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## Colby Water Barely Meets Regulations

*"In most parts of the country people can just use tap water but not here," said Ross Renal, a member of the Physics Department. "I don't drink the water here and I wouldn't recommend it to anyone."*



*This notice is one of many hung in the Mudd Science Building by Geology Professor Dr. Donald B. Allen.*

*photo by David Coleman*

by Britt Moore  
Contributor

"There is no problem with the water," said Allen Lewis, manager of Colby's Physical Plant, "Because it meets federal standards." Nevertheless, Lewis won't drink it.

Lewis, who is responsible for Colby's drinking water, provided data that showed a range of 3 to 50 parts per billion (ppb) of lead in Colby's drinking water. The federal standard set in the 1986 Amendment to the Clean Water Act is 50 ppb and is called the maximum contaminant level (MCL). The maximum contaminant level goal (MCLG) is 0 lead. Kennebec Water District cautioned that Lewis' data may indicate an isolated incident.

Lewis says the water has 1 ppb of lead when it reaches the Colby pump house, but 50 ppb when it comes out of the water pipes in the field house. This proves the lead is from the lead soldering in Colby's copper pipes.

Because the ppb level increases up to 5,000% after travelling through Colby's pipes, the water's supplier, Kennebec Water Co., does not bear the responsibility for informing the Colby community of the high

levels of lead.

If the lead content exceeds 50 ppb because of Colby's water system, the College is responsible for notifying its students, according to Robert Palmer, General Manager of the Kennebec Water District.

"Public water systems are required to identify and provide notice to persons who may be affected by lead contamination in their drinking water, when such contamination results from either the use of lead in the construction materials of the system and/or corrosivity of the water supply sufficient to cause lead leaching from plumbing systems. This provision requires notification even if the system is in compliance with the current regulations for lead content. Under these regulations, systems were required to begin providing notice to consumers by June 19, 1988" (Federal Register, vol 53, no. 160 Thurs August 18, 1988).

Dr. Ross Coal, a member of Colby's Biology Department, has suggested that acid rain, which goes into China Lake and is used for the local water supply, erodes the lead soldering in Colby's copper pipes. An EPA study done in June 1987 proved acid rain causes lead to

leach from pipe soldering into drinking water. Palmer expressed similar concern about Colby's pipe solder.

*The following describes health effects of lead exposure: "a broad range of blood lead levels is associated with a continuum of pathophysiological effects, including interference with heme synthesis necessary for formation of red blood cells, anemia, kidney damage, impaired reproduction function, interference with vitamin D metabolism, impaired cognitive performance (as measured by IQ tests, performance in school, and other means, delayed neurological and physical development, and elevation in blood pressure [(EPA, 1986b) Congressional Research Service, Safe Drinking Water Update, November 1, 1988.]*

Dr. Donald B. Allen, Professor of Geology, has posted "Don't drink the Water signs" throughout the Mudd Science building. Because of the high content of organic matter, diatoms and algae clouds tap water in the Mudd building. Professor Bob Nelson of the Geology Department has recorded 20 percent, by volume, of mud in the Mudd water.

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## Disbanding Of Two Underground Fraternities Impacts Campus

by Jennifer Scott  
Features Editor

While the two "underground" fraternities of Delta Upsilon and Zeta Psi were dissolved well over a month ago, considerable bitterness remains on the part of the members of the two fraternities and threatens to persist far longer than the administration may have foreseen. There is a feeling on the part of the members of the now-defunct DU fraternity that they were treated, at best unfairly and at worst unlawfully, by the members of the administration

who were responsible for their undoing.

According to one former member of DU, senior Andrew

*"The only thing I could liken it to would be a funeral."*

-Professor Roger Bowen on the events of the dissolutions of Delta Upsilon and Zeta Psi

Schmidt, the fraternity was "screwed over by the administration." Schmidt gave the following story of what he and his brothers understand to be the circumstances behind the

dissolving of their fraternity.

At the annual Christmas party, a Colby Safety and Security officer noticed some decorations which seemed to be out of place. As Director of Safety and Security Mark Van Valkenburgh said, "In the past, many of the decorations at fraternity Christmas parties have been stolen by members of the fraternity. This year we were especially on the lookout for anything that seemed extraordinary."

Several days after the party, one member of the fraternity continued on page 3

## No Commitment For African Exchange

by Deb Fuller  
Staff Writer

Colby President William R. Cotter returned from three universities in southern Africa, in an attempt to bring the college one step closer to establishing new student exchange programs.

During his 10 day trip, Cotter visited three African universities: University of Zambia, Zimbabwe, and Botswana.

"All I can report is that we've had encouraging conversations," Cotter said this week.

The Colby President invited

the vice chancellor of each school (a position approximately equaling an American college or university president) to come visit Colby this spring. President Cotter feels that the visit will give them an opportunity to "get a sense of our institution."

Cotter said such an exchange will give Colby students a multi-faceted opportunity, not only to study and earn credits at an African University, but also to experience living in a third world country with a culture, economy, and lifestyle.

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# NEWS

## The College Awards Tenure To Seven Of Nine

by Catherine Breen  
Staff Writer

President William R. Cotter's Office released the names of seven faculty members who received tenure and two who did not.

In a statement issued last Tuesday, those granted tenure were Full Professor of Economics Clifford E. Reed, Associate Professor of Biology Frank A. Fekete, Associate Professor of

Black Studies and Sociology Cheryl Townsend Gilkes, Associate Professor of History Jane Hunter, Associate Professor of Art and American Studies David M. Lubin, Associate Professor of Art Michael A. Marlais, and Associate Professor of Economics Fred B. Mosley.

Those denied tenure were Professor of History Joel Bernard and Professor of Chemistry Gary Mabbott.

Stressing its effectiveness and necessity, Dean McArthur referred to tenure as "extremely

important in higher education.....as it frees faculty from any concern of political or personal reprisal."

Upon being hired, an instructor must sign a contract which states that after a certain period of time, the individual is subject to review for consideration of tenure. When the department decides that it is time for a colleague to be put up for consideration, a committee is formed, usually consisting the department chair and a few tenured department members.

If denial of tenure is the final

decision, the candidate is afforded access to all materials upon which the decision was made. If a technicality exists or there is a "failure of due process," the individual may appeal to the Faculty Grievance Committee.

However, McArthur explained the most often the decision is final.

If tenure is granted, the individual is guaranteed employment at Colby. This guarantee can only be reversed in extreme circumstances. Any complaints about a tenured faculty member must be filed through the

Faculty Grievance Committee. Oftentimes, compromises are reached before tenure is revoked.

Although some people may view the method of tenure decisions as unfair, McArthur claims it is necessary to subject faculty to review not only for the welfare of the students, but also for the academic reputation of the institution.

Dean McArthur noted that tenure decisions are "wrenching and difficult" and that good individuals are sometimes rejected.

## A Question Of Fraud

by Margaret McCrudden  
Contributor

If you heard that the "little David" postcard campaign was a hoax - you heard wrong.

Many may remember notices posted on campus bulletin boards and in flyers asking readers to send postcards to a terminally ill little boy, whose last wish was to break the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest collection of postcards.

Some suggested this story was a hoax, and that an old woman living in Florida made it up to get into the Guinness Book of World Records. According to Sid Smith, of the Records Department at the Guinness Book of World Records Building in New York City, it was not a fraud.

The boy is known as "little David". David, an imaginary

name, lives with his family in England and was terminally ill from cancer. He started a quest for the "Postcard Collection".

His story was put into an International Computer Network and the postcards began pouring in, some days as many as 600,000.

David ended up breaking the record with over one million postcards, and the Guinness Book of World Records published it once.

While the record has been discontinued, according to Smith, so too has David's illness. His cancer, at least for now, is in remission.

Another incidence of possible fraud at Colby occurred in December when a solicitor from the Appalachia area was going door to door in the residence halls selling hats for the organization without permission from

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## Arbo's Hires Own Investigators

by Tracey Hardman  
New Editor

Arbo's Towing and Repair has recently hired Probe Investigative Services to look into some of the recent controversy surrounding what owner Tom Hatchey termed as "unfounded" accusations concerning kickbacks and other illegal activity.

Detective Stephen Thompson of Probe was recently at Colby seeking an old issue of the Echo to aid in his investigation.

In the past, Colby had used Arbo's exclusively for all towing problems. But, "I've attempted to [bring in other] towing services... [such as] Ed's of Central Maine" in addition to Arbo's, said Mark Van Valkenburgh, Director of Colby Safety and Security. He did not cite any problems with Arbo's, he simply stated "I just don't

like monopolies."

However, there has been controversy surrounding Arbo's. Brian Arbo, a worker at Arbo's but no relation, stated that Dick Tinker and Interstate Sunoco had made accusation concerning kickbacks but said, "they are not true...there were no kickbacks."

Thomas Hatchey, part owner of Arbo's, also denied all accusations.

"We're thinking about taking legal action against" those who made the charges, Hatchey said, adding that Arbo's hired Probe to initiate "an investigation on [its] own behalf."

Micheal Leighton, the owner of Probe said they weren't really looking into much at Colby, "there isn't really anything being investigated [there]."

However, he did comment on the Arbo's investigation stating that two years ago similar

accusations concerning kickbacks were made against the towing company and he defined the recent situation "in the paper and city paper" as just old controversy being "re-hashed."

"Up to this point [in our investigation] we can't find anything that would substantiate the charges" against Arbo's, Leighton said.

Two years ago when the Attorney General investigated the similar charges, according to Leighton, they came up with nothing substantial.

However, Leighton has indicated that his investigation will still be thorough. "We don't do one sided investigations," he said, "we find facts."

Mark Van Valkenburgh also stated that he did not know anything about the investigation, but claimed "we have completely open books" at Colby.

## A Strange Brew

by Jenn Flynn  
Contributor

"Witchcraft is not about the supernatural," said Margo Adler about the neo-pagan ritual, "it is more of a way of expanding how you feel about the world around you - a tool to get your mind to be more open."

Adler, who spoke in the Page Commons Room of the Student Center last Monday night, de-

fined witchcraft as a new way of thinking about the world and about one's self. She said that what is known as 'witchcraft' is simply the old religions of the Celts and the Druids, practiced in modern form.

"Modern neo-pagans are not Christian in form; they come from a prior source, not an anti-source like Satanism. These pagan religions are based more on what people do-rituals,

experiences - than on the disbelieving of another religion, such as Satanic worshipping," explained Adler.

She continued, "If you look into society, the vast majority have lost touch with the songs, rituals and lullabies of our past. But witchcraft, which is the old religion of western Europe gone underground when people were persecuted due to the

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## Biological Study In Zimbabwe

by Joy Morean  
Staff Writer

Colby may offer an environmental studies program in Zimbabwe, Africa, as part of a consortium involving several colleges formed in conjunction with the School for Field Studies.

If approved, the semester long program would allow Colby students to study different aspects of Zimbabwe, including its natural environment, its social and political systems, and

its development as a country. Students would also participate in an individual study program and a three week field study project, in which student teams would work with the Department of Natural Resources of Zimbabwe on a project of particular interest.

Colby currently offers a program in Kenya that focuses on the study of wildlife. However, according to Russel Cole of the Biology department, the proposed Zimbabwe program "will integrate many facets of

study... [it will] integrate an interdisciplinary approach." Cole also cited that the government in Kenya has been becoming stricter, but "Zimbabwe has been receptive to this sort of a program."

Zimbabwe is also favored as first choice for an exchange program, as it "offer examples of challenging issues in sustainable development on which some progress has been made; is reasonably stable politically, and westerners are able to live

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## Off The Hill

### Bates

The final decision concerning the new president of Bates College will be made this Friday during a Trustees meeting. They will vote on the candidates and decide upon a new president that afternoon. The current president, T. Hedley Reynolds, will resign at the end of this academic year.

There has been much controversy surrounding a new clause addition to the Bates Student Handbook. Previously, the section that mentioned the college's nondiscriminatory practices had not included a "sexual orientation" clause. The Faculty had approved the clause many times in the past, but the Trustees had always voted against it. The Bates students were planning a protest to help pass the clause until they discovered that President Reynolds had made the addition last month.

### Bowdoin

This is Alcohol Awareness week at Bowdoin and many of their scheduled events reflect this theme. There are many dinners and lectures, including a Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream night this Thursday. Also, Mercury Morris, a former player for the Miami Dolphins, spoke for two hours on Drug and Alcohol Abuse. There was a very large turnout and his autobiographical speech was termed "very powerful" by many who attended.

More than 400 people attended a memorial service at Bowdoin for Pamela Herbert, who would have graduated in the class of 1990. She, along with a Bowdoin graduate, was killed in Pan American Flight 103.



# A Month Later, The Bitter Taste Lingers

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was approached by that officer who had noticed the suspicious decorations. The individual who was approached was informed by the officer that if the stolen goods were returned anonymously, Safety and Security would take care of the problem, implying that the whole issue would be dropped. Van Valkenburgh denies this, saying, "He [the officer in question] does not have the authority to make that kind of a decision. We asked him later and he said that no deals had been offered."

The decorations were recovered on the three mile running loop after an anonymous phone call. Safety and Security then went to the administration after a report was filed by the officer who had first seen the decorations at the party.

Members of Delta Upsilon were informed that the Dean's office knew of the situation with the stolen decorations and then met with an individual high up in the administration to discuss their options. What it came down to was that the three individuals who had signed the party form could go in front of J-Board facing charges of theft, fraternity involvement, and perjury. By doing this, these three seniors would risk expulsion. The other option would be handing over a list of names to the administration of the fraternity members and having every member sign an agreement stating that all fraternity action would henceforth be stopped. Delta Upsilon chose the latter, and the fraternity was thereby officially disbanded.

"I don't want anyone to get the impression that we don't feel like we did anything wrong. We messed up and we feel very badly about that," admitted Schmidt. "What we do feel is unfair is the way the administration put the screws to the three guys who signed

the party form when they weren't involved in the thefts in any way."

Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger said, "had the students [who had signed the party form] gone before Judicial Board, I believe that it is quite likely that the defendants would have been suspended."

"Their [the administration's] case never would have stood up in a court of law," stated sophomore Charles

"I joined DU because I had a great deal of respect for the guys in the group... They are the closest of friends and I would do anything for them but I am not willing to compromise my morals." -Charles Donaldson, former member of Delta Upsilon fraternity

Donaldson, former member of Delta Upsilon. "They had no proof about the stolen decorations. But we knew that they were going to ramrod it through the system because of pressure by the trustees to get rid of all fraternities and because they had the momentum going after Zeta Psi was dissolved. We signed the agreement not because we were finally 'seeing the light' about the wrongs of fraternities. We did it solely for those three guys."

One former member of Delta Upsilon who wished to remain anonymous said, "The worst thing about the whole deal is that it has negatively affected every aspect of the campus. We no longer have the relationship of trust that we had with Safety and Security. There's an even worse relationship with the Dean's office because of the way they handled the situation. Now, it's affected the student-professor relationships, and, worst of all, there's so much mistrust in the student-student relationships."

"Any student can see what looks like a DU keg," continued this student, "and, even though it's just a group of friends who all happened to be in the fraternity, they can wrongly assume that we're breaking our agreement with the administration and then go to the Deans with that information."

Ironically, the dissolving of the fraternities signified the solidarity of its members. Said Professor Roger Bowen, who communicated the views of both the administration and the fraternity members during the dissolutions, "I was impressed by these groups of fellows who so valued their friendships and what the fraternities meant to them that they made what was to them such a major sacrifice for the sake of their friends."

"The only thing I could liken it to would be a funeral," added Bowen.

The reaction of members of the remaining fraternities on campus has been one of sympathy for the members of these two fraternities and of alarm as to what this could mean for their own organizations.

"I empathize with those brothers because I know what they've lost," commented a member of one of the four remaining "underground" fraternities on campus. "But I was just as offended by the stealing of Christmas decorations as the Dean's office was. This was an embarrassment to the existing fraternities because the fact remains that they did steal and that's wrong." This person then went on to add that "We [the members of his fraternity] have never stolen anything. Never have and never will."

There is a feeling on the behalf of many fraternity members at Colby that there is nothing wrong with being a member of these underground organizations. Many agree, however, that when fraternities were abolished from the campus in

1984, some drastic measures were indeed necessary.

According to people who were on the campus in the years when fraternities were legal, the members of these groups were often blatantly sexist and discriminatory. The fraternities were deeply in debt to the school, and, because of low Greek affiliation, many rooms were vacant in the fraternity houses which could have been used for housing other stu-

*"Fraternities are exclusive, sexist, secretive, and antithetical to the values we hold dear at Colby."* -Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger

dents. Fraternities also had to face accusations of anti-intellectualism brought up by the faculty and the administration. A change needed to be made, and the Board of Trustees decided to abolish the Greeks.

"I'm not sure that abolishing the fraternities was the best solution," said Donaldson, "but regardless, what has continued is simply a way of getting to know people. Fraternities are very obviously an effective way of forming bonds. But by joining one, that does not in any way prohibit or preclude my getting to know anyone else unless they are willing to write me off for belonging."

Stripped of their legal rights to exist on campus, the Greek system at Colby became little more than "social clubs" according to many members. Donaldson feels that the negative aspects of the fraternities which existed before they were abolished no longer apply to these underground organizations. "The fraternities are obviously still associated with all the 'big nasties' that existed when they were legal when this doesn't really apply anymore. I joined DU because I had a great deal of respect for the guys in the group... They are the closest of friends and I would do anything for them but I am not willing to compromise my morals."

"Fraternities are exclusive, sexist, secretive, and antithetical to the values we hold dear at Colby," said Seitzinger.

There remains what is perceived by many to be a dilemma that affects not only the fraternities but the entire campus as well. This is the problem of what many feel to be a waning social life since the demise of the fraternities. Some fear that the social life, so vital to a small, isolated campus like Colby, is becoming stagnant and the lack of fraternity involvement is merely exacerbating the problem.

Seitzinger refutes this saying, "Social life will never die at Colby. Other groups and individuals will fill in the void. If

you look at the people who threw the parties last year and this year, most of those people were not involved in fraternities... The fraternities do not have a stranglehold on the social life at Colby by any means."

"I'd say that fraternities were responsible for about 80 per cent of the parties that were put on on campus," contends former Zeta Psi member, senior Brian Batting. "The social life at Colby is going down the tubes without fraternities."

Senior Thomas Wieck, who is not involved in the Greek system at Colby, agreed saying, "The social life at Colby has become totally stagnant with a very few exceptions."

As for the future of the remaining fraternities, there remains much speculation as to where they are headed. "As long as the fraternities don't do anything illegal, they won't jeopardize their existence," stated one member of an underground fraternity. A member of another fraternity agreed saying, "Now, more than ever, we've got to make sure we keep our noses clean."

Seitzinger said that she had no plans to confront members of the other fraternities on campus, but said the same steps would most likely be taken should any illegal activity surface on the part of the members of the other houses, adding, "Something will happen. It's inevitable."

Bowen said that he hopes "members of the remaining underground fraternities will take counsel from DU and Zeta Psi to learn the benefits of disbanding." Bowen explained that among these benefits would be "a climate of greater openness on campus. DU and Zeta Psi must feel somewhat liberated; they no longer have to keep looking over their shoulder."

As to the future of Delta Upsilon and Zeta Psi, few trappings of the fraternity life remain. "If people were smart, they'd probably let it go," said Batting. "If guys [former members of Zeta Psi] try to keep it going, they are really putting themselves at risk because next time there won't be any second chances."

What will continue, however, are the friendships that exist within each organization. "They've stripped us of the title of fraternity, but they can't take away the good, solid friendships I've made," commented Batting. "The guys I know from the fraternity I'll be friends with for years after I get out of here."

