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*Illusions of Spring*

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## Liquor inspector incites change

by Tom Cahill

Due to the recent crackdown by the Maine State Liquor Inspector, Colby has been forced to review its alcohol policy. In the past Colby has enjoyed a bubble-like existence, almost immune to Maine's liquor laws. Recently, however, Maine has increased its number of liquor inspectors from three to seventeen. This increase allots one liquor inspector or assigned specifically to the Augusta, Skowhegan, and Waterville area. In addition, the recent appearance of the Liquor Inspector at Colby's Winter Carnival was helped little by three fined Orono students who had come to Colby because of the tight liquor situation at their own school and stated, "Up at school we can't get a beer, but here everyone can drink."

The Liquor Inspector, who is armed with a 357 magnum, threatened a \$5000 fine and student center party host incarceration for flagrant disregard of Maine State law. She was

dissuaded, however, by a Colby promise to correct liquor violations and internally enforce state law. This necessary decision was made after a liquor inspector warning that she would appear on campus on a consistent basis until she sees enforcement. Otherwise, Colby risks paddy wagon loads of students carted off to jail and exhaustive fines each weekend.

Changes include preventive measures to not allow her the 'probable cause' necessary to enter a party. 'Probable cause' is vaguely defined as evidence of drinking violations, such as open containers of beer or visibly intoxicated persons staggering out of a party. Young looking Liquor Inspector agents, dressed in Colby sweat shirts, may be used to check valid IDs, required to obtain "of age" stamps upon entry to a party. Once inside they will check if access to beer is limited to only those persons sporting the correct stamp.

Colby Safety and Security will also be levying fines for liquor violations. These fines will run

\$50 for open containers and another \$50 on top of that if the drinker is underage. Increased security at parties and perhaps security ID checks are a possibility as well. This policy has been established to let the Liquor Inspector know that Colby is capable of enforcing the law itself, and that there is little need for state involvement.

Due to the situation, a special task force made up of one governor from each commons, and chairman Steve Teplitz, will meet early this week. The committee will discuss Colby's current liquor policy and recommend changes in policy acceptable to students, the administration, and the Liquor Inspector, who considers Colby's current policy "unacceptable." Details of possible recommendations have not been worked out yet. Once the committee makes the recommendations, they will have to be approved by the Commons Council, the Board of Governors, and the Deans

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## Housing shortage over

by Meredith Hart

Since the start of second semester, the shortage of housing has been resolved. Last term, many students placed in temporary housing were forced to live in the lounges of Residence Halls. However, due to the number of upperclassmen who decided to study abroad and live off campus this spring, the housing crunch is over.

Based on projections made in the Spring of every year, the college makes accommodations for approximately 1680 students. Last year though, the Room Draw Committee predicted more students would either participate in foreign study this fall or choose to live downtown. Contrary to rumor, the conflict was not the result of accepting too many for the freshman class. A quota of 436 new students was projected, and the amount did not exceed

the available positions. When vacancies didn't materialize, housing became an issue of supply and demand. Lounges and old fraternity libraries were converted into rooms to accommodate those without living quarters.

Housing Coordinator Paul Johnston said that the housing shortage has been alleviated by those students who chose to study abroad. Last year 46 students did foreign study for the spring compared to 82 students this year. Johnston was not comfortable with the situation that was evident in the fall, for a few reasons. Some Residence Halls had access to only one lounge rather than four, often it was difficult to hold hall meetings and finally, dorms were unable to sponsor lectures and speakers. Therefore, it was a necessary priority to free up lounges first, and then the libraries.

## Hall staff selection a problem

Ingrid Ekstrom  
ECHO Staff Writer

Hall staff selection is upon us once again. As usual, criticism that the process is "unfair," "secretive," and prone to favoritism can be heard from many members of the student body. While both the Board of Governors and Stu-A President have worked diligently on reform, little change is in sight.

Efforts began in September when the Board of Governors asked two concerned students to sum up these complaints in order to give the Board a comprehensive evaluation from which they could begin to address the problem. It was found that no one was really sure how selection was done and it seemed that the criteria used to define successful applicants was extremely vague.

Michael Ashley, Stu-A President, has been particularly concerned with the issue, devoting much of his time to clearing up the ambiguities and trying to incorporate more student involvement in the process. Although Associate Dean of Students Joyce McPhetres-Maisel shares his first concern, frustration has been the major outcome of Ashley's efforts to satisfy the second.

When the Board first examined the issue they had three goals in mind. First, they wanted a clearer role definition for those on the selection committee. This was to insure that all committee members had equal influence in the final hall staff decisions. Second, they wanted to establish clear

guidelines so that the present ambiguities would be eliminated. This would also eliminate the general mystery which surrounds the process, making it clearer for everyone. Finally, it is important to the Board that the quality of the hall staff improve. They want the positions to go to those who are most highly qualified, not to those who just happen to have the right connections.

McPhetres-Maisel agrees that the general ignorance of the process is a major problem; it is from that ignorance, and not the facts, that the accusations of unfairness have developed. If the process were better understood, people would realize that those on the committee do have an equal influence. The final hiring decisions, however, are made by her because it is her job to do the hiring and firing of hall staff. In her talks with colleagues and her comparisons of different techniques, she feels that she has come up with the most fair and diplomatic process feasible. McPhetres-Maisel stresses that the process is a selection, not an election, and that she had responsibilities to the general population of students to hire the best qualified students.

To accomplish their goals, the Board drew up and presented a set of proposals to McPhetres-Maisel. They asked that the composition of the hall staff selection committee and the point system which evaluates hall staff applicants be more clearly defined and standardized. This would include involving senior

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## Inside:

"At a time he most needs to appear strong, President Reagan is being weakened and made to appear wimpy by the interference of his wife." See p. 5.

Bates College responded to incidents of sexual harassment over the past year. See p. 6.

Scott Lanier has some interesting things to say about the old "Freshmen Meet (Meat) Book." See p. 7.

WMHB brings back that lost tradition of the radio program. See p. 10.

# LETTERS

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## Give 'em a break Science contest

In the wake of the recent incident concerning a Safety and Security officer and a Colby student, there has been a general mixed feeling towards the relationship between the school's security force and the student body. To add to this increasing tension is their new responsibility of fining underage drinkers and open container carriers of all ages \$50. It might appear as if Security's influence on campus is becoming greater than is necessary or bearable, and we are awaiting the inevitable arrival of letters accusing them of everything from Fascism to neo-Nazism. However, before the letters begin (or the brunt of them anyway) I think you should step back and reconsider the situation.

The case awaiting trial this weekend by Stu-J will be reviewed by students and faculty (and viewed by several lawyers). If we are to have any faith in the judicial system here at Colby or at large, we must assume that the incident will be treated competently and fairly. Whether Security's treatment of the matter was competent I assume will also be considered. Thus, it will not be Security handing down a judgement, but will in fact be awaiting one as well. Innocent until proven guilty, remember?

Security's \$50 fines may seem a bit dramatic, but not if you consider the college's position. In effect it has two choices: stand by and ignore our ubiquitous liquor inspector and let students take their chances (rather unsuccessful at Bowdoin), or try to diminish their chance of receiving a state fine (and record). Inaction on the part of the college can only be seen as irresponsible. Though they may be protecting us from ourselves, it is a protection that has proven necessary. This dilemma is hardly endemic to Colby, but is becoming a fact of life on college campuses throughout the country.

Call me a naive "puppet," but I don't think security (or the administration) deserves the "bad rap" they have been receiving recently. Overall, I think if there has been a problem with security/student relations, it is the fault of the latter.

**Adam J. Ernster**  
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To the Editor

The Zeta Kappa chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha, the national political science honor society, is pleased to announce its annual chapter activities contests.

The contests are open to all students for the two best research essays in the fields of transnational and domestic politics or the interaction between the two fields. Students are encouraged to submit projects in these areas as broadly defined. Thus manuscripts may deal with topics ranging from transnational legal issues to campaign financing and deal with comparative studies of political theory. The essays may be prepared especially for the contests or be part of course work of the current academic year.

Manuscripts should be thoroughly researched, some 25-30 double spaced pages, and submitted in triplicate to Mrs. Patricia Kick, Department Secretary, Miller Library not later than April 13th, 1987.

Oral presentations, at a public forum, will be required of those students whose essays have been selected for the award. Hopefully these manuscripts will subsequently be prepared for publication in a professional journal.

The prize for each of the winning essays is \$125.00.

Guenter Weissberg

## View on alleged assault

To the Editors:

Many stories circulate about the incident where a student allegedly accosted Security Guard Debbie West early morning on February 21st. I will now shed some light on the extremely poor handling of the matter and the subsequent negligent treatment of the accused.

Before Guard West arrived on the scene, two Resident Assistants in the dorm exemplified a large lack of influence. However, the RA's did not acknowledge their lack of control. Instead, they reacted with insecure hysteria that added only tension to the situation. Apparently, one of the RA's physically shoved some of the female guests at the party while yelling "I'll take I.D.'s!"

After the incident, the behavior of Colby Security was outrageous. A growing mistrust of Colby Security is fueled by facts like the pose of four male security guards who waited outside the student's room two hours after the incident. It is questionable what their intent was; after all, from dorm staff witnesses they had positive

To the Editors:

In the Student Handbook it states that "The Student Judicial Board is in existence for the singular purpose of aiding the undergraduate student of the College." However, many people question this statement. One reason for their skepticism is the lack of complete and truthful information about the Judicial Board and the cases it hears.

The Judicial board was upset with Jim Sullivan's article, "Suspensions warranted" in the Echo on March 5, 1987. Obviously, when writing an opinion article, one writes to persuade; however, this must be done with accurate information. Some points discussed in the article were inaccurate, and some omitted points created a false impression.

To start with, the article was written before an official verdict on the case was released. Thus, all references made towards sanctions in the article were conjecture.

The article stated that the students feared "suspension for one year." This was unfounded because the Dean of Students recommendation was for immediate suspension and return in the fall. This is not one year.

The article also stated that "the students readily accepted their guilt." Is this an accurate description taking into account that they were caught by the police?

Another error was made in stating, "they would lose all of

this semester's tuition and then have to pay another \$7,500 for a semester next year. That's a \$15,000 fine." No, it's not. Only the cost of the current term is lost.

A motel manager was quoted as saying "let's forget about it," but the article neglected to state his original reasoning which was this: he feared for his business with Colby parents.

These are some of the inaccurate statements made in the article, but even more important are some of the items omitted. By failing to state the other incidents involved in this case, the article implied that the students only stole things from the American Motor Inn; this was not the case for all of the students.

Whether or not breaking and entering combined with the theft of over \$1,800 in goods is, in the words of Jim Sullivan "a prank," is a matter of opinion. And these opinions are helpful to the Judicial Board in "aiding the undergraduate student." However, opinions on the Judicial Board and its decisions should be based on facts.

Since the Judicial Board meetings are open to the student body, it would be helpful if Echo reporters (and all interested students) would come to the meetings in order to write accurate accounts of the proceedings. Opinions should be made on facts, not facts on opinions.

Dan Brandeis  
Secretary of the Judicial Board  
Paul Johnston  
Chief Justice

identification of the student. Nevertheless, throughout the night and into the morning Colby Security banged on his door.

In addition to the harassment of the student, the student was never asked if he needed medical attention. On Sunday afternoon, no security officers or members of the administration wondered about the student's well-being. Nevertheless, the accused student was diagnosed as having a concussion two days later. I wince when the administration tries to tell us how much they care about students. A professional police officer may injure a suspect, but he will not fail to call the ambulance. Furthermore, how could anyone be sure that Security Guard Debbie West did not injure the accused student? Or, do Colby Security guards have any self-defense requirements?

Possibly, the administration and the senior security guards assume West's incompetence. I would consider her a liability to Colby security. She is too small and too incompetent to make anyone feel secure. She is only effective in becoming a victim. Certainly, her presence, especially in a predominantly

male beer party, will result in conflict and challenge.

Students should question the treatment of their fellow students at Colby and the competence of the disciplinary arm of the administration. Questions like how much does security care about the students, and how many students have also discovered a disorganized and negligent administration, should be scrutinized.

The first step necessary is the reorganization of Colby Security beginning with the dismissal of Security Officer Debbie West. Further review would be to consider the dean's role.

Finally, the common reaction to my pleas is why bother? Most people are certain they would never do something as 'crazy' as allegedly accosting a Security Guard. However, consider one smaller example: A student recently appeared before Stu-J for throwing snowballs at an Arbos truck and the dean's office recommended suspension. In light of this, I beseech every student to consider Colby College's definition of discipline and to be alarmed.

Miko Misner

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# Why is Mule News anonymous

### To the Editors:

Much has appeared in the past several issues of the Echo regarding the validity of the assessments of Colby presented in the Mule New columns. Two letters, both unsigned, appeared on 26 February and claimed that many of the allegations presented did indeed reflect conditions at Colby.

Last week (5 March), you printed a series of letters from senior faculty that claimed, by and large, that the Mule News column (and the two anonymous letters) made mountains out of molehills, that the "small group of malcontents" (to quote Prof. Weiss) are vastly exaggerating what are in reality relatively small problems at Colby.

