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EDITORIALS

AAUP Inquiry

The ECHO welcomes the announcement that the AAUP has begun an examination of the implications of last week's ECHO article "Coincidence or Intention?" The issues and questions raised by the article deserve a thorough and open discussion by all members of the college community.

President Strider, commenting on the ECHO's article, is quoted as saying: "what a faculty member says is his own business so long as it's responsible." We find this a surprising interpretation of the individual's right of free speech. The concept of responsibility is a subjective consideration and does not have any connection with the exercise of free speech. Advocacy of peace in Vietnam may be considered by some as an irresponsible position but it is within one's constitutional rights to advance such an argument. The President's interpretation of free expression is significant and should be kept in mind in any discussion of college hiring and firing policy.

Stu-G's Proposal

We disagree with Stu-G's decision to amend Proposal 1 according to the suggestion of the trustees. The issue is this: either Proposal 1 is a good idea or it is not a good idea. 1,000 people signed a petition supporting Proposal 1 as it stood. We believe that this is a mandate for accepting the proposal unamended. The question of ultimate authority, i.e. Presidential power vs. student power is a red herring and should not be at issue. Few people question the right of the President's ultimate authority. The point is that a proposal has been made to allow living units to establish their own social rules. The question is is the proposal reasonable or is it not? Other colleges such as Bowdoin and Vassar have recently established rules leaving social regulations at the discretion of the individual.

The President and Stu-G should reject the amendment and accept the original proposal as a sensible and reasonable suggestion. Leaving the proposal amended means that three months work will largely have been to no purpose.

Credit Due

Credit should be given where credit is due. We think that the faculty deserves praise for its decision to decrease the total number of hours required for graduation and to reduce substantially distribution requirements. The intellectual quality of students' total education is raised as the student is allowed greater opportunity to pursue study in fields of his special interest. The faculty acted wisely in anticipating a generally felt need for change.

Echo Goes Wet

In the spring of 1968 an event took place which went largely unnoticed; the ECHO editorial board, then under Peter Jost, voted unanimously to accept liquor ads. The fruits of this forgotten act have now come to light: today the ECHO, to our knowledge for the first time in its history, publishes an advertisement for beer.

Cover by Robert Thrun

SUBJECTS SHORT

A.M. Maramarco

As Oscar Hammerstein once said: Spring has sprung. And so many and varied are the signs of regenerated life on the Colby College campus. Dr. Suss' dog has rediscovered the small and accommodating spruces and firs in front of Miller Library, all too much in need of spring fertilization. The picturesque boardwalk spanning the chapel lawn has served as a water table ever since the snow melted -- it is just now emerging from a few inches of water. There are the early tanners on the Dana and Mary Low roofs, the lazy buffs on the library lawn, lucky enough to catch a glimpse of Colby's Steve McQueen, Mr. Knatz and his cycle. However, as sunny as things look, there are still the pessimists who will tell you to go down to Johnson Pond . . . it hasn't unfrozen yet.

And spring ushers in the infamous, so they tell me, government comps. Sitting in the Spa can become quite an experience with the Government comps going on next door. Ask the people who had the pleasure to hear

Debbie Tucker upon the completion and subsequent good rating of her test. That was quite a scream, Debbie, but congratulations!

Colby big weekends (big weekends?) have undergone changes in the past, and this year's could be the most revolutionary, if not the most hilarious, of all modern day innovations. Seems that our Spring Weekend, in addition to the Greek Sing contest, which on the fraternity part is enough to make the judges turn pale, will also sport a "Greek God" contest. From my third hand sources, the girls will vote for the Goddy Body put up by each of our brawny fraternities. So girls, vote for the bod of your choice this coming week-end.

I can see it all now: the Colby College Board of Trustees meeting, Fifth Avenue, 26 floors up . . . and who should be the student beneficiaries of this two-day work and meeting period but Henry Thompson and Ben Kravitz, looking none too inconspicuous among our big brothers. But word from Henry and Ben is that their welcome was cordial and that the Board's receptivity to

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letters to the editor

FREEDOM AND RESPONSIBILITY: A CHALLENGE TO CONSCIENCE

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Student life at Colby College used to be analogous to a village with its ministers. Then, it became a town -- a one industry town -- with its intellectual and spiritual oligarchy. Now, it is like a city of infinite variety. True, one will find less sense of community here than in the village, but also less sense of confinement. There is also less sense of purpose than within the town, but there are more ways for everyone to excel. You identify less with the total community and more with its sub-groups. Teaching is less central and the faculty members along

with the students are more becoming a full participating group for society. In particular, the student has a choice of roles and mixtures of roles to suit his taste and not a single choice of roles to look forward to wearing.

What are the results of this revolution? Is Colby College relevant to the needs of a private liberal arts college? Should the students have been allowed to stay in the chapel? Do we need to call in the military or police to help run things? To try and answer these questions would be destroying the reason why they exist at this time. Certainly, Colby College has been inconsistent internally in its policy and aims, but at the same time it has been consistently productive externally. New freedoms have been gained by all groups. Out of these freedoms, there has emerged a new morality that appears to be built around the individual's personal conscience. This personal conscience requires one personally to evaluate the gravity of a positive law rather

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The major focus of radicals on many of the nation's campuses this spring is the role which ROTC (Reserved Officers Training Corps) has in a liberal arts college. There had been debates on this subject for several years, but talk did not produce action until several Ivy League Schools, namely Dartmouth and Yale, decided to remove Academic credit from their ROTC programs. Since that time, the faculties of several other institutions have voted to withdraw credit from the military programs.

The status of ROTC units is now being seriously questioned in Maine colleges. Bowdoin College plan to negotiate with the Army to eliminate academic credit for its ROTC program. Colby students and faculty members have questioned the role of Colby's Air Force ROTC unit.

Why is ROTC at Colby? The College's publication "About Colby" says the following: "A liberal arts college prepares for living in a complicated world. During the coming years certain human beings will probably be called upon to make fateful decisions affecting not only the welfare but perhaps even the survival of the human race. Because some of these men will surely be officers of the United States Air Force, it is essential that these decisions be reached by men who can make judgements not only in the context of military and political necessity, but also in the full perspective of human history and culture.

"One who is convinced of man's dignity, revealed through many centuries of his existence, creative expression and intellectual manifestation, and who is capable of judgement, is unlikely to make a decision that might imperil the human race.

