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Administration Gunning For Third Frat LCA And Football Come Under Fire

I think fraternities are unnecessary, but we do not monitor our kids' life-styles.
-football coach Tom Austin

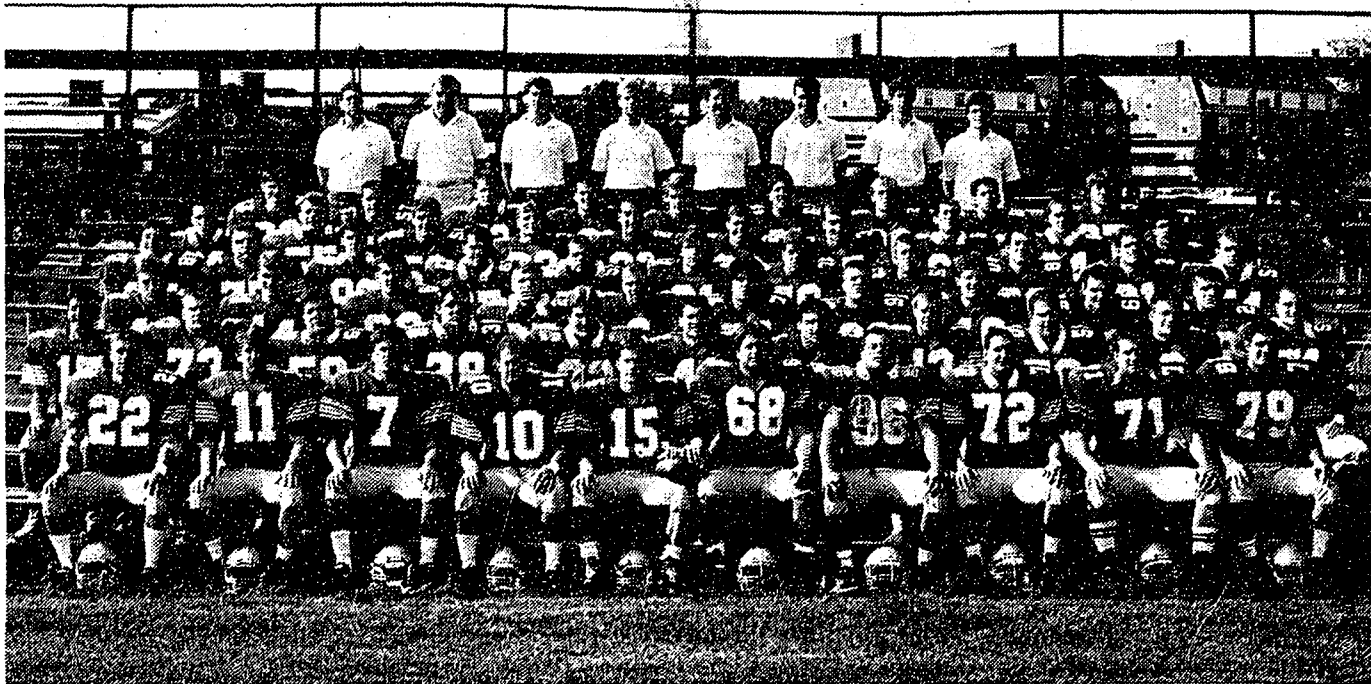


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This is a picture of Colby's 1988 football team. The administration considers this to be a picture of the 1988-89 Lambda Chi Alpha underground fraternity.

by John Mullen
Asst. Sports Editor

Bolstered by victories over the Zeta Psi and Delta Upsilon fraternities this past winter, the Colby administration now has its next target in sight: the underground activities of the Lambda Chi Alphas and their connection to the varsity football team. In a recent talk with Associate Dean of Students Mark Serdjenian, he made it clear that the LCA fraternity activities will no longer be tolerated.

"The college isn't going to wait around for something to happen. We are in a better position this year (after the Zeta Psi and DU incidents) to press the fraternity issue," Serdjenian said. As for the football team's perceived LCA involvement, "it is not good for the football team, or any sport for that matter, to

be recognized with fraternities."

Head football coach Tom Austin supports the crackdown policy of the administration and has held a team meeting to address the issue, although he does not know who the actual LCA team members are.

"We need the entire football team to understand the impact fraternity involvement can have on the program," Austin said, "we don't want to have an incident like the basketball team had" when two basketball playing pledges were arrested for theft by the Augusta Police Dept.

According to co-captain Chris White '90, the possible repercussions of not yielding to the administration's mandates sound alarming but remain unclear.

"Coach Austin is getting pressure from the deans- he is just doing the easiest thing. But if the

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Petition Hits EPC

by Lori Wright
News Editor

A petition which would require a minority studies course for graduation was submitted by Jeff Cox '90 to President William Cotter and the Educational Policy Committee last week.

A decision on the petition will be discussed this spring and voted on before the freshman class arrives in the fall, since the petition asks that the requirement begin with the class of '93.

The EPC was "quite interested to receive the petition," stated Dean of Faculty Bob MacArthur. The principle that students should encounter classes concerning race, gender, and class is very important, stated MacArthur, but "the strategic concerns on how to implement the principle turns out to be a good question." A requirement is "one possible root," he said.

The petition collected 607 signatures over a two-day period. Cox said the reasoning for people not signing "surrounded not wanting to increase requirements."

"Students should not only be offered, but required "to take at least one course in minority studies," said Carol Lockwood, a member of both the EPC and the task force. Cox said that the course could be completed at the same time as fulfilling humanities and social science requirements. "At least one class I'd be happy to see that just giving minimal exposure to everyone," stated Cox.

"The EPC has had on its agenda the whole issue of diversity in the curriculum for two years," said MacArthur. "We're currently working on a whole new structure for advising" which would encourage students to take a broader range of courses.

Cotter's Task Force Aimed At Racism

by Deborah Fuller
Staff Writer

A faculty-student task force on "Increasing Racial Understanding and Tolerance at Colby" has been formed by President William R. Cotter.

Formed in response to the racial controversies on campus, the group held its first meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 28, and decided that the primary focus was "to address the immediate problem of blacks-on-white racism," said English professor and task force and co-chair Cedric Bryant. A second meeting is scheduled for tomorrow and Bryant said that Cotter is asking for any input or recommendations as to whether, and to what extent the program should continue.

In a memorandum sent to the Task Force, Cotter outlined three main issues which he and the members will confront. The first will focus on what specific edu-

cational activities should be explored between now and May that will increase tolerance and understanding among whites and minorities. Ideally this will enable each member of our community to reexamine his or her own views toward others in order to help rid Colby of bigotry and bias.

Readings and activities will be the second issue the task force will tackle. They plan to organize such events in connection with next year's freshman orientation. This will show the newest members of Colby's community how strongly it is committed to tolerance and diversity.

How the college can pursue this important agenda in the years to come is the third focus of the task force. At tomorrow's meeting the group will consider a one-day suspension of classes during which time a series of seminars and discussions con-

cerning racial discrimination and racial diversity will be held. As an alternative, the Task Force is considering asking the faculty to devote an entire class to racial discussions.

Bryant stressed the fact that this idea is simply in the planning stage and "there is going to be a lot more fine-tuning before we present it to the faculty or the campus in general."

Cotter said that funds for activities like the showing of "Racism 101," a public television program concerning racial tensions on college campuses, will be available from the President's Discretionary fund.

Faculty and staff members appointed by Cotter include Associate Dean of Students Edward Blackwell, Secretary; Thomas Austin of Athletics and Physical Education; government Professor Chip Hauss; sociology Professor Jonas

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NEWS

If You Gussed It Was A Beaver, You Were Wrong

Terrel Hutton
Staff Writer

Panic hit the MacLab and an impromptu study break was enjoyed by students campus-wide when a 20-minute power outage struck the Waterville area on Sunday night.

According to the Central Maine Power Company, the blackout, which occurred at about 10:10 pm, originated in Winslow where a power line insulator broke, possibly a result of a lightning strike during last week's rain storms.

Larry Rocca '90, whose

WMHB show Sportsrap was interrupted by the blackout, reports that he has now "experienced it all in radio broadcasting." Yet according to Sportsrap listener Kevin Powers '89, Rocca and cohost Brian Batting were momentarily rattled by the interruption and left "flapping their gums" when the lights and the radio station regained power. "I just thought it was another beaver," Rocca said, referring to the notorious teether that felled power lines in the Waterville area this fall.

Computer Services confirmed that the MacLab has no backup power that would allow stu-

dents to save text in case of a blackout, and probably will not have it in the future. Freshman Amy Selinger said she was "really lucky" that her roommate shouted for her to "save!" as the lights flickered seconds before the blackout.

In Miller Library many weary Sunday night scholars were relieved to take a break from work to explore the stacks of Miller Library in the dark. Dim emergency lights lighted the stairways of the library, where some students clustered to speculate on whether they, like freshman Joe Savoie, would just "blow off the rest of the night." Some took

advantage of their brief anonymity and "played hide and seek and ran around ... it was a party in the library," said Doug Fenn '91. When the lights came back on "everyone was hyper and no one wanted to work. I think the

librarians got kind of mad," he said.

"The blackout and the four fire drills in three days in Dana must be a plot by Dean Seitzinger to promote dorm unity and the commons system," said Savoie.

Colby Hosts Women's Studies

Conference

by Catherine Breen
Staff Writer

In recognition of "Women's Studies Month" Colby is hosting a state-wide conference this weekend. The conference, focused on "Feminist Unity and Diversity", is the first in a long line of events aimed at expansion of the Women's Studies Department.

While the WS Department is now a decade old and is currently being reviewed by an oversight committee, the depart-

ment still doesn't offer a major. Students can only concentrate on, starting next year, minor in the program.

"Possibly it will be offered as a major someday," said Melissa Early '89, an English major with a concentration in Women's Studies, who is also coordinating the upcoming conference.

The weekend will be "a chance for students, faculty, and community members to share insights and discoveries in the field of women's studies," she said.

Assisting Early with the organization of the event are Eco-

nomics Professor Patrice Franko-Jone and Director of Alumni Susan Cook. Bowdoin, Bates, UNH, and UMO faculties will also be taking part as sponsors of the weekend.

A limited number of tickets are being sold for the event and Early estimates that between 150 and 200 people will be in attendance for the academic portion of the conference. The student rate for tickets is \$5.00 and the regular price is \$12.00. For more information, contact Melissa Early at 873-5805 or Patrice Franko-Jones at 872-3563.

It's Too Early To Tell

by Tracey Hardman
Staff Writer

The new hard alcohol policy has been set and the first party has already been squashed.

Dean of Students Janice Seitzinger's temporary decision, which considers each party on a case-by-case basis, has become policy.

The final decision has prohibited a Johnsons Commons kamikaze party that would have taken place on February 27, a Thursday night. However, she approved of mixed drinks at a

Lovejoy Commons semiformal.

Seitzinger stated that she would examine each party individually in order to discern potential damage. Party size, theme, hard liquor that is to be served, timing, and use of bartenders will be examined before determining whether or not a party will occur.

"It's too early to tell," stated Director of Student Activities John Farkas, in reference to the effectiveness of this policy.

"I don't think it's going to have a really strong impact on the social life at Colby," said Leslie Dougherty '89, Student Asso-

ciation vice president. "Janice made two really sound decisions," she continued. Dougherty feels that this policy will be helpful in lessening the Student Center damage.

The damage in the Student Center has been especially high this year, increasing since a lull in damage between 1986 and the 1988-1989 school year, according to Farkas.

Seitzinger will be inquiring about bartender training for this type of party, will report on it at the next Student Affairs Committee meeting, scheduled for March 20.

More Macs, Less Wait

by Joy Marean
Staff Writer

Computer Services is considering replacing the Vax terminals in Miller and Mudd with Macs in order to increase the availability of Macintosh computers.

The budget for these renovations is currently being worked on, and the implementation

should begin in July, the beginning of the fiscal year, according to Ray Phillips, director of Computer Services.

However, renovations in the Mudd cluster are pending on a

grant from the National Science Foundation. If no funds are received from the foundation this year, the changes will be made at a later date.

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Corrections

According to Director of Safety and Security Mark Van Valkenburgh, the statement printed in the Feb. 2 edition of the *Echo* regarding an alleged incident of a Safety and Security officer firing a handgun over students' heads years ago is false.

Keeping The Image Up

TO: ALL OFFICERS
FROM: MOV
DATE: 3-2-89
RE: PUBLIC INFORMATION
There has been some questions arising of late concerning my rationale behind not allowing security officers to speak with media reporters. I would like to explain the why of this action.

Security, police or other departments that constantly deal with incidents that may result in some form of future litigation or with matters that are of a confidential nature must be extremely aware of what and how information is disseminated to the public.

In order to provide for these problems a department designates one person who is responsible. This provides an outlet for one factual accounting of information rather than several sources of possible mis-information and ensures that the information released is done so in a proper manner, sensitive to all the legal issues involved.

In all the departments I have worked in, this position has been assumed by the chief or department director. Based on my record of experience with this issue I have taken on this responsibility.

Recently officers have responded to media personnel by stating that they "weren't allowed" to speak with them. This is presenting a negative image to many and has resulted in adverse publicity to the department. I hope by your taking time to provide this proper explanation in the future we can shortstop any further difficulties.

This is a memo from Safety and Security Director Mark Van Valkenburgh to the department's officers.

Off The Hill

Middlebury

The faculty made a proposal to the Board of Trustees to abolish all fraternities on Monday. They cite sexism and exclusivity as reason for this movement. No sororities are allowed on campus, as they were removed in the sixties, and this is one of the catalysts of the debate.

Late last Thursday morning, a thief made off with \$16,000 from a vault in the administration building. Four colleges in New York state have also suffered from the same crime and a connection is suspected.

