins, (including the Easterns) and excellent showings in the New England and the IC4A championships in New York. Paul Liming, Joe Greeman, and Fred Copithorn also proved themselves to be dedicated as well as talented runners. These boys should help to continue the rapid improvement of the varsity team next year.

The yearling soccer team lost only to Bowdoin (1-0) in six contests as they defeated Maine, Bates, Thomas, UNH, and Hebron. The potent Mule attack featured an overpowering first line, which averaged two goals a game. Center-forward John White scored four, while insides Bill Buckner and Dennis Hartung had three apiece. Part-time right wing Roger Foster contributed two goals.

Sparkling the offense, although failing to score, was Nigerian Frank Apantaku. He was all over the field for the Mule defense, which also featured strong play by the goalie King Lambert and full-back Norm Parsells. It appears that next year's sophomores will add the scoring punch which was so desperately lacking this year.

The team that needs the most help will apparently get the least. The frosh football team lost decisively to Andover and Exeter and was edged by Bowdoin while trouncing the University of Maine.

Offensively, rangy quarterback and co-captain Mike Smith threw effectively all season, most often to split end Dennis Cameron. Ron Lupton and Scott Thomas did the bulk of the ball-carrying. Co-captain Bill Agrella led an aggressive aggregate of linemen, which also included defensive standouts Ken Bigelow and Bob Uhle.

Varsity Football

At the varsity football team's break-up dinner last week, senior co-captain Dan Libby was named Most Valuable Player. Libby, an offensive guard and defensive tackle, was named to the ECAC Division III Team-of-the-Week recently for his effort in Colby's victory over Maine Maritime.

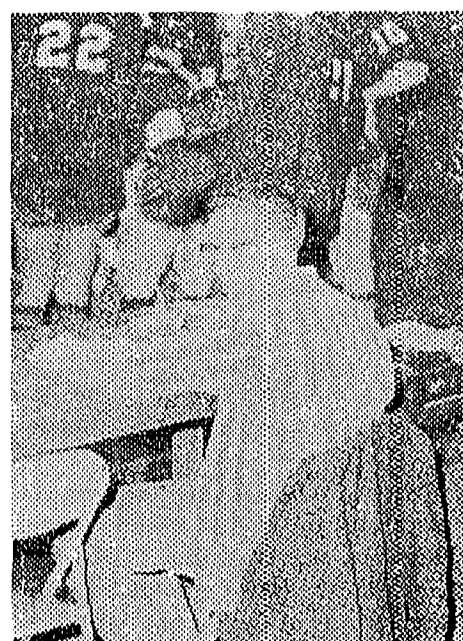
Dave Noonan, a junior from Wellesley, Mass., was elected captain of the 1968 team. Noonan, originally a defensive tackle, was moved by Coach Dick McGee to linebacker near the end of the season. In the Bowdoin game, Noonan was responsible for 21 unassisted or assisted tackles.

Bill Revett of Bellmore, N. Y., was selected as the Most Improved Player over the past two seasons. A junior quarterback, he was called upon to take over as Colby's number one signal-caller when regular quarterback Ed Woodin was injured early in the season.

Steve Saparito, a sophomore who did not play freshman ball for Colby, came out this year and became one of the stars of the defensive backfield. For this, he was named Most Improved Player this season.



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President's Column

by Robert E. L. Strider

I have mentioned the importance of the Alumni, and the obligation of the President of Colby to keep in touch with them and visit them at their meetings. Some of you may have wondered why this is so important. Let me try to explain.

It is perfectly true that there are some Colby alumni who simply could not care less whether they ever hear of the college again after they graduate. It is probably not an appreciable percentage. But even if it is very small it is most regrettable that there should be any. Students at Colby should know that whatever the costs of modern higher education in private institutions, a substantial percentage of the cost is met by the college, thanks to the devotion, sacrifice, and generosity of thousands of people, practically all of them unknown to this generation of students. If a student has had a scholarship it is an even higher percentage. Total indifference to the future of Colby on the part of any member of its alumni, scholarship recipient or not, is not simply regrettable, but it is inexcusable. Every Colby student has been the beneficiary of some hidden subsidy.