"For this reason, Colby includes, as part of its liberal arts program, a series of courses leading to commissions, under a voluntary ROTC training plan, in the United States Air Force."

The Air Force ROTC unit at Colby is officially treated like any other

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department of the college. It is housed in a College building, and its secretary is paid for by the College, it receives a budget like any other department. Students taking AFROTC courses receive full credit toward graduation requirements. The instructors of AFROTC courses participate fully as members of the faculty, serving on faculty committees, and having votes in the faculty meetings. Further the commanding officer must be given according to law the rank of professor.

The officers teaching the courses at Colby are paid by the Air Force. They come here on a tour of duty for a period of from three to four years. They are assigned to Colby from the Air University, at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama, the headquarters of all College AFROTC programs. The officers stationed at Colby have varied backgrounds covering all aspects of Air Force service. Officers detailed to Colby must receive a prior approval of the college, and no Air Force Officers assigned here can be continued if the college has requested his release.

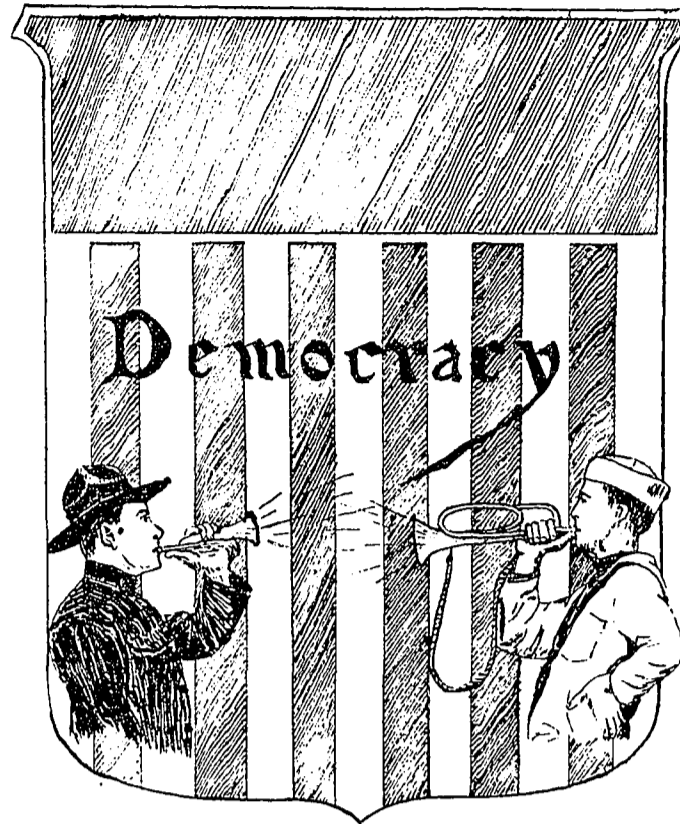
The six courses which are taught in the AFROTC program at Colby are put out by Air University, at Maxwell Air Force Base. Each individual instructor is required to follow the basic core, but he can alter the readings at his own discretion. The officers presently detached to Colby feel that they must make six courses which are being offered as academically challenging, as any other course offered at Colby.

In order for academic credit to be given to an AFROTC course, it must receive approval by the Educational Policy Committee, although a course of some sort must eventually be given credit because of contract specifications. Students taking AFROTC courses receive credit only for the academic courses they take, not for marching, etc.

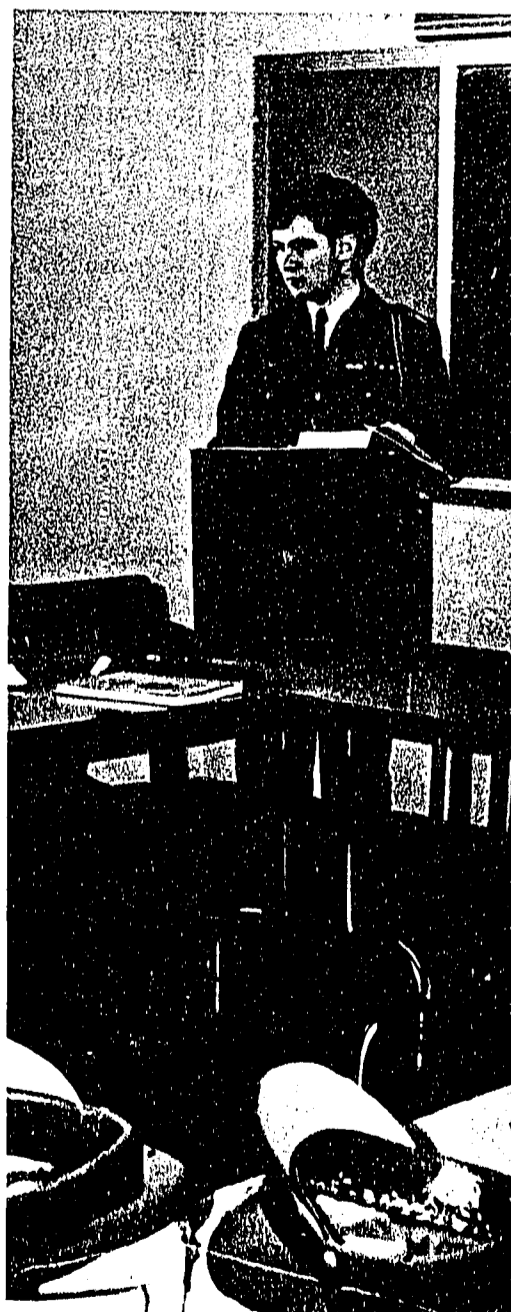
There are actually two programs of Air Force ROTC, a two year program, and a four year program. The four year program requires the student to pursue the General Military Course of Aerospace Studies during his Freshman and Sophomore years. Students in this course meet two hours per week for combined classroom and corps training. Qualified students enroll in the Professional Officer Course for their junior and senior years. The Professional Officer Course meets three classroom hours each week. Cadets are required to devote an additional hour each week to corps training.

Students who wish to participate in the two year program must pass the Officer Qualifying test in their sophomore year, then must spend six weeks between their sophomore and junior years at an Air Force Base.

The student who successfully completes the Air Force ROTC requirements will be commissioned a second lieutenant at graduation. Following graduation,



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he may or may not qualify for flight training. If he does decide to become a pilot, he will serve for five years, if not, he will serve for four years. These are the same amounts of time a graduate of Officer Candidate School is required to serve.

