

Making the trustee plan a reality



by BRAD FAY and JOSH SHAPIRO

President William Cotter called the trustee decision to abolish fraternities and implement the commons system "the most important in Colby history since the campus moved to Mayflower Hill."

The first step in making this big transition came yesterday with the election of 39 students who will form the Residential Commons Advisory Board (RCAB). That group had its first meeting today when they chose their executive board.

RCAB is a major part of making the trustee plan to organize dormitory life around four "commons" a reality. The advisory board will make recommendations to President Cotter about the details of the general plan that the commission on campus life drew up at the end of last year.

President Cotter and Board Chairman Bullock listen at question answer session.

In addition, a steering committee comprised of the old commission will act as a liaison between the administration and the board of trustees. The steering committee will help Cotter in the interpretation of the trustee's intentions.

At least seven committees will assist RCAB in making recommendations to the administration. Already over 150 students have signed up at the Dean's office to serve on the various committees. Each of the committees will consist of representatives from RCAB and many of the student volunteers, faculty, administrators, and trustees. The goal will be to get the best cross-section possible.

Cotter said he expects well over 200 students to become involved with making the transition. "There has been a great deal of enthusiasm," he said.

Stu-A president Rob Fast also said the great student interest is "very positive. If students want the commons plan to be good, they need to get involved in it."

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Behind the decision

by JOSH SHAPIRO

Many students were shocked when President Cotter and Board chairman H. Ridgely Bullock announced on Jan. 15 to a full Lorimer Chapel that fraternities would be replaced by a Residential Commons system.

Trustee Lawrence Pugh chaired the 19-member Trustee Commission on Campus Life, which included four students from the class of 1984: Sheila Ryan, Patricia Shelton, Doug Terp, and Greg Walsh.

Subcommittees on surveys, campus visits, and hearings formed along with the entire Commission, which the report said "moved slowly and respectfully to near unanimity on its recommendations."

The decision came after nearly a year of inquiry by the Commission, and was approved by the Trustees 28-0, just one day before the chapel meeting.

Bullock, addressing Colby students, said the decision, "was very hard for the

Frats react

by BILL DONAHUE

Twenty fraternity members have united to compose a formal rebuttal to the Trustee Commission's Report on Campus Life, which many fraternity and sorority members feel made an unfair assessment of the fraternity and sorority systems.

"We feel that some statements made in the report weren't accurate or investigated as fully as they could have been," said Peter Simpson, a spokesman for the group,

which calls itself the Coalition for Fraternities.

Simpson called the Commission's decision to abolish fraternities and sororities a "pretty harsh measure." He said that the report focused on "a few individuals throughout the system who have painted a dark picture of all the fraternities" more heavily than it did on the system's positive aspects-- its contribution to the college's social life and the opportunities for its members to develop and mature.

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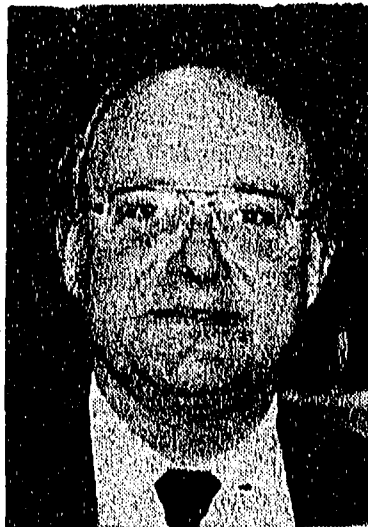


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Students fuel a fire with old window shutters, mattresses and a piano on fraternity row Sunday night, Jan 15 after the announcement that fraternities would be abolished.

Devoted Trustee Hill dies

by LAURA LANE



Trustee Kevin Hill

The loss of Dr. Kevin Hill, Colby trustee and husband of Waterville mayor Nancy Hill, has saddened the entire community. Hill died unexpectedly on January 20, at the age of 54.

Most recently, Hill served on the Trustee's Commission on Residential Life that recommended the institution of a "commons" system at the school. He also served on nine of the Board of Trustee's Subcommittees. His funeral was attended by 700 mourners including Maine Governor Joseph Brennan.

Hill made his life an integral part of the Colby community.

In fact, the Hill family has an admirable tradition here. Both Dr. Hill's grandfather and father graduated from Colby in the classes of 1882 and 1919, respectively.

His uncle, another Colby graduate, served as a trustee from 1937-1958. In 1950, Hill graduated, and in 1977 he became a trustee.

His son Michael, a Colby sophomore, is a fourth generation Colby student of the Hill family.

His reputation as an ophthalmologist is well-known throughout Maine. He served on many state medical commissions and during the summers

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Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity, the most important thing in life is to know when to forego an advantage.

— Beaconsfield

Off the Hill

Sen. Cohen will run

U.S. Sen. William S. Cohen next week will make his long-expected announcement that he is seeking a second term, his campaign committee announced Tuesday. The Maine Republican will formalize his re-election campaign in a series of news conferences on Feb. 15.

Meanwhile, two potential Cohen challengers -- state House Majority Leader Elizabeth H. Mitchell and former U.S. Sen. William D. Hathaway -- continued to ponder their political plans.

Mrs. Mitchell acknowledges that ousting Cohen is "Clearly a long shot. If I can't do it, maybe Hathaway will," she said.

The Associated Press

Sex offenders start young

Sex crimes could be cut dramatically if state and local governments launched treatment programs to help teen-age boys stop committing the offenses, a study reported Tuesday.

The year-long study sponsored by an arm of the New York State Council of Churches found that half of male sex offenders develop deviant feelings before they reach age 18.

The Associated Press

Reagan withdraws Marines

President Reagan on Tuesday ordered the gradual withdrawal of most U.S. Marines from Beirut to the relative safety of ships offshore. At the same time, he gave wider authority for American warships to retaliate against the foes of Lebanon's government.

"We will stand firm to deter those who seek to influence Lebanon's future by intimidation," the president said.

The statement was issued as Reagan began a five-day California vacation. House Speaker Thomas P. O'Neill criticized Reagan for traveling while "the nation shakes and worries" about the turmoil in Lebanon. "I understand the president is in Las Vegas today and then is going on to California. He just blissfully goes along while the nation shakes and worries about his foreign policy," O'Neill said.

The Associated Press

Agree on deficit problem

President Reagan's key economic advisors put aside their public squabbling Tuesday and presented a united front, urging Congress to slash the enormous budget deficits or risk sending the economy into a tailspin.

They issued their appeals less than a week after Reagan submitted to Congress a spending plan for 1985 that projects deficits of \$180 billion in each of the next few years, not far off the record \$195.4 billion posted in 1983.

"We are in total agreement that we should get these deficits down," said Treasury Secretary Donald Regan, just days after sniping at the red-ink views of presidential economist Martin Feldstein.

The Associated Press

Collegiate Corner

New DKE fraternity

A new chapter of the DKE fraternity may be opened at Middlebury College. Three freshmen presented the proposal to the college's community council on January 25. The DKE house burned down 10 years ago, and was not rebuilt due to lack of interest.

The acting dean of students said that the growing interests in fraternities and the administration's interests are on a "collision course."

The interested students want DKE to become a bridge to link together the fraternity system. They say this would lead to greater cooperation and integration of social activities.

The Middlebury Campus

Harassment charge settled

On December 19, 1983, Bates College came to an out-of-court agreement with Associate Professor of biology, Lisbeth Francis, concerning a complaint Francis brought against the college of alleged incidents of sexual harassment by Robert Chute, Professor of biology and department chairman.

The issue was never investigated, and the guilt or innocence of Chute was never officially brought to question before the Maine Human Rights Commission.

The terms of the settlement are not known. This is due to a September 1983 bill which states that conflicts resolved before they are brought before a Commission hearing should be confidential.

The Bates Student

Ethics code for profs

At the University of Massachusetts, a code of professional ethics for the faculty will be distributed this week to all faculty members by the faculty Senate.

"The obligation to exercise critical self-discipline and judgment in using, extending and transmitting knowledge" and "to encourage the free pursuit of learning in their students" are two of the many goals the code sets for professors.

The Collegian(University of Massachusetts)

No frats on social probation

by ED KENNELLY

Social probation, which had limited the activities of several fraternities last semester, affects none of the fraternities this semester. The five that began last semester on social probation (DKE, PDT, ATO, ZP, AND LCA) have completed their sentences.

TDP was placed on social probation last December due to an act of sexual misconduct in the house. Janice Seitzinger, Dean of Students, declined fur-

ther comment concerning TDP's offenses: "It doesn't seem to me that there was a threat to the community, and so it doesn't need to be broadcast." However, Seitzinger did say that the leaflets circulated around campus describing TDP's actions were "basically accurate."

When President Cotter announced that fraternities would be abolished at Colby, he also requested that the Dean's office negotiate with any fraternity on

social probation to lift their probation. Due to the nature of their offense, TDP agreed to conduct several forums on women's roles at Colby. In exchange, TDP's probation was lifted. According to TDP member Greg Shefrin, the forums will be held sometime next week. Shefrin added: "We like to do forums, and we'll put a little extra into these."

ZP should have been placed on social probation for having an unregistered party on

January 15, the day President Cotter announced fraternities would be abolished. Instead of placing ZP on social probation, the Dean's office, along with ZP, decided that the brothers would do a work program.

In a separate disciplinary issue, Seitzinger said there will be no actions taken against fraternities as a whole for the bonfire the night of January 15. According to Seitzinger, no intensive investigation was done: "we were patient that first evening."

Experts discuss brutal history of terrorism

by CATHY WALSH

A colloquium on the phenomenon of terrorism was recently held at Colby on January 9, four specialists gave talks on various aspects of terrorism. A round table discussion among the speakers took place on January 10.

The colloquium opened with Professor David Rapsport, a political scientist from UCLA who presented a paper on terrorist traditions. In describing the ancient traditions of holy terror, Rapsport dispelled the myth that terrorism is a modern phenomenon. "We are under the illusion that terrorism became an important mode of conflict only in the 1970s, that terrorism has been used more frequently and effectively from this period on due to changes in weapons, in communication and transport, in the media," he stated, "this is simply not true." Rapsport

explained how such groups as the Thugs, Assassins, Zealots and Zarcharis terrorized their societies as they sought to please a deity or to pacify their religion. These ancient terrorist groups killed their victims with handkerchiefs and daggers which, stated Rapsport, worked as effectively as modern bullets and bombs.

In an informal, anecdotal talk, former editor of the Buenos Aires Herald, Robert Cox described what it was like for him to live in Argentina and to edit a newspaper there when that country was being terrorized first by the extreme left and then by the extreme right-wing military government. Cox began his talk by saying that raising the public's consciousness as to what happened in Argentina is very important to him.

Great economic instability in Argentina in the late 1960s under the government of Isabel Peron had led to a rise in left wing terrorism which lasted for about five years. In March, 1976, the army took over the government, and until recently, it terrorized the country in its systematic attempts to destroy the left. In these years before the army was forced to return Argentina to constitutional, democratically-elected government in December 1983, tens of thousands of "subversives" - many of them women and children - were brutally killed or said to have disappeared. In relating a horrific incident of a 16 year old Argentine girl blowing up her close friend's father who was a general in the army, Cox emphasized the lengths people will go

to when oppressed by a government. The 16 year old girl's boyfriend, who was age 19, belonged to a leftist organization. He told the girl to become friendly with the general's daughter so that she could gain access to the house and plant a bomb under the general's bed.

Cox emphasized the importance of the press in a society that is on the verge of total collapse and is threatened with totalitarianism. "When a society totally breaks down as it did in Argentina, it is a terrifying place to be", he said. "There is such a distortion of information. There is no debate, no discussion. People don't know what is going on. Hence, the press is crucial in presenting the truth and in defending human rights." Cox told the audience of the tremendous pressure he received from the terrorist regime which did not want to see him upholding human rights. However, the regime did not keep him from publishing his editorials, mainly because they thought he might be a CIA agent. Cox was fortunate when he left Argentina in 1979, over 80 journalists were listed as missing. At one point in his talk, Cox stated that the Soviet Union supported the regime's practice of disregarding human rights.

Professor Martha Crenshaw, a political scientist for Wesleyan cont. on p.18

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Mixed feelings for 47 Feb. frosh

by GLENN CUMMINGS

Forty-seven new students arrived at Colby this month in preparation for the second semester of the 1983-84 academic year, and, in general, their first week here went smoothly.

A majority, 21, of the new faces on campus spent last semester in Florence, Italy, participating in a Colby program. Fourteen more were in the Cuernavaca, Mexico program, ten were entirely new to Colby, and two were transfer students. Most of the February Freshmen arrived in time for the New Student Orientation, held January 29-31, and those who attended had a variety of responses.

Wes Lucas, Director of Student Activities, feels the orientation program was a definite success. "It went very smoothly. The turn-out was good at the beginning, and we (the Activities Office) had inundated support from both the Deans' Offices and the Housing Coordinator, Paul Johnston."

Every February Freshman was assigned an upperclass helper

for their first day of orientation, to provide all the essential information, such as the location of rooms, people to contact for further help, and advice about Colby's social life. The upperclassmen who were asked to help for this project composed a particularly effective facet of the orientation.

The new students possessed varying views toward their first weekend as Colby residents. Sarah Dooley, a student at the University of Connecticut last semester, enjoyed the orientation. She says, "I particularly liked the 'Life at Colby' seminar, for it provided us with names of people to go to if we need help with anything from academics to personal problems." Dooley has joined Colby's swim team during the past week, giving her a useful resource for meeting new people.

Her roommate, Lisa Schreck, is also a February Freshman; the fact that both young women are new to Colby has brought them together. Schreck seems grateful that her roommate is in the position of being new. "I'm glad I don't have a roommate who was here first semester, and who might run off with other

friends all the time."

Elseke Membreno had some difficulties during the week becoming adjusted to her new environment. She feels that the orientation seminars were often "boring." "They (the speakers) told us much of what we had already figured out for ourselves, and were quite repetitive."

Membreno was also unpleasantly surprised at the lack of organization involved in her move into her dormitory, Foss Hall. Her two roommates had not been notified that they would soon have another person in their room, and the Resident Assistants failed to make themselves visible to help with her frustration.

Sylvia Kuzia, a participant in the Colby in Cuernavaca program from Manchester, New Hampshire agreed. "I have a brother and a sister here at Colby who were a great help, and I visited the campus for a weekend in January and had made some acquaintances, but I was disappointed with Colby's role in my orientation. I, luckily, was assigned a compatible roommate and already had some connections around campus; I feel sorry for those who didn't."

In contrast, Eric Green, also from the Cuernavaca program, is extremely pleased with how his first week went. "I am impressed with my academic choices for this semester, and, having made some close friends in Mexico, I've been fine socially, too." The students who did not go to Cuernavaca or Florence for the first semester noticed how closely knit those students seem to be, but most are making friends elsewhere.

The reactions of those involved with New Student Orientation are mixed, but all would agree that the technical aspects (scheduling, seminars, upperclassmen helpers) of the week progressed smoothly. A freshman class dinner has been scheduled for February 14 by the Activities Office, which should help those who still feel unsettled.

Town threatens frat foreclosure

by BRAD FAY

Waterville plans to foreclose on the Colby fraternity houses in 30 days if back taxes are not paid.

The measure is part of an ongoing debate on whether fraternities should be required to pay taxes on buildings which they own. If the college owned them,

the fraternities would be exempt from taxes because of its non-profit status.

The fraternities have appealed a lower court ruling that said they must pay the taxes. The Maine Superior Court has been sitting on it for two and a half months, and a decision is imminent, according to fraternity attorney, Jed Davis of Augusta.

Dean of the College Earl Smith said that the college has agreed to pay the taxes for the time being to avoid any legal problems, but the fraternities have instructed them not to do so.

Should the town foreclose and take possession of the houses for public auction it will cause "unnecessary complica-

tions," said Davis.

The college would simply have to buy the houses back from the town, certainly no one else could because they sit on college land, Smith concluded.

The taxes owed are for 1982 and '83.

Rodriguez: told too much?

by BRAD FAY

Richard Rodriguez, Colby author-in-residence Jan. 18-19, was "both proud and embarrassed" Wednesday, Jan. 18 when he spoke to a Colby audience that had read his autobiography, "Hunger for Memory."

"There is a feeling in my

heart that you know too much--that I've told too much," the author of this year's freshman book said. But, he admitted, it is easier to tell about yourself to strangers than to intimates. "Some things are so personal you can only tell them to a stranger."

As a minority writer,

Rodriguez's lecture was part of Colby's 1983-84 theme "Celebrating Diversity, Confronting Intolerance." His topic was "Autobiography as Fiction." Having written his autobiography at age 30, he has been questioned by people who wonder how anyone can know what his life means when it is only half over.

His answer: "Literature allows us to see what other lives are like." The value is not in relating the author's opinions about himself, but in his relating experiences. He stressed that the beginning and end of the important story are not necessarily the beginning and end of the author's life.

Rodriguez's story is that of a Mexican-American boy who is assimilated into middle-class America. It begins in September 1952 when he began his education in a white, Catholic school in Sacramento, knowing only 50 words of English.

