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Stu-A elections set for March 17

Stu-A elections have been set for the week of March 17, according to Mike Heel, Stu-A president.

On March 17, elections for the offices of Stu-A President/Vice-president, Cultural Life Chairperson, Social Life Chairperson, and Finance Chairperson will be held.

A runoff election will be held March 19 for all offices where no candidate received a majority of the vote in the first round of voting. Nomination forms will be available in the student activities office Monday and will be due Thursday, at a mandatory candidates' meeting. All candidates will be required to submit personal statements to be printed in the Echo.

The Stu-A President and Vice-president are elected as a team. The duties of the president include setting the agenda for all Board of Governors

meetings, chairing all meetings of the Board of Governors and the Stu-A Executive Board, meeting regularly with members of the administration, and acting as the official spokesperson of the campus. The vice-president coordinates Stu-A elections, appoints student members of all-college committees, and aids the president in the performance of other official duties. Both officers represent the student body at the Board of Trustees meetings throughout the year, said Heel.

The Stu-A Cultural Life Chairperson is responsible for bringing culturally enriching activities to Colby, including speakers, dancers, and theater groups. The Cultural Life Chairperson presides over the Stu-A Cultural Life Committee, and oversees the expenditure of a sizable budget, he said.

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'Life's a beach'



'Beach goers' enjoy the sun and sand at last weekends beach party in the student center.

Photo by: Mike Salvador

Admissions 'even-Steven'

by Wendy Dauphinais

The projected admissions counts for the 1986-87 academic year are in. Colby has over 3,000 applicants to fill a freshman class of approximately 440 students.

Dean Parker Beverage commented, "The final count is not in yet. Even though the deadline has passed, the admissions office is still receiving applications, which are late due to extenuating circumstances."

Comparing this number of applicants with last year's figures, Beverage says, "We are virtually even-Steven."

Dartmouth's applicant pool has fallen by eight percent this year. Over 8,700 applied, and Dartmouth will ac-

cept 1,850 for a class of 1,030. Dean Quirk said, "This decrease isn't substantial since last year's figures were the largest we've ever had."

Middlebury's admissions count also has dropped this year, by 10 percent. Assistant associate director Phinney said, "Out of the 3,400 applicants, we accept 1,000 to yield a class of 500 students." Phinney commented, "The figures really don't say much about a college, unless you analyze them over a period of ten years."

Bates is experiencing a slight increase of 2 to 3 percent in the number of applicants this year. William, dean of admissions, said, "Over 2,900 students have applied and we will probably accept around 1,000 students for a class

of 375."

"Bowdoin's pool of applicants has remained about the same," said associate admissions director Margaret Dunlop. Nearly 3,500 students have applied for a class of 385 students.

Beverage is glad that Colby's number of applicants remained steady, for two reasons. First, in terms of demographics, we're working against odds. The number of eighteen year olds is decreasing. Second, due to the decision to pull Colby out of the common applications this year, there will be some potential applicants who will not bother filling out another form.

Beverage said, "It is more important to maintain the quality of the applicant pool than to push for high counts."



Singer Ray Boston entertains party goers last Saturday in the student center.

Photo by: Mike Salvador

Will beer flow again?

by Tris Kortzen

There may be a resolution in sight for Colby's beer-less pub dilemma if the Maine State Legislature acts on a bill which would limit the amount that a bar could be sued in the event that a drunk patron hurts himself or others, according to Earl Smith, dean of the College.

Currently, alcohol is not being served at the pub because Colby was unable to find an insurance company willing to provide liquor liability insurance.

If Colby were to serve liquor without insurance, and an accident were to

result, the College would be sued into bankruptcy under current law.

According to Smith, the bill would limit the amount an establishment could be sued to \$500,000.

Both Smith and pub manager Dick Dowd expressed optimism that the bill will pass.

They contributed their optimism to the expectation that legislatures will feel considerable pressure to pass the bill from bar and restaurant owners and from lobbyists for Maine's tourist industry.

Smith said he expects the legislature's decision by April 15.

The Interview

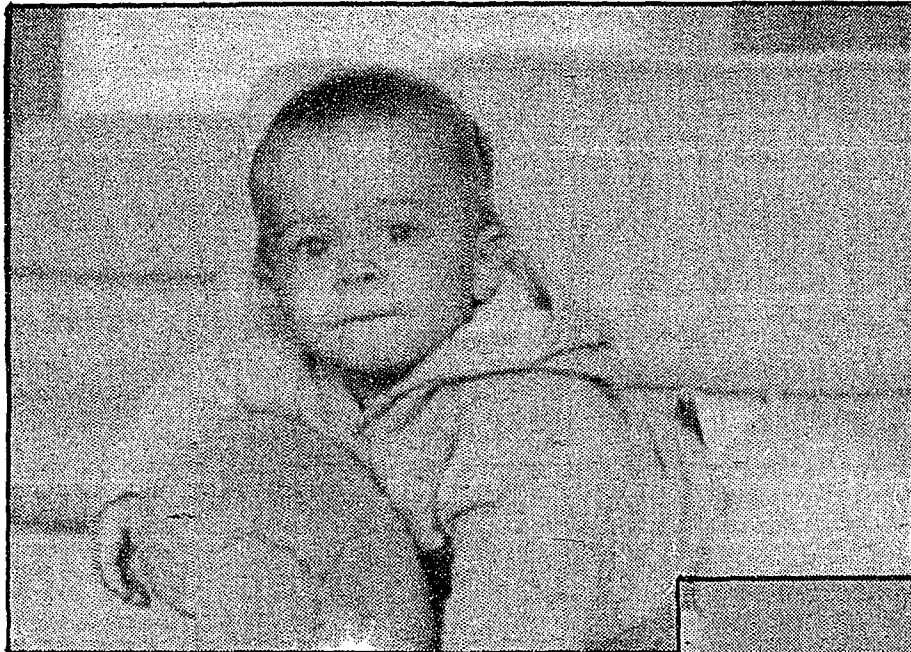


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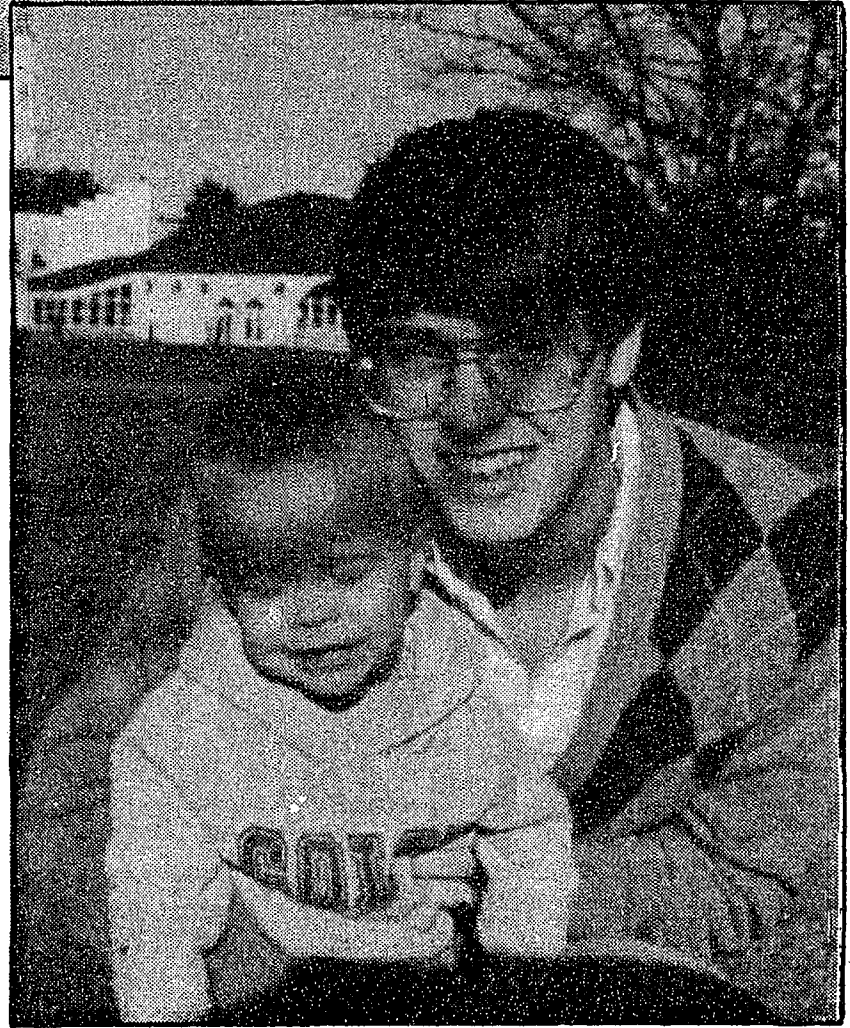
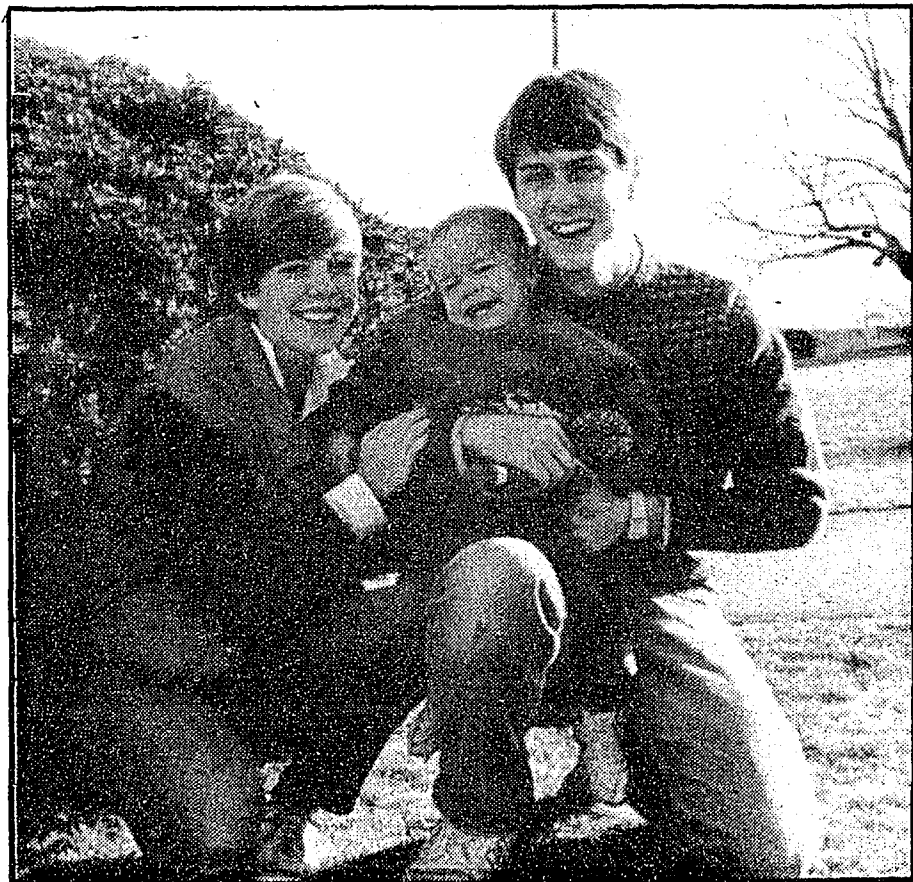


Photo by: Maria Gonzales

Harris family finds campus living joyful

By David Scannell

While most students probably believe that taking five courses and holding down an on-campus job is a Herculean task, there are two Colby students whose duties include the supreme responsibility: raising a child.

For the past 19 months, seniors Jill and Brent Harris have been the parents of Bradley Stasz Harris. Since the beginning of the school year, the Harris family has been living in a small apartment in Mary Low where Mr. and Mrs. Harris share a head resident appointment.

Recently both talked to the Echo about bringing up a baby on the Colby campus.

According to both parents, the benefits of raising Bradley in the dorm have "far outweighed the negatives."

"There really are advantages for us all," according to Mr. Harris. "He gets to meet a lot of different people. He receives a lot of attention, a lot of social interaction."

Mrs. Harris agreed, "I think there have been benefits for the residents too." She said that the presence of a baby allowed many people to "open up. Everybody loves a baby."

She noted that having Bradley around helps to "create the family atmosphere" that head residents strive for.

Both parents agreed that dorm life made their jobs as parents less difficult because of the availability of eager babysitters.

"The whole hall has been really great," according to Mr. Harris.

In addition to a willingness to babysit, both parents cited the Mary Low Christmas party as an example of the residents' support. "The entire hall went out and bought him all these toys," said Mrs. Harris.

She added that Bradley's favorite toys were balls, "any kind: basketballs, soccer balls."

When asked if there were any drawbacks to raising a child on campus, both agreed that the problems were minor.

"Basically, kids spoil him a little bit," said Mrs. Harris.

Mr. Harris cited varying degrees of discipline that babysitters apply as a minor problem.

"Some kids will let him throw his toys all over the room; others won't."

He observed that considering the fact that Bradley is entering the "terrible twos," babysitters probably have little choice in the matter.

Although both parents agreed that dorm life has been a positive experience they stressed the need for Bradley to meet his peers.

"We put him in a play group downtown because we wanted him to be around kids his own age. It's important to be socializing with kids his own age," said Mr. Harris.

Both said that putting Bradley in a play group has made them notice his independence—which might be attributable to dorm living.

"He's really outgoing and social. He's very open to being with other people than us. He's not as clingy as other babies his age."

Mr. Harris said that returning to campus after apartment living has been an easy adjustment to make. When asked if they were apprehensive about the return, Mr. Harris said, "I don't know if we were apprehensive."

Both praised the dean's office for being "really supportive."

"They were really open and excited about having us apply as HR's," Mrs. Harris said.

When asked if they were ever envious of fellow students, Mrs. Harris said, "I'll admit, at times I'm a little envious."

Mr. Harris added, "Having more free time is something we envy, but most definitely, (having Bradley) is something we've never regretted."

As both look toward the future—an MD for Mr. Harris, an MBA for Mrs. Harris, and a sibling "at some point" for Bradley—they concluded that most of the positive aspects of campus life have rubbed off on Bradley while few of the negative ones have.

"He's not tapping kegs, yet," said Mr. Harris.

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Wendy Lapham

Just asking

If you're like me, you've been asking yourself a lot of questions lately. There's just something about February in Maine that brings about insecurity. You may be asking yourself things like "Why am I here?" "Where am I going?" "Do I exist?" Well, when you're not asking questions like that, maybe you should be asking ones like this:

*Why does the new All-Purpose room in the Student Center look like a set for "Romeo and Juliet?"

*What is the balance of the Social Life budget, and if it's as high as I think it is, do we get a refund at the end of the year?

*Why do you get a funny taste in your mouth when you walk past the area between Mary Low and Foss?

*Why do the jewelry and poster and sweater people only come to sell their wares when you have twenty-three cents in your checking account?

*What company manufactures those neat little pizza briefcases the Domino's Pizza people use?

*Why, when you go to the candy machine, is the candy bar you really want always fourth in line behind the ones you don't really want at all?

*Speaking of vending machines—is there any actual coffee in the silt-like substance that comes out, or is it just a mixture of dark Karo syrup and coffee-flavored dust?

*Why is every heating unit in this school directly below a window?

*Why do we call our pub the "Spa" when there aren't any hot springs anywhere near it?