Since the program became voluntary there has been no drop in commissions which remains at about fifteen per year although the total number enrolled in the program has dropped from around 300 to 100. This may be due to the quota system. The Air Force gets 4,500 officers per year through its AFROTC program excluding those graduating from the Air Force Academy. The Officers Training School is used only to augment this number. These 4,500 officers are received as quotas from various areas in the United States. Colby is in an area which involves 19 schools. This area has a quota of anticipated commissioned officers each year and this quota is broken down into smaller quotas.

One advantage that the Air Force ROTC graduates have over other students is, that after graduation, they may attend graduate school, without fear of being drafted. While in Grad School, the inactive Air Force Officer will continue to receive his \$50.00 per month allowance that he received in his last two years at Colby. Upon the completion of his work in Grad School, the officer will go on active duty, serving the period he would have served had he gone into the service after graduation. The Air Force will pay for the student's Grad School if he will agree to serve an extra period of time after receiving his advanced degree.

There are two main arguments in favor of continuing AFROTC at Colby and other "liberal" institutions: The first is that given above in the "About Colby" statement. Essentially the same argument is presented by President Strider in a pamphlet entitled "Colby College's Officer Candidate Program, Air Force ROTC." The second argument is that if Colby were to drop the AFROTC program, Colby's quota could have to be obtained from some other source, since, according to our AFROTC officers, there are a large number of schools presently without AFROTC programs which would like the program. These schools are largely in the South or are colleges specializing in technical subjects,

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P & W

The Colby College Powder & Wig production of "Macbeth" at the Waterville Opera House April 25 and 26 will be a multi-media experience. Audio and visual effects are to be used at many points during the play to enhance Shakespeare's supernatural ambience and to enlarge the visual scope of the battle scenes that lead to the downfall of the hero.

With an elaborate system of loudspeakers sound crew headed by Jon Barrett will surround the audience with a conglomeration of sounds to engulf them in the experience of the drama. At other moments during the play, the sound effects will be specifically directional.

Vocal distortion chambers and other electronic means will create non-human sounds for supernatural characters, and a variety of created sounds, some of them electronic, some of them displacements of real sounds, will also be heard.

A special photographic crew under the direction of Fred Osborne and Rusty Harris is completing work on projected visual effects. Both still and motion picture projections will be used. By a variety of photographic means, including refraction and superimposition, sometimes with still images and images in motion working simultaneously, and sometimes with a battery of projectors functioning in sequence, a new dimension will be added to Shakespeare's ageless play.

Some of the visual effects will play upon a transparent curtain, while others will focus on the background or upon disappearing surfaces in the middle ground.

Tickets for the play are on sale by mail, or at the Colby Spa and at Canaan House in Waterville at \$1.50 each.

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i.e. engineering schools. If there were enough schools similar to Colby which dropped the program, it is argued that the complexion of the officers in the Air Force would change towards a more conservative outlook.

The arguments against continuing the program are several, but the main argument lies in questioning the place of the military in an academic institution. To those who oppose ROTC the corporate outlook of the military in today's society is not what they desire. This side sees a vast growing military-industrial complex which appears not to be stopped by the influx of "liberal minded" officers. Therefore, they see no weight in the argument for continuing the program.

Presently the EPC is concerning itself with this issue; should AFROTC at Colby continue to be given academic credit or not. Should the EPC decide against continuing AFROTC in its present status, it would require faculty acceptance and negotiations would have to be made between the college and the Air Force, since, under the present contract with the Air Force, AFROTC must be a part of the curriculum.

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AAUP to Probe Colby Firings

The Colby Chapter of the A.A.U.P. announced Monday that it is beginning an examination of the "serious implications of last week's (ECHO) article 'Coincidence or Intention?'" The statement read as follows: "The Executive and Grievance Committees of the Colby Chapter of the American Association of University Professors are currently examining the serious implications of last week's article 'Coincidence or Intention?'" When completed, a report will be made to the entire college community." It was signed, Executive Committee of the Colby AAUP: Prof. Patrick Brancaccio, Prof. Donaldson Koons, Prof. William B. Miller, Prof. Colin Mackay, Prof. Frederick Geib, Prof. Harold Pestana.



Professor Brancaccio, President of the Colby Chapter of the AAUP, declined any further comment on the issues raised by the ECHO article. "The statement will have to stand for my comment," he said. It is not known whether the AAUP will concern itself with particular firings or with college employment practices in general. Professor Brancaccio said that he could not estimate when the AAUP could be expected to conclude its examination. Mr. Brancaccio said that he did not know when the first meeting of the whole Chapter would be held. AAUP meetings are not open to the public.

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Proposal ONE

stu-g votes to back trustees

Henry Thompson and Ben Kravits went to New York on Saturday April 12 to explain the campus situation to the board of trustees, and specifically to present the student stand on proposal one. On April 14, Henry and Ben presented their summary of what went on on Fifth Avenue to Stu G. In essence, the board of trustees "reaffirmed their belief of the structure of Colby College", and determined to support the president and any decision he may make regarding campus life. The decisions on the proposals, then, do not lie with the trustees, but with President Strider. Ben Kravits noted at the Stu-G meeting that the president's hesitancy could be attributed to the fact that the trustees can fire him; therefore it was thought that he wanted to feel out their thoughts before making any statements.

The trustees, described as "interested and receptive" by the two students, expressed the desire that something be shown "to indicate that the administration has some authority over the living units." Some present at the Stu-G meeting felt that this idea was in direct contradiction with the essence of the proposal. Henry Thompson pointed out that RELS can delegate authority, as he has done by making some jobs the duty of the deans; but "he cannot delegate responsibility." The

trustees had two suggestions regarding proposal one, the first being that the phrase "in accordance with the charter of the college" be added to the proposal so that the entire proposal would read: "The residents of each living unit shall have the sole right to establish any and all regulation governing the social actions with that living unit in accordance with civil law and in accordance with the charter of the college. Each living unit shall create its own subsidiary." The second suggestion was that a board made up of students, faculty, and administrators of undetermined ratio be set up to "look over the rules that the dorms decide on". Under either of these amendments, the president would be able to reject whatever individual living units decide upon. The trustees feel that the president's responsibility for actions on campus is an integral part of the institution.