Since that time, he has graduated from Stanford and Columbia Universities and has done graduate work at the Warburg Institute in London and at the University of California at Berkeley. "It is an education that has altered my life," he writes in his book.

In the book he also writes of the guilt he feels over having benefitted from the affirmative action program. "Guilt is not disposed of so easily," he writes. "The fact is that I com-

Review due soon

by MIKE SHAUCK

The first edition of Colby's semi-annual Northeast Undergraduate Review of National and International Affairs is due this month, according to Steve Reed, one of its five editors.

Printing difficulties have already delayed the magazine two weeks. Of the 1000 copies, 500 will be circulated at Colby, the rest will be sent free of charge to the press, corporations, and colleges North of Philadelphia.

The REVIEW, one of only a few magazines of its kind, was designed to "provide a forum for the political writing of undergraduates from the Northeastern United States," according to its September 1983 newsletter. In addition, according to Reed, the REVIEW is an alternative to the ECHO.

For this first issue, 7 articles were selected from 20 submis-

sions. Although political writings and articles were solicited from 60 colleges and universities, only Colby articles were used.

The main quality goal of the REVIEW's editors is to present a diversity of political views in its articles, editorials, and book reviews. As Reed said, the REVIEW basically looks for writings which represent "a wide range of topics and of good quality."

With this first issue, the editors hope to elicit feedback, especially from the Colby community, since it is an uncommon publicity venture.

It is hoped that some of the corporations and foundations that receive the REVIEW will provide funding to supplement Stu-A funds.

Anyone with questions about submitting articles to the REVIEW should contact Bob Bullock, Steve Reed, Sam Staley, Tricia McCarthy or Dan Shiffman.

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Where to ski

CAROLYN RHODES

As many Colby students learned in January, skiing is a popular pastime. There are many available slopes nearby, which students often take advantage of.

Sugarloaf is the largest resort in the state. It offers the greatest number of trails, wide variety in terrain, and facilities for the most expert skier. Lift tickets are \$21.00 for midweek and weekend. However, there is more to skiing than Sugarloaf.

Saddleback, located in Rangeley, is about 72 miles from Colby. With the anticipated purchase of 11,000 acres which will include several mountains and lakes, this ski region is rapidly growing. The mountain grooms 38 trails and offers various panoramic views of the lakes.

The many runs are suitable for the beginner and also present a challenge for the serious skier. According to Marian Leerburger, class of 1984 and Saddleback representative, "Lift lines are never a problem." Leerburger also says that the slopes are well maintained and are rarely icy.

Lift tickets with a Colby ID are \$10.00. The mountain has already run one College Weekend Rodeo and another is planned for March, when lift tickets will again be offered for five dollars for the day.

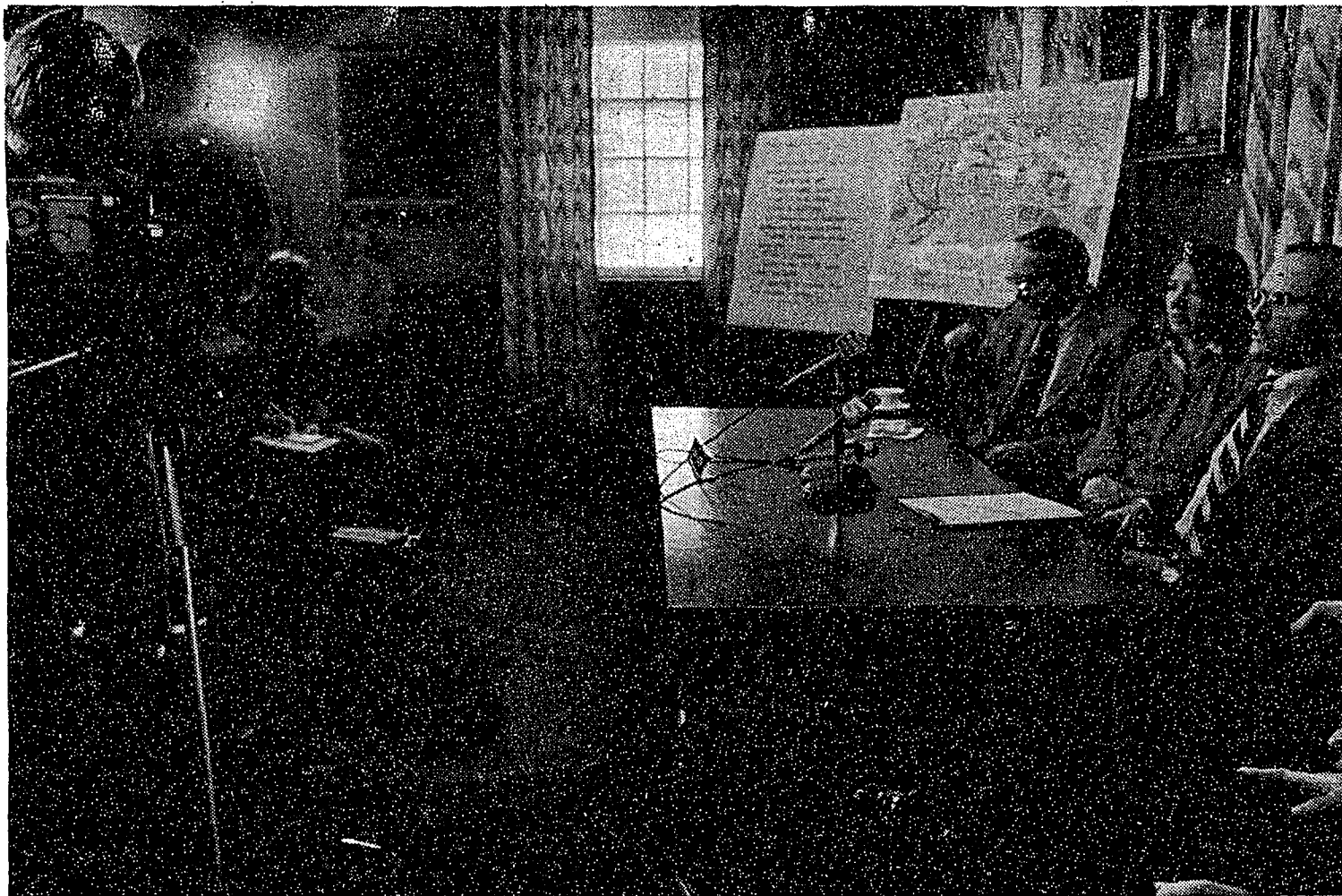
Another nearby ski area is Squaw Mountain. Situated in the Moosehead Lake area, the resort captures the spirit of the local people. John Gagne, Winter Activities Association Ski Coordinator, calls Squaw Mountain "fun and friendly." Gagne said one may expect to find kegs dotting the slopes and the aroma of barbecues wafting in the breeze in the spring.

"Trails are not real expert, but you can make it tough on yourself," he said. Trails are for "cruising." They are smooth and last for miles so that one may "fly," according to Gagne. With a Colby ID one may ski for \$13.00 on weekends and \$10.00 on weekdays.

Maine has a number of other resorts. Mount Abram in Lock Mills features a "Learn to Ski Free Program." This package includes free lift tickets, lessons, and rentals for those who are first time skiers. Regularly, lift tickets are \$15.00 for weekends and \$10.00 for weekdays. Though Mt. Abram is small, its trails are well groomed.

Sunday River is yet another ski region found near Bethel. Offering fifteen miles of trails, and varying terrain, it is adequate for the beginner to the expert. In fact, the Colby ski team has practiced there on occasion. Weekend and weekday tickets are \$18.00.

For further information on Maine's ski regions, consult the listing which includes detailed information and phone numbers. This is found outside of the Student Activities Office in Roberts Union.



Commission members answer questions at press conference after announcement of the report.

Nation's eyes on Colby Frats

by BRAD FAY

Is Colby a U.S. household name? Well not quite, but it sure got some attention during the last month as the story of Colby abolishing its fraternities was heard, seen, and read across the country.

In the national newspaper USA TODAY, the Colby issue was used as a springboard for debate on the issue of fraternities. President Cotter himself participated in this debate writing a guest column for the editorial page.

The entire editorial page, in fact, was devoted to the issue. Editorially, USA TODAY wrote that "Instead of wholesale bans of fraternities and sororities, universities

should hold them to higher standards."

Cotter, in his column, rationalized the Colby trustee decision writing, "the benefits of such organizations can be provided more equitably in another way."

Cotter last week said that the publicity in USA TODAY and elsewhere was helpful in that the college has received "excitement and a strong positive reaction" to the decision in its mail.

He said, however, that the "height of showing disappointment and blowing off of steam (the Sunday night bonfire) gave a false impression of things as being out of hand."

Some of the bad press Cotter was referring to was an article in the BOSTON HERALD

which had the headline, "College boots 'rowdy' frats off campus, Colby officials cite drinking and vandalism."

The INDIANAPOLIS STAR wrote, "In a scene reminiscent of the film Animal House, angry Colby College students burned mattresses and a piano to protest a ban on fraternities and sororities due to rowdiness and poor grades."

Colby received further attention in a short NEW YORK TIMES article and in two in-depth BOSTON GLOBE articles in the "New England" and "Metro/Region" sections.

Colby government professor Cal Mackenzie was quoted in the January 29 GLOBE, "The fraternity recruiting process is institutional cloning: it perpetuates narrow traits."

Amherst President G.A. Craig, whose college could make a similar decision about fraternities on Feb. 25 was quoted in the same article, "In some fraternities you'll see

several hundred people standing wall to wall drinking beer and inhaling God knows what chemicals."

In addition to the print media, the three local television stations lead-off Jan. 16 newscasts with the Colby fraternity story. Also, Channel 7 in Boston showed a segment to its audience. Several radio stations have also broadcasted the story.

Director of public affairs at Colby, Peter Kingsley, said much of the nation-wide coverage has been due to the wire services: United Press International and the Associated Press.

He expects even more attention in the future when Amherst makes its decision and when Colby fraternities actually close at Commencement. Several talk shows may also be interested in debating the issue Kingsley said. Today, Dean of the College Earl Smith was featured on a Cleveland, OH radio talk show.

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February Freshmen visit Moosehead Lake

by CAROLYN RHODES

Four February freshmen decided to take advantage of the Colby Outdoor Orientation Trip to Moosehead Lake during the weekend of Jan. 27. The winter outing proved to be quite unlike those held in the fall. Although such orientation trips are designed to allow new students to meet each other, this time most of the participants knew each other before the weekend trip began.

The incoming freshmen were escorted to Moosehead Lake by sophomores Julie Archer and Peter Mueller. Dale Skrien from the Math Department accompanied the group as the faculty

advisor. The trip lasted for three days instead of the usual four during the fall COOT trips.

The main attraction included the climbing of Mount Kineo, cross country skiing, and snow football. Instead of camping out in tents, the cabin of Roger Metz in the Physics Department provided shelter.

Food was definitely not a problem remarked co-leader Archer. The menu included such delectables as fresh baked bread, turkey, and ice cream sundaes.

One uncommon feature of this trip was the fact that three of the four freshmen were already acquaintances from the Cuernavaca Program. The other student, Paul Pflumm, had been in the Colby in Florence program. This unusual occurrence gave the trip a different twist. According to freshman Andrew Rudman, "it defeated the purpose of the trip".

He went on further to suggest that the trip might not have been encouraged enough and added that the cost of the trip and expense from the purchase of gear was "intimidating" for many. But although the turnout was low, he admitted that it was enjoyable.

Another camper, Peter Marshall, agreed with Rudman's account and made a suggestion. Emphasizing the status of the February Freshmen, Marshall explained that "the hardest part about being a Feb Freshmen is getting to know the people who live in the dorm." He hinted that day trips such as skiing instead of a weekend trip would be more beneficial. "This way you could party at night and ski during the day, or do other things like that."

Branner Stewart, a camper from the Cuernavaca program, did point out that the trip was very worthwhile in that he was able to speak with upperclassmen and a member of the faculty in a personable manner.

The low turnout may have put a damper on the trips, but

the students and the leaders agreed that all had a good time. Peter Mueller, who also led the winter trip last year, explained that this is the first time so many of the students have attended programs in Cuernavaca and in Florence. Since more than half of the incoming Feb Freshmen spent the first semester abroad in one of these Colby programs, many of the students already knew each other. But even lacking the experience of meeting new people, the trips gave students the opportunity to see Maine and enjoy the wilderness before starting at Colby.

•Kevin Hill

he taught in Colby's graduate medical program. He was on the staff of the Mid-Maine Medical Center and a member of its board of directors. In addition, he served as the secretary for the Kennebec County Medical Association.

But his capacity for leadership was not restricted to his profession. For six years he was the Kennebec County Commissioner and for two years he was the Waterville police commissioner.

As a result of Dr. Hill's work on the presidential search in the late 1970's, President Cotter met Dr. Hill before becoming president. Since their early meeting, President Cotter said he and his wife have remained good friends with the Hills.

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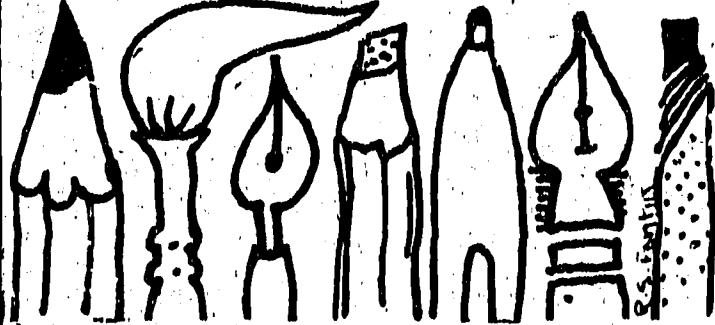
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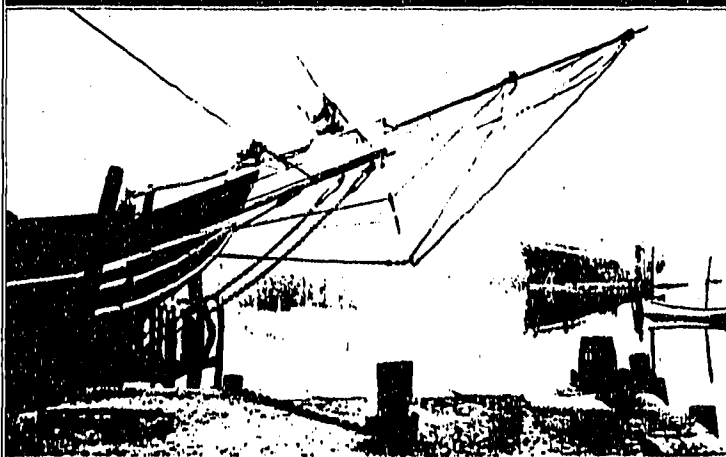
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SEMINAR- "Combinatorial Scheduling Theory" Denise Brunell Colby '84. Mudd 405. Mon. 13th, 4:30.

LECTURE- "Religious Change in Revolutionary America: The District of Maine, 1776-1820" Stephen Marini, associate professor of Religion, Wellesley College. Mon. 13th, L215, 7:30.

FORUM- "Campaign '84 Night". Open forum with the Maine Campaign Directors of the Mondale, Glenn, Hart, and Cranston Campaigns. The Maine Caucus and voter registration will be discussed. Smith, Hurd, Robins Rooms, Mon. 13th, 8:00p.m.

COLLOQUIUM- "A Genetic Analysis of the Mammalian Erythrocyte Membrane Skeleton" David M. Bodine Colby '76. Jackson Laboratories - Bar Harbor. Arey 110, Wed. 15th, 6:30.

CORRECTION- Winter Carnival will be the 24, 25, and 26 of February.

RCAB- 1st meeting. Robins Room, Thurs. Feb. 9. 6:30.

WORKSHOP- To address the issue of sexism for invited staff and students. Joanne Clarey, director of Women's Studies Program, Univ. Southern Maine. Smith, Robins, Hurd Rooms. Feb. 11, 9a.m.-4p.m.

BLOOD DRIVE — There will be a blood drive Thursday, Feb. 16, from 1-7 pm in Roberts Loft. Give the gift that keeps on giving.

OUTING CLUB- There will be an Outing Club meeting on Monday, Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. in L100. Nominations for offices will be held and refreshments will be served.

SUMMER JOBS- Colby Administrative office is interested in receiving applications from students wishing to be considered for the position as summer tour guides. Please call Judith Brody in adm. office, ext. 2168. Or stop in at Eustis 104.

Dean investigates

Safety and Security and the Dean of Students office are investigating a vandalism case concerning the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

According to Dean Janice Seitzinger, cans of paint and some light fixtures were thrown out of the building onto the fraternity row lawn.

Both offices are unsure as to whether anyone was hit by the paint or if another fraternity was involved.

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Changeling Reviewed

by RICHARD RANGOON

The Changeling, "A tragedy of Blood," was performed in Strider Theater on Feb. 2, 3, and 4 at 8 pm. First produced in 1622, the play presented a society which runs on self-interest and which perceives its sins only when it is directly confronted with the consequences of them.