Amherst

The President and the Dean of Students have been seen attending various campus parties in their attempt to uncover the extent of alcohol use. It has not been determined if their search was successful, although the Amherst Board of Governors will issue a statement later this week.

Prices are rising, as a comprehensive tuition fee of 6.7% has been added to student costs.

Tufts

This past week was Asian Awareness Week, and among the events planned were Asian art expositions, an all-Asian production of "A Chorus Line", and such movies as "Glimpses of Vietnam," "Tampopo," and "Who killed Vincent Chin," a movie which was voted best documentary at the Academy Awards.

A large symposium on drugs and foreign policy, sponsored by Tuft's Experimental College, is taking a close look at the war on drugs overseas as it applies to the United States.

FEATURES

If They Haven't Already, Let Me

by Jeremy Carver
Contributor

I'll be the first to admit that I'm one of those people who love icy days when there is nothing more enjoyable than watching pretty girls and brawny football players bite it on the ice. I'm also one of those people who happen to love sliding on the ice, rationalizing that the only way to beat the ice is to tackle it head on.

I did. Head on. Mild concussion.

My friends and I decided to take a post-lunch whirl on the student-made path leading downhill from Dana to the Student Center and the first time down it was all thrill and chills as we slid-ran down it making some great saves along the way. (If there's anything better than a great digger, it's gotta be a great save!)

Well, cocky and confident as they were, my buddies decided to take the hill again, and I joined reluctantly, conscious of the fact that it was 12:18 and I wasn't really looking forward to having the lunchtime crowd catch my act. Then again, what adventure-minded girl wouldn't marvel at my daring-do?

So we get up top, Bob starts down first, digs it, tumbles head over heels down the path, causing me and Mitch to almost lose it ourselves from keeling over in hysterics. Then Mitch goes, makes one of the most spectacu-

lar saves of the day as he slips, does a perfectly executed double axel as though he were born to the ice, runs backwards down the hill- the look of a shocked two-year old on his face- and finally comes to a breathless stop.

No one has made it down yet, but then again I'm not called the Silver Surfer for nothing. I take a running start- the clock strikes 12:20, half the campus is watching me- slide and wipe out, cracking the ice with my head, and receiving a standing O. The fact that I fell at least four more

times in my state of delirium (I thought I was the Plum fairy in The Nutcracker) only spurred the crowd on.

So that's embarrassment number one. I got a concussion. Whoopee. Neat.

I won't even attempt to put in print what happened to me this evening in the bathroom, but it involved nearly gagging to death on Tylenol.

That's number two. But, of course, bad luck comes in threes. I'm at the Spa for missed meal, figuring to take in a quiet meal for myself. You know, don't

bother me, I won't bother you... I'm sitting on that railing where everybody sits waiting for that order and lo- and-behold, Sir Schmucknose does it again. (Note- I also happen to be one of those people who never misses an opportunity to embarrass their friends.)

I knock my Coke, it flies over the railing, and just nearly misses taking out a table of four. I wheel around, looking for a friend to pin it on, realizing my friends weren't there, point at some chick I don't even know, blame it on her, no one buys it. Embarrassment number three.

I dunno. I guess what goes around comes around. Maybe I did deserve it. My roommate says to transfer. Mom says to have a hot bowl of soup and go to bed. My dad laughed and then told me I never was good at sports anyway. I dunno. Just though I'd tell you before someone else did.



Colby Adds New Academic Requirements

by Brian Murphy
Staff Writer

In order to obtain that vaunted Colby College degree we all must gather 120 credits and fulfill the three distribution requirements of humanities, social sciences, and natural sciences. On top of that we are also mandated to complete the always fun language requirement, our major requirements, and last but not least, the good ole' physical education requirement.

Well hold on to your hats boys and girls because starting next year a new requirement will have to be fulfilled in order to receive your degree. That's right Mr. and Miss White Mule! As of the 1989-90 school year, all students wishing to be successful candidates for the bachelor of arts degree from Colby College must complete any three of the following courses as outlined by a tentative catalogue describing Colby's newest academic discipline.

COLBY SOCIAL LIFE STUDIES

101 Colby Slang Language

Many well respected professors instruct you on the widely spoken Colby Slang language, other wise known as Colbyese. Emphasis on direct reading comprehension, oral skills, grammar and vocabulary building. Use of taped materials in the language laboratory is a regular part of the class. Special emphasis placed on proper uses of the words: dude, man, random, sweet, scoping, scooping, talkin' shop, what's up? (also what's up with that?), and the conjugation of the verb dismiss. For example, "What's up (or what's up with that), dude? I saw you scoping that sweet random chick who subsequently dissed you when you tried to scoop her 'cause you were talkin' too much shop, man!" *Four credit hours*. Instructor: Any member of the Colby football team.

133 Principles of Student Center Parties

The principles surrounding the phenomenon of stu-

dent center parties. Among the subjects which will be covered are: dancing at student center parties with special emphasis on how to not have people standing along the railing make fun of your dancing, music selection- bad and good, beer line cutting with emphasis on getting yourself in the best position for a beer without starting a fight, and a special lab offered in sneaking into student center parties. In the lab, instructors will provide hands on demonstrations of the best methods by which to sneak into actual live student center parties. *Three credit hours*, with Lab *Four credit hours*. Instructors: DANCE- Graduate Assistant Michael "I Love Salt-n-Peppa" Venezia, MUSIC-D.J. Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Graduate Assistant Brian Kaplan, BEER LINE CUTTING- Half the students at Colby, LAB- Half the students at Colby.

*217 j Jan Plan In The Commons System

A trip to the various residence halls of all four commons: Mary Low, Lovejoy, Chaplin, and Johnson. Students will study the alternative lifestyles cultivated in each. For example, students will live for a week each in Foss, Dana, Chaplin, and Johnson. They will study the "crunchie" lifestyle of Foss inhabitants, the "party" values of Dana, the "cool" instincts of Chaplin residents, and the "why am I stuck in Johnson" attitude of Johnsonians. Day excursions will be organized to such exotic places as the Heights, the Bixler Art Museum, and an overnight stay in the basement of Drummond. Fine food will be provided for all participants by Seiler's, Inc. of Beverly, ooopps, I mean Mayflower Hills. To mark the end of the trip, a festive Busch beer bash will be thrown in the breathtaking Colby Student Center. *Two credit hours*. Instructor: Paul "No, really, the Commons System Is Working" Johnston.

320 Theory of Scooping

The theory of scoping, eye contact, smooth talking with emphasis on sure-fire, never-fail lines, and, finally, the actual act of scooping. Emphasis will also be placed on the real meaning of come-on lines. For example, "I just got out of a relationship and I really can't

make a commitment right now but let's just see what happens." Translation: "I just want to scoop you tonight then get the hell out of my life." A special lecture will also be given entitled, "How To Get Rid Of Someone The Next Morning Without Insulting Them So Bad That You Can't Scoop Them The Next Night If All Other Prospects Dis You." *Four credit hours*. Instructors:

321 Theory Of Comebacks

Unfortunately, some students cannot pass Theory of Scooping, which is quite possibly the most demanding and complex of all courses at Colby. This class is structured for those unfortunate masses who do indeed fail Theory of Scooping. Emphasis is placed in this class in two areas: getting back at the girl/guy who dissed you, and saving face with friends who have just witnessed your humiliation by the girl/guy who dissed you. Heavy concentration will be placed on thinking up lines to accomplish these two objectives. For example, when a girl/guy disses you when you ask her/him to dance, simply say in a clear, firm tone, "Don't be so choosy, honey. I wasn't." You then proceed back to your friends, who most assuredly are laughing at you, and say, "I wasn't even trying, I have a girlfriend/boyfriend at home." Prerequisite: Failure of 320 Theory of Scooping. *Four credit hours*. Instructors: Male- Echo Sports Editor Larry "I Have A Sweet 'Do'" Rocca Ph.D.

438 Practice Of Beer Die

Students will be instructed in the proper ways of throwing, catching, plunking, chugging, and not spitting bizz when plunked in the game of beer die. A special lecture series will also be given entitled, "How To Boot Gracefully And Still Return To Win The Beer Die Game". Prerequisite: you provide the keg and the die. *Three credit hours*. Instructor: Any member of the Colby football team. Guest lecturer: Guy Prescott, Ph.D.

Remember to register early for these classes because enrollment will be limited.

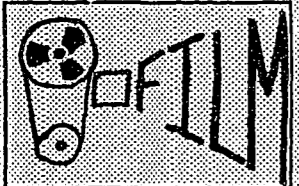
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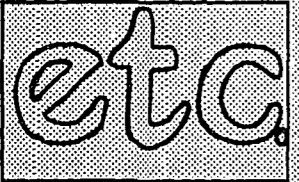
THE SATANIC VERSES by Salman Rushdie (Viking \$19.95) Charges of blasphemy against the Prophet Muhammad. Commentary on East/West interaction.

SAILING by Susan Kenney (Penguin \$18.95 H.C.) The effects of mortality on life and love, by our own award-winning faculty author.

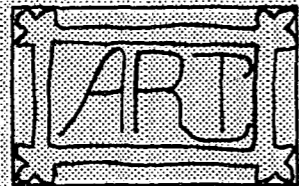


ON THE BEACH after the novel by Nevil Shute. Slowly, the effects of a nuclear war reach Australia, causing a world of innocent people to philosophize, live and die.

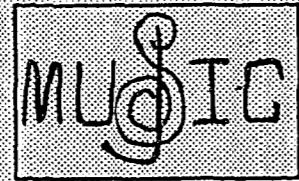
LAIR OF THE WHITE WORM an archaeologist unearths a bizarre skull, and with this intices a worm-worshipping vampire seductress.



In the "sounds interesting" category... The **MYSTERY CAFE** on Mass. Ave. in Cambridge sounds like it could bring some adventurous fun your way. For approximately \$25, your dinner comes complete with a murder mystery. To partake in this theater production and supplementary dinner, or to get more info, call (617) 262-1826.



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The Eisen Review

The Lair Of The White Worm

by Ken Eisen
Special to the Echo

Not a worm is left unturned in Ken Russell's outrageously campy new film *The Lair of the White Worm*. Suggestions of snakiness are everywhere, from the disguised snakeperson who declares with bored sophistication "I actually hibernate in winter" to the spaghetti that is the favorite food of just about everyone in the movie.

Russell, who has been responsible for films as outrageous as *Tommy* and *Altered States*, lets out all the stops in his version of Bram Stoker's tale about a Scottish archaeologist who unearths a huge, mysterious worm-shaped skull. His discovery excites the guests at a party in the British countryside, but not as much as it excites Lady Sylvia Marsh (see picture), who turns out to be a worm-worshipping vampire seductress.

The mix of Christianity and Pagan serpent worship is the background for Stoker's ideas in *The Lair of the White Worm*. He took the premise that the giant creature had been trapped by a landslide and it had to be fed. So there had to be a priestess, as in all Pagan religions, and it was her job to keep the worm happy with sacrificial virgins. There aren't that many around these days, but she does her best. Eventually she finds a nice English miss who is almost sacrificed but is saved by two he-



Amanda Donohoe in the Vestron Pictures thriller "The Lair of the White Worm," directed by Ken Russell.

roes. One is an ancestor of the knight who killed the first worm/dragon and the other is a Scottish lad who follows the trail of Pagan signs.

The Lair of the White Worm shows at Railroad Square Cin-

ema Friday, March 10 through Thursday, March 16 at 9 p.m. each evening. Use the phrase "snake-shaped" in conversation with the concessions stand person and receive a free, un-snake-shaped popcorn.

Spot's Spot

The 'Mats Are Really Coming

by Spot
Special to the Echo

The Replacements are coming, the Replacements are coming, oh boy, oh boy, the Replacements are really coming.

Yes, you heard right, the Replacements will be performing their own style of high energy, fast-paced rock 'n roll, on March 18, at Colby's Wadsworth Gym. These guys are guaranteed to wake you up and get you going much, much faster than any old, five strong cups of early morning coffee ever could do.

For those of you who are new to the game, let me see if I can enlighten you on the musical stylings of this band. I suppose that I should start with the new album, "Don't Tell A Soul." Although the production is much smoother than previous

work and the band seems to be playing much tighter than before, all of the old traits are still there.

Paul Westerberg's lyrics still reek of his sharp wit, and clever wordplay. They make you think. They make you grin and feel good. They make you feel like you got the joke that the guy next to you didn't.

"Talent Show" is an energetic memory of the old days when the guys were first starting out. The album is very diverse. One minute you'll hear an ode to days gone by, and the next you'll be listening to an upbeat Stones-like tune. "Achin' To Be" has a twangy, country, Keith Richards' guitar with a bluesy harmonica underneath. The combination works, and after a while you can begin to see that sometimes less is more. The guys continued on page 6



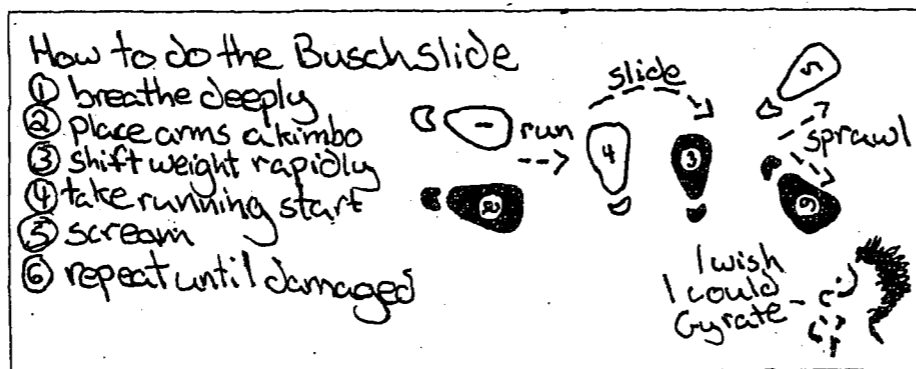
The Replacements will be in concert at Wadsworth Gymnasium on March 18 at 8:00 p.m.