During the Stu-G meeting, much discussion about the implications of these two suggestions took place. Some people questioned whether or not the president's authority actually did extend into the living units. One student pointed out that the only mention of authority in the charter was Sec. 7 which stated that "the corporation shall have the right to set up reasonable rules and reasonable punishments according to the laws of the state of Maine." Obviously, accurate

interpretations of this section and all its implications is an area for lawyers. Jeff Parness was vehement in his objections to the second suggestion, claiming that such a board was unnecessary and would only result in stalling the real aim of autonomy in proposal

one. Another student agreed with Parness, but added that the addition of the "charter phrase" might serve to force the president to give substantive reasons for any rejections he makes and thus get the arbitrary decisions out of the social rules of Colby. These and many other views were presented.

Henry Thompson asked for a show of hands to indicate feelings about what direction the committee on proposal one should aim at, if RELS should return the proposal for further deliberation. By a straw vote of 18 to 1, Stu-G representatives and officers approved the addition of the phrase "in accordance with the charter of the college". By about a two-thirds majority they similarly approved the idea of working toward the establishment of a representative review board to consider the rules made up by the dorms. The one third voting against this suggestion felt that such a board would be pointless since the ultimate authority would still be with the president. Those that voted for the board felt that such a board would be able to influence the ultimate decisions and that the student initiative evident in such a suggestion would indicate the willingness of the students to accept administrative responsibilities.



PRESIDENT SCORES ECHO

President Strider, when asked for his reaction to "Coincidence of Intention?" the article on Colby's personnel policy, stated that "The article was inaccurate and characterized by misleading innuendoes." The President said that in all of its policy regarding the faculty, Colby adheres strictly to the American Association of University Professors (AAUP). "I agree with the principles of the AAUP," says President Strider, "and in view of this, I believe that what a faculty member says his own business, so long as it's responsible."

"It may not be generally understood," says the President, "that in any college that tries to develop a good faculty, it's less the exception than the rule for the younger faculty members to move around, so that there is a lot of automatic turnover." On this point, Dean Johnson, the Dean of Students, says that the decision about whether a faculty member should stay or leave is made on the advice of the departmental heads, and depends of departmental balance and a need for a continuous flow of new people. He also pointed out, in agreement with President Strider, that in keeping every faculty member long enough to be granted tenure, too great a commitment would be made by the college. Also, both men expressed the opinion that in some cases (although not necessarily for those mentioned in the previous article), young professors need urging to go someplace where they can complete their doctorates or gain teaching experience in other kinds of institutions.

President Strider stressed that the "most damaging aspect of the article" was in the personal references to specific professors. He said, "When decisions are made to keep or release a faculty member, the reasons are not, and should not be made public. What it comes down to is that the process is delicate and

complicated, that it is pursued at Colby with scrupulous care, and that the reasons for a professor's dismissal are never made public."

Dean Johnson emphasized the fact that none of the decisions referred to in "Coincidence or Intention?" were recent; that some were made last fall and some



several years ago. He explained that the decisions are normally made in the fall, in conjunction with departmental meetings, and that under the AAUP, a college has the obligation to inform the professor involved at least one full year in advance. Colby ordinarily allows two years instead of the minimum of one. He admitted that this has disadvantages as well as advantages for the faculty member, because while two years' notice enabled him to make a thorough investigation of possibilities for reemployment, it also means that he must remain at the college for as long as that period without being able to "put his roots in any deeper than they are presently," or to establish himself and his family.

Dean Johnson stated that for sabbaticals and other benefits to be used as rewards would destroy the morale of the college. He thinks that an earlier sabbatical,

not coinciding with the seven-year term required for tenure, would be a good idea.

Missing in last week's article, said Dean Johnson, was mention of the Academic Council's role in personnel policy. Dean Johnson said that the Academic Council, composed of the full professors at Colby, advises the President on promotion and tenure. They have delegated the remainder of their authority to the general faculty. President Strider says he always listens to the advice of the Academic council, and goes by it almost without exception.

Dean Johnson further allowed the truth of the statement made by one of the teachers who has been asked to leave, to the effect that the faculty hardly ever choose to leave Colby; he said that professors usually are pleased with their students here. But, he said it is not unusual to have the turnover that is occurring this year.

As far as pressure in favor of Administrative policy, Dean Johnson stated that there must be a consensus towards some policy, or "the college will be like a centipede lying in a ditch with its legs running in different directions." He and President Strider agreed that when a college changes direction, as it seems to be doing, it must change with care or some people might be lost in the process.

In reference to the ECHO's statement that "people who agitate for debate are constrained to silence or forced to leave", the Dean of Faculty said that if Colby's policy were to hire only "safe", non-liberal faculty, it could easily be done. The President said, "I am glad to say we have a very individualistic faculty and administration; I really don't know what they're talking about."

President Strider commented that he went to "as many of the Religious Convocation meetings as I could, and I liked

the convocation." He indicated that he viewed the basic spirit of involvement at Colby this year, misdirected as it often has been, he said, as an improvement in the college's atmosphere. Dean Johnson also said that the views presented at discussions such as the recent ones are informative and valuable, and that without them the campus attitude would be unbalanced. Dean Johnson added that an "administrative dilemma" was the question of how much class time is appropriate for the debate of contemporary issues."



Dean Johnson's answer to the title, "Coincidence or Intention?" was simply, "Coincidence". According to this member of the administration, then, the article contained basic truths, although it was slanted in tone. President Strider seemed to see no value in the article as it read.

St. AUGUSTINE EXCHANGE



A Colby student remarked that this year there seemed to be less exploitation of the students' blackness and more involvement of the students as persons. The visitors seemed to spend most of their time with the few black students at Colby, which probably makes the school more real to them. Before leaving they said that they had had a very enjoyable visit, but Mose Dorsey remarked that there was less discussion of racism here than there had been at St. Augustine's. Possibly this was because Colby students felt awkward talking about something which is so basic for them.

The most significant parts of the exchange for both groups were the personal exchanges and the few people who became more involved than the rest of the students. The exchange program seems to have become less strained as the years pass and the national situation and the Colby community improve. There was a realization for the Colby exchange students that cool politeness doesn't mean anything, and to get beyond it one must be willing to discuss the racial situation. Only after getting beyond the barrier of the myth, is it possible to form a real bond. Said one Colby participant in the program: "The few

militants at St. Augustine's had to attack us to make us examine our attitudes and start to understand them, so that we could understand how they feel." Because they felt freer to attack the white student as a symbol at St. Augustine's, an understanding could be gained. This understanding and particular friendships are what will be remembered by the exchange students from Colby. It is only unfortunate that more students could not take advantage of this unusual opportunity."