Fortunately, large numbers of the alumni are grateful and interested, and many of them have translated their devotion and interest into various kinds of service to the college; work for the Alumni Council and its committees, tangible gifts to the college (the necessarily modest ones are just as valuable to the institution as the large ones), notes to the Alumni Office to keep the college up to date on everyone's whereabouts, and the many concerned letters of encouragement or approval, advice or criticism. All of these manifestations are important to Colby.

MORE THAN 30 CLUBS

There are more than thirty established alumni clubs, from San Francisco to Aroostook County in northern Maine. There are other clusters of Colby alumni who get together from time to time, including Seattle and San Diego and Honolulu, Dallas and Houston, Chicago and Detroit, Cleveland and Pittsburg, London and Tokyo. The metropolitan centers of the east -- Washington, Philadelphia, northern New Jersey, New York, Hartford, Springfield, Worcester, Providence, Boston -- all have active and well-organized alumni clubs. Maine has at least ten, and throughout the rest of the east there are a number of extremely interested informal organizations. Every year the Colby Club of Rockland, Maine, has a wonderful pot-luck supper, with a splendid turnout of young and old (including Uncle Albert Robinson, class of 1893, now 98 years old, the oldest living Colby graduate, who never misses a meeting). One of the most devoted of Colby alumni clubs is the one in St. Petersburg, Florida, an enthusiastic group of retired men and women who meet each month all through the winter.

Now obviously, Mrs. Strider and I could spend the year doing little else but visit these groups. But there are too many other demands, and we have to put our visits to alumni groups on a cyclical schedule, except for those few that we try our utmost to visit every year. If we cannot go ourselves someone from the college should visit every one, except for those at great distance. You have no idea how important it is for the alumni, especially those who do not get back often to Mayflower Hill, to hear a first-hand report, see a few pictures, ask a few questions. There are many members of the faculty and administrative staff who, along with Sid Farr, the Alumni Secretary, have visited these groups and spoken to them. As far as I am concerned, the more this kind of thing can be done, the better. But these groups of people are also entitled to hear the President of the college every few years too, and some of them every year. That is why it is important for me, accompanied as often as possible by Mrs. Strider, to take the time to travel to their localities.

There is also an important organization with whom we try to work constantly, the Alumni Council. This is a large group, with representation from each class and from different geographical areas, along with some members elected at large. The committees of the Council do all kinds of important work through the year, and the entire Council has meetings at Homecoming in the fall at Colby, in Boston during the winter, and at Colby during the June reunion weekend, as well as a committee workshop session in August. I consider it important to attend personally these meetings.

To sum up what I have been saying, the alumni are exceedingly important. Their activities represent an accounting for another important bloc of presidential time. Those of us who are charged with the responsibility of managing the affairs of the college respect the views of the alumni and try to keep them informed, and they deserve no less. In turn, the college deserves no less than their continuing support and encouragement. And we welcome their criticism and their suggestions. Every under-graduate will some day be an alumnus or alumna, and I hope all of you who are now undergraduates will regard your responsibility as a member of the alumni body as a serious commitment. The interest and support of the alumni body is one of the measures of the viability of the program in any college. Furthermore, the alumni have helped the college grow in strength over a century and a half. Their increasingly substantial contribution to the Annual Fund for Continuing Achievement, now well over half a million dollars every year, has delineated the margin that helps determine whether the college is doing a merely adequate job or one that has distinction. There is no reason to think the Alumni of Colby will not continue to give their assistance and encouragement to the college in this way and in many others.

Deans' Statement On Alcohol

Because of the recent change in the laws of Maine, and because of the many rule changes occurring on campus this semester, the Student Deans -- with the endorsement of the Interfraternity Council, the Campus Affairs Committee, and the Student Government -- make the following statement concerning the use of alcoholic beverages on the college campus.