Saturday Night Sarcasm

by Geoff Hayden
Staff Writer

Nobody dances better than the people here at Colby. Saturday nights prove this, as the student body wiggles to the beat of top forty music. Most of the people stay above the dance floor drinking, as they should. I can't understand why anybody would want to be sober. Isn't the whole point of a successful student center party total inebriation? People are even richly rewarded for their clothing and lack thereof.

The dancers generally work their feet to the slowest beat they can find. It is this, the "Colby Shuffle", the dance trend of tomorrow, that prevails. At every beat, the dancers shift their weight from one foot to the other, catching as much hang-time in between as they can. This leaves plenty of time for



socializing on the floor, and drinking from paper cups full of beer found in the right hand of every good dancer.

The atmosphere in the Page Commons Room is perfect too. Beer is added to the floor at regular intervals by drunks who casually show-off popular dance moves such as the "hip-check", the "oral threat", and the "spread'em-I'm-yours", providing a beautifully slippery dance floor. Rarely does a foot leave behind a shoe glued to the floor. But zowie..., the aroma! Never is the essence of Busch beer so

potent as it is on Saturday nights in our award winning Student Center.

There is even an occasional cascade of golden beer from the third level, a pleasant waterfall that cools and refreshes the dancers underneath. One can almost place themselves in the Caribbean by a cool pool of water, dancing the Colby Shuffle to the native beat. One wonders why these parties end so soon.

If you were unfortunate enough to miss the last party-of parties, be sure not to miss the next.

Prize Winning Poet Gerald Stern To Read At Colby

by Professor Ira Sadoff
Special to the Echo

Here's the popular legend of the American poet: he or she goes to Paris to write in a boarding house, wanders the streets, lives hand to mouth, debauches, and dies in poverty with a last love poem in his or her pocket. The poet's discovered a half century later, and some critic (possibly a relative of the critic who originally condemned him to obscurity) resurrects all the unpublished poems and canonizes them, puts them in the Norton Anthology. We read the work gratefully, weeping all the while for the poor and dead poet.

Poet Gerald Stern, who'll be reading from his poems in the Robinson Room of the library at 8:00 p.m. Sunday, March 12, came perilously close to living out the artist's nightmare. In 1977 when he was nearly 50, Stern won the Lamont Prize for *Lucky Life*, the best second book of poems published that year. From that point on, Stern has published prolifically: three more volumes of verse, including *The Red Coal*, *Paradise Poems*, and *Lovesick*; his *Selected Poems* and a collection of his prose will soon be published by Harper & Row. And, believe it or not, he has received recognition for his work before he died. Philip Levine has said of *Lovesick*, "it has total authority and such generosity of spirit, and there's nothing Jerry is afraid to take on." Richard Hugo has said "His emotional generosity is evident in every phrase, every line, every poem."

Stern is an ecstatic poet with great emotional range. His

poems move freely from the animal world — his identification with the primitive is almost complete — to the philosophers Kant and Spinoza, to gardens and gardeners, to the world of sexuality and the senses. He records the decay of luncheonettes and brick apartments of the cities, the empty panoramas of the American countrysides; he tracks the American Jew's Eastern European history, and

comprehends-sometimes with great dignity, other times with the crudity and earthiness of the immigrant-the burden of the victim. He's the expansive self without boundaries, and we at Colby are lucky to have the opportunity to hear him read. A reception will follow the reading; students, faculty members and members of the community will have the opportunity to speak with the poet.

At Bickfords

You should understand that I use my body now for everything whereas formerly I kept it away from higher regions. My clothes are in a stack over against the orange pine cupboard and my hair is lying in little piles on the kitchen floor. I am finally ready for the happiness I spent my youth arguing and fighting against.

Twenty years ago - walking on Broadway - I crashed into Shaddai and his eagles. My great speciality was darkness then and radiant sexual energy.

Now when light drips on me I walk around without tears. - Before long I am going to live again on four dollars a day in the little blocks between 96th and 116th.

I am going to follow the thin line of obedience between George's Restaurant and Salter's Books.

There is just so much feeling left in me for my old ghost and I will spend it all in one last outburst of charity.

I will give him money; I will listen to his poems; I will pity his marriage.

- After that I will drift off again to Bickford's and spend my life in the cracked cups and the corn muffins.

I will lose half my hatred at the round tables

and let any beliefs that want to overtake me.

On lucky afternoons the sun will break through the thick glass and rest like a hand on my forehead.

I will sit and read in my chair;

I will wave from my window.

Gerald Stern
Lucky Life

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Thursday

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Stu-A Movie: Eddie Murphy's *Raw* 7:00, 9:15 p.m. Lovejoy 100

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Friday

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Stu-A Movie: Eddie Murphy's *Raw* 7:00, 9:15 p.m. Lovejoy 100.

Concert Folk Singer Martha Lender
Chase Hall Longe, Bates 8:00 p.m.

Bowdoin Theater "Of Thee I Sing" by George Gershwin
Pickard Theater Memorial Hall, Bowdoin

Latino American Music, 9:00 p.m.,
Page Commons Rm., Student Center.

Saturday

Colby Women's Studies Conference. ALL DAY

5:00 p.m Fiction Reading, Poetry Reading
by Professor Lisa Low, Roberts Union

Stu-A Movie Eddie Murphy's *Raw* 7:00, 9:15 p.m. Lovejoy 100

Folk Music Concert: Judy Jacobs Given Auditorium; 8:00 p.m.

Colby, Bates, and Bowdoin Folk Night.
Chase Lounge, Bates College 8:00 p.m.

Bates Choir Concert. Bates College, 8:00 p.m.

Guitar Concert: Christopher Parkening, 8:00 p.m.
Portland City Hall Aud. TIX 722-8630

Boston Philharmonic: Schumann, Mozart. Brahms
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1st Annual Charity Ball. Page Commons Rm., 9:00 p.m.

Sunday

Flute & Guitar Concert. Lorimer Chapel, 3:00 p.m.

Poetry Reading: Gerald Stern.
Robinson Rm., Miller Library, 8:00 p.m.

Bowdoin Senior Art Show Opening,
Kresge Gallery, Bowdoin, 10:00 p.m.

Ongoing

Colby Museum of Art: John Marin Retrospective Exhibition
Women through the Artist Eyes

Watercolor/Silkscreen Nature Illustrations
Maine Audubon Society, 118 U.S. Route One, Falmouth

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston: Goya

Replacements

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have found this out, and use it quite well.

On their last album "Pleased To Meet Me" the band played a cocktail lounge tune called "Nightclub Jitters." A jazzy, quirky song that seemed out of place with the rest of album, but with it's tongue-in-cheek hu-

mor, it fit in well.

In the early days, the band had a more raw, rough-edged sound. As they've progressed, each successive album has brought them new fans and praise from their peers and critics alike. They have always been popular with college radio listeners and have finally broken into the commercial radio spotlight, without compromising their integrity or style. This can sometimes be an impossible task for young, up-and-coming bands, due to the

no-risk ideals, and narrow-mindedness of the big, incorporated, major radio markets. The Replacements have shown that hard work and standing your ground can work.

I guess I should say that my favorite Mats album is "Pleased To Meet Me." It's the bridge between then and now for them. It has the rough, action-packed, wise-ass music of their earlier works as well as the early signs of their maturation, into a bank, that will be here long after the

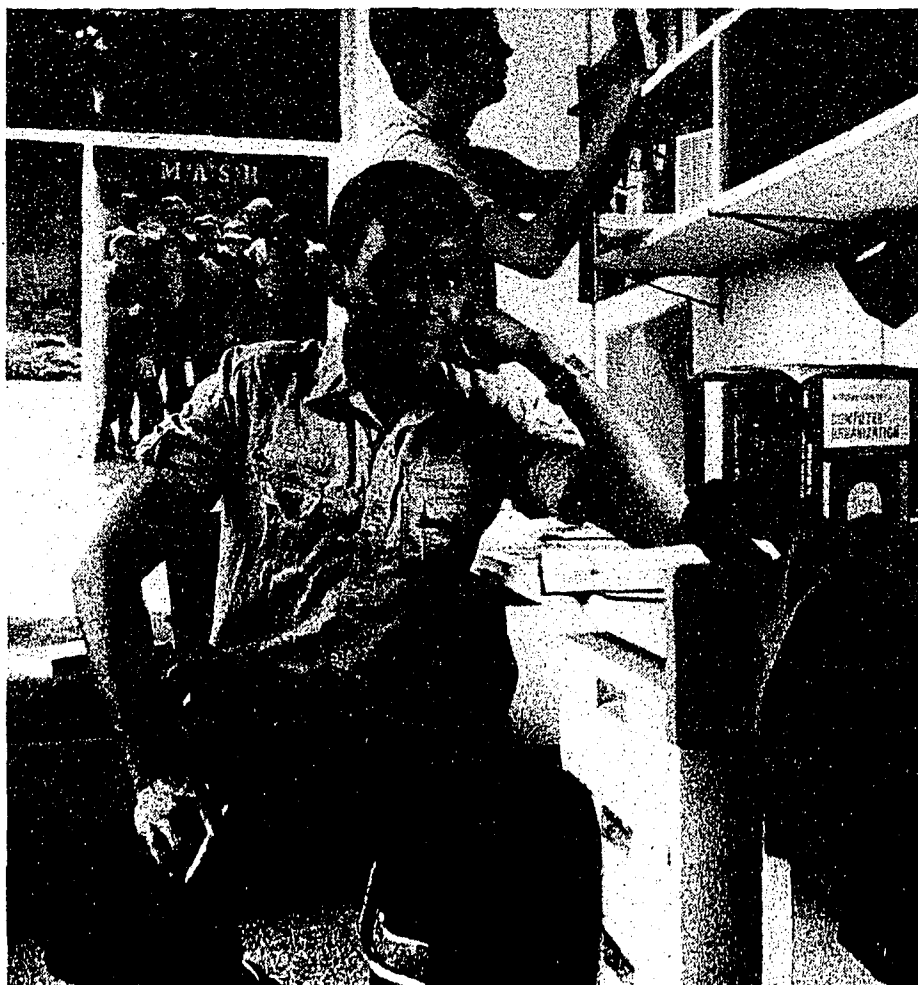
posers have packed it in and called it a day.

So, go down to the Record Connection and ask for the new Replacements album, "Don't Tell A Soul." They have it on LP, Cassette and Compact Disc. This is gonna be one of the best albums to come out this year. So Go Get It NOW!!! One final thought... ignore the album title and go tell everybody.

Tickets are on sale at the Stu-A office at the Colby Student Center.



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Frats

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deans pressure Austin further I don't know what he is going to do," White said. "He wanted us (the entire team) to be aware that if the team did not separate itself from fraternity activity, the football program could be in jeopardy."

Serdjenian explained that the 'jeopardy' of the program is directed at players who participate in fraternity events. "In my view it means if a player continues to be involved with a fraternity, the individual's career is in jeopardy, not the team itself," he said.

Though Austin feels that fraternity involvement on the football team is detrimental and has written letters to incoming recruits warning them of the pressures they will face, he cannot control his player's social lives.

"I think fraternities are unnecessary, but we do not monitor our kid's life-styles. There is a real fragile balance between directing students and helping them."

The administration has made their demand clear to the football team and the players still involved in the LCA fraternity-to cease and desist now or pay for your actions later. And if you are caught, don't expect the coaching staff to support your side. But the strong-arm tactics used to squelch other fraternities has angered at least one former football player, Ed Northrup '90.

"The entire case is immoral and deceitful," Northrup said, "the administration constantly harps on Colby students to be morally correct and honest. And then they turn around and do this: pressuring students without proof. It is ridiculous."

Macs

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The need for the renovation stemmed from the overuse of the MacLab in Lovejoy, and the underuse of terminal clusters in Mudd and Miller library. In both clusters, the Macs would have the capacity to connect with the UNIX system, thereby justifying the removal of the current terminals with Vax capacity.

Ten new Mac II's are to be added in Mudd, adding to the six that are currently hooked up. In addition, a laser writer would be available in the library, and Macs in both clusters would also have graphics ability.

The Macs in the library would be SEs with hard drives, "eliminating the problems of checking out software," said Phillips.

Task Force

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Rosenthal; Assistant Dean of Admissions Darryl Scott; and history Professor Robert Weisbrot.

The student members are

Martha Elizabeth Howland '89, Carol Lockwood '90, Stephen Nason '89, Majester Stewart '89, and Chantal Miller '91 and Gregory Ore '91.

President Cotter said that the task force is still in formation and would be open to recommendations to add any other members.

Quits

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His role was basically to offer solid competition in practice, in which regard he has performed extremely well, offering a strong challenge to the starters, while at the same time maintaining a high level of enthusiasm.

"Kevin has been as much a contributing factor to the team, through his efforts in practice, as anyone else in the history of Colby basketball," said Whitmore.

All three of these soon-to-be

alumni heaped high praise upon the Colby basketball program, attributing much to the efforts of Coach Whitmore. They all agreed that their individual accomplishments were in large part due to their coach. "Whitmore is the best coach I've ever associated with," commented Powers, while Connors called him "a great motivator who really knows the game."

"I want to thank Coach Whitmore for the opportunity to play at Colby," said Jablonski. "I've really enjoyed playing ball here-it was a great part of my Colby experience."

Memories

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a sophomore and the coach's son, transferred in from Dartmouth and pumped in 10.8 ppg despite his position as sixth man. He saved his best for last with a 21 point, 9 rebound effort versus Williams. Rimas (4.5 ppg), a mammoth freshman center, and Daileanes (4.1 ppg), a sharp shooting guard, arrived as teammates from Central Catholic High in Lawrence, MA., and both showed flashes of brilliance during the Mules long season.