Several actors gave fine performances. The scenery and costuming were very good, and a tragic "atmosphere" was well-maintained when appropriate. However, at times the relationship between characters and the underlying meaning of the play were not as clear as they might have been. Perhaps this confusion was a product of the discrepancy between the perspectives and values of the 17th century audience, for whom this play was written, and the more contemporary perspectives and values of the Colby audience.

De Flores, the physically hideous and lust-driven servant of Beatrice's father, was nearly always exciting and convincing. Mr. Turci, who played the part, wildly rolled his eyes and delivered his lines with an obsessed malevolence that left the audience shuddering.

De Flores has been maltreated because he is so physically hideous and therefore receives some compassion from the audience. In addition,

his insistence that he will satisfy his lust with Beatrice, despite his outcast role, engages the audience. If he is despicable, and Mr. Turci does his best to convey this impression, he is nonetheless cunning and ambitious, and thus his evil progresses against the odds provides the focus of interest in the play.

Most of the striking scenes in the play included De Flores. For example, De Flores' murder of the dreamy, self-deceiving Piracquo, aptly played by Mr. Patterso, consisted of De Flores leading Piracquo on a tour through the dark tunnels of the castle. De Flores feigned concern for Piracquo while the whites of his eyes shone insanely in the dark until De Flores raised his glinting knife, and stabbed Piracquo from behind, which produced a head long tumble down the stairs by Piracquo. Another striking scene showed De Flores slicing off Piracquo's lifeless finger in order to obtain his ring.

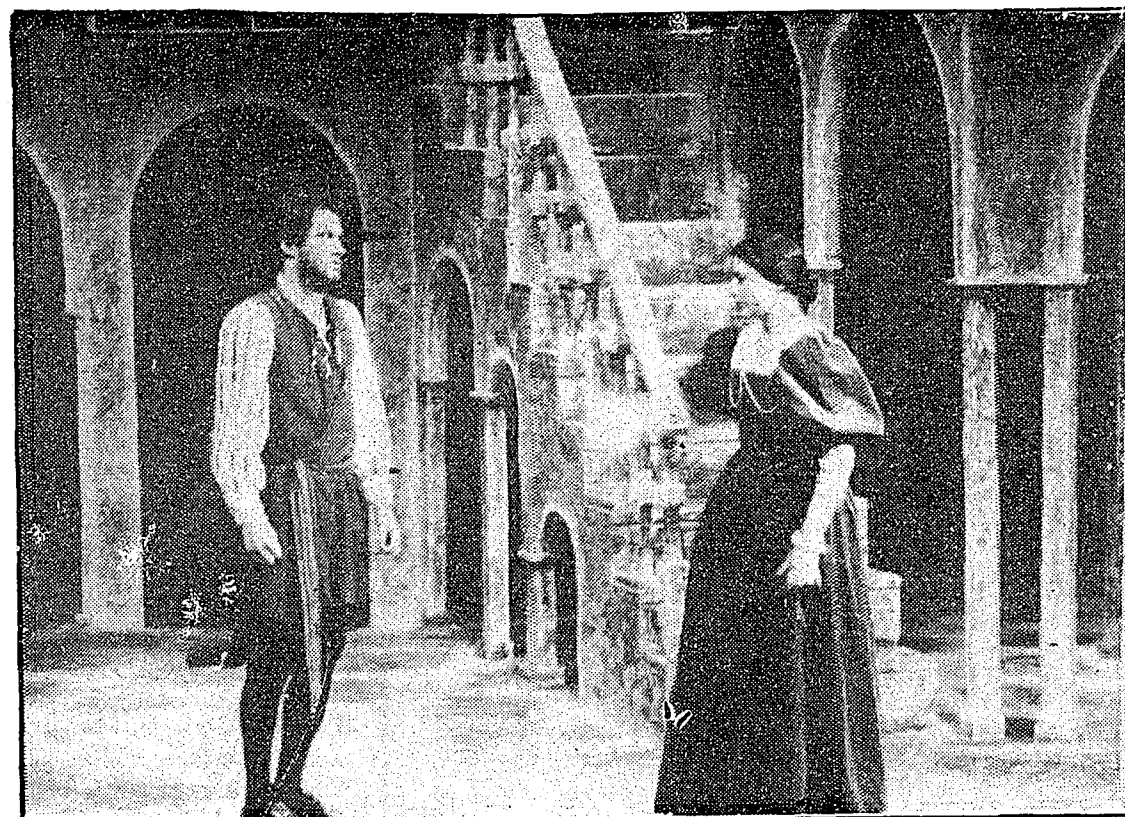
Later in the play, having obtained his objective of mastering Beatrice through killing Piracquo, her unwanted fiancé, and tying her to him as an accomplice, De Flores refuses to be bought off. Unlike Beatrice, who attempted to rationalize her actions, De Flores has realized that a huge sum of money could not even "buy a cap for his conscience." But in a world where his ugliness

dooms him to be despised by everyone, it is believable that De Flores acts as he does.

Beatrice, played by Miss Babarovic, was also convincing, for the most part. Her facial expressions and vocal tone were carefully controlled in order to project the subtle, deceptive and seemingly innocent behavior required of a self-interested woman of the time. However, she is also a victim of a society which values women as property to be traded by men.

What was difficult to believe, from a contemporary perspective at least, was that she gave in to De Flores' demands. If she was really the self-interested character she appears to be, why wouldn't she claim that De Flores is a murderer and disclaim her involvement? After all, her word should win against his. It is also doubtful that she begins to like him. They are both guilty and perhaps Beatrice has some attraction to self-interested men, but she seems to have more options that either fully embracing evil, or rejecting it and herself. The moral dilemma central to the play seems to be a thematic wishful thinking, at least to a contemporary audience and it is not consistent with Beatrice's character.

While the murder plot was well dramatized (if not wholly believable) the comedy plot was less successful. Scenes including the changeling, Albius, cont. on p.8



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Arts

Festival of Actors

by BOB AUBE

Powder & Wig will be presenting its annual One-Acts Festival from April 11 to April 15 this year. The festival will consist of six student-directed plays which will each be performed three times during the week. The festival will take place in Strider Theater this year, as opposed to the cellar theater in Runnals, where it has been held in past years.

The aim of the One-Act Festival is to get Colby students

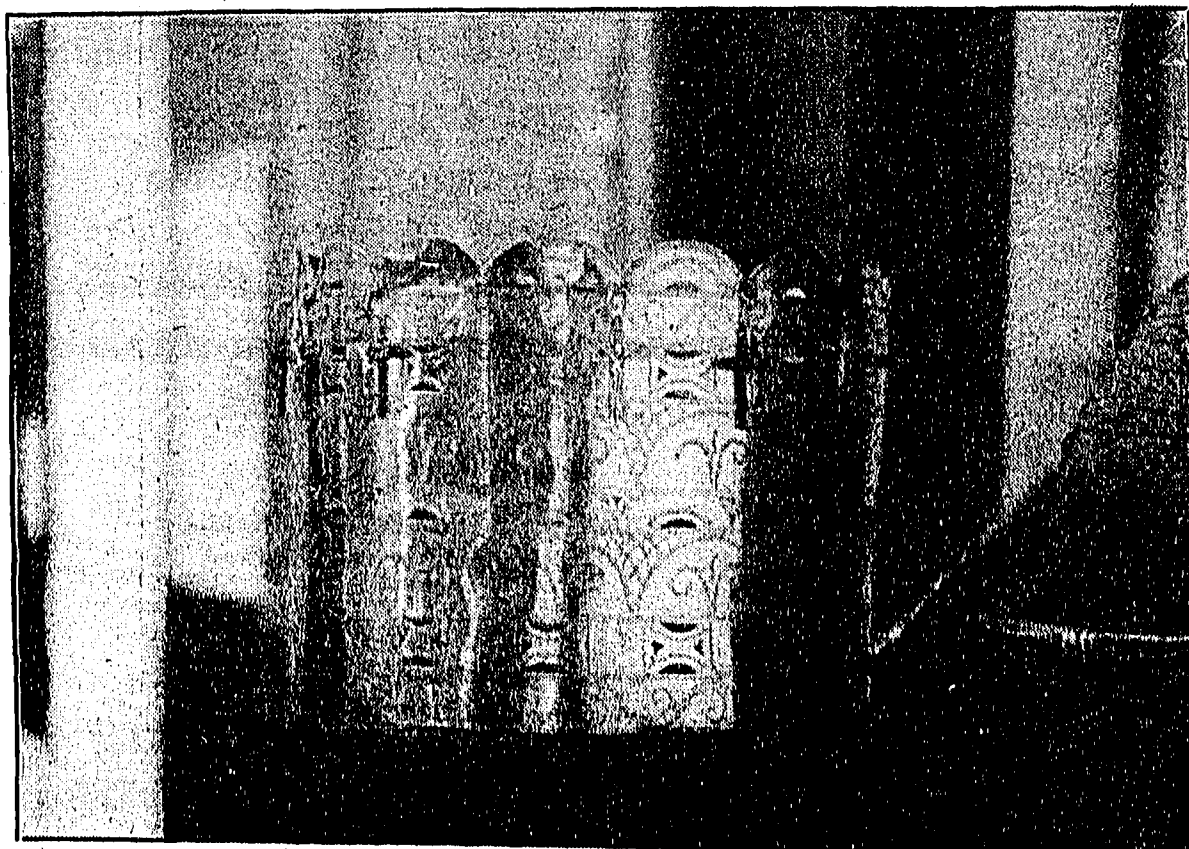
involved with Powder & Wig. It gives students a chance to either act in a play or direct one themselves. Were it not for this festival, the opportunities to take an active role in the drama department at Colby would be greatly diminished.

Students can use the One-Acts to get valuable experience and then go on to parts in full-length productions. The festival also provides for a different type of play, something varied from the two and three-act shows that are characteristic of

Performing Arts Department.

The six plays in this year's festival, their authors, and their directors (in parentheses) are as follows: "Box and Cox" by John Madison Morton (Helene Landers); "Hughie" by Eugene O'Neill (Mike Ryan and Kurt Wolff); "Next" by Terrence McNally (Dan Smith and Linda Elliott); "The Brute" by Anton Chekov (John Bates); "True to Life" by Mark Rattliff, a student (Sarah Sher-

cont. on p.9



Trade Silver Headband (late 18th century) on exhibit at Colby Museum of Art.

Traveling exhibition at Museum

by NASH ROBBINS

A traveling exhibition, "From Revolution to Statehood: Maine Towns, Maine People, 1783-1820," will be shown at Colby's Museum of Art until April 1.

Including paintings, sketches, musical instruments, maps, and more, "From Revolutions to Statehood" has travelled to four museums across the state. Its final installation at Colby includes many artifacts and works collected from all over the state.

The special art exhibit takes place in conjunction with a series of lectures to be held in Given Auditorium. These range from "Horrid Visages: The Theater of the Violent Protest on the Maine Frontier," by

Alan Taylor, on March 24, to "Religious Change in Revolutionary America: The District of Maine," by Stephen Marini, on February 13.

Together, the programs make up a project entitled "Maine at Statehood: The Forgotten Years, 1783-1820." Supported by the Maine Humanities Council, the show is designed to give an interdisciplinary overview of the years of growth which were crucial to Maine's history.

In 1783, Maine was merely a district of Massachusetts. Ravaged by Indian and French wars, and economically failing, the district was saved by America's separation from England.

Between 1783 and 1820, Maine's population quadrupled;

300,000 families moving in and pushing the future state's borders inward. Today, the marks of this growth are still evident, as whole towns retain their original lay-out, despite new buildings. New religions, such as the Calvinists, Free Will Baptists, Unitarians, Shakers and Quakers, challenged the domination of the Congregationalists.

It was a time of massive social change, and a fertile period for art. Drawing on a variety of elements, the exhibit traces the developments in industry, politics, and religion which led up to Maine's statehood. It attempts, in short, to revive the memory of one of Maine's less famous eras.

Arts Notes

POETRY READING - with Lucille Clifton, author of "Good News For the Earth" - Robinson Room, Miller Library, Thurs., Feb. 9, 8:00 p.m.

NOONDAY RECITAL with Beverly Rice, '85, flute - Given Auditorium; 12:30 p.m. on Fri., Feb. 10.

STU-A FILM - "Rebel Without a Cause" - Friday, Feb. 10 and Saturday, Feb. 11, 7:00 and 9:00 p.m. Lovejoy 100.

PERFORMANCE with the Rhode Island Feminist Theater: "2082 Revue" - Strider Theater, Runnals, on Sat., Feb. 11, at 8:00 p.m.

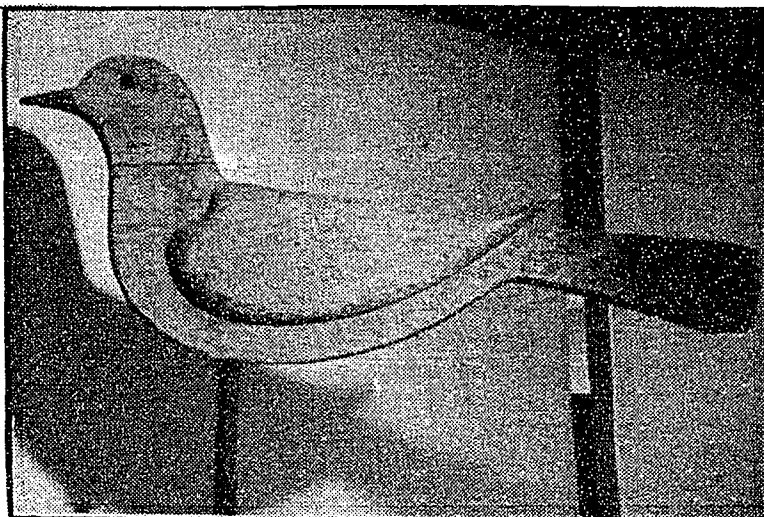
LECTURE/DEMONSTRATION: "The Personal Computer as Synthesizer and Teacher" with Thomas Bailey of the Music and Recorder Center, Brunswick, on Feb. 12, 3:00 p.m., in Given Auditorium.

TUXEDO JUNCTION tryouts for basses, Sunday, Feb. 12, 3:30 p.m., Bixler Auditorium.

LECTURE/DEMONSTRATION: "The Computer, the Musician, and the Media," with Elliott Schwartz, professor, music department, Bowdoin College - Sun., Feb. 12, 4:00 p.m. Given Auditorium.

LECTURE/DEMONSTRATION: "The Computer and the Composer" with William Matthews, professor of music, Bates. Sun., Feb. 12, 5:00 p.m.

EXHIBITION: "From Revolution to Statehood: Maine Towns, Maine People, 1783-1820." Through March 31 at the Colby Museum of Art.



Dove Westherson (1806) by Samuel Melcher on exhibit at Colby Museum of Art.

• Changeling

the doctor of the Madhouse, and his servant, Lollio, often dragged. But comedy is difficult to do, and the script did not seem to be particularly funny. At times, however, Lollio, played by Mr. Johnson, was inspiring in his insight into society and his pragmatism. "Honor is but a caper," he explains.

Franciscus, a mad poet, who leaps around in a frenzy reciting Shakespeare and anything else that comes into his head, was played with great energy by Mr. Diamond. Overall, however, there was a tendency for actors in the madhouse scenes to recite their lines for the audience, rather than convincingly acting them to each other.

The final scene was aptly moralizing. The play ended with the spotlight shining on Alsemore, played by Mr. Bates, as he summed up the lesson

learned in the play. In the style of plays of the time, the good sinners see they have deceived themselves and feel penitent, as the evil sinners meet their deaths.

The lighting, scenery, and costumes were very good and helped to contribute to the "tragic" atmosphere of the play. Thematically, the play was confusing. This confusion was reflected in a lack of emotional focus in some of the acting.

The play would have been more interesting if some of the less well dramatized portions had been eliminated. However, at its best, in its acting and physical atmosphere, the play dramatized the tragedy of people who annihilate the meaning in their lives through pursuing what they believe to be their own self-interest.

Arts Commentary

— Stu-A films —

by SCOTT LAINER

Stu-A has released its tentative schedule of films for the second semester. While they certainly can't be termed classics, they should provide a relatively entertaining outlet on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings. They are (in no particular order):

FRANCES- starring Jessica Lange, who received an academy award nomination for Best Actress.

CADDYSHACK- starring Chevy Chase, Ted Knight, Rodney Dangerfield, and Bill Murray.

FLASHDANCE- starring Jennifer Beals.

THE VERDICT- starring Paul Newman, Charlotte Rampling, James Mason, and Jack Warden. There was an Academy Award nomination for Best Actor.

AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'- starring Nell Carter and Armelia McQueen. It was the winner of 3 Tony Awards and the New York Drama Critics Circle Award.

ARTHUR- starring Dudley Moore, Sir John Gielgud, and Liza Minnelli. Academy Award nomination- Best Supporting Actor- Gielgud. Academy Award- Best Song.

THE GRADUATE- starring Dustin Hoffman, Anne Bancroft, Katharine Ross. 1967 Academy Award- Best Director (Mike Nichols)

DIAL 'M' FOR MURDER- a Hitchcock classic.