*Just how special ARE the Special Collections?

*If Elijah Lovejoy was such a famous alumnus, why didn't they name a nicer building after him?

*Do you think Colby will name a building "Gin Pup Hall" some day?

*What is the percentage of Colby graduates who become street performers?

*Do any of the members of the freshman class call the old fraternity houses by their Greek names?

*Do any members of the senior class call the old fraternity houses by their new names?

*Why do you have an uncontrollable urge to yell "GEEKS!" when you see people studying in the library on a weekend night?

*Why do you have an uncontrollable urge to act abnormally when you see a group tour approaching?

*Why do you have an uncontrollable urge to die when you run into a professor whose class you've skipped?

*When professors get together, do they talk about students as much as students talk about them when they get together?

*What is the average amount of times your parents have to call your hall before they figure out you're sleeping somewhere else all the time?

*Does anyone NOT call their parents collect?

*Is any face on the Miller Library clock telling us the correct time at any moment of any day?

*Is there one good reason why the gym is as far away as it is?

*Why do we have Echo columnists writing columns about toilets?

*Is there a special derogatory name for those people who leave their trays on the table?

*Is there a special complimentary name for those people who pick up the trays that people leave on the table?

*Is there going to be a spring this year?

*What year is it?

*Why are you here?

*Where are you going?

Lapham

Off The Hill*Zaccaro arrested in Middlebury*

Records of drug transactions that were found in the car of John Zaccaro, Jr., a Middlebury College senior, may be used by police for further arrests.

Zaccaro, the son of former vice-presidential candidate Geraldine Ferraro pleaded innocent in Vermont District Court last Friday to possession of a regulated drug with intent to sell.

According to Middlebury Police, papers found in Zaccaro's car may be used for further arrests.

"There's a lot of students who have a lot to worry about," said Sgt.

David Hemeti of the Middlebury Police department.

Zaccaro who was known on campus as "The Pharmacist" according to Police, was arrested last week after allegedly selling one quarter gram of cocaine to an undercover police officer.

A subsequent search of Zaccaro's car and off campus apartment turned up a list of people believed to be involved in drug transactions with Zaccaro, six to eight grams of cocaine and about \$1,500 in cash that a police affidavit alleged was "directly related" to cocaine trafficking.

Some students have expressed worries that a campus drug crack down will result in the wake of the arrest. "It doesn't look good. I'm worried about some friends of mine," one student said.

School officials downplayed the suggestion that the Zaccaro arrest was indicative of a wide spread campus drug problem.

"We would be silly to suggest that there is no cocaine problem at Middlebury, but I don't think the situation is different from any other institution," said Ron Neif, a college spokesman.

Middlebury officials also attempted to deal with requests, to release a copy of last year's parody issue of the Campus, the Middlebury student newspaper.

With other mock advertisements, the parody carried an ad which featured a picture of Zaccaro. Referring to his mother's television endorsement of Pepsi-Cola, it quoted Zaccaro as saying, "My Mom may drink Pepsi, but I like COKE." A sub-head read, "Changing in line with the times."

Zaccaro is reported to be at home with his family in New York.

Wesleyan worries about drug inquiry

A rumor that Connecticut state narcotics agents were posing as Wesleyan students caused drug dealers to shut down campus operation.

On December 5, 1985, Edgar Beckham, dean of the college, told the school's student affairs committee that the State Attorney's office in Middletown had informed him that

it had received a letter from a Wesleyan parent expressing concern about a November 12 student newspaper article describing "Uncle Duke Day."

According to the article, "...at the moment, we are in a strange situation where it is easier (if you are underage) and cheaper to buy acid on campus than it is to buy alcohol."

Several drug dealers said that they stopped dealing after hearing a rumor that narcotics agents were coming to campus posing as January freshmen, exchange, and transfer students. Other dealers became more cautious, only selling to friends.

Drugs have been hard to find on the Wesleyan campus, according to a number of student buyers.

Beckham said he is concerned and "deeply offended" that students believe that they are protected from state and federal law while at the university.

He added that the "myth of protection" from the law is perpetrated by the fact that the criminal justice systems are overburdened and often ignore college campuses.

—The Wesleyan Argus

Wesleyan admissions banner year

Over 4,800 students, 10 percent more than last year, have applied for admission to Wesleyan University.

The number of minority applicants, up 28 percent from last year,

will increase Wesleyan's total number of matriculating minority students.

A number of factors contributed to the increase, according to college officials. A series of articles which

appeared in the New York Times during the application period gave the school positive publicity and contributed to the increase.

This year, the administration also

increased the number of visits President Colin Campbell made in an effort to attract students from Texas and California.

—The Wesleyan Argus

Recent Colby grad dies

David "Johann" Westra '85 apparently took his own life early Saturday morning by jumping off the Piscataqua River Bridge which connects Portsmouth, New Hampshire with Kittery, Maine.

"We are convinced he took his own life by jumping into the Piscataqua River," according to Edward Strong, Kittery's chief of police. The body has yet to be found.

Strong said that Westra "[wrote] a [suicide] letter and mailed it to his family."

Police were alerted to Westra's suicide when they discovered his abandoned car on the bridge, said Strong.

Westra

Will Frosh live in Heights?

by David Scannell

The determination of whether the Heights will be off limits to freshmen will be made by the Dean of Students after consultation with students and faculty, according to President William Cotter.

The decision to let the deans' office decide came in the wake of a January trustee decision to accept the room draw committee's plan for room draw next year with the exception of the provision which would have ruled out freshmen residency in the Heights.

Cotter said that it was believed that the Heights' physical layout made personal interaction difficult for freshmen.

He said he expects a decision from the deans soon.

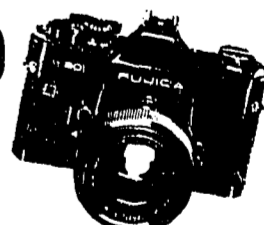
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Portland doctor discusses AIDS precautions

by Christopher Preston

"AIDS cannot be transmitted from person to person via casual contact." That was the message Dr. Michael Bach delivered to a gathering in Keyes Auditorium last week.

Bach, a doctor at Portland's Maine Medical Center, did not diminish the danger of AIDS, which is currently infecting over 17,700 people in the United States, he said.

"AIDS, or Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome," said Bach, "is a disease which reduces the body's ability to combat infections and cancers."

The virus attacks the T cells, the most important cells in the immune system, destroying them as it spreads. Thus, entering bacteria encounters very little resistance from the immune system, and "the body is unable to protect itself from foreign bodies," he said.

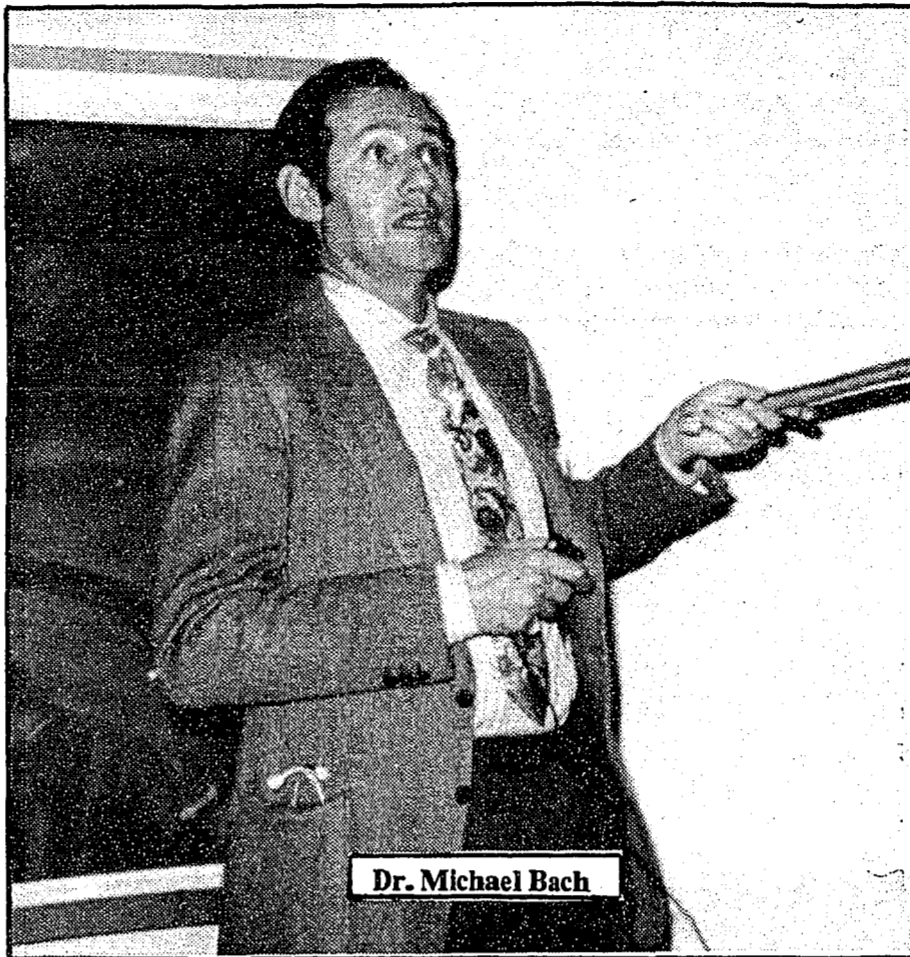
Bach went on to say that "a simple bacteria such as a mold can kill an

AIDS patient in a few months. In fact, we are more dangerous to an AIDS victim than they are to us," he said.

Symptoms may include extreme fatigue, rapid weight loss, persistent fever, white spots in the mouth, dry cough, diarrhea, and skin lesions on or under the skin. These symptoms are, however, "rather general, and the initial stage of the disease may not include them at all," he said.

The same symptoms may appear for Aids Related Complex (ARC), a newly discovered symptom complex, although symptoms such as swollen glands, a lower white blood cell count, and unusual infections are limited solely to ARC. ARC, according to the Red Cross, "has appeared in individuals who are at risk for AIDS but do not have the 'full-blown' AIDS picture."

While further experimenting is necessary, scientists agree that "ARC patients are capable of transmitting AIDS," according to Bach.



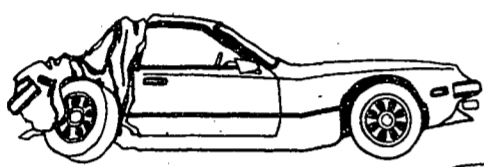
Dr. Michael Bach

In spite of many people's beliefs, AIDS "cannot be transmitted from person to person via casual contact," nor by donating blood. It is usually spread through either blood contact or the exchange of fluids during sex.

"While saliva has been shown to be an extremely ineffective carrier for AIDS, saliva as a transmitter has not been proven completely safe and its exchange usually implies a type of oral sex."

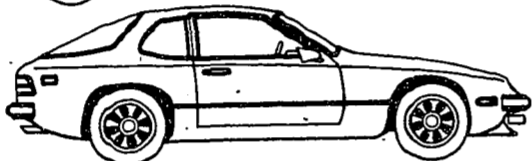
The incidence of the disease, which originated in Africa, is expected to more than double in the next year, reaching an estimated 37,000. It seems to be primarily in major cities such as New York, San Francisco, and Boston, and was at first found predominantly among homosexuals, intravenous drug users, and hemophiliacs. However, it is now affecting many other members of society as well, said Bach.

Because the gestation period can extend up to seven years, Bach advised extreme caution when choosing sexual partners in order to know of any past exposure they may have had to the disease.



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Westra

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A biology major while at Colby, Westra worked closely with Professor David Firmage.

Firmage described Westra as "about the nicest guy you'd want to meet." He called Westra "very quiet, very thoughtful, very concerned with others. He was very sensitive to the feelings of others."

He kept his troubles to himself. That might have been one of his problems," said Firmage.

Sue Cook, associate director of alumni relations, led a COOT trip with Westra in 1983 and had "kept in touch," she said.

"He was great. He knew how to do things properly. He really made the COOT trip good," Cook said.

Janice Seitzinger, dean of students, described Westra as a "terrific kid."

According to Seitzinger, he had a particular interest in international students. She also mentioned that Westra was the organizer of last year's "Lazy Mule Triathlon." He was also a Colby Big Brother.

Westra is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Westra of Reading, Massachusetts, and by four brothers and a sister.

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WAA plows ahead despite early season setbacks

by Sue Jacobsen

Mother Nature, poor equipment, and bad luck have all plagued Colby's Winter Activities Association (WAA) for the first part of the cold season, and led to the problems that have disappointed many students over the past few months. Finally, though, within the past couple of weeks, the organization has patched up its troubles and brought the fun back into winter activities again, according to WAA officials Nina Colhoun and Jeff Packman.

The WAA, a student organization of workers hired by the Student Activities office, is in charge of maintaining Johnson Pond and Colby's cross-country ski trails, as well as providing a \$4 ski bus to and from Sugarloaf every Saturday and Sunday. The group's co-ordinators, Colhoun and Packman, are the first ones to admit to the WAA's long and unfortunate series of complications in the 1985-86 ski season that have made their jobs so difficult.

First, Colhoun pointed out that Colby lacks a good tracking machine that can properly groom the campus cross-country ski trails. The two WAA students responsible for trail maintenance have had to resort to simply packing the snow with a poor snowmobile from Physical Plant after each snowfall, she said.

She added that another one of their "biggest problems" has been that both

Colby students and townspeople continue to walk on the trails even though posted signs forbid it.

On the more positive side, Colhoun said, "Everything is being done. We're working with the cross-country ski team members whenever we can, and the trails are in excellent condition despite the problems with the snowmobile."

The WAA has also had to make the best of a bad situation at Johnson Pond. Packman, who leads a team of eight in maintaining the pond, said, "During Jan Plan, we had a big weather problem first. We couldn't even clear all the snow. Then, when we finally could, the blower broke. So, we tried to flood it, and our pump also broke. Finally, we had the thaw and it melted. It has been the logistical and technical problems that have made it so difficult. Once we got it clear, it's been OK. The weather has been cooperating."

Since the pond has been usable, Packman said he only wished more people from the Colby community would take advantage of it. "We provide a community service to Waterville, here. The pond is in good shape now."

While most of the WAA's problems are being solved, one remains unrectified. Colhoun estimated that up to 500 Colby students have season's passes to Sugarloaf, yet the weekend bus service is used by just a tiny percentage of them. And the WAA remain

unsure about the fate of this service.

"You can't NOT provide that type of service up here, being only an hour away from the mountain," explained Colhoun, "but on the other hand, we're not even breaking even. The \$4 charge is not even covering the cost of the bus. We don't think lowering the prices will do any good. We would probably still get the same riders."

One Dana sophomore agreed. "I used to ride the bus, but now that so many kids have cars, it's a lot easier to get a ride with one of them. You can get to the mountain and leave there whenever you want and it doesn't cost as much," she commented.

Such remarks leave WAA members perplexed. "We just don't know what to do," Colhoun admitted. "We're open to any and all alternatives. We've already looked into a lot of possibilities. There's just not as much interest now that classes have begun again and so many people have their own cars."

Both Colhoun and Packman were quick to mention WAA's more positive accomplishments, though. The group has put its technical difficulties behind them, for the most part, and is now enjoying a better relationship with other campus organizations. Colhoun ex-



plained that the WAA and the Outing Club argued about equipment in recent years. She feels that her membership in the Outing Club and her position in WAA this year has helped promote a better relationship between the two.