Thank you Clint Williams, Scott Sullivan, and Greg Becker for working as hard as your teammates despite the lack of public recognition and playing time. Thanks also to Chris Lahey who

was relegated to a coat and tie all season because of a bad disk in his back. The kind of work and dedication you men displayed is what makes the difference between a good team and a great team. The White Mules were a great team.

They started out 7-0 and only lost one home game during the regular season. During the season they travelled to Virginia, New York (twice) and all over New England. They thumped Bates and Bowdoin and split two games with National power Husson. After a rigorous schedule that included 16 road games, the Mules may have been just too tired to win the ECAC's.

No doubt, with only one starter graduating, the Mules will be primed for another run next year. That's right, now it's time to wait 'til next year.

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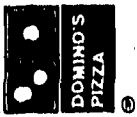
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OPINION

The Evils Are Always Hidden

Beauty is only skin deep. Or maybe, beauty is only skin deep everywhere but at Colby College where it seems that many times appearance is the only thing that counts. Look around. Colby is a beautiful school, although maybe not in the dead of winter. I don't mind that a lot of effort goes into making the campus look good, but what bothers me is when other, more important issues get pushed to the back shelf.

What seems to count the most is what perspective students and curious parents will think about the school and how potentially generous alumni will see Colby when they give it an occasional cursory glance. Did you ever peruse some of the publications they send to the alumni and parents? "Look at our pretty campus with all the pretty people doing all sorts of fun things," seems to be the general message.

As a tour guide, I know all the right things to say to make Colby seem as perfect as its campus would suggest. "Don't worry," I tell people, "the social life doesn't really get repetitive, it's what you make of it that determines how much fun you have." I don't really lie, I just coat the candy a little.

But there are more serious problems than candy-coating, and these arise when the school tries to cover things up and isn't honest with the students. Allow me to indulge in a few examples.

The whole water situation. Sure, we've got words like lead content and bacteria coming out our ears, but the fact remains that it is a serious issue. And if somebody hadn't decided to bring it out into the open, it could have easily been glossed over by those in power and the students never would have heard a word about it. We can run on our new track, we can watch T.V. from the Soviet Union thanks to our new satellite dish, but we can't drink the water.

There exists, among the hierarchies which make up Colby's administrative and faculty groups, those who would prefer that problems be handled, if at all, from within. They believe that there are some situations that students shouldn't really get involved in, or even know about. For example, the article that Sports Editor Larry Rocca wrote about the problems with the hockey team and its coach, Mickey Goulet. "That bit about Goulet didn't belong in the paper," one coach told Rocca, "After all, you don't really see problems when you go to games." Okay, so see no evil, hear no evil, speak no evil. Write no evil-that stuff doesn't belong in print.

Where is it written in the Colby rule books that you cannot interview a member of Safety and Security without first checking with its director? And who said that Van Valkenburgh gets to talk to the officers first, so that they know exactly what to say? I'm not talking about what official policy is or the details of incident involving the officers, I'm talking about asking the officers for their opinions. Or is it that the officers cannot have opinions of their own and do not have the right to freely express them?

Admittedly, blindly attacking the administration is not the way to get things done. Bringing issues out into the open is. Cover-ups and wishy-washy proposals do not solve anything.

Jennifer Scott
Features Editor

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The paper also encourages the submission of opinions which address any issue of concern. They should not exceed 600 words. This policy includes those pieces written by individual staff members, who for extreme circumstances as determined by the Editor, disagree with the Editorial.

Both letters to the Editor and opinions must be typed, double-spaced, signed, and include a telephone number. Both must either be in campus mail, addressed to *The Echo* by 10:00 a.m. Monday morning, or in the *Echo Office* by 7:00 p.m., Monday night, unless special contact has been made with the Editor.

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Editor's note: Chris Preston has officially assumed the responsibilities of Editor-in-chief of *The Colby Echo*. His official title is Acting Editor-in-chief, but henceforth the position will simply be referred to as Editor

Domino's Delivers Anti-Abortion Message

by Mark Cosdon
Contributor

A new development in the ongoing abortion debate has surfaced and its implications affect each of us and merits our attention. Recently Tom Donahue, the owner of the national franchise Domino's Pizza, donated \$50,000 to the radical anti-abortion group Operation Rescue. In addition, the parent company of the pizza chain, Domino's Farm Corporation, has also contributed \$10,000 to Operation Rescue.

Founder of Operation Rescue, Randall Terry, claims: "The bottom line is that the blood of babies is crying out for vengeance and God is ready to smash this country." His anti-abortion group uses tactics such as sit-ins and mass pickets to prevent both patients and doctors from entering abortion clinics. According to a recent *Washington Post* article, over 5,000 people have been arrested during sit-ins at abortion clinics in 30 cities.

Operation Rescue is perhaps best remembered for their antics during the Democratic Convention last summer in Atlanta. During the convention, hundreds of protestors were arrested for illegally picketing abortion clinics in their attempt to publically display their discontent with Michael Dukakis' pro-choice stance.

Terry's group presents perhaps the greatest obstacle to the pro-choice faction. Indeed, his group has already been successful in blocking the election of pro-choice candidates in both local and regional elections.

By directing these sums of money to Operation Rescue, the Domino's Pizza corporation makes public the fact that they condemn a woman's right to a legal abortion. The decision of whether or not to bring a child into the world should be the personal choice of each woman, not someone else.

Terry was raised in orphanages and obviously has a deep personal belief in the anti-abortion cause. While there are

clearly two sides to the abortion argument and while Terry has a right to his point of view, this does not mean that he has the right to force his belief on the women in this country. Furthermore, it does not mean that we need to fund Terry's agenda by supporting Domino's.

If you are strongly opposed to this unforgivable gift-giving, won't you please take a moment to sign the petitions that will be circulating at meals, beginning Thursday evening. In addition, show your opposition to Domino's by boycotting their pizza and encouraging your friends to do the same. By refusing to purchase the Waterville franchise's product, we will be joining hundreds of other colleges across the nation who also believe women must have a CHOICE!

If you are interested in helping out with the boycott, please contact me at Box 400 or telephone 872-9674. Together, we can be strong.

Remember, if "Domino's Pizza delivers" - you deliver.

Why Should We Come To You

by Richard A. Lasley
Contributor

Black Americans have made great strides in the noble quest to combat discrimination, prejudice and racism. Brown vs. the Board of Education sent little black boys and little black girls to school with little white boys and little white girls; Dr. Martin

Luther King, Jr. led a march on Washington as well as a civil rights movement, and today every business and corporation is proud to announce that it is an equal opportunity employer. So I ask you, why is it that all these black people are screaming about the rise of racism on college campuses? Blacks have come far with the Civil Rights

Movement; why don't these self righteous Negroes just sit down and shut up? Why? Because white Americans have the sit down and shut up portion of fighting racism covered.

Face it white people, your butts have been shining the seat of the chair from day one. Unfortunately, it seems the only time you are willing to get up from that chair is to attend lectures, workshops, and films that have come after some "racial incident." Yes, this is the way that I view Colby's response to the Husson game and the showing of "Racism 101" in the coffee-house.

Your response is nothing new. When I attend such functions I always come away feeling that the group thinks that "tonight we have taken a big step in ending racism on campus and now we can all go and bask in the glow of our purity." Such beautiful moments.

What I remember about the discussion following the showing of "Racism 101" is that the phrase "bridge of understanding" was passed around like a collection plate. "If we all get to know and understand one another, then things would be different." "Hi, black student. I don't believe we've met." It was when this conclusion was reached and everyone was on the verge of a group hug that all continued on page 10

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LETTERS

Satanic Verses

Whereas, I am sympathetic to John Mullen's plea to not take freedom of expression for granted, I am unsure how to interpret his request: "Is there anyone on campus who own a copy of The Satanic Verses? If so, could I borrow your copy?" (Literary Terrorism" Colby Echo, March 2nd).

Sadly, most of those wishing to purchase the book are doing so either in the hope of gaining some voyeuristic gratification from reading some passages that have transgressed taboos, or, to get a personal souvenir of a particularly thrilling episode of the soap-opera, "The Evening News." If Mr. Mullen is one of these people, then I would refer him to The New York Times, which published the "objectionable excerpts last week.

Alternately, if Mr. Mullen or anyone else at Colby is interested in the Indo-Pak Subcontinent, in the themes of migration, the nature of culture and civilization, or in 549 pages of sparkling prose, then I would gladly lend him my copy of The Satanic Verses.

Ahmed Arif '89

A Bite Back

As a former employee of Big G's Deli I'd like to express my gratitude towards the seemingly positive review found in the March 2 edition of the *Echo*. I sense that both Gerry Michaud and his wife Donna, the owners, have given Winslow an outstanding establishment, nurturing not only the tastebuds of the Winslow/Waterville area but a vast percentage of the Colby community as well. The superb food and craftsmanship along with the splendidly unpretentious decor excites the tastebuds and the imagination.

However, I found it rather petty if not an unnecessary criticism of the wonderfully eclectic atmosphere that Big G's has created. Having worked there for about a month and a half I learned what preparation and care goes into everything they do from the food to the decor.

The review written by Suzi Schumann and Peter Read-Smith undermines the liberal thinking that Colby is trying to promote. A review of such nature only widens the gap between the student body and the local community (which is the last thing we need). Granted, they had both hoped to dine at a "high class" restaurant; however, once they were forced to do otherwise their mindset should have changed as well. At Big G's you get what you pay for plus a little more. The atmosphere adds a little spark and gives a lot of pleasure to the Waterville/Winslow community.

My suggestion to Suzi and Peter would be either to do their reviews of restaurants of their own "caliber" or to accept what this area has at face value. Big G's is simply not a "junk shop" and it deserves more credit than that. As a senior, Suzi should know by now that there is more to be learned than lessons from a text. There is something to be gained from every new experience, but it all starts with an open mind. Big G's is just one of those opportunities. So why don't you sit down and have a cup of coffee with Gerry, Donna, Bob, Glenys, Alton, or Angie. They're full of great stories, maybe they can even give you a few pointers on how to decorate your own room.

Julie Irmischer '89

Echo Readers On Deans' Hearing

Dean's Decision Too Lenient

Last week I submitted a petition to President Cotter, which at that time, had been signed by over 600 students. The petition states,

We the undersigned students of Colby College, realizing the importance of true diversity in our education, strongly urge that a minority studies course be added as a graduation requirement beginning with the class of 1993. Our hope is that such a requirement will ensure our graduates the broadest of perspectives in the "real world," while adding to the knowledge and understanding that is necessary for mutual respect here on campus.

I am a strong believer in education as a weapon to destroy the ignorance found at the root of racism. However, I also feel that the administration must provide concrete support for any steps being taken in the classroom. I am writing this letter to express my outrage at the recent decision to let Jay Olson off the hook. Rather than throw him out of school for a semester or off the football team, he was thrown off campus, an action that many students regard as a privilege, rather than a punishment. In fact, he was not even asked to apologize to the community but only given an opportunity at his discretion. But instead of focusing solely on the negative, I want to applaud the determination and courage of the Colby student who brought the charges against Jay Olson. I want to applaud the determination and courage of the Colby student who is spending a semester as a minority at Howard University. And finally, I want to applaud the recent *Echo* article by Greg Ore which accuses

Colby of paying only lip service to diversity. This accusation has once again rung true, this time with the lenient punishment of Jay Olson which exposes an administration with very little bark and even less bite.

Jeff Cox '90

On Symptoms And Disease

No longer should the administration reserve the right to hold closed Dean's hearings to determine judiciary cases. The ruling which they gave a week ago Sunday demonstrates their inability to recognize even the most basic element in achieving justice: the punishment of an offender must address the offense. Anything less demonstrates an unwillingness to face a problem and remove it at its most tenable level.

Racism is a very difficult crime to determine, but once it has been determined the punishment should demonstrate the full seriousness of the crime. A racist remark is a provocation for a fight, a verbal attack against an individual or individuals, a slander against an entire culture and an indictment against our own. Racism has divided countries and it certainly could divide our school and ruin its reputation. Bill Cotter has said he is going to address this problem, but this appears to me pure PR. Do the leaders of our school really take an interest in the student body for the health of the body itself or because of the financial ramifications of the maladies that come to light? I believe the punishment demonstrates the latter.

How could anybody really think the "punishment" accomplishes anything? Does it reprimand him? Does it set an example? Most importantly, does it even move toward solving the malignancy of prejudice at Colby? I say no on all counts. Jay Olson is a symptom. The decision was made to mask a symptom. It was not made for Jay's good or the good of the student body. He is far from Colby's only racist individual. He just happened to verbalize his prejudice in a particularly abrasive way at a particularly stupid moment. The fact that he thinks he can yell obscenities against humanity in front of hundreds of people shows how much racist support he thinks he has. Not only did he want to damage the Hussen players' ability to play by making them feel unaccepted, but, and I think mainly, he thought the students around him would admire his bold insolence.

So what punishment do I feel would be appropriate for Jay Olson's offense? First, he would not be allowed at sporting events at Colby, including football games. Second, he would have to spend a semester at an institution like Howard University so he might see now, rather than in 10 years, how unfunctional his views are. And, third, he should have to stay on campus for second semester so that his attitudes would be among us rather than hidden away on High Street. Furthermore, his picture should have been printed in the *Echo*, and not just the *Sentinel*, last week. At this point all Jay Olson has learned is not to verbalize his views in public, and that if he does get in trouble his ability to play football will get him out of it. I wish I were wrong, but I have not encountered any reason to believe otherwise in my four years here. If I were not a senior I would transfer out of Colby because of this issue-SERIOUSLY! I would not choose to stay at a school where few blacks even have the guts to come and many don't have the tremendous tolerance and vibrancy necessary to stay. This is no environment to learn to live in the real world and it is no place to grow to be either sensitive to others or personally responsible. Grow up Colby! What a way to top off the year.