Since this schedule has been released, I have heard numerous criticisms of the Stu-A selections. Several people feel that of the myriad films available, Stu-A opted for schmalzy and mass appeal flicks, rather than more critically acclaimed and aesthetically pleasing productions. Would ALL THAT JAZZ and MIDNIGHT COWBOY have been more intelligent selections than Flashdance and Arthur?

Certainly the critics alone cannot judge. But it has become apparent that the student body should be provided the opportunity to voice their preferences more formally. Possibly a small student sampling and vote is in order.

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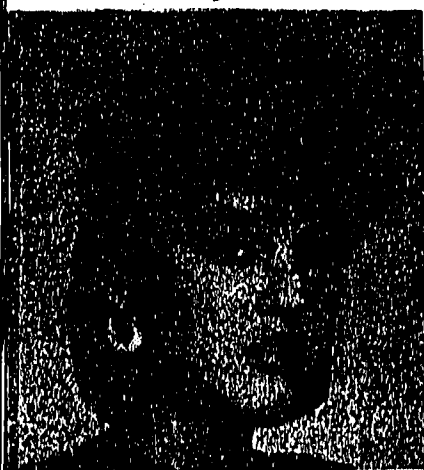
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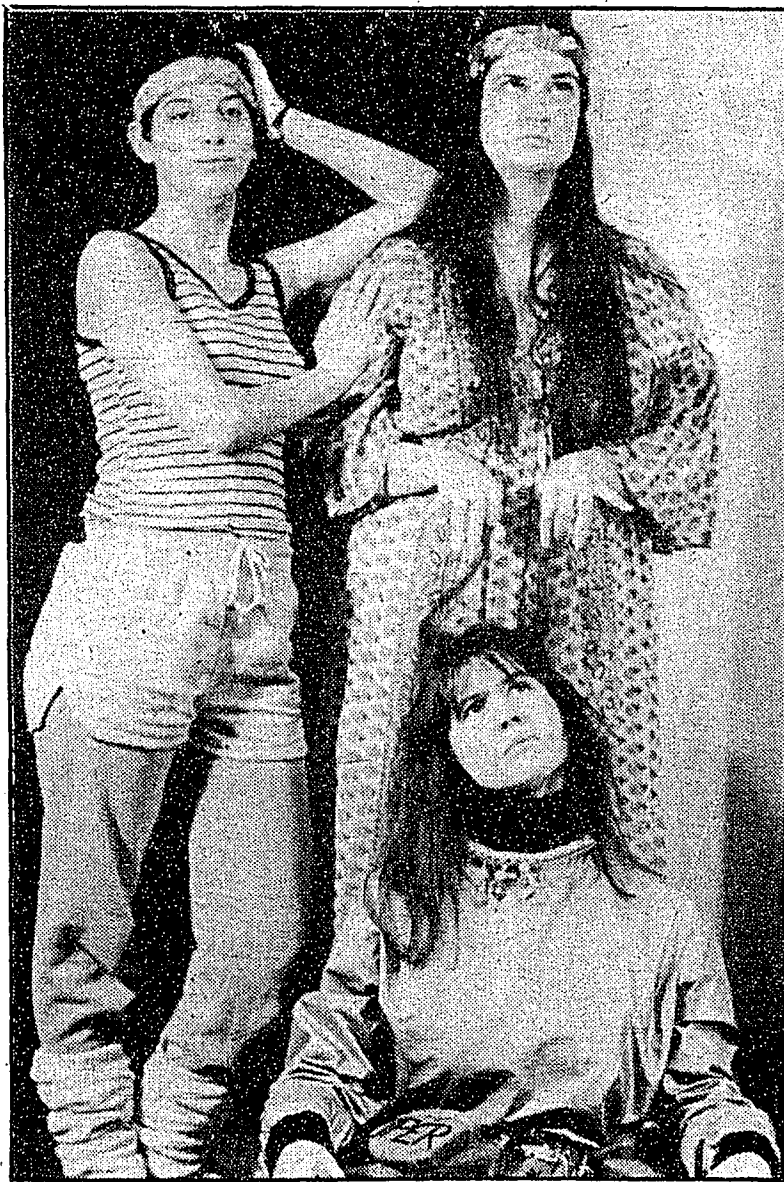
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Feminist theater

There is a RIFT coming to Colby this weekend, this one having little to do with the fraternity issue or common plan.

It is the Rhode Island Feminist Theater, the oldest such group in the nation presenting their Tenth Anniversary tour show. Entitled "2082 Revue," the comedy involves two peace activists who are holding a 24-hour peace vigil in a bus station.

In the course of their protest,

they meet one of the station's inhabitants and, by the end of the play, become fast friends. Together, they perform songs and sketches in a vaudevillian routine which, according to Donna Najarian, head of Colby's Women's Group, also reviews 20th century ills, such as the threat of nuclear destruction.

RIFT has performed once before at Colby, in 1981. This year, Kathie M. Katzberg, Julie Pember, and Frances

Martindale-Abell will be visiting Colby.

The group will give one performance, on Feb. 11 at 8pm, in Strider Theater.

It is sponsored by Colby's Women's Group; the Women's Studies Program; Celebrating Diversity-Confronting Intolerance; and the Maine State Commission on the Arts and Humanities (through the New England Foundation for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts.)

man); and "What Did You Say 'What' For" by James Paul Dey (Bob Aube).

Tryouts for the One-Acts began last night and will continue tonight, starting at 7:00. If you've always wanted to act, but never had the opportunity to show your talent, this is your chance. Stop by the Runnals lobby and give it your best shot. Who knows? You could get that part that you've always dreamed of having.

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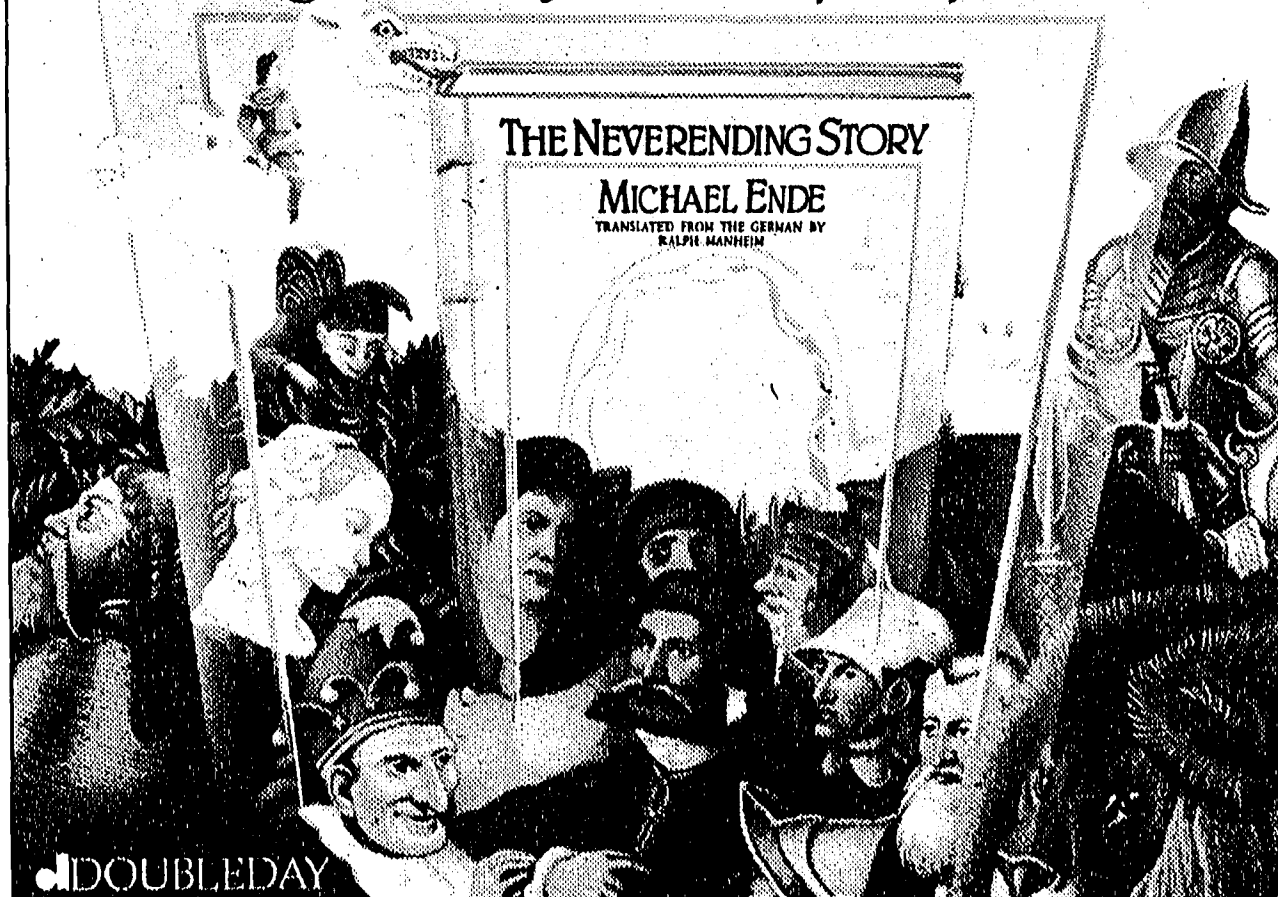
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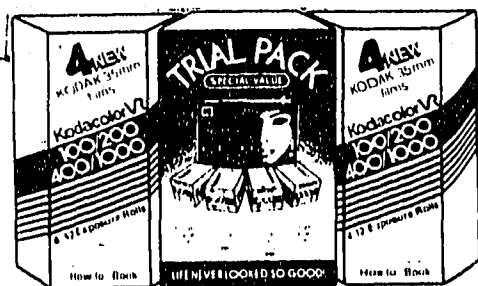
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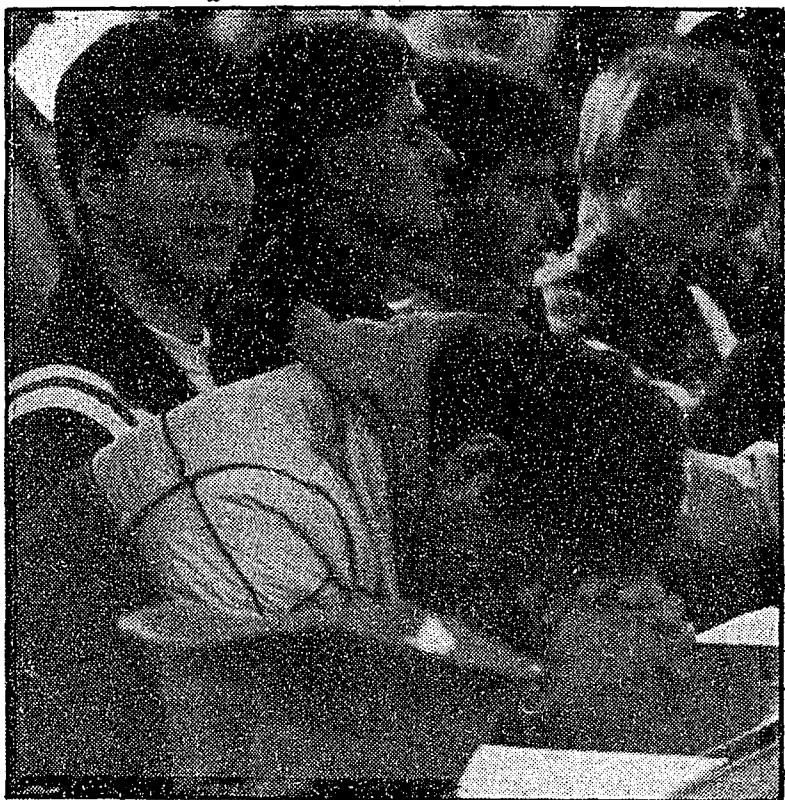
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The initial reaction to Board of Trustee Chairman H. Ridgely Bullock's announcement was negative. Many students asked hostile questions, and the brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha sang their fraternity song, before leaving the chapel in the midst of the questioning.

•Fraternity reactions

Simpson saw the decision as particularly unfair to the sororities. "The discipline problem of sororities is practically non-existent and they're getting the axe too."

Page Johnson, president of Sigma Kappa agreed. "We didn't do anything wrong, but we're being punished. We don't have any bitter feelings towards the fraternities. It was an administrative decision."

Simpson felt that, rather than abolishing the fraternity and sorority systems, the Commission should have tried to amend its affairs. "I don't see the logic of tearing down something beneficial."

David Rosenberg, president of DU, also felt that the decision was unfair. "I don't understand how they can abolish it completely. They didn't take the students' opinion into consideration at all." He was referring to this fall's referendum in which the majority of students opposed abolishing fraternities and

sororities.

LCA president Tom Cushman, along with most fraternity members, reacted with "shock and anger" to the decision. DKE president Paul Swartz "expected the change to be more gradual... like fraternities going co-ed."

The evening after the chapel meeting, fraternity members began a bonfire to, as Cushman said, "let off steam." He added that "a decision of that magnitude is going to cause a lot of shock and frustration. We felt we needed to do something about it."

According to Rosenberg, the fraternities will not react to the decision by behaving rebelliously this semester. "That (misbehaving) is exactly what the school wants us to do. It would just propagate the image they're trying to project of fraternities as promoters of alcoholism and wanton destruction."

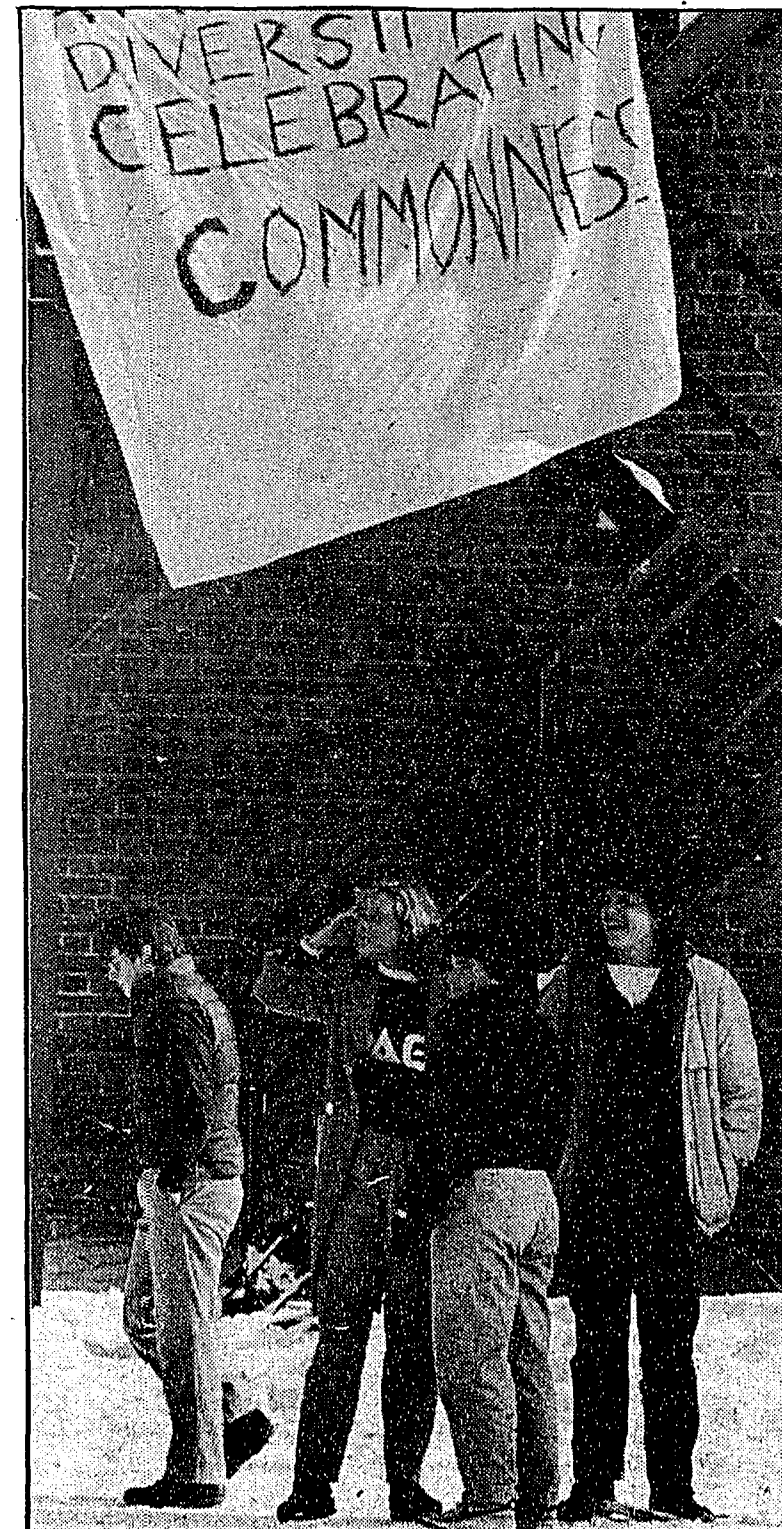
Simpson said, "we're not going to be drunken heathens and

vandals, but we are going to provide the school with some social life." As a Phi Delt, he mentioned that this spring will mark that fraternity's 100th anniversary and anticipates some sort of celebration.