"It's been good for me to be able to see both sides of the story, and put my input in both places. The relationship is better now and we hope it continues," she said.

Furthermore, WAA has allied more closely with the ski team this year in getting gatekeepers for the racers. "We would really like to continue support for them next year too, especially because they will be a varsity team," Colhoun said.

College handbooks: Do they paint accurate picture?

by Mike Diamond

Are Colby students "rugged preppies?"

Are they carrying around "stale-looking sweatshirts" or worrying about their "sallow coloring, acne, and stringy hair?"

According to "Lisa Birnbach's College Book" or "Edward B.

these guidebooks often profoundly affect the decisions of many high school seniors. Colby can become the first choice or a last resort because of a few creative comments.

Some members of the class of 1989 admit that they were attracted to Colby because of a college guidebook.

Champlin resident Greg Gatlin noted, "To tell you the truth, I looked at the selectivity levels (in the guidebooks) as the very first thing in deciding what colleges I would apply to."

Freshman Laurie Cool further related that she might not have seen Colby if it weren't for a guidebook. She stated, "For me, they (the books) meant more because in Michigan, they don't know too much about schools out here. I got information about Colby from books like Fiske's and Birnbach's."

Yet, while these books are seen as playing such an important role in college selection, do they paint an accurate picture of Colby? Can the rather candid comments Fiske and, particularly, Birnbach make be justified?

In response to Birnbach's feeling that Colby has a less than intellectual atmosphere, an East Quad junior told the Echo, "I think what she said is true everywhere. I believe that here at Colby it does seem as if there's less than our share of intellectual pursuits. There should be more things like the 'Northeast Undergraduate Review'—more literary publications, more attention to learning as opposed to satisfying graduation requirements."

Sophomore Cathy Cohen, on the

other hand, thought there was little validity to Lisa Birnbach's general criticism of Colby. She stated, "She came up here (during finals) when everybody was in sweatshirts, groggy, unhappy. She talked about Colby in a way that's uncharacteristic of Colby—observed the worst part of the academic year. I think she construed what she said to back-up her impression of Colby as a den of grade grubbers."

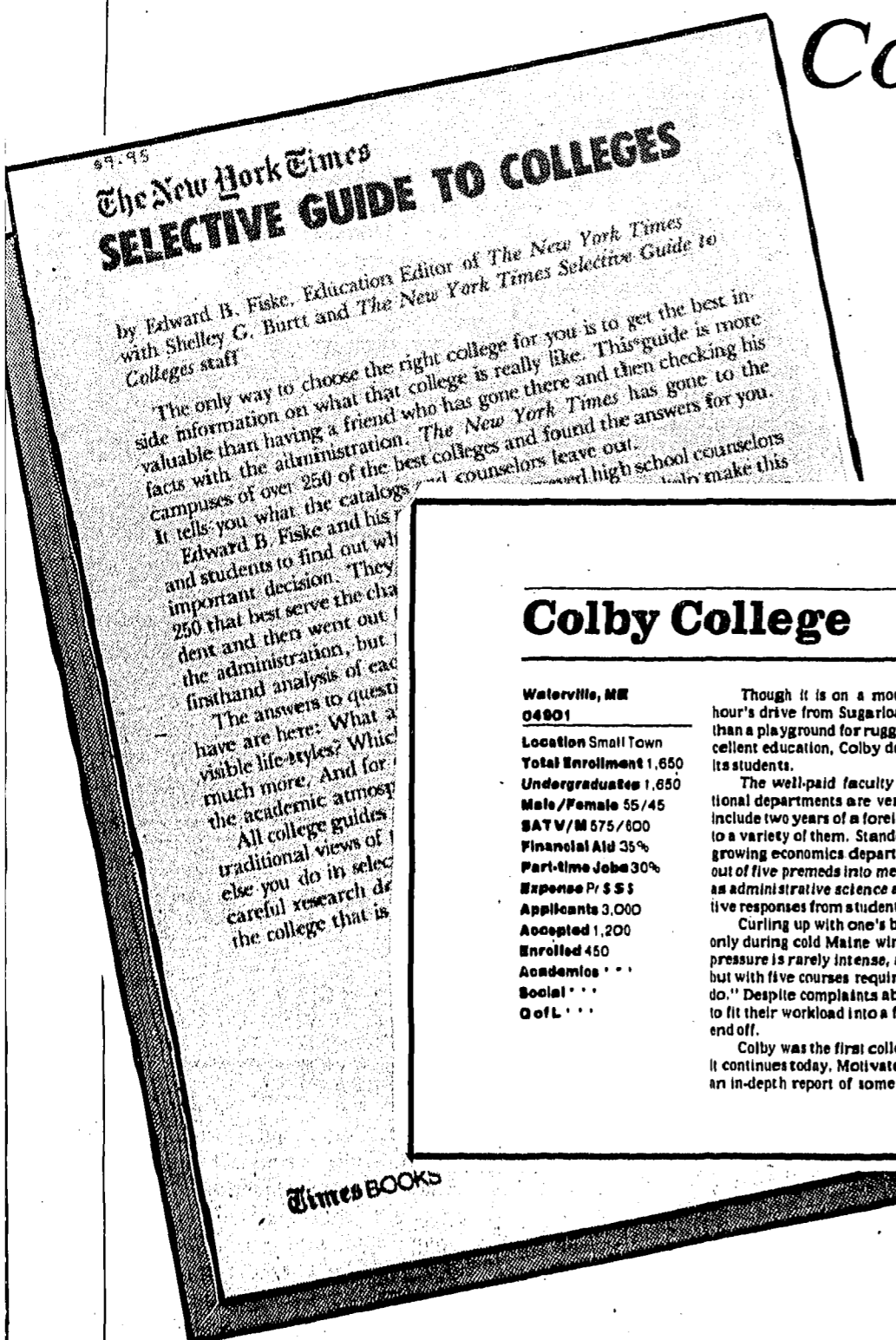
Edward B. Fiske in his "New York Times Selective Guide to Colleges," conversely, gave a far more optimistic impression of Colby. He viewed the college as a very sound institution. In fact, many Colby students agreed with his comments, even the negative ones.

A junior was in accord with Fiske's statement that "Colby students are more interested in their skis and their books than in any activity that smacks of the real world, including job hunting." He noted, "I think there are a lot of people here who respect the education they're getting and work hard—but their attention is not focused to the future. Colby, like any other northeastern liberal arts college is upper crust, where you can get a bunch of egotistical rich preppies who are concerned with themselves. I don't think there are a lot of go-getters."

Herrick Wales, '87, also agreed with Fiske's comment about the lack of pressure at Colby. He told the Echo, "In general, I don't think this is a high pressure place. There are two reasons why there isn't a lot of

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Though it is on a mountaintop in picturesque Waterville — only an hour's drive from Sugarloaf Mountain — Colby College offers much more than a playground for rugged preppies. A small college with a history of excellent education, Colby demands a firm commitment to academics from its students.

The well-paid faculty is devoted to undergraduate teaching. Traditional departments are very strong, and distribution requirements, which include two years of a foreign language, assure that everyone has exposure to a variety of them. Standouts include a well-loved English department, a growing economics department, and strong life sciences that launch four out of five premeds into medical school. Only the quasibusiness field known as administrative science and the foreign languages draw uniformly negative responses from students.

Curling up with one's books seems to be the popular Colby activity not only during cold Maine winters but even in Maine's balmy weather. The pressure is rarely intense, and certainly not heavily applied by professors, but with five courses required each semester "there's always something to do." Despite complaints about grading and competition, students manage to fit their workload into a five-day workweek and take almost every week-end off.

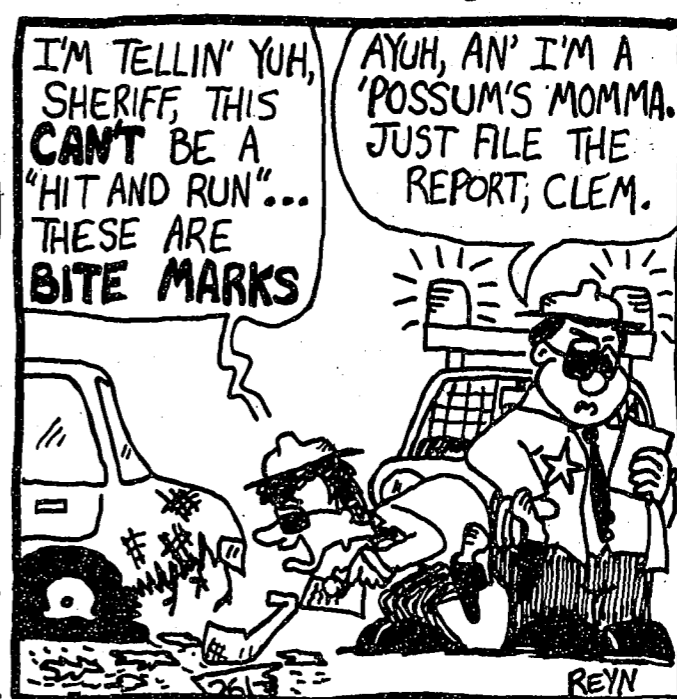
Colby was the first college to establish a special January program, and it continues today. Motivated undergraduates find an internship or prepare an in-depth report of some sort during this short term, while others "ski,

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Fiske's New York Times Selective guide to Colleges," these are accurate descriptions of Colby students.

These books and others paint rather vivid pictures of both the social and academic life at Colby and other institutions. Like them or not,

Swamp Water State



Asian expert to give lectures

by Rich Cuthie

For the typical Colby graduate, homecoming means a short jaunt to Waterville from the Boston or New York suburbs. For John Roderick '36, however, returning to Colby next month will involve a trip around the world from his Tokyo home.

Roderick, a former Associated Press (AP) bureau chief in Tokyo, will deliver a series of lectures at Colby on Japan and China.

Roderick began his news career during high school by writing for the Waterville Sentinel in 1932.

From his days as an English major and Colby Echo sports editor, he has risen to become a newsmen of great stature.

Clayton LaVerdiere, Roderick's former colleague at the Sentinel, once declared, "John Roderick is a big leaguer."

After having graduated from Colby, Roderick joined AP in Portland. He remembers covering Roosevelt and Churchill in the Atlantic Charter Conference of 1940.

"I joined two veteran AP correspondents, Doug Cornell and Alex Singleton in Rockland, Maine for the interview with Roosevelt on his return. I was persuaded to hold the telephone while the other two attended the press conference and wrote the stories. Feeling important, I belittled journalism schools; it turned out that they were graduates of Missouri and Boston University, respectively."

In 1945, he joined the foreign service and went to be lauded as the "Key link between Asia and the West." He was one of the first American newsmen to report from China just after World War II.

In 1946, he interviewed Party Chair-

man Mao-Tse Tung in Yenan, the communist leader's cave capitol.

His rapport with Premier Chou En-lai is also documented and his personal contacts with these men and other leaders helped the United States to re-establish diplomatic relations with China in 1971.

After being transferred to Tokyo in 1959, Roderick was elected president of the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan in 1965. The following year, 1966, the Colby Board of Trustees conferred upon him the Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

In 1971, Roderick's coverage of the United States table tennis team in China earned him the "top performance" award given by the Associated Press Editors Association. He has been one of the first American newsmen to be granted entry into the country in 22 years. In 1977, Roderick was named an

AP special correspondent.

As the news agency's premier China watcher, he was one of only eight to be bestowed with this honor.

In his return to the Colby College campus, he will be delivering eight lectures in conjunction with the East Asian Studies concentration. He will also deliver four public lectures to be given on the nights of March 6, March 20, April 7, and April 23. The topics on which the lectures will focus are "Japan: It's Not All Raw Fish," "China: Growing Pains of a Giant," "Japan: Friend or Enemy?," and "China: An Old Man's Revolution." These lectures will be free of charge and will take place in Roberts Union at 7:30 p.m.

Colby was able to acquire Roderick's services at the request of Professor Bowen when he and President and Mrs. William Cotter were

visiting the newsmen at his house in Japan.

Bowen has many fond memories of their meeting, and said that, "although the Ziskind lectureship is usually reserved for younger people getting out of grad school, why not give it to somebody with a world of knowledge? Roderick has learned more about more influential Asian figures than anyone else. He's in a class by himself."

During his stay at Colby, Roderick will be occupying the guest facilities in the Roberts Union as well as an office on the third floor of Miller Library.

Bowen hopes that all interested members of the Colby community will be able to take advantage of Dr. Roderick's presence during his two month stay. Says Bowen of the opportunity, "You'd be a fool to pass it up."



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Darmar's return anticipated

by Julie Tarara

Administration officials continue to hope that Mehmet Darmar, the Colby sophomore who suffered a stroke November 30, will be able to return to campus soon, but no one is certain that he will.

"We hope that Mehmet will be able to return to Colby, but it is not certain as of yet," said Steve Washington, assistant dean of students for intercultural affairs.

According to a December 16 letter circulated among Colby faculty and employees, Darmar, a native of Istanbul, Turkey, was "stricken with a debilitating stroke the second week of November [1985]."

Following a lengthy period of physical and occupational rehabilitation at the Spaulding Hospital in Boston, Darmar is continuing his therapy on an outpatient basis, said Washington.

"Mehmet seems anxious to resume his studies at Colby," indicated Washington. "It is our hope that he will be able to return as soon as possible." Washington said that Darmar

has come a long way, and appears to be progressing well. "He has a lot of courage, determination, and enthusiasm, which he will need for the challenge ahead."

Questions remain to be answered as to the type of physical assistance Mehmet may require upon his return to Colby.

Support from his friends will be crucial in overcoming the many challenges that face him, said Washington.

Washington expressed "no doubt [that] Colby students will meet those needs."

If he returns, Darmar may temporarily live with Washington in the Dana faculty apartment.

Through Washington, the Darmar family has expressed its deep gratitude toward the Colby students, faculty, and staff, who donated approximately \$1300 toward Mehmet's expenses.

His parents assure the Colby community that all donations have been put to good use, said Washington.

Even after Mehmet's return to campus, expenses will confront him. A

need for fundraising on his behalf still exists. Any suggestions for fundraising events or anyone wishing to contact Mehmet should direct ideas and inquiries to Washington. Donations may be made through the Business Office, under the Mehmet Darmar fund.

In December, President William Cotter announced that the College had decided to pay the cost of Darmar's medical bills because the Turkish government was not willing to do so.

Cotter later told the Echo that the College will make every effort to accommodate Darmar.

When asked whether any physical problems or impediments existed for handicapped people, Cotter said that he believed that all classroom buildings with the exception of Lovejoy were accessible to the handicapped.

He also said that classes could be held on the first floor of Lovejoy to accommodate Darmar.

Terming the language lab on Lovejoy's third floor "unique," Cotter said special arrangements could be made if Darmar needs the lab's services.