With all due respect to my senior tenured colleagues who made their appearance in last week's pages, and particularly to those members of the Committee on Promotion and Tenure whom I know and respect, I would suggest the basic philosophical maxim that "Reality is that which you believe it to be." Thus, we have those who still believe the Earth is flat, who still believe that the Holocaust never happened, and who still believe that the tenure process is seen BY THE UNTENURED as a fair and nonarbitrary review.

I have, I believe, now been at Colby longer than almost any other tenure-track member of the faculty who still remains untenured (other than John Gimbel of Mathematics and Gina Werfel in Art). My turn to face "the gang of nine" is next year. And I can sympathize with the hopelessness, and some of the bitterness, that was expressed in the letter from "one of the untenured two weeks back. In the past five years, I have seen colleagues from both sides of the campus, whom I knew and respected, of whom I had heard excellent reports from my students and advisees, turned aside as "not good enough for Colby." Certainly, when decisions were

announced this past December, I know only five people on the faculty who felt more miserable than I did.

The questions raised in the "letter from the Untenured" are valid points: how do we know what criteria are being used? We are told by the Dean of Faculty and the President, by the Committee members themselves, and by our Departmental chairs, that teaching is the most important single criterion. Yet one of those turned down at the time I came to Colby was lauded by his Department Chairman as the most outstanding instructor she had know in 38 YEARS of teaching. Still, he is elsewhere now.

Other criteria are told to us in vague terms, the confidentiality of individual cases certainly being worthy of protection from public bashing. Certainly, I can understand this from a personal viewpoint. I wouldn't want my complete life history to be common knowledge across the entire campus. We hear of skeletons in closets: that appeared during the review process. Why didn't these appear during the sixth-semester review process, which is supposed to be a "dry-run" of the tenure review? If they appeared then and were properly resolved, then they should be considered moot points far as the tenure decision is concerned.

Students, picture the situation and place yourself in it if you want to understand: You've graduated from Colby. Let's say you're 22. So your take a year off, travel, read, learn something 'about the "real world." You decide to go to graduate school. OK, two years and you get your master's degree, if you're a hot shot. Maybe you take three. Then it's anywhere from three to seven more for a Ph.D. Let's say you're out of school at 30. You get a teaching job at a good school, where you enjoy what you do, enjoy the students you have, enjoy the excitement of getting people involved. You get good student evaluations, you work well with your colleagues, you're told you're

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# Give everyone a break!

### To the Editors:

There's been a lot of bitterness lately, and a lot of it is unfounded.

President Cotter held a forum last week, and somebody asked him why the college wasn't doing more to keep the liquor inspectors off our backs.

A student was charged with allegedly assaulting a Security officer, and instantly there's a hail of protest going as far as calling for that officer's dismissal.

Where do you guys think you are, Disneyland? Laws apply in Disneyland, too, pal. There you get jailed for boozing it up and breaking things.

Cotter has been taking too much flak from people who don't deserve to complain. Damn right I'm upset my Fraternity was abolished, but he's not the only one to blame. And as far as the department of Safety and Security goes, they're the most lenient of any college I've seen. You really want cops on power trips around?

Give everybody a break once in a while.

## Dana Friedman

# "Us" versus "them"

**To the Editors:**

Last week's deluge of student letters criticizing the Administration is one reflection of a mounting sense of divisiveness between the students and the Deans, an accelerating attitude of "us" versus "them." As a friend remarked to me recently, "this past year I have lost all sense of affinity with this school. I am supposed to recruit people for the Senior Class Pledge, but I don't even feel right about doing that now."

This attitude of hostility and bitterness is real, and the Administration needs to

address the problem. This past semester a series of disciplinary cases have come up before the Student Judicial Board. I am told that practically every one has been sent from the Dean of Students with a recommendation for expulsion or suspension. This action is an authoritarian step in the wrong direction. There has been a subtle change in disciplinary policy this semester of making "an example" of students indicted for disciplinary abuses. But this change is inconsistent with past policy, and demonstrates a disturbing lack of sensitivity toward the individuals involved.

Take, for example, the recent case of Sean McDade. A second-semester senior, with an impeccable academic record disciplinary record, Sean got a recommendation for expulsion for *throwing a snowball at a passing Arbo's towtruck*. Sick humor, or serious offense? Did Sean's "negative attitude" toward the Waterville community (the throwing of a snowball) really justify Janice's heavy handed judgement? Was she willing to make an "example" of Sean's behavior for future students that she would potentially ruin his immediate, and perhaps even distant future?

I am aware that certain rare cases may merit harsh reprimand. The issue in question, however, is one of consistency and of sensitivity. Please clarify for me something. A very serious past matter has come to the forefront of discussion lately.

discussion lately. Approximately four years ago, a girl apparently "passed out" at a campus party and woke the next morning to find, or remember perhaps, that she had been sexually coerced. She approached a Dean asking that the guy involved be charged with rape. The Dean, so the story goes, informed the girl that an open J-Board case would expose her to the public, and would she prefer instead to have the case heard "behind closed doors?" She agreed to the latter. The guy was charged, although for what I do not now, and given *social probation for the remainder of his stay at Colby*-for rape? Please explain, then, how Sean McDade can get threatened with possible expulsion for the throwing of a snowball?

Furthermore, am I wrong in assuming that there is an implicit social contract between the students of this college and our Administration, one which precludes our systematic harassment for such things as throwing a snowball - or drinking outside?

Let's address the issue of alcohol: With what vested authority and intention does Safety and Security hand our \$50 fines for public drinking? Whose side are they on anyhow? And just where does that money go? Security, as of late, appears to exemplify that very attitude of antagonism toward the student body that I earlier recalled. This campus has turned into a mini police-state. Is there not any place for student to roam without the threat of a uniformed agent of the school possibly lurking to nab him? I

may be way off course, but the recent incidents of campus property damage may be one manifestation of this pent-up frustration felt by students toward this atmosphere of suspicion and repression. And no, the answer is not to increase the surveillance of the Student Center with more security members.

The answer, if I may suggest one thought up by a friend, a person in fact who himself faces possible expulsion, could be to have more student control and management of those institutions that, in actuality,

should be managed by us. For example, why not have a student "security" force. Their job would also be to monitor these parties, only their selection by the student themselves might merit the type of respect and authority needed on this campus. Another experiment could be to have an entirely student-run dormitory. Students would administer their own, agreed upon policies concerning quiet hours, parties, and discipline. The point is, as of late although we are forever reminded of the new degrees of "power" student have (ie. governors, R.A.'s, J-Board), in reality this input does not go far enough. Unfortunately, before ample respect is earned I think that more opportunities for a student-governed campus are needed to be made available.

All of this growing sense of frustration and bitterness grieves me, honestly. I respect Colby and the people who work here. Perhaps this attitude that I spoke of is a product of my imagination, but I doubt it. Rather, I believe it is pervasive, inflicting even those members of the student body generally more sympathetic to Administration policies. The confrontation recently between a student and a security guard is an indication that things have already begun to boil over. As Scott Lainer suggested in his column last week, a student/Administration forum should be held, and this made into a tradition. This mounting hostility requires an outlet, and soon. The roots of our bitterness do not necessarily stem all the way back to the Trustee Decision of 1984. One need look no further back than this past semester to discover various unjustified incidents of

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## Commendation

### To the Editor:

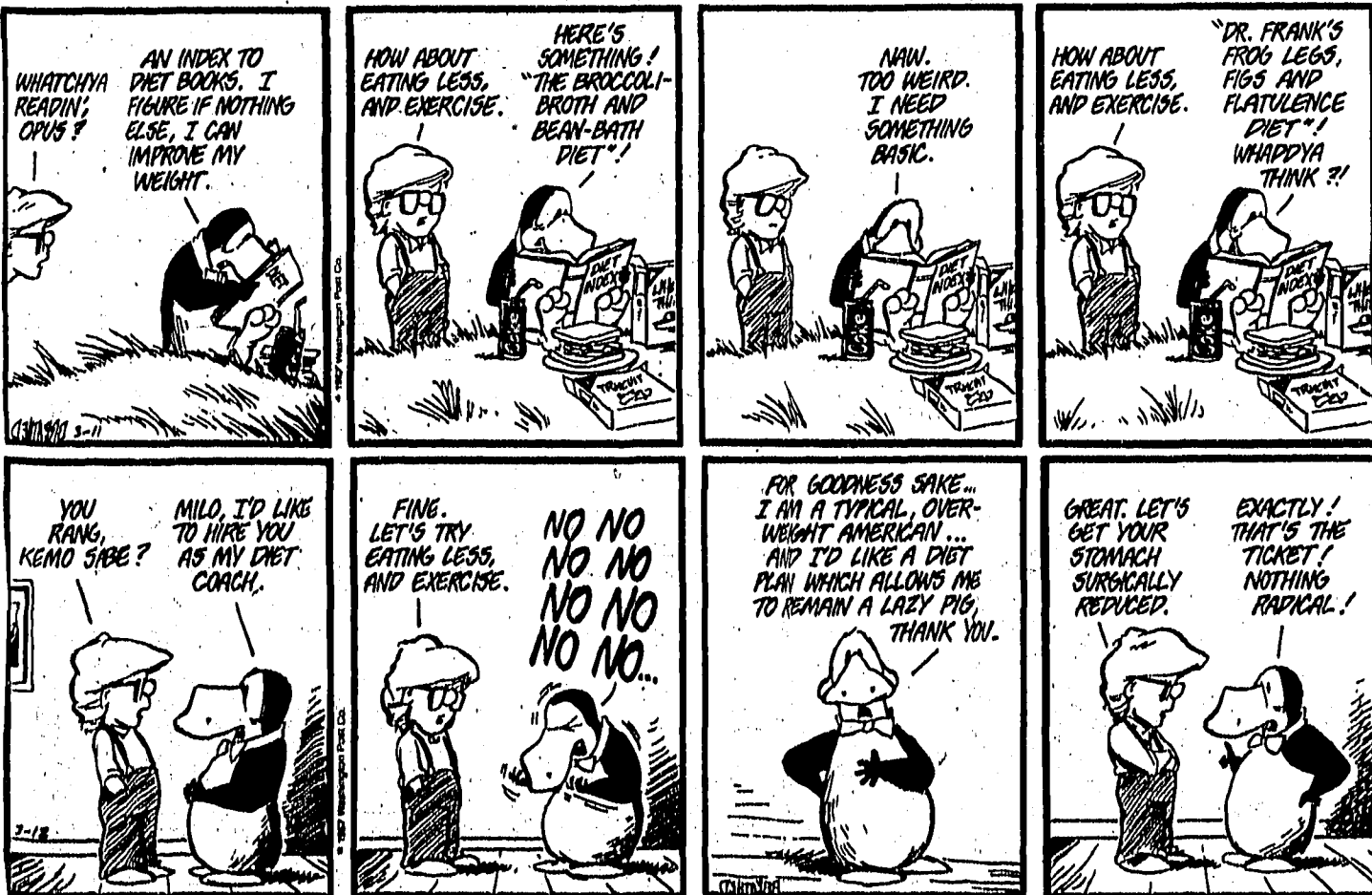
Dr. Charles King began February at Colby with an electric performance which touched our consciences. Odetta closed February with an amazing grace that touched our souls.

Neither of these events could have occurred without a great amount of planning, hard work, and the cooperation of lots of people at Colby. Many groups contributed financially, and we are all indebted to them. Majester Stewart and SOBHU deserve special praise for Dr. King's presence, and Paul Macklin earned encomiums for the Odetta concert.

Sincerely,  
Jo Rosenthal

# BLOOM COUNTY

## by Berke Breathed



# FEATURES

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## Nicaragua:

### Don't believe everything Uncle Sam tells you

by Chip Gavin

The 16 Colby students who traveled to Nicaragua for Jan Plan had their hotel rooms taken by an impromptu United States Congressional Committee, but they didn't let their government get in the way of either their trip or their understanding of the Nicaraguan situation.

Combining a slide show with a question and answer period, the students made a presentation in Lovejoy 215, on Monday, March 2, at 7:30 p.m. Professor Roger Bowen, who accompanied the students to Nicaragua, made the opening comments.

Speaking to an audience of about 100 students, Bowen said that he "was impressed with the intellectual courage that the students who had attended the trip had shown." He clarified saying many of the students friends and families had tried to convince then not to make the trip because of the possible danger involved.

As the events of the trip unfolded, the closest encounter the students had with physical danger was minimal but heartstopping none the less.

The group was in a remote area conducting an interview when a Soviet-made helicopter landed outside, sending everyone to the floor in search of cover. It was first reported that the gunship was being used to transport wounded Sandinistas but, as it turned out, the helicopter was being used to transport mail.

Students Eric Zolov and Robert Hoopes started the presentation, narrating the slide show for which they had also taken the photographs. After the slide show, the audience was given the opportunity to ask the students questions. The students had written papers on a variety of related topics for Jan Plan and each question was directed to the student(s) who had researched the topic in his or her paper. Bowen did explain that no one on the trip was an expert and they could only tell what they had seen.

While staying in Managua, Nicaragua's main city, the group not only met with high level representatives of many groups, including the editor in chief of Managua's pro-Contra paper and leaders from each of

the country's political parties, but they also mingled with the common people to try and really understand the country.

In the course of questioning it became evident that the students were convinced the U.S. should not be in Nicaragua at all and should not be supporting the Contra rebel group trying to overthrow the Sandinista government. One student said the U.S. should "take aid away (from the Contras) and support the Sandinistas. The Sandinistas are the legitimate government...there is hardly any support for the Contras."