"I hate to call this a victory or a defeat," said Seitzinger, "because that makes it sound like a war. I see it as an ongoing process to educate the students as to the detrimental effects of fraternities."

## Witchcraft

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onset of Christianity, is beginning to bring these back."

Adler stated that she became interested in witchcraft after becoming involved in the environmental movement in 1971. Through this involvement, she discovered her need for "an ecological religion. She found in wicca (witchcraft) a religion that resolved the separation between nature and our feelings, allowing her to unite herself with the world around her.

"Wicca assumes that there is diversity; that fundamental diversity is good; that it is a way to understand the holiness and sacredness of everyday life. And it proposes that maybe we survive because of our diver-

sity of thought." Adler stated.

She also commented how Wicca's revival stems from the realization that 'accepted' religions place the males in more powerful roles than females. Because of this inequality in so many 'traditional' religions, women began "a spiritual search, in which they began looking at dreams and intuition, and seeing what they could derive from them." They found what Adler called "a

power that comes from within."

By saying Wicca can be a tool to open the mind so one's potential can be achieved, Adler concluded, "We have so much potential, if only we could grasp it."

Commenting on the lecture, Jessica MacLachlan '92, stated "I really liked it... it wasn't like hocus pocus. She was talking about (oneness) with nature... she really had it together."



# SPECIAL SECTION

## Colby And The Waterville Community: A Diverse Perspective On The Complex Relationship Between The College And Its Home

### Poll: We Don't Return Waterville's Love

by John Hayworth

Waterville residents seem to think pretty highly of Colby and its students. The students, on the other hand, don't seem to think about Waterville residents or the town very much at all.

That picture of the Waterville-Colby relationship emerged from a telephone survey, and supplemented by interviews with residents, students, businessmen, and college and city officials.

Contending that, "in any situ-

ation where a school is situated in a small town, there are going to be misconceptions of both groups," Colby senior Jeff Kelleher complained that the poll was offensive. He did not feel it would be accurate because, "[Colby students] stereotype Waterville residents just like they stereotype us."

The polls, while not meeting all the scientific standards for determining public opinion, do offer some penetrating views of the town and gown relationship. The basic finding confirmed the widely held view

that, while having an excellent relationship, the school and town are strikingly different communities. Among the findings are the following:

While a large majority of the sixty-seven Waterville residents polled listed their feelings toward the school as positive, less than half of the seventy-nine Colby students felt positive about Waterville. Most of the Colby students expressed their feelings towards Waterville as neither positive nor negative, indicating that they do not dislike the

town but they do not think about it very often.

"I think it's a good school. It's right up there with the rest of them," said William J. Doucette, a 42-year-old Waterville man. He added, "I think it's an asset to the town."

Despite their positive feelings, Waterville residents have few social contacts or even know any Colby students, teachers, or administrators. Furthermore, a large majority of them said they never attended any cultural or sporting events at the college.

This fact could help explain the view held by slightly more than half of the Colby students polled that Waterville residents that are culturally lower than students.

A small number of Colby employees (faculty, administrators, and staff) were polled separately, and not included in the final results. Those who did take part, some being permanent residents of Waterville, felt positive about the city. Furthermore, only a small number of those few employees polled

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### How About Land? The Mayor Hints

by Chip Gavin

The image Waterville Mayor Judy C. Kany paints of the Colby-Waterville relationship is picture perfect. "It's a win/win [situation] on both sides" because the town and the college benefit from each other, according to Kany.

While the Colby-Waterville relationship may be of mutual benefit, it seems that Colby may be benefitting a bit more than Waterville, Kany indicated, and she wouldn't mind evening things up a little.

An important element of the town/gown relationship in Waterville is money. Colby is one of the largest, steadiest employers in town and students contribute to the local economy.

The college is also the largest landowner in Waterville but is legally exempt from paying any property taxes on its 570 acre campus.

Unlike many colleges, Colby does not pay their local community a flat sum in lieu of taxes to cover public service costs like fire and police protection.

"There's nothing that would prevent Colby from offering to do that now. And, eventually,

it may come to that," Kany said in a recent interview with Colby students.

"Basically it's a win/win on both sides," Kany said, "even with that tax exemption. But, certainly I'd be willing to listen if Colby insisted on offering the city something."

As an alternative to paying

the money to the city, Colby "might want sometime to give us 100 acres so that we could sell or use in a way that we thought appropriate," Kany suggested.

Such a gift "probably would be very

appropriate," she said, "especially considering the fact that the city of Waterville did give Colby all that acreage."

When Colby moved from downtown in the 1930's, Waterville donated the 570 acres on Mayflower Hill as incentive to keep the college in town.

"It's the largest landowner, no question about it," Kany said. "I don't know if Colby really needs all 570 acres."

The Mayor cautioned, however, that if a monetary contribution or land donation to the city "would in any way threaten Colby's existence or its ability to provide quality education in

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Waterville Mayor Judy Kany

### Cotter Emphasizes Colby's Help To City

by David Edelstein

Colby President William R. Cotter would like to see more Waterville residents get involved with activities at Colby. But the college as no plans to improve or enhance the town-gown relationship.

President Cotter characterized the relations between Colby and Waterville as, "always being very good". He added, "The people of Waterville built this campus in the sense that they bought the land to enable the trustees to begin the campaign to build the new campus."

These sentiments of strong Town/Gown relations were echoed by other members of the college's administration. According to Administrative Vice-President Stan Nicholson, "The relationship between Colby and the Waterville community is excellent. It always has been." Similarly, Earl Smith, the Dean of the College, said, "The relations are pretty good, they have their ups and downs." He cited the recent "Christmas Tree episode" but added that this type of thing goes on at any campus.

Although Colby pays less than \$5,000 a year in property taxes to the town of Waterville, all three men pointed out the many benefits that Colby offers to the community.

Mr. Smith stated, "The most significant impact of Colby is economic." The college is one

of the largest employers in Waterville, with nearly 550 people on the payroll. A majority of these people live in Waterville and pay taxes in the town. Further, students pump thousands of dollars into the local economy every year.

Earl Smith called the cultural opportunities offered by Colby "tremendous". President Cotter echoed these sentiments by saying Colby is a wonderful cultural resource, which is almost unique in central and northern Maine. These facilities simply don't exist except at the University of Maine at Orono. He went on to add that the museum of art, a facility that UMO does not have, offers a gallery unmatched anywhere further north in all of Maine.

Educationally, Colby offers classes to about 20 high school seniors each year at half the cost. Colby also gives senior citizens a chance to audit classes free of charge.

President Cotter believes that Colby's economic, cultural and educational benefits, which are given at little or no cost, offset the fact that Colby does not give Waterville money in lieu of taxes.

In spite of availability, polls showed that relatively few members of the community take advantage of these opportunities.

Asked about the lack of attendance at most events, Earl Smith answered by saying: "The college has a real strong commit-

ment to the community but it's very hard to involve the community. All of our lectures and concerts are all open to the public but it's a long mile for some people in town."

President Cotter reiterated:

"I wish that more people from town would come and take advantage of all the things that are available here."

President Cotter attributed this to Colby being just one part of Waterville. "If Colby were to disappear tomorrow, I don't think it would save the fire department one half of somebody's job. There is no incremental burden on the community. I don't think there would be a reduction on the police force in Waterville if we were not here tomorrow."

Stan Nicholson added, "We stay out of each others' way except in ways that are mutually reinforcing."



Colby President William R. Cotter



# On The Old Campus, Unity Thrived

by Kerri Hicks

The Colby College campus move from downtown Waterville to the top of Mayflower Hill in the 1950's and 60's created more than a separation of miles from the center of the city, it created a separation of minds as well.

Shirley Littlefield, one of Colby students' favorite day-time Spa employees, said that before the college moved, the students and the residents of the community were close to each other not only in proximity, but also in spirit.

"The kids would go to the church suppers with everyone else," she said. The students would sit side by side with the Waterville residents as members of the same community.

At that time, more than half of the students attending Colby were from Maine. Currently only 12% of Colby's student body hails from Vacationland.

Colby students are rarely seen fraternizing with Waterville residents in the 1980's. According to the poll, very few Colby students currently socialize with Waterville residents at all.

"I never see [Waterville residents] except when I go shopping. That and when I see the ones working in the dining hall," one student said.

The old campus was built in the center of Waterville in the early 1800's. The only existing reminder of Colby's tenure on College Avenue is a small stone marker on the corner of College Avenue and Main Street. The stone has been etched and smoothed by years of weathering, and is now flanked by a gasoline station and a pizza parlor.

Many Waterville area residents attended the sporting events at Colby while the campus was still downtown.

"My father worked at the college, and sometimes we would go up to the top of the Chemical Building to watch the football games. There was a great view from up there," Lit-

tlefield said.

The enthusiasm of Waterville residents, however, seems to have waned since the days of the Chemical Building. The poll of local residents shows that only a small percentage of those who live in Waterville ever come up to Mayflower Hill to watch the Colby teams play or to attend any function.

Although Colby claims to be a cultural center, only a small percentage of Waterville residents that do not have ties with Colby ever benefit from Colby's cultural expression, according to the poll.

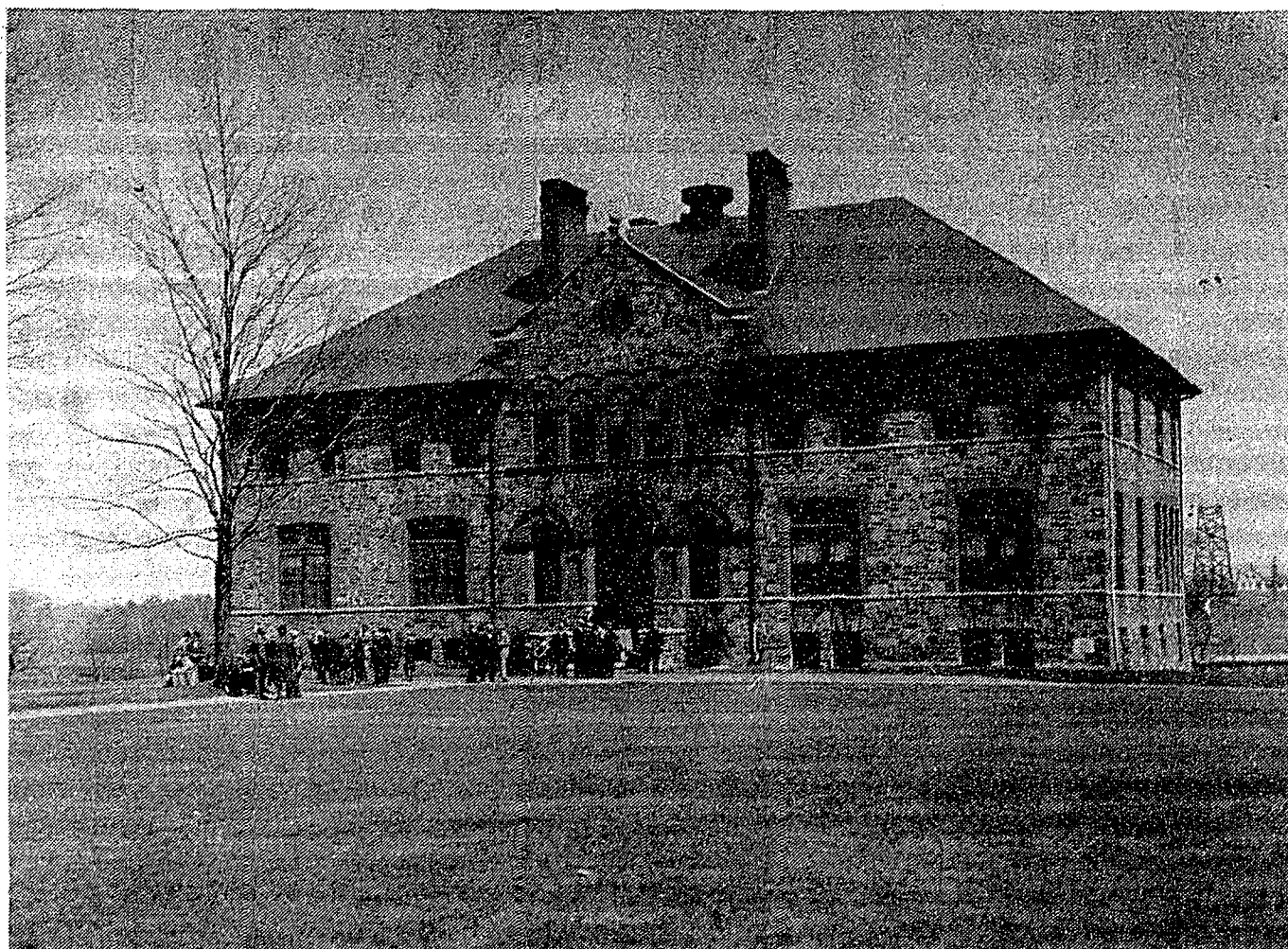
Back in the 1930's when Colby's President Johnson decided that it was time to move the campus, the owner of the Gannet publishing company offered a parcel of land in Augusta so that the College could expand from its cramped quarters where steam and smoke from the passing trains billowed onto the playing fields, and the railroad split the campus down the middle.

The residents of Waterville wanted to keep the college in the City so much that they donated the 570 city-owned acres atop Mayflower Hill as the new site for Colby, according to Stanley Nicholson, Administrative Vice President of the College. Two other sites were also suggested as potential land for the college.

Pung Hill, also known as the Colby Ski Hill, and the land which is now occupied by Thomas College were the two other parcels of land considered as the location for Colby's new home.

Nicholson said that he thinks the move from the city was a good idea. If we hadn't moved, Colby may have ended up like Bates College in Lewiston, always trying to acquire parcels of land that are located around the college. In a situation like Bates' the College and the City "get in each other's way," according to Nicholson. Colby avoided that problem by moving up the Hill away from

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This photo is of Chemical Hall, a building which was a part of Colby's campus when the college was still in the center of Waterville.

courtesy of Public Affairs

## Colgate Works Hard At Pleasing Townies

by Allison Morrill

Townpeople and college students gather on the Hamilton Village Green, eating hamburgers and hotdogs, and drinking soda provided by the Colgate dining service. Desserts that were brought by picnickers quickly disappear. Families and groups of friends sit Indian style on the lawn and talk. Colgate students who walked down from the hill and high-school students, hungry after their afternoon practices, have a chance to meet.

The Town/Gown picnic in Hamilton, New York, is held every September at the beginning of the new semester. It is sponsored by the College-Community Relations Council, and gives students at Colgate University, especially freshmen, the chance to meet townpeople.

Besides the picnic, the Town/Gown committee sponsors a Carol and Tree Lighting festival at Christmas. The committee meets once a month to work out problems, such as new zoning regulations, that will affect students living in Hamilton. Two Colgate students, the dean of the college, and the mayor of Hamilton serve on the council.

Like Colby, Colgate University is a small college with 2,700 students and an endowment of \$130 million. Unlike Colby, Colgate offers a structured ongoing cooperative effort to live with its host community.

Colgate pays the town of Hamilton \$50,000 in taxes on certain property, and although it is generally a tax exempt institution, voluntarily gives

Hamilton \$200,000 in lieu of taxes. In addition, Colgate makes a voluntary contribution of \$50,000 for the Hamilton ambulance service, hospital, day care and Fire Department.

Colgate offers a variety of services to townpeople. All athletic facilities, lectures and concerts are open to the public free of charge. Colgate runs a community students program in which high-school students are encouraged to take classes at Colgate for college credit with the minimal price of \$150 a course. During the summer, Colgate opens its facilities free of charge to the Hamilton Recreation Committee and many children learn to swim in its Olympic Size pool.

Colby College has no standing committee to discuss town-gown problems, has no direct interaction with Waterville in any planned events, and makes no voluntary contribution,

besides \$4,614 in property taxes on some houses in Waterville.

An important difference between the two schools is that Colgate is in the heart of Hamilton, which is primarily a college town with a population of 3,700, while Colby is isolated from the rest of Waterville's 20,000 inhabitants.

Thomas College, the business school of 557 students in Waterville, has "always had a good relation with Waterville," even though they pay no taxes or any money in lieu of taxes to the city, said Director of Public Affairs Devon Philips. Philips explained that Thomas, a school with no endowment, draws many of its students from Waterville and central Maine, and many Thomas graduates are employed by local businessmen. Thomas College runs a program in which students act as business consultants to small

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## About The Polls

Two polls were taken, one of Waterville residents randomly selected from the telephone book, the other of Colby students randomly selected from the school directory. In addition, views were obtained from administrators, faculty and staff. The surveys were made in the last 10 days.

The surveys lack some of the scientific qualities of public opinion polls. For example, the samples are not large enough to give a mathematically precise reading of opinion. With a lack of computer facilities, the answers could not be weighted, as scientific polls are, to make sure they represented an accurate cross section of the population.

As for the attempted survey of administrators, teachers, and staff workers, not enough people were polled to reach any firm conclusions.

Nevertheless, the poll and supplementary articles do provide indications of the relationship between Colby and the citizens of Waterville.

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# The Thin Line Between Hijinks And Crime

by Drew Simmons

On a starry, moonlit night, two unidentified "pranksters" scaled the two tiered roof of the Waterville "Cabbage Patch Adoption Center." From their escalated vantage point, they could see two local police cruisers parked at the Dunkin' Donuts shop across the intersection. Hanging from the building were several international flags. With the boost of surging adrenaline, the petty thieves rapidly cut off the flags and stuffed them into their jackets. The two moved unhindered into the night, excited by their recent appropriation.

In the wake of the Christmas thefts which caused the dis-

banding of two underground fraternities, college pranks have come under scrutiny as being detrimental to a healthy town and gown relationship. These seemingly innocent actions of undergraduate mischief have proven to be filled with widespread ramifications. An act which involves the local police authorities crosses the fine line between a prank and a crime.

Petty thievery, small scale vandalism, and trespassing are the predominant choices of college pranksters. With the assistance of alcohol and adrenaline, the barriers of conscience are easily jumped. In an interview with an anony-

mous prankster, it was said that "I never committed any prank sober, that was part of the fun: to be giggling and blatantly stupid, but still somehow get away with it."

Returning to the dormitory with the prize of a stolen street sign or a pilfered Domino's pizza, his petty thefts were transformed into a contest to see who could score the biggest trophy.

The arrest of the Zeta Psi pranksters and the dissolution of the Delta Upsilon fraternity have demonstrated the concrete effects that arise from getting caught. These thefts of Christmas decorations were in-

tended for the adornment of holiday semi-formals. Aside from the sentimental and monetary values of the decorations, no real permanent loss could have arisen.

Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger declared the penalties of disbanding helped the Colby community to realize that "the foolishness of fraternities had some real ramifications." However, pranks of this nature are not limited to fraternities. In the Dana residence hall, out of a surveyed 35 rooms, only 3 were absent of an object stolen as a part of a prank. Banners and street signs covered the walls in this freshman, frater-

nity free, dormitory. The potential for disaster in a missing stop sign or any other item of traffic legislation brings to mind the painful damage that could arise from such a prank.

The plague of parking lot thefts and vandalism has troubled Colby security for years. In the remote corners of the campus, pranksters have indeed changed into thieves. Ron Cutter, a four year veteran of Colby security described his anxiety about these late night confrontations: "I keep saying that one of these times, one of us is going to get blown away sometime. I mean, they see the flashing lights and... boom."

## Filth Drives Some Students Off Campus

by Laura Davis

Sunday night on Colby campus: the steps leading down to the basement of Small are scattered with empty tomato-sauce cans, stained Domino's pizza boxes, newsletters and Big Mac containers. A pitcher filled with stale beer, tobacco spit and cigarette butts perches on a ledge in the hallway of third floor Pepper. A three foot overhead light has been ripped out of the ceiling in the base-

ment of Champlin and lies in broken particles on the floor. Fire escape windows have been cracked, toilets have gone unflushed and furniture has been destroyed.