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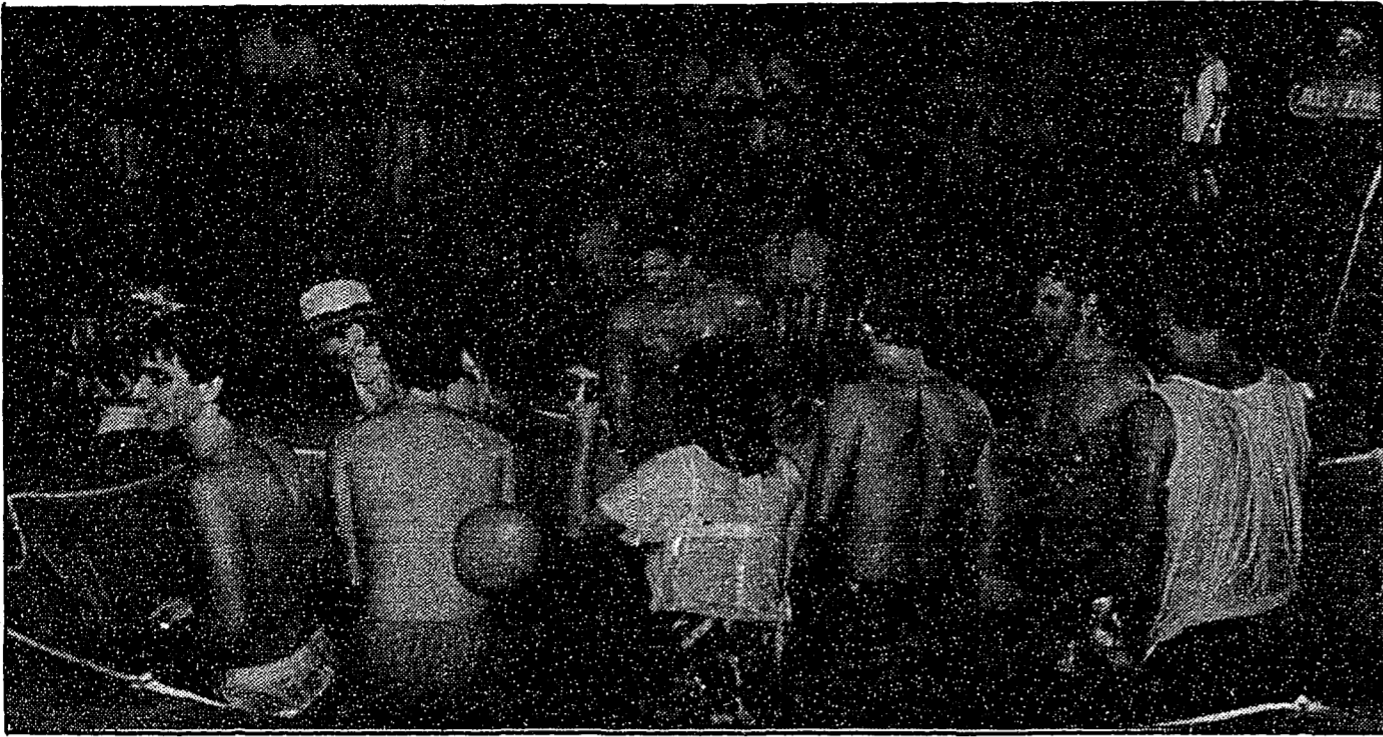
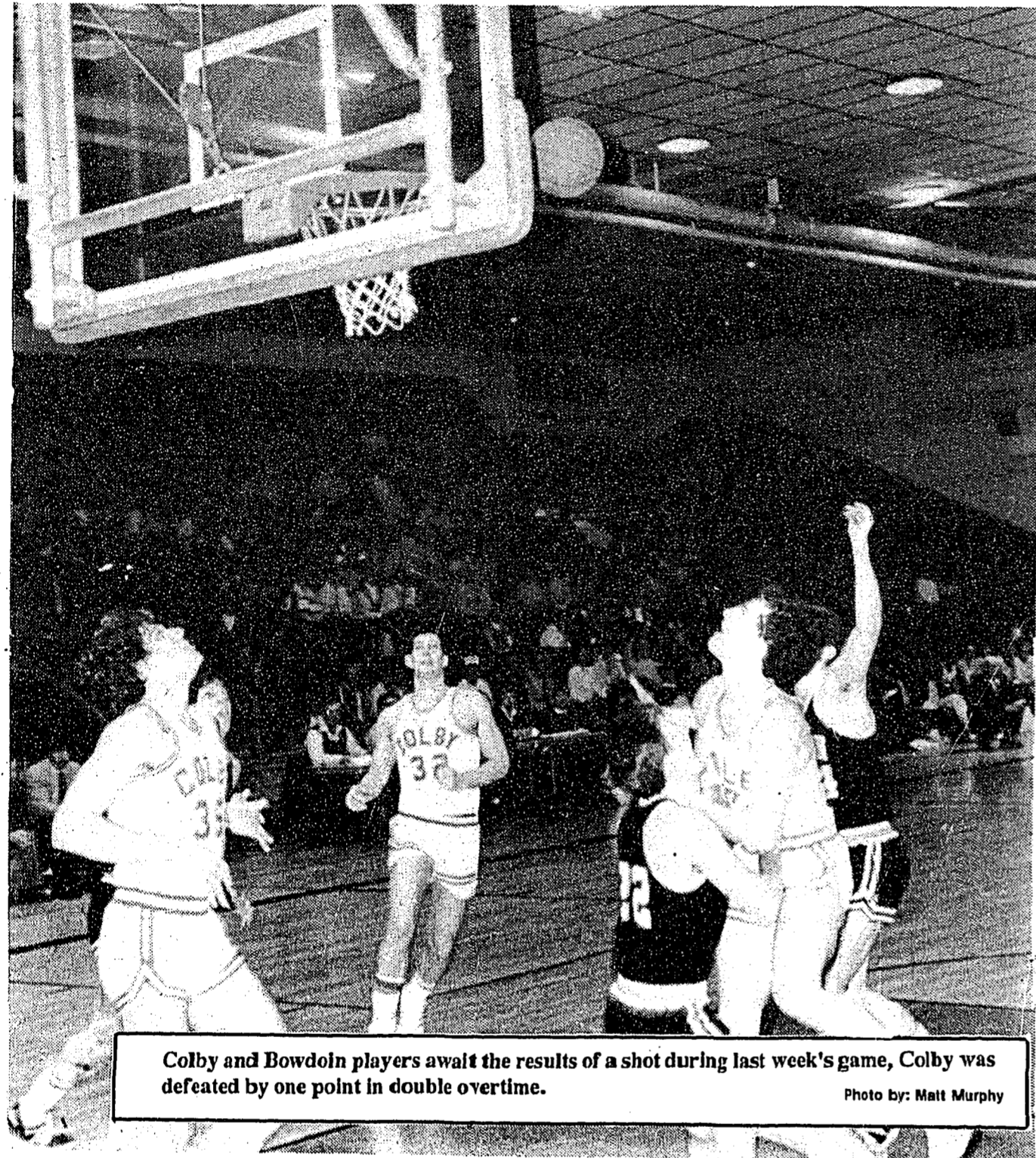


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Colby and Bowdoin players await the results of a shot during last week's game, Colby was defeated by one point in double overtime.

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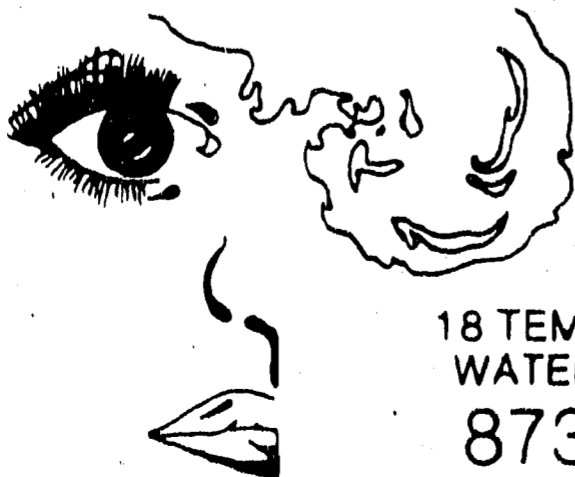
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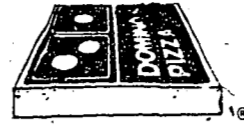
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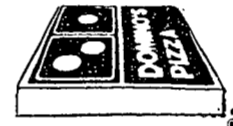
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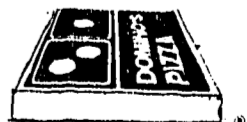
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Uncommonly poor judgement

Although the organizers of last Saturday's beach party should be lauded for their originality and creativity in bringing a novel social gathering to the Colby campus, future party organizers should not repeat a key mistake that the beach party organizers made — failing to choose a party location that could accommodate a larger percentage of the campus than the student center is able to do.

The co-sponsors of the party, Chaplin Common and the Student Association Social Life should have realized that only roughly one fourth of Colby's population could fit into the Commons Room given the fact that Ray Boston was bringing a pool with him.

Furthermore, the Student Association should not promote preference ticket selling in the future. Because tickets for the beach party were sold exclusively in Roberts Union, would-be revelers in Mary Low and Lovejoy Commons were not given equal access to tickets.

Drawing people together is the foundation of the commons system. Although the beach party was welcome relief to the monotony that is Colby's social scene, some consideration should have been given to the unintentional—but very real—sense of exclusivity that the party promoted.

Smaller class size imperative

Colby prides itself on its eleven to one student to faculty ratio, and yet there are many classes which enroll over 100 students, as well as those that are forced to turn people away every semester due to overenrollment.

Clearly this is not a problem for every department; but, in many of the majors like economics, English, and government, in which there are many students in the major and even more who wish to take these classes, professors have been forced to either overenroll the class or eliminate people.

On the other end of the spectrum are the departments which have classes of only two or three students. There are also departments that have less than five students in the major. The scales appear to be unbalanced.

One solution would be to take professors from departments with low enrollment, and give those tenure track positions to the departments that really need them. This could potentially eliminate certain department. Would smaller classes be worth the elimination of diversity?

The other solution to the problem is to simply hire more faculty where they are needed. Economically, this is a more extravagant option and would probably take its toll on the cost of tuition.

In general, Colby needs to recognize that there has been a shift toward certain departments in the last few years. One hundred student classes should not continue to be the case, neither should students be consistently turned away from classes they wish to take. The only solution is more faculty to meet the demands of enrollment. It is ultimately up to the administration to decide how to address this real problem.

Letters To The Editor

Echo not boring, Colby is

To the Editor:

I would like to comment on Jeff Farley's letter accusing the Colby Echo of being "a sleeping pill." I don't want to defend the Echo's reputation as much as I want to clear up some confusion on Mr. Farley's part.

Dear Jeff:

First of all, let me say how sorry I am that you feel discontent with the performance of the Colby Echo. In your letter you wonder "if Colby is really as dull as the paper makes it seem." The correct answer is—yes, Colby is as dull as the Echo makes it seem. I'm surprised no one has pointed this out to you before. What year are you in? The Echo merely reports what it sees—nothing. Week after week.

Far be it for me to "blame the students' inability to write sophisticated articles" as the cause of this journalistic wasteland. I would suggest to you that what Colby does

lack is any sophisticated activities to be reported. When was the last major lecture at Colby? The last concert? Any art exhibits catch your fancy? It seems to me that a lot of emphasis this year—and I would guess a lot of money—is being expended on a social life that has consistently fallen on its face. Students are constantly being told to cut back on the drinking—but where are the alternatives? I don't envy the Colby Echo editors, perhaps because I don't like the idea of inventing cultural and social excitement out of a vacuum. But don't quote me on this—like any Colby student, I hate to be controversial.

Personally, I've turned to pool to alleviate hours of intellectual drought. The Echo wanted to do a personal interview of my new activity for one of their March issues, but I was afraid the administration would sack security on me in the interest of intellectual purity.

But I'm with you, Jeff! *Somebody* take a position before Colby students start turning to sleeping pills—and other depressants—to get through to graduation. You say you are willing to do "whatever it takes" to make the Colby Echo more exciting? I think a good dorm burning might liven up the editorial staff. Why not torch Mary Low in the interest of good journalism? You are the governor, after all.

Students, somewhere, are more sophisticated than those country bumpkins from the past. For example, you, Jeff, are obviously a man of discerning taste. As you point out, issues are no longer black and white—Colby students aren't even black and white, they're just mostly white and Catholic. And I read *that* little fact in the last Echo.

Kate Paterson

Letters ignorant, writers lazy

To the Editor:

The Echo has long held a policy of publishing all letters to the editor, regardless of the ignorance of each letter's content. In this past week's Echo, two letters to the editor totally infuriated me, not because they illustrated points I disagreed with (I had no opinion on either topic), but simply because both letters displayed ignorance, carelessness, and irresponsibility on the part of the writers.

"Life's Little Mysteries," a letter written by Dave Turbert and Joan-Beth Witkes, is the perfect example of a letter written unnecessarily, and without true purpose. Both students are seniors, yet between the two of them they cannot "quite grasp" the answers to seven questions, nor can they figure out who they should ask to answer those same questions. Go back to the last Echo and read those seven questions of theirs—notice a common link? I think you do, as do I. All seven questions relate to financial aid at Colby, specifically financial aid as it relates to work-study. Yet, Dave and Joan-Beth, together, mind you, could not

come up with the Financial Aid Office as the source of their answers. Think of it! Four years here, and it never occurred to them to direct freshmen, or heaven forbid themselves, to the financial aid director for answers to financial aid questions. Dave and Joan-Beth "want answers, damn it," but they certainly are not putting any real effort, or any real thought, into getting these answers. Instead, they clutter up the Echo with an unmerited letter of complaint which exemplifies the epitome of student laziness at Colby.

Jill Bond's letter, "Colby Courses Overcrowded, Impersonal" displayed yet another example of student irresponsibility and carelessness. Jill told us of her own misfortune in her class schedule, and after talking with "numerous other people," came to the conclusion that her experience is typical of all Colby students. Jill concluded her letter with a short ponderance of "Why am I here, instead of at U Mass?" and it was there that I agreed with her—Jill, why are you here? Her letter was filled with oversimplification, rhetoric, and needless cynicism.

She complained of classes she was in that were too big, and complained again when she was excluded from classes that were trying to limit the size of enrollment. She says she would not be here if it were up to her, except that she needed three credits to graduate—it was up to her not to take those three credits earlier in her career, and it was up to her that she decided to go away for the entirety of last year, so I don't understand and exactly how her education is not in her hands.

My point in writing this letter is that neither letter suggested constructive criticism in solving these two issues; all three students used the Echo as a source of publicizing their gripes. I am sure that many readers agree with me that the Echo should not be a source of self-glorification. Be negative, be skeptical, be critical—YES. But suggest ways to make these problems better, and be responsible in covering all the facts, not just those that suit your argument.

Michael A. Heel '86

Aid office ready to help

To the Editor:

I feel compelled to respond to last week's letter from Dave Turbert and Joan-Beth Witkes about the mysteries of campus employment. I would like to end the "epic adventure" of these two "investigative reporters" with the simple answers they seek.

1. The money to pay students comes from both Colby College funds and federal funds. Only students who demonstrate need by filling a financial aid form may be paid from federal funds. Non-aid students are paid from Colby funds.

2. A limit is placed on students' earnings for two reasons. First, to prevent over-awards of financial aid, and second, to provide greater access to campus jobs for all students.

3. The earnings limit is not the same for all students. For aid recipients it may vary depending upon the components of their financial aid package, but will not exceed \$1200. Non-aid students have the same \$1200 limit.

4. The limit is determined by the financial aid office as the amount that a student can reasonably earn during the academic year as a contribution toward his or her total cost of education. A student can reach this limit by

working an average of 10 to 12 hours per week, and still have sufficient time for studies.