Tucker Offutt '89

Punishment Deemed A Privilege

During the latter part of December, much of the content of the *Echo* was devoted to the concerns of students denied the "privilege" of living off campus. These students were obviously misled into believing that following the administration's procedure—either entering the off-campus lottery or filing a petition—might make them eligible for this "privilege." Only now, more than two months later, has an effective strategy for those wanting to live off campus become clear. They should sit in the front row at a Colby/Husson basketball game and shout racial slurs.

This bit of facetious advice has probably been repeated so often since the decision of Jay Olson's hearing was published in the *Echo* that it has lost some of its irony, but enough irony remains to warrant this letter. At the

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The White Minority

by Dan Spurgin
Contributor

This past fall I decided to spend my Spring semester at Howard University, a predominantly Afro-American community. As a white male raised in suburbia from birth, it seemed time to put my purely academic approach towards reality on hold and actually confront myself in an environment contrasting and conflicting with my life at Colby. I told myself the exchange would be a great opportunity for growth, but intense fear of the unknown had me second guessing my choice the rest of fall term. I worried about the resentment I figured most Afro-Americans would express towards me. Relying heavily on ignorance rather than on insight, I readied myself for four months of hate and negative reactions. I came to Howard nearly seven weeks ago, and in that time I've found weekend basketball buddies, close hall companions, and students wanting to share different backgrounds and perspectives. I've yet to discover a person who calls me enemy. The resentment has been lost in friendship and the people of Howard have gone out of their way to make me feel comfortable. The reception has been warm, and, still, I've needed to muster up courage again and again. As it's turned out, the real challenge has developed internally rather than through interactions with others. Obviously the people at Howard have had an impact on me, but subtly, as they have continued on with their lives. The challenge has come not from rejection by the community, but by a strong pull to become part of it. As I become like those around me, it feels as if I become less like

myself, so I struggle to keep my identity. This conflict of moving towards and away from people has become the great challenge, and I've grown tired of being so different.

After a visit to a friend's apartment and a long night of discussion, I stood at a bus stop waiting impatiently to get home. A car pulled up at a nearby intersection blasting music with a thumping beat that had become so familiar to me at Howard. The car pulled away and I remember saying to myself, "I'm sick of that music, I wish I were back at Colby where I could here R.E.M. or James Taylor once in a while." I paused knowing I had some thinking to do before falling off to sleep.

The novelty had worn off and I was reacting to my BRIEF experience as a minority. The emotional need to constantly be aware of my color, the jokes about white fountains and white phones, and the loneliness were wearing me out. It felt as if there were some expectation that I become like those around me. At first it was entertaining to learn the new handshakes, the new topics commonly discussed by ordinary Howard students, and a whole new system of hanging out with people, but conforming to these standards made me feel as if I were having to sacrifice part of my identity. I suddenly felt impelled to announce my pride in being white, but for such behavior I was lightly ridiculed. I came to Howard wanting to discuss the oppression of minorities by the white race, and it was surprising to hear myself demand that others accept my whiteness. I had realized a real pride in being me, and I resented the pressure from this majority group to give

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Uncle Sam Wants U, Again!

by Kathleen McKiernan
Opinions Editor

As the Me Decade draws to a close, and the selective consciences of the country have begun to balk at the self-advancing "Are you better off than you were eight years ago?" rhetoric of the Reagan era, voluntary service has become the catchword for the 1990's. During his inaugural speech, in a surprising departure from his wealthy Washington insider image, President Bush stated that "We are not the sum of our possessions.... We cannot hope only to leave our children a bigger car, a bigger bank account. We must hope to give them a sense of what it means to be a loyal friend, a loving parent, a citizen who leaves his home, his neighborhood and town better than he found it." By all means. With the fondness and nostalgia that the country is currently viewing the activism and trends of the sixties (witness prime-time programming hits: *The Wonder Years* and *China Beach*), this revival of interest in volunteerism is entirely timely and much-needed.

So, what do we do with all of this untapped energy? Congress is currently considering the idea of voluntary national service in the form of a proposed Citizen Corps. According to a statement issued by Maine Representative Joseph Brennan, Citizen Corps volunteers would work in coordination with local and state governments to expand existing volunteer organizations. In return for two years of service, they would be paid \$20,000 which they could use for college, job training or for a down-payment on a home. In addition,

this program would replace most current federal financial aid programs, saving the government a possible \$3 billion a year.

While in theory the concept of a national volunteer service is a good one, this proposal, in relying on a cash incentive to lure its workers, would primarily enlist those persons with a need for federal financial assistance. In invoking the all-mighty dollar as the carrot on the stick to convince Americans to answer Uncle Sam's domestic call, this program would only serve to entrap the poor and middle class in a program which they would surely resent. While this program is an ambitious attempt to promote volunteerism, in bringing profit and financial assistance into the equation, it fails. At its worst, the program has the potential to degenerate into

poorer classes.

Another idea, much more controversial but less discriminatory, suggests implementing mandatory community service as a requirement of citizenship. While the proposal make reek of the military draft, it is not an entirely bad idea. The military draft enlists people to fight, a civilian service mandate would enlist people to help. If the government is so intent on young males doing their duty for their country by registering to potentially go to war, why not enlist everybody, male and female, for a more positive and practical reason: helping the needy in our country? While the potential problems with such a system would be great, at least in this type of system there would be no legislated favoritism. Everyone would be accountable, rich and poor alike.



a type of forced labor for the poor.

A better solution would be for the federal government to organize a national volunteer system which would be true to the term volunteer. Such a system would direct those people willing to help others to the organizations and movements where their help is needed. In keeping the cash incentive out of the bargain, the government could be sure that its program was not unduly taxing the economically disadvantaged or placing the duty of supporting the country, once more, on the

However the government decides to make use of this growing human resource, the fact that there is even a need for a volunteer organization is encouraging. Finally, after years of concentration on the spoils of Yuppiedom and the ever-rising corporate ladder, there is a shift, however slight, towards people over possessions. The call of citizens across America for a program by which they can willingly donate their time to others is impressive and hopefully a signal that, in the words of Bob Dylan, "The times they are a-changin'."

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of the white people folded their arms and promptly sat down.

It seems that when it comes to crossing that bridge to better understanding the ball is the black student's court. White students feel that we black students are somehow unapproachable and that we need to make ourselves more approachable. They think we shouldn't be so cliquish, going around campus in packs (yeah, me and 3 or 4 other black friends are a pack and the Choppers are just a frat). They say the name SOBHU (Student Organization for Black and Hispanic Unity) should be changed to something that doesn't sound so exclusive. Perhaps the Student Organization to Make Racism a Comfort-

able Issue would be better. The whole premise of this point of view is that blacks should accommodate whites in fighting racism. Anything less is alienating whites from the cause.

Listen, black people have been accommodating white people from the first time they set foot in this country. It is arguable that the Civil Rights Movement had the success that it did because blacks have accommodated white people for so long that we know them better than they know themselves. We're good at accommodating white people. We're also tired of it.

If any white student here finds me unapproachable, I say that it's his/her fault and not mine. He or she hasn't bothered to find out if they can approach me or not. Also, if someone was really committed to crossing this bridge of understanding and wanted to join SOBHU, then the organization's name wouldn't

make any difference. If you join an organization just because the name appeals to you then you're a sorry individual.

Finally, I turn to Colby's administration. Frankly, I believe that the pursuit of racial understanding is not so much at issue here as the Colby administration's desire to cover its own behind after the recent racial incident. From what I have seen these last four years, the Colby policy is to handle such matters quietly. If someone burns a cross on campus, just turn it over to the Waterville police. If a student dresses as a Klansman to harass another student, then the punishment shouldn't be too severe. Social probation is good enough. The same thing goes for anyone who is guilty of racial harassment at basketball games. Keep it low key and Colby saves face.

Ironically, keeping these matters quiet seems to do more

harm than good to Colby's drive for diversity. The fact that no minorities applied early admission is no surprise. Every college-bound black high school student knows that racism is alive and well on America's college campuses. By being more vocal in its efforts to fight the great American sin, the administration could let the black prospective know exactly where Colby stands on racism, in spite of being overwhelmingly white.

The same can be said of efforts to diversify the curriculum. President Cotter had said that making a Black studies or a Non-Western studies program some sort of optional requirement would say to the world that "Colby believes that study in these curriculums is a fundamental part of producing a well-rounded graduate." Let the church say amen. Again, Colby covers its behind and saves its

face.

Sure, Colby is committed to this viewpoint, it just does not care whether the students are or not. If the administration is really committed to diversifying the campus and the curriculum, then it should take a stand. Let the students know that racial harassment will warrant more than a slap on the wrist. (Are the people who commit this type of harassment really such a valuable part of this community?) And dammit, if you're going to make requirements - make them. Black studies courses are already optional.

If Colby students want to cross a racial divide then they should take a stand. By all means bridge the gap, but don't just expect black students to make it more comfortable for you to be around them. C'mon, don't be so ludicrous as to expect black people to take a stand for you. Do it yourself. Get up.

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Cuz just ask "Bobby" who wasn't properly dressed!
Whatever "develops", please let me know,
I'll be with "Bobby" cooling off bums in the snow.

My name is Sue and I want nothing to do with you!!

Megan Patrick: Congrats to the record-holder for scoring the most points on and off the ice!!

Attn: Sir Sludge, you will be hosed 24 times by the Grand Master Cheese Wiz

To the guys in Averill 106, Ever think of closing your shades when changing? Or do you just want all of the girls to see your hot bods.
-2 peeping Toms

Heidi- Care for a baked-bean suppah? Afterwards we can get HHHHHammered!
-your Caennics

Melita-is your blood boiling?!!

CHERYL-Reports say: chocolate cures sexual frustration. Now we know why you didn't give it up last year pour le careme!
-Your Caennics

C.C. Why can't you be a duck?

'Ski- Just remember... payback's a bitch!
-Squeak

A WHOP order: "Hello, we're the Queens of Take Out in Drummond. We'll have one pepperoni calzone... or, we'll take a TV dinner if it'll be faster!"

Countdown #2—Hilton Head in 15 days!

Attn: Boomer Brock and Tony Eason: Spring Football League starts soon. Be ready.

Bill Bates

Todd Wright—Hi! Hope your having a fun spring semester. Say bye-bye to D. A!! -Lors

Erika: Am I still having those fantasies about the mailman? Are you kidding? "You make me wiggle all over?"
Bobo-Head

Dawson- You sand dune-bunny you! Was there any wine and belly buttons involved?
-Your Caennics

Suck it up Melita!

Devil Dog, Friends??
Sluggor

Don, I heard you eloped.
-Your roomies

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Sue, you stupid wench, you better have put in a classified for me
B-kins

Last week's Echo highlights: "Chip, get over it!" -Magda "Magda, get a new laugh!" -Larry

"Larry, what's wrong with your body?" -Lori "Chip, your laugh matches your nose!" -Magda "Magda, on Thursdays you're sludge!" -Roommate

"Girls, why don't you read magazines when you go to the bathroom?" -guys "Guys, because we always have to sit down. We're used to it." -girls "Girls, when you're on the pill, do you still feel the effects?" -Larry "Larry, the effects or the effects?" -girls

Late nite Frost bite Club inducts new members: R, C, G, S

Right now. I'm thinking of you.

GNR- Good grief! Even odds? LR picked a loser this time. -one of the many teams that beat you

Hey, what's THIS doing here? Terri, we used the Jacuzzi, did you? -The Colby Crew

Nicole- Please share with everyone the real reason your black bikini underwear turned brown... Skinny dipping in Amsterdam??? WAOUH!
-Your Caennics

Dragster: Just because the entire team is dying for some dirt on you, I'll be watching this weekend! Don't EVER lose your sense of humor!
-Dragster

Speed River/Turbo River... I still have 9 to do, don't complain!!

Bimbo & Adams are starting an early morning walking club on Saturday and Sunday mornings. All interested contact X3012

Andy- Allez jusqu'au bout!
-Your Fleming Caennics

Signa phi nothing, can you get me an extra I-play T-shirt?
-member of GNR

Cheryl- Practice is perfect! Hope you're getting your fair share of practice these days.
-YRM

J- make sure to tell Lipton/Lawry what color it is...

Mary-I NEVER... had so much fun driving over THE BRIDGE!!

Everybody wish Julie Margolis a happy late 22nd birthday!!

OPINIONS lady, I've only waited 8 mo. to use the line, "Wine, dine, and dutch." So there!
The Ad Man

Kid, Six of the best I've ever known. R.A.W.M. -soon!
-HARR

Jon- "Chevaliers de la table ronde..." we bet Richard misses you! What we miss is Le Nez de Jobourg!
-a few of your Caen children

J, T, J- Come on guys think of something better
-Phantom

Dear Aimee, Enjoy the ball. Don't forget to do your "aerobics"- nose, eyes, wrist and hair. I wish I could be there. Missing you. Love, A.