Schwartz said that DKE will host many more events than usual this spring because it will use money that, under normal circumstances, would be allocated to maintenance funds.

Most fraternity members feel it is improbable that the Trustees will change the decision and allow the fraternities to continue to live in houses. According to Matt Nickerson, president of Zeta, the fraternities' goal now is "getting recognized so we can congregate in college buildings."

Simpson is not yet certain when the rebuttal will be released. "We want to get a consensus of all the members of all the houses and give them time to formulate their own opinion."



•A reality

"I don't think the administration realized how powerless students feel, but I think that now they are legitimately trying to get students' ideas," he said.

As to the weight those ideas will have in policy, Fast has a "healthy skepticism based on past dealings with the administration."

Ideas will be generated by the committees which will study each of the following topics: room draw, student governance, the new facility, methods of improving student-faculty-staff interaction, summer renovations, (especially of the fraternity buildings), social life (for next fall), ways to strengthen identifications with class, school, and to improve freshman orientation, a review of the judicial system, and food service. Other committees will be added if necessary.

Trustee commission member Robert Reuman said "the next semester will be enormously important to residential life for many years to come." The RCAB will exist until next year, serving only to help make the important transition.

Although Cotter said the commons plan is a "finality", he said the RCAB will be able to modify it to make it "work well."

According to the report, this system should encourage "group bonding through residential arrangements which are now available only to a small percentage of the men through the fraternity system." At the same time, groups will be large enough so that they will remain diverse, Cotter explained.

The plan also calls for a new student-run building. The new facility committee will begin the process of choosing an architect during the next week.



hard decision''

—Board chairman H. Ridgely Bullock

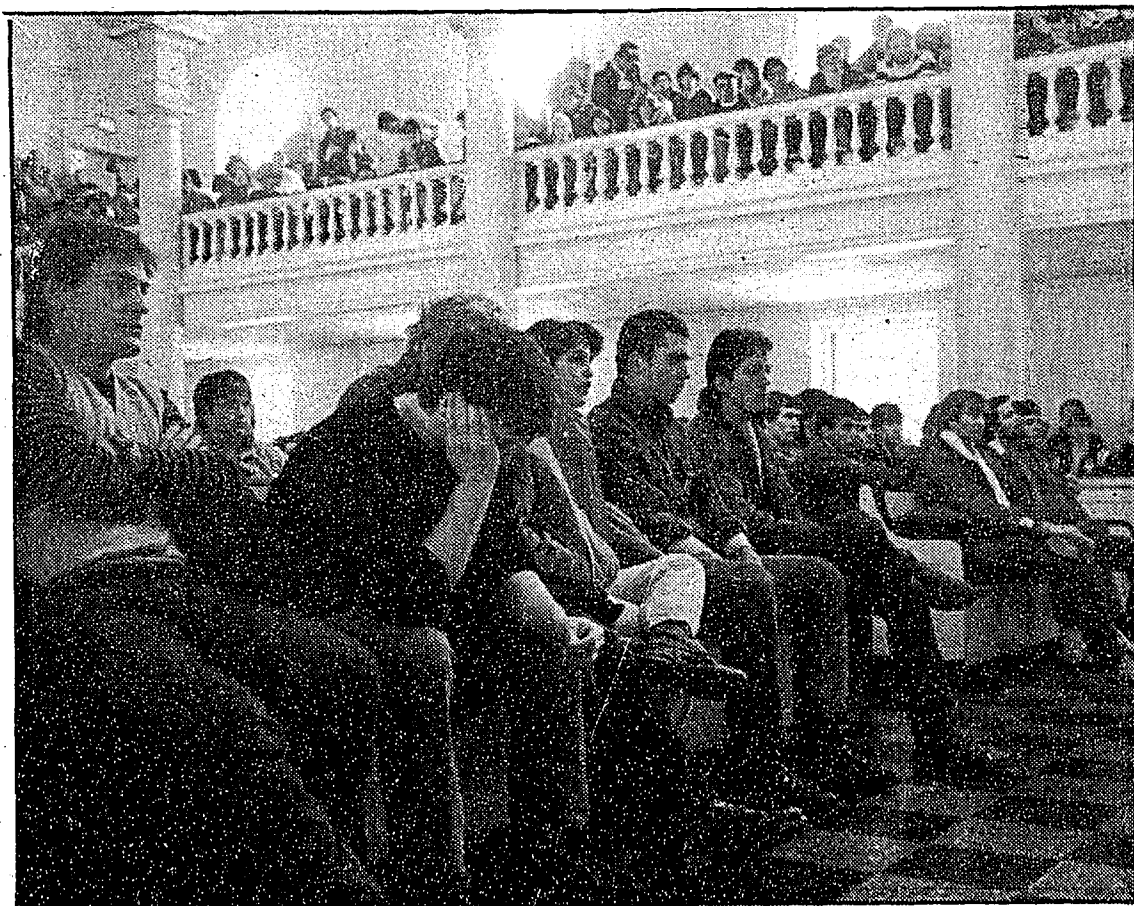


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•Behind the decision

Commission—not as hard as for you—but very hard.”

Several times students interrupted the proceedings to voice anger about the outcome. One student used the Roman tree analogy, saying the administration, who has supported the tree (fraternities) for so long has now “thrown it out the window.”

Others believed the Commission didn’t give the student vote (77 percent voted to keep fraternities) enough weight when making their resolution. Cotter said the student vote was important, but that there were many other factors involved, such as student testimony and the input from four students on the Commission.

Halfway into the meeting, members of Lambda Chi Alpha (LCA) stood up, sang their fraternity song, and left the chapel.

Bullock said that most of the Commissioners were former fraternity members, and found the decision difficult to make, but who had to “think first about Colby and next about

other affiliations that were important.”

Two thirds of the most recent alumni surveyed said fraternities should be abolished or reduced in influence.

Commissioner David Marson was the only member who said that eliminating fraternities from Colby life was not the answer. He also said, however, that “their elimination in no way demeans the integrity of the Commission nor the importance of this new vision for Colby.”

The current system, according to the Commission’s report, had not promoted diversity or individuality. They also

Commission member Doug Terp, who was formerly president of Tau Delta Phi and IFC, found the decision-making process particularly difficult. “I had trouble getting rid of a system that I had enjoyed,

however, I was responsible for looking at campus life as a whole.” He added that he felt himself in a position to either leave fraternities as they were or eliminate them.

The commissioners were to “think first about Colby and next about other affiliations that were important.”

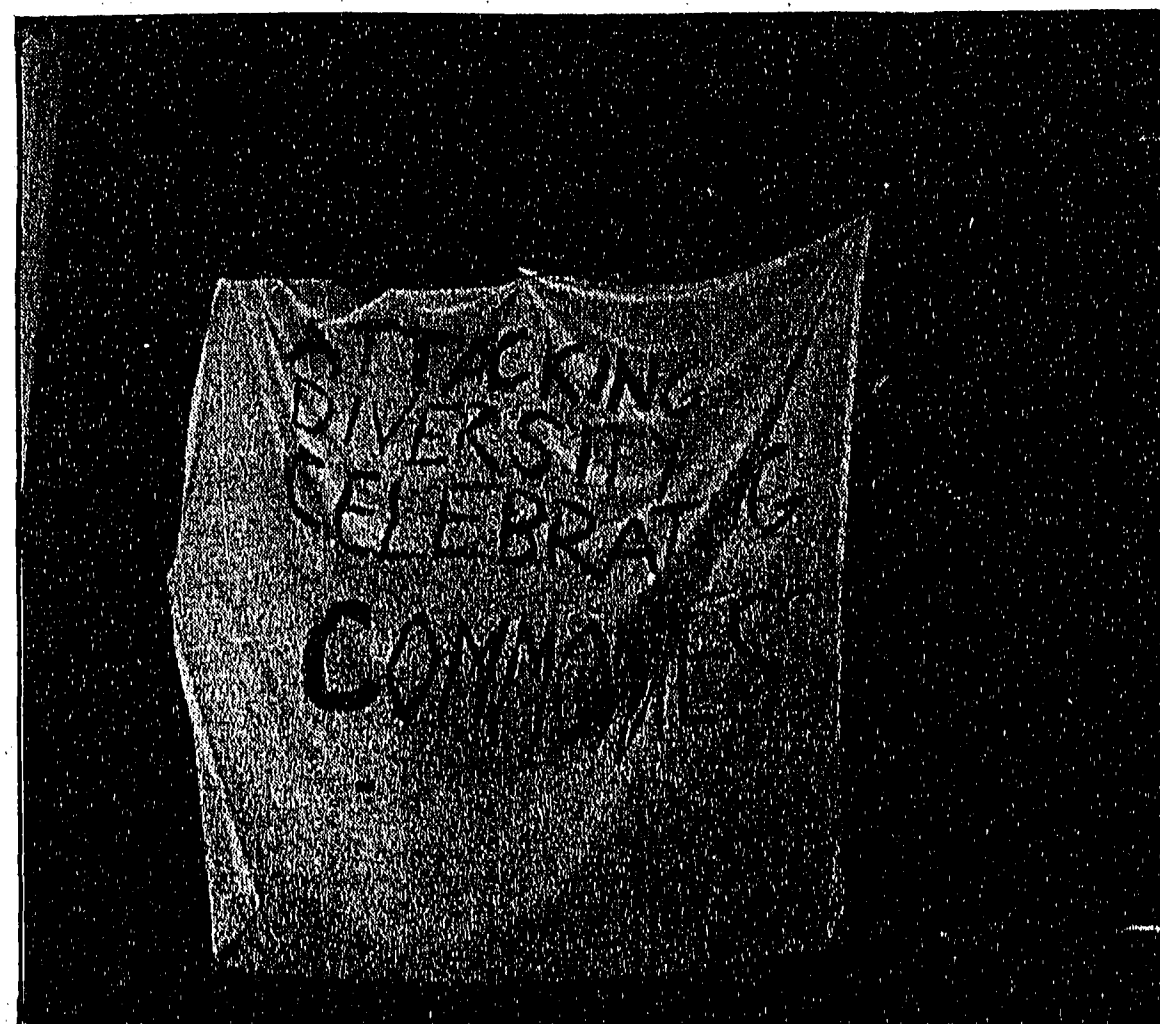
found many other “signs of malaise in the fraternity system.”

Low occupancy, indebtedness, alcohol abuse, incidents of sexual harassment, and lower than average grade point averages were all factors the Commission took into account when examining campus life.

“Today’s fraternities are not the training ground for leadership they once were;... the negative features of fraternities far outweigh the positive ones,” according to the report.

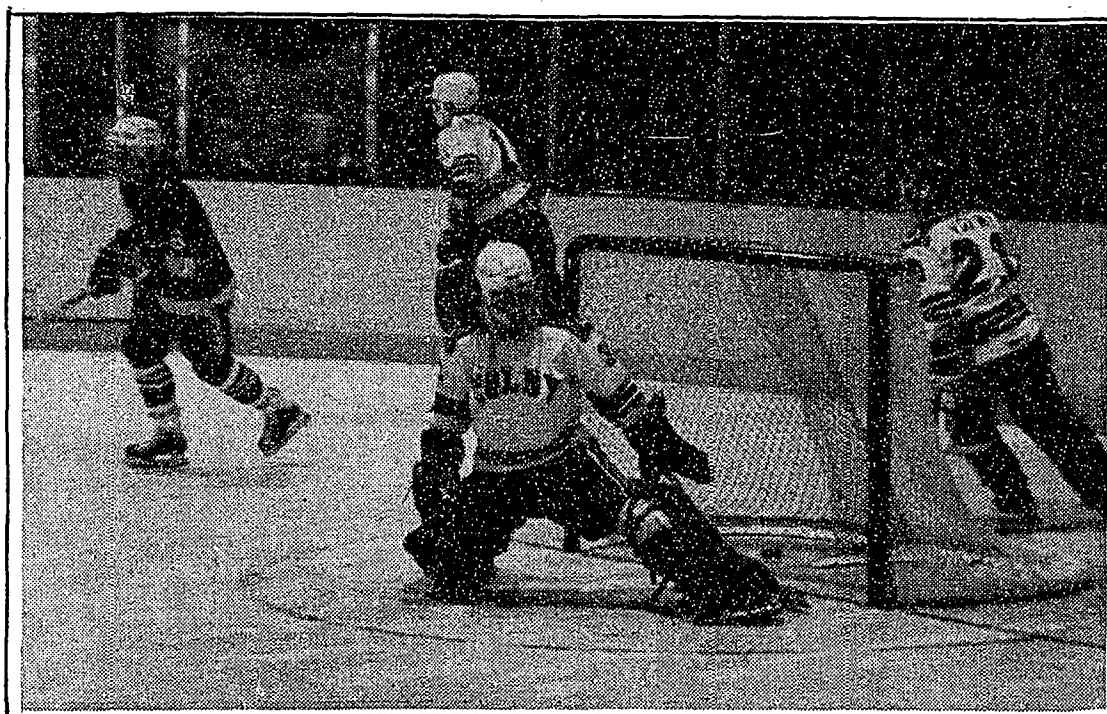
The fraternity issue at Colby dates back several years to 1979, when the Dean of Students appointed task forces to look into fraternity life. This led to the fraternity guidelines, the formation of many committees, and finally the Trustee Commission on Campus Life.

The decision to replace fraternities with a Residential Commons angered many students, but according to President Cotter, the new program should have “a very positive impact.”



Echo photo by Beth Healy

Productive week for icemen



One gets by goaltender Walt Edwards in practice, but in the game, Edwards gave the Mules their first shutout in six years.

by BOB AUBE

Walt Edwards stopped 32 shots Saturday afternoon en route to his first college shutout as Colby's men's hockey team defeated Middlebury, 2-0.

Tom Clune's goal just 24 seconds into the game proved to be the game winner. His shot from the left point broke off the glove of Middlebury goalie Jamie O'Brien and found its way into the top corner. Tim Holt and Vin Paolucci assisted on the play. Paul Marleau scored the other Colby goal at 12:58 of the second period on assists from Clune and Don Cronin.

Edwards was brilliant in net for the White Mules, making several saves from point-blank range. The closest that Middlebury came to beating the sophomore netminder was on a 5-on-3 advantage late in the

third period when a shot rang off the post to Edwards' left.

The shutout was the first for Colby since the '77-'78 campaign when they beat Union, 12-0.

In another game earlier that week, Holt scored 6 seconds into overtime as Colby knocked off Norwich, 3-2. Paolucci won the opening faceoff in the extra session and fed Holt breaking in alone off the left wing. Holt then decked Norwich goaltender Dave Howell and stuffed a backhander behind him to give the White Mules the victory. Paul Marleau and Greg Apostol were the other Colby scorers, while Jack Martin and Pete Sedler countered for Norwich. The Mules outshot Norwich 35-20.

Bowdoin's first line of Chris Simon, Joe Ardagna, and John Hart combined for all five of

their team's markers as the Polar Bears handed Colby a 5-1 setback last Tuesday evening in Brunswick. Simon scored the only goal of the first period on a Bowdoin power play. Ardagna (twice), Simon, and Hart all tallied in the second stanza before Ken Vopni closed out the scoring with his first college goal, converting a nice feed from Marleau. Dave Pardus had 21 saves for the Polar Bears, including some key stops in the third period, while Edwards and Tim McCrystal combined for 27 in the Colby cage.

The White Mules now stand at 6-8-1 overall, 6-4-1 in Division II play. They will travel to New York this weekend for games against Hamilton and Union, before returning for their final home contest of the regular season against St. Anselm's on Wednesday night. Game time is 7:30 pm.

Sports

Men's Basketball sweeps pair



Jim Gaudette (OO) Drops in two during 2nd half of Colby's triple overtime win over Norwich.

by Tim Bonang

Colby Men's Basketball took a couple of big steps this past weekend towards a post-season playoff birth, as the Mules garnered wins over Norwich and Middlebury.

The Norwich game was, without question, the most exciting contest played in Wadsworth Gymnasium this season. The Mules and the Cadets (number 3 in NCAA Division 3) locked up in a marathon with Colby gaining revenge for an early season loss. The Cadets proved almost as stubborn as the Mules, taking Colby to three overtimes before falling short 93-92.

The teams were evenly matched throughout the game, as Colby took a 35-34 lead into the locker room. Neither team was

able to get ahead by any more than 4 points, as patient offense and tough defense keyed both teams. The second half was much the same, but Colby needed a Harland Story jumper to tie the game with 39 seconds left to send it into overtime, the teams deadlocked at 65-65.

The first overtime saw Colby take a 73-71 lead, only to have Norwich star Darryl Jenkins tie it again with 50 seconds left, as Colby failed to score.

The second overtime had Norwich ahead 83-83 with time running down. Co-captain Jim Gaudette spoiled any notions the Cadets had of winning, as he canned a jumper from 15 feet to knot it up with 11 seconds left. Norwich couldn't score and the game entered the third and last overtime.