5. When a student approaches the limit, a letter is sent to both the employer and the student requesting that the employment be terminated. We have found this method of enforcing the limit to be successful.

6. Students may not carry forward any shortages in earnings from the previous years. Financial aid is awarded on an annual basis with a specified amount attributed to work-study. Any earnings in excess of that amount would result in an over-award. A greater proportion of work-study in an aid package would result in a reduction of the other components such as loan and grant. Larger earnings limits for some students would also work against the other objectives of the earnings limit, which are to provide broad access and to keep the emphasis on studies instead of employment.

7. There is no money that is not distributed. In the 1984-85 academic year, Colby received federal work-study funds of \$188,719. Campus employment expenditures for 1984-85 totaled \$600,907, exceeding the amount budgeted by nearly 10 percent.

There was no excess cash to "pocket." If, by some miracle, there were excess funds, they would be used to assist needy students in the form of grants or loans.

Finally, I would like to point out that Mr. Turbert and Ms. Witkes could have easily obtained the answers to their questions by stopping in or calling the financial aid office. We are still located on the second floor of Eustis, room 207, and our telephone number is listed in the campus directory, extension 3379. College employment guidelines are printed each year and are sent to all financial aid recipients. Extra copies are available in our office. In addition, each semester an orientation session is conducted for freshmen and transfer students to help acquaint them with campus employment rules and regulations. A copy of the guidelines is distributed to each attendant.

I strongly encourage anyone with questions about work-study or other financial aid matters (including Mr. Turbert and Ms. Witkes) to contact our office. It is our job to help solve some of "life's little mysteries."

Lisa J. Bubar
Assistant Director of
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Moving into a new Hauss

by Jill Bond

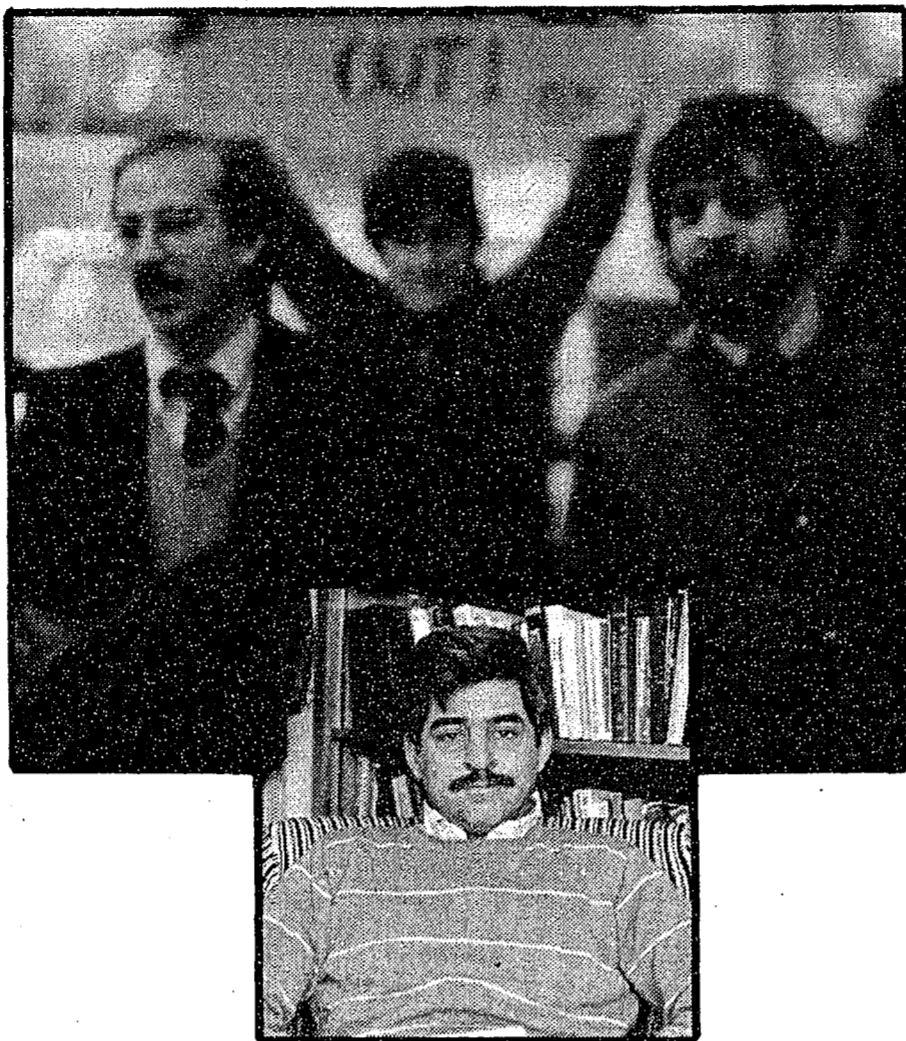
Something is amiss among the political liberals, and the reason I know this is true is because they don't look like they used to. Those rebels and resisters of authority seem to be getting their acts together, losing weight, cutting their hair and dressing in style. Are the ideals of youth gone? Have these radicals joined the "mainstream" in the truest sense of the word?

My first indication that this was the case was the transformation of my congressman, Barney Frank, a democrat from Massachusetts. Always considered a liberal's liberal, Barney was never one to worry about his appearance. Weighing in at 300 pounds, and known for wearing ripped shirts to work, his 1980 campaign slogan was "Neatness isn't Everything." Barney always seemed to me like a nuts and bolts politician.

After his 1982 victory against Margaret Heckler, Barney began to change. He is now down to a sleek 200 pounds and is known to frequent the Congressional weight room. His hair is kept precisionally short and he has even bought himself an entire new wardrobe. Is this the new and improved Barney Frank? And what does this all mean?

I would think this is an isolated incident except for the fact that it is also happening at Colby. During freshman year, I thought of Chip Hauss as a renegade of sorts, hair down to his shoulders, an amorphous beard and the traditional earth sandals that no good radical ever leaves home without. But now, four years later, I barely recognize my Government 112 professor.

Chip goes to get his hair cut regularly and is even on a first name basis with his hair dresser. The beard is gone, and



'I don't want to alienate people anymore. Before I was angry—destructively angry...'

- Chip Hauss

I can't say that I have seen the sandals recently either. Well, this is obviously no coincidence. Chip and Barney are people I've relied on to keep the scales balanced; without the left wing life would get very boring. And so, determined to get the true scoop, I asked him, "Why all the transformation?"

Chip's answer was not at all what I expected. He began by telling me that, if anything, he's become more radical in the last couple of years. Chip explained that he has realized that confrontational models of change do not work well. What we need to do as a society is re-think the issues and begin to solve conflicts differently. We have to stop seeing it as "us" and "them" because that only divides us.

In 1986 there is no reason to engage in civil disobedience. Nothing is zero-sum, we must instead attempt to understand our opponents and make them understand us in order to achieve compromise. Ultimately this results in unity rather than division, he said.

Chip explained, "I don't want to alienate people anymore. Before I was angry, destructively angry—that kind of anger is unresolved personal conflict. I still get angry, but you deal with it and work it out." He believes that, in general, people have had to make peace with the mainstream, but this has not been a political concession. Chip says that the conflict model in political science is obsolete. Confrontation is simply counter-productive.

As for the old left, it has yet to change, he said. We must continue to build support for this new approach which will one day take over. Until then, according to Chip, the left will continue "to have a vested interest in losing". Without compromise and communication, the left will never win.

Students need leadership—not complaints of apathy

by John Beaudoin

Minutes of the Crusade Against Colby Apathy (CACCA)—February 22, 1986: This month's meeting, as usual was unattended, thus there are no minutes to record. Respectfully submitted this Twenty Third Day of February, 1986.

I swore I was not going to write this column. I swore it. However, apathy at Colby appears to be the only issue that students are deeply concerned about, and since I for one don't want to put Nite-All out of business, I figured I should get into line. What to do about apathy. Much ado about nothing.

Colby students have heard time and time again that they simply do not care about anything that happens off the Hill. Why aren't you concerned about South Africa, they are asked. What do you know about Central America? Don't you care about the arms race? These questions seem to accuse Colby students of not caring.

Just to shake up some memories, we should remember the capacity crowds that have filled the Chapel when Mary Berry came to speak of South Africa, Helen Caldicott on nuclear arms, and Robert White and Kenneth Bleakley debating Reagan's Central American policy. We should remember successful events such as the seasonal blood drives, the rally against apartheid, and closer to home, the rally against last year's anti-Semitic vandalism in the coffee house. We should not forget the continuing campaign against MS and the annual Oxfam America fast. Do these instances refute the apathy claims, or are they simply exceptions to the rule? Many would argue that these are simply "glamour events," and the Colby students come to see big name performers while not caring about issues.

I do not buy this argument. I do not buy the claim that Colby students as a body are uncaring and unsympathetic to the plight of others. I believe they do care about things other than their immediate post-graduate careers.

So why are there still the accusations? Because Colby students don't build shanty towns on the school lawns? Because Colby students haven't occupied the administration building since the Mexican War? Because Colby students don't get arrested? But think about it, what sounds more like a glamour event to you—giving blood, or occupying buildings?

Perhaps there are reasons why students do not become more activist in nature. Involvement with an issue can have many faces other than physical protest. For example, just before Christmas 1984, an anonymous student gave \$500 to a collection to aid the starving in Ethiopia. More recently, many students scheduled appointments to visit the trustees to give their views of divestment. A number of students have worked on political campaigns not only of candidates, but also for referenda on a variety of issues.

Another problem at Colby which inhibits activism is that the campus is simply remote from population centers. Unlike the activities which are successful here, protest marches, occupations, and the like are planned events—that is, planned to capture the media's attention. Once the media's attention is captured, then the government may take notice and set its agenda accordingly. But since Colby is isolated, media attention is hard to come by. With all due respect to the Morning Sentinel, those in power do not care what is reported in Waterville, Maine. Thus, media-capturing events may be viewed as efforts which are not economical to the cause—they aren't

worth the time. Therefore, students are choosing to allot time based on its economy to the cause.

Related to the lack of media attention to protests, demonstrations and the like at Colby is the sense that nothing *can* be accomplished here. Students do not act because their acts are not having any effect on policy, or on hunger, or on apartheid, or on whatever. There may be a sense of frustration, such as the frustration felt by those who decry Colby's supposed apathy.

Finally, there is the issue of time. Simply put, Colby is a demanding school academically. Students only have so much time in a week, and thus must partition it between studies, athletics, areas of interests and jobs, and not necessarily in that order. Students also need time to relax from all the pressures put on them. This is not an excuse or apology for inaction, but rather the reality of our existence and purpose at Colby.

An answer is obvious now. Colby students are sympathetic to causes, aware of the world issues. What is needed is leadership—a group of students who can mobilize the potential energy of the campus around popular causes. Colby needs students willing to take a leading role in organizing the community. If the existing organizations such as the Colby Democrats or Republicans fail to accomplish this goal, perhaps a new group should be formed; rather than displaying apathetic behavior, attacking the issues with the vehicles at hand. It is up to those students with the enthusiasm, organizational skills, and time, to create newer vehicles which will further the concerns of the Colby College campus.

Mark Viden

Religion and Politics:

The two don't mix

Religion in American politics: has it outlived its usefulness? A 1980 Harris poll discovered that more and more people are describing themselves as less religious than their ancestors. Yet religion continues to play a dominant role in political affairs. Issues ranging from abortion to nuclear war have been discussed among many sects, exemplifying an attitude that religion should be out of the home and into the streets.

The conflict between church and state is hardly a new one. Indeed, it forms the pretense upon which this country was founded. In the early days of our history, this country was almost entirely Protestant and laws were often the result of Protestant beliefs (the Blue Laws, to give an example). Yet, we are now living in a pluralistic society in which there are as many religions as there are diet soft drinks. Thus, it seems absurd that one religion would try to undoubtedly come in conflict with another person's views.

Abortion is probably the most accessible example. In the infamous case of Wade vs. Roe, the Supreme Court found that abortions were indeed constitutional. Case closed. However, fundamentalists and Catholics contend that it ought to be outlawed because it is against their beliefs. As Geraldine Ferraro found out, it doesn't matter to these people whether or not you think

abortion is wrong, it matters to them that the whole country believes (or at least is forced to follow) their beliefs.

Thus, religion in this sense has become another PAC. They force candidates through their tremendous influence to vote their way. This erodes democracy as much as Mobil does when they pay off politicians so they won't raise corporate taxes.

One might argue that this position is a leftist one since many of the issues have a rightist slant. This is not the case. Many religions have condemned the issue of nuclear weapons as immoral. Despite the absurdity of the concept (is *any* weapon or war moral?), it does show that Jerry Falwell is not pulling the strings for everyone. However, it still is religion interfering in people's lives. And this is not right.

The argument against this is: look at what Martin Luther King, Jr. did from the pulpit. Or notice the positive social problems that churches help alleviate. My response to this objection is simply that in the end, if politicians can be free of the Jerry Falwells and the Cardinal O'Connors, effective change will come. Change that will *not* hamper anyone's freedom of religion (which prayer in schools would so obviously do). After all, the laws of this nation are based on the Constitution, not the Bible. It's time some people recognized this fact.

Out of Africa

To the Editor:

I am now south of the Equator. The Africans call me "Mzungu" down here, and although they are extremely poor by our standards I have found them to be quite amiable. I have been flying out of Wilson Airport with the flying doctors. My latest adventures were with a 65 year old woman doctor from France. We flew South of Olwika near the Southern tip of Lake Magad to visit the Maasai Manyahas in the Bush. The airstrips are all dirt, seldom straight, very short and always full of surprises. Last Thursday, we flew to Oloitokiok, north of Mt. Kilimanjaro, and nearly shredded the eager Maasai coming in, barely missing some euphorbia cactus, then took the head off a giraffe trying to get out.

Today we flew southwest from Wilson passing over the Ngong hills and down 4000 feet into the Great Rift Valley. The Valley is incredibly beautiful, spotted with herds of Maasai cattle, eland, buffalo, elephant, and zebra, 20-foot termite mounds every quarter-mile, and an occasional dust spout whirling 1000 feet above the valley. When we landed at Olkiramaitan I loaded the plane with a couple rocks I hoped to identify, then explained to a bewildered Maasai warrior in broken Swahili-

English handsignals just what it was I was doing. He seemed very interested, so I then proceeded to explain the geologic origin of the entire Rift Valley system to him. I don't know if he followed what I was saying, but Baby Geo came through! We said Kwaheri, then took off—commencing our long, slow climb in the 100 degree heat to 7000 feet.

I hope all is well. Kwaheri—

Tom Claytor '85

(Claytor, who is travelling by plane in Africa as a Watson fellow, sent this undated letter to the Echo in January.)

Mix for '86

To the Editor:

I'd like to ask you to join in making a pledge to the Senior Class Giving Fund. This pledge would go toward Colby's Alumni Fund which provides support for the annual operating budget, and, among other things, helps pay for faculty salaries and upkeep of campus facilities.

In our past four years, other alumni have helped subsidize our education because the tuition we pay does not cover the entire cost of education. Each student receives an additional \$2500 from the school whether on financial aid or not.

Now it is our turn to continue the legacy and say thank you to Colby by supporting the Alumni Fund. We

have all met great friends and learned a lot. We are a little smarter, a little older and a little wiser than when we were freshmen. Let's each give what we can to Colby before we go in our many different directions.