D- How's your Indian Kimo Sabe? P & J

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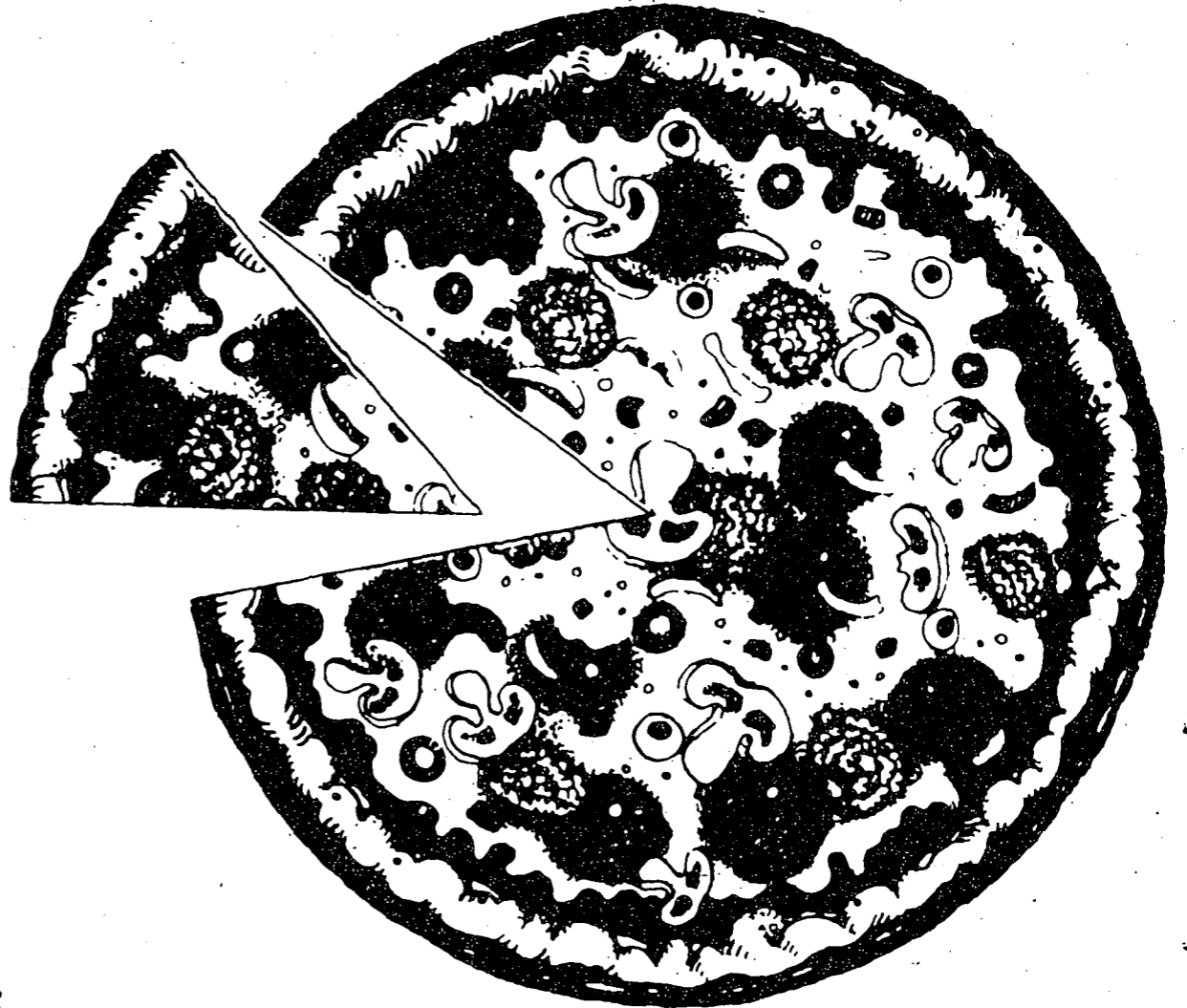
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core of this irony is the word "privilege." Apparently the administration subscribes to a doctrine comparable to that of the ruling party in George Orwell's 1984. "Doublethink" is the word that Orwell uses to describe one facet of the Party's doctrine, and if one considers the word "privilege" it would seem that the administration subscribes to a similar philosophy. Orwell defines "doublethink" as the ability to entertain two contrary ideas or definitions when to do so is in the best interest of the Party. The administration displays this ability admirably: It is a "privilege" for a student to live off campus; part of Jay Olson's punishment is that he "surrender residential privileges." (*The Colby Echo*, March 2, 1989.)

The remainder of Jay Olson's punishment is equally unconvincing, if not in its hypocrisy, then in its leniency. Other than losing residential "privileges" (if you, the reader, feel a certain anxiety in the presence of this word, don't worry; I do, too), Mr. Olson will "forfeit his position as tri-captain of the football

team, be placed on permanent probation for the rest of his student career, and be allowed to apologize to the Colby community for his actions." (*The Colby Echo*)

That Mr. Olsen should be denied a position of leadership should go without saying, as should his probation. What is alarming is the word "allowed." Anyone in the Colby community is "allowed" to apologize for shouting racial slurs at the Colby/Husson basketball game, regardless of whether or not they committed any such action. None of us has been prohibited from apologizing. It is sure that Mr. Olson will apologize for his actions, though it is unlikely that he would have done so had this incident not received so much attention.

It is because of the attention directed toward this case that the motives of the administration seem so unclear. The expected goal of the administration would be to reinforce the idea that Colby celebrates diversity and will not tolerate racism. This would be best accomplished by Mr. Olson's expulsion, or at least suspension. In the Colby Student Handbook we are told "Suspensions are reserved for

serious offenses and in the past few years have been used as sanctions in the following cases: verbal abuse, theft of property, harassment..." Perhaps politics of which I am not aware were present during the administration's judicial process. It seems curious that the administration would make a decision that leaves itself so vulnerable to criticism.

To return to the 1984 analogy, some members of the Colby community might remember an episode of the late-night comedy program *Saturday Night Live*. John Belushi portrays a character analogous to Orwell's protagonist, Winston Smith. His captors are trying to determine a punishment that will be most horrifying to Belushi. Belushi yells, "Not margaritas on the beach, anything but margaritas on the beach." One might well imagine Jay Olson shouting, "anything but living off campus."

While the episode of *Saturday Night Live* was humorous, the episode of racism, and the lenient and ambiguous response to it by the administration, is all too serious.

Bill Kupinse '89

The Ultimate Irony

Despite the many other inconsistencies and ironies of Jay Olson's crime and punishment, I would like to point out the ironic timing of the decision with ABC News airing a special segment on Colby's unique academic/athletic program. Would Jay Olson have received a harsher punishment if he was not pivotal to Colby's founding football squad? Certainly Colby alumni care more about their Alma Mater's name being dragged through the mud on front pages than they do about sport pages, but will his slurs be discounted when muffled by his

mouth guard, helmet, and the roar of the crowd? Does Colby endorse a bigot as long as he voices his opinion on the playing field and not out of the stands? Are comments such as those slung at the Husson game considered, 'a competitive edge' or, 'part of the game' when not shouted for all to hear by an obnoxious heckler? If Colby is not simply paying lip service with promises of diversification, intolerance of racism or sexism, and sponsorship of Black History months, then next year Jay Olson should have a scarlet B for bigot sewn on to his jacket rather than a varsity C.

Tom Cahill '89

White Minority

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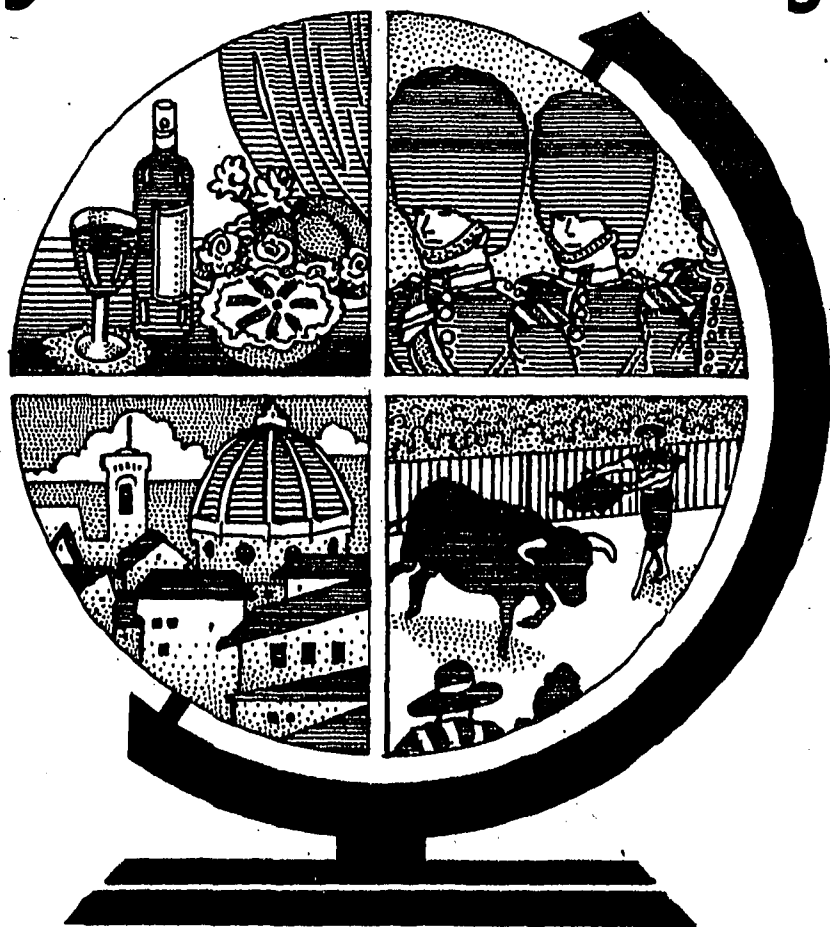
up my background for their own.

I knew anger was unjustified, thinking about the numerous times at Colby when I have demanded diversity and yet suffocated these differences at the same time but unknowingly behaving as this majority group. We at Colby criticize those of different color and values for not participating in the Colby experience, unaware that what we were really attacking was their refusal to become just like us. We have mistaken fear and discomfort for unfriendliness and by doing so only created more loneliness. Colby as a community constantly chatters about having a much broader variety of people enter the college, and yet the tension that results from diversity is fought against. Minority activities are labelled radical and liberal in their attempts to simply declare that they want to be part of

Colby, but not at the expense of giving up their unique qualities.

Howard has allowed me the opportunity to discover what it can feel like to be a minority. It becomes easy to stop believing in yourself and begin accepting how others wish to redefine you. It's a situation flooded with anger, a struggle fought within the system of the majority that is already attacking you. I suppose I will never know what it really means to be a minority, knowing the security of my race and gender is something which I will always have the freedom to escape to. For most "outsiders" life will always be a prison as long as the dominant sector continues to remain oblivious to their rights and needs. Colby must take the responsibility of accepting differences as well as the responsibility of protecting and nurturing its members. As the potential leader of the future, the seemingly small gains we make in our small Maine community can have a real impact worldwide.

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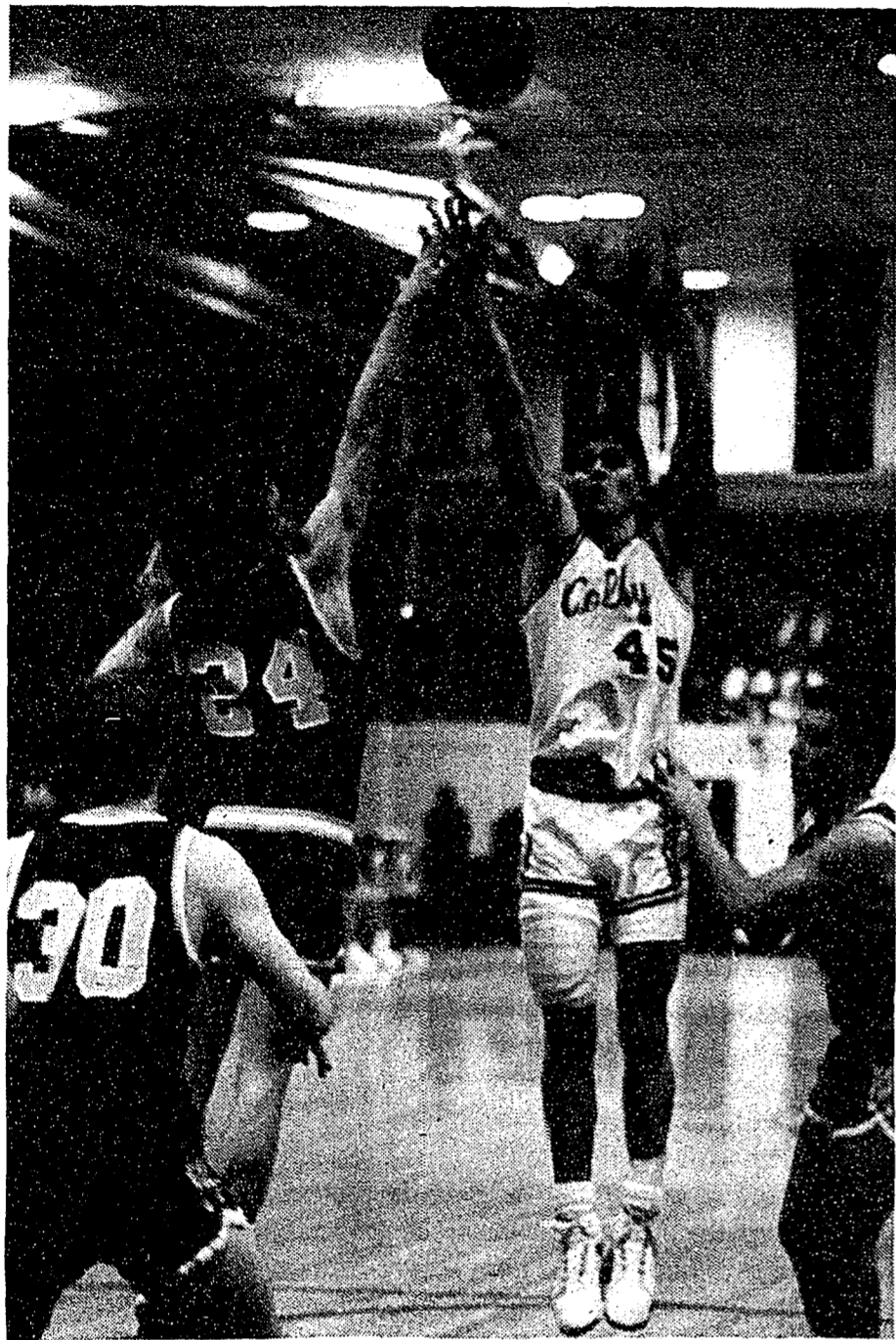


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Scott Jablonski (45) will no longer be putting up his soft-touch jumper or will he be crashing the boards for the Mules. Teammates Brian Connors' and Kevin Powers' careers also came to an end last Saturday.

by Dave Weissman
Staff Writer

All good things must come to an end. Although this may seem to be somewhat of a pessimistic outlook, it may very well have been on the minds of three members of the Colby men's basketball team last Saturday at Wadsworth Gymnasium, as the White Mules dreams of the elusive ECAC-New England Division III championship were once again shattered in an 86-82 upset loss to the Williams College Ephemen.