Gaudette's hoop put the Mules up 88-85, and Roy Dow followed with a set of free throws that sent Colby ahead to stay 90-87. Norwich closed the gap to one, 90-89, before Colby held the ball for nearly a minute forcing the Cadets to foul with 19 seconds left. Gaudette sunk one of the two foul shots before Chris Vickers nailed the Norwich coffin, sticking a pair with six seconds left.

Many people played key roles for the Mules. Steady All-American Harland Story poured in 30 points and snagged 15 rebounds. Senior Roy Dow did a fine defensive job on the Cadet's high-scoring Darryl Jenkins, and chipped in 14 key points. Co-captains Gaudette (15 points) and "Knipper" McLeod contributed some cool ball handling presence and Bill

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The Indoor Track Team beat Bowdoin but lost to Lowell.

Harriers collectwin

The Colby men's track team reached a positive milestone Saturday, February 4, running off with the season's first victory over Bowdoin. Div. II Lowell strode to the overall championship of the triangular meet at Wadsworth Field House, winning seven of sixteen events and collecting a total of 72 points to Colby's 50 and Bowdoin's 44.

There were many bright spots for Mules coach Jim Wescott to reflect upon by day's end. Two Colby athletes, sophomore middle distance runner Brian Norris and freshman jumper Bill McCrillis, each captured their first collegiate victories. Norris won the mile in a time of 4:22.1, while McCrillis took the triple jump, bounding 42 feet, 2 1/4 in-

ches. The most impressive performance of the day, however, was turned in by Mule co-captain Tom Pickering, who shattered the school's sixteen-year-old record in the 1000. Grabbing the lead at the quarter-mile mark, he cruised to victory in a time of 2:12.5, more than a second better than Seb Mamo's long standing Mule best.

Other bright spots for Colby included victories in both the one and two mile relays. The mile relay team of Peter Mueller, Mark Ratliff, Mark Paganno, and Jim Cataldo edged out the Lowell foursome on a lean, while the two-mile quad of Kevin Farley, Mike Misner, and Pickering took honors in a time of 8:12.9.

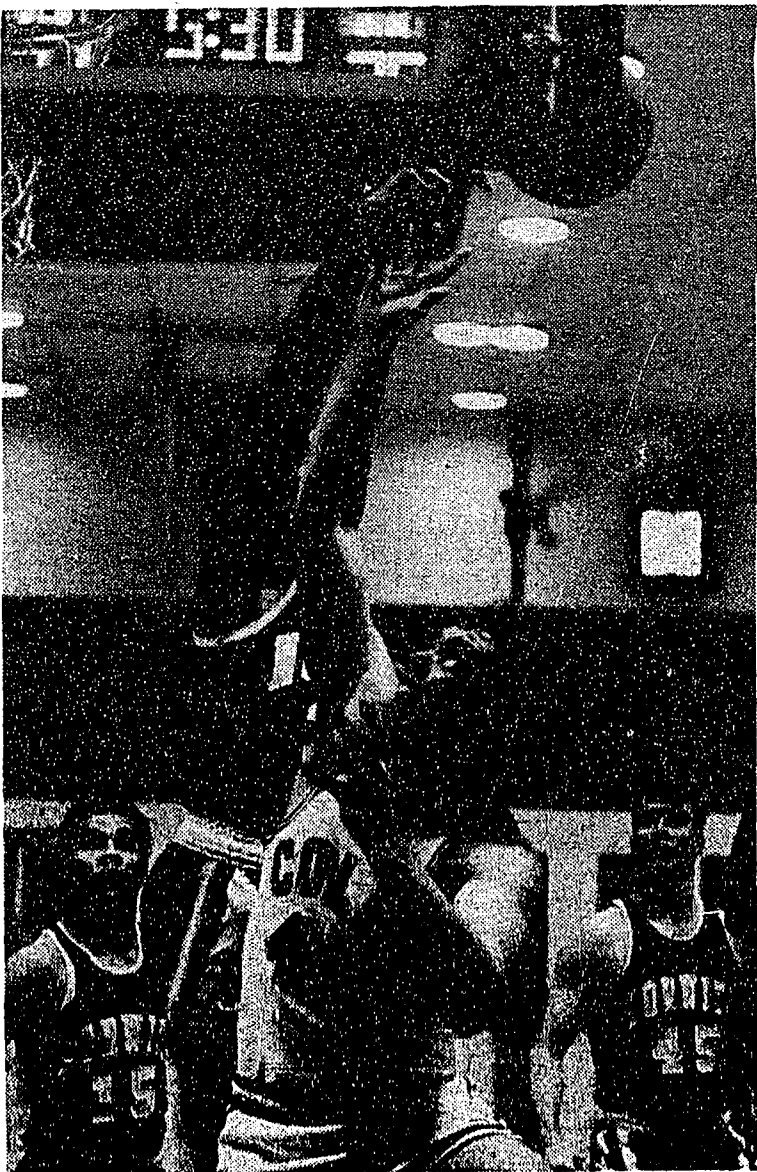
• Basketball

MacIndewar added 10 rebounds. Freshman Chris Vickers also reached double figures for the Mules. Norwich was led in scoring by: Mike Johnson (28), Darryl Jenkins (26), Don Ford (15) and Dan Roche (14).

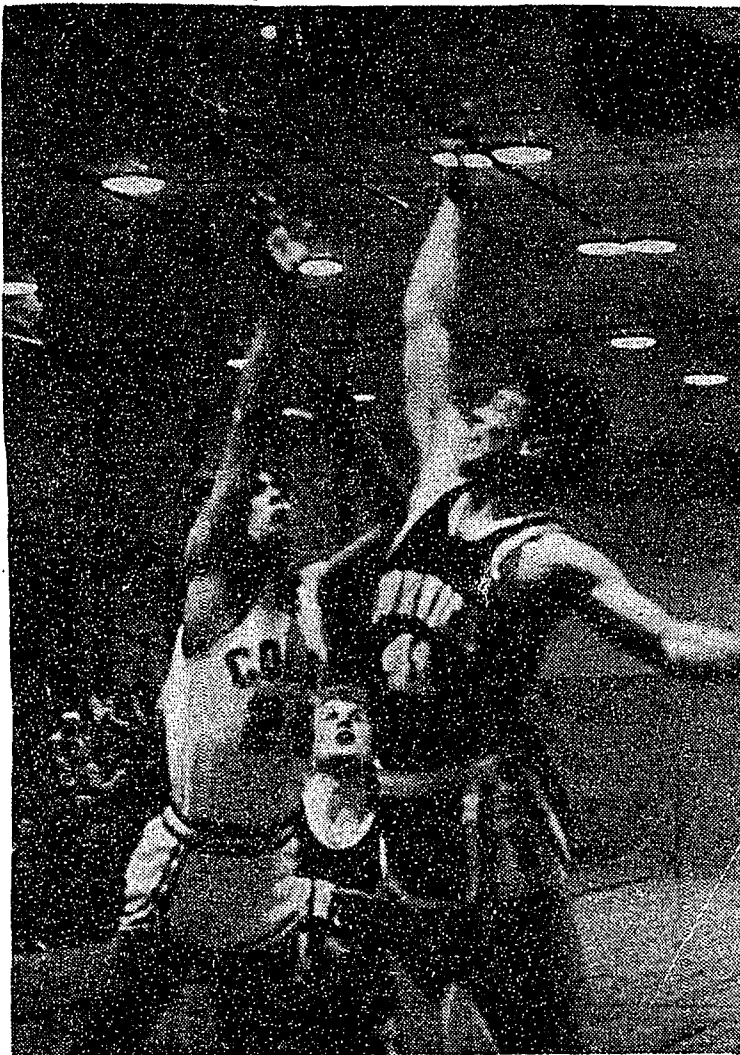
A tired Colby team took the floor Saturday against a poor Middlebury team, but the Mules had enough energy to prevail 61-53. Colby used ten players in this contest, led by "Knipper" McLeod, who hit for 24 points. Jim Gaudette followed with 11 and Bill MacIndewar with 10.

Colby started out very sluggishly before catching fire and moving to a commanding 29-14 halftime lead. Middlebury closed the gap somewhat in the second half, but the Panthers lacked the power to overcome the Mules.

Colby, now 12-4 looks to games Wednesday against Bates and a road trip south to take on Eastern Connecticut and Connecticut College this weekend.



Matt Barry (45), who was a force under the boards for the Mules runs into some Norwich resistance.



Matt Hummel (24) sticks a jumper in the face of a Norwich defender.

Present Standings

ECAC DIVISION 2 EAST HOCKEY STANDINGS

	CONF	ALL
1 Babson	12-1-1	16-1-1
2 Bowdoin	9-1-1	13-3-1
3 NEC	13-5-1	13-5-1
4 Norwich	9-6-0	11-7-0
5 Colby	6-4-1	6-8-1
6 Merrimack	7-7-0	8-12-0
7 Holy Cross	6-6-2	8-10-2

NE DIV III WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES' POLL

1 Bridgewater St.
2 Salem St.
3 Colby
4 Eastern Connecticut
5 USM
6 Clark
7 WPI
8 Emmanuel
9 U. Mass Boston
10 Connecticut

MULES MEN'S HOCKEY (Through 15 games)

PLAYER	SCORING			PTS	PIM
	GP	G	A		
Holt	15	5	13	18	32
Clune	15	8	8	16	29
Paolucci	15	7	7	14	0
Apostol	15	7	5	12	22
Clegg	15	4	6	11	10
Maleau	15	3	6	9	10
Boyd	13	2	6	8	12
Farrucci	15	4	3	7	16
Vopni	14	1	6	7	2
Doehr	15	2	4	6	0
D. Cronin	13	2	4	6	32
G. Cronin	13	3	2	5	14
Conti	5	2	0	2	0
McGillis	12	0	2	2	18
Murphy	14	0	2	2	4
Wilmerding	14	1	0	1	14
Parker	14	0	0	1	6
Burns	7	0	1	1	4

GOALTENDING			
GPMIN	GAGA	W-L-T	
11 646	383.53	4-6-10	
5 278	132.81	2-3-0	

Hoops steals two

The Colby Women picked up a pair of big hoop wins this past weekend with a 56-51 victory over WPI and a 68-58 win at Clark. Coach Gene DeLorenzo's charges weathered some tough challenges and extended their record to 15-2 in the process.

Against WPI, who was rated seventh in the latest poll, Colby gained the upper hand in a close first half 34-31. A fine shooting percentage (50%) from the floor keyed the Mules. Colby was also sharp from the line, canning 6 of 8.

The Mules, who had another fine team effort, were led by senior center Kaye Cross, who poured in 18 points and snagged 10 rebounds. Therese Langlois had 14 points and 9 re-

bounds and Lesley Melcher added 10 points.

Colby was again led by the trio of Cross, Langlois and Melcher as they knocked off sixth-ranked Clark on Saturday. Cross had 23 points and 15 rebounds and Langlois was close behind with 15 points and 15 rebounds. Melcher had 10 points from her guard position.

The Mules jumped out to a 33-29 lead at half-time before easing their way to the 68-58 victory.

Colby looks now to a CBB encounter with a rather weak Bates team on Wednesday before taking the road for contests with Connecticut College and Eastern Connecticut this weekend.

Women extend streak

Senior center Kaye Cross of the Colby College White Mules has been named Co-Player of the Week in most recent New England Division III Women's College Basketball Poll.

Cross shot 60 percent from the field (24-40) and 83 percent from the free throw line (20-24) as the White Mules completed a 3-0 week that included victories in Massachusetts over highly-regarded Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Clark University.

Cross scored 64 points in the three wins and added 42 rebounds and seven blocked shots as she earned the weekly honor along with Evelyn Oquendo, a sophomore guard from Salem State.

Rookie of the week for the second straight week was Tracy Finer of Connecticut College.

Bridgewater State, though suffering its first loss of the season to Worcester State Saturday night, continues to lead the weekly poll.

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Trustee plan good but only a start

In the three weeks since the Trustees announced their decision to institute a new residential system at Colby, many students have come to agree that the time for change is at hand. The new plan is clearly superior to the obsolete fraternity system, however, it also needs improvements.

The benefits of the commons system are endless. No longer will exclusive groups have a hold on the most desired housing on campus. All students will now have the opportunity of greater room and hall personalization, control over their own dining hall, and self-governance available to them. Such a system also facilitates close-knit relationships that can grow firm over the years spent in one common.

It would be unfortunate if the fraternities and sororities involve Colby in a lengthy court battle for control over student housing. Such a case would only divide the student body and delay the implementation of the better system. Fraternities should not be allowed to withhold privileges that should be the rights of every Colby student.

However, the Trustees plan should not be passively accepted by the student body. Thus far, students have had little or no input in the decision. We have merely been given an outline. It is now up to us to broaden it into a complete system designed by and for the students. It is the duty of every Colby student to get involved in the shaping of Colby's future.

Trustee decision-too drastic

Dear Sir:

I am shocked and disappointed that the Board of Trustees has adopted the recommendation of its Commission on Campus Life to do away with fraternities and sororities.

I am especially disappointed in the fact that this decision was made with full understanding that the student body had voted overwhelmingly in favor of their retention.

Although I cannot fault the goal of the Trustees to improve the social and intellectual atmosphere on campus, I deplore the method chosen. Under the pretense of serving the common good, the Trustees have taken an action which hurts many good men and women who treasure their membership in fraternities and sororities and all that this entails.

More prudent steps than

outright elimination of all fraternities and sororities could have been taken. Arguments presented to the contrary are specious. Commissioner David Marson proposed a sober approach by which the Administration could have confronted the "fraternity problem" in his concurring opinion which (I feel) the balance of the Commission, Trustees and Administration chose to avoid in lieu of a predetermined course of action.

The Commission's Commons Plan promises many improvements in the quality of life on campus, but no one can predict the degree of success that this experiment will enjoy. On the other hand, who cannot predict the enmity that will be directed toward the College by many undergraduates and alumni who take more than a

passing interest in the continued presence of fraternities and sororities on campus?

In the past, I took great pleasure in supporting Colby by working in Alumni Fund Telethons and contributing to the College as my finances allowed.

I regret I cannot continue my support of the College in view of the decision by its Trustees to legislate fraternities and sororities out of existence despite considerable undergraduate and alumni support for their continuance.

Respectfully,
Frank A. Wilson
Class of 1973

Editor's Note: This is a copy of a letter sent to Mr. H. Ridgely Bullock, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, that was also submitted to the Colby ECHO.

Forum

Forum: (fō'ram) *n.* a public discussion of items of common interest [*L. forum, the market-place*].

Critics Uninformed

To the Editor:

I am responding to the letter which appeared in the December 8th issue of the Colby Echo and signed by Nancy Finn, Whistle Wood, Jonathan Leech, Bob Bullock, Mark Harmon, Joe Baker, and

seventy-five additional concerned students, faculty members and administrators. This letter was in regard to the lecture by Michael Morgenstern, author of HOW TO MAKE LOVE TO A WOMAN, which took place on Thursday, December 1.

While this letter referred to Morgenstern's lecture as "an inappropriate use of funds," I find it my duty as Cultural Life Chairperson of the Student Association to clear up several things.

The letter of December 8th cont. on p.18

Frat fire causes indignation

To the Editor:

It was with great disappointment that I read the following news item in a paper with a circulation of 1.9 million:

Banned fraternities fight back with fire

Waterville, Maine- Furniture mattresses and a piano fed flames meant to show Colby

College officials that fraternity brothers can't be "kept down that easy." The fires burned into early Monday in protest of a decision to ban the fraternities. No one was hurt. Officials say they won't be too harsh because "it was a chance to let off some steam."

USA TODAY- (1-17-84, p. 3)
Whatever reasons originally lay behind the decision to ban

the fraternities, the behavior of the fraternity brothers has now vindicated it. I only hope that the quote by Colby officials is just a piece of bad reporting.

Sincerely,
Lynn Quincy
Class of 1981

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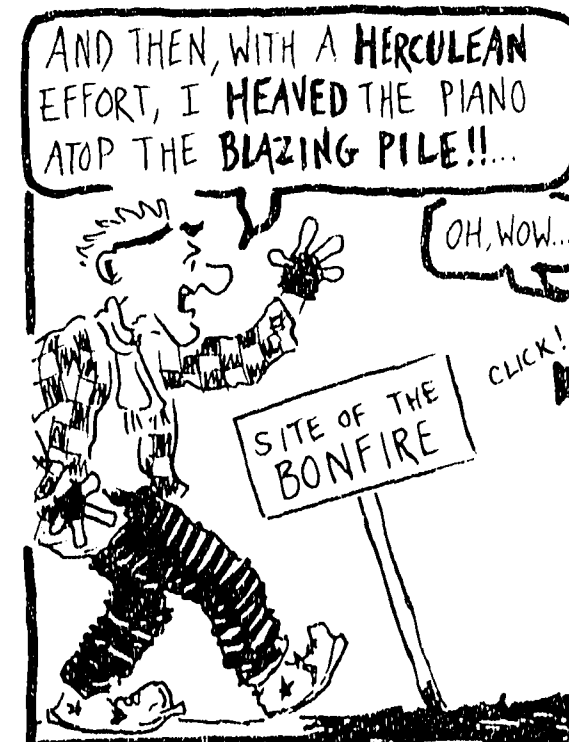
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In perspective

An alternative to the commons plan

by MICHAEL HEEL

If you are an upperclassman, you have undoubtedly found the new proposed "Commons Plan" to be an interesting but severely flawed concept. If you are a freshman, you may be worried that the new plan will infringe upon your own social growth at Colby. Neither of these thoughts are unreasonable, as I believe that the Commons Plan needs definite work. I would like to offer to you an alternative plan, one that has gotten very positive response among nearly everyone I've "tested" the idea on. I call my plan "the communities plan," and I'm very excited about getting it enacted if students support my plan.