Between February 17th and 28th you will be visited by a classmate who will talk to you about making a pledge and answer any questions you have. This year I would like everyone to participate, even if you can only make a small pledge.

Let's pull together as a class and show our appreciation to Colby.

GIVE to Colby before we GO...The Mix for '86.

Leslie Greenslet
Class Agent, 1986

Beach party all wet, says Webster

To the Editor:

I can sympathize with those students who were alienated from last Saturday night's "all campus" Beach Party sponsored by Stu-A and Chaplin Commons. Although this may not have been intended, tickets for this event were sold only in Roberts. This action made the guest list inaccessible to those students who dine in Foss and Dana. Advertisements lead these students to believe that tickets would be sold in all three dining halls, and we all know this was not the case.

It is my understanding that approximately \$1,500 was allocated by Stu-

A to sponsor this event. Since Stu-A social funds belong to the entire campus, it is inexcusable that students are alienated from events sponsored by these funds.

I commend Stu-A and Chaplin Commons for a job well done. The Beach Party provided us with one of this year's most successful social events. I think it is important to prevent last weekend's episode from reoccurring, and in the future we should offer equal accessibility to all students at our all-campus events.

Dan Webster

Johnson Commons President

Pub now open at 8

The pub is now open for coffee and pastry at 8 a.m., according to Jim Peacock, director of student activities.

Peacock urged students who wanted to make use of the early opening to do so. He said that the continuation of early hours is contingent upon the number of people who frequent the pub at breakfast between now and

spring break.

Peacock also alerted students to the fact that the center's bulletin board section is now operational.

He said that the boards, which are located opposite the post office on the first floor, include a ride board, a campus calendar, and other miscellaneous boards.

Punk or Prep: Confessions of an individual

by Eric Zolov

"Men are free to act, but must act to be free" (Jean Paul Sartre), read my afternoon teabag. Lately this whole question of freedom—"the right to say no to oneself" as ex-Professor Clifford Berschneider once put it—has been perplexing me. Over January I read Dostoevsky's "Notes From Underground." Some books do change your life. Just the other day my cousin (up visiting for the weekend) spotted the book on my desktop. Being a Russian major, she is familiar with that country's authors. Casually she said, as if everyone who had read "Notes From Underground" had already come to such a realization, "Oh yes, man has too much freedom. Don't you think so?" Well cuz, up until this past weekend I guess that I had never thought about my existence in that light. But you are right. And today's youth, ourselves, that is, are (consciously and unconsciously) expressing themselves in terms of their rapidly enlarging sense of freedom. That is what the 1980's in America is all about. This is what my teabag reminded me of that one afternoon.

Oddly, this notion of an enlarged sense of freedom arrives at a period in American history which is, by many standards, incredibly conservative; maintaining the "status-quo" particularly in dress and speech. I would state, is inherently restrictive. Yet Sartre's point, and my point as well, is that not everyone is fully aware of the fact that they are free. There is a difference between being free and acting upon this freedom. What I see are elements in society which are now, along with this increased conservatism, coming to recognize their freedom. Thus, while the conformist "preppy" may walk the street, so too does the rebel "punk."

Dress is certainly the most obvious manifestation of one's "in tuneness" with being free. In my mind, there is no finer expression of freedom than in breaking away from the dress

codes of society. As perhaps the "hippies" once chose to stick out in order to assert their individuality, so too are today's "punks." And the term "punks" should no longer maintain its traditional narrow-minded denotation. As the "hippies" were once a clan until their message caught on, so too has the clan of hard cores down in So-Ho now expanded to be seen in numerous environments. They are the ones with the metallic skirts; they are the ones with the fluorescent earrings (and all other totally bizarre ornaments which dangle); they are the ones with the non-traditional hairstyles. But I despise such derogatory labels like "punk" or "hippie." The freedom movement has far reaching tentacles of temptation.

One of the basically two Colby dance scenes has also lent itself as a fermenting grounds for freedom. Slamdancing is the ultimate expression, in dancing anyway, of what it is to be free and to act on this right. "What happened to romantic dancing?" my mother asked me when she came up this weekend to visit. "No one holds each other anymore," she remarked dejectedly. I had to explain to her what it is all about: "Freedom," I answered. "It's all about self-expression." Not so much that "romanticism" is out or anything, just that more and more people are coming to try out this new style of dancing to discover and finding out that they like it—because it feels right.

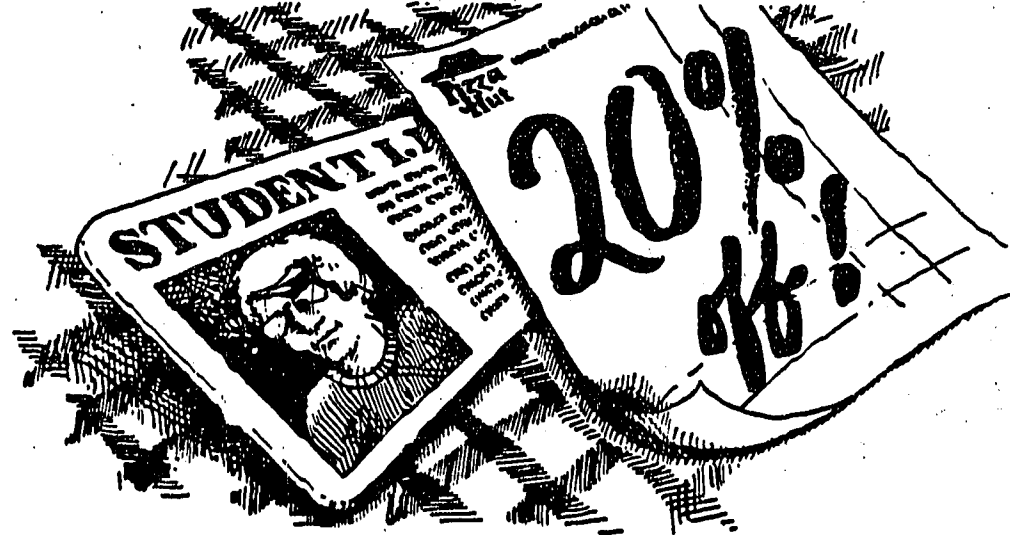
Look, I don't like generalizations as much as the next guy or gal doesn't. And I know that all sorts of counter-arguments can be aimed at me about how "government control enchains us" and "no one anymore is in touch with their freedom." But I don't buy it. I think that more than any other before us, our generation is coming to a much fuller understanding of what it is to be free—free to develop and express your individual-

ty. Mostly I think that the whole, fairly recent, concept of equality in the United States (stemming from the Civil Rights Movement) has led to this understanding of freedom; if anyone is free then everyone is free. But in a more scary sense, I also think that this whole nuclear issue may

have instigated the quest for further freedom of expression. Maybe the fact we feel so helpless in our ability to effect change on an international level has led us, partly in desperation yet certainly also in revelation, to enact change on an individual level. Hey, if we don't recognize the

potential which lies in being free, really free, then what's the point in calling yourself an American?

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Nikki: Next door?
L.B.: C.L., S.J.
Well ladies... should we reschedule our soiree?
C.C.

No need to kiss frogs...
Mrs. Chuck the Marine:
You have a marvelous voice...and you skip pretty well too.
Love, Mrs. no one yet

Wanted:
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The Primo Bed Potatoes:
It's a good thing the phone is close to the bed. Bed potato no.1 if you take a nap maybe you can do two pushups. Bed Potato no.2 you're too short to give piggy back rides to people over 6 feet tall.

S:
How does my hair look today? I haven't brushed it in a week.
E.

Franco,
You snore
3rd Roomie

Grandpa Joe:
Nice outfit Sat night! Purple looks good on the 'ol HC. According to the whole party! I didn't know you could swim so good.
Love, Grandma Josephine

The Kow-nappers:
I can't be threatened and I don't clean. That's why I have a man-maid. Do you keep track of all your belongings? This moo's on you.
—Chubba

Gregg:
WTF? TND? You too, Woody!
To the six man in Pierce:
You're not that noisy when you're sleeping! Get psyched for the next Piels drink-off!

Johnson 2nd Quad [H.S.N]
We cordially invite you over for a Piels. It's a good drinking beer! We like our beer like we like our men and we know you do too.

Missy:
Bet you have no tan lines 'cause you never saw the sun
—Roomies

Wugs:
Remember when I promised never to call you Wug-gles? My fingers wuz crossed. Ha Ha Ha.
Your lounge buddy

Mike:
Remember, a juke a day keeps the blues away.

JF, TA, RC, CN—
Would you please keep quiet next time we're in a crowded bar? I really wanted to see that video.
—Somebody's Son?

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JACKIE!!!
A condo right on the slopes, with four guys to serve us lunch: spaghetti at 3 a.m.; too much beer and some killer mountain afterwards (Thanks for watching me side-step down, T!). a quiet bar and a great band...same time next weekend?

A beach party just isn't a beach party without some snow.
Gimpy—
Tu me manques beaucoup! Desolee de n'avoir pas te rendu visite depuis si longtemps... j'espere que tout va mieux maintenant que tu es chez toi.
—Chubba

Hey Ellen, Nice bog in the heighis. Sit down, you Freshman!
To all you maggots out there: Congratulations!!!

To the guy who wanted to dance Sat. night: I never caught your name? So do you want to dance?
—One of the A2 dancing on the table

V.A.S.—
Never knew you could laugh so much, eh? What are roommates for? Glad you had a great time. Sante to next weekend.

—the other giggling half
Hey A.E.C.—Where'd you get those dancing hips? Are you psyched for Fri. or what?
—A.R.S.

Mr. Ferrazzanno—
A best friend is someone I'd carve my initials into a tree with. I think that says it all. A—D.
A.R.S.—Lady Starlight

VAL—
(Face) laugh, laugh, laugh.
—AME

K.S.—
We knew you could do it. We're proud of you, new HAVE FUN!!!
Love, The gang

Neen—
You and me both!!!
Love, AEC

Mel & Cat & Cindy Lou & Paige:
Rubber gloves? What next?
Scoop:
Happy Birthday! [Now everyone knows it's on Tuesday]

Muffy:
Baileys? Baileys? Muffy!!
Pierce HH:
We'll be quiet if you play "Day by Day"

Grandpa Joe:
Wine, beer, vodka, a concussion, Ann Landers, is we a dume?

My Tues. Pizza Pal:
Let's do it again soon. We need to get drunk together too for gossip sake!

Attention Kow owners!
Guard well your kows, ze kow-nappers are on ze loose. If we catch ze moo-kow again, we turn it into hamburger. Vunce more we are on ze hunt for ze side of beef to hang in our 'fridge. Zis is your last varning!
The Management

Security say:
She who locks keys in car shouldn't leave Michelob on front seat.

Congratulations to ex-Woodman Wacker star Brenda K. for making softball. Not bad for a New Yorker....

Wuggles:
You have the potential to be a good man-maid, that is, if you have the stamina, too bad you haven't mastered the art of pulling down a window shade yet. Didn't you have trouble with venetian blinds too?
love your Tuesday night sleeping buddies

Franco:
Didn't know your father was an entertainer, by the way we got the pictures back, but we lost the negatives...sorry(hee hee)

Sian you mean he told you he had a Beach Boys tape and you believed him!

DO YOU like tall women?

Nord 130:
Let's get together and REALLY talk all other rendez-vous's aside!!
Sud 401

Gramma Josephine:
Binaca blastoff, jalapeno contest, the short-cut through the fire escape, you fall for it all, you sho' is a dume: d.u.m.e. How come there were 4 people in our bedroom on Saturday night when both of our roommates were away?
Grampa Joe

Mandible:
Did you get Skoal all over your sweater in Utah? Did you wear a sweater in Utah? So how was the Colby graduate?

your roomies
Reality is an illusion brought out by the lack of alcohol

JGS IV—
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!! Let's have a Twinkie "stuffing" contest. Okay? I'll win hands down, up, or whatever. Have Fun Lester!

Love, AEC

Has anybody seen Slack?
To the Chocolate Starved Women—
Only 31 more days. Hang in there. Your thighs will thank you.
Love, Amanda

Mark W—
Don't miss that Party Train!
Amy

HAY:
I never went through a toll booth without stopping, grabbed the ticket out of the person's hand...and THEN forgot the change at the next toll booth...all because of a standard...
—KAR

I never had such a great weekend before...GREMLINS!!!
I think the waitress at Carbers is still trying to recover from Friday night, and I don't blame her!!!



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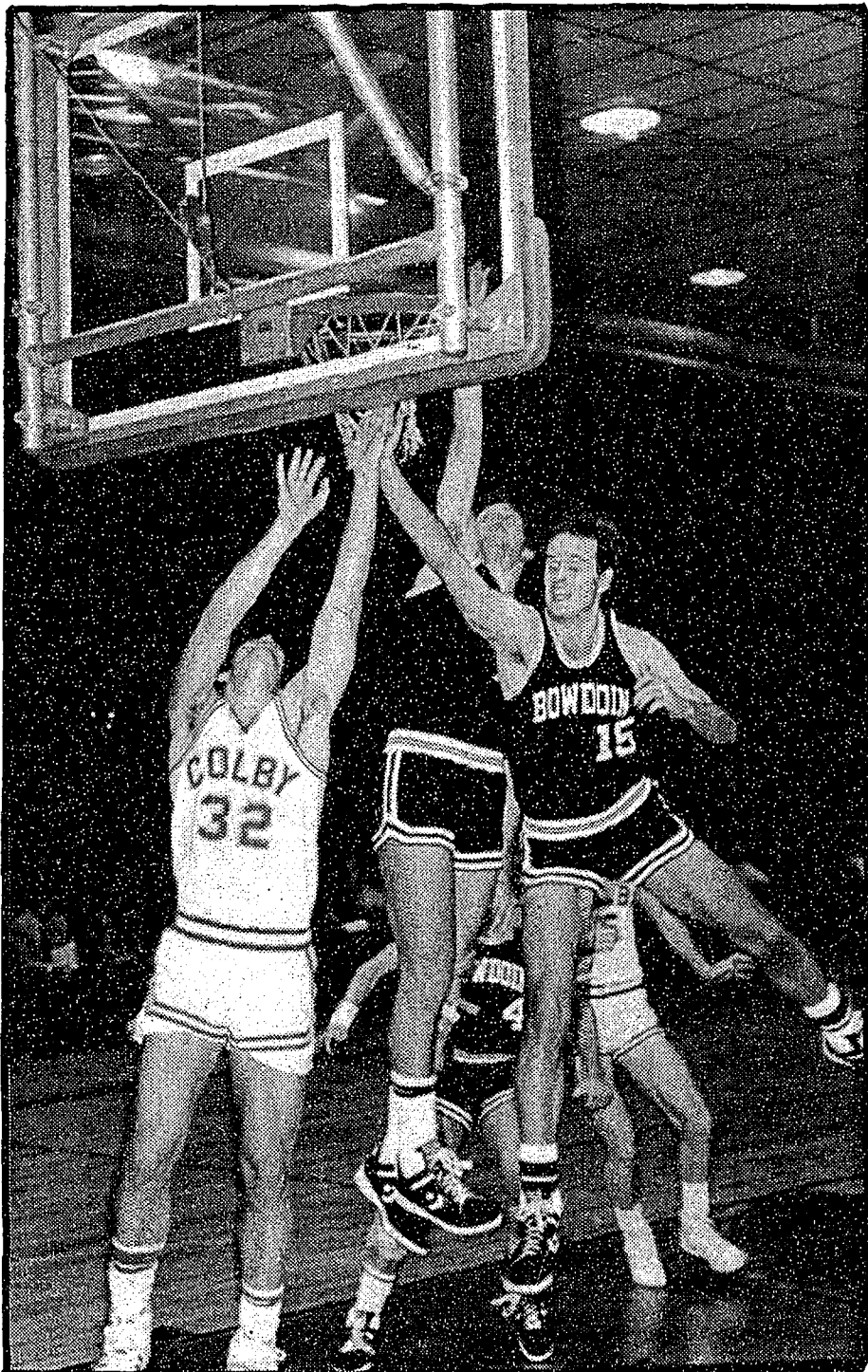
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Bowdoin victory Colby heartbreaker

by Chris Watt

Red Sox—Yankees. Celtics—Lakers. Army—Navy. The great sports rivalries of history have always produced the most exciting games. For Maine sports fans, the Colby—Bowdoin rivalry is of no lesser importance. And this weekend's basketball matchup between the White Mules and the Polar Bears was no less heated than a Celtics—Lakers playoff game down at the Garden. Only instead of the NBA title being on the line, it was the CBB championship.