On Monday, staff workers and visitors are offended when they arrive at work and find that the hall that was vacuumed a few days ago looks like a war zone. Even students have decided to escape from this atmosphere and seek their own residence off campus.

Whether or not the commu-

nity is aware, students who live off campus are forced to behave more maturely and independently than students who live on campus. Students who live off campus must pay rent on a monthly basis and find transportation to and from class. They rely on themselves to prepare their meals and they also have no choice but to pick up after themselves.

Students at Colby College have become increasingly interested in living off campus. Last semester 148 students rented rooms or homes in the Waterville area. "That's very high compared to other semesters," Paul Johnston, Dean of Housing, noted. "We usually average about 125 off campus students per semester." Off campus living has eliminated the housing shortage at Colby.

The administration responded to the rise in off campus students by refusing to accept any new proposals to live off campus for second semester. Johnston explained that four years ago the popularity of off campus life could have been attributed to students' dissatisfaction with the abolition of fraternities. He felt that four years after the transition fraternities could no longer be the cause of such vast relocation.

Students who live off campus found the dorm life at Colby unsatisfactory for several reasons. Phil Adams '90 has been living off campus for two years. He took a year off between his freshman and sophomore year. Phil decided to continue to live off campus when he returned because he, "didn't like the campus scene." Attending school while living off campus enabled Phil to pursue his education while avoiding campus life.

Some students returned to Colby after traveling and realized that dorm life inhibited their independence. Curtis Carlson '89, and Courtney Ingrassia '89 spent their junior year abroad and decided that they could not return to dorm

life. "I really like living off campus," asserted Courtney. "Something has to be done to make life on campus more diverse."

Joe Lilore '90 mentioned the faults that he found in campus life. "Living off campus you don't have to deal with any discrimination or random abuse." He felt that the school allowed the existence of a sexist social life by allowing parties with names like "Easy Access" to take place.

Jon Kupson '90 thought that living off campus would be a "change of pace." Jon did not have a chance to go abroad his junior year as many other Colby students did. He decided to travel a few blocks away from campus instead.

Other students acknowledged that living off campus prepared them for life after college. Ingrid Kasaks '89 described her move off campus as a "transition into the real world." "Living off campus you learn to be a little more responsible for yourself," Gary D'Angelo explained.

Living off campus is also less expensive. Christine Tucille '91 originally considered moving off campus for reasons similar to those previously mentioned. She made her decision when she realized that she would save enough money living off campus to buy herself a used car.

The off campus students' answers were split when asked

whether or not they had a better relationship with the Waterville community since their move. Kevin Whalen '91 does not think that living off campus has brought him closer to the residents of Waterville.

"Most residents can't tell who lives on or off campus," he said. "The people who live next door don't mind us because we don't bother them."

Christine disagreed: "Students who live off campus might get a little more respect just because what the community doesn't like about Colby students off campus students might not like about other Colby students either."

Phil said that living off campus brings him into contact with Waterville residents every day. "I think Waterville is a very friendly community once you get to know it." Phil mentioned that there is a large musical community out there that most Colby students are not aware of.

The students interviewed agreed that Colby needed to open up its doors more to Waterville and invite the residents in. Some felt that the administration should schedule more co-sponsored events. Others believed that Colby students should make themselves more available to the residents. All of the students felt that Colby had a long way to go before it could consider itself one with the community.

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businesses in the area. The relation is twofold as Waterville offers local internships to Thomas students, and employment to Thomas graduates.

Bowdoin College, with its student body of 1,350 students, has "a good relationship with Brunswick, a town of 17,000 people," said President Leroy Greason. "We are very sensitive to the town, and work in close cooperation with Brunswick because of our close proximity to it," said director of Bowdoin Public Relations Richard Mercereau.

Bowdoin, which has an endowment of \$134 million, pays Brunswick \$80,000 in taxes, about \$50,000 of which is voluntary because of the non-profit status.

"Bowdoin is the seventh top tax payer in Brunswick," said President Greason. Bowdoin occasionally assists in local projects, but makes no contribution to facilities, as does Colgate.

Although Bowdoin has no Town/Gown committee, it does have the "Association of Bowdoin friends", which has 2,000 members who take part in events. Like Colby, Bowdoin offers many services to the town, such as the 350 student volunteers who work with Brunswick programs.

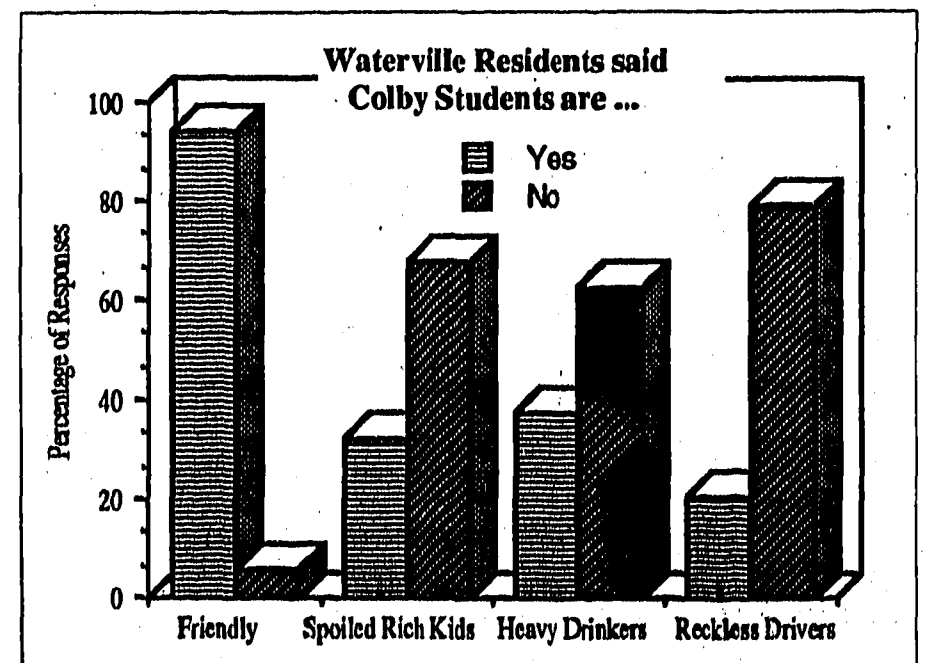
"We go out of our way to invite

the community to Bowdoin events," said Mercereau. "We have a laissez-faire attitude towards Brunswick, and it is the best interest of both Bowdoin and Brunswick to keep the relation good."

Bates College has a current enrollment of 1,500 students and has an endowment of \$53.5 million. It pays \$78,000 in property taxes on some 30 non-educational buildings that the school owns in Lewiston. The college makes no official payment in lieu of taxes to Lewiston, a city with a population of 40,000.

"Bates has tried to minimize the demand on town services, such as the Lewiston police by hiring more of our own campus security," said Richard Denison, the Director of News at Bates. "One of the greatest services Bates offers to Lewiston is with our student volunteers, who work with people from the battered women's shelter and the hospital, and children in the Big Brother Big Sister program."

Sometimes schools that are firm about their tax exempt status relent a little. Colby College does pay taxes on President Cotter's house since Waterville challenged it to do so. And Bates College, although it makes no voluntary payment to Lewiston, did offer to pay for the sidewalk to be repaired outside the building that will become its new admissions office.





# Colby Pay Study To Take Six Months

by Jennifer Scott

This year, the Hay Corporation, an independent consulting company hired by the school, is in the process of reevaluating the entire wage structure at Colby. This review, which was brought about as a result of a demand by Colby employees for higher wages, will be completed by June 30th, the end of the fiscal year. Then, the college authorities must decide how they will change the pay scale for Colby employees.

Thus, employees' hopes for higher wages must be postponed for half a year longer. The delay, in turn, handicaps the Colby Personnel Office in terms of what it can pay its Waterville employees. So employees will continue to draw the same wages they have for years.

One person who will be happy to hear of this study is Jeanne Carey. Jeanne is a cleaning person in Dana Dorm, and

has been the second mom for many a Dana inhabitant for 28 years—28 years of picking up messes, of cheerfully greeting students as they stumble out of their rooms in the morning, and of returning lost possessions that somehow fell under the couch or behind the phone.

Jeanne is just one of the many people employed by the college from outside the academic

world who continue to work here year after year because they "love the students." These employees from Waterville are among the most devoted Colby people around. But an employee in a position similar to Jeanne's makes only about \$4.40 an hour to start out. The question arises then, are these employees from Waterville being paid as much as they should

be?

"When I started working here five years ago, I was making about \$4 an hour," says Ron Cutter of Colby Safety and Security. Five years later, Cutter is still making less than \$7 an hour. A security job on an isolated college campus in central Maine may not always seem like a life-threatening position but it has its dangerous moments.

For example, the incident which occurred January 12th where a rapist, armed with a gun, was suspected to be roaming the campus. It's times like these when \$6 an hour doesn't seem like nearly enough money to be paying an unarmed officer who risks his life for the security of the students.

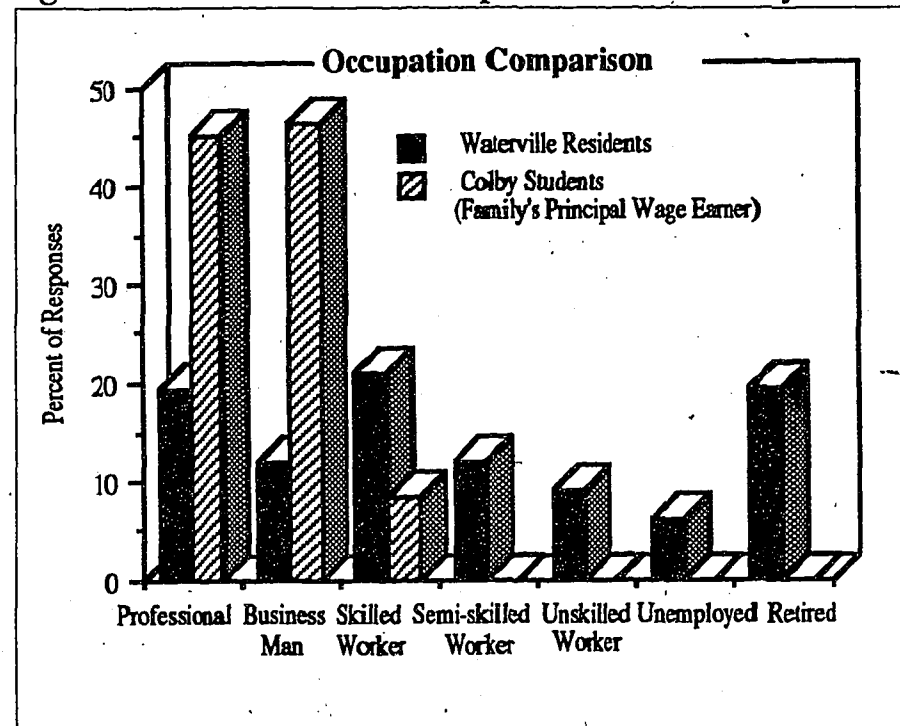
The starting wage for a safety and security officer at Colby College, according to Director Mark Van Valkenburg, is currently \$6 an hour. Starting salary for a Domino's delivery person in Waterville is roughly \$6.40 an hour. The minimum

wage in the state of Maine is \$3.65.

Van Valkenburg says that when he hires a new employee he wants that person to have some fire fighting experience, and is trained in law enforcement and first aid. "It's hard," says Van Valkenburg, "because I want to hire qualified people, yet I can only pay them so much."

In Waterville, where the unemployment rate is a low 2.9 per cent, an individual is eligible for unemployment benefits of up to \$171 a week plus \$5 for each dependent child if that person earned a high of \$313 per week before losing his or her job. A 40-hour work week for a Colby safety and security officer just starting out means only \$240 before taxes.

This explains why Cutter must work part time for the Waterville Police Department, and at his business downtown, as well as log in as much overtime as he can at Colby in order to support his family.



## You Can Get There From Here

by Deb Fuller

Though Colby College is stuck up on the hill, more than a mile from town, 45 miles from the nearest ski slopes, and 200 miles from a major metropolis, students do seem to be able to get "there from here."

In the process of getting "there from here" a healthy relationship has grown between Colby College and the city of Waterville concerning

Of the 50 students polled, 25 percent said they use Greyhound, the only busline which services the college, "occasionally." Only 3.7 percent of the students polled said they use it "often," and the remaining 71.3 percent "never" use it. One student said "I only take the bus when there is no other way for me to get home. And, with all the students heading south to the Boston area, it is hardly

ally" used by 22.5 percent of the polled students. No one reported taking a taxi "often." One student said enough of her friends have cars that it is unnecessary for her to take a taxi. In fact, there are 1,000 registered cars at Colby. More than 56 percent of the students have cars on campus.

Don's taxi is the only taxi service headquartered in Waterville. Though the city is served by two other companies, Don's advertises at Colby and gets most of the student's business. Darlene Hersom, the dispatcher, estimated "roughly 25 or 30 percent" of their customers to be students. She said students are an important portion of their customers.

She has never had any complaints from drivers about poor tipping or behavior by any students. Neither the city clerk nor the Waterville police have had any complaints about the taxi service. Students do wonder about the legitimacy of the rates, though.

One student said he took a taxi a number of times and, even though he followed the exact same route each time, he was always charged a different amount. The owner, Donald Michaud, was not available for comment or explanation concerning rates.

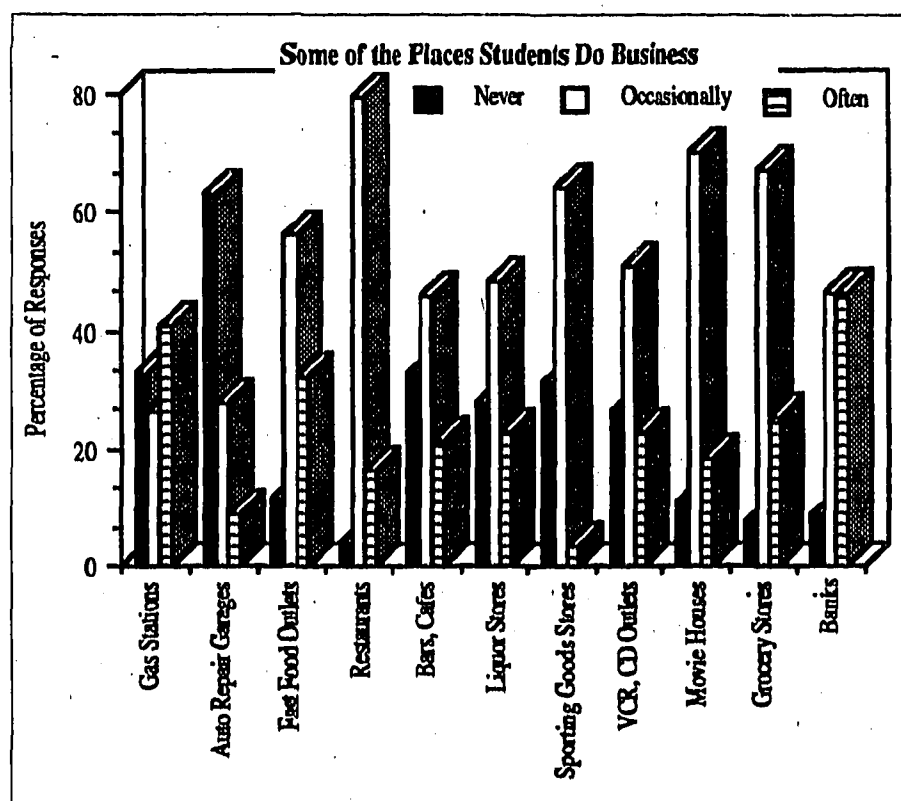
Valley Airlines is the only company that services the Waterville airport. Paradis, although he did not have an exact percentage of students as customers, stressed the importance of student's business. 17.5 percent of the polled students said they "occasionally" or

"often" used the airlines.

There is a flight from Waterville to Boston that leaves three times a day. Paradis' only concern is that he doesn't think students are aware of what is available to them. Valley offers a "student fare" on the Boston flight which is \$76 for a one way ticket. Paradis said he does not notice very many students taking advantage of this \$16 reduction in the fare.

gets more business than McQuade's downtown agency, Waterville Travel. McQuade pays "a very fair rent," said head of purchasing Kenneth Gagnon and also gives Colby 20 percent of their gross income. These exact figures are confidential.

Colby's contribution to transportation is the "Jitney," a free shuttle which takes students anywhere in Waterville. The



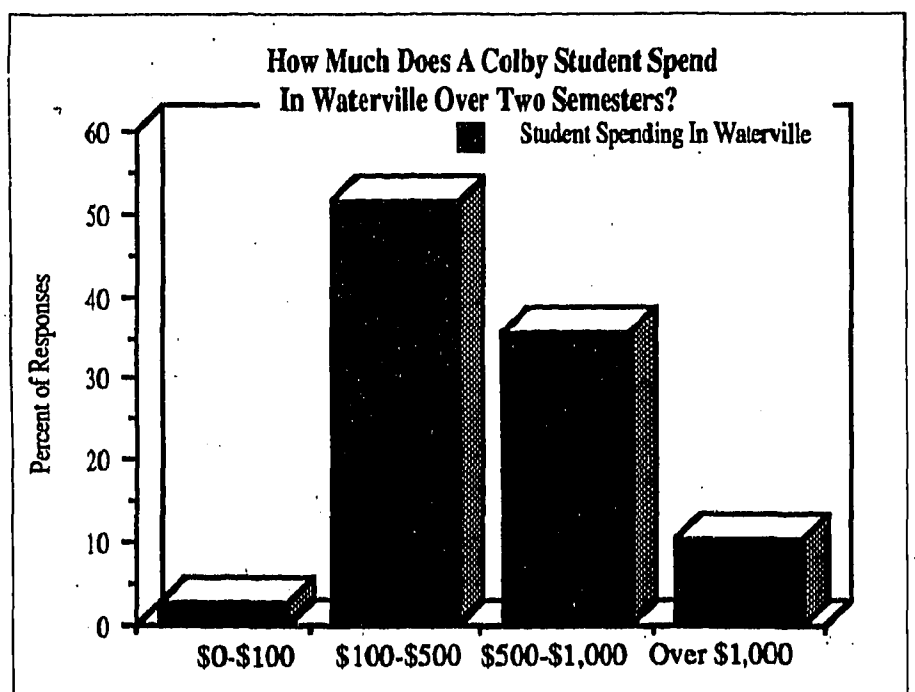
means of transportation. "We have a nice relationship with the students at Colby," said Gene Paradis of Valley Airlines. No official complaints have been filed against students by any transportation company and students don't have any complaints, either.

Results from a survey taken showed that the bus is the most commonly used form of transportation by Colby students.

ever the case."

The cost of a one way ticket to Boston is forty dollars. There is an unavoidable stop in Portland and the bus leaves at strange times. One junior remembers getting up when it was still dark to catch a bus at 7:10 a.m. Every Friday night the bus comes up to Mayflower Hill to drop its student passengers off.

Taxi services are "occasion-



McQuade Enterprises, owners of Campus Travel in the Colby Bookstore, make just about all of the travel arrangements for students. Days Travel and Travel Partners, both competitors in Waterville, report less than five percent of their business to be Colby students.

Campus Travel does business for students, faculty, staff, administrators, athletic teams, and prospectives at Colby College. The owner, Stephen Beaudreau, said Campus travel

idea of free Colby transportation rose from safety concerns. In 1978, a girl was hit by a car while jogging up Mayflower Hill and later killed by the driver.