The student exchange program with St. Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina has been conducted for three years. It takes place during spring vacation and provides a chance for some Colby students to spend some time at a predominantly Negro college. Reciprocally, students from St. Augustine's come to Colby during their spring vacation. Hopefully, in this way students at both schools will have a chance to spend time together, exchange ideas, and gain in awareness and understanding.

The highlights of the trip to St. Augustine's were a reception at the house of a faculty member, afternoon discussions on Racism, Student Unrest, and the New Morality, a trip to Duke University, and several parties. The weather at St. Augustine's

was warm, and this stimulated a very relaxed and friendly atmosphere. The school was a little smaller than Colby. The Colby students taking part in the exchange were Tim Carey, Chris Celata, Peter Foss, Larry Linnell, Sebs Mamo, Beth Marker, Linda Marsh, Tom Maynard, and Si Nagra. Dean Johnson acted as an advisor for the group, which was a fairly representative cross section of Colby students.

This week a group from St. Augustine's came to Colby. The important official events for the St. Augustine's students at Colby were a faculty reception, a reception banquet and informal talk by Cole Sargent on Maine Indians, a discussion on "Black Power in America," and several parties. The St. Augustine's students who took part in the exchange were Evelyn Earp, Rachel Eaddy, Shirley Wilkins, Rose Bland, Jerry West, Jerome Johnson, and Mose Dorsey. Mr. Nimmons, a government teacher, acted as their advisor.



A FULLER TWO and a HALF HOURS

by Earle Shettleworth

Colby was privileged on Monday, April 7, with a visit by Buckminster Fuller, a universal man who has been described as an inventor, an architect, an engineer, a designer, a mathematician, a philosopher, an author, a poet, and an educator.

To Fuller's credit are such diverse accomplishments as designing the geodesic dome, inventing the Dymaxion house and car, formulating energetic-synergetic geometry, writing books like 'Nine Chains to the Moon' and 'No More Second Hand God', acting as the U.S. delegate to the UNESCO World Conference on Science and Art at Tbilisi, Russia, in 1968, and planning the Tetrahedral Floating City for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

For all his contributions and knowledge, Buckminster Fuller is a warm and unassuming man to meet and talk with. He refuses to call himself by any title, stating, "I leave that up to others. For example, when I made the plans for the dome which housed the United States exhibit at Expo '67 in Montreal, the government referred to me as an architect."

Fuller's first appearance at Colby was an informal discussion on Monday afternoon with about two dozen students and faculty members. There he quickly amazed the group by the ease with which he talked about psychics, mathematics, chemistry, and biology. He traced how he conceived the geodesic dome and illustrated his points by skillfully manipulating his hands and fingers to form objects and geometric shapes.

Asked if he had proposed to place a dome over part of Manhattan, he replied, "One thing that I have learned is never to propose anything. However, I did investigate the idea and found that a dome one mile high and two miles wide would be adequate to control the air and weather there. Its cost would be equivalent to the expenses for ten years of snow removal.

"I don't believe in promotion because I don't think you can be a good scientist and sell things at the same time. I set up two companies, Geodesics and Senogetics, to handle specific projects which I was

then & now dept.

ATHLETE ADMISSION

"Dean Carrol, when asked to comment on the rumored emphasis on admitting athletes, denied that admissions policy this year was any different from the admissions policy of any other year. He said that athletes were given no priority over anyone else."

Dean Carrol's denial of Echo report charging admissions' priorities placing more emphasis on accepting athletes has been contradicted in a recent letter sent to members of the Colby 'C' Club.

The letter quotes a speech by President Strider delivered at the Alumni Council Meeting. The President spoke of the increased concern over "the continuing lack of success in the varsity football program" and the problem of recruiting athletes "within acceptable standards of admissions criteria." He said that "The only place that it seems to us we might consider some modification is in the area of the timing of financial aid award commitments."

In negating Dean Carrol's statement on

approached to do. Then I turned the businesses over to some of my students."

Fuller later noted that among his most recent requests to design structures have been two from England, a theater at Oxford and a home for Beatle John Lennon.

On Monday evening, Buckminster Fuller delivered a Guy P. Gannett lecture at Runnals Union. Although 73 years old, he shunned the support of the podium and stood within microphone range before an audience of about 500 people. He announced that he had not prepared any text or notes but that instead he wanted to do "some thinking aloud



about where we are." Then he proceeded to speak for more than two and a half hours without pausing even once for a drink of water. Much of his audience was held in fascination as he discoursed on subjects ranging from early mariners to photosynthesis.

The March issue of 'Pace Magazine' commented, "To anyone whose mind is locked in, Fuller's concepts of man and the universe and what life is all about are not just a breath of fresh air on old problems. They are a tempest of new thinking."

The following are some of the tempests of thought that Buckminster Fuller unleashed at Colby:

Three-quarters of the earth is ocean and is governed only by the laws of nature.

When men began to travel on the sea, they realized that whoever commanded it could command the world. Thus, mariners were the first to think on a world-wide scale.

However, most people did not know what transpired on the ocean. History was written from the land standpoint, and much of humanity developed a land point of view which made it defensive. Men built in larger and stronger ways to protect themselves from others.

The sea view was offensive because no one could protect a section of the ocean. But people on land continued to build more

heavily to become more secure. They also hoarded whether they could use what they were saving or not. Thus, they were surprised in 1929 when General Mitchell's small airplane sank a large ship. The airplane was doing more with less, but I don't know of an economics book which makes the statement that more can be less. They all think in terms of owning lands and objects.

When man makes war, he buys technology to help him win. World War I was the first great technological war. After it was over, people felt that tremendous spending had occurred to wage the fighting. Actually, there was a massive gain in productive capability.

Man doesn't really know what wealth is if he is always thinking of it in spendable terms. From 1900 to the present, the percentage of humanity enjoying a decent standard of living has increased from one per

cent to 40 per cent. At the same time, resources have been decreasing. We were able to make this progress because we began to learn about doing more with less.

All wealth means is rearranging the scenery. The one chance to provide for all of humanity is to bring about a design revolution which will utilize what we have in a more economic way and then distribute it effectively. We've known for 10 years that we could do this. It would take only about 20 years of concentrated effort to raise human life to a proper standard. We could stop war by having enough to go around. But the trouble is you can't have an efficient world change with sovereign borders, and the politicians are bent on keeping them.