Not only did this game signify the end of Colby's season, but it also marked the close of the careers of seniors Scott Jablonski, Brian Connors, and Kevin Powers. For these three mainstays in the well-oiled machinery that is the Colby hoopsquad, there will be no next season.

No one will be more sorely missed than forward Scott Jablonski, the team's co-captain and one of the revered "starting five." With a team high average of 11.2 rebounds per game along with a solid 10.9 points per game average, Jablonski emerged as one of the dominant players on this highly talented team. In fact, Coach Dick Whitmore feels that "Scott is among the top rebounders in New England."

Jablonski gratefully accepted

his role as the team's leading board crasher.

"This is a team of role players," he said, "each of the starting five has a specific strength. My role is as the big man, to play inside and to rebound. It's my job to get Matty [junior co-captain Matt Hancock] open on the screens."

His teammates share in this analysis of the 6-5, 185 pound Jablonski. "Rebounding is his major strength," says freshman forward John Rimas, who looked to Scott for leadership throughout the season and may very well be the player to fill the big man's shoes over the next several years. "He somehow finds a way to get 'em." Rimas went on to describe his captain as "a leader on the court."

Although rebounding may be his forte, Jablonski's abilities are hardly limited to crashing the boards. "Scott consistently draws the most difficult defensive assignment each game," according to Whitmore, "and he possesses major offensive abilities."

The fact that Jablonski, who has been playing organized ball since age nine, has performed at such a high level throughout his Colby career should come as no surprise, considering his pre-Colby credentials. He led Cranston H.S. West, of Cranston, R.I.,

to the state semi-finals his senior year, along the way earning All-State honors and an honorable mention to the Converse All-America team. Coincidentally, Colby teammate Matt Hancock was on this same All-America squad.

Upon arriving to Mayflower Hill, Jablonski earned the distinction of being the only freshman to make the varsity team, although he basically served as a "benchwarmer." His sophomore year, Scott performed as one of the team's top reserves and "actually started a few games." He spent the first semester of his junior year in Dijon, France, and as a result missed the first six games of the season. He returned to play the role of the "sixth man" saw lots of playing time, and was a key to Colby's finish as the ECAC-New England Division III runner-up. As far as this season is concerned, the numbers speak for themselves.

Despite his tremendous career accomplishments, Jablonski may not always have received the recognition he deserves, most likely due to the fact that he played on a team so full of stars. Teammate Kevin Powers, who described Jablonski as one of the toughest, scrappiest players he has ever played with, summed up the situation: "Scott is a headline player who wasn't getting the headlines because of Hancock."

Brian Connors, a 5-11 guard from Weymouth, MA, was, in Whitmore's words, "the most resilient guy in the program." Despite a career plagued by injury, he was able to come off the bench and make "dramatic contributions."

Connors, who described his role on the team as an outside shooter, is one of the most accurate shooters on the team according to his teammates. Powers described him as "a dead-eye shooter...with better range overall than Hancock," while Jablonski called Connors "a perfectionist on the court," and said that he has "the best attitude in the world."

Connors cites his only regret as a player to be that he "never played up to his potential," which he attributes in large part to a dedication to his studies.

"I wish I could have contributed more," he said, "but I had a great time with this team."

"Quality personified" are the words Whitmore chose in describing Powers, a 6-4 guard from Danvers, MA. A true role player who saw very little court time during his career, Powers "has come a long way in the last four years," according to Jablonski.

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The Road Ahead Is Full Of Chances

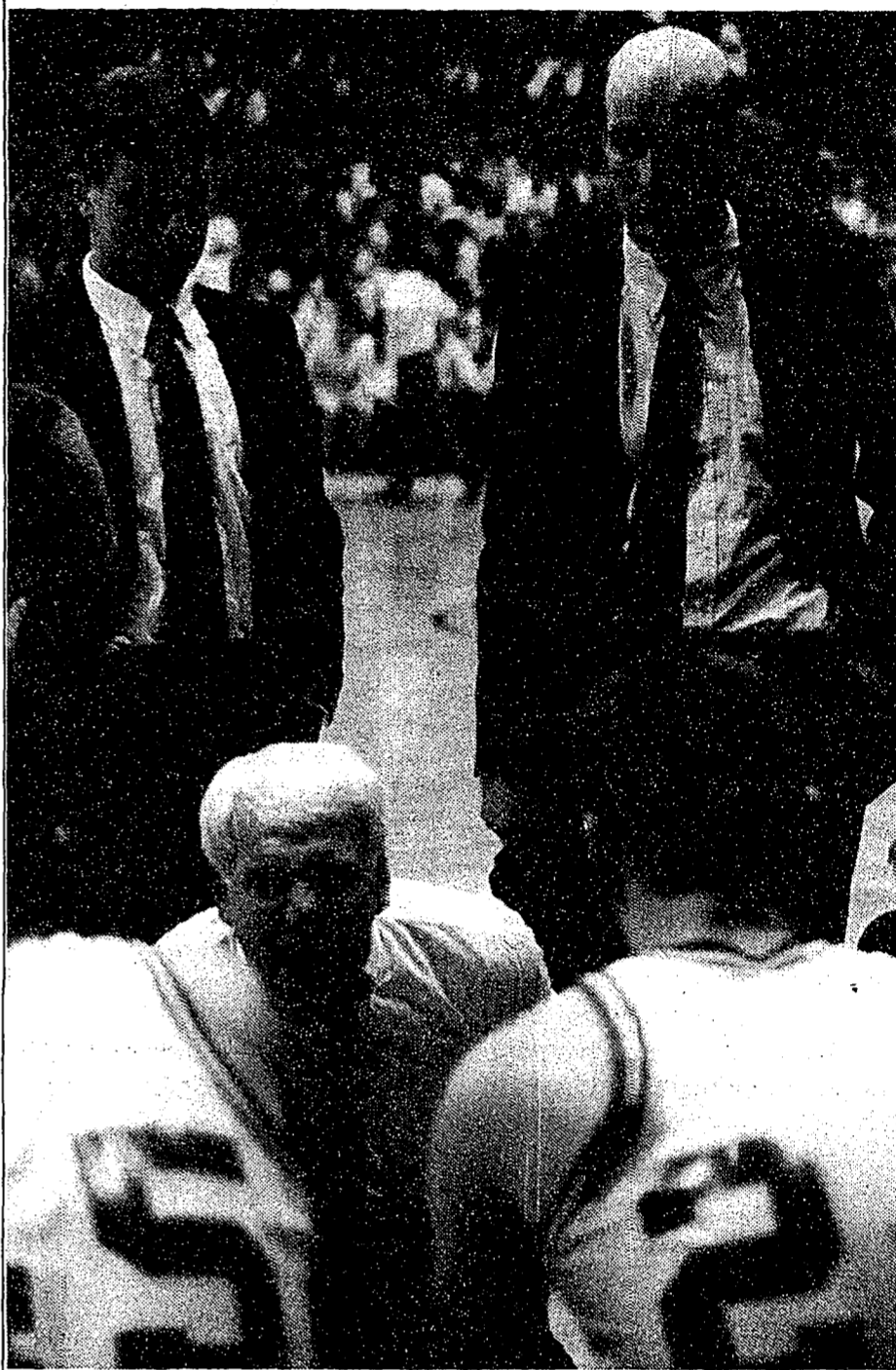


photo by Cathy Palmer

Row Dow (top right) will beat Wheaton College next year, using the techniques he has learned from Coach Dick Whitmore.

by Billy Goodman
Staff Writer

Looking down the road is something lots of us do, but more often than not we are content with the surrounding safety of things to which we have grown accustomed. In the case of assistant men's basketball Coach Roy Dow, the road ahead holds a cornucopia of opportunities, and he is unafraid of the twists the path may take.

Dow will take up the head basketball coaching job at Wheaton College in Norton, Ma., which just recently went co-educational and is now admitting male students. It is a noteworthy honor not only because Dow is making a tremendous step from the assistant coaching level, but also because will be the very first men's varsity hoop coach at Wheaton.

Dow graduated from Colby in 1984. In his years here he played baseball and basketball and was president of Zeta Psi his senior year. After graduating, he spent two years at Gorham High School as an assistant varsity coach before he came back to the area to coach the Waterville Panthers JV team. When asked if the prospect of leaving one of the best programs in the country to enter an unknown one worried him, Dow responded

with the type of answer that comes from a true lover of the game of basketball.

"I'm not intimidated at all," he said, "I'm extremely excited. I'm taking it as a fabulous opportunity to build a program based upon the ideals that I believe in and have learned over the years. I'm not coming in on the heels of anyone, and therefore I am able to set the precedent for Wheaton basketball."

And set a precedent he will. It would be rather tough not to, after having graduated from the Harvard School of Basketball, more commonly known as learning the ropes from Colby hoop coach Dick Whitmore who Dow classified as "one of the best in America."

"When I went to Wheaton I could have name dropped all day, saying 'I follow Bobby Knight, Rick Pitino, or somebody else. But instead I was able to truly say that I came from a program who has a coach who is in the top one percent, regardless of Division I, II or III, as far as coaching ability is concerned. Coach [Whitmore] coaches the game with a tremendous amount of passion, but at the same time he is able to measure his success beyond the wins and losses column. I'd like to think that is the same philosophy I'm heading to Wheaton with."

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Women Run To Seventh

by Kim Kennedy
Contributor

Colby's women's track team travelled down to Smith College, March 4-5, to compete in the ECAC Division III Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships. Out of a field of 27 teams, Colby placed seventh, trailing behind Williams College by a mere one point. According to coach Debbie Aitken, "If everyone had been healthy, we may have been able to move up one place." The 1989 track championship went to Ithaca College with Tufts and Cortland placing second and third, respectively.

Senior co-captain Anne Burger obtained her season personal best in the 400 meters which earned her second place. In the 600 meters junior Karin Killmer and sophomore Colleen Halleck placed seventh and ninth, respectively, with times that were season personal records for both tracksters. Freshwoman Kim Kennedy garnered seventh the 1000 yard run, which was a personal best as well. The blue and gray sprinters

revealed their speed as Colby captured third and fourth, respectively, in the 4x200 meter and 4x400 meter relays.

In the 3000 meter run, junior Jill Vollweiler was given quite a workout. Vollweiler was in the lead until the last two laps where rivals Ithaca and Cortland overtook Colby's swift-footed harrier. Placing third with a time of 10:11.4, Vollweiler was able to set a new school record while also getting her personal best.

Colby's pentathlon school record was broken by sophomore standout Debra MacWalter who placed first with a total of 2873 points, approximately 35 points higher than the previous record. Senior Lisa Bove, placing ninth overall, set a school record with a throw of 36'7" in the 20 pound weight, which may enable her to participate in the Nationals, March 10-11, at Bowdoin College.

"The meet definitely lived up to its expectations," said Aitken. "Although we knew it would be very competitive, the majority of the girls' times were good and I was pleased with the results."

Dow

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Dow is definitely headed to Wheaton with the best possible attitude, but as of right now there are two big hurdles he will have to overcome when basketball season rolls into Norton next year; recruits and the schedule that will stare at him so ominously.

Having received the job in December he entered the recruiting pool as a minnow, while his competitors were fully teething piranhas out there chewing up the high school hot shots.

"I'll have some good players for the first year," he said, "but for the most part, they physically will be just boys, underdeveloped, playing against more mature individuals. It'll be

tough, but we're not gonna start off by playing any pansy schools."

Okay, so it sounds like he may get a few ringers, but from here its out of the pan and into the fire. Wheaton's schedule includes- Colby, Bates, Bowdoin, Trinity, Wesleyan, Rhode Island College and Plymouth Sate all of whom qualified for this year's post-season ECAC tourney. Dow certainly cannot be criticized for a lightfooted approach. Dow's closing remarks about Colby epitomize the kind of attitude a quality coach needs to have:

"I have such a great feeling about Colby that it is very tough to leave. I think Colby is wonderful and it has given me great things, but the opportunity to create a program is a step that I have to take. In my future, I am not looking beyond Wheaton."

Paine

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Paine has already set some high goals for next season.

"I would like to see the men's and women's teams win the Division II crown next year, have

a successful season and qualify for the Nationals again, and at some point in my career place in the top 20 to top 15 there."

Ellyn would also like to thank her teammates for being so supportive, and especially manager Tom Wilde and Captains Don Darby '89 and Lisa Beliveau '89.



Mule Kicks



photo by Cathy Palmer

Coach Rob Pfeiffer (left) said goodbye to three outstanding hockey players this season: Megan Patrick, Robin MacWalter, and Jenny Webster.

by Andrea Solomita
Staff Writer

"There was a different feeling from last year," admitted senior forward Dave Loser. "The team had unity - this definitely led to our overall improvement. Our success this season will undoubtedly turn the corner for the hockey program." And undoubtedly, the White Mule men's hockey program has been sparked. For their success this past season is not measured in trophies, banners, or a trip to the ECAC's. But rather their success lies in the dedication of every player and his commitment to the team.