Director of Safety and Security Mark Van Valkenburg, likes the idea of a safe escort around campus, a sober ride home from off-campus parties, and a free ride downtown for shopping or dinner. The Jitney operates from 4 p.m. to midnight on weeknights and until 1 a.m. on weekend nights.

# Colby Using Bookstore As Money Machine

by David Douglass

The physical separation between the campus and the city of Waterville enables Colby to charge extra for the convenience of shopping on campus. In this role students pay an added cost for convenience.

The college owned campus bookstore takes in \$2.1 million dollars in sales and generates more than \$100,000 in additional revenue for the college. Store manager Bruce Barnard explained that in the past school stores were expected to break even but, with the rising cost of running a college campus, stores were tapped as an additional source of revenue. As a result, the college has come to count on the additional profits from the store.

Control over access to the student market has enabled the college to limit what and whom the students see on campus. Four years ago the book store had only \$700,000 in sales. A large part of the increase in recent years has been sales of Macintosh computers. Computer sales accounted for \$900,000 of last year's total sales.

Barnard admitted store prices were slightly higher than downtown Waterville. But he stated, "Students pay a little extra for convenience."

Barnard contends that national recognition of what is a

fair price and respect for students' wallets keeps the markup to a minimum.

Administration Vice President Stanley Nicholson said the physical isolation of the college helped make Colby a supplier to students.

Bowdoin and Bates both have institutionally run campus stores.

The buying power of the student body is in part controlled by the school's purchasing policy. The decision over who can sell services on campus is made by the purchasing department. The director of purchasing at Colby, Kenneth Gagnon, explained that contracts set up between the college and other

businesses give the contractor exclusive rights to that market. Any student can get comparable services in downtown Waterville.

Competitors to businesses that have contracts with Colby are restricted in their access to students.

Campus Travel Service has a contract with Colby in which it pays the college \$20,000 in exchange for its location in Roberts Union. The college, in exchange, does not allow other agencies to advertise on campus.

Peoples Heritage Bank also has a contract with the college that enables it to maintain its money machine on campus. As

long as a minimum number of transactions is done through the machine Colby holds to its contract. Incoming freshmen are sent notices suggesting that Peoples Heritage be used. Other banks cannot send such notices by campus mail because of the contract with Peoples Heritage.

The bidding process takes into account past business practice with the college and the location. The Businesses of the Waterville region are usually given preference because of the way problems can be more easily resolved.

Companies that sell their product through students to other students on items such as credit

cards or newspapers are supposed to contact the purchasing department. Campus representatives of major corporations arrange an agreement with the school that lets them sell on campus. The school then sets ground rules for how they can advertise and solicit students.

"Student solicitors must have an educational value," Gagnon said. The basis for deciding who can and who cannot sell on campus is limited to the school's decision as to whether the corporation is being fair to the students. Student representatives must get more from the experience than additional spending money.

## \$83,000 Down The Toilet

by Billy Goodman

Joe College returns from a strenuous day of courses, including a 200-level Advanced Basket weaving, a 300-level English (How To interpret the literary meanings of Rambo I, II and III) and kicks open the door to his humble dormitory abode. As he enters, he flicks on the light switch and makes his way toward the 2,000-watt stereo, which he turns up to fourteen and inserts his favorite disk. He then wanders down the hall and uses mom and dad's MCI card to call his girlfriend, who's doing her Jan Plan in Timbuktu.

Flick it, flush it, switch it, turn it, call it, dial it. These are the things that Colby students do every day, never usually giving any thought to the company behind the water, power or telephone line. However, looking at the utilities that Colby uses in an academic year

it became apparent that the college obviously does look at the companies behind the products.

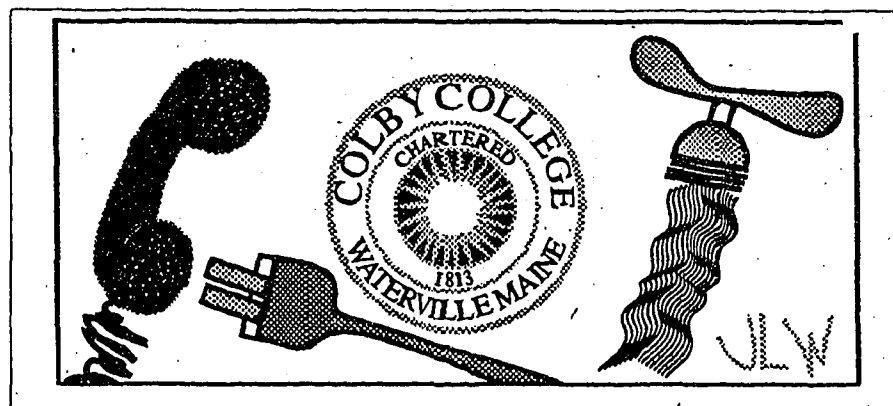
The water that Colby freshmen drink must come as somewhat of surprise to their taste buds. They arrive in beautiful Central Maine with visions of

Poland Spring water gushing from their sinks only to be greeted by water that tastes as though it came from Johnson Pond. In an interview with the head of Physical Plant, Allan Lewis, he said:

"The water may look funny, taste funny and smell funny, but there is absolutely nothing wrong with it. We've had independent surveys done and there is nothing wrong with it."

However he pointed to a jug of water in the corner and said "I bring my own drinking water from home."

Central Maine Power is the biggest of Colby's utilities, continued on page 15



## You May Like The Food, They Like The Tips

by Colleen McDonald

Colby people who walk into almost any bar or restaurant in Waterville are viewed as lucrative customers, good tippers, and knowledgeable, well-mannered appreciators of good food.

The manager of You Know Who's Pub, Tammy Shirley, estimated Colby generates 50 percent of her business. "I don't think we cater to Colby, but we have a lot of Colby students who come in."

She said that all of the Colby customers are different, and "some are wilder than others." But she said they tend to be good customers and good tippers.

Business is not doomed when the school year ends, she added. "In the summer we have tourists, but while they [the students] are here, we certainly have a lot of business."

Half a block away Steve Massey, the co-owner of Steve's, said his movie-house-turned-restaurant also welcomes Colby people.

But he estimated Colby generates only 4 percent of the busi-

ness at his family owned and operated restaurant, because "most of my customers are locals."

Those people from Colby who do patronize Steve's are "knowledgeable on food and spirit," Massey said.

Students are "very well mannered" when they come to Steve's. Massey said, "This is not You Know Who's Pub, you know."

Steve's is "a year round restaurant which caters to the locals. . . It's the local secret." However, Massey added, "We always gear up when we're aware of Colby functions," such as parents' weekends, sporting events, winter festivals, and orientation.

Jessie Marin, Last Unicorn manager, said 15 percent of its business is Colby related, but that figure is "pure guess work." She said the percentage varies during different times of year. For instance, during graduation, she estimated Colby business at 50 percent.

"The staff as well as the students are excellent customers," Marin said. More staff members are regular customers, she said, because "students are

obviously on a tighter budget—some of them."

Marin said that when the restaurant first opened, Colby students were not good tippers, "but now they seem to be more sympathetic to the tipping scene."

Marin said the only negative experience she could recall involving a Colby student was when a student who wanted something extra done to his order said, "tell him [the cook] I'm from Colby and he'll do it for me." Marin replied: "If you knew the chef you'd be laughing twice as hard, because he wouldn't do anything extra for his mother."

The owner of Carousel, Dottie Moores, said "Colby is a great source of business." She estimated 25 percent of her business is Colby related.

"I love to have Colby students here. They appreciate good food, and they are definitely excellent tippers," Moores said. "I really think highly of Colby students. I think the relationship between Colby and Waterville is excellent. I've never had a bad experience with Colby."

Champions, a local night club,

said that on weekends Colby students compose about 10 percent of the business, but on Wednesdays, their patronage is 90 percent Colby students. "Colby keeps our Wednesday nights going," manager Laura Laggasse said. Champions is still known as the Courthouse to Colby students, even though the name changed over three years ago.

Fast food restaurants also appreciate the business generated by Colby. Steve Mackey, of the family-owned Waterville House of Pizza, said Colby generates approximately 20 percent of his business. He said the students were "pretty good tippers." Adding, "My drivers tell me that the girls up there are better tippers than the boys."

The assistant manager of Dominoes, Michelle Pease, seems to share Mackey's enthusiasm for Colby students. She said Colby students make up at least a quarter of their business, and "they're pretty good tippers, at least till they run out of money towards the end of the year."

Pease said the only Colby related problem was when a person tried to break into a

delivery man's car while he was delivering a pizza to Colby. The delivery man happened to be an off-duty policeman. He had his handcuffs with him, so he apprehended the student, who turned out to be from the University of Maine, and held him until security arrived.

The manager of Arby's, Steve Hall, could offer no percentages, but he said five or six Colby students come in each day, and about 50 per week. He said most of them come during the weekends and afternoons. "We have a few who come in and study here."

This receptive attitude towards Colby extends beyond Waterville to Winslow, namely the small restaurant Bonnie's. This one room restaurant with eight tables and twelve stools specializes in home-cooked breakfasts and lunches.

Bonnie's "definitely caters to Colby kids," according to Jan Wright, who cooks and waits tables.

Wright said, "During the week; we serve lunch to our regulars, but on weekends there's no lunch served. It's just breakfast all day long, and it's mostly Colby kids."



# Students Find Volunteer Work Fun

by Margaret McCrudden

Imagine life without being able to read. seEiNG TyPinG that confuses and doesn't mean anything. This is a realistic and frustrating way of life for about 10% per cent of Maine adults. Colby PLUS in Waterville is helping these adults to read and write better. "Learning to read is exciting," one student said, "It opens all kinds of new challenges to me."

The literacy program is only one way Colby volunteers are giving their time to those in need in the local area. They are working in churches, youth groups, schools, and soup kitchens.

Sophomore Elaine Jorgenson has organized a program that allows Colby students to work in conjunction with the Waterville High School Adult Education Program to help reduce the problem of illiteracy and sharpen skills in reading and writing. In the fall, there were about 15 tutors helping one hundred students in verbal, math, social studies and science skills.

Most of the students are tak-

ing the course to earn their GED, General Educational Development, an equivalency test that is more difficult than a high school diploma. The GED will allow many students to acquire more skilled, higher paying jobs.

Other students are enrolled in the classes to improve their reading skills. One man, about age 40, is studying so that he can correspond by mail with his two sons who are students at the University of Maine.

The tutors take an eight hour training program. They work one on one with the students each week for about two hours at the high school.

"Many of the students come in thinking that they can't do the work and are stupid," said freshman volunteer Tricia Baldrige. "It's a good feeling for me when they realize their ability. The students can do the work, they just need someone to take the time to help them."

Lisa Levinson, Director of the PLUS program in Waterville, reports that the program is growing, and next semester they hope to have even more

students and tutors. "Because of the funding and the increase in the number of students, we really depend on every volunteer and are thankful that we can have the program in Waterville."

Another organization on campus that benefits the residents of Waterville is Colby Friends. This is the largest volunteer organization on campus with about fifty members. Each Colby student has a little brother or sister and tries to visit or talk with him or her at least once a week. Most of the children are underprivileged, from single parent working families, or families that don't always have the time that they would like to spend with their children.

"It's really fun for me, and the kids appreciate the time that we spend with them," said one big sister. "Sometimes we play games, have lunch or go on walks through the campus, and it is sort of free babysitting for the parents, who need the free time."

Curtis Carlson, another participant in the Big Brother Pro-

gram said, "Colby students need to realize that only a few blocks away down on Water Street people are sleeping on front porches."

The students at Colby are also helping the elderly and mentally retarded of the nearby communities, through Pet Therapy. Organized by senior Gail Rutherford, students bring puppies and kittens each week from the humane society to Clearview Manor, a home for mentally retarded children, St. Joseph's Nursing Home, and Colonial Manor Nursing Home.

Gail notes that the feel of soft fur is a real comfort, "the patients really look forward to it all day," she said. "Seeing and touching the kittens and puppies brings back a lot of memories, and they tell stories of their own pets."

Colby students also help out daily at the soup kitchen at Sacred Heart Parish on Pleasant Street in Waterville that operates Monday through Friday for a noontime meal serving about 125 Waterville residents. Colby students assist

the parish visiting with the people and serving the food.

The soup kitchen at the Notre Dame Church on Silver Street, organized and served by Colby volunteers, and operates every couple weeks. This meal serves approximately 100 homeless, lonely, and poor individuals and families.

The students from Colby buy, cook, prepare, and cleanup the noontime meal. The money for the meal comes from the Sunday collection and from the treasury of the Neuman Council, the Catholic organization on campus.

Father John, the Catholic Chaplain said, "The parishioners who have worked with Colby students, whether teaching religion classes or helping out at the soup kitchens, can't say enough about the students and their generous concern for social justice. However, I'd love to see more people take advantage of the volunteer services at Colby."

If you are interested in helping within the community contact Amy Momenee, Gail Rutherford, or Rachel England.

# They Walk For Their Lives In Field House

by Brian Batting

There is something going on at the field house on weekday mornings from 6 to 10 and it doesn't involve Colby athletics.

Colby College is offering a program for Waterville residents and Colby students alike where people can use the indoor track for walking as exercise. Of course, there are a few runners who arrive for their daily workouts, and one man speeds around the indoor track on a bicycle before many walkers even arrive at 6 am. However, most of those you see on the track are doing nothing but taking a leisurely walk.

If one were to stand in the lobby and take a peak below they would be amused at the various gaits of the walkers, whose ages range from 18 to 80. There are waddles resembling

penguins and walks that look as if the person was running in slow motion. Some people want to be original and go in the opposite direction from the main flow of traffic.

The program focuses on the elderly and offers an excellent opportunity to exercise without much strain. One such walker is Fernand Libby, 66, a retired citizen of Waterville. Libby has lived in Waterville virtually all his life, with the exception of part of his childhood, and he is just getting involved in the program at the recommendation of several of his friends.

Libby used to run Waterville Hardware which has since had its name changed under a new ownership.

When Libby was still working, many of his friends who were customers at the store told

him about the program. "Libby," they would tell him, "you must come down when you get the chance."

Running the store took up all of his time so he wasn't able to become involved until his retirement.

Libby has been no stranger to this type of exercise. He and his wife, Madge, have used the Colby campus as a walking grounds for years during the summer months. Now he has the free time and he is to get into a daily regimen of using the field house for his morning walks. He also plans to bring Madge with him.

"I think this is great, and I know my wife would love it," he said. "I'm going to start bringing her down here with me everyday." Walking is one of several programs which the college offers to the community. Libby points to the sledding down the small slopes off to the right side of President Cotter's house and the skating on Johnson Pond as other activities which the residents of Waterville can become involved in. He feels that Colby does an excellent job of allowing the community to use the facilities, which he also added, are terrific.

A walk around the track with Fernand Libby makes clear why so many senior citizens, as well as middle aged people, enjoy taking these morning strolls. It is a pleasant atmosphere where

individuals can be alone to think to themselves or join with friends to converse. It serves as a social as well as a health function.

The relationship between Colby and the Waterville community is a very positive one, according to Libby. Friends of his who use the facilities have mentioned to him that they feel the college does a great job in providing activities for the elderly and Libby agrees.

Libby does not attend any of the athletic events personally because his wife was never terribly interested in sports. However, he knows several people who enjoy watching Colby athletics as well as other events such as theater.

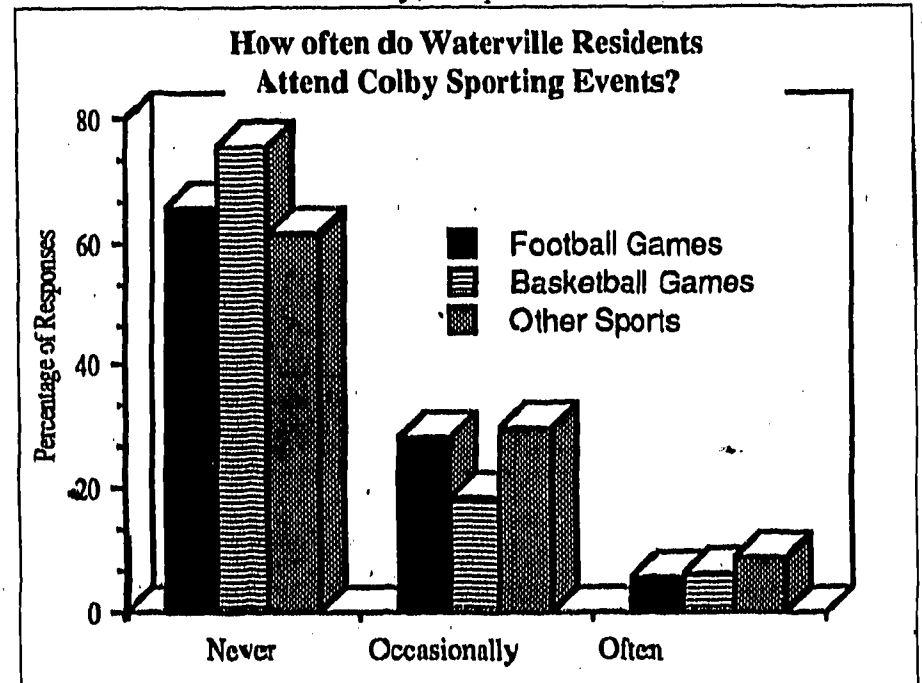
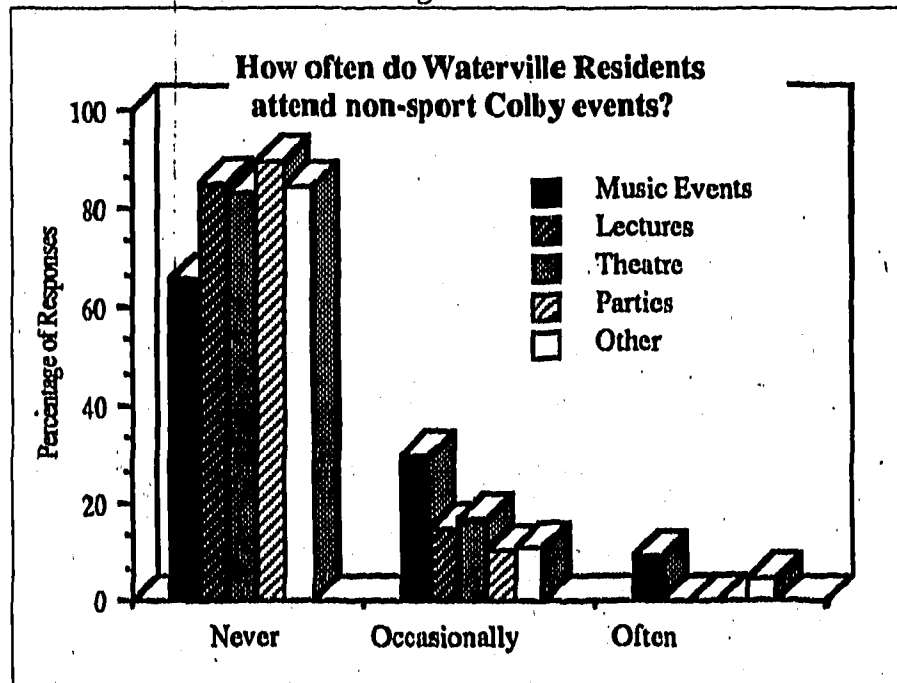
"Colby provides excellent entertainment and it is certainly beneficial to the community,"

he said.

In the spring, the walkers will be able to use the new outdoor track donated last September by Harold and Bibby Alfond. The plaque for the dedication of the Alfond track reads:

"This facility dedicated on September 24, 1988 in recognition of the Alfonds strong belief in the relationship among student athletes, the Waterville area community, Colby College and its alumni and friends."