Our society supports specialization. Yet as children, we want to know everything. All other species are dominated by a specialty, but man has general adaptability, the antithesis of specialization.

The new generation is the first to grow up actually knowing the world because of television. Young people must use this broad knowledge to improve it. We have to realize that we are on a tiny space ship. Our journey in the universe is sublime, and we don't want to mess it up with unclear thinking, which is just what is happening.

The function of man in the universe is to apply his mind to bring order. The mind is inestimably more powerful than muscle. Humanity has been in a shell of ignorance, but now it is breaking out, and we have to use our minds to create a new order of life.

Buckminster Fuller's thoughts were greeted by a standing ovation. On Tuesday morning he viewed the progress of a geodesic dome that is being constructed for Coburn Classical Institute in Waterville. He then journeyed by car to Camden to have his boat launched for the season. Fuller has summered in the Penobscot Bay region since 1904. He has long enjoyed sailing and belongs to both the Camden Yacht Club and the Northeast Harbor Fleet. Fuller visited Bowdoin's campus on Wednesday, and that evening he did more remarkable "thinking aloud about where we are."

'Pace Magazine' observed, "An hour with Buckminster Fuller is as unforgettable as a first parachute jump, the birth of a first baby, or being under fire." His three days in Maine recently more than proved it.

m. anthony dance

The Mary Anthony Dance Theater will culminate its two day program at Colby by presenting a concert at the Waterville Opera at 9 P.M. on April 19.

The program will begin April 18 with the Movement for Actors workshop in Wadsworth gymnasium, followed by a presentation of the masters class in the dance on Saturday, the 19th of April.

Through a cooperative effort of the college and the Maine State Commission on the Arts and Humanities, the troupe is being brought to Waterville to perform. The concert program includes an interpretation of J.M. Synge's "Riders of the Sea," and an appearance of Lois Lowenstein, a well known dancer who has performed with Moss Shurman, Beatrice Beckler and Christine Laissez.



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than to evaluate something evil in itself. It allows one the opportunity to react to "something" from within and not to an announced command from without. The exciting part of this personal conscience is that it moves one from idealism to behaviorism to materialism and back to idealism; the frustrating part is that in between these moves most people are groping and graveling for some outside restraints to hold them to the structure of life as it appears to be lived. The danger is that man will find this struggle too hard, and he will give up and become self-centered. To this type, the placebo lies in the gratification of his own desires; it is only in this world of unreality that he can find a peace of mind and happiness. His idea of being "in the world" is nothing more than being inside himself. The results of this self-centeredness is that man forgets that he carries within himself not only his own individuality, but all of humanity with all its

potentialities. Maybe one of our hopes should be that our interest in self for self's sake could be lessened if we place more emphasis on man for men's sake.

To be most human necessarily involves thought, judgement, and the ability to discern when to submerge one's precious individuality, or when to express it to the needs of others as the latest "happenings" on campus have suggested. One can never have meaningful freedom or the right of "doing" until he has learned when and where to give it up or use it. The virtues that result from this freedom can give direction, purpose, and identity if only people stop making believe that they no longer believe in them. Even the wildest screamers do not reject honesty, decency, kindness, justice, dignity of the person, yes, even chastity, when it comes down to basics. The end results of these latest happenings should be that one's personal freedom is enlarged and not destroyed, for responsibility to act is far greater than the freedom to stand by and

watch others lost themselves in unreality.

Rather than advocating completely the abandonment of scientific analysis in favor of personal moralization or vice versa, the solution appears to lie in the disentangling of these two approaches to existence. What good does it do Colby if it develops minds that are capable of becoming Rhodes Scholars, while at the same time the students are not practicing socially accepted behavior as responsible students should be or the police have to be called in to break up a demonstration? What good does it do to develop a mind that is capable of developing a nuclear weapon, but does not know when to use it?

Intelligence is incomplete unless it rests upon a system of values. The price of freedom is anxiety and the purchase of responsibility with freedom can be growth. Freedom must be matched by responsibility if it is to survive and have dignity, pleasure and durability of life. Under the present wave of Colby College

"happenings" many are actualizing a narrow slice of their potential at the expense of the rest. To be successful at fun and games, demonstrations and boycotts does not necessarily mean you will be successful in living with others. The challenge is left with you!

Dear Editor,

It is Sunday afternoon and my husband and I are comfortably reading the paper - safe physically, isolated from decision, perplexed and horrified by the state of the world.

Our daughter at Colby is right now participating not only in enhancing her own culture but in examining the basic tenets of her college.

Sure we are anxious for her to be protected by restrictions and our inclination is for the administration to guard all the lines, accept as little change as possible, to hold their fingers in the dike until by some miracle the activities of the rebels will subside.

The tides of change cannot be halted. What do we, the parents, expect of the administration?

They must deal with our children. They have to recognize change. If we the parents do not free the administration to bargain and negotiate new ways of guiding our youngsters we are escapist and irresponsible.

The student rebels on one side, the conservative parent body on the other squeezes the administration in a vise with no room to maneuver.

Now is the time to be part of a "Concerned Parents Group", not after a police raid.

What do we wish for our children?

We raised them, extolling the scientific method and now we are appalled that they question our expressed values. We exposed them to the world by T.V. and travel and now that they empathize with people everywhere we ridicule their concern. We introduced them to physical force by bringing them up in the automobile and yet we are shocked by their confidence with force.

They are not cowed by established powers nor swayed by unquestioned loyalty to a tradition. They seek power enough to balance

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Visitors

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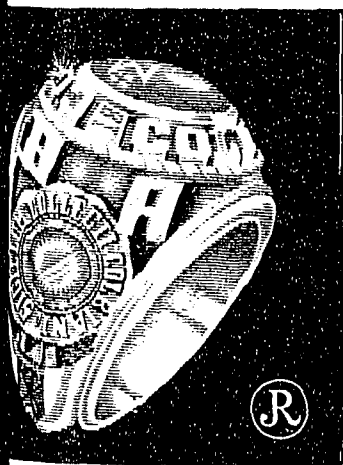
Senior Scholars

The Senior Scholar Committee would like to announce that applications for the program are available from Professor Miller in Art or from Professor Maier in Chemistry. Deadline for the completed applications is 5 p.m. on the 25th of April (Friday). Applications are to be returned to the above faculty members. Separately, letters of reference are also to be sent to them by that date.

Each applicant must obtain his department's consent and a faculty member to serve as tutor.

Interviews will be held with candidates later -- during the week of April 29.