The first half saw Colby leading almost the whole way. Bowdoin, however, could have been ahead very easily had they made some more of their foul shots. The Polar Bears missed their first six free throws, and only ended up making 10 of 25 in the first half. Colby, who scored only two points from the charity stripe in the first period, had to rely on their high number of field goal attempts (34-vs-Bowdoin's 23) to keep possession of the lead. The advantage dwindled, though, as the Bowdoin shooters loosened up. The Mules took a narrow two point lead with them into the locker room.

The story remained just about the same throughout the second half. The lead changed hands numerous times and it looked as if the Polar Bears were going to pull it off as the 2nd half came to a close. With about 20 seconds to go, Colby tied the score. Bowdoin brought the ball upcourt slowly, stalling for a last second game winning shot attempt. The Mule defense played the opposition tough. The clock ticked down, 3..2..1 and had seemingly reached zero before Bowdoin guard Tom Welch had managed to get off an off-balance brick. But as the crowd began

to roar, a whistle began to blow. The result: Welch went to the line for a 1-and-1. The fans did their best imitation of the Syracuse Carrier Dome (minus the thrown oranges), and the free throw clanged off the front of the rim, short of its mark. The Mules had a new life.

The first overtime saw both teams score six points. Although the mules were able to stay even, they were in deep trouble as the 2nd OT began. Four of 5 starters had fouled out (Chris Cole, Chris Vickers, Chris Powell, and Eric Brown). Head coach Whitmore was forced to dig deep into his bench (10 players played 8 minutes or more). Reserve forward Bill Maher (game high 18 points, 8 rebounds) was a key during the 2 overtime periods. He hit several key shots to keep the Mules close.

The last 30 seconds of the second overtime period finally decided the game winner. With 28 seconds left to go, E.J. Perry made a steal and was fouled as he attempted a lay up. The referee called an intentional foul (2 shots and possession). Perry canned both, giving Colby a 1 point lead. All they had to do was to get the ball in-bounds and hold on to it for 28 seconds. The Bowdoin defense tightened, though, and Colby turned the ball over, unable to beat the 5 second count. The Polar Bears brought the ball up, and with 4 seconds left, Kevin Hancock stuck a 15-footer to tie the victory. A last second shot by the Mules fell just short, and the Bowdoin players began their celebration.

Maher, Perry (17 points, 12 assists) and Vickers (17 points, 9 rebounds) led the Colby scoring effort. Pacing Bowdoin were Joe Williams and Tom Welch, each finishing with 17 points.

Hockey readies

by Garret Hinebaugh

Hoping for a win that will further its playoff participation, the Colby men's hockey team will face off against Merrimack College Saturday night at 7:30 in North Andover, Massachusetts.

Those wanting to see this post season match up should purchase tickets in the athletic office, according to Coach Mickey Goulet. Student tickets cost \$2, while adult tickets are \$4, he said.

Colby ended its regular season on a high note Saturday as the Mules beat the top ranked Division III team, Connecticut College Camels, 4-3. This win lifted Colby's overall record to 13-9-2 and division record to 11-9-2.

By far the better team, Colby was unable to deliver knockout blows to the cumbersome camels. The mules took an early lead on a goal by Quinn Moyer, set up by Tim Murphy and John McCarthy.

Connecticut College fought back and tied the game with two minutes to play in the first period. The Camels then went ahead, 2-1 on a controversial goal two minutes later. Moyer's second goal, set up by Vin Paolucci knotted the score at 2-2 as the period ended.

Colby broke the tie on an unassisted goal by Jon Doebr early in the third period. At this point it looked as if the Mules would indeed put the game away, but the Camels were able to go to the well once more and pull out a goal halfway through the third period. The score remained tied at 3-3 all the way down to the final minute of the game. Fortunately for the Colby fans, who were making comments on the intelligence and abilities of the Connecticut College team, the home team was able to back the fans' statements by scoring the winning goal with 57 seconds left in the game. Jon Doebr's second goal of the third period was set up by Vin Paolucci and Bob Lewis.

In goal for the Mules, Greg Beatty made 12 saves. Colby outshot the Camels 34-16.

Earlier in the week, the Mules cemented their playoff berth by fighting to a 2-2 tie with second ranked Merrimack Warriors.

Despite strong offensive and defensive play, a large portion of the credit for the tie goes to Colby goalie Walt Edwards. Edwards' play in net was incredible as he made 49 saves in a game

where the Mules were outshot 51-34. Edwards, who has played well all year, ranks among the top ECAC goaltenders.

Despite losing their last three games, Colby had been playing well against the top ranked teams and Thursday night's showdown was no different. After a scoreless first period, the Mules took a 1-0 lead on a power play goal. Pete Cawley scored his 14th goal of the season on an assist by Bob Burns. It wasn't until the first minute of third period that the Warriors were able to tie the game at 1-1.

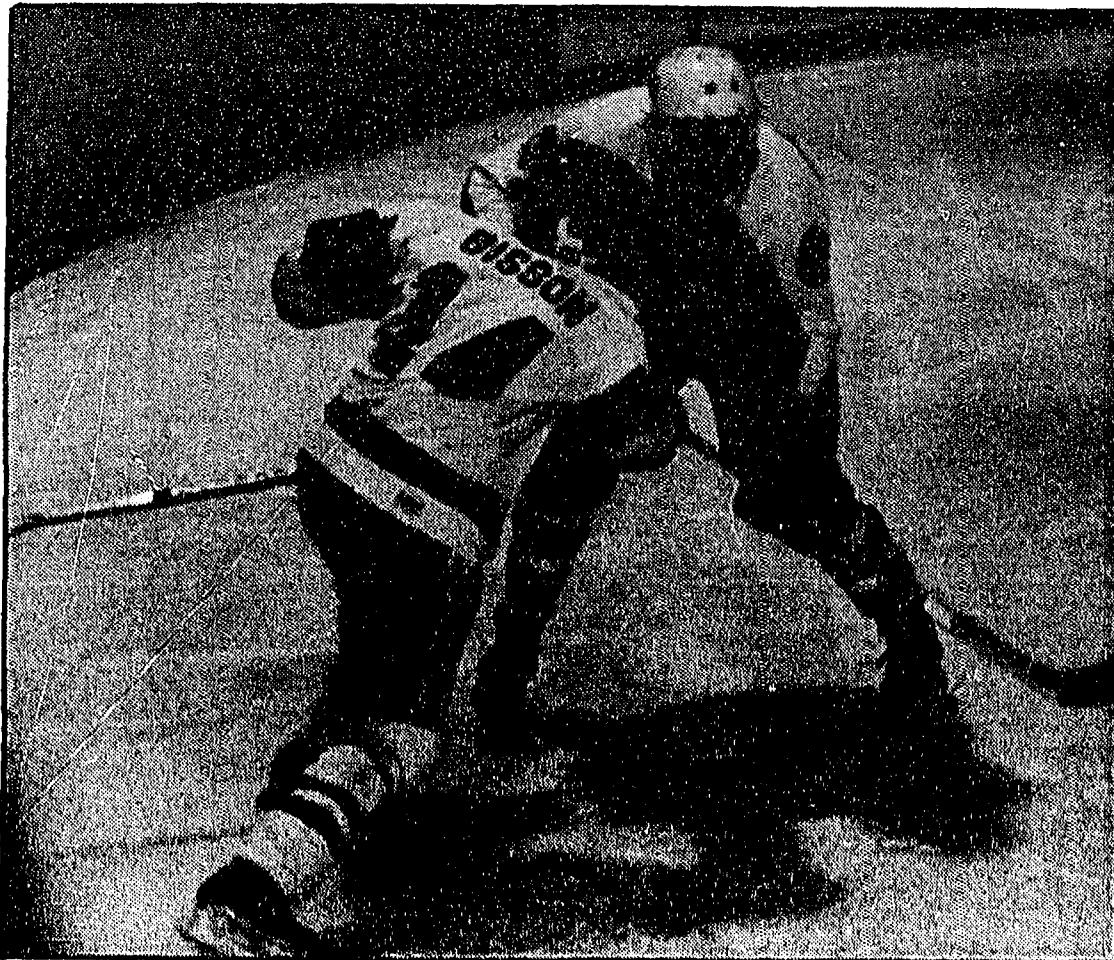
Colby took the lead again on a follow up shot by Greg Cronin. Jon Doebr fed Vin Paolucci whose shot went off the post and Greg Cronin was in position to stuff the puck into the net.

Unable to keep the Warriors away from the goal, the Mules let the tying goal in with six minutes left to play. Goalie Edwards assured the tie by making some brilliant saves in the final minutes of regulation and throughout the overtime.

Hockey set for playoffs

Skating away from a Connecticut College defender is this Colby player. Colby defeated Connecticut College last week.

Photo by: Matt Murphy



Tracksters victorious

In an outstanding performance by the entire squad, the Track and Field Team captured third place in the New England Division III Championships this weekend.

Colby amassed 51 points behind Brandeis and MIT in a field of 25 teams. The Mules qualified only thirteen individuals to Brandeis' and MIT's sixty qualifiers. Nevertheless, the Mules shined.

In the field, Captain Jim Pietro hurled the shotput 49'6", his best ever, to take the silver medal. Meanwhile, Bill McCrillis triple jumped 44'3" for third place. George Gibson vaulted himself into third place and Phil Lapp soared to his best high jump of 6'4".

On the oval Brian Norris and Mike Mizner placed 3rd in the finals of the 1000m and 800m respectively. Flying over the 110 High Hurdler for 4th place and a time of 7.91 seconds was Dave Duane; second place was a mere two hundredths of a second away. A unique Distance Medley Relay strategically placed fourth scoring still more points for the Mules, clocking a 10:39.4.

Drama heightened as the close-scoring meet came down to the final event; the two mile relay. Colby need-

A strong Colby relay of Mike Mizner, Mark Pagnano, Brian Norris, and the Yos, dashed Brandeis' hopes by winning the race in a time of 7:56. Pagnano outkicked the Brandeis Judge who beat him earlier in the 1500m, delivering his own justice.

Coach Jim Wescott's thoughts in reference to the meet were, "I'm proud of my men; the day was filled with excellent individual efforts making for a great team performance." Finally

ed at least third place to defeat Bates while infamous Brandeis needed to win the race to capture the meet.

manager Kevin Foley quipped, "The hard work over the past months has paid off."

1. What did Heisman Trophy winner John Capaletti play before being converted to running back?
 A. checkers
 B. the violin
 C. his Slim Whitman albums
 D. defensive back

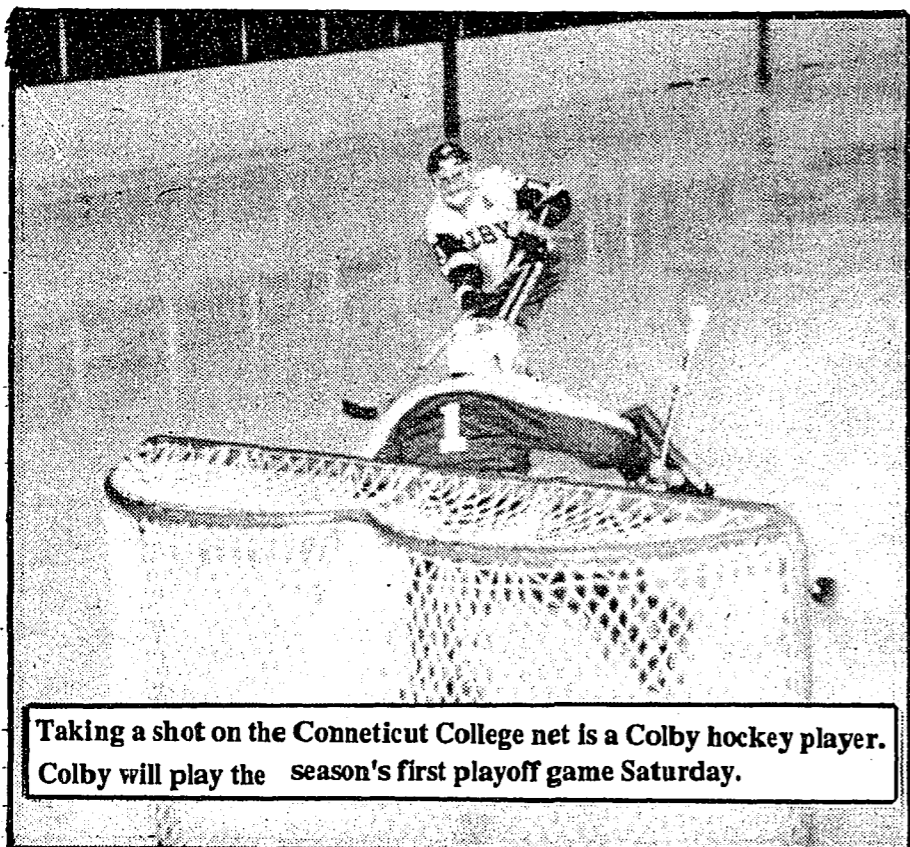
2. What's done to NHL pucks before a game?
 A. they're washed and waxed
 B. all kinds of things
 C. they're carefully inspected for evidence of foul play
 D. they're frozen

3. How did Johan Huslinger convey himself from Vienna to Paris in a period of 55 days?
 A. cab
 B. body surfing
 C. never heard 'convey' used in this sense before
 D. walked on his hands

4. What NBA team's nickname doesn't end in an S?
 A. Chicago Bulls
 B. Detroit Pistons
 C. Phoenix Suns
 D. Utah Jazz

Answers
 1. D 2. D 3. D 4. D

Sports quiz



Taking a shot on the Connecticut College net is a Colby hockey player. Colby will play the season's first playoff game Saturday.

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Women up record

The Colby Women's Basketball Team ran its record to 13-8 by splitting two games with Bowdoin and U.M.O.

Last Saturday, the women hosted rival Bowdoin, and the game was never in doubt as they clinched the coveted CBB title by crushing the Bears with a lopsided score of 69-43 at Wadsworth Gymnasium.

Colby displayed prowess at both ends of the court by jumping out to a 32-16 half-time lead on 54 percent shooting, while holding Bowdoin to just 25 percent shooting. For the game Colby shot 59 percent on 27 of 47 shots while Bowdoin made 14 of 48 shots for 31 percent.