First off, I divide the Commons Plan into three parts: Social life, Governance, and Residential life. My plan is an ALTERATION of the residential aspect of the Commons Plan, as I believe that much of the social life and governance aspects of the Commons plan are very workable.

At present, the entire college will all enter general room draw this spring and choose rooms and roommates like we have in the past. In the following years, however, we will be encouraged to live within one of four areas on campus FOR THE REMAINDER OF OUR COLBY CAREER.

I FIND THIS PLAN UNSATISFACTORY FOR FOUR REASONS:

1. IT ASSUMES THAT ALL HOUSING IS EQUAL. Low Common, by virtue of its location and the age of its buildings is not, at this time, equal to the one with the Heights and Hillside Complex, nor is it as favorable as those centrally located commons with the frat buildings. EVEN WITH INCREDIBLE AMOUNTS OF MONEY, LOW COMMON WILL NOT AND CANNOT BE EQUAL TO THE OTHER COMMONS FOR SEVERAL YEARS.

2. IT ASSUMES THAT STUDENTS WANT TO REMAIN IN ONE PLACE OR AREA. I believe that this assumption is wrong. As a freshman last year, I and most of my friends liked the idea of experimenting with living on different parts of the campus. I prefer the idea of choosing from a pool of more than twenty buildings, rather than just the 4-6 that we'd choose from under the Commons plan.

3. IT ASSUMES THAT WE WILL DEVELOP A "FEELING OF COMMUNITY" BY LIVING IN A GROUP OF 300 FROM YEAR TO YEAR. I think a group of 300 is much too large and impersonal, and that this feeling will not develop at all. Do you, for instance, feel any affection for those who now live in your neighboring dorm? The Commons plan assumes

that this will magically change next year, and we will all become one big community.

4. THE PLAN DOES NOT GIVE US THE BASIC RIGHT WHICH WE NOW DO NOT HAVE, WHICH IS THE RIGHT TO LIVE WITH OUR FRIENDS. Instead, the plan assumes that once one lives with a group of people in the same common, he will automatically develop friendships within his common. This idea is contrived, as it fails to recognize that friendships can and are developed in sports, activities, and in classes.

"Negative aspects, I think, are major, and our own happiness next year, should be dealt with now, rather than next year."

These negative aspects, I think, are major, and for our own happiness next year, should be dealt with now, rather than next year. I therefore offer the following plan:

"THE COMMUNITIES PLAN"

"Starting in Spring 1984, the college shall conduct room draw RESPECTING, FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE RIGHT OF ALL PERSONS TO LIVE WITH WHOM THEY CHOOSE, for groups of friends to live together throughout their stay at Colby, if they should so desire. Room draw shall be conducted as usual, except that in addition to the traditional "one person-one number" concept, groups of 4-10 persons (designated communities, hence the name of the plan) shall be allowed to select a single number in number draw, and a group of rooms on the same floor in room draw."

In other words, should you have a group of friends, single sex or mixed, you will be guaranteed that no matter how good/bad your number is, you will have the right to live with people you know, like, and prefer to live with. At the same time, natural interaction will continue on campus; as NO ONE GROUP OF PEOPLE SHALL MONOPOLIZE A FLOOR ON CAMPUS. Groups of friends can have the closeness of one another, yet will also be interacting with other groups, independent individuals, and freshmen on the same floor. This concept, not the Commons plan, fosters a feeling of community and helps create lasting friendships. Furthermore, THIS PLAN IS PREFERABLE TO THE COMMONS PLAN FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS:

1. IT RECOGNIZES THAT ALTHOUGH SOME PEOPLE ARE INDEPENDENT, OTHERS PREFER TO LIVE IN A CLOSE, FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENT. My plan allows friends to continue their close relationships, as fraternity members do, for years. At the same time, it allows for normal interactions between individuals and groups.

2. IT RETAINS THE FAVORABLE MOBILITY CONCEPT THAT ANY INDIVIDUAL, OR GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS, CAN CHANGE THEIR SETTING TOTALLY FROM YEAR TO YEAR, thereby preventing monopolization of preferred housing.

3. With my plan, students benefit from the closeness of living with a group of friends, thereby making the governance system more effective. FRIENDS ARE NOT INCONSIDERATE OF FRIENDS, SO NOISE WITHIN DORMS THEORETICALLY SHOULD BE MORE EASILY CONTROLLED, ETC.

4. MY PLAN RECOGNIZES THAT GROUPS OF 4-10, NOT 300, ARE THE ONES THAT MAKE SOCIAL LIFE THE BEST WHERE WE LIVE. After all, only about 10 percent of our time, if that much, is spent at large gatherings. The rest of our time is spent in small groups—to achieve the closeness most of us seek in college friendships.

5. THIS PLAN RECOGNIZES THAT THE PEOPLE ONE LIVES WITH, NOT THE PLACE ONE LIVES IN, IS WHAT STUDENTS FEEL IS IMPORTANT. Even if we live in the worst housing possible, if we are with our friends, we manage to have a great time.

With my plan, the student, in essence, has all the benefits of the present system (total mobility, student interaction, independence, if desired), of the fraternity system (living with friends, student autonomy, the opportunity to build lasting friendships) and yes, of the new commons system (balanced social life, governance over dining halls, dorm renovations, and student input for decision making).

In other words, this plan recognizes that students want to live where they want to and with whom they choose to. This is a condensed version of my plan, but the essentials are here. In the next issue, I will outline my concerns about governance and social life, both of which are acceptable under the Commons plan, but still have room for improvement.

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ATO: The Beginning

To the Editor:

This is a picture of Colby College in September 1948. In particular, it is the picture of the Alpha Tau Omega, Gamma Alpha chapter, Fraternity house. Three 1950's Tau's fraternity brothers, are watching the commencement of the chapter house begun in 1948 and completed in 1950, a chapter house dedicated to the highest principles; love of God, brotherhood of man and fidelity in all things and to all men.

The fraternity was founded in Richmond, Virginia, on September 11, 1865 by three young confederate soldiers whose long range aims were to bind and heal the wounds created by the War of the Rebellion. On December 2, 1891, a society called Beta Epsilon was established on the old Colby College campus. This society became the Maine Gamma Alpha chapter of Alpha Tau Omega on June 25, 1892. After many years of tradition at and service to Colby College the Tau's were the first to build and occupy a new chapter house on Mayflower Hill.

The need was great and money not so plentiful as today. Many are the stories of money raising tales told with a twinkle in the eye by some of the elder - may I say - statesmen of our fraternity. However, the monies were raised and the house was built. Yes, the house was completed and has been dedicated to men of vision, energy and virtue. Men such as; William and Theodore Levine '17, Dean

Ernest Marriner, Theodore Hodgkins '25, Cecil Goddard '29, Judge (Retired) H.C. Marden, Henry Rollins, Pacy Levine, Lewis Lester Levine and many more men; honourable men, men of service and sacrifice; men of tradition. Tradition, indeed, and spirit, both of which shall live long and endure in the minds and hearts of those of us who call ourselves men, brothers and Tau's.

I do not know what course of action, the active chapter, the prudential committee and fraternity trustees and the alumni association of Gamma Alpha chapter of Alpha Tau Omega will pursue. I am sure, however, that as long as there is a man who wishes to pledge himself to the high ideals of ATO there will be an alumnus and alumni who will do all that is within their power to assure him his rights to do so.

If we lose our house, and God forbid that we should not fight to preserve it, we lose only a building. Another building can be bought or built. There have been times in the past when we've had to meet in temporary quarters. Now is the time for patience, deliberation and planning and it's the time for all Tau's active and alumni, to unite and fight to preserve our fraternal heritage and ensure that future generations shall possess and preserve the inviolate rights of freedom of speech, expression and assembly in whatever form and forum they so choose.

Fraternity men and sorority women built Colby. Colby may not want fraternities and sororities any longer. Colby may desire to be rid of fraternities but fraternities may not want to be rid of Colby.

Tau's in the 40's had a vision, as pictured above. We must not

(as Tau's of the 80's) allow the reality of that vision to be snatched from us if it be within our power to prevent it.

Sincerely,
Chuck Clarke
Gamma Alpha
Alpha Tau Omega
Class of 1976

Williams Fraternities before and after

To the Editor:

I have to get this off my chest.

Open Letter to the Faculty and Administration:

It was with real dismay that I read of the decision to abolish the fraternity system at Colby. From what I can gather, the move to do so came more from faculty and administration than from the student body, which must indicate that few of the students were suffering from social damage.

I have seen at close hand what happened at one college when the fraternities were phased out. My husband returned from World War II and entered Williams in 1946, and we were married the next year. The campus was a wonderful place to live; fraternity and non-fraternity, the students were an enthusiastic bunch who enjoyed everything about college life.

Our oldest son went to Williams in 1969, long after the end of the fraternity system,

and when we spent some time there at various events, we found the change obvious and distressing. The college had become a think tank, grades were everything, and worst of all, the students appeared to be a joyless lot indeed.

I do not for one minute claim there is nothing wrong with the fraternity system; there are incidents which unfortunately become a cause celebre, thus doing great damage to a system which, if improved and regulated, charging the members with more responsibility, rather than erasing the system entirely, could make the whole experience of college a fine one.

It is sad indeed to see a vibrant college like Colby go the way of Williams, which was once an equally wonderful place to learn, and to grow.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Frederick Goodrich
Parent

"The Colby Manifesto"

To the Editor:

I have just completed my bedside reading of the "Trustee's Report," or as it may be more appropriately called, "The Colby Manifesto." History has repeated itself once again, as a Bolshevik minority has succeeded in confiscating the property of the "haves" in order to re-distribute it and achieve an equality of mediocrity under which all suffer. As with other revolutions, repression of familial ties (as represented by fraternities and sororities) is a key ingredient of success.

George Orwell would shudder upon reading the Trustee's Report. How kind of "Big Brother" (or should I say "Big Person" in this non-sexist age?) to decide where students should eat! It removes the burden of such weighty decisions from their shoulders and gives them more time to study so that Colby students can finally overcome the shadow of Bowdoin's reputation. The "Commons" idea is absolutely marvelous. Oxford's English Dictionary defines "common" variously as "undistinguished" and "of inferior quality or value." Mr. Orwell might remark "all commons are created equal; but some are more equal than others." (I pity the poor freshmen who must explain to their parents that living in "Low Common" does not in any way reflect the college's judgement of their abilities.)

In its passing reference to the student body's overwhelming mandate for continuing the fraternity/sorority system, the commission states it "would not

presume to say why individual students voted as they did," (p. 15). That's mighty nice of the Commission, don't you think? The Colby Community is left to presume the commission either didn't care why, or simply wished to exhibit its audacity by devoting a mere two paragraphs to such trivialities as the student body's free exercise of its opinion. After all, "Big Brother knows best."

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Colby goes to China

To the Editor:

I'm writing to let everyone in the Colby community know about the possibilities for study in China next year. Colby is a member of CIEE, which has a program in Shanghai, Nanjing, and Beijing. The Nanjing program seems to be having some difficulties, but the Beijing program is going great guns, and I would recommend it quite highly. Indeed as of next year they are going to begin taking first year Chinese students (up until now you theoretically had to have at least three years of Chinese to come to Beijing) and will probably also be offering an even bigger variety of classes on history, literature, and other topics. Moreover, the Foreign Student dormitory where everyone lives is reasonably comfortable (we live there) even if they do ration the hot water and the electricity. It also provides a good opportunity to observe differing national

character traits. The North Korean students, who wear their Kim Il-sung badges even on their pajamas at night, always march in to the dining room together, while the Czechs and Yugoslavs are hardly ever seen in the company of their fellow countrymen (one Yugoslav woman created a great scandal here when she recently had a baby).

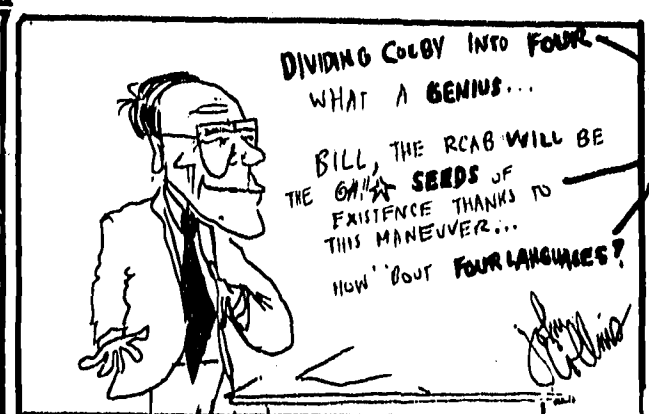
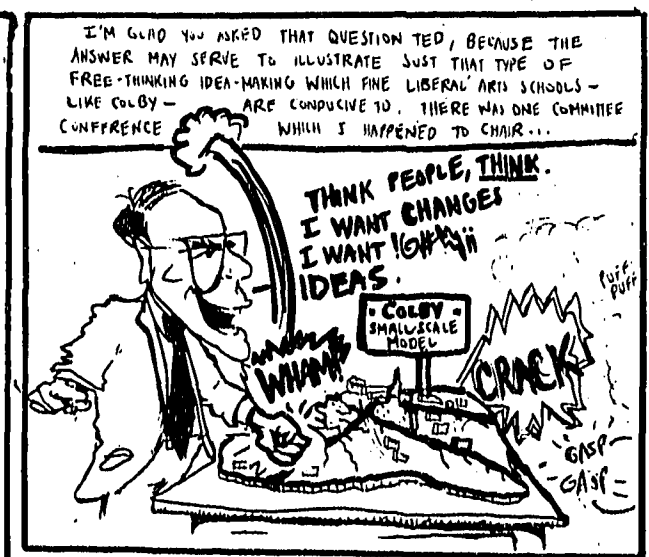
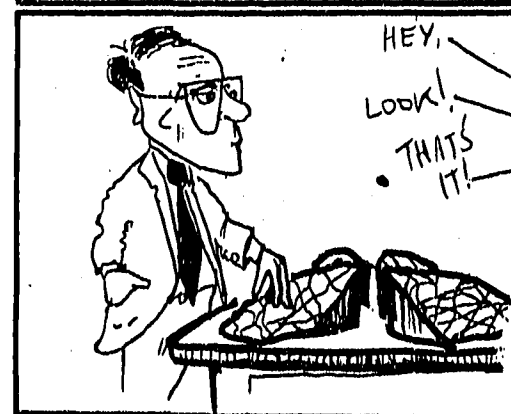
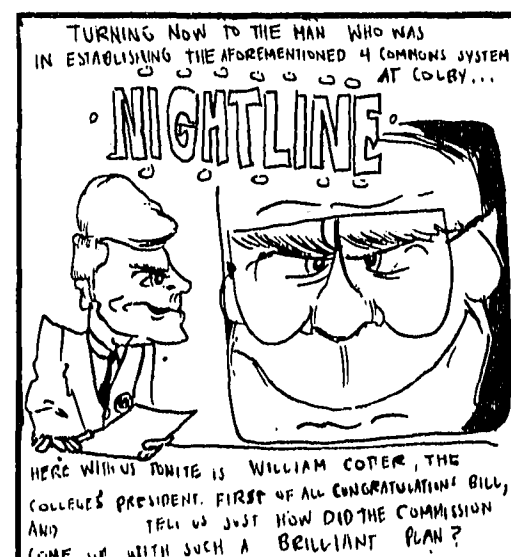
The CIEE program can be joined for one summer, one semester, or a whole year. It is possible to study in Taiwan for one semester and then to come here or vice versa. CIEE additionally provides opportunities for travel throughout China.

Information on the program can be obtained from Chung So. I believe the application deadline for next year is very soon.

Sincerely,
Lee Felgon
Beijing

Brickbat

by John Collins



• Disappointment

stated that there should be an improvement in the selection process of speakers, and certain safeguards should be devised "to prevent this sort of error in the future." The authors of this letter were completely ignorant of this selection process and instead of asking the Cultural Life Committee how this process was put into effect, they were forced to make judgements on facts they did not have. Let me put this into perspective.

When I was elected last March, my committee and I immediately met, in order to select our speakers and events for the academic year of 1983-1984. We collected information from different artists and agencies and decided to select speakers who were controversial, popular, and capable of offering diversity to the Colby campus. We accomplished these goals by bringing speakers such as: Alex Haley (author of *ROOTS*), Colette Dowling (author of *THE CINDERELLA COMPLEX*),

and finishing the first semester with Michael Morgenstern. I strongly believe that each and every one of these speakers contributed significantly to Colby. The Cultural Life Committee in no way regrets booking Michael Morgenstern. We believe that as Mr. Morgenstern spoke to a full capacity audience in Given Auditorium, he was able to arouse feelings and raise the consciences of the Colby community. Any speaker who can come and speak out on controversial issues while offering diversity to the campus is well worth the fee he or she is paid.