The students also noted the extreme poverty they saw. The average income in Nicaragua is 30 U.S. dollars a month and there are 2300 cordobas to the dollar. In perspective, the average lunch sandwich cost 300 cordobas and a beer costs about 500.

In closing they urged the audience not to believe every official statement from the White House or Congress quoted in the U.S. papers. In the light of the Contra-scandal, as one student noted, "God knows what the U.S. is doing now."

## Off the cuff

### White House, Black House

Jim Sullivan

ECHO Opinion Editor

The elementary school in my neighborhood is famous; so when the 'For Sale' sign was planted in the front lawn of the neighbor's house on our right, the potential buyers came from everywhere. Many cars stopped and people got out to look and many just slowly passed by. A few of those cars that slowly cruised by carried black families. There are no black families in my neighborhood; there are fewer than three-hundred black people in this city of ninety thousand which borders on some of the large black neighborhoods in Boston.

Across the street from my house lives a silent family who we only glimpse now and then shuttling in and out of their house in the morning and in the evening. They moved to this middle-class neighborhood a few years earlier when their family fortune took a turn for the worse and they were forced out of an affluent suburb further south. We know two things about this family for sure: One - the woman of the household wears her hair in a bun. In the evening when the drawn shades lighten yellow, we can see her silhouetted head as she goes from window to window, looking out into the street. Two - last summer her husband asked our neighbor on the right to cut his lawn after it had not been cut for three weeks. That's all we knew about this family until they

called the neighbor on our right, and we heard about it.

"Hi, how are you. Good. Your moving, huh?" the bun-head asked, trying to sound sad, but her voice was too anxious. "I saw some black people in the neighborhood today, looking at your house," she went on. "Can you believe that! They don't realize that people around here won't sell to them. Not that there's anything wrong with them. It's just the depreciation factor."

The neighbor said he didn't know of any depreciation, and he was considering an offer from a black couple who seemed "quite nice." The bun-head was silent for a minute. When she spoke again the neighborly tone was gone, and she was angry. She told him that she'd lose close to twenty-thousand dollars on the value of her house if blacks moved into the neighborhood. "We'll all go down the drain," she said. "You don't know what you're doing."

I'm not sure just how much the presence of a black family in an all-white neighborhood does depreciate the values of the homes in the area (it sounds more like one of those things that people believe out of ignorance) but it is a pervasive fear where I live. I wonder why the first thing people think of when a minority moves into their neighborhood is how much their house will be worth

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## Experience the Sea

by Bran Claytor

It was 4:00am, and we had been receiving gale warnings for several hours. The wind was a steady twenty knots coming from the starboard quarter. From the helm I could see the captain, bent over, intently scanning the radar scope. He straightened and called out to the junior watch officer to sound General Quarters and to strike all sails. Instantly, the deck was alive with the commotion of students scrambling to their positions. We instinctively moved to the proper lines, letting them go and hauling away on others as commands from invisible mates flew through the darkness. Then it hit: winds up to eighty knots, with rain driving down like thunder.

A sail out on the bowsprit was jammed and wouldn't come down any further: if not secured, it would be blown out by the wind. The sound of the sail flapping in the wind was deafening as two students donned harnesses and secured themselves to safety lines. As they made their way out to the sail, the bowsprit repeatedly plunged in and out of the ocean. At times they were up to their waists in water, and at the next second they were forty feet in the air. They reached the sail and began hauling it in. Instantly, it was blown from their hands, but after several attempts, they brought it in and secured it. When they had finally made their way back inboard, they were soaked and exhausted but they had exuberant smiles of satisfaction covering their faces. The gale

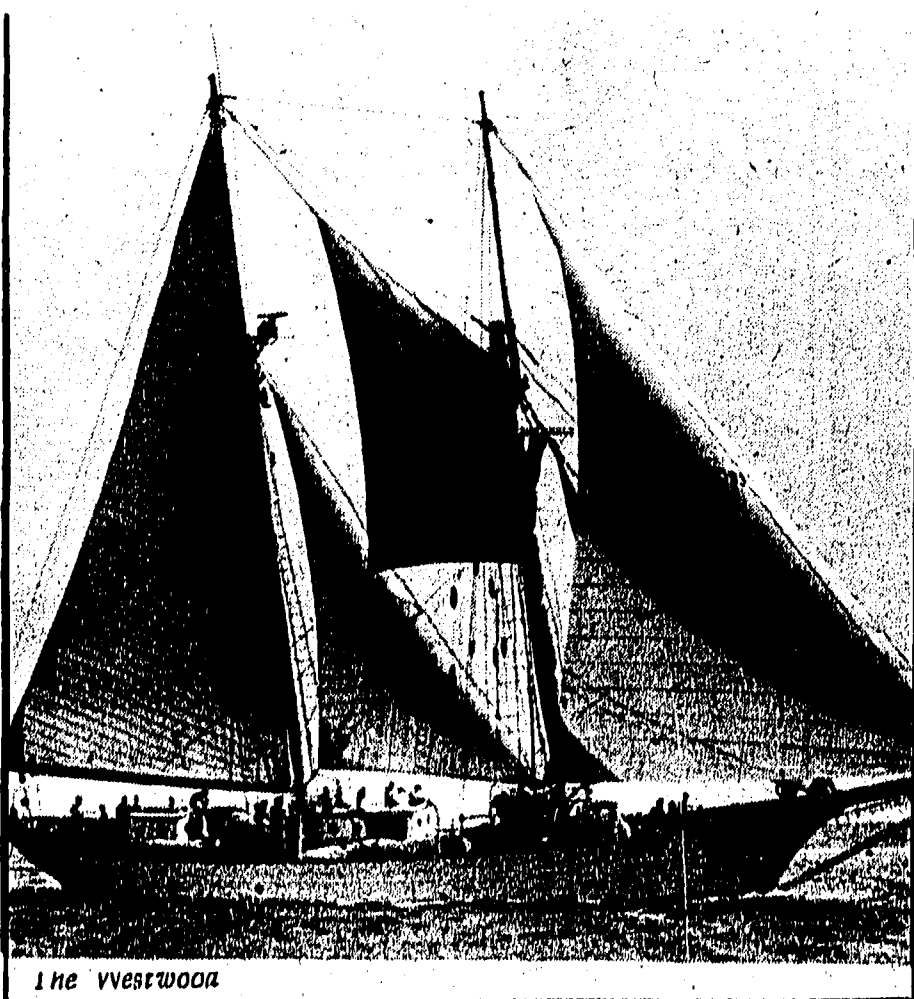
lasted several more hours, but by morning, the skies had cleared and we were rewarded by a spectacular sunrise.

As this personal experience attests, Sea Education Association (S.E.A.), also known as Sea Semester, is a tremendous personal learning experience, coupled with college academics. On March 17, Brannan Claytor, a junior at Colby and a graduate of the Sea Education Association, will be talking about his recent participation in the undergraduate marine education program, Sea Semester. Bran,

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# WORLD NEWS

Thursday, March 12, 1987

## One Man is an Island

by Russell Baker

c.1987 N.Y. Times News Service

Conversations for one:

"Isn't it amazing?"

"Howard Baker's fantastic qualifications for public office?"

"No. I always knew Baker was tops, but everybody said he could never make president because he didn't have fire in the belly."

"Manic ruthlessness, you mean."

"Howzzat?"

"Fire in the belly.' It's political writer lingo, a cute way of saying 'manic ruthlessness.' It's what's called a euphemism. Like when Cuomo said he wouldn't run—"

"Mario, you mean?"

"Don't first name him. First naming guys you don't know is nekulturney."

"What's nekulturney?"

"Some of my home-made Russian. Means tacky. Where was I?"

"You were going to say like when Cuomo wouldn't run, the pundits—"

"I hate 'pundits'. Call them 'wizzards'."

"—the wizards said that Cuomo didn't have fire in the belly and that was a euphemism meaning he didn't have the manic ruthlessness needed to

run for president. But 'fire in the belly' isn't a euphemism."

"No?"

"Belly' can't be a euphemism. Seventh grade taught me 'belly' is not a nice word, so people say 'abdomen' instead. 'abdomen' is a euphemism for 'belly'. 'Fire in the belly' could only be a euphemism for 'manic ruthlessness' if it was called 'fire in the abdomen'."

"Manic ruthlessness, fire in the belly or conflagration in the abdomen—Howard Baker didn't have it, so everybody said nice guy, probably can't get past New Hampshire. That's all. Did anybody say 'a fantastic human being with unmatched qualifications for running the world's toughest office'?"

"I get your drift. Suddenly last Friday everybody but everybody thumps Baker's back and calls him a paragon of public excellence."

"Everybody. Democrats, Republicans, Nancy, TV oracles, editorial writers, columnists, urchins, panhandlers, unregenerate smokers and penitent safecrackers. A national chorus of huzzahs for this guy who, just 12 hours ago, didn't have the manic ruthlessness to be taken seriously as a presidential candidate. much less—"

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## The first lady stages a coup

by William Safire

c. 1987 N.Y. Times News Service

WASHINGTON - At a time he most needs to appear strong, President Reagan is being weakened and made to appear wimpish and helpless by the political interference of his wife.

Nancy Reagan's campaign to force her husband to fire White House chief of staff Donald Regan has been crowned with success. With extraordinary vindictiveness, the first lady issued a gleeful victory statement when her target was brought down.

Donald Regan's sin, in her eyes, was to have joined the vice president and CIA director in supporting the president's decision to trade arms for hostages; when that Reagan decision turned out to be a disaster, the chief of staff had to suffer a scapegoat's humiliation.

His more immediate sin, in the view of the power-hungry first lady, was in pressing the president of the United States to get off his duff and show the people who elected him that he was on top of his job.

The first lady, being advised on matters of credibility by a foreign agent about to be indicted on four counts of perjury, disagreed. She objected to the idea of having her husband, at 76 and recently hospitalized, stand up without a script and subject himself to hostile questions after the

issuance of the embarrassing Tower Commission report.

"Have your damned news conference!" she shouted at the chief of staff in a fit of temper two weeks ago, slamming down the phone and sealing his doom. Of course, there is to be no news conference; that would be a test of the president's grasp of the crisis. Instead, an outside speechwriter approved by Mrs. Reagan will package the president's mea culpa in a rehearsed way that will prove only that the president's eyes and voice are working.

I hold no brief for the imperious Don Regan - that shovel brigadier grabbed for the glory and deserves his share of the blame - but at least he understood that this was the time for an unvarnished demonstration of bravery by the man in the arena. Regan thought the president still had all his marbles and would gutsily rise to the occasion; but the top of the henpecking order evidently thought not.

And what Nancy says, goes. This is not Rosalyn Carter, "the Steel Magnolia," stiffening her husband's spine; this is an incipient Edith Wilson, unelected and unaccountable, presuming to control the actions and appointments of the executive branch.

Mrs. Reagan has a coterie of media biggies in whom she regularly confides; they passed on her drumfire of criticism of a staff chief who dared to refuse to defer to her advice. She was

then able to display the ensuing reports to the president as evidence that his chief of staff had become an intolerable burden.

On matters of patronage, she has been a powerhouse. Through her best friend, Mary Jane Wick, she controls jobs, trips and honors at USIA, and is arranging a post-administration Reagan social presence in Washington by replacing Roger Stevens with Charles Wick as head of the Kennedy Center. She has been all too interested in appointments of U.S. ambassadors, and the suspected manipulation of these appointments by Michael Deaver for his private benefit is presumably under grand jury review.

Supported in her power playing by a bloated, expensive East Wing staff, she is the costliest "volunteer" in the budget. But taxpayers have no recourse: The First Ladyship is the only federal office in which the holder can neither be fired nor impeached.

Just as every president, man or woman, is entitled to a helpmeet, every taxpayer is entitled to some access to information about the political activities of an executive power center. Although we are forced to abide by Mrs. Reagan's decision to exhibit her husband only under Teleprompter glass, we can ask for a news conference with the power behind the throne.