Not only does the statement of the Student Government Handbook concerning the Maine State Law still hold, but also we are informed by the college's legal counsel that as of the April 24, 1967 addition to the law, there is no legal way for a minor to drink alcoholic beverages on the college campus unless his parent or guardian is physically present. The Deans do not want, nor are they legally bound, to act as law enforcement agents. We will, however, cooperate with law enforcement agents when called upon to do so. The college has no agreement with en-

forcement agents regarding either the prosecution or protection of students under the law. Violators of the law must accept individual responsibility for their actions and cannot expect the college to provide them with immunity from prosecution.

In summary: to meet its obligations under the law, the college cannot knowingly procure or in any way aid or assist in procuring liquor; or furnish, give or deliver liquor to a minor.

There are, of course, many students at the college who are old enough to drink alcoholic beverages legally. While we do not want to interfere unduly with their rights and privileges, we do feel the need for regulations concerning drinking in order to maintain a certain amount of decorum and order on college grounds. To this end, no alcoholic beverages are permitted (1) in any academic building, (2) at any athletic contest, (3) out-of-doors on any part of the campus,

(4) at the Outing Club, (5) at an all-college functions.

Requests for permission to use alcoholic beverages in the Robert and Rummals Unions and in public lounges of dormitories for organized, planned social events will be considered by the Deans' office but no drinking may occur in these locations without prior approval by the Deans. Violations of these college regulations will be dealt with through the appropriate judicial organs of the college.

Furthermore, we believe it is imprudent to construct, maintain or provide bars or other units for the dispensing of alcoholic beverages to minors in fraternities or dormitories. We recognize that the facilities are not in themselves undesirable but that their presence encourages the illegal dispensing, sale and purchase of alcoholic drinks.

Students must accept responsibility for their behavior while drinking, as at other times. Being under the influence of alcohol does not lessen the culpability of a student who violates any campus regulation. We expect students to conduct themselves, in drinking as in other matters, as mature and responsible human beings. The college will work with groups to alleviate the problems inherent in the abuse of alcohol.

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First LSD Baby?

A British medical journal, "Lancet", recently reported the birth of the first "LSD baby." Both the baby and the mother (the latter having taken LSD four times during pregnancy) showed severe chromosome breakage, and doctors attributed it to LSD as there had been no previous breakage in the family. The child was born with one leg shorter than the other, and the leg was attached to the hip at an odd angle. The baby also had only three toes.

To the Editor:

As a Colby female I am compelled to report the real reason why the Colby male is not permitted to visit the rooms in Dana Hall. He cannot be trusted in such an erotic atmosphere. From the window's outward view you may have noticed the unassuming beige curtains and the Thayer green walls. The rooms appear to be quite innocent. What you see are actually painted cardboard sheets which hide from peering eyes the real debauched atmosphere of Dana.

As an example, I shall describe my own room. The crimson light fixtures cast an eerie hue on the black lace curtains and leopard skin wallpaper. If you have noticed many girls studying in the library, it is not surprising in view of the fact that the rooms in Dana have no desks, just huge beds, upon which are spread pink satin sheets stamped "Gordon Linen." The remainder of the space is occupied by a well equipped built-in bar.

Really now, how can you expect to carry on a decent conversation in such unscholarly surroundings? A young woman bringing a man to her room would be talking unfair advantage. His thoughts would inevitably turn to unmentionable subjects, perhaps, even to sex.

You must realize that it is out of real interest and regard for the moral integrity of Colby men that they are not allowed in Dana.

So how about sneaking us into your rooms?

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HARRIER'S 4th

(Continued from Page Four)

Bob Wilson, who ran second to Bunfoot all year as the frosh went undefeated in dual meets for the third straight season, was 16th. Paul Liming ran his finest race of the year, and came in 24th, while Ernie Simpson was 30th. Joe Greenman, despite a severe ankle injury, was 56th, and Fred Copithorn was 100th.