IAL DAY



Trustees Statement April 12, 1969

The following constitutes a true excerpt from the minutes of the meeting of the corporation, The President and Trustees of Colby College:

being cognizant of current events at the college from official reports of the President, committees and other officers, from reports in the news media, including the Colby Echo, and from conversations with Colby students, including in some instances their own sons and daughters and with members of the faculty and administration and others;

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A true record
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Elizabeth E. Warren

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Secretary of the Corporation

Concert Band

The Colby College Concert Band will present a program of classical and contemporary music on April 20, at 8:00 P.M. in Given Auditorium. Mr. Robert Hudson, director of the band, has chosen selections that will appeal to various musical interests. Mr. Hudson has a special interest in Donald White's "Dichotomy," which is a skilled expression of "modern" sounds in composing.

Ralph Vaughn Williams's well-known "Folk Song Suite" in three movements is both fun and musical. Another piece based on the folk motif is Ferde Grofe's "Mardi Gras" from the "Mississippi Suite." Grofe picks up the sounds of the Old South and translates them with a light and polished grace.

One of the major pieces of the program is Mendelssohn's "Overture for Band." The band has spent many rehearsals preparing this piece, full of delightful melodies. The woodwind section is presenting a rococo composition by Johann Nepomuk Hummel, "Trumpet Concerto," featuring Ernie Simpson as trumpet soloist. The band is especially fortunate to have as guest soloist, Philip Griffin, who will play with the band for Rimsky-Korsakov's "Concerto for Trombone and Band."

The band is honored that Dr. Comparetti will conduct the "Orlando Palandrino Overture" by Joseph Haydn. The concert should be varied and interesting, and an event not to be missed.

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MULE KICKS



The big question in Track Coach Dick Wortuba's mind this spring will be whether or not his cindermen have the desire and ability to defend the MIAA championship they earned at Orono last year. With the loss of such super performers as Bob Aisner, Chris Balsley, and Ken Borchers by graduation and Olympian Sebs Mamo by injury, is it possible for this young team to muster the kind of upset that last year's squad turned in?

Wortuba is optimistic despite the fact that the Mules will probably be picked to finish third in the meet. On paper, the depth of Bates looks strong enough to win with Bowdoin a close second. But one must not forget that Maine was a heavy favorite to win last year before an aroused Colby team slipped by them to capture the title. A lot will depend on how the other three schools do against each other in the events the Mules are weak in.

— WEAK IN RUNNING EVENTS —

With the loss of Mamo, a triple winner at last year's meet, the running strength is noticeably weaker. Further injury was inflicted by a NCAA rule that moved the length of the long distance run from two miles to three. As a result, outstanding distance runner Tom Maynard will only compete in the three mile instead of entering both the mile two mile as has in the past. A great deal of help will have to come from senior Jeff Coady in the 440 and 880 and Rob Wilson in the mile and the 880 and Rob Wilson in the mile and the 880. Craig Johnson and Ernie Simpson will both be counted on in the three mile.

While the Mules may be lacking strength in the running events, they are anything but weak in the field events. John Dowling should repeat as state champ in the pole vault and has a good shot at the high jump as well. Mike Salvetti, Jim Peterson, and Jamie Klingensmith make up a solid trio in the weights and discus, while sophomore Mike round has the potential to throw the javelin 200 feet. Rod Braithwaite is certain to excel in the long jump and triple jump, and will be a good backup man in the high jump as well.

SECOND AT AMHERST

Each of the five early season meets will be mainly a training ground for the big MIAA meet at Bates on May 3rd. Colby's second place finish at Amherst last week was encouraging. Amherst, who had just returned from two weeks of spring training in Gainesville, Florida, won with 76 points, by Colby with 55 and Tufts with 50. Last year the Mules finished a solid last with only 39 points while Amherst had 78 and Tufts 56. Today the track team faces its toughest competition in the Coast Guard Academy. The cadets mauled Colby 12-30 last year in a dual meet, but it is certain that that won't happen again.

With such a powerhouse in the field events, Colby will certainly be considered a serious contender in the MIAA meet. Needless to say a healthy Mamo would certainly make the defense of the state crown much more probable.



COLBY DEFEATS WESLEYAN, TRINITY; bows to AIC

Colby's varsity baseball team notched victories over Wesleyan and Trinity last weekend, before bowing to A.I.C. in the final game of the road trip. Costly miscues and 15 men left on base spoiled a perfect record for the Mules on their first trip into Southern New England.

At Wesleyan, sophomore pitcher Bob Hyland had a 5-2 lead when he was relieved by Walt Brower in the seventh. Wesleyan rallied for four runs in the final three innings, but Colby pushed across two in the top of the eighth to win, 7-6. Pete Yakawonis, Danny Ouellette, and Pete Emery each had two hits for Colby. Emery reached base six straight times on

two singles and four walks.

The victory proved not without cost as the team lost the services of outfielder Steve Dane for the remainder of the season. Dane lashed out a run-scoring single in the eighth, but fractured his left ankle on making the turn at first base. He will wear a cast for six weeks and will be a great loss to the Mule nine.

Junior Gary Hobbs went all the way on Friday to beat Trinity, 6-4 while helping his own cause by collecting three hits. Hobbs coasted through the first seven innings before he was touched for three runs in the last two innings. Dave Demers, Ed Woodin, and Mal Wain each collected two safeties for the

Mules.

A.I.C. led all the way on Saturday to win, 7-5 as Colby could not hit in the clutch. The Mules left the bases loaded three times and a total of 15 men on board over the nine inning game. Gary Woodcock, the first of four Colby pitchers, suffered the loss. Demers collected three hits and Wain had two hits and two RDIs, but it proved to be not enough.