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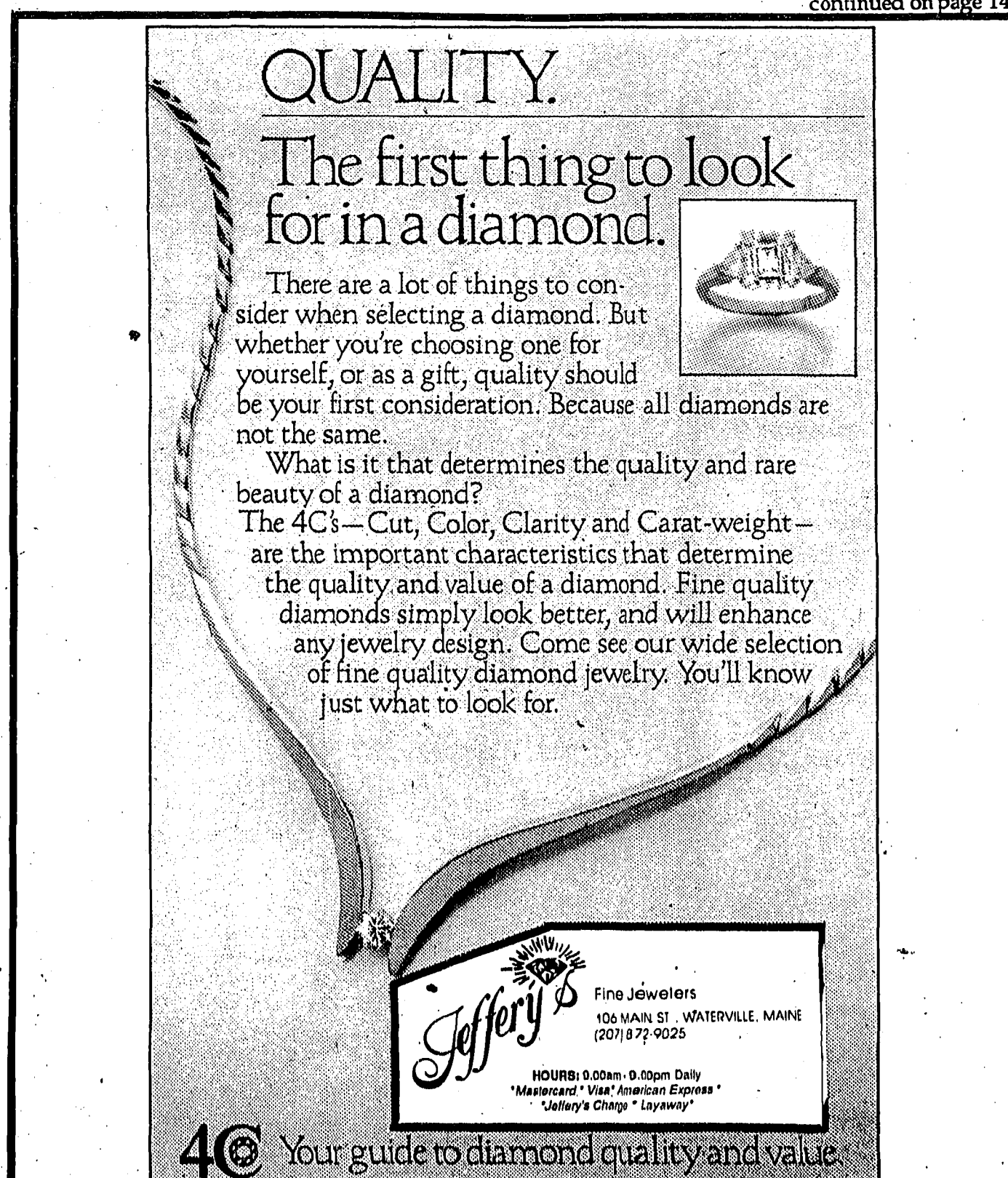
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## THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



Animal scratch 'n' sniffs

## Sexual harassment forum at Bates

by Patricio Silva

In response to incidents of sexual harassment over the course of the past year, Bates College dedicated March 4 to lectures and discussions on sexual harassment which featured a panel of 12 outside speakers.

According to Bates President Thomas Reynolds, the impetus for the event were two cases of harassment, the most recent a

Halloween incident in which two students hung obscene pictures and condoms on the door of a female professor. The response was dramatic, with some faculty members suggesting that a lenient attitude toward harassment existed. Although the students allegedly involved said it was only a prank, "some people in the community were so outraged that words were used that were pretty extreme, that this was symbolic rape," according to Reynolds. One of the students involved voluntarily withdrew from school and the other received an indefinite suspension.

The Bates faculty, which is responsible for the curriculum and the calendar, voted to cancel all regular classes on March 4 and devote the day to lectures and discussions on sexual harassment. The topics discussed included sexual discrimination in the classroom, the harassment and its psychological implications, legal questions, and acquaintance rape. The lecture audiences then separated into discussion groups led by guest lecturers and faculty.

College administrators could not establish how many of the 1,450 Bates students attended. According to some people the response by students to the event was muted. A few suggested that many students took the opportunity to ski or party. Jennifer Guckel, a student representative on the planning committee for the event, acknowledged that student attendance was modest, but said it had encouraged discussions among students.

Betsy Kueller  
ECHO Staff Writer

People deal with anger, frustration and loneliness in many ways, but there are 10 million individuals in the United States who try to solve their problems through alcohol. Since alcohol is not the answer, however well its effects cover up this fact, the drug (and alcohol is a drug) is often abused.

In the past, women alcoholics existed, but were not acknowledged as people who needed help. Women started drinking in a way that was socially acceptable yet still very destructive when their physicians prescribed magical "medicines" for the "vague, distressing" symptoms to which people assumed women were especially prone. Since most of the medicine given by physicians to women up until this century were potions with high concentrations of alcohol, the patients actually felt better, but didn't really know why or from what. Their families, also ignorant of the alcoholic effect, just assumed that their mother, sister, grandmother, or aunt had gone crazy. (It probably had to do with the image of women in religion - woman's original sin and fall from grace, etc.)

The average female alcoholic was white and middle class. Today, not much had changed except the statistics. Women alcoholics today constitute almost half of the 10 million alcoholics in the United States. She is, on the average, in her forties, has one or two children, and either had a job, or is in the process of losing it. While many of these women are single and/or live alone, many have families who go through a compensating process to make up the family roles that have been jeopardized by the disease. Because of the special roles that have been women have played in society - the nurturer,

## The last to know

supporter, and unifying force in the family, no one thinks or dares to think that a woman can become an alcoholic, and thus break down this essential, assumedly stable role mode.

Another difference is the process of blame. At least on the

later that it is necessary for a man to drink after a "hard day's work" so he can get the relaxation and "loosening up" that he needs. The Last to Know, went in to the double standard that is implicit, yet prevalent in our society.

Commercial advertising of alcohol, as the movie points out, does a good job of convincing women that drinking their product will give them everything they think they want. The women stated, "Our [women's] fantasies are corked, bottled, and labeled." It's not surprising how successful this campaign is; each year, agencies spend 900 million

outside, men seem to blame their drinking problem on outside forces, while women tend to focus the blame on themselves, harboring great feelings of guilt. On Monday, the official start of Alcohol Awareness Week, a film on women and alcoholism was shown in Piper lounge, that dealt very acutely with this issue of guilt.

One woman who was featured was a continuing alcoholic, dealing alone with her problem, or better, not dealing with her problem all by herself. She claimed, "I choose to do this [drink] because I think I deserve to be here...I have no life..." The same women expressed the desperation of her situation by stating, "To be very honest, I dread life. The bitch of it all is that I really don't want to be an alcoholic, yet your body cannot stand not having alcohol."

Loretta, another featured alcoholic, was de-toxed and is now leading a much happier life. She states, "I used to wake up from blackouts in bed with a complete stranger...or two complete strangers. The myth is that you're leading a normal, sensible life." Loretta claimed that she started drinking to ignore her emotions and feelings inside so "I could keep my mouth shut and not get emotional and vocal about things." The next sequence showed a group of middle-class men from different work situations. One man stated, "It's O.K. for a woman to drink just as long as she doesn't get drunk: women have all these emotions inside and if they lose control, it's bad news." He said

dollars on their ads directed specifically towards women. The commercial messages are not new. Misleading is, as we all know, the name of the game in commercial advertising. The ads let women believe that with this drink they will be:

- irresistible to men
- powerful and prestigious
- chic, beautiful, and sophisticated

The Last to Know gave a very hard-hitting realistic portrayal of the demeaning and grave-digging experience of alcoholism, partly through the interviews with featured women, but also through the contrast between the image women believe society likes to have of them, and the reality of their life experiences. In either case, the female chooses to sacrifice making and living out her own values for the ready-made and "acceptable" values of society. Fewer than one might think are aware of a double standard between men and women concerning alcohol. It's the values with which we are most comfortable that often cause more pain than we would ever intend.

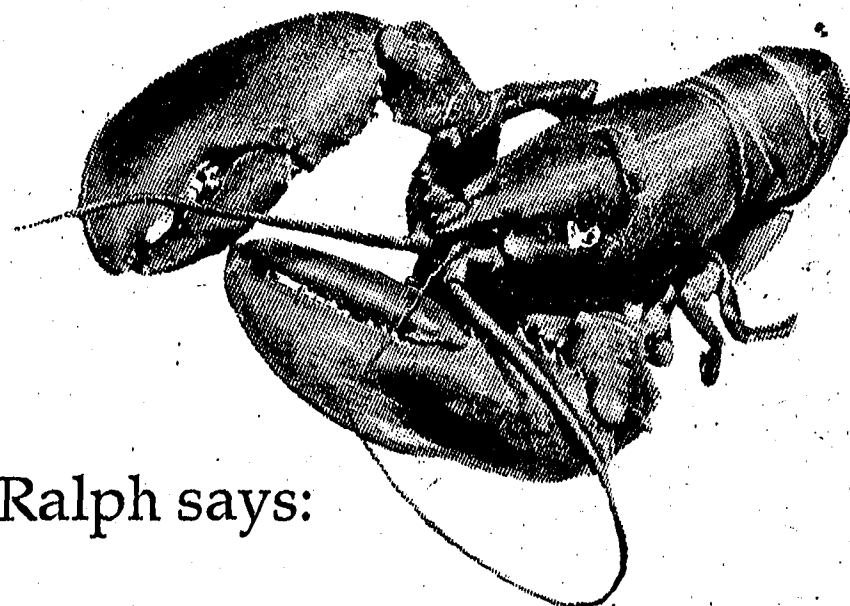
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office before being enacted.

One fear is that Maine's new policy will only cause more problems than it will correct, as students may be forced to venture off-campus for parties, and then risk a drunk drive home. Or perhaps students will resort to more dangerous drugs.

Colby is certainly not alone in this situation. Bates, UMO, and Bowdoin have also been under heavy fire from inspectors. Supposedly Bowdoin is under such assault that people are afraid to have parties except amongst close friends. But, Colby is in Maine as a "private but public access" institution, and as such is subject to all Maine state laws. According to Steve Teplitz, "No matter how much we'd like to ignore it, the problem will not disappear; we must deal with it. At this point, it is impossible to tell what the effect will be on the underage students on campus. Nobody expects all underage drinking to magically stop, but some



Ralph says:

"Safe sex is condom sex"

effort in that direction must be made."

Information sessions with Director of Safety and Security, Peter Chenevort, and Stu-A head, John Farkas, have been scheduled around campus to explain the situation and where student rights stand.

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# OPINION

# Faculty Fair: Goodwill

by Charles Hauss

As many of you know, I am active in the Beyond War movement, an educational foundation committed to ending the nuclear threat by changing the way we think about war and conflict in general. One thing that sets Beyond War apart from the dozens of groups concerned about the threat of nuclear war is our contention that we cannot end the nuclear threat alone. We have to change the way we deal with all wars, including the small wars of our everyday interpersonal lives.

One part of the Beyond War strategy is to ask the people we work with to accept and try to live by three principles to help create a "mini world beyond war" in the microcosm of their everyday lives. The second of those is: "I will not preoccupy myself with an enemy. I will maintain a spirit of goodwill."

This is not the place to discuss how and why adopting these and other principles can end the nuclear arms race. But, it is a good one to think about the effects of the two attitudes covered by those two sentences.

The Echo and campus discussion in general has been filled with conflict in the last few weeks. Tenure decisions, disciplinary cases, tensions between groups on campus seem to be cropping up in record numbers.

I can't make that conflict go away. In fact, such conflict is inevitable whenever we have to deal with personnel issues, student behavior that gets out of line, or make our student body more diverse. Moreover, there is nothing wrong with that conflict - this community can grow and learn a lot from that very diversity and the conflict it engenders.