Junior captain Scott Rickards, a player of few words and strong actions, led by example. The team skated to a final 9-11-3 record and seven games were, in fact, decided in overtime. Win or lose, this was easily a tribute to the team's intensity. An intensity which heightened with the close of the season and carried the Mules over Hamilton and Babson - two nationally ranked teams in Division II.

Bill Clough, a sophomore transfer from UMO, led the team in scoring with 18 points, despite a dislocated shoulder which kept him on the bench for the final six games. Freshman net-minder, Eric Turner, boasted a 3.2 goal against average in seventeen games, and had outstanding performances in several of the White Mule's key victories.

The White Mule men's harriers participated in the ECAC's held last weekend at Bates College. Two individuals raced to personal bests, as sophomore Dave Donnelly placed a respectable sixth in the 5000 meters and Kent Thompson, a sophomore as well, raced to a fourth place finish in the 3000 meter, knocking an impressive seven seconds off his previous best time. Although denied a place amongst the final top six, all four members of the Mile Relay Team - Dave Provencal, Doug St. Lawrence, Manuel Balmaseda, and Jim Albright - ran their fastest legs to finish the season with their strongest performance.

Coach Jim Wescott looks forward to the spring season with anticipation and new hope, as Colby will be the host to opposing teams for the first time in fifteen years. "Even with several top performers away for the outdoor season, the new track has been a definite attraction for new prospects," said Wescott. Several of the new-comers, such as junior Brian Cooley and senior Craig Rogers, and sophomore Nate Carpenter, should prove to be strong competitors.

The women's basketball team finished their season with a record of 3-19. Thirteen of their games were decided in the final three minutes of the game. When asked what was the most frustrating aspect of his season, Coach Gene DeLorenzo responded, "Not winning games."

With Captain Debbie Adams leading the team in overall points and sophomore Kim Derrington crashing the boards with an 8.2 rebound average, the team just could not seem to find the edge to overtake the opposition. As their final nine opponents did in fact continue on to tournament play, Colby will have to look to improve even further, and with a full roster returning, perhaps next season won't be as long, or as cold.

The captains will set the example, set the precedent. The captains will lead. And so it was, as senior tri-captains Megan Patrick, Jenny Webster, and Robin MacWalter, led the Colby women's hockey team in overall scoring this past season. Although the team had an impressive collective 93 goals, it is their combined 123 assists which exemplifies the type of hockey played by the Lady White Mules. "We play the game the way it should be played...with play making and puck sharing," said Coach Rob Pfeiffer.



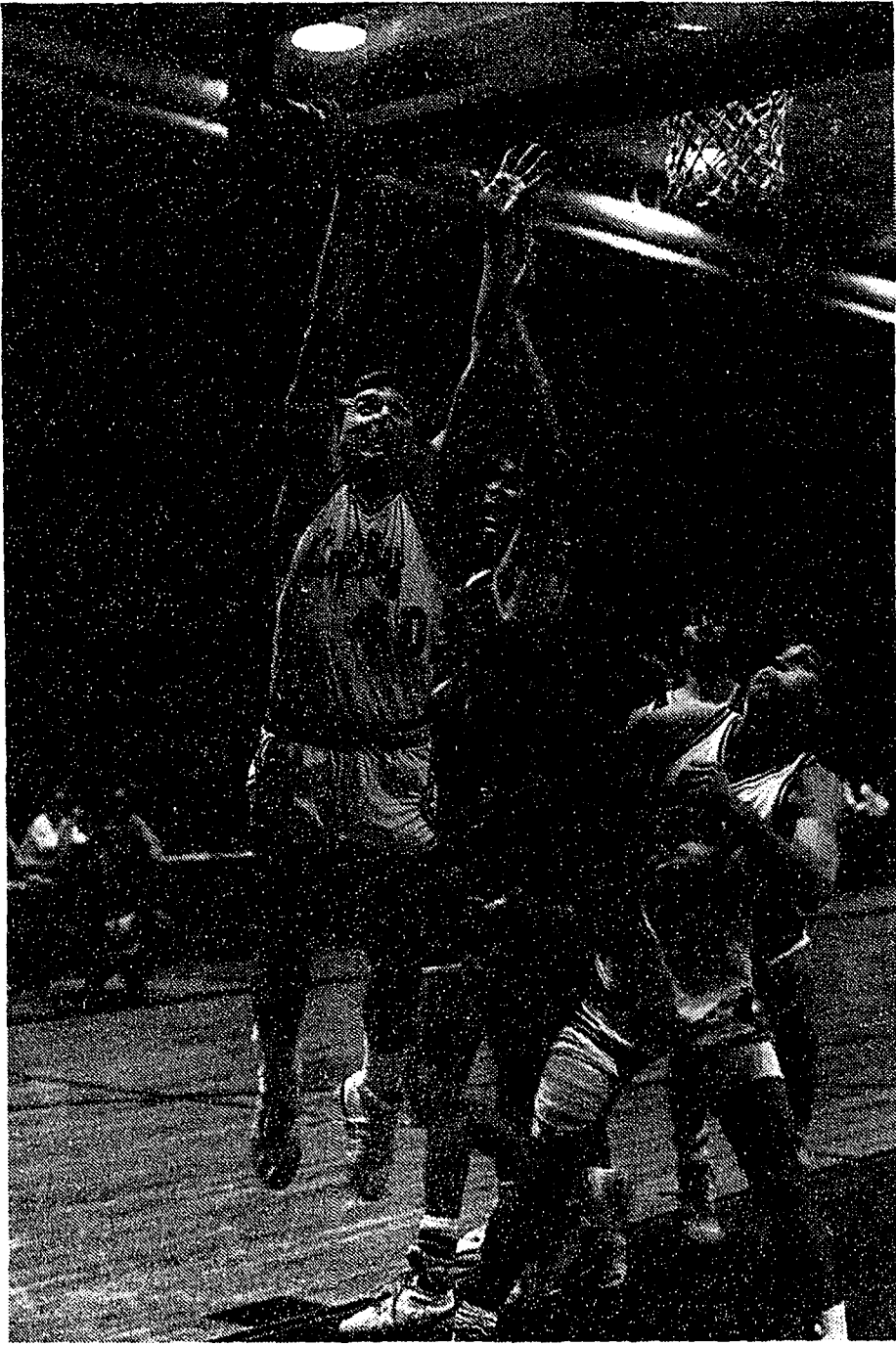
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Kevin Whitmore (40) had a great game in the losing effort vs. Williams. He and his teammates gave Colby fans a lot to be thankful for this season.

photo by Cathy Palmer

Thanks For The Memories

by Lawrence Rocca
Sports Editor

That's it. It's all over. Just like that, the White Mules' basketball season has come to a close.

Saturday night, in front of 2800 rowdy Colby fans, the Williams Ephmen (16-7 and seeded seventh in the East Coast Athletic Conference New England Division III Tournament), stormed into Wadsworth Gymnasium and stunned the second seeded Mules (20-5), handing them their final loss of the season by a score of 86-82. Five Ephmen scored in double figures to pull off the shocking upset, led by forward Bill Melchionni's 24 points and guard Garcia Major's 17.

The Mules, and their fans, were stunned by how good Williams was, and despite a heroic comeback attempt, they were unable to overcome the Ephmen's excellent 57% field goal shooting.

Once again, the Mules have come up short of the ECAC title and can only repeat what they said after losing to Amherst in last year's championship game, and what they have said in so many years in the past: "Wait

until next year."

But wait just a minute or two now. Next year's prospects are excellent, but throwing this year's team into the pile with all the others of the past is unfair. It is also unfair to forget them like yesterdays news before giving thanks and at least one final remembrance of this season's achievements.

Thank you Coach Dick Whitmore for making your 19th year as Colby's mentor one of your best. With a record of 289-143, an incredible .639 winning percentage, you have once again proven that you are one of the best in America.

Thank you assistant coaches John "Swisher" Mitchell and Roy Dow '84. You both filled the roles that Whitmore demanded of you to a "T". Mitchell, the older brother of senate majority leader George Mitchell, served his 22nd year as skillfully and enthusiastically as he did the first 21 and Dow will be sorely missed when he heads off to Wheaton College next year after two years of excellent advance scouting, recruiting, and instruction for the Mules.

Thank you seniors Scott Jablonski, Brian Connors, and Kevin Powers for selfless careers and efforts that gave all fans something to truly be proud of and cheer for.

Thank you Matt Hancock for scoring all those points (29.6 per game, good enough for second in the nation), including number 2000 versus Babson. With 2030, it should only take a little time for the junior to break Paul Harvey's college record of 2075 set in 1979.

Thank you Tom Dorion (12.2 ppg, 122 assists, and 33 steals) and Rob Hyland (6.3 ppg, 119 assists, and 11 blocked shots), for combining for one of the best backcourts in New England.

Thank you Nick Childs (132 rebounds, 7.2 ppg, and 33 blocked shots), and Nate Carpenter (a defensive specialist who was an awesome dunker in practice) for working harder and harder each season (and off-season).

Thanks to the newcomers Kevin Whitmore, John Rimas, and John Daileanes, who made an impact in games. Whitmore, continued on page 7

Paine Impressive In Jackson Hole

by David Roderick
Contributor

Although Jackson Hole, Wyo., isn't exactly a booming metropolis, it does sport some of the best skiing in the United States. Ask Colby's own Ellyn Paine '91, who competed there in the NCAA Division I National Championships last week. Paine, the first Colby skier ever to qualify for the National Championships, placed 30th in a field of 40 for the giant slalom competition and an impressive 21st finish in the slalom.

Not only was Paine the first Colby skier to compete in the Nationals, but she was also the only Division II skier participating in the events this year, which makes her accomplishments all the more impressive. The top 18 skiers from the East and the top 18 from the West qualified for the Nationals, and Paine feels she was "lucky" when she placed 18th overall at the Division I Eastern Regionals held at

Middlebury two weeks ago. At Jackson Hole, however, she placed ninth out of the 18 Eastern skiers in the slalom, and this made her feel more deserving of her invitation.

"I did a little better than anticipated," said Paine.

Ellyn, however, was disappointed with her showing in the giant slalom competition, which was tainted with controversy. Adverse weather conditions plagued the race day, and after 18 inches of new snow on the mountain, the competitors were only allowed to make one run on the course because of the poor visibility. Normally each skier would have run through the course twice. The results were allowed to stand because under NCAA rules, the race became official after one run was completed.

"Everybody was displeased with the conditions," said Paine, "but I think the University of Wyoming, who sponsored the race this year, felt obliged to run

the race that day. They should have waited until the next day."

Despite her disappointment in the giant slalom competition, Ellyn was very pleased with her trip. She raved about the skiing at Teton Village and Snow King, the two mountains where the Nationals took place. Paine, who has competed on a national level in the Junior Olympics, said that the Nationals had always been a goal for her, but she became discouraged during the middle of the season, when she fell into a slump. Luckily, she was able to pick it up in time for the Eastern Regionals. Other Eastern colleges who were represented at the Nationals were UVM, Dartmouth, Middlebury, Williams, UNH, St. Lawrence, Keene State and Bates, who all compete on the Division I level. Although Ellyn was only accompanied by her sister, she knew several of the people and trained with the Eastern team between racing days.

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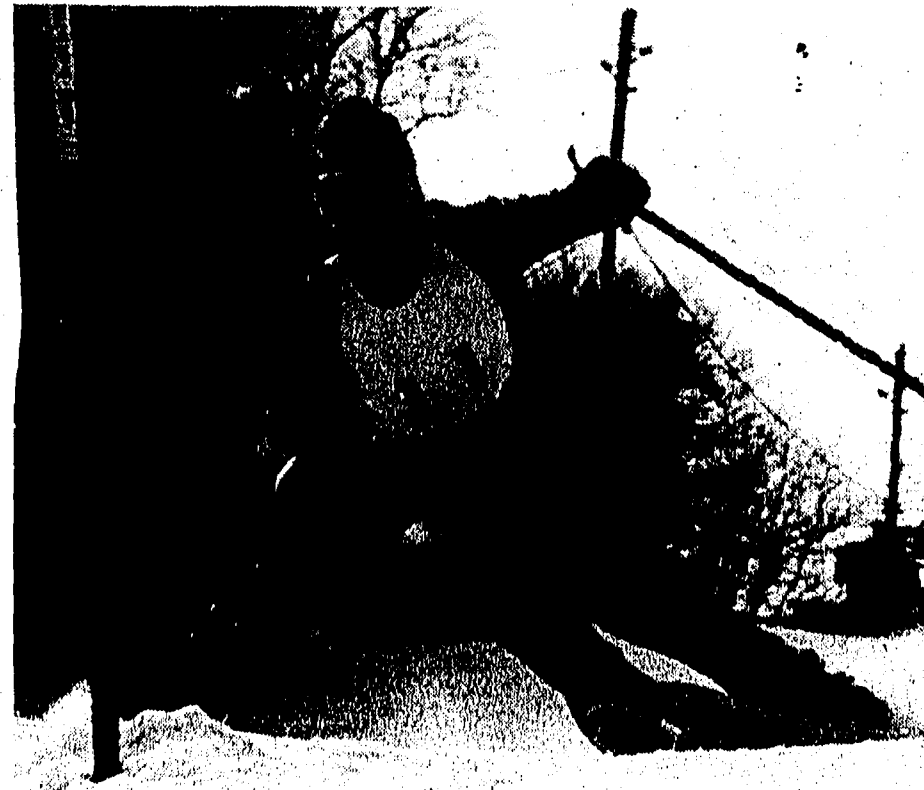


photo by Tom Wilde

Sophomore Ellyn Paine earned distinction this season as the first Colby skier ever to go to the Division I National Championships. She took advantage of her opportunity by finishing 21st in the slalom in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.