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ies Conferences being scheduled in various eastern cities during the Christmas holiday season. A schedule of these conferences is posted in the Placement Office.

GESAMTKUNSTWERKE (Continued from Page Three) slated into the world of events, they explode into insanity. Thus Weiss attempts to demonstrate the futility of all action (including the action of refusing to act) in a world of uncontrollable consequences. He stands behind Sade in the final scene, laughing as he overlooks the senseless, shouting activity of mankind.

But the whole statement rings hollow. Weiss tries to dissociate himself from humanity in this play. He proclaims himself to be apart from mankind, as Sade stands apart from his drama, and from this position he denies the very

significance of choice between action and non-action since he sees the consequences of both to be equally absurd. But it is a silly, if not cowardly position, occupied for the most part by disillusioned adolescents who go around humming "I am a Rock." The nobility of men, and the confirmation of their existence lies, not in the futility of expediency of their actions, but in the simple fact that they do involve themselves, that they do put their ideas into action and do accept the consequences that follow.

Beneath the noise and tumult of Marat Sade there really isn't much of a superstructure. It may be great histrionics to have madmen up and down the aisles, but the cynicism and despair upon which they dance are hardly pertinent ideas worthy of all that "total theatre." When we go to see a play, we want, first

of all, to be entertained. One gets the feeling, however, that the theatre should offer us a little more than just entertainment. If it fails to move us with some human predicament, we might expect it to provide us with some stimulating idea. Unfortunately, Marat-Sade remains just entertainment.

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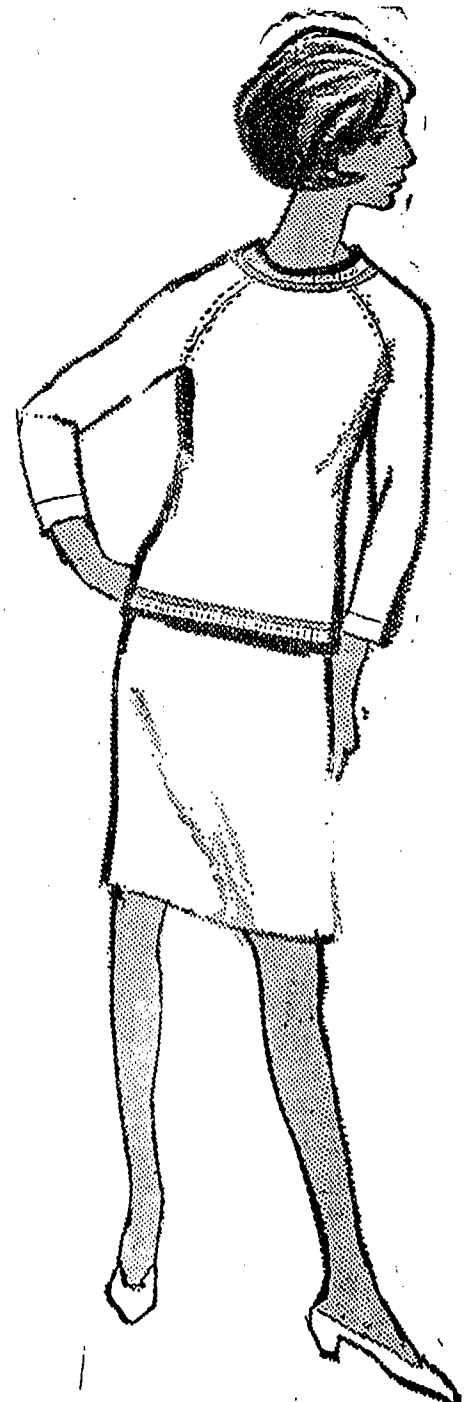
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sweaters, or 4 men's suits, or 3 ladies' suits, or 3
topcoats, or 8 trousers. or 9 dresses.

Laundry washed, dried and folded

20c lb.