The problem is not, in other words, the existence of the conflict, but the way we handle it. If the letters in last week's Echo are any indication, I'm afraid that far too many of us are approaching that conflict

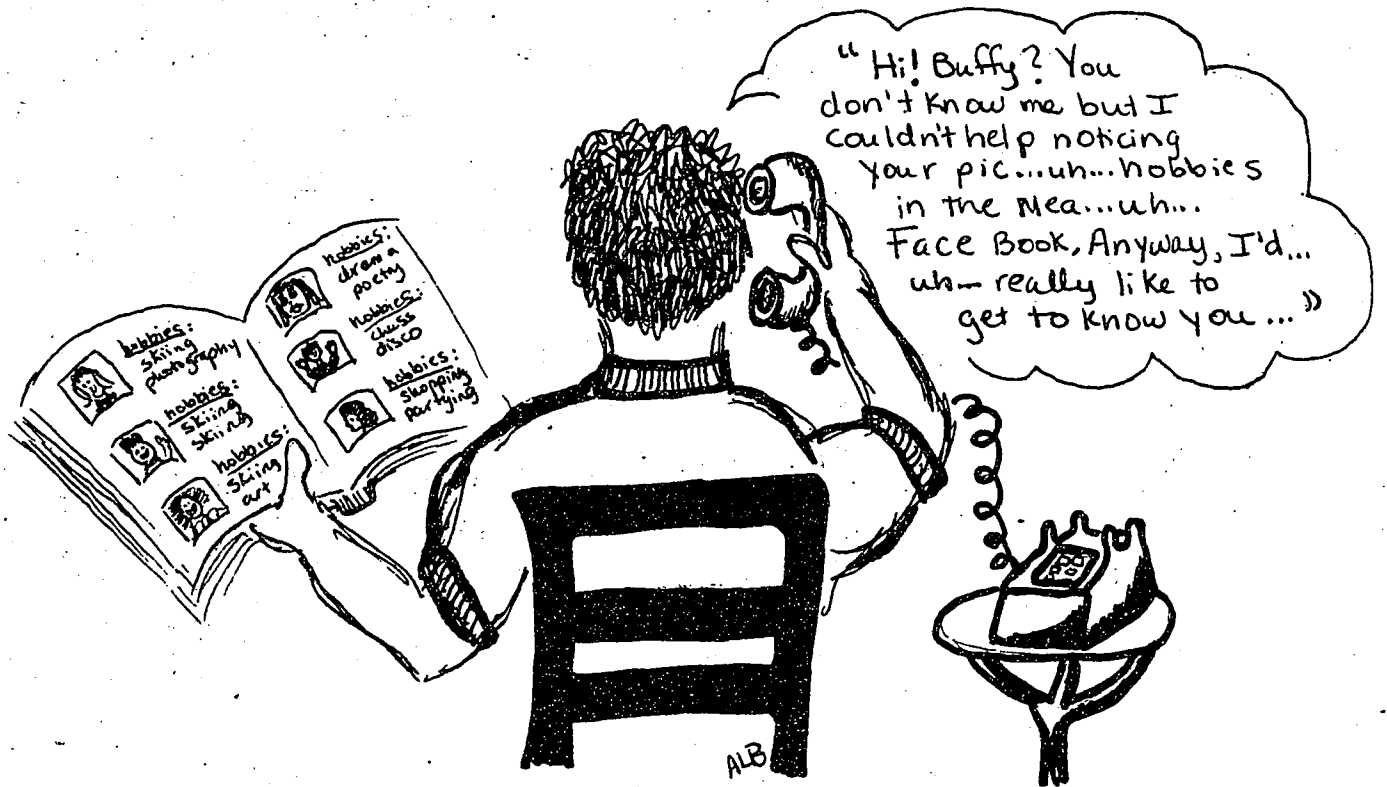
with a spirit of ill will. Many untenured faculty members are convinced that we old folks are out to do them in. Some students are convinced that the administration is out to screw students, especially if they have any suspicion that the students are in fraternities. As those conflicts have progressed, people on either side have dealt with that conflict assuming the worst about their opponents and their motivations.

We have come to see each other as enemies and to dwell on those divisions. I've never heard a student call the Dean of Student's Office "the focus of evil in the world," but many have come close. Faculty members in all ranks and in all departments fear and distrust each other in ways I've never experienced in my twelve years here.

To use the language of that principle, we are preoccupying ourselves with enemies. And, because we do, resolving those conflicts is all but impossible.

But, what if we were to deal with these cases with a spirit of goodwill? That will not make the conflict go away. We will still have to make tenure decisions. We will still have to deal with a liquor law most of us find silly and archaic. Still, if we treated each other as decent human beings, we might actually get somewhere in resolving those conflicts. If we try to get to the root cause of the problem rather than simply blaming it all on some enemy, we might be able to build the kind of community we all want.

I am not one who thinks Colby is falling apart. I am, however, worried that we are heading in that direction primarily because of the way we deal with each other. I know, too, that if we approach each other and the conflicts we will face with that kind of cooperative spirit, we could reverse that trend, and Colby could become a far more exciting and enjoyable place to learn and teach for us all.



Wake me when it's over:  
Faces and places

**Scott Lanier**  
**ECHO Columnist**

I will never forget that first day I left home for Colby College and Freshmen Orientation. It was one of the most insecure and frightening days of my uneventful little life. As I recall (although, quite fruitlessly, I try not to), I had just enough acne to convince my beleaguered psyche that no one would have the least desire to be seen with me, much less be an authentic, comforting friend. The three-and-a half hour car ride was untypically, nightmarishly quiet. The atmosphere of apprehension (as much on the behalf of my parents, as myself) was disconcerting and morose; it was like we were in the world's longest funeral procession, and I was the featured performer.

Pressures are uniquely high during our first college encounter, and we hope so much that our looks and demeanor will at least appear to be flawless. We want our hair to reflect the very sunlight under which we basked for that ultimate, pre-academia tan, our teeth to practically spell out the words Ultra Brite; and our breath - dear Lord, it must be sparkling and minty fresh from a distance of at least twenty-six paces. Anyone who looks strange or potentially obnoxious is avoided like malaria. It is first impression city, and only the selfish and strong survive.

Happily, after about two weeks, I realized that it wasn't necessary to harbor such paranoia. More often than not, people find one another, and after a little shifting, lifelong friendships are fashioned, but I guess the initial insanity is pretty much unavoidable.

The other evening, my roommate Bruce was perusing the 1983 and 1985 issues of "Faces and Places." Specifically, he was looking for every student who put "yearbook" as a hobby. Needless to say, Bruce is a cynic, but he got me to thinking about how silly the ole "Freshman Meet (Meat) Book"

is, and yet how paradoxically large its role is during those first horrific weeks.

My picture is not exactly what one might call flattering. More accurately, it is what one might call Quasimodoesque. Aside from the fact that I am sporting a nineteenth century punch bowl haircut, my wide eyes and emotionless expression make me look like I just got off a train from Hades. To compound my embarrassment, I cited choir and drama as my hobbies. Oh, I know what you're thinking: Supreme Geek, and most assuredly you are right. Nevertheless, I'm here to put all of us into perspective, to get me off the hook. The way I look at it, you have to be able to laugh at yourself. I mean, if you give that little magazine a glance, you'll notice that geekdom is achieved by most of its contributors. Very few people put in a "hip," candid picture and state that their hobbies are camping and photography. More often than not...well, let's tool, just a bit.

— First, I feel that the Dean of Students Office may as well change the picture/information forms. The instructions should read: "Mention two hobbies which most interest you, other than skiing." Geeze, just everybody puts skiing. Do you think maybe that that was a motivating factor for attending school up north? Hmmm.

- What about those prom pictures? These photographs are taken on that magic night when we think that we look our most eager and attractive, when actually, we look wholly petrified and unsure, wondering if we're going to actually maintain our composure for an entire evening. We can practically see ourselves thinking, "Is my date going to pick up some other prom-goer before this hellnight is over... or am I actually gonna get lucky, for a change?"

- And of course there are those people who stand too close or far away from the camera for their features to be accurately distinguished. Not to mention those ethereal, hazy photographs, which make the

people look like they've just descended from heavenly bliss, and now hold the secrets to universal salvation for all of humanity.

- Then there's the fact that we are supposed to mention some career goal. I put pre-Law; four years later I'm pre-poverty.

- And how about those hobbies? In the first place, it's nearly impossible to summarize yourself in two interests. The funniest thing is that most of those folks who put "people" and "animals" won't even give you a casual wave once they get to Colby. Maybe these are just their ambitions for hobbies. Those nasty instructions are never very clear.

- And have you ever noticed how many students say that their parents filled out the forms and sent in the pictures on some weekend when they were away? This brings up a serious quandry: do our parents really know us better than we do?

- Then let's look at the whole purpose of this book. Who at Colby purchases the "Faces and Places" to learn their fellow classmates hobbies and career goal? The quote which prefaces the incoming students' pictures reads: "Great ideas come into the world as gently as doves. Perhaps then, if we listen attentively, we shall hear amid the uproar of empires and nations, a faint flutter of wings, the gentle stirring of life and hope."-Albert Camus. What it should probably read is: "Check out these Freshmen babes." -Anonymouse.

It's a pretty silly annual at an exorbitant price. But we all have one, don't we?

Okay, so now go get your own "Faces and Places" (I'm sure you've got it, somewhere) and have a good laugh at yourself. Your contribution can't be worse than mine. Oh, by the way, to make matters worse for my already besmirched reputation, I bought the hard cover version. Hey, quit your tooting. It's only a few dollars more.

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## Confusion is dangerous

by John Beaudoin

We are a confused generation. From our own point of view, perhaps not. We look at the flower children of the Sixties and Seventies, "dropping out, turning on, tuning in" attitudes and all, and we say to each other "Now that is confused!" That was the generation that didn't seem to know where they were going, or just where it was that they had been.

The college generation of the Eighties doesn't have that problem. With easily identifiable role models, we know exactly where we are going. We know what we want: the Volvo or BMW in the front yard, the golden retriever in the back, an MBA on the wall and an American Express Card in the wallet. The icons of young professionals are so entrenched and stereotyped, yet ring so true, that it makes us blush. Not so much from embarrassment nowadays, as from pride.

But we are confused, and the confusion is a dangerous one. It runs below the surface, so that the facade of confidence is rarely corrupted. Even with the most complete inward search, it is difficult to identify the problem. Perhaps that is what makes the confusion so precarious - if it cannot be recognized, it cannot be treated.

What I am talking about is the confusion between means and ends. Ends are our goals, our

desires, our wants in life. Means are the processes in which we move from simply wanting or dreaming about things to the actual fulfillment of our goals. While the differences may seem easily discernable on paper, in practice, separating the two is a much more difficult job. And more critical, as well.

So long as we confuse means and ends, we will suffer from a malaise that robs life of meaning and happiness. We do not lead the good life simply by possessing things. Life is not a collection of jobs, objects, and social positions. Rather, it is a process of existence, and as such, a process of means. Therefore, it follows that only in the means by which we act, can we enrich our lives.

This may seem very abstract, so let me use an example to clarify what is being said. Many people are in the process of applying for jobs right now, and many decisions will be made soon. What will these decisions be based on? Although we pay a certain amount of lip service to working conditions, challenging environments, and the like, the first priority for most is salary and benefits. Those last two are ends. It's not that we want to work - who does? - but we want a high paying job with good benefits. Any job will do, so long as we make big bucks.

Thus, the variable in the job equation isn't the ends, but the

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## Tenure Process Fair?

To the Editor:

In last week's issue you published an interesting letter from my colleague L. Sandy Maisel. In it, he tells us that the Committee on Promotion and Tenure doesn't consider a faculty member's reputation as a trouble-maker. We are told it is never discussed and moreover it is not "even thought of in deliberation." Now let us ask ourselves, in all fairness, how can Professor Maisel read the minds of his fellow committee members? Isn't that going a bit far? We, in the meeting of untenured faculty, heard a similar statement from Roger Bowen. He told us that as a committee member he sometimes overlooked important points in reading a candidate's dossier. But, we were told, whenever he did that, some other member always brought it to his attention. Well, it would be easy to forgive Professor Bowen if he overlooked something important. We are all human. But once again, in all fairness, how does he know that someone always brings these things to his attention? If he is unaware of something and he isn't told about it, he could easily feel that he had a complete picture of each candidate.

But do the committee members ever even think about the waves a candidate has made - do they always see all of the important

characteristics? I talked with one member who said that the decision on Ken Lane may have been influenced by his behavior. "We never discussed it," he said, "but whether or not that was on the backs of everybody's minds is something I can't say." That seems to be a more realistic. Also, I don't think the committee is always as totally informed as they want us to believe. If that were true, it would be hard to justify some of the things they have done.

Incidentally, it was Professor Bowen who told us that he considers each candidate's record for three to five hours. I'm certain that Professor Maisel reads each letter and each evaluation in each dossier. But last week I talked with a former member who told me that wasn't done by everybody. Rather, a sampling is done. I have no trouble believing that.

Some members of the Promotion and Tenure Committee would have us understand that their process is fair and complete... that it cannot be improved upon. Perhaps they are even trying to convince themselves of that. They know what responsibility they have. They know how their decisions strongly effect people's lives. In this letter I am not suggesting any solutions, only suggesting that the process isn't perfect. The community that the committee

serves, namely the students and faculty, could be better served. And would be better served if strong statements that are difficult to justify were replaced by credible dialogue.