The dedication ceremony at halftime during the opening Colby football game was capped when students and residents took an inaugural lap around the track. As the college provides more and more facilities to residents, people like Fernand Libby are responding. For some, a simple stroll around the track is much appreciated.



# LETTERS/OPINION

## Symmetrical Trees Are Funny, The Tap Water Is Not

Colby College can be a very superficial place. You might even call it fake. A lot of our inside humor at Colby is derived from the often huge distances between reality and what the college claims is true or what seems to be true. Appearance matters a lot.

The statement that "Fraternities don't impact campus life anymore," Parents' Weekend (for which they painted the wood Rugby field goal posts white this past Fall) and all-campus parties would all be on my list of fake or superficial things at Colby.

I've never heard anyone state that the trees around campus actually grew only in those spots that would make a symmetrical pattern. Nor has it been claimed that Colby cut down all the trees except for those still standing in the pattern, but it seems that we're supposed to believe one of those two. And the prospective students on a campus tour don't know what to believe. Of course, the truth is unveiled the first time you see Physical Plant evening things up by planting a twenty-five foot seedling in front of Dana or Miller Library.

But one of the longest standing jokes on Mayflower hill - the tap water - has turned out not to be very funny. Maine is supposed to be a healthy place. Blue skies, pine forests, swift rivers and clean lakes. At Colby, the tap water is not only muddy, but filled with lead. Colby would be better off with a water filtration facility than symmetrical trees.

We've all noticed the "floaties" or particulate in the drinking water and, usually, not thought much about it other than "gross". You would have to be nearly blind to drink the water in Mudd, it has been up to 20 percent mud.

As I Freshman, I can remember waiting for the water to "settle" before we filled our fish tank with it. At least it didn't look so dirty. And so I fell into the trap too. Sure the water will still be bad after 5 minutes, the lead and organic particulate will still be there, but at least it will look o.k.

As *Echo* Contributor Britt Moore discovered, the water at Colby is perilously close to violating some safety levels set by the 1986 Amendment to the Clean Water Act.

That isn't funny at all.

With the combination of poor water quality in China Lake, from which Colby draws water, and the high amount of lead added to the water from the college's own pipes, we should think twice before drinking ten gallons of the stuff.

But warning us now isn't much of a solution. The college must take action to improve the water quality on campus. Who knows? In addition to promoting students' health, maybe Seiler's food will taste better too.

Chip Gavin  
Special Editor

## Ethics In Question

I was greatly offended by a recent editorial printed in the *The Colby Echo* in which Special Editor Chip Gavin expressed outrage at the Colby administration for having granted anonymity to the Zeta Psi and Delta Upsilon fraternity members in exchange for the dissolution of their organizations. Mr. Gavin bases his complete argument on worry about professors not giving recommendations to students based upon

suspected fraternity membership, and I consider that argument to be both narrow-minded and crass.

Any professor that would deny a good, hard working student a recommendation just because he is suspected of being a fraternity member is a professor who has no business giving recommendations in the first place. What the student does in the time he spends outside of class, whether it be legal or ille-

gal, is his own business. I find it rather hard for professors, who I only see academically, to judge the whole me based upon our interaction in class. The professor can only go so far as to say that I perform or do not perform in the given class.

Fraternity membership plays absolutely no part in the classroom activities and the professor has no business including it in his or her decision to write continued on page 16

## Confidentiality Sacred

Some people would have the administration publish the names of all known fraternity members, past and present, at Colby. They would argue that a faculty member has the right to deny a student a recommendation, or to write a negative recommendation, purely on the basis of fraternity affiliation—and that therefore such knowledge should be made public.

I agree that a faculty member can write or not write a recommendation on any grounds, and

in writing one might include anything the faculty member thinks pertinent. A future employer, in asking for a faculty recommendation, is looking for precisely this sort of educated opinion about an employee-candidate. It is an opinion made valuable because of the unique perspective afforded the educator, who is able to provide insight into various academic and other strengths of character which a particular student might possess.

I do not, however, agree that because of this the administration should provide the names of those people they know are or have been affiliated with fraternities. These recommendations never presume total knowledge of the personal life of the student in question, and this is as it should be. One might hope that the opinions expressed in them would be as well-informed as possible. One might even hope they would continued on page 16

## Faulty Reasoning

We would like to point out a few fundamental flaws in Chip Gavin's opinion as presented in *The Colby Echo* last week.

We are both seniors, and former members of the Delta Upsilon fraternity. We are disappointed that you felt it necessary to use your position at the *Echo* to express an opinion as inflammatory and uninformed as the one you did. As an editor, it is your responsibility to get both sides of the issue

in the interest of fairness. To publish what you did was both irresponsible and unprofessional.

Have you ever knowingly spoken to a fraternity member about fraternities? In a world where history is written by the victors it is easy to understand why you have such a dim and uninformed view of "Greek organizations". All that you have heard from the Administration is that fraternities are

exclusionary groups that actively discriminate against others. You weren't here when fraternities still existed, and odds are that you don't know many people who were. We do know people who were at Colby during that time.

We joined DU because of those people. They were close friends of ours. That is the basis upon which fraternities are formed. They did not force us to join, continued on page 15

## The Insult Of Coach Whitmore's Behavior

As a Bates student with a Colby graduate brother and a very good friend still enrolled at your college, I went into Monday the 16th's Men's Basketball game, at Bates, hoping for a hard fought, well played game. I was not disappointed. Congratulations on a fine team effort and the victory.

I was disappointed, however, with the conduct of Colby Head Coach Dick Whitmore. Mr.

Whitmore, in objection to what he felt was an attempt to injure Matt Hancock, threw his jacket and kicked the Colby bench. He followed this up not only by bullying and screaming at the officials, but by "arguing" toe-to-toe with them, the gym announcer, and the people at the scorer's table, and by literally trying to chase down Bates Head Coach Rick Boyages.

Mr. Whitmore's behavior was

uncalled for and extremely unprofessional. Because of what was obviously a freak accident (and not a deliberate attempt to injure), Mr. Whitmore lost control of himself and his actions. His tirades should have earned him an early exit, but he received not even one technical foul. This is a shame, for maybe it would have led Mr. Whitmore to consider continued on page 15

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# You Think You Like The Mules? Meet Superfan

by Lawrence Rocca

He never played sports because he was too small. "My mother was against it," he recalled with a glimmer in his eye and a slight chuckle, "but I said to myself, if I couldn't play it, I was going to watch it." And how.

For 62 years he has been "strictly a Colby fan." The Waterville native is 77 years young and since 1927 has missed only a handful of home football, basketball (men's and women's), hockey, and baseball games.

When he started attending games, Colby was on "the Avenue," football's forward pass was not a reality, hockey was 4 years old and played on an outdoor rink, there were no dunks in basketball, no batting helmets or aluminum bats in baseball, and no women's sports to speak of at all.

The times have changed and with them the location of the college, the players, the coaches, and many of the rules. However, after 3000 contests, Weldon "Wally" Clapprood remains. A little older, a lot wiser, but even more enthusiastic and knowledgeable about Colby sports than ever.

"Don't think I'm an expert,"

warns the humble White Mules devotee, "I'm just a loyal fan." Expert and loyal are drastic understatements.

While his preference to day driving keeps him from attending as many away games as he would like, Clapprood does not miss any home games and keeps numerous scrap books that he looks through from time to time.

"When I don't have much to do," he recalls fondly, "I reminisce with those."

He has never had an official connection with the college, yet he overflows with love for Colby sports like the proud parent of a beloved child, and never can get enough.

When Colby is on the road he stays up late to see the results on television. When Colby is at home, he is there.

"I'm never late to any game," contends the true sports fan who owns a lifetime pass to all home Colby sporting events, "I like to see them warm up. I like to size up the other team, I enjoy that almost as much as the game."

Clapprood has lived in Waterville his entire life and attended Waterville High School until he was 16, when he had to drop out to help support his family. That is when he started

attending Colby games. When he misses one, it is only under extreme circumstances.

During Clapprood's 44-year career at Hathaway Shirt

Company, where he retired in 1972 as supervisor in the cutting room, there were times when he would call in sick but still catch whatever White Mule

team was in action that night.

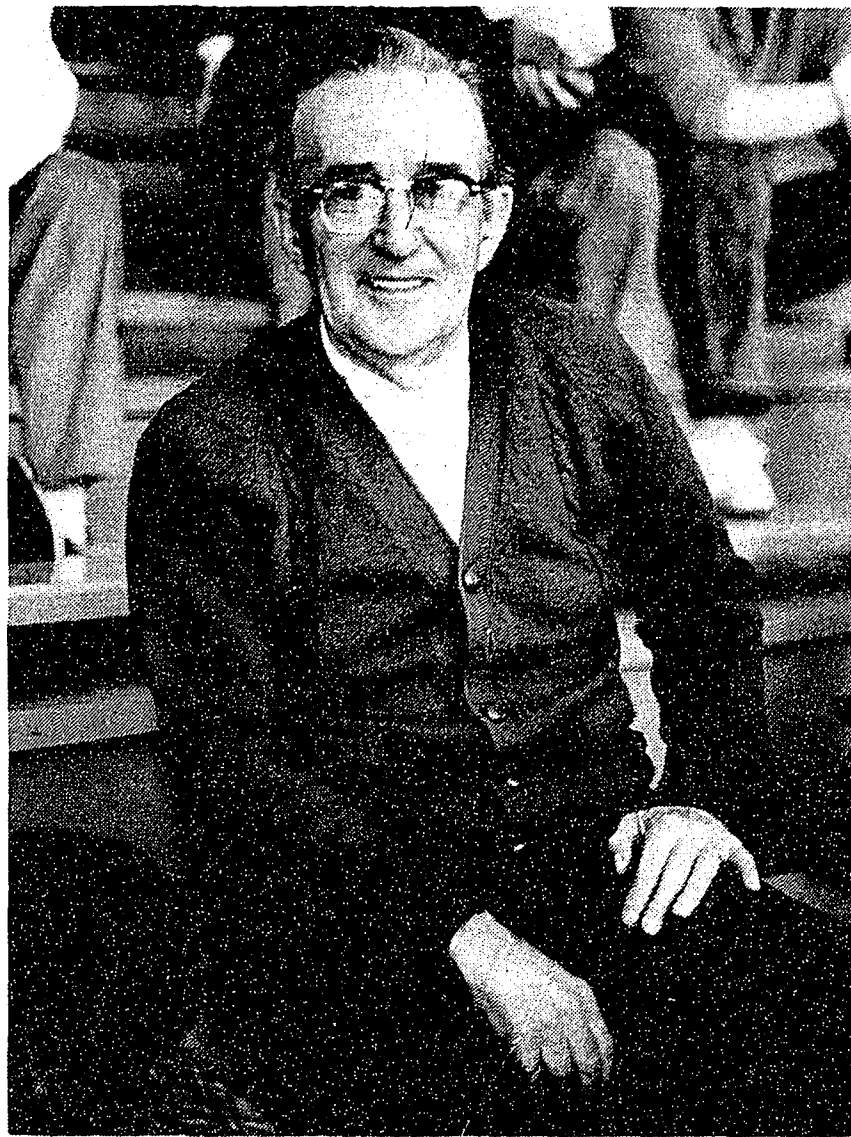
Hathaway Shirts presented Clapprood with the lifetime Colby pass because the people he worked with knew what a sports fan he was. He loves Waterville High and the New York Yankees and Giants, but when Colby is playing, the college is center stage.

Last year, when the Mules made it to the ECAC basketball championship at Amherst, the college provided a bus for all fans who wanted to make the six-hour trip. Clapprood went on that bus. "I was kind of in the minority," he laughs, "besides three or four other guys, everyone on the bus was a girl."

Clapprood was married for 49 years, but his wife Catherine, known as Kay to her friends, died of cancer two years ago this month.

"She was not into sports whatsoever," he remembered, his voice growing softer, "but she knew what a fanatic I was about them and so she would come with me to away games, just to keep me company."

When she died, Clapprood, who has no children, retired as organist of his Baptist church, and even though he still attends concerts in Colby's Lorimer Chapel and Given Auditorium continued on page 13



Weldon Clapprood has been rooting for Colby since 1927 and has seen over 3,000 games.

photo by David Coleman

## Drunk + Downtown = Trouble

by Brian Kaplan

"George" could easily down two shots of Jack Daniels and a couple gin and tonics and still drive safely—or so he thought.

After having been arrested for operating under the influence two weeks earlier, "George" suffered a serious head injury in an alcohol-related traffic accident, and spent weeks in a hospital intensive care unit.

"George" is now back at school five months after the accident, and hasn't had any alcohol since. One of the reasons he continues to make progress is his attendance at Alcohol Anonymous meetings in the area.

The Seton Unit, a division of

the Mid-Maine Hospital, has two separate programs for dealing with alcoholism. As a major force in the Waterville community, this program helps Colby students deal with the most serious conduct problem on campus. For those students who disregard warnings, the Waterville Police and the State Liquor authorities are prepared to use another force—the law.

This double approach—an extended hand of help and a closed fist of might—has helped ameliorate the problem at Colby, according to interviews with college officials.

"It has improved quite a lot," Janice Seitzinger, Dean of Students, said, "but it is still an area that we need to continue to tighten." She pointed out that "if a student has a problem, it is up to them to seek help

before it is too late."

Dr. William E. Bennett, the college physician, emphasized that any student, on or off campus, can go to the infirmary in the middle of the night, if they are intoxicated. "It's the cheapest motel in Waterville," he said.

Dr. Bennett urged students, who thought they had an alcohol problem, to see him as soon as possible. "He [or she] can come to us in confidence," he promised.

"Then, if the Seton Rehabilitation Center agrees that the student has a drinking problem and wants to undergo therapy, that, too, can be done in confidentiality. What usually happens is that by the time the student comes to us, he's already had problems with the Dean's office, security, and we

can't possibly provide confidentiality."

What Dr. Bennett fears is that a student will die because of drunkenness. "Students go home, after drinking, and lie on their backs. They could throw up in the middle of the night and sleep through it. Or they could fall asleep, outside in the snow, and freeze to death."

As good as our infirmary is, noted Dean Seitzinger, "they have other illnesses to handle; Colby wanted to find a program, which could specialize primarily with alcohol. Each person is going to be dealt with on an individualistic basis. I don't want students to be paranoid by the program. That's not our point. We want students to receive help, confidentially, if they feel they have a problem."

Students are urged to seek help if they believe they have a drinking problem, because once they get stopped, Colby has no control over their fate. John Farkas, Student Activities Director, said: "Colby students have to be treated the same as everybody else. If the police pick up an intoxicated student downtown, and he hasn't been driving, or committed a crime, the police will probably just bring the student back to campus." If the student has committed a minor crime, such as

disturbing the peace, the student will usually be brought to the security offices, and probably face Dean's Office charges.

"I have not been on the Colby campus lately, but the last time I was there I stopped two people for having open containers in public and I pulled four or five cars over for suspicion of Operating Under the Influence," noted Holly Pomerleau. A Maine State Liquor Inspector, Pomerleau would not say when she would be coming to Colby next. The penalty for having "an open container in public," or being an underage drinker, is a \$100 fine, a court appearance (which means hiring a lawyer), and appearing before the Colby Judicial Board.

Colby officials assert that they do all they can to help people with alcohol problems, but once they get in trouble with the law, they have to "play the hand they're dealt."

Dr. Bennett expressed more concern about dealing with life and death situations, than suspended drivers' licenses. He put it this way: "Colby is long over due for an alcohol related death. It's just a matter of time. We want to be sure that when that student dies from alcohol, directly from alcohol poisoning, or indirectly from suicide or a car accident, that we can say ... we did everything we could to save them."

## Old Campus

continued from page 5 the city.

The city also gave to the College \$2,000 in order to help facilitate the move. This money was raised for the most part by "passing the hat here in Waterville," according to Mayor Judy Kany.

Colby's financial relationship with the town has changed markedly since the hat-passing at town meetings. According to the poll, virtually all Waterville residents polled believe

that Colby should pay taxes back to the city for the resources that the College uses, even though most of the land and buildings at Colby carry a tax-exempt status.

The new campus has only a few reminders that were brought up the Hill from the old campus. The Lion of Lucerne, a carved stone lion that once guarded the gates to Memorial Hall can be found in the basement of the Miller Library. A part of the fence which bordered part of the old campus can be found on the new

campus at the corner of the McCann Road and Mayflower Hill Drive.

If it were not for the generosity of the residents of Waterville, Colby never would have been able to make the move from the center of the City up to its present majestic site. Unfortunately, the amiable relationship never carried through to present day Colby, where a separation from Waterville still lies. As Earl Smith, Dean of the College, worded it, "It's a long mile from campus to Waterville."

# Waterville Residents Help Keep WMHB Going

by Laura Davis

WMHB is one of the strongest bonds between Colby College and the Waterville community. Its appearance belies its importance. The radio station is nestled in the corner of the basement of Roberts Union. Trays filled with cigarette butts are scattered about the studio and the main office. Records are often unalphabetized and difficult to find.

The station, the only source for alternative music in central Maine, is operated almost entirely by people in the Waterville community throughout the summer. When students return in the fall residents continue to play an active role.

WMHB does not have to ask for volunteers. Most people from the community who help out at WMHB come down to the station on their own. Members of the community have donated money to keep the station going.

"The community is really enthusiastic," Annie Earhart insists. Annie's smooth confident voice emits an inner confidence that defies her frail build.

Her self assurance can be attributed to fifteen years on the air. She spent ten years as a D.J. at WTOS and became active at WMHB two years ago.

Annie's description of WMHB's format: "If you can hear it anywhere else on the dial we try not to play it". Annie served as a consultant for the station last year and this year she is the station's community liaison.

Joe Lilore is the station manager at WMHB and a junior at Colby. He joined WMHB when he was a freshman. Joe does not waste his time with small talk outside of the studio. Once he gets behind the turntable he spews forth conversation and catchy phrases that would sizzle any listener's ear. Several of the record albums in the station have "epic" scrawled on them, indicating Joe's approval. Joe and Annie have a show together on Tuesdays from 4-6 p.m. called "Wacky Mix".

When comparing the Colby D.J.'s to Waterville resident D.J.s, Joe observed that "community people see it more as a privilege where some Colby

kids think it's a right."

There are several types of music that would not receive air time at the station if it were not for the Waterville D.J.s. Jim Bean, Donna Zoe and Mike Starr are year round D.J.'s at WMHB who are not enrolled at Colby. Jim has a New Age show from 8-11 on Saturday mornings and is followed by Donna until 2 p.m. The "Rap of Maine" is a show hosted by Mike. Starr was the first D.J. to bring rap to Maine. These three D.J.s fill prime time slots at the station and are a vital part of the WMHB crew.

"I don't think that you can generalize," was Annie's response when asked whether or not she felt that Colby students listen to the same type of music as residents of Waterville.

"We're not appealing to the mainstream," Joe explained.

Annie said that she would like to think that people were not so closed minded as to limit themselves to one type of music.

Laura Kuske is the station's program director. She receives 6-8 calls during her Rock and Reggae show "Cool Runnings" continued on page 12



Deb Janes hosts a radio show at WMHB from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays.

## Mayor

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this wonderful quality of life that we enjoy in Waterville, I wouldn't consider even accepting such an offer."

Kany, who considers herself part of the Colby community and has many ties to the college including her husband, who works in the college admini-

stration, remained upbeat for the half hour interview as she explained why she believes the Colby-Waterville relationship is at a high point.

"When we first moved here in 1959, my husband came as the administrative assistant to then President Strider," she said, "and I think at that point the relations were not as good as they are now or as they have

been in the past. I think they've been progressively improving over the past 20 years."