Colby will play four away games this weekend which includes yesterday's contest at Williams, today's game at Amherst and tomorrow's doubleheader against a top notch Springfield club. The home opener will be at 3:00 on Tuesday against Tufts.

track second at amherst

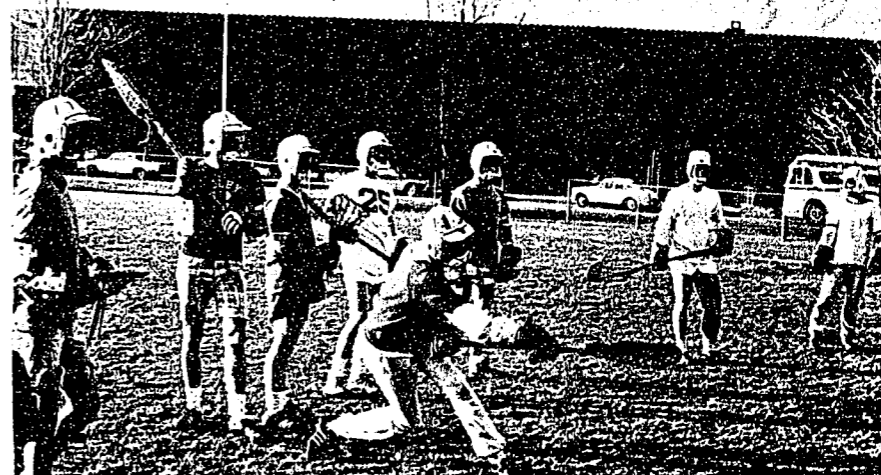
Colby's varsity track team opened their spring season last Friday with a fine second place finish in a triangular meet at Amherst. The Lord Jeffs won the meet with 78 points, while Colby tallied 55 and Tufts 50.

Outstanding for Colby was Jim Peterson, who placed first in the discus with a toss of 149 feet. The sophomore broke Jamie Klingensmith's school record by 11 feet in that event, while also notching a second in the shot and a fourth in the hammer.

Another sophomore, Rod Braithwaite broke the school record in the triple jump with a leap of 44! 71/4". He also won the long jump and collected a fourth in the high jump.

Junior John Dowling was first in the high jump, second in the pole vault, and fourth in the long jump. Rob Wilson won the meet and Tom Maynard won the three mile.

The Mules travelled to the Coast Guard Academy today to meet Bridgeport and Coast Guard in another tonight tough triangular meet.



LACROSSE to OPEN at BRANDEIS TOMORROW

by David Rea

Tomorrow, the Colby Lacrosse team travels to Waltham, Mass. for its season opener against the team from Brandeis. This is probably the most crucial game of the season for it should give a good

indication of the team's potentiality for the year. The Colby-Brandeis games have always been close ones and, only last year, Brandeis bested Colby 7-5. However, in the closing moments of that contest, the Mules hit the post of the goal twice but nevertheless thwarted in their attempts.

For the opener, Coach Scholz plans to put his best midfielders in and play them as much as possible, giving them periodic rest. Scholz has several good midfielders to choose from, such as Dana Bladwin, Web Bradley, Lou Griffith, Ron DiOrto and Jon Ray. The attack looks set with Peter Gilfoy and Mick Self plus the addition of Ray Farland. At defense, rookie Bill Holland looks very good and he is complimented by Rich Gallup and Capt. Dave Noonan. As usual, Pete Constantineau will man the goal, for the fourth year in a row. In addition to these, Coach Scholz has a strong bench of reserves to back his starters. Brandeis will face stiff competition from the Mules this year. It seems unlikely that Colby will be handled as easily this year.

After this weekend's game, the Lacrosse team returns home on the 26th for the opener against the University of Connecticut and will play at home for two weeks after that.

IFL report

VOLLYBALL

The KDP house volleyball team won the IFL league championship, but only after winning two hard fought contests in the playoffs. For the first time in several years, all four teams that entered the playoffs were quite strong and any one of them could have won the title. In semi-final action the KDP's won over DU while TDP won over LCA, setting up the finale which matched the two top teams of the year.

The championship game itself was the best played if not the most exciting match of the season. Tau Delt started right off by besting the unbeaten KDP's in the first game 15-10, mainly due to

the fine play of Paul Young, Artie White and Ken Jordan. Then, in the second game, the Tau's led 14-12, and could have won the championship, but the league leading KDP's then began to click and came from behind to win, 16-12. In the rubber game, the TDP's had a commanding 10-5 lead only to have KDP roar back and win 15-12. The KDP's were sparked in their last drives by Jon Stone, Pete Bogle, Gary Veilleux, and Mark Fraser, all of whom had been doing the job for KDP all season long. At any rate, the exciting championship was a fitting end for a well played and hard fought season.

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SOFTBALL

With the snow finally having gone, the IFL softball season got under way this week and games will continue for about a month. At this early stage in the season, it is hard to tell who will lead the league and even league commissioner Lou Gordon has admitted that "each team has a fair chance to win the title." Another hotly contested season is anticipated this year.

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the student situation at Colby was "understanding." Apparently the food was good, too. Henry reported lamb chops and ice cream. Maybe a step in the direction?

No, the ECHO is not in its dying days, but the healthy addition of a new publication, "The Easter Pig," will help to express a prevalent attitude that is emanating from the basement of Runnals Union these days. And the "Pig" only strengthens this week's Quote of the Week:

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We of the older generation are not separated by such a wide gap that we cannot also envision change. That we cannot insist on rational innovation.

If we allow the administration to face this crisis - still under control of reasoning leadership, without urging them to work out new modes with our youngsters - if we wait to jump in after hysteria and extremism have taken over we shall deserve the disapproval (and isolation) of our children. Doing nothing at this time is not being neutral but taking the side of blind obstinacy. If we do not believe in our children then we must not expect them to believe in us.

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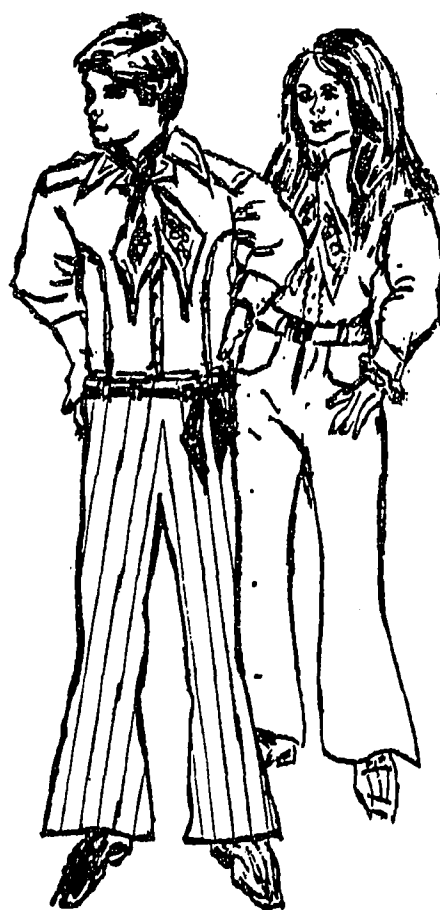
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