Sincerely,  
John Gimbel  
Mathematics Faculty

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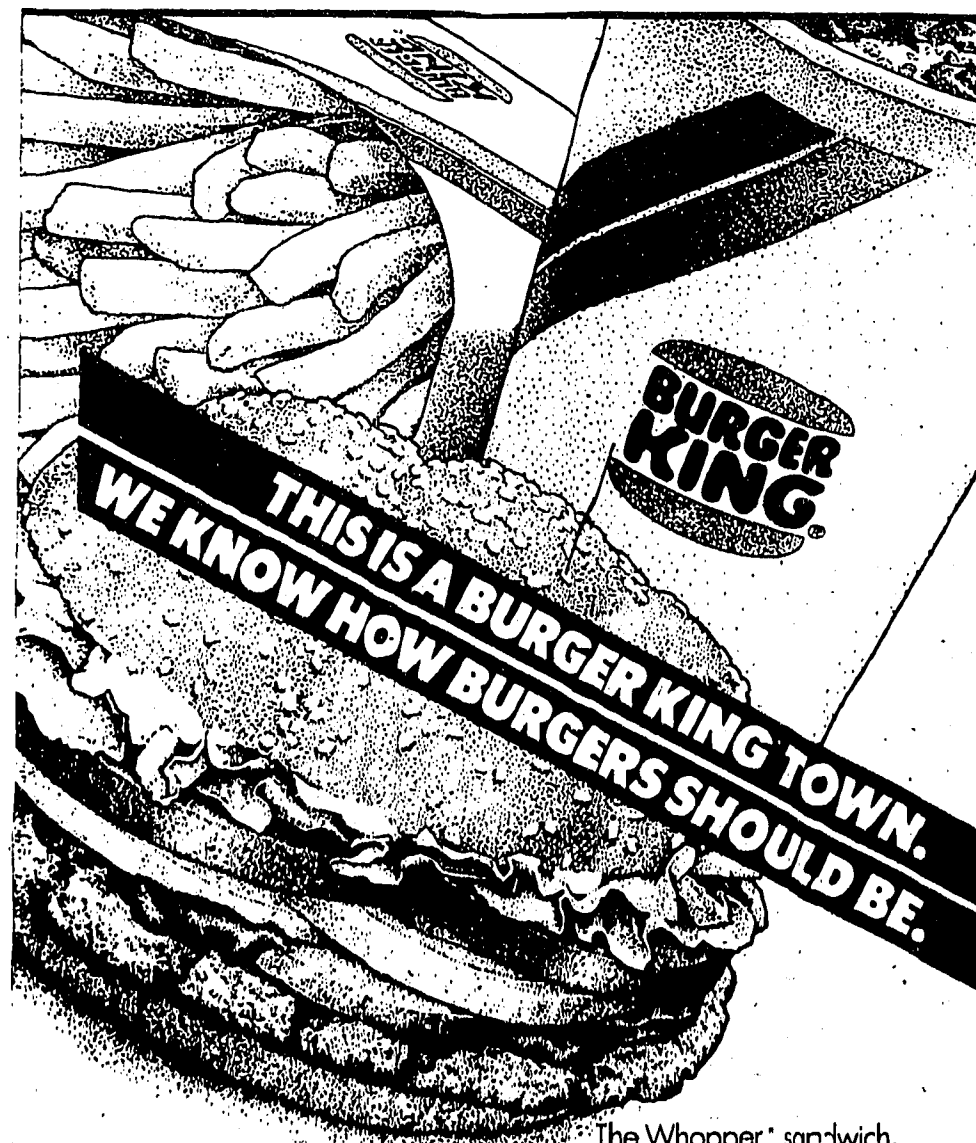
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## Beyond War Organizational meeting

An informational workshop and discussion will be held by the Colby Beyond War student organization in conjunction with three Waterville area residents on Wednesday, March 18 in the Community Room of Heights Residence Hall. The workshop will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Meg Griffin, a Waterville physician, with Happy Bradford, the director of the West Street School, and Klaus Voss of Winslow High School will be assisting Colby students in providing an introduction to means of creative, non-violent conflict resolution, and to the Beyond War organization.

Beyond War is a non-profit, non-partisan, educational foundation which began in 1982, dedicated to seeking constructive alternatives to violence. The group has four major premises: 1) Nuclear weapons have made all war obsolete; 2) We are one. We live on one planet with one interdependent, interrelated life support system; 3) The process of changing our mode of thinking begins with decision; and 4) There is something we can do to build a world beyond war.

The Colby Beyond War student organization is the largest student group of its type in the nation.

The workshop is open to the entire Colby community.

## Hall Staff

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non-hall staff students on the committee and counting previous experience and hall staff evaluations more heavily in the final decisions.

Ashley wants to make the process a fair and accountable one. At present, he feels McPhetres-Maisel is too involved to make objective decisions. One important concern is that the Associate Dean participates in both group and individual interviews, making her vote count twice.

Although two formal meetings were held to work out problems, the resulting draft of the process guidelines was disappointing for Ashley and his group. Instead of allowing the Board of Governors to choose all the student members of the selection committee as was their understanding after the compromises were made, they are only allowed to choose non-hall staff. Hall staff members are still chosen by McPhetres-Maisel. She states that she would never have agreed to letting the Board choose hall staff as well because that is not their job. They are not qualified to make those decisions.

Also ambiguities in the wording of the final draft left it far too open to interpretation than Ashley would have liked. One of the Board members who participated in the two meetings believes that McPhetres-Maisel did not lose much of her former power to decide according to her own personal preference who gets the hall staff positions.

Ashley admits that the meetings were not entirely futile, however. He says that the reformed guidelines now stipulate that commons coordinators may not write recommendations for applicants, that the impact of individuals on the selection committee is less, that current hall staff have priority over inexperienced applicants, and that hall staff evaluations will count more heavily in the decisions to re-hire someone. He adds, though, that it was not until he went to President Cotter, frustrated by the lack of tangible change, that his major concerns began to be addressed.

McPhetres-Maisel felt it important that a brief description of the current selection should be here for a greater general understanding of the situation. In the first step, the applicant turns in an application accompanied by three recommendations. A number is assigned to the recommendations based on the enthusiasm with which the writer describes the applicant's qualifications for the job. All applicants are granted a group interview with a panel of four "judges": a faculty member, a senior non-hall staff member, a hall staff member, and an administrator, usually McPhetres-Maisel. Each judge then rates the applicants with another number, and those are averaged to get the individuals group interview rating. At this point, applicants with the lowest overall averages are cut. Next, the applicants have individual interviews with four more judges from the faculty, hall staff, non-hall staff, and the administration. These are

also averaged and the applicants with the highest overall rating are eligible for positions. McPhetres-Maisel adds that they try not to have the same person judge one applicant twice, but that overlaps do sometimes occur.

Although she chooses the most qualified people at the end of the process, she stressed that she had no more control than anyone else on the selection committee over who gets the jobs. McPhetres-Maisel adds that she had found her interviews to be very objective and, since applicants interview with as many as eight different people, it is very hard for anyone to play favorites. In other words, there appears to be no discrimination involved.

As far as the changes that were made during January are concerned, McPhetres-Maisel feels good about clarifying the system so that it can become less mysterious. She disagrees, however, with the priority that is now given to experienced hall staff. If someone is qualified, they should be allowed to have the job. She points out that with the Colby Junior Year Abroad program as popular as it is, it is harder for qualified seniors who want to be HR's to get previous experience if they choose to go abroad their junior year. As freshmen, they may not have felt interested or qualified to take on an RA job their sophomore year.

McPhetres-Maisel believes she is doing her best in her administrative position to hire the most qualified students to fill positions which Colby needs and is willing to pay for. It is not and should not be primarily

a student decision. Ashley asserts that more involvement by students less connected with the administration would allow for broader student influences on Colby's policies. To her, firing hall staff positions is definitely an area in which the students depending on and living with the staff should have a larger say. If it is possible for the differences between the two views to be reconciled, the events of the last few months indicate that it won't be easy.

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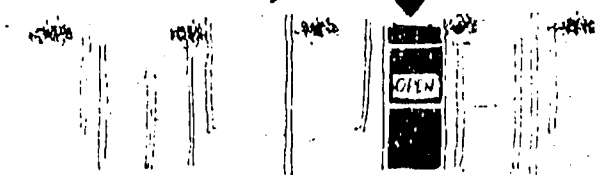
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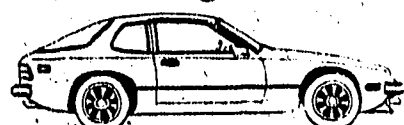
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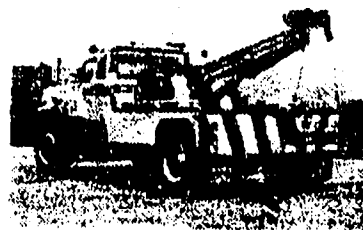
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# ARTS/ENTERTAINMENT

## Powder and Wig shows hit

Dana Friedman  
ECHO Arts Editor

"The acting was mugged."  
"The blocking was forced."

These were a few of the criticisms of Friday's show in Stryder Theater.

The play was a natural smash, though. "From the Earth," written by Marcus Ratliff ('87), dealt with some intense issues in four well-balanced acts.

Set in an obscure town in an obscure state (Kansas), the play focuses on the lives of seven people all concerned with the future.

The future is obscure for them all; Alex (J.D. Stevens), Mike (Doug Kaplan), and Stan (Bill Hamilton) work as the button-pushers in a missile silo sixty-five feet below the mud.

Harry (John P. Reynolds) is older and wiser - to the rest of the group, that is - as one from the previous generation. He's deluded with his past and anxious for the future, and makes promises he knows won't be kept.

The story opens at night, near an ongoing fair. Mike and Stan

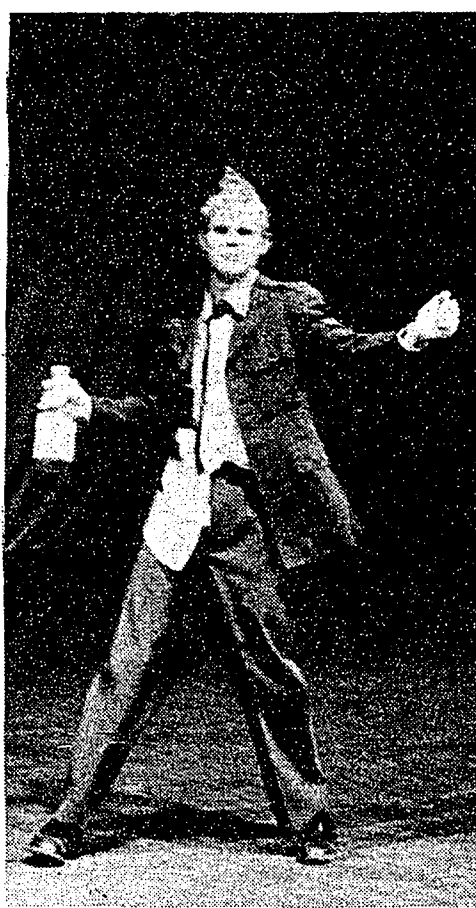
meet Harry, each of them on the prowl for something other than what they've got. Harry's father was a flyer and he sees these two as flyers. Unhappy themselves, they let him believe their Air Force posts are as glorious as he suggests.

Alex wants to be somebody else, too - a would-be Rodeo jockey, he's dragged and pushed by his fiancée, "Velveeta" (Nina Hellman). She wants to leave the town, the state, and the country for Canada and a new life.

In the conflicts between the way it is, the way it should be, and the way they want it to be, realization for everyone comes when the orders come through to "fly the birds."

Because they're men with jobs, family, and dreams of their own, nobody gets hurt until Harry, often seen as the most sensible, sees he is not fit for the world he's created for himself and finds his exit, off the roof of his house.

In the subsequent confusion Mike is shot by a police officer; the stage is blackened, along with the hopes of those who



Alex (J.D. Stevens)

remain.

The cast and crew are to be lauded for an effort in communication; "From The Earth," to the stage, to the people.

## An amazing lady sings: Odetta

by Christine Michaud

On Saturday, February 28 Colby and Waterville were treated to an extraordinary performance of folk music by the legendary singer Odetta.

During a nearly two-hour concert to a filled Lorimer Chapel, Odetta thrilled the audience with her mixture of American folk music, humor, and even a touch of political commentary.

She said there are four "teenaged" countries; New Zealand is the Wallflower, Canada the conservative, America the bully, and

Australia, (here Odetta smiled and gestured enthusiastically).

At one point, she requested that the audience join her in singing "Rock-a-bye-baby," and think strongly of a politician one would like to see out of office -- the audience complied with cheer.

Odetta's opera training was evident as she accompanied herself with guitar. Her range, from high and sweet to guttural and low, was remarkable.

While there was a problem with sightlines and acoustics in the chapel, the audience did not hesitate to sing along to songs like "Michael, Row the Boat Ashore," "Goodnight Irene,"

and Odetta's final encore, "Amazing Grace."

In the tradition of folk music the audience was united like at no other concert this year.

(The ECHO regrets the delay in printing this review. It's been a tough couple of weeks.)

## Stein Center to open

The local talent will be convening in force at the grand opening of the Micheal R. Stein Cultural Center on March 12.

Formerly the Waterville Gallery of Fine Arts, the Stein Cultural Center will provide a headquarters in the community for those who produce and enjoy the arts, both experimenters and traditionalists.

This show will be open to the public from March 13 through April 3. Located at 165 Main St., the gallery's hours are Tuesday - Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, phone the Center at 872-9424.

## Clairseach slated for Spa

by Laura Zegel

This Saturday, Stu-A Cultural Life is presenting a concert by Clairseach at 8:00 pm in the Joseph Spa.

Ann and Charlie Heyman - the versatile and virtuosic duo known as Clairseach (pronounced klar-shuk) - are contemporary wandering minstrels and troubadours in the finest sense of the word.

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Clairseach has two critically acclaimed albums to their credit, "Let Erin Remember" and "Ann's Harp," and have performed all over the United States and Great Britain.

## What's goin' on in Maine?

by Sean Collins

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Cumberland County Civic Center - Peter, Paul, and Mary; Sunday, March 15, 7 p.m.

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### COLBY COLLEGE:

Jette Museum - "Near and Far," Landscape Paintings by Abbot Meader, through March 22.

### ELSEWHERE:

Bates College, Olin Arts Center - "Thoreau's Country: A Visual Diary," by Tony Foster, through March 27.

Bowdoin College, Walker Art Building: "Building a Collection: Recent Acquisitions in Photography," through March 15. "Visions, Dreams, and Ecstasies in Renaissance and Baroque Art," through April 19.

## Writers' series aired

by Sean Collins

On Monday, March 9, WMHB 90.5 fm aired the first installment of a student-produced radio program called "The China Lake Reader."

The program, which will air from 6:00 to 7:00 pm every Monday night, features Colby student writers reading their own short stories.