A major change in recent years, according to Kany, has been the interaction between Colby students and the town. "Year's ago I used to hear a lot of negative things. The students are kind of 'uppity' or something," Kany said.

But, with Colby providing the Jitney, Waterville providing the KVT bus system and many more students owning cars, Kany thinks attitudes have improved because students have been getting downtown more.

"Those parking lots [at Colby] were empty 10 years ago, empty. And now most of the students, almost, seem to have cars so they can come down into town more," Kany said. "I think that's made a big difference than when everybody was on foot and they didn't have access to downtown."

Directing travelers down JFK Memorial Drive and then up to Mayflower Hill, instead of directly to the rear entrance of campus near the Hillside complex, is another helpful gesture, Kany said.

Also, perhaps because there is more access to downtown, "the students have been doing a lot of volunteer work," Kany said.

"One of the nursing homes, every Friday, has a large number of Colby students that are really helping out," Kany said.

"The people there have just grown to love and rave about them so things like that volun-

teer work really helps," Kany said. In combination with students getting downtown, "the fact that Colby is opening its doors" to Waterville residents is helping the relationship, Kany said.

An example of Colby's "open door" is the walking program in the fieldhouse every morning. Several hundred people, including many elderly Waterville citizens, escape the Maine winter every day and use the indoor track to exercise.

"That's a very popular program and it's made a lot of people feel very good about Colby," Kany said.

Even earlier in the morning, before most of the walkers use the fieldhouse, the Maine Criminal Justice Academy, which has no athletic facilities, uses the fieldhouse for training.

"Without Colby," Kany said, "we really wouldn't be able to offer those things."

The last element, and probably the most durable, is the crossover population which binds the Waterville and Colby communities. The people that have ties in both places, like Mayor Kany, help keep the delicate town/gown balance from swaying too far to either side.

These informal ties are so strong, according to Kany, that no formalized Colby-Waterville committee is needed to keep the peace. Some Colby Professors or their spouses have served on the City Council and Colby employees, who live in Waterville create, an obvious bond.

Kany has tried to involve Colby students more in the local community by urging students to register and vote in Waterville. Kany has been recruiting Colby students to vote in Waterville since 1972 when it was legalized by the Supreme Court.

"For many years it was controversial," she said, "but that's changed. I did not hear the complaints the last few years about students registering to vote here."

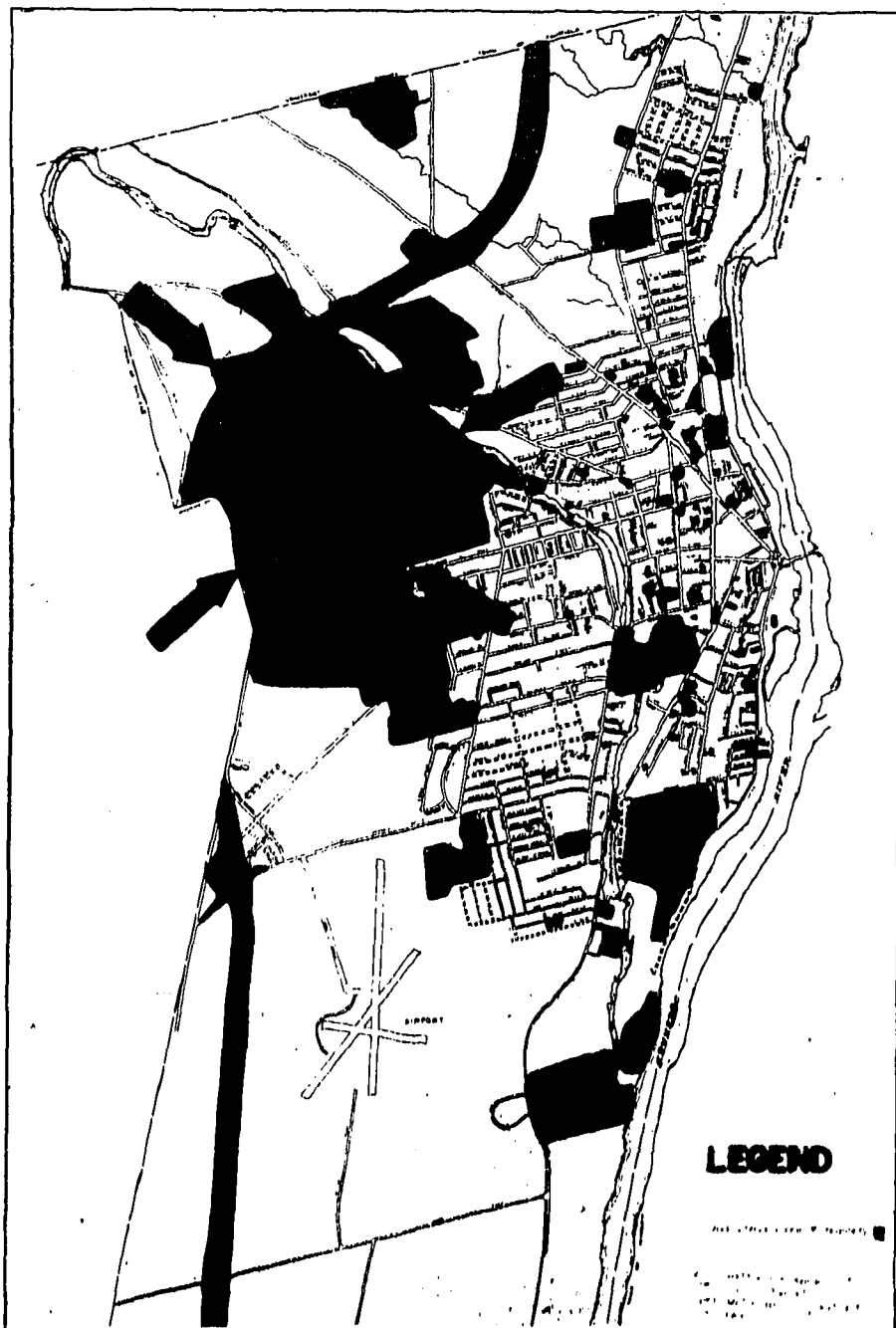
Colby students, incidentally, can not only vote but also run for local offices, including the City Council and the School Board. None have done so.

Only about 500 people vote in Ward 3, the area Colby is located within. So, if all 1,700 students registered in Waterville, they could effectively elect the candidate of choice to a local political position.

"I see Lewiston and Bates, and I see Brunswick and Bowdoin, and I see Orono and UMO, and Farmington and UMF," Kany, who also serves as Waterville's State Senator, said. "I think Colby's [and Waterville's relationship] is excellent, perhaps surprisingly so considering the fact that Colby is somewhat distant from the city's center."

Being familiar with Colby has been important during her time as Mayor, Kany said, and she urged future office seekers to keep Colby in mind.

"I think most people understand the importance of Colby in this community," Kany said. "And if they didn't, they soon would."



Arrows indicate the Colby campus.  
Other black areas are tax exempt lands not owned by the college



## Poll

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said that Waterville residents were culturally lower than Colby people.

Another indication of the separation between town and gown was the belief of most Colby students that Waterville people look on them as spoiled, rich kids who are loud and drink too much. In reality only a little more than a third of those Waterville residents polled expressed such a belief.

The Waterville Police have said, however, that their big-

gest problems with Colby students are usually alcohol-related.

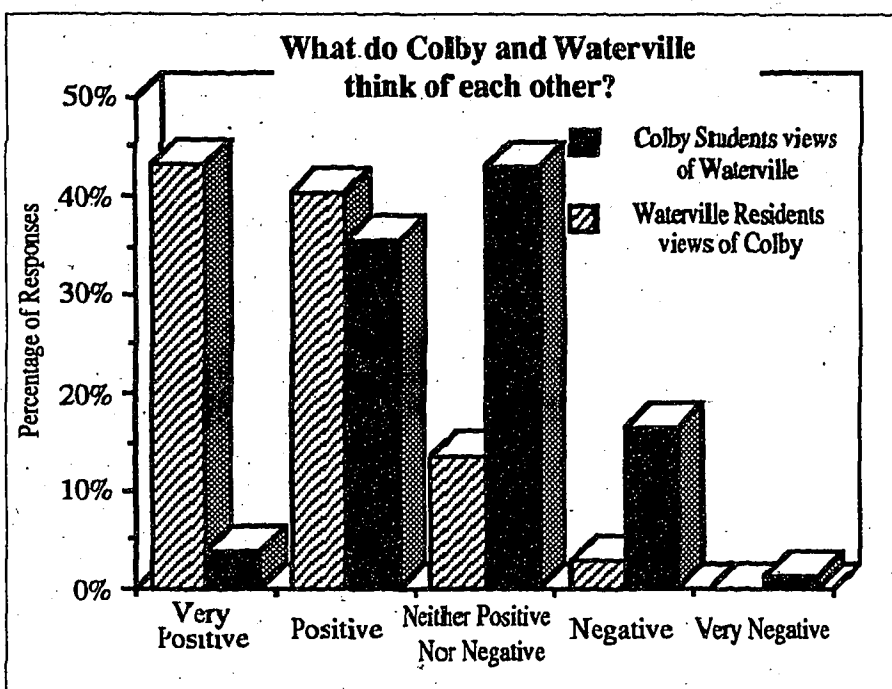
Junior Bryan Colwell, who does not think Waterville residents hold such views, attributed the students' belief to a "lack of actually knowing people in Waterville." He said that students were wrong in their opinions of how Waterville residents view them because they "assume that [Waterville residents] are going to treat them differently."

Economically, the survey shows that banks, gas stations, fast food outlets, and grocery

stores seem to be the greatest beneficiaries of Colby student business. The least patronized businesses include clothing stores, buses, local airlines, cleaners and laundries, and barber and beauty shops.

The majority of students see themselves as important to the city's economy. A large number of Waterville residents share this feeling. However, a little less than one-third of the students polled indicated that they believe Waterville residents want to take them for as much money as possible. This figure seems in conflict with the 88.6% of the students who indicated on another question that Waterville business treated them fairly.

The survey also illustrated the large income gap between Waterville and students' families. According to the poll, as might be expected at a school with annual fees running close to \$18,000, the majority of students' families incomes is \$75,000 or more. In Waterville, the incomes of most of those families polled ranged from \$25,000 to \$40,000. One-fifth of the residents, however, gave their income as below \$20,000.



## WMHB

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Friday afternoons from 2-6 p.m. "Most of the calls that I get are people from Waterville or they're people from on campus who either know me or are involved with the station."

"The Blues Connection" Monday from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. is hosted by D.J. Brian Kaplan. "I get about 20 phone calls a show," he said. "Most of them are dedicated listeners who really appreciate blues." Brian said that most of his callers were from the Waterville and Winslow area. Few of his listeners are Colby students.

Joe and Annie both agreed that any tie between WMHB and the music department at Colby was minimal. "Administrators and professors haven't seen how positive this can be," Annie said. Despite the fact that the school has a successful radio station, there is no communications major offered at Colby.

John Farkas, Director of Student Activities, is an exception to the administration's lack of interest. His special interest in the station is reflected in the great deal of time and effort he puts into promoting WMHB. In the past he has helped out with technical problems and scheduling special events.

Local bands receive a great

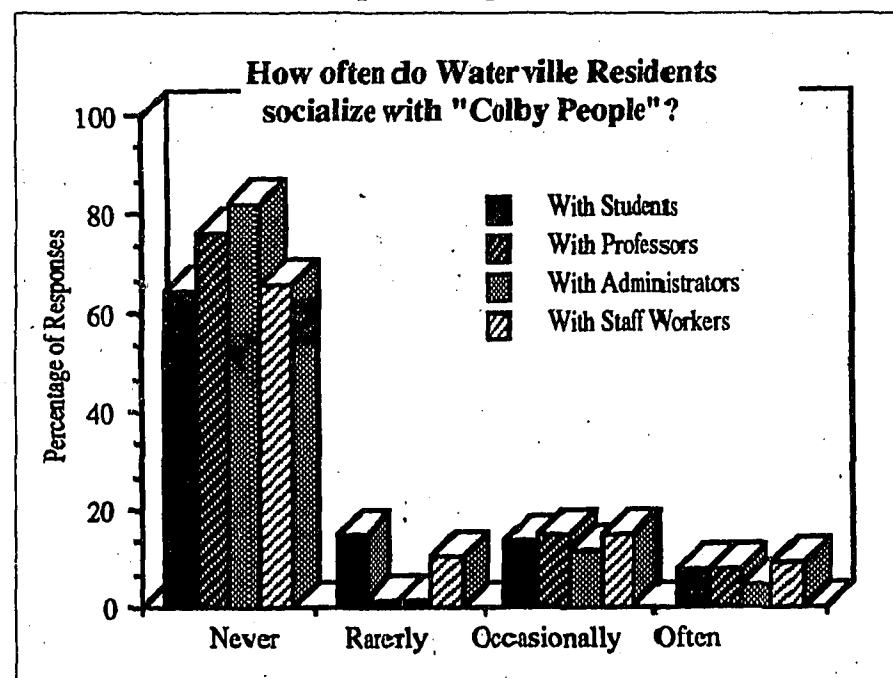
deal of notoriety from the station. Many of these bands have performed on the Colby campus. Pastor Bud, The Twitch, Permtech, and Marked Deck alias King Crass are all promoted over WMHB's airwaves. These bands contain varying combinations of Colby students and members of the community. Many of the band members are also volunteers at the station.

D.J. Steve Motion sums up WMHB's thirst for material in the station magazine "Proof Positive":

"Why? Can't local musicians take it upon themselves to defend their right to do their creative thing? ... We have a perfect

sounding board at WMHB, 90.5 F.M. in Waterville. I encourage local musicians and songwriters

to send us tapes. ... It's not too late for a renaissance so let's get cracking!"



## Superfan

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his only passion now is sports.

Although Clapprood has trouble getting interested in soccer, field hockey, tennis, and lacrosse, he calls himself "a rooter from A to Z," and wants to see Colby do well in all of them.

He declines the label expert, yet listening to him rattle off schedules, starting lineups, and all-time greatest players from the past 62 years is mind boggling. In his years following the Mules, he has admired some outstanding athletes.

He can still see Ralph Peabody, of Holton, Maine, bouncing home runs "off the dome" of the Shannon Observatory in the early '30s. He cannot remember Sebs Mamo '70, a two-

time Olympic distance runner from Ethiopia, ever losing a meet.

Hockey's Ronnie Ryan '62, of Ridgeville, Ontario, was a two-time national scoring champion who sometimes made Clapprood think "the puck was glued to his stick." Clapprood especially approved of Ryan's unselfishness, a major clue that he is as perceptive a fan as he is loyal. "He seemed to enjoy setting the others up."

He remembers Teddy Shiro scoring the first touchdown on the Mayflower Hill campus in 1947 but he does not need to think back far for the greatest basketball player and coach.

"Matt Hancock is the greatest basketball player in the years I've been watching," Clapprood says about the All-American junior, and adds that Dick Whitmore, who "gets the most out of his players," is the finest basketball coach he has

seen at Colby.

Clapprood has seen it all in his years as a fan. "Maine has the best football team," he recalls from a 1930's newspaper article, "Bates has the best basketball team, Bowdoin has the best baseball team, and Colby has the best railroad yard."

When Colby was on the Avenue, there were railroad tracks next to old Seaverns field. Whenever a train passed by, so much cinder and soot would flow onto the field that fans would have to cover up and many times the game would have to be stopped.

The tracks were one of the many reasons that the college moved and when Colby threatened to transplant to Augusta, Clapprood and many merchants held their breath.

But the White Mules did not move far and so Clapprood has been able to enjoy them on Mayflower Hill. He has en-

dured the hardships of losing as much as he has relished the glories of winning. He thinks he is the biggest Colby fan alive and if there is a bigger one, he would "like to know who he is."

He likes seeing old players come back and coach, he likes to see the family atmosphere continue, and though he is not vocal at the games, he loves the fans almost as much as the teams.

Over the years, Colby teams have won and lost in front of huge crowds and only a handful of diehards, but Weldon Clapprood has been there through it all, no matter how bad the weather or unruly the spectators.

Coach Dick Whitmore noticed his near immaculate attendance record in last year's regular season finale, but it was not until he shook hands with Matt Hancock this season that

Clapprood had ever met one of the Colby athletes that he admires.

If you want to find him at a game, you need not search long. But if you do not look, you might never notice him. He sits behind the screen for hockey, and at the fifty yard line for football.

During baseball games, no matter how cold or windy, he moves up and down each foul line and in basketball he always sits about fifteen rows behind the White Mules bench.

The shy, quiet man never shouts at games and rarely stands, when he does he will sometimes throw a fist in the air, exulting some heroic effort on the part of the Mules.

"I don't cheer," Clapprood explained - although no explanation was necessary - "but deep down in my heart I'm pulling for them, let me tell you."

# CLASSIFIEDS

E- The Big O!  
-S

I'm tearing myself apart . . .  
over you.  
Erika, Jana, and Steve  
And if a double decker bus  
Crashes into us  
To die by your side  
Is such a heavenly way to die  
and if a ten ton truck  
Kills the both of us  
To die by your side  
Well the pleasure, the privilege  
Is mine.

Love, Sandy

Hey, that's MY song!!!

Steve A.- Are you Smithsed  
out yet? Fix that CD player! We  
know you've got some awe-  
some ass tunes!  
Sandy and Erika

Chip, I'd call the KJ for you,  
too... as long as I don't have to  
ride an elevator with you!

## Water

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the lead content exceeds 50 ppb,  
notices must be placed around  
campus, not just in Mudd, alert-  
ing students of the danger of  
lead in the water.

Ross Renal, member of the  
Physics Department, is already  
forced to use distilled water for  
his x-ray equipment because  
the Colby tap water clogs the x-  
ray tubes which cost approxi-  
mately \$1,000.00 to replace.

"In most parts of the country  
people can just use tap water  
but not here," Renal said. "I  
don't drink the water here and  
I wouldn't recommend it to  
anyone."

As part of the Waterville  
Community, Colby uses China  
Lake as a water source. The  
lake has been ranked as the  
dirtiest lake in Maine and the  
problems associated with it  
have been called "The China  
Lake Syndrome" (Down East  
Magazine, 1988). None of the  
many faculty members or local  
citizens the *Echo* spoke with,  
except those with their own  
water wells, drinks tap water.

Many faculty departments  
have installed Poland Springs  
water tanks. The Eustis admini-  
stration building, including the  
admission's office, and the  
Dean's office also use Poland  
Springs water.

Tap water at Colby is served  
primarily to students. It is  
mixed with soda and juices and  
in food preparations in the  
dining halls.

"The filters in the dining halls  
only remove the organic mat-  
ter and improve the taste," said  
Lewis. "I've done tests before  
and after and they don't re-  
move carcinogens (cancer caus-

Take me  
Take me in your arms tonight  
Hold me  
Hold me up so high  
And never let me down  
Hold me Hold me up so high  
To touch the sky  
Just one more time  
Take me in your arms tonight  
Take me in your arms  
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ing agents)."

Tom Shattuck, member of the  
Chemistry Department, said,  
"the water in China Lake is not  
up to federal standards and  
Kennebec Water CO. knows  
something should be done  
about it".

"The Kennebec Water District  
has been mandated by the EPA,  
and therefore by Federal Law,  
to build a filtration plant,"  
added Professor Nelson.

This multi-million dollar fil-  
tration system will clean up the  
water flowing into Waterville  
(including Colby) taps. This  
new filtration plant will not be  
completed for three more years.  
Meanwhile, we drink the wa-  
ter.