The women were led by high-scorer Karen Jodoin who tallied 20 points. Sue Hardy had 14 points and 9 rebounds and Lisa Collett chipped in 12

points. Congratulations to Jodoin, who established an all-time Colby Women's Basketball record at the game by appearing in her 97th game, breaking the mark of 96 set by Leslie Malcher ('85). Also, she has never missed a Colby game in her remarkable four year career, during which Colby's record has been 67-29.

Last Wednesday, the women traveled to Orono and were soundly defeated 83-45 by division I U.M.O., who upset their record to 20-5.

The Black Bears opened a 22-point first half lead and went in at halftime with a 43-21 lead. Carol Ann Beach was top scorer for Colby with 11 points with Hardy and Collett both adding 8. Jodoin pulled down 5 rebounds to go along with her 6 assists. Maine outscored Colby 68-36 from the floor and 15-9 from the foul line.

Raquetball tourney set

A faculty-staff-student doubles raquetball tournament is being organized by Lovejoy Commons president John "J.J." Burke. Teams will consist of one student and one Colby faculty or staff member. Trophies will be awarded to the champion as well as the runner-up pairings. Burke expects many teams to enter, but strongly doubts that anyone will be able to upset his own team which consists of himself and faculty-in-residence, Paul Irgang.

"Irgang and I have already made shelf space for the trophies," Burke stated after a recent practice session with his partner.

Swimmers on road to victory

by Rick Hastings

After completing a five wins and four losses regular season, the Colby Women's Swim Team ventured to Southeastern Massachusetts University last weekend to compete in the Division B New England Championships.

Twenty-five teams participated in the meet, with Tufts, Bowdoin and Williams grabbing the top three spots. Colby finished in thirteenth place, and while they had hoped for better, the team seemed satisfied with their overall performance. Coach Rob MacDonald said, "Certainly a thirteen place finish does not represent the level of excellence the Colby students deserve, but it does, considering the stage of development of the program, represent a determination and commitment on the part of this year's team."

MacDonald cited Holly Swanson, a senior, and Mary Thomson, a sophomore for their outstanding performances in the 100 yard breast stroke. Both swimmers finished under the previous school record of 1:14.4 in the event. Swanson turned in a 1:13.7, and Thomson a 1:13.8 to finish sixth and seventh overall.

The two also placed well in the 200 yard breast stroke, with Thomson finishing eighth and Swanson tenth in the competition.

Perhaps the highlight of the meet for Colby was the 200 yard free style relay. In order for a team to qualify for the finals of any event, they must finish among the top six in the trials. In an unusual occurrence, Colby and Conn College were tied to the hundredths of a second for sixth place in the preliminaries. The Mules' relay team of Swanson, Regan Hargraves, Carolyn Lochwood, and Kim Lynch went on to beat the Huskies in a swim

off to advance. It was a very exciting moment for the squad.

MacDonald reports that Hargraves did more swimming than any other team member over the weekend, covering 3700 yards in all. She finished sixteenth in the very demanding 1650, which is sixty-six lengths, with a time of 19:37. She was also a very key member of the relays, as she had an outstanding split in the 400 free style.

Lynch accomplished a great deal in the Championships, as well. She turned in her best ever times in both the 100 yard free style and individual medley.

MacDonald wished to recognize Sue Utterson, Katie Behne, Sheryl Powers, Tempe Evans, Lindsey Carver, and Allison Forrest for their participation in the meet, also.

Although the Women's Swimming Program will be hurt by the loss of co-captains Swanson and Carver, and Hargraves to graduation, MacDonald is optimistic about the way things look for the future. He notes that he was "real pleased, considering that this had to be a transitional year, with the attitude of the swimmers." He "sensed a real desire to build a team that can go to a New England Championship and compete against schools that have the same philosophical approach to athletics and compete at the highest possible level."

The Men's Swim team travels to Springfield, Massachusetts this weekend to compete in their New England meet. The team sports a 4-5 record to date, but will be severely challenged in Springfield because all Division I, II, and III teams will be swimming against one another. Colby has not scored a point, under this format, in six years. It is the goal of this year's team to break into the scoring.

According to MacDonald, "Colby's

best chance for scoring might center around the 800 yard free style relay in which Mike McCartney, Marc Dolittle, Rick Frank, and Dan Bullis swim. This is a relay which those four have anticipated since the opening days of the season. They are confident that they can accomplish their mission."

Aside from the relay, McCartney will be competing in the 1000 yard free style, Bullis in the 200 yard butterfly, Dolittle in the breast stroke, and Frank in the free style.

Also representing Colby will be Dave Russell and John Goldman in the breast stroke, and Tom Haggerty in the 1650. Freshman Tripp Johnson will compete in the 200 yard individual medley.

MacDonald wanted diver Arthur Morrow to get some of the recognition which he deserves. He is not competing in the New England, but he performed very nobly in the regular season, particularly when one considers that there was no coaching available for him.

According to the coach, the teams with the best chance of winning the meet are UMass-Amherst, Tufts, Williams, Bowdoin, and Southern Connecticut State.

Although the men's squad may have finished just below the .500 mark this year, MacDonald feels that they have made some great accomplishments. "The men, throughout the dual meet season, continually demonstrated a real desire to win and desperately seek an opportunity to be successful. Without question, they were frustrated at times, as was I, because in many cases we just could not match up with opponents. I tried to articulate to them that their continual positive approach carried them to heights beyond their physical achievements."

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pressure. One is that there is a degree of flexibility among the students and the faculty. The fact that there's close access for students to professors makes it more comfortable and less pressured. Secondly, there's a self-confidence factor among students that they can do the work in a shorter period of time."

Admissions Office officials, however, warn of taking either book

seriously.

Veda Robinson, '84, assistant dean of admissions, commented, "I think the most important factors in choosing a college are how you felt on that campus if you visited and how you think that college will help you in your goals. You have to have a good fit between student and college. The books can help you narrow things down. You should use your own

sense of values and criteria in choosing your college."

Parker J. Beverage, dean of admissions and financial aid, was even less approving of the use of college guidebooks. In an interview with the Echo, he stated, "I'm not comfortable with the use of those books. I wasn't comfortable with them at Stanford (where he worked previously) which was largely touted in the Fiske book.

We didn't take much stock in them at all. In the case of Lisa Birnbach, it was the opinion of one person. We all have different likes and dislikes. What one person might find as appealing, another would find unappealing. With the time Lisa Birnbach spent at Colby, you can't get a good impression.

Those guidebooks are snap-shot pictures of places. They're really

shortcuts. People don't take the time to visit the institution, they make the guidebook make the decision for them.

They represent a tool which makes it all too easy to do the research they (high school seniors) should to make a decision as significant as where to attend college."

Review

by Camilla Johansson

Steven Spielberg once again manages to produce a clean, well-groomed movie. "The Color Purple," based on

'Color Purple' dazzles

the novel by Alice Walker, is a powerful and emotional story about the black woman's plight in the early century's South. It beautifully portrays the

friendship between two sisters; and, at the same time, brings out the agony in their parting. Although this movie certainly arouses sympathy for the subdued Celie (Whoopie Goldberg), and antipathy for her tyrannical husband, Mister Albert (Danny Glover), Spielberg could have produced a much stronger and intense movie with the

material he had at hand from the novel.

However, what is left is worth seeing. The acting is convincing, and it is not surprising that the movie has received 11 Academy Award nominations. Whoopie Goldberg as Celie certainly deserves her award for Best Actress; she is superb in her role as the

oppressed and abused wife of Mister Albert (Danny Glover). Danny Glover is, by the way, known from "Witness" as the creepy, unscrupulous police officer, and he presents no less a disagreeable character in "The Color Purple."

WAA

The WAA is also putting together a new trail map for cross-country skiers and is planning a possible end-of-the-season all-campus party. It also made a successful contribution to Winter Carnival. "We had a triathlon on the pond that went really well, but we just would have liked more participants. The WAA provided prizes for first, second, third places and best costumes," Packman said. "It was really a nice thing after all our problems."

Despite its troubles, the WAA re-

mains enthusiastic. Packman and Colhoun plan to stay active until the weather terminates a need for their duties. "We've got some really good and really motivated people who get along well," said Colhoun.

"Yes," added Packman, "we just want to let people know that we really are out there. We're planning more events, too. We are trying and doing our job to the best of our abilities."

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Questions, questions and more questions. I guess I've pretty much scratched the surface of all the important things we need to address at this time, but I'm certain of one thing—I don't have an answer for any of them. If you have an answer or even a question of your own, please let me know by sending your solutions to me at Box 888 before Tuesday.

Stu-A

The Finance Chair is responsible for overseeing all fund allocation to Stu-A, its clubs and organizations, and to affiliated sub-groups. The Finance Chair coordinates the Stu-A Finance Committee, and makes periodic reports to the Board of Governors.

The Stu-A Cultural Life Chairperson coordinates the four major social events at Colby, including Oktoberfest, Winter Carnival, Spring Carnival, and one other major social event. The chair may also choose to sponsor other smaller social events if funding is available. The Social Life Chairperson also oversees a budget and chairs the all-campus social committee, Heel said.

Candidates for office are encouraged to speak with present Stu-A officeholders, and to be aware that the upcoming election is subject to restrictions in campaigning currently being set by the Board of Governors, Heel said.

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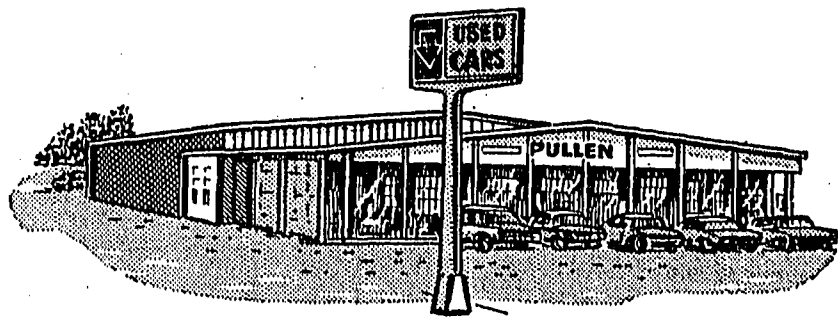
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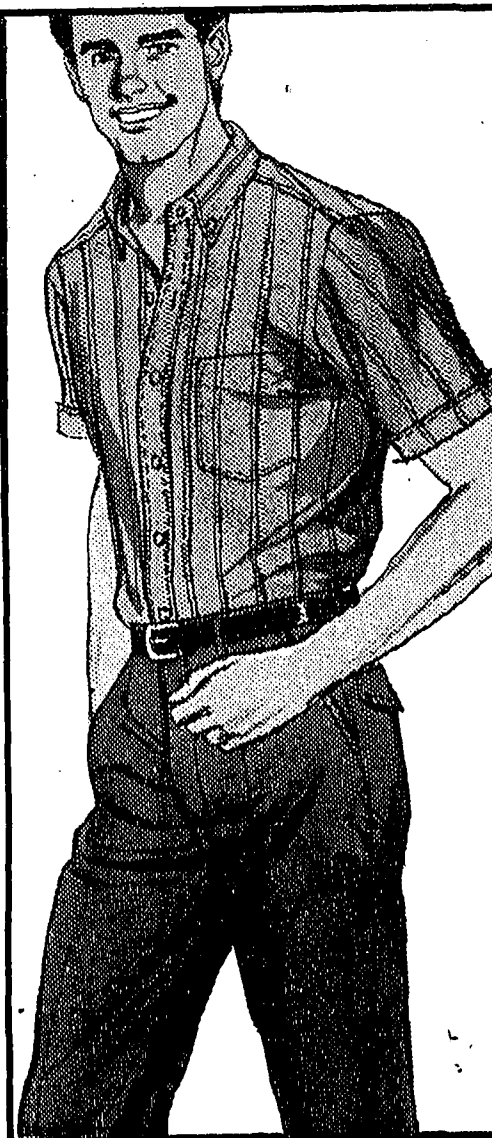
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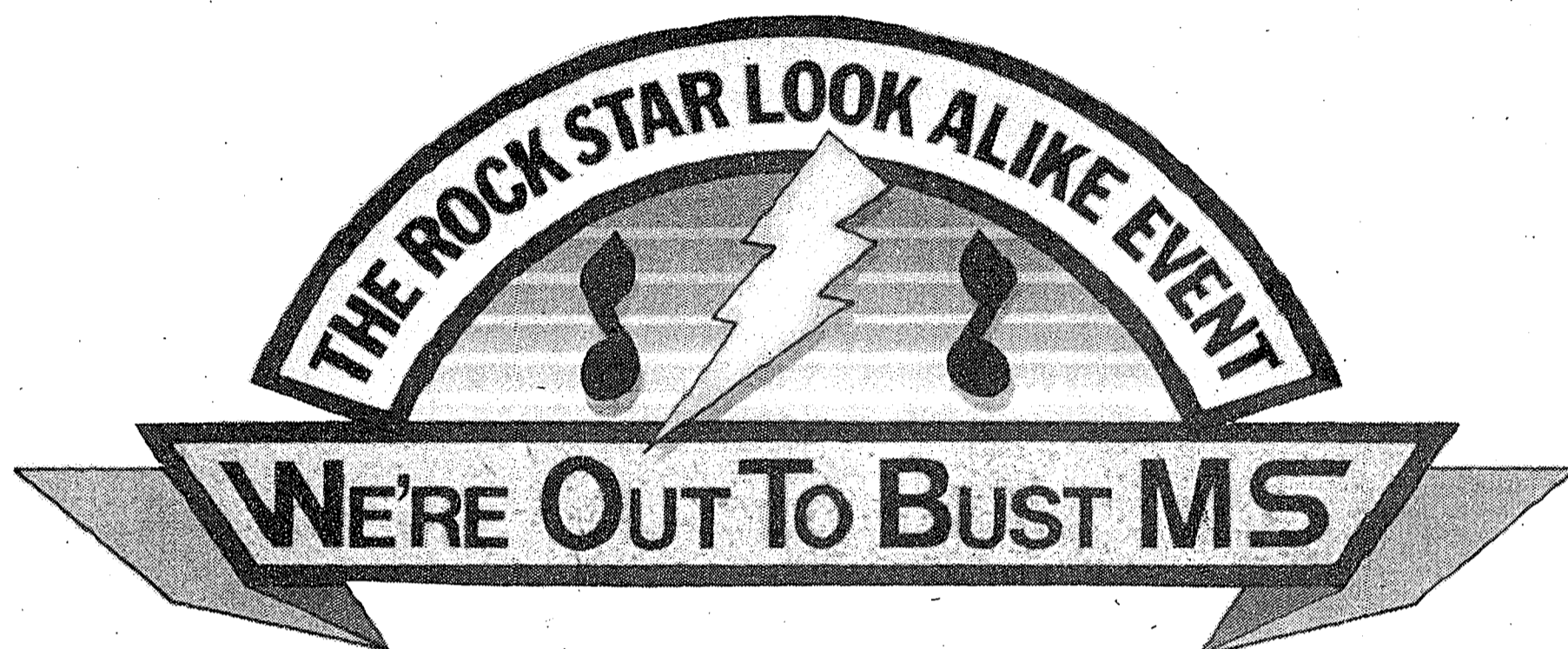
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