Janet Dean, a senior English major, was the first student to read on the program. Previously published in last semester's Pequod, Dean read a story entitled, "Getting Out of Walton." The story recounts a young women's attempt to deal with the claustrophobic alienation her boyfriend feels in a small, rural town.

According to John Beaudoin, the program's host, by the end of the semester as many as 15 students will have read over

the air. Beaudoin says those reading will include beginning writers as well as those with more experience.

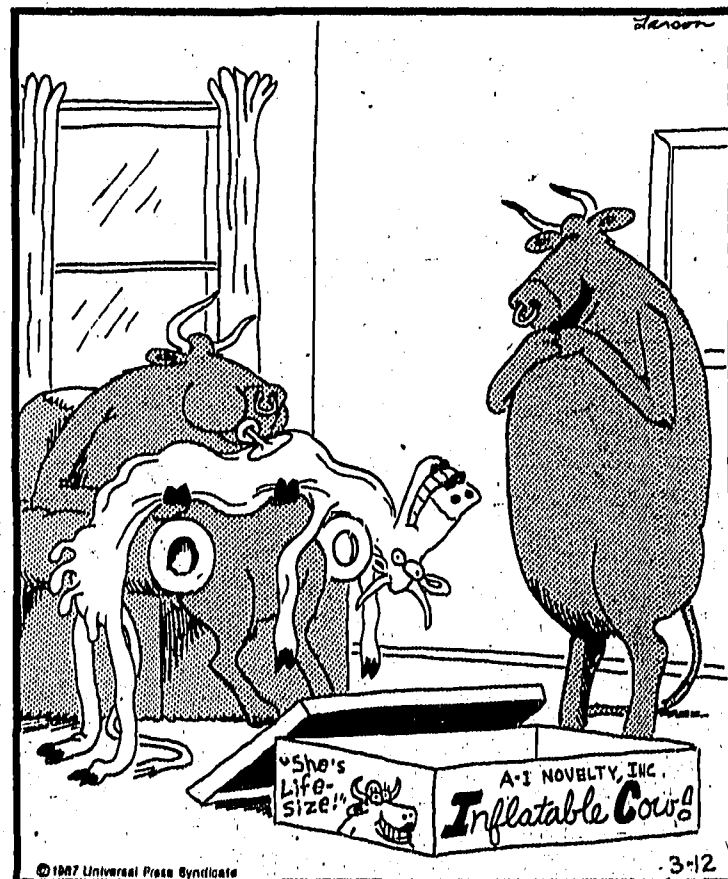
"The show has two purposes," he said. "First, it provides the whole campus with access to some of the gifted and promising writers at Colby today. Secondly, it gives the writers an opportunity to share their work and to experience presenting material to an audience."

"The China Lake Reader" is sponsored by the Pequod, Colby's literary and arts magazine, and the Mayflower Hill Broadcasting Corporation.

The Pequod is also sponsoring a campus-wide informal poetry reading in the Coffee House on Thursday, March 12. Its editors wish to remind interested students that all fiction, poetry, and art work to be submitted is due by March 27.

### THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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## LoComotion & The Berries rock Student Center

by Duncan Gray

The sounds emitting from the Student Center on March 7 were not the usual sounds of the top 40 for a theme party, but rather the sounds of some hot jazz performed by Colby's own LoComotion.

The Band played one 45 minute set which included everything from Dixieland to a modern chart by Spyro-Gyra.

"This is what the campus needs more of," said one student. "Something a little different every once in a while." Highlights of the evening

included such tunes as Longer by Dan Fogelberg, the Curly Shuffle, and Shake, Rattle and Roll by Charles Calhoun.

The band had a good time doing the gig, evident in their energy during the last few songs in which much of the audience danced to the Fifties' tunes of the band's repertoire. The band's next performance will be on April 26, at the LoComotion Freedom Festival in the Gould Music Shell, and should prove to be an outstanding concert.

Also present on that night were Dick Dingle and the

Berries, a fairly recent band in the Colby community. The Berries were excellent in their musicianship and performance, and proved themselves an excellent party band. They performed a two to three hour set which included many rock hits by the Police, U2, and many, many others.

A good time was had by all, as the gist of the remarks afterward shows: "It's good to know that there is a band of this caliber on campus." And,

"With a name like that, you know they're good."

## Anonymous

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doing a great job. Everything is fine.

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couple of kids. You're out of a job.

The bitterness comes from the fact that all along, you were told you were doing a great job. Maybe you even got Merit Pay increases based on "outstanding" or "exceptional" performance, which says you are supposedly doing a better job than the "average" Colby faculty [merit pay is, of course, another can of worms that needn't be opened here].

The upshot of this all is that the untenured faculty HAVE to function under the assumption that they'll most likely be turned down for tenure when the time comes. It's a very sad state, and it definitely has its impact on teaching. You're forced to start cranking out research whether you want to or not (I personally happen to enjoy it immensely, by the way), because without a good record

of publications you'll be lucky to get a job teaching at Southern Kansas State College at Pothole.

I am not trying to scare people, nor am I as pessimistic as "one of the Untenured" was several weeks ago. But on the other hand, I would NOT want the Colby student body to be left with the impression, generated by last week's letters, somewhat rather bombastically, valid fears and conceptions of Colby. The question we should be asking ourselves is, "Why is this column written anonymously, and why is it necessary that it be so?"

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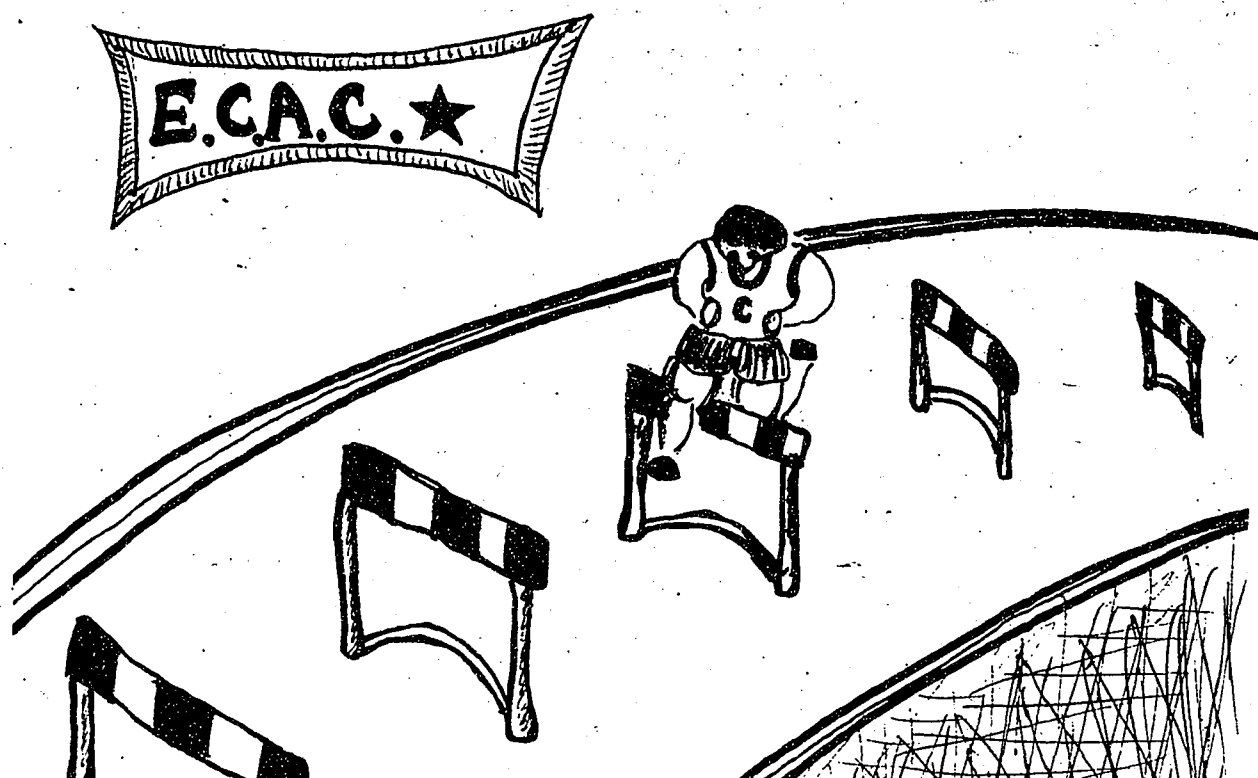
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# SPORTS

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## Men's Track: Turns in strong performance at ECAC's

Bates College was the sight of the first men's division III Eastern track and field championships last weekend. Colby turned in a strong performance, placing fifth out of about twenty teams. This meet took on added significance for several Colby student athletes. It gave them one final chance to qualify for the national championships.

The highlight of the meet for the large contingent of Colby fans was undoubtedly the 1500. Mark Pagnano ran a great race, taking second. More important than the placement however, was the time. Pagnano clocked a personal record 3:54.50. A time that should be enough to propel him to the Nationals. Jim Wescott said, "I'm really tickled about this. When Mark arrived here at Colby I said he was a diamond in the rough. Now he has really shown us what hard work and determination can accomplish."

For Mike Misner it wasn't as good a day. Misner also needed to post a fast time in order to return to the Nationals. He ran well, taking third in the 800, but the quick time wasn't there. Misner still has a chance to make it though, with his best this season of 1:53.06.

David Duane continued to burn up the track in the high hurdles. This time he took third. One of the winners who beat him was last year's national champion. He was a step above the rest of the field which was unfortunate for Duane who had to contend with a hurdle that was knocked into his lane by the winner. Duane stumbled as he hit it, costing him second place.

Freshmen Steve Pischel and Rob Salaverry both took fourth places for Colby. Pischel clearing a personal best of 12'6" in the pole vault and Salaverry running just a bit slower than

setting performance in the 500.

Bill McCrillis and Tim Fisher showed the strain of a long season taking fifth and sixth places respectively. Both did all right but failed to qualify for Nationals. McCrillis said, "Well golly, sure I'm a little disappointed. But that's the way it goes. You just have to take the good with the bad."

This weekend truly is the last of the indoor season. Duane, Pagnano (probably), and hopefully Misner will travel to the University of Chicago for the Division II and III National Championships.

## Women's Track: Places ninth

by Sarah Redfield

Colby's indoor track placed 9th at the E.C.A.C. meet held at Smith College last weekend.

Colby competed against over 20 teams from the Eastern division. U.Mass won overall. Tufts, a powerhouse this year, placed third.

Captain Jeanne Guild took third place in the 5000 meters. Running a near national qualifying time, Freshman Jill Vollweiler placed third in the 3000 meters. Deadra Beal lost her shoe in the 4 x 800 meter relay.

In spite of racing with one spike, the relay team finished strong, taking 6th place. Tracy Morrow set the new Colby indoor 400 meter record. In the 400m Morrow placed 4th with a time of 58.95, a potential national qualifying time. Sophomore Robin Trend, a rookie on the team placed 6th in the triple high jump with a jump of 10.08 meters. Karen Boomer, racing in the highly competitive 1500 meters, took 8th place. Linda Roberts ran a personal best in the 1000 meters. She placed 8th with a time of 2:50.51.

Both the 4 x 400 meter relay and the 4 x 200 relay took 6th place. The relays were run by Freshman Karen Killmer, Robin Trend, Freshman Melanie Brockway and anchored by Tracy Morrow.

Congratulations to the Indoor track team, let the Spring Track Season begin.

## Basketball: Striving for the championship

by Christopher Watt

March Madness. The post season tournament bid. The final four. These are what college hoop dreams are made of. Although our own Colby Mules are only a division III team and won't be making the journey down to New Orleans, they have aspirations of their own. Even though the title that the Mules seek is the ECAC New England Championship, and the tournament consists of only eight teams, the desire to capture the crown is no less intense. Colby took a giant step towards realizing their dream with an upset victory over #3 ranked Worcester Polytechnic Institute this past Saturday.

The first half shooting hex the Mules have been experiencing lately was evident again in this contest (37.1 percent). In contrast to earlier games, though, Colby was able to come away with a lead at halftime. The Mules edge from a 3-point land (6 vs. 2 for WPI) and the foul line (11 vs. 4) helped to give them a 43-38 lead at the intermission.

As the second half began, WPI began to come alive. After exchanging baskets, the home team went on a short run that saw them take a 1 point lead

with about 15 minutes remaining. But then came the Chris Powell show. The senior tri-captain virtually took control of the game, hitting several key shots which put the Mules ahead to stay. Add to that a continued Colby advantage from 3-point land and the charity stripe (9 point total differential in the 2nd half), and technical fouls by both Jeff Ayote and Bill McCullen of WPI, and the final result doesn't even look like it was close. Score: Colby 92 WPI 78 (pizza Envy!)

Leading the Mule scoring barrage were tri-Captain E.J. Perry with 26 (including a masterful 6 of 11 from 3-point range), Matt Hancock with 22 and Powell with 19. Rebounder extraordinaire Scott Jablonski continued his domination of the boards with a game high 12 rebounds. Pacing WPI were McCullen with 16 points and Ken Willis with 14.

Most importantly, this victory keeps the Mules hopes alive for a New England championship. Colby is now matched against #2 Framingham State, and will play this Wednesday. Also remaining in the tournament are Amherst (#1) and Williams (#4). Let's go you Mules!!!