Chlorine is used at the water  
purification plant to kill bacte-  
ria. During this "cleansing"  
process chlorine mixes with  
organic matter and forms Tri  
Halogen Methane (THM), a  
carcinogen. Greg Warmke, a  
lab technician at the Kennebec  
Water Department, says "chlo-  
rine doesn't take out any of the  
metals that react with chemi-  
cals to form THMs.

Chloroform, at 43.1 ppb, is one  
of the many THMs is currently  
found in Colby water (Febru-  
ary 1988). This is half the ac-  
ceptable federal standard; yet  
the federal standards are going  
to lower soon, placing Colby's  
water at a high Chloroform  
level.

Current Federal standards are  
not necessarily safe. Contami-  
nants are regulated by the EPA  
but the current view by toxic-  
ologists about chemicals be-  
lieved to cause cancer is that it  
is not possible at this time to  
establish a no-effect level for a  
carcinogen... since a single  
molecule might be capable of  
initiating cancer. (Congres-

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Seeing and touching the kit-  
tens and puppies... made Chris  
Preston tingle with sexual ex-  
citement.

Katherine: I hate to be a back-  
seat driver, but weren't we  
going the WRONG way down  
that one-way street?

-DER  
P.S. Sorry I slept through the  
beach party.

Hey Ken (doll)- I've been  
watching you and I like what I  
see! Smile.

-S  
Quote of the Week:  
I only have two friends.

Weekly Quote:  
It'll be ready in half an hour.

sional Research Service, Safe  
Drinking Water November  
1988)

Melanie Landtot of The De-  
partment of Human Services  
(Augusta) says "the rate of  
Cancer is 35% higher in Water-  
ville that the average rate in  
other parts of the country" (1986  
State of Maine Cancer  
Registry Incidence Report). No  
provable cause of the high rate  
of cancer in Waterville and the  
number of leukemia cases  
around the Belgrade lakes has  
been identified.

It is impossible to prove the  
water Colby students are drink-  
ing will cause any of them to  
develop cancer in the future,  
but it is evident that the water  
quality is doubted by Colby  
employees, a Maine magazine,  
Waterville citizens, health con-  
scious students, and the fed-  
eral government.

Andrew Roy of the Multi-Pure  
water company said, "the  
water situation in the United  
States is a mess and the Federal  
government doesn't know  
what to do about it. If they were  
to raise the standards, there  
would be major panic in the  
country. We are just now learn-  
ing about the effect 300,000  
waste dumps in the U.S. have  
on the water supply."

In addition to acid rain and  
sewage, fertilizers also drain  
into China lake. "You should  
be getting water from a lake  
that is much more protected  
than China Lake," Renal said.

Colby students, drawn from  
all over the world, do not know  
about Waterville's long history  
of water problems; "The China  
Lake Syndrome", and the  
Water Department.

The Colby bookstore began  
selling Poland Springs Water  
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## Zimbabwe

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there safely; has English as the  
official government language,  
which makes the program  
available to a broader range of  
students; and is in Africa, which  
is a first choice for many stu-  
dents," stated Cole.

"Discussions are ongoing,"  
stated Cole, "and the program  
is still in initial stages." Each  
participating school in the

consortium must get the Zim-  
babwe program approved, and  
Colby has not yet done so. Cole  
stated that "it is a wonderful  
opportunity for Colby stu-  
dents," and if the program is  
approved, "it will go nicely with  
the exchange program that  
President Cotter is trying to  
work out [with an African uni-  
versity]."

The fate of the Zimbabwe  
program will be decided Spring  
semester.

## Africa

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drastically different than our  
own.

Cotter knows of no other col-  
lege or university in the United  
States which has instituted such  
a program. "If it works, it will  
be a pioneering effort," he said.

Ideally, the President believes  
the close proximity of the three  
universities to the border of  
South Africa will ignite some  
political interest within the  
visiting students and give them  
the chance to "get involved with  
the whole evolution of South  
Africa."

He hopes the exchange pro-  
gram will take effect this com-  
ing fall, although no plans are

definite. Colby has similar  
exchanges with France, Mex-  
ico, England, and several other  
countries.

Three experienced profession-  
als who are representatives to  
the African-American Institute  
have agreed to serve as contact  
points for the visiting Colby  
students. Since there will not  
be a Colby faculty member with  
the students in Africa, Cotter  
feels this non-university tie will  
be helpful for the students.

Dean Edward Blackwell, As-  
sociate Dean of Students, will  
be this contact for the African  
students studying at Colby.

President Cotter will hold a  
meeting in early February to  
see how many students are  
interested in participating in  
the exchange program.

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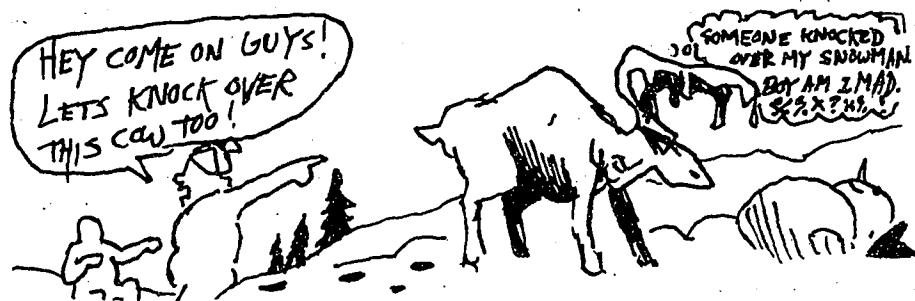
## Reasoning

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nor did we join with the intent of discriminating against others. That is not the purpose of joining a fraternity. If you had looked up any of the charters from the fraternities at Colby, you would have realized this. A fraternity is primarily a social organization, a group of friends. Any group of friends is by nature discriminatory to the extent that the people involved share some similar interests, and prefer each others' company at times over that of others'. Why should a fraternity be any different? As with any group of friends, we have friends outside the fraternity.

As for your statement in regard to fraternity members being "in violation of school policy, we'd like to point out that if anyone has ever taken drugs, had an open beer in the hallway, or engaged in underage drinking while at Colby, they too are in violation of school policy. You yourself are a junior—you must have close friends who aren't twenty-one—should we go and tell

their professors that they engage in underage drinking? Such an action on their behalf shows the same disregard for school policy that joining a fraternity does. Should we turn over the lists of the people who attended Green Death and Alabama Slammers last year? By attending a fraternity sponsored party, these people were violating school policy; is this something that is at the heart of a recommendation? The way in which you expressed your opinion follows a type of logic that is neither valid nor consistent. Your brand of reasoning would have us condemn the U.S. Marine Corps for the actions of Oliver North. So, since in the past fraternities have broken the rules, the entire fraternity system is, by default in your narrow-minded reasoning, guilty for now and all time. Blanket condemnations are a dangerous thing indeed. So much for a liberal arts education.

Andrew C. Schmidt '89  
Mark A. Rando '89



## Utilities

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garnering \$441,923 during the 87-88 year. Colby pays on a total basis so there is no way to determine which part of the college uses the most electricity. The Physical Plant department has made an effort to reduce energy consumption through installation of energy saving lamps in the field house, and, working on a grant from The Central Maine Power Company, they are building a cogeneration plant in the Field House.

Sewage, a favorite topic of students while attending parties in the Student Center, ran up a tab of \$83,000 last year and is handled by the Waterville Sewerage District which charges us \$1.18 per hundred cubic feet of...well you know.

Now as you remember from

the beginning of this article Joe College was using his MCI card to call Muffy in Timbuktu. Well, the reason for this is that Colby switched from AT&T to MCI (Microwave Communications Inc.) because it was better suited to Colby's needs, was cheaper and worked to benefit Colby.

In an interview the head of Administrative Service, Kenneth Gagnon said the reasons for switching to MCI are

due to three things: MCI's ability to give Colby variable rates on all the long distance zones, its ability to save Colby \$5,400 in one year and AT&T's poor handling of Colby's telephone service.

Gagnon said:

"AT&T had a representative who worked out of Boston and he would only do something if there was a problem. The MCI rep. is always looking for ways

for me to cut costs, he calls me and suggests things. AT&T simply was not good for what the college needed."

Colby in return has definitely been good for MCI, with a proposed budget of \$120,000 for this year the company reaps the second greatest profit from utilities at Colby.

Utility consumption is not as big as the Super Bowl or as earth shattering as global war, but it is something that almost all of us take for granted. You expect the lights to light, the TV to come on and the toilet to flush, but few ever think about how this all happens. So next time you brush your teeth and watch the blue and white spit swirl down the sink, remember the \$83,000 dollars that goes with it down to the friendly fellows at the Waterville Sewerage District.

## Whitmore

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whether or not he should continue on as the Colby Head Coach.

As a former participant in one of "Whit's" basketball camps, I knew Dick Whitmore as a friendly, caring, and often funny man who loved to coach, and had a bad (but somewhat controllable) temper. It seems, however, that Mr. Whitmore has lost the joy he once received

from coaching and any semblance of control he once had. Any Colby mistake is met with a look of unbearable anguish from Mr. Whitmore. With any bad call, he flies into a hostile fit of anger.

I believe that Mr. Whitmore should step down as Colby Head Coach as soon as possible. I feel that if he stays on as coach, he will do something bad for basketball, bad for Colby, and most importantly, bad for

himself. Mr. Whitmore is still unquestionably an excellent basketball coach, but there comes a time when even a great coach must be accountable for his conduct.

Please note that the views of this letter do not necessarily represent those of the Bates community, and are strictly my own.

Jonathon Zieff  
Bates College

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## Ethics

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me a recommendation.

I applaud the administration for deciding to allow the members of the dissolved fraternity anonymity. When Colby decided to shut down the fraternity system they gave absolutely no thought to the incredible role that fraternities have played in the social structure of the school. The reason they remain is because of the student's unwillingness to break the close bonds that have been formed. Also, the administration never seemed to work out a reasonable way of getting rid of them. Most people tend to think of fraternities as being this awesome evil, which they

are not. They are merely a bunch of good friends with a name for their group. You cannot regulate friendship. By granting anonymity to the dissolved fraternity members the administration came to a fair and level-headed compromise which seems to have satisfied both parties. If the administration acts with fairness the fraternities are probably willing to respond.

Mr. Gavin's little Mission Impossible style escapade in the bushes, in which he tried to get pictures of the fraternity members, makes me sick. Too many journalists think of themselves as being associated with the judicial branch. Their job is not to put the people on trial and convict them, it is only to report the facts. The fact in this

case was that the administration decided to allow the students anonymity. Did Mr. Gavin ever ask himself why the Echo never prints the names of people who have been in front of J-Board? Does he plan to camp outside their doors to get pictures of them too?

Actions such as Mr. Gavin's are not only unethical but they completely lack any compassion or understanding of his fellow students. Mr. Gavin's attitude is far more detrimental to the Colby community than fraternities have ever been.

Craig Damrauer  
Class of '91

*Editor's note: Special Editor Chip Gavin's article was an opinion piece, not an editorial.*

## Fraud

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administrators.

"The man had a permit from the City of Waterville, but did not have one to solicit at Colby", explained the Dean of Residential Life, Joyce McPhetres-Maisel. "It was illegal for him to come to Colby and ask for contributions."

The secretary who puts together permits from the City of Waterville office did not remember ever sending out any soliciting permits for the Appalachia area.

In order to acquire a solicitor's permit in Waterville, the candidate must file an application, which is examined by the seven members of the Waterville city council. Permits are free for non profit organizations.

Appalachia is the name applied to the poverty stricken mountainous area in the Eastern United States where health, housing, education, and roads are substandard, unemployment is high, and much land is

devastated by surface mining. Many of the people are living on welfare payments or government distributed surplus food.

According to Student Handbook, Colby "allows no solicitors, including students, to operate on campus without the written permission of the career services office."

"For obvious reasons, Colby does not want to 'open doors to solicitors, or the students may have people knocking on their doors all the time,'" explained McPhetres-Maisel.

Within the seven years that the Dean of Residential Life Joyce McPhetres-Maisel has been at Colby there have been no problems with soliciting. She believes that the "Solicitors Rule" was placed years before because of numerous experiences resulting in rip-offs.

With the recent crimes that occurred in the Waterville area, McPhetres-Maisel stressed that it "is very important that the students are aware of people who don't belong on campus."

## Confidentiality

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be based on some personal rapport which had arisen between teacher and student. But asking a professor to write a recommendation is not necessarily license for them to access such undisclosed, private information as a student's disciplinary history.

As for the students' request for anonymity, perhaps some

of the students were wary of the kind of gross labelling by the Echo's Special Editor and other members of the Colby community have been known to engage in—such as calling the entire administration and all ex-fraternity members "cowards". There is the tendency to associate membership in a fraternity (and perhaps in the administration) with a certain loss of individuality. I would suggest that the administration

withheld the names of the members of the dissolved fraternities out of respect for their privacy as individuals, and of their right to make such knowledge public as they see fit.

As for alumni's pleas for anonymity or irate parents' ignorance of their children's fraternity involvement, as a former Delta Upsilon fraternity member I am aware of neither.

Charlie Donaldson '91

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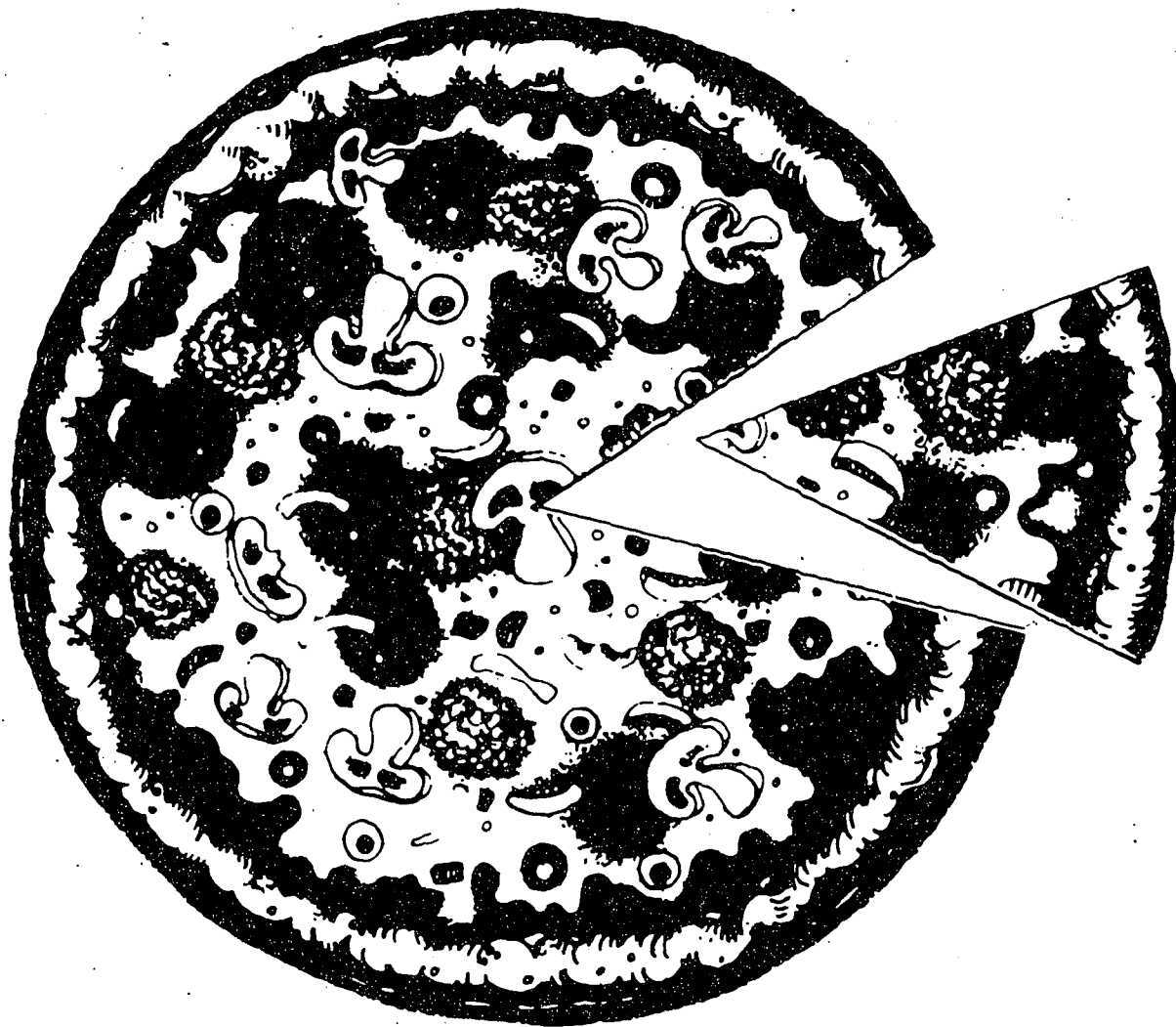
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## Goulet

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that he showed Menard loyalty by playing him only 4 minutes after having him drive 2 hours. He told me that he had showed Menard loyalty when he made the decision to keep him on the team in November.

I asked Goulet if it was worth the 4 minutes of playing time he got from Menard in exchange for his spot on the roster. He told me that he was not going to put down one of his former athletes. I asked Goulet if he had thought about telling Lewist to tell Menard that he might not play long. He told me that he had "never thought about it."

I asked Goulet if he was disappointed that Menard had quit and he told me, "I would have liked for him to stay." I asked him if he told that to Menard, but he admitted he had not because he believed Menard had made up his mind.

I wondered why he would let a 4 year player quit so easily.

I asked Goulet if he had ever had problems with Menard before and he terminated our interview. He ushered me out of his office as I reminded him that I had only wanted to give him a chance to voice his

thoughts.

I think that Coach Mickey Goulet was not completely honest with me, and he was certainly less than polite. Personalities, you may say, have nothing to do with this. I think they do.

Others may wonder why so much time is being spent dealing with the circumstances involving a player who is not even on the team. Some may suggest that I pay more attention to on-ice activity.

Coach Mickey Goulet's personality has a direct bearing on his ability and performance as hockey coach at Colby College. Goulet reported that morale on his team is "less than 100% because, they have not tasted the fruits of their hard work."

It is not just rumor that Colby hockey players can skate with any team on their schedule. Go see for yourself. The college is full of people in love with the sport and players that are as skilled as any in New England. Why, then, is the team losing as much as it has the past few years? Why have so many abandoned the program? Why are there so many "Goulet horror stories?"

The problem with the team is not physical, it's mental. The

person most responsible for the performance and attitude of a team is the coach.

While I am yet to discover many answers, Mickey Goulet has confirmed my doubts about his program. If enough people start asking questions, answers will surface. Some may be unpleasant, but Colby and its hockey team can only benefit from a more forthcoming coach.

Lawrence Rocca  
Sports Editor

## Voice Your Thoughts On Colby Water

The Colby Environmental Council will conduct a poll this Friday in all dining halls and in the Student Center concerning student opinions on the college's water situation. The *Echo* encourages all students to participate.

## The Colby Echo

is now accepting applications for the position of

## Opinions Editor

Those interested must fill out an application available in the Echo Office located in the basement of Roberts Union. All applications must be submitted no later than Friday, February 10, 1989.

## Hoop

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he has ever had at Colby. They are backing up his claim with some strong statistical evidence.

With 10 scheduled games and 3 possible post season games, the Mules can break the record of 23 wins in a season set in the 1951-52 campaign. The Mules are currently scoring 87.5 per game, with four players averaging in double figures, not far from the 89.6 per game Whitmore's team put on the board during the 77-78 season. Their .80 free throw pct. is on to pace break last year's record 76.8%. Colby opponents have been held to an average 73.8 points.