I understand that many women found Mr. Morgenstern's lecture to be sexist. However, one female student who felt this way told me so a day before Mr. Morgenstern spoke without ever reading his book. She also drew an analogy to the Ku Klux Klan. She stated that a lecture by a member of the KKK would offend me, just as one by

Morgenstern would offend her. I not only disagree with this remark, but I am highly offended by it. I question the validity of this comparison because the Ku Klux Klan is a violent organization which seeks to advocate the subjugation of an entire race. Mr. Morgenstern is neither violent, nor does he ad-

vocate the subjugation of a race or gender. He only seeks a return to traditional romance. I am offended by the mention of the Ku Klux Klan because I doubt very much if this comparison would have been made if I were not black. I only wish that when people try to expose sexism, they do not impose feelings of racism on others, as this student clearly did.

As it was suggested in the letter that it is possible to bring up controversial speakers who do not offend; the name of Richard Rodriguez was suggested. Any person who suggests that I should deny my racial or ethnic identity in order

to assimilate in the white world offends me very much. It is my argument that any speaker who is speaking on a controversial issue will always offend some, but has a right to be heard by all.

There are many ways to improve the selection process of speakers. I agree that more students should be involved, but to suggest that faculty should be included in the process is outrageous. The whole purpose of a liberal arts education is for students to accept responsibilities and use them effectively. The whole process of student government should be solely implemented by the students with help if need be from faculty or administrators. There must be education, not indoctrination.

Lastly, the Cultural Life Committee is proud of its program for this year. We have set remarkable precedents with large attendances, and strong positive reactions from students, faculty and ad-

ministrators. All the speakers — behave in a more adult manner which the Committee brings to Colby — have a right to be heard, without having its posters defaced with graffiti. I hope that in the future when a speaker of this nature visits Colby, that students are able to while taking advantage of an excellent lecturer.

Sincerely yours,
Leon C. Buck

Cultural Life Chairperson
of the Student Association

• Terrorism

University, spoke on the international consequences of terrorism. In the beginning of her talk, Crenshaw stated that terrorism was salient on international levels in 1968 but that it backfired in the late seventies. "In 1968, governments were willing to bargain, to compromise with terrorists," she said. "However, terrorism soon discredited the very ideology that made it possible." Events such as the Palestinian slaughter of Israeli athletes at the 1972 Olympic games in Munich served to turn public opinion away from sympathy or tolerance for terrorists in favor of a hard-line approach. Countries that are superpowers or first-rate powers also did not want to be humiliated by terrorists on the international level. "The more powerful a state is the more it has to lose," Crenshaw stated. "Terrorism is a threat to international prestige." The need to preserve national honor lay at the heart of Jimmy Carter's decision to attempt a military rescue of the 50 American hostages in Iran, said Crenshaw. Although the Carter administration had been carrying on intensive secret negotiations for almost a year to free the hostages, it appeared to the American public that Carter was allowing the United States to be kicked around by a third rate power. "The American public demanded a harder line from Carter in his dealing with these third world champion terrorists." Carter and the American public were also inspired by the successful hard line approach taken by other countries in dealing with terrorists Crenshaw said. "The Entebbe Case of 1977, in which a hijacked plane carrying Israelis was rescued by Israel's military, is a prime example."

In his talk on "Terrorism and the Soviet Union: Strategic Dimensions," Yonah Alexander from Georgetown University's Center for Strategic and International Studies stated that terrorism is a strategic tool used by the Soviet Union when eye-to-eye conflict becomes too dangerous. By supporting international terrorism, the Soviets try to influence development in neighboring countries like Turkey and Iran, to draw countries like Portugal into the Soviet Circle, to weaken the political and economic structure of NATO countries and to stir up trouble for the United States in various parts of the world, Alexander stated. "In supporting terrorism, the Soviets have ideological and practical considerations they want to expand the Soviet cause of Terrorist Marxism and indirect involvement in terrorism is a very convenient, low risk way of achieving their goals."

Alexander's comment that there are double standards for terrorism, that the British Broadcasting Company refers to Irish "terrorists" and to Palestinian "freedom fighters" sparked debate over the definition of terrorism that carried into the round table discussion.

The colloquium was sponsored by the division of Social Sciences and directed by Professor Roger Bowen. The talks and discussion of the colloquium will be on tape in the Special Collections room of Miller Library.

• Manifesto

The Commission report does not come as a surprise to me. History is replete with tales of short-sighted groups driven by petty jealousies who destroy the fabric of their society in the name of a new "era of equality." Their worlds were filled

with imperfection; and being too vain to look inward for answers and too proud to extend their hands outward to work with others for a solution, they took it upon themselves to smash tradition and impose their notion of "utopia" on the

community. These regimes now drown in cries of repression and despair. For Colby, the Commission has deemed that sobriety and boredom will suffice.

To those endangered species of the fraternity system, I urge you not to take this lying down.

Remember that if "Big Brother is watching you," you can sure make him squirm between now and commencement.

Sincerely,
Bob Ruzzo DU
Class of 1981
(The check is in the mail)

• Rodriguez

plied with affirmative action. I permitted myself to be prized. Even after publicly voicing objections to affirmative action, I accepted its benefits."

Having received those benefits, Rodriguez says he is "no longer the person he was."

His autobiography serves to "connect himself to that boy" in Sacramento.

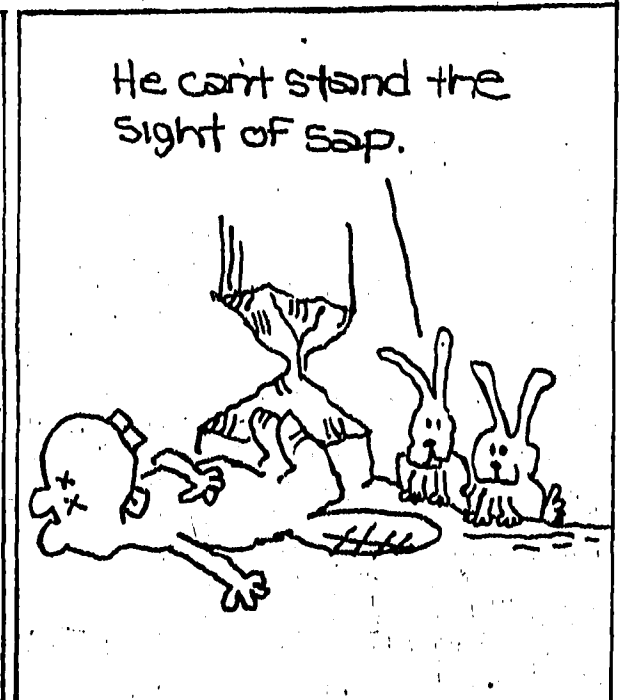
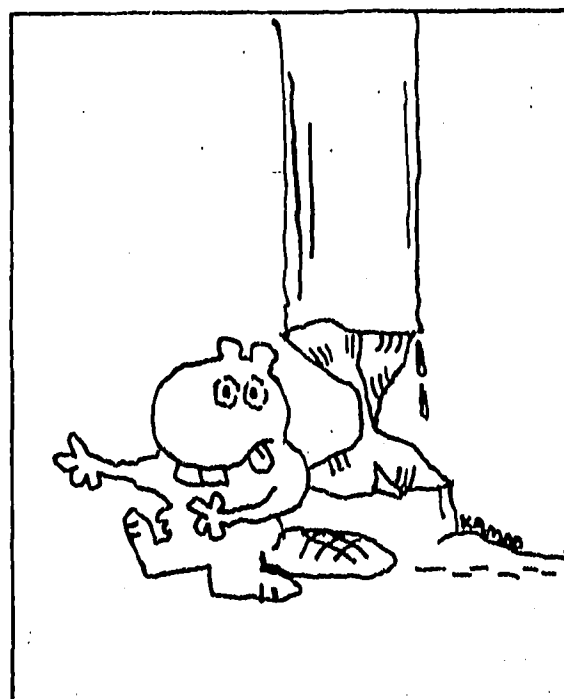
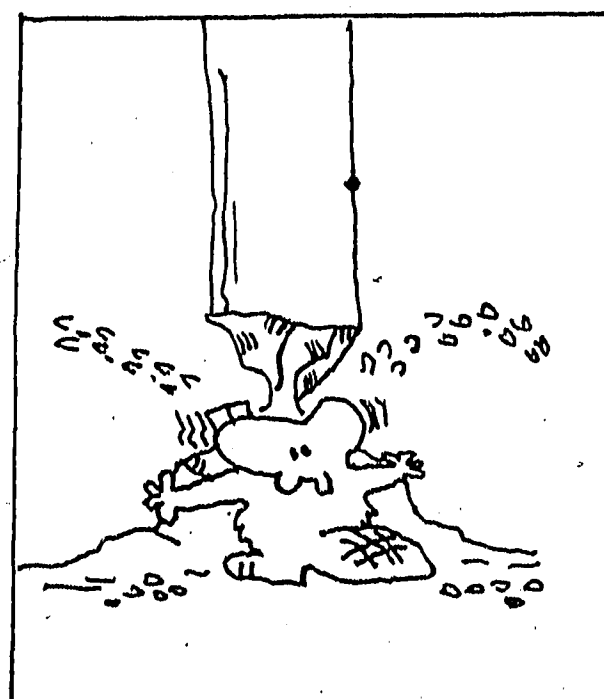
In writing about his personal life, however, he feels he must hurt his family. He calls it "a public voice that tells about the personal."

Making things public takes courage, he reports. "You stammer and stutter and say that what you are going to say is unbelievable-- but everyone already knows it." He has learned that so many unbelievable things are univer-

sal experiences that everyone is thinking about.

Even so, he said, "It is an extraordinary luxury to be asked and to say: 'I feel, I yearn, I weep when...'"

Barney the Beaver



by Kamoo

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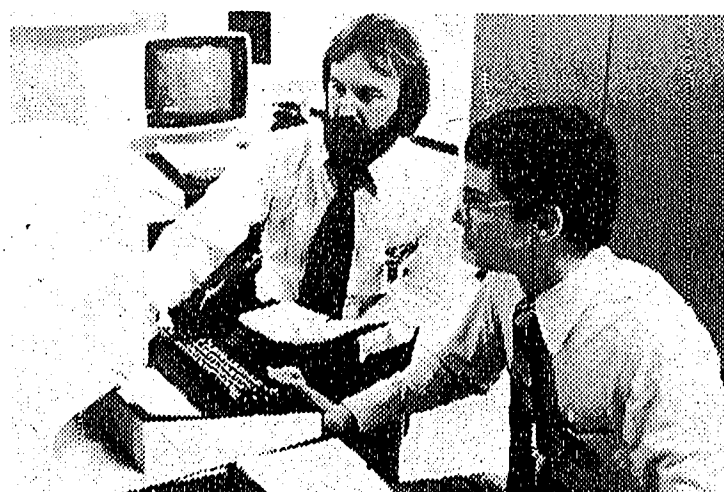
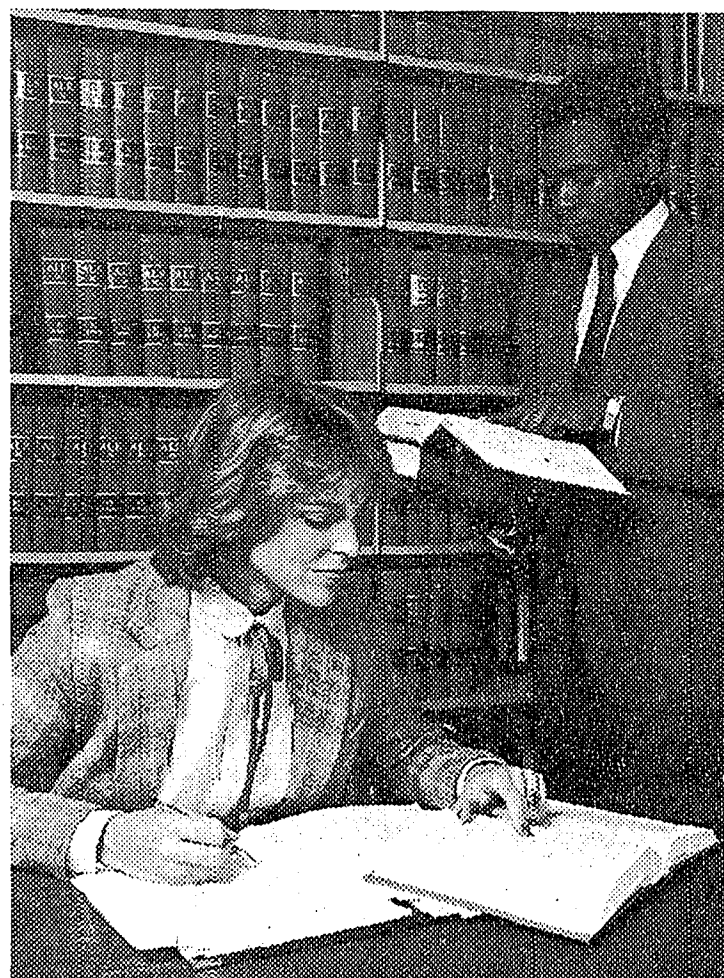
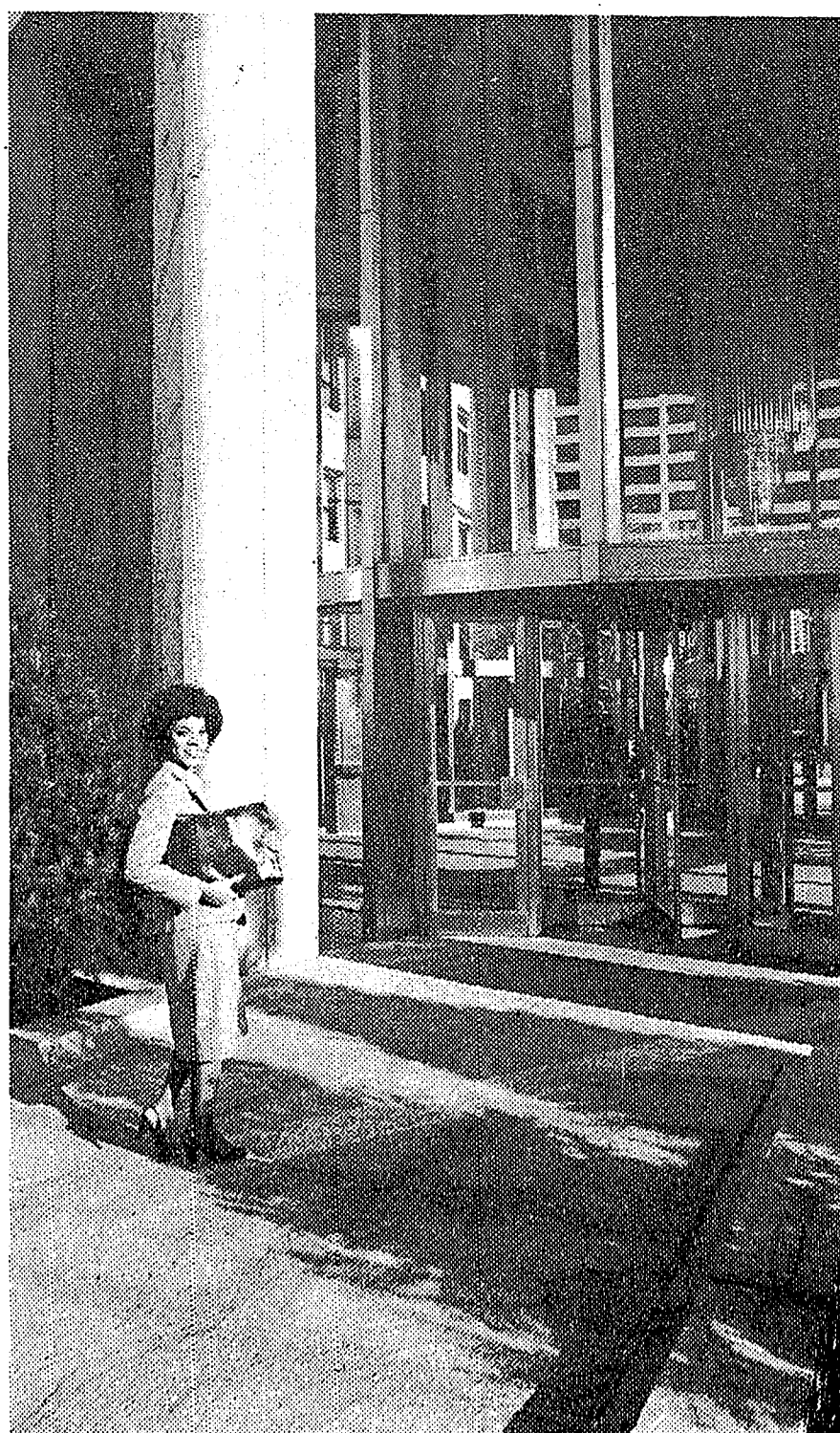
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