## Men's tennis: Improving this year

by Steven Sapolsky

The Colby Men's Tennis Team has been making tremendous strides in improving upon a team that finished 2-7 in 1985. Last year, Colby increased their number of victories to five, again losing seven, and in 1987, with a new coach and a talented contingent of incoming players, the team's good fortunes should continue.

Under the guidance of first-year coach Dan Veilleux, a formerly highly ranked junior player on the New England circuit and now head pro at The Fitness Club in Waterville, the team officially began practice on February 15. Many of the 18 players trying out for the ten positions on the ladder had already played a substantial amount of tennis during the fall and winter months. Senior captain Mike Archibald, who played number one for the Mules last year, was impressed by this effort, and said that there has been "more

enthusiasm, commitment, talent, and depth this year" than in his previous three years on the team.

If everything works according to schedule, a tennis marathon will be held on March 15 from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. as a fund-raiser for the team's trip to Puerto Rico during Spring Break. During this time down south, the squad will be practicing on hard courts as preparation for a season consisting of eleven matches and two tournaments. (A third tournament, The Bates Invitational, will be played on March 20, a week before the break.) Among the teams Colby will be playing this spring are Bates, Bowdoin, Thomas, U.M.O., Brandeis, Connecticut College, Babson, Middlebury, U.S.M., Salem State, and Dartmouth. In spite of this rigorous schedule, the Colby Tennis Team should have, in the words of Archibald, "a winning and successful season."

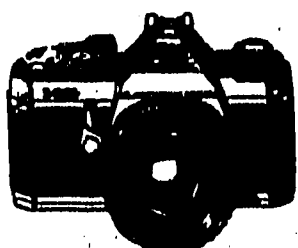
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## Intramurals for April

Mens + Womens: Weightlifting Meet April 13 7:00 P.M.  
(weight room)

Mens + Womens: Swim Meet April 12 1-3 p.m (pool)

Mens + Womens: Archery Meet April 12 7:00 p.m. (Field  
House equipment provided)

Mens, Womens, and Co-ed: Badminton Tournament. Starts in  
Mid-April

Sign up by April 8 on Bulletin Boards in Field House Lobby and  
Student Center.



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## Classifieds

Mary: Let's have some more fun this weekend; FMDC, vegetables and the BIG ROOM.

Doug, I'll miss you while eating spaghetti.

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Paul-I called the hotline! Your crickets are incurable.  
A concerned roommate

Dudes- Look out for some serious futon action this weekend -the one who forgets where she lives

Hell week is soon. Watch out you WWW pledges

Seniors!! Order your cap and gown. Tomorrow is the last day.

Suck'oles

Heyba Cheesy,  
Howba arba yuba?! It was great to hear from oyu. Teddies and I are fineba.  
Missba yuba, Krisba

To the Snarf-B...Queens:  
Enough-so I haven't been up to par with the creative classifieds but I refuse to take grief from two garbage pickers. Give me another week...

To the woman with the long arms:  
Beware of all thoughts in the early morning endeavors to turn the brain on. You might wake up and think you are a rodent

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To beer Dave-  
The tri-wandas thank you for your keg toss and fund raiser

Sorry we weren't on Monday, but listen next week 11-2 Monday for intense tunage!  
L.C.K.S.

Green Death !! This Friday. Be prepared to drink and die!

To the Friday afternoon shroomers-  
Thanks alot. It wasn't real and I love you.  
The Freak

Girls,  
The Marson Photo Co. has reprocessed your senior photo - any item left for over 30 days will be subject to sail. So come pick it up.

Betsy,  
Sorry I needed to borrow your car but Vanna needed a ride home!

Vanna's in the kitchen What are you gonna do? Wo Wo Yeah, Oh Yeah!

Seniors!! The time is coming!! Get your senior pictures in. There's an Oracle box in the basement of Robert's.

## "Us" versus "them"

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Administrative unfairness and hostile accusation.

For example, I was told by a "victim" of the Dean's paranoia (another second-semester senior, with another impeccable record) that he and his friends were accused of conducting fraternity-related activities, and threatened with expulsion. What had happened was two guys were spotted wearing ties around their heads, this in a car out near the Belgrade Lakes. They were seen by a passerby, who thought that the students

were being led away blindfolded. The passerby reported the incident to the police, and the next day the Morning Sentinel ran a spot on the report. Apparently, the Dean of Students saw this in the paper, managed to piece together the puzzle (a fairly

clever task), and track the older students down. The latter were called in and, from the report straight from the victim's mouth, were treated rather unfairly. Accused of hazing, or what have you, they were each threatened with expulsion. It's quite possible that the Administration's perspective would differ. But the point remains the same: guided by the fear of a fraternity revival, which indeed is occurring on this campus, although in a 1980's style, various student, many of which are innocent, are being systematically harassed for relatively harmless incidents.

In such a small community, talk spreads fast. Details are blurred, but the message of unfair treatment, injustice, and insensitivity toward certain students is quite clear and gets around quickly. The passing words at parties these days are anything but sweet.

Eric Zolov

## Daffodil Days

The American Cancer Society is attempting to put some color into people's lives with yellow daffodils. They are part of an order of millions placed by The American Cancer Society in the United States for Daffodil Days, March 19, 20, and 21.

The Daffodil, a flower that announces spring and a symbol of hope, was chosen by The American Cancer Society to kick-off the society's 1987 Residential House-To-House Campaign. Daffodil Days were originated by the Canadian Cancer Society in the 1960's. The Maine Division introduced the event in 1977 making this the 10th year of Daffodil Days in Maine.

Daffodil Days will take place at Colby on Thursday, March 19 and Friday, March 20. Daffodils will be sold in bunches of ten for \$4, bunches of 5 for \$2, or singly for 50¢. All proceeds will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Flowers will be sold at each dining hall during lunch and dinner and at the Student Center from 10am to 2pm.

If you are interested in helping sell and distribute flowers, contact Jill Paradis, x. 3690 or attend an organizational meeting Wednesday March 18 at 6:30 pm in Dana Lounge.

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## Confusion

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means. Stated another way, perhaps more harshly (though justifiable), it doesn't matter what we do to make money. This devaluation of means has many serious implications for the way we carry out our lives, and the extent to which we are genuinely happy.

The Boesky scandal and other Wall Street scandals are fine examples of this misplaced emphasis on ends. Obviously, six and seven-figure salaries were not fulfilling for these professionals, and they wanted more. But rather than looking objectively at how to earn a salary, and how to gain enrichment from processes, Boesky *et al.* sought more ends. How they eventually achieved these ends were both immoral and illegal, and thus brought (or will bring) them the undesired result of conviction and jail terms.

The case isn't always this extreme. For most, after the pleasure of buying the BMW disappears, an urge to fill that void centers on buying something else. The cycle of consumerism reinforces itself. Thus, life becomes a series of short peaks and long valleys until finally no end is satisfying.

The solution to this downward spiral lies in reinvestigating the possibilities of means as a source of satisfaction. For instance, the pleasure of building a bookcase depends not on the intricacy or sheer beauty of the piece so much as it does on the satisfaction of having built something by hand. The time

and work invested in that building produce a more lasting, stable source of pleasure than the chair itself, had it been bought, would ever give.

Life is a process, a means. The end of life is death. When seen in that light, it becomes clear that concentrating on means rather than ends will lead to a much more satisfactory existence.

## First lady

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Starters: Did you urge the president, after meetings with hostage families, to do anything to win their release? When did he first inform you of arms transfer planning? Do you have any notes or tapes that might help a prosecutor discover the origins of such planning? Would you be willing, as the president is, to show some of those notes to investigators? Was the president aware of your calls to the media to undercut his chief of staff and did he ask you to stop? Did you discuss patronage with Deaver after he left the White House?

With questions like that in the offing, we might never have our "damned news conference." But don't sell Nancy Reagan short: she may be tougher than she lets her husband appear to be.

## Island

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"OK, you ask me was it not amazing. I tell you: It was not amazing."

"So, Mister Seen-It-All, eh?"

"Not Mister Seen-It-All. Mr Read-It-All. Look if I read Robinson Crusoe? You read Robinson Crusoe. It's one of the horrors about both of us being locked into the same skull."

"You're saying Howard Baker is Robinson Crusoe?"

"Of course he's not Crusoe. He's not even Friday. He's the island."

"You've got me thinking shipwreck."

"Shipwreck and doom. Worst storm since they invented the TV weatherman who wouldn't tell you if it was going to rain or shine until you'd sat through five more messages."

"And everybody thinks the

game is up, it's all over, curtains."

"Prayers being said all over the deck. You know the scene from those old shipwreck movies. Everybody praying, 'Save us, O Laxalt!' save us, O this Great Republican and that Great Republican! But it's no dice. The ancient vision of the angry prophet Buchanan is being fulfilled: The shipster of State is being abandoned by the crew he succored."

"But Howard Baker?"

"The island. Crusoe is cast into the angry sea and wakes up to find himself still alive. A convenient island has intervened."

"An island ex machina."

"No Latin, please. You could get us accused of elitism. Whatever it's called, this island creates instant euphoria. If Crusoe has seen this island on maps before, it never

impressed him. He probably said, 'Its palm trees don't have fire in the coconuts.' But now, suddenly, it's the greatest island ever known. You follow?"

"Sure. Waking up alive when you expected to be dead tends to elevate the mood, but why does Baker want to be the island that saved Reagan?"

"Gives him an excuse not to run for president himself, thus eliminating even a remote chance he could win. Now tell me: Why is he afraid of that?"

"Easy if you realize Reagan is really the new Calvin Coolidge. After Calvin Coolidge comes Herbert Hoover."

**Daffodil  
Days**

## SEA Experience

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## Off the cuff

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when they go to sell it.

My neighbor on the right didn't, in the end, sell his house to black people. He claimed that he was sorry about how nobody would sell to them, but it was just a plain, unalterable fact of life. I find this peculiar. What makes one person look at his house in terms of its value on a financial statement while another person is just thankful to have a good roof over his head? Why is it that something has to turn a profit for it to be of any value? What is all this excitement about profit? In the end, a house is still just boards, some shingles, and a little concrete. And profit isn't much more than the measure of some bun-head's greed.

But cry a little for the bun-head. Because at her age the years must slip by faster than she can believe. One day her health is gone, she is a widow, old and dying in one of the bedrooms of her sacred house. And what she'll hunger for are people who care about her (no matter what color they are), people to tell her her life mattered. The value of her house won't console her in the middle of the night.

And cry a little for me too when I grow up to be a man who worries about my neighbor's troubles - about the

kid next door who's into drugs and the couple on the corner with the retarded child - when I worry how these troubles affect my own property value.

From the Association of Gay Psychologists; sponsored by The Colby College Gay & Lesbian Informational Phoneline 872-3635

### A SIMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE

1. What do you think caused your heterosexuality?
2. When and how did you first decide you were a heterosexual?
3. Is it possible that your heterosexuality is just a phase and that you may grow out of it?
4. Is it possible heterosexuality stems from a neurotic fear of others of the same sex?
5. If you've never slept with a person of the same sex, is it possible that all you need is a good gay or lesbian lover?
6. To whom have you disclosed your heterosexual tendencies? How did they react?
7. Why do you heterosexuals feel compelled to seduce others into your lifestyle?
8. Why do you insist on flaunting your heterosexuality? Can't you just be what you are and keep it quiet?
9. Would you want your children to be heterosexual, knowing the problems they would face?
10. 97 percent of child molesters are male heterosexuals. Do you consider it safe to expose your children to heterosexual teachers?
11. Even with all the social support marriage receives, the divorce rate is spiraling. Why are there so few stable relationships among heterosexuals?
12. Why do heterosexuals place so much emphasis on sex?
13. Considering the menace of overpopulation, how could the human race survive if everyone was heterosexual like you?
14. Could you trust a heterosexual therapist to be objective? Don't you feel she/he might be inclined to influence you in the direction of her/his own leanings?
15. How can you become a whole person if you limit yourself to compulsive, exclusive heterosexuality, and fail to develop your natural, healthy homosexual potential?
16. There seem to be very few happy heterosexuals. Techniques have been developed to help you, if you really want to change. Have you considered aversion therapy?

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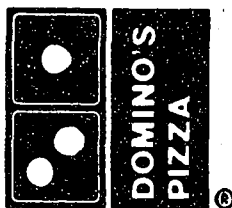
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WINNER	Butler	58.38	42
2ND	Small	30.95	42
3RD	Pierce	30.00	30
4TH	Treworgy	23.68	38
5TH	Mary Low	23.60	89
6TH	Averill	23.17	82
7TH	Drummond	22.58	31
8TH	Leonard	20.93	43
9TH	Johnson	20.73	82
10TH	Goddard-Hodgekins	20.00	30
11TH	Marriner	18.60	43
12TH	Robins	15.79	38
13TH	Dana	15.42	201
14TH	Perkins-Wilson	14.29	35
15TH	Grossman	13.16	38
16TH	Williams	10.64	47
17TH	Heights	10.10	99
18TH	Chaplin	7.89	38
19TH	Woodman	7.00	100
20TH	Sturtevant	5.88	34
21ST	Taylor	5.66	53
22ND	Piper	5.41	37
23RD	Foss	4.84	124
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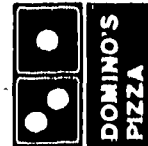
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