Hancock has led the way again but when he was sidelined for three games, the other Mules started getting their dues. Co-captain Scott Jablonski has been impressive. The senior forward is averaging a double-double: 10.1 pts. and 10.3 rebounds, including 15 boards versus Bowdoin. Sophomore point guard Tom Dorion is scoring 11.8 a game and has a team high 21 steals. His roommate, Kevin Whitmore, is getting 10.2 pts. a game from the bench.

The Mules last two wins have been romps from start to finish. They never trailed either Thomas or Bowdoin and led both teams by as much as 34 points at times. Fans may recall that after the Mules beat Husson in the final of the St. Joseph's tournament, they were 7-0, the

best start in Colby history.

They followed the followed the Husson win with a lethargic, uninspired loss to Catholic University during the Union tournament. This weekend, Colby travels to Clinton, New York, to play Utica Tech, a team they know little about, in the first round of this year's Hamilton Tourney.

But this time, Whitmore hopes the results will be different. "We just talked about that in the locker room," said Whitmore after the Bowdoin win, "and we're going to leave nothing out there this weekend."

Hancock, who is expected to beat full strength by this Saturday, mirrored that view: "If everyone had the same taste in their mouth that I had after the Catholic game, it won't happen again. I think everyone had the same taste."

With four consecutive road games at the Hamilton Tournament, Middlebury, and Norwich, the Mules may clinch their ECAC spot in the middle of Vermont during the Jan Plan-Second Semester break. They will then host Husson February 11, and Bates February 15. After that, there are four games and then the ECAC's and for the Mules, just maybe the championship to go along with the look.

Note: Both Hamilton Tournament games will be broadcast on WMHB 90.5 FM. Colby plays Utica Tech on Saturday at 6 o'clock, pregame starts at 5:45. On Sunday, they will play at either 1 or 3, depending on Saturday's results.



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## Critical Point

### Why Won't Mickey Talk?

This is my fourth winter at Colby, and in the past four years I have heard and seen a lot involving Colby Men's Hockey.

There have been great efforts and disappointing ones. There has been success and failure. There have been complaints about circumstances and people. And there have been rumors surrounding all of them. The rumors are what have bothered me the most.

To tell you the truth, I am tired of them. All too often, there has been hearsay and no attempt at proof or documentation.

Too many questions remain not only unanswered, but unasked. It is time to stop ignoring the problems and time to start asking some questions.

It should come as no surprise to anyone who is familiar with the Colby men's hockey team that Coach Mickey Goulet is running a program with its fair share of controversy. Every November, there are players that are cut who feel they were dealt with unfairly; there are players that transfer out of the program; there are players that make the team and do not try out again; there are players that simply quit. And in the last three years, the team's record has gotten worse.

Of course, people quit in every sport and every team experiences losing, but private conversations with current and former players, leads me to believe that there is a problem within the hockey program.

Whether it has to do with Goulet, the players, or the air in the Alford Arena, I am not sure. In an effort to find out if something was wrong, I encountered a frustrating situation: a less than friendly response from a less than forthcoming coach.

I contacted Goulet and told him that I wanted to talk to him about his team. He consented and I went down to his office. When I got there, Goulet was on the phone and I stood waiting in the hallway outside his office for approximately 10 minutes. When he hung up, I entered his office and we began a 20 minute interview.

I told the coach that I wanted to talk about Neil Menard. Readers may recall that when the Mules made a weekend trip to Connecticut College and Amherst on January 14-15, Menard was told not to dress. He went home to Pascoag, RI, where he was contacted by a player and informed that Goulet wanted him to play. After making the 2 hour trip to New London, CT, Goulet played Menard for only 4 shifts, or 4 minutes out of a 60 minute game. Menard quit after the game.

Goulet confirmed that account, but not before telling me that "This [expletive deleted] does not belong in the paper."

Goulet informed me that the player that had contacted Menard was Neil's roommate, Bobby Lewis. He told me that the team needed an extra player because one of the players that was supposed to dress had not made the trip. Menard had his own skates, but had to use the missing player's equipment.

I asked Goulet if it was normal procedure for a coach to have a player call another player, rather than call himself. He said he did not know because he had never done it before. I asked him why he thought Menard quit and he told me that Menard "just decided that it was not worth it."

He told me that Menard knew he might not play at all this season and I explained to the coach that I thought this situation was different. If Menard had been on the trip originally and had quit after playing only 4 minutes, it would not have been as newsworthy. I told the coach that the situation on hand was different, that it was pertinent to reports that morale on his 3-6-2 team was low.

I asked Goulet if Menard had a legitimate complaint. After almost a minute of silence, he said, "Is it worth it for an individual to work hard every practice and not dress for any game?"

I asked my question again and he gave me the same answer.

I told the coach that I was asking him if he thought that Menard had a legitimate gripe. He told me that he would not put anyone down. I told Goulet that I was not asking him to put anyone down.

I told him that I was giving him the chance to give me his side of the story in order to set the record straight and that I wanted people to see it in print so that there would be no more rumors. He told me that "It sounds like you're trying to crucify someone." I told him that I only wanted the truth, to be able to print what people had a right to read.

After another ten minute phone conversation, I told him once more that I was trying to crucify no one, that I was giving him the chance to give me his thoughts.

I asked him again to comment on the Menard situation. I received a testimony about Menard's good personality. I asked him if he thought that Menard showed loyalty to the team. He said that Menard had shown loyalty. I asked Goulet if he thought

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The Men's Indoor Track and Field team, hindered by the loss of 10 competitors to Junior Year Abroad, have not met with a great deal of team success thus far this season, finishing near the bottom in all of their meets. Still, coach Jim Wescott remains optimistic due to encouraging individual performances.

Freshman Joe Tamburini, of Providence, R.I. is rapidly closing on the freshman record in the 35 lb. weight throw, while fellow freshman Tom Capozza of Gorham, Me. has qualified for the New England Division III's later this season in the long jump. Wescott also cited the performance of sophomore Kent Thompson, who also qualified for the Division III meet back in December, before leaving for a Jan Plan in Germany.

The team will compete at home this weekend against Bates and Potsdam State, and will travel to Bates next weekend for the State Meet.

The Women's Basketball team, after a 72-62 home loss to Bowdoin last night, now stands at 2-8. Junior co-captain Debbie Adams led the team with 18 points, while junior Jen Lally had 13 points. Assistant coach Jamie Arsenault '88, feels that "the team is getting better as the year goes on" and that a possible problem may be that the team is "getting tired toward the end of the second quarter, probably due to the wear of the season." The next game for CWB is Jan. 31, at U. Maine Farmington. The next home game is Feb. 15 against Bates.

The men's squash team defeated Bowdoin last Saturday for the first time in four years and, in the process, laid claim to the title of the best team in Maine.

Following the Bowdoin win, Colby dropped a close decision to Amherst. The contest was highlighted by a gut wrenching, nail biting, grudge match between Colby #2 Dave Longcope, playing with a body temperature of 102°, and his Amherst nemesis, "Rosy" Rosenthal. Colby then beat Bates 5-4, with help of some midwestern luck, for the third time this season.

Special recognition must go to Colby's first year racqueteers who are competing with a mentality above and beyond their freshmen status—in particular, Jim Conrad (whose blood can be seen on all 5 courts), Mike Keller, Peter Hayden, Kirt Frederickson, and Curtus Stevenson.

Men's squash are journeying to Wesleyan this weekend to play George Washington University, Vassar, Stoneybrook, and Wesleyan.

## Too Much Pain To Justify The Gain

If Tim Krumrie were a race-horse rather than a nose tackle he would have been shot last Sunday night at the Super Bowl. As the *USA Today* pointed out on Monday, in an article complete with a diagram, Krumrie, in what the writer calls a "freak play", broke his left tibia and fibula cleanly.

Thanks to NBC I saw this "freak play" again and again and again. In slow motion, with Merlin Olsen as a guide, I watched Krumrie, overextended, his left leg angled awkwardly, try to make a tackle and shatter his lower leg instead. As his momentum spun him around into a front view, I and 100 million other television viewers saw Krumrie's left foot flop around unattached to anything above. His leg resembled that of Timely Writer's, the great thor-

oughbred, as he turned the corner at the 3/4 mile marker and, in full stride, crack his left front leg by the force of the stride alone. Timely Writer was laid to rest immediately after the race, to spare him from agonizing pain. What will happen to Krumrie?

He'll undergo operations, endure pain, wear a cast for months, eventually walk with a limp, and, in a year or two, be able to jog. The All-Pro nose tackle is probably finished with football. There have been other athletes with similar injuries, Joe Theisman, Tim Dagget, but both failed in their comebacks. Quickness and agility and strength were irrecoverably lost through multiple fractures. Broken legs make superstars uncompetitive.

I wonder what Krumrie is thinking about right now, his

leg immobilized in a thick cast. Is this it? Is this what I worked my entire life for? Four years in high school, another four at Wisconsin, six years with the Bengals, running, lifting, steroids, pain, muscle tears, to go through everything and step out onto Joe Robbie stadium and in the first quarter crack my leg without even being hit?

Freak play or not, Krumrie's injury made me think seriously about the game of football. It is a brutal game, a game that uses up bodies and disposes them when they can no longer perform. Football might be America's game, but if you ask Krumrie or Jim Otto, a Hall of Fame Oakland Raider center who can barely walk now, I wonder what they would have to say.

John Mullen  
Assistant Sports Editor

## Track

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factor in the team's success, according to Aitken.

Other important contributors include juniors Jill Vollweiler and Karen Boomer, both national qualifiers last year in the 3000 and 1500 meters respectively, who "hopefully will qualify again this year", says Aitken. Both Vollweiler and Boomer earned All-American

honors in cross country this past fall.

Aitken also cited the performances of junior Lisa Bovet, sophomore Pam Pomerleau, and senior Melissa Trend, all of whom are training at home and traveling with the team on weekends, as important scorers.

Aitken is pleased with her team's performance to date, and feels that this team has a good

shot at being one of the top two teams in New England Division III. She also feels that if those runners who are away return strong, Colby might place in the top three or four in the ECAC.

"This team may be smaller, but it makes up for it in quality," Aitken concluded. The team will compete this Saturday at home against Potsdam State.

# SPORTS

## The Colby Echo

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Colby College, Waterville, ME 04901

Thursday, January 26, 1989

# That Championship Look

by Lawrence Rocca  
Sports Editor

The White Mules are on a roll, to say the least.

With convincing wins over Thomas 89-58 last Saturday, and Bowdoin 95-73 on Tuesday, the Mules have now won 6 in a row and with ten games left on their schedule, have run their record to 13-1. The two wins in Wadsworth mean that Colby has not lost a game at home over the last two seasons, a remarkable span of seventeen games.

With the streaks, renewed health, and overall excellent coaching and play, the Mules seem primed for a run at the elusive ECAC title. But first, there are those ten games and coach Dick Whitmore will not talk about the ECAC's, one of the only things he has not won in his nineteen year career, until the team can notch at least seventeen wins.

However, both Whitmore and his Mules, ranked second in New England, are aware of their situation.

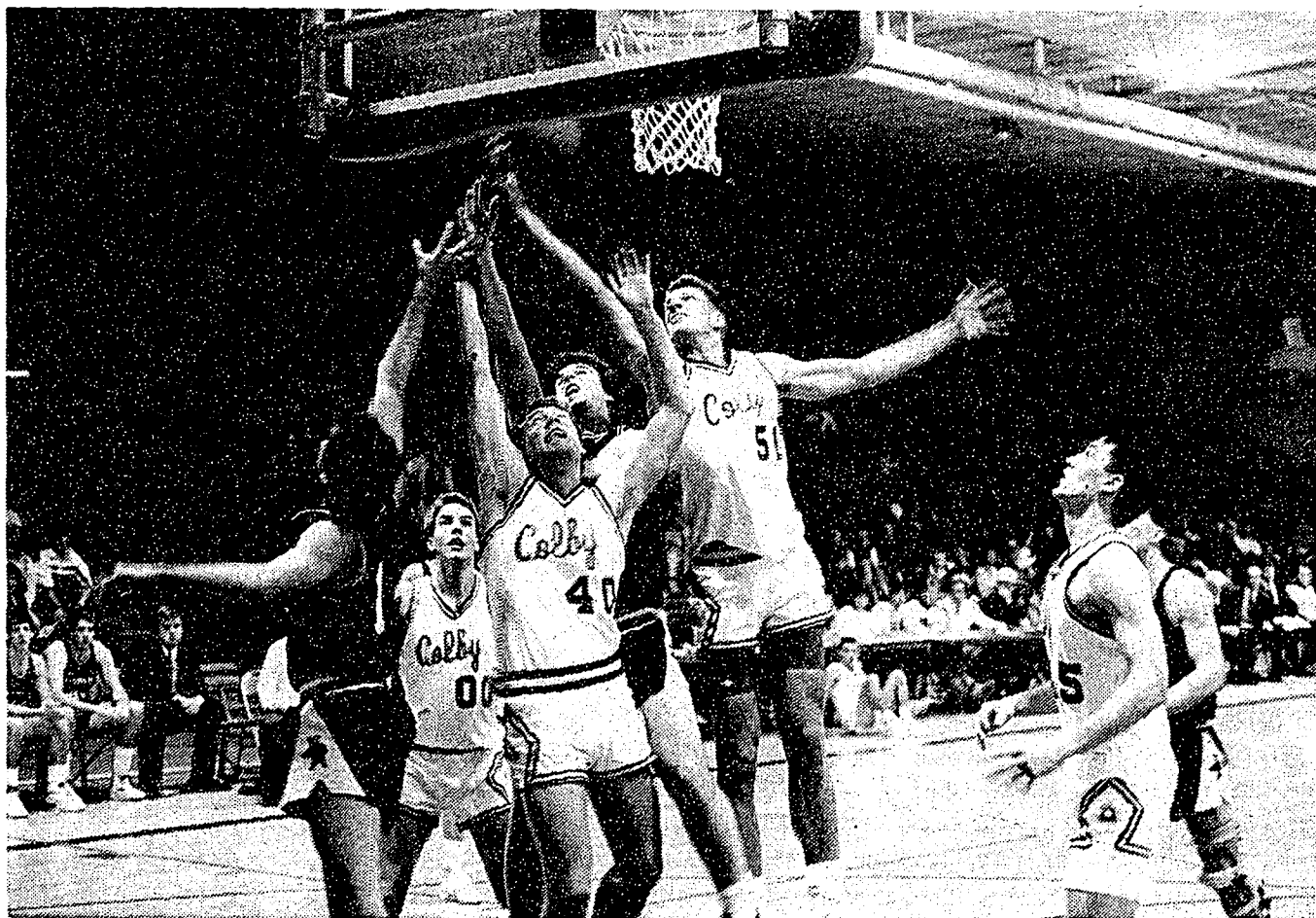
"He uses it to motivate us in practice and before games," said junior co-captain Matt

Hancock on Whitmore and the ECAC playoffs, "He keeps reminding us that if we do our business the rest of the way, we'll have the home court."

But, tournament time is still a long way off and it was probably not in the forefront of the minds of the 2100 who gathered for the rout of Bowdoin.

Against the Polar Bears, Hancock, who had missed the last three games with a deep thigh bruise, made his return to the White Mule lineup and managed to pump in 23 points looking a little gimpy at times and playing only 25 minutes during the blowout. The defending national scoring champion's average dipped to 29.5 per game and he is trailing Trenton State's Greg Grant, who had a little over 34 per contest before Tuesday night's action.

Yet, Hancock was not the only one attracting attention at Bowdoin. Center Nick Childs broke out of a slump in thrilling fashion by netting a career high 19 points to go along with 5 rebounds and three blocked shots. With the help of some early home court bounces, the 6-7, 210 pound junior scored in



Center Nick Childs rises above and beyond the competition for this rebound against Thomas. He did it again versus Bowdoin for a career high 19 points, and one rim-rattling slam dunk.

photo by David Coleman

almost every imaginable way.

Childs hit outside shots, fast break layups, and tipped them in following Colby misses. His biggest shot of the night, though, was a rim wrenching dunk on a breakaway that

brought the crowd to their feet and forced Bowdoin to call a timeout with Colby leading 18-4 only 6 minutes into the game. With Childs' explosion and the return last Saturday of sophomore guard Clint Williams,

who had been sidelined with a bad knee for a year, the Mules are looking stronger and stronger every game. Whitmore contends that this season's squad could be the best continued on page 18

## Swimmers Stroke To 10-1

by John Mullen  
Asst. Sports Editor

The Colby men's and women's swim teams returned from a weekend roadtrip in Vermont with a clean sweep of Middlebury and Norwich, raising the combined team's record to 10-1. Head coach Wally Lutkus praised his team's strong effort. "We swam real well last weekend. Although we got a slow start on Friday against Middlebury, we came out pretty well after mixing the lineup a bit."

Junior backstroker Amy Farmer, just returned from a semester in England, feels that this year's team is the strongest team she has swum for in three years; the swimmers are better conditioned and the coaching has improved.

"Everybody is more supportive of one another this year," Farmer said. "Coach Lutkus is really into team unity. He wants the entire team to work together as a team and not worry about individual accomplishments."

Our record speaks for itself. We're a lot closer this year than the past."

On the Men's team Randy Barr, a backstroke and distance racer, is enthusiastic about the team's upcoming meets. "We (the men) want to finish 8-1. Things are starting to pick up for us. Peter Sekulow has returned from Cuernavaca and he has added strength and talent to the team. Although we won't have a chance against Bowdoin, we should beat Clark and Bates."

Sally White, an All-American in three events and an honorable mention in a fourth last year, is the keystone of the fine season the women's squad has had to date. Individual accomplishments aside, White truly enjoys swimming for Colby and the entire team. "The team is close. I think our coach is great and we all get along well with him. He's made the team great. I think he is a much better coach than the previous one."

Late January is a tough period for the White Mules. Lutkus is guiding the team through grueling two a day workouts. The two practices usually add up to 10,000 yards of swimming a day.

The workouts are far removed from ex-coach Macdonald's. "My workouts are a lot different than Macdonald's," Lutkus said, "But this is a transition period right now and the toughest part of the season. The kids have been doing a super job so far, but more speed is needed now." Are there any complaints about the team? Not really. White, Barr, and Farmer are all excited about their team's chances at the New England Championships, and have nothing bad to say about the team, except, Farmer adds, for "the sore shoulders that come from two a days. But it is worth it." When a team is winning it is rarely filled with discontent. The Colby swim team is not an exception.

## Women's Track Wins, Despite Losses

by Dave Weissman  
Staff Writer

With eight quality competitors gone, one would not expect a high degree of success from a team. Not so for Coach Debbie Aitken's Women's Indoor Track and Field squad, which has met with much success despite the loss of eight team members to Junior Year Abroad programs and off-campus jan plans.

The team earned a victory over Bates two weeks ago at the Colby Relays held here at Colby, a meet which consisted entirely of relays, no individual events. Aitken was "surprised" by the win, which was a particularly sweet victory due to the fact that Colby had only once previously beaten arch-rival Bates (in a one point victory last year).

The success of this team can be attributed to a combination of new fresh talent and some

veteran poise, savvy, and leadership.

First of all there is sophomore Debbie MacWalter, an All-American javelin hurler last spring who played hockey last year, who has made a tremendous impact upon this team. MacWalter, a product of Duxbury, Ma., has been scoring consistently in four different events, and is close to qualifying for a berth in the New England Division I meet in the pentathlon, where Coach Aitken says "she will be a contender." Complementing MacWalter is freshman surprise Adria Lowell, from Bridgton, Me., who has already qualified for the ECAC's in the long jump.

The strong leadership and consistent scoring of senior co-captains Anne Burger and Robin Trend (who holds the Colby record in the 600 yd event) have been another key continued on page 19