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On the Resilience of Students

At least once or twice a year I come back to the conclusion that no one has a better job than do those of us who teach college students. I will leave aside all the comments I can hear now—"Yeah, they only work nine hours a day!" and "I'd be happy, too, if I had every summer off!"—to make the point that we have the chance to work with an exciting group of young people whose world view is all but untainted with cynicism bred by experience. And yet it is this optimistic view that individuals can make a difference, that the efforts of one person can improve the conditions in which we live, that I fear we may be losing today.

I was a college student of the 1960s. What a wonderful time that was to begin one's involvement in the life of the community! My friends and I were swept up in the euphoria of Camelot. We were among the first Peace Corps volunteers; we marched in Mississippi and felt that our efforts were fruitful. We protested the war in Vietnam; though that tragic war cost our country dearly, we felt that we made a difference. Many of my college friends went on to work in the government, to serve in the State Department, to become career civil servants, even to seek (and occasionally serve in) elective office.

But more recent experiences have been less salutary. The euphoria of "bringing down" Lyndon Johnson over the conduct of the war in Vietnam gave way to the reality of six more years of that war. The Nixon Administration was a most unhappy time for those who believed that government was a high calling. The president's contempt for civil service and the programs of the New Frontier and the Great Society was evident during the early years of his presidency; his contempt for law and order and the sanctity of our system of government became evident later. The Ford interregnum was tainted by the Nixon pardon; the *Mayaguez* incident pointed out the difference between a leader with vision and standards and an ex-football player seeking one more win.

Jimmy Carter ran for president by running against Washington. He wanted to cut government to the bare bones. His lack of success (which seems less clear in hindsight than it did at the time) did nothing to boost the morale of those who had entered government service as a calling to do good, to make a difference.

And now we have the Reagan Administration. I recently had a phone call from a 53-year-old man who had just taken early retirement from the federal government after 25 years of service. He said he felt he could make more of an impact somewhere else, perhaps as a college professor. According to this caller, young people were not seeking employment in the federal government any longer; those who did were merely putting in their time, not working for glorious ideals. He wanted to reach out, to talk with young people about what government could do.

And there is my cause for concern. What can we do to instill in our students the sense of possibility that we had? And is it even fair to do this? When they watch the news on television or read the newspapers, they see a president who cannot remember whether he approved of violating national law over 15 million dollars of illegal aid. They see a president unwilling to or incapable of keeping up with his job and a White House chief of staff told that he could have his job as long as he wanted (despite widespread belief that he had handled his job incompetently). They see that same chief of staff eventually run out of office by the First Lady, not because he was incompetent but because he did not do enough to protect the president (or are those the same thing?). Why ever would students want to become involved in that mess?

But our students still view the world as theirs to conquer. In truth, some of us despair over what they want to do with the world. For many, conquering seems to mean coming out on top financially. But I think that view may be overstated as well.

I have just begun a term as director of the Colby in Washington Program. Fifteen students are spending a semester working on fascinating internships that cover the ideological spectrum, from the Heritage Foundation and the office of Congressman Jack Kemp to the National Coalition for the Homeless and "Bread for the World." They have in common the experience that the work of the people with whom they are interning is important, that government is a force to shape the lives of their generation, that that force should be used positively, and that their efforts can make a difference.

Their optimism keeps me going. That is why at Colby we continue to work at training new leaders, teaching students to ask difficult questions, to challenge conventional wisdom, to rethink value positions, to view the world openly, and to see the future as theirs to shape. And it is their resilience, their optimism, which makes ours such a wonderful job.

L. Sandy Maisel
Professor of Government

Professor Sandy Maisel has been appointed Visiting Professor of Government at Harvard University for 1987-88. During his leave from Colby he will continue as director of the Colby-in-Washington Program.



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EUSTIS MAIL ROOM

Bonus Question

I thoroughly enjoyed the article on women at Colby during the early years, and now I have a wonderful bonus with the picture of my grandmother, Effie Dascombe Adams, Class of 1891, at Colby. Since my grandmother died only 24 years ago, it is amazing that she was only the 33rd, 34th, or 35th woman graduate.

I was told recently that her husband, Emerson L. Adams, majored in botany at Bowdoin. Did Colby women have majors in 1891 or a standard required curriculum throughout their four years?

I look forward to the next *Colby Alumnus* and future articles on Colby history.

Marjorie Alexander
Marblehead, Mass.

"For the class of 1922 and all subsequent classes," says the College catalogue for 1918-19, requirements for both the B.A. and B.S. degrees include "a minimum of eighteen semester hours of a major subject." The first mention of a major at the College, the requirement also included "a minimum of twelve semester hours . . . in each of the two groups [language and literature; history, economics, and philosophy; mathematics and the physical and natural sciences] in which the major subject does not appear." Candidates for the degree of B.S. could major in biology, chemistry, geology, mathematics, or physics.

Bowdoin initiated the major in 1916.

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Encouraging Crew

We were delighted with the recent article focusing on the Colby crew program and especially proud to have our daughter, Galen, featured with Nancy Steck. We certainly encourage Colby College to expand its crew program and to adopt crew as a varsity sport. Crew embodies the virtues that any college attempts to instill, namely, hard work yielding low-key rewards both individually and as a team member.

William V. Lauman
Seattle, Wash.

Thanks

Thanks for the splendid *Colby Alumnus* for December 1986. It touched a variety of bases, formal and informal. As a crew "buff" for many years, I was intrigued with crew at Colby, unlikely though such a prospect may seem in Maine's climate. Good luck to them! Also, the variety of opinion appearing will surely stir reactions and responses, but will maintain Colby's commitment to expressing the liberal arts pragmatically as well as in the classroom.

A good issue, but then, that seems to be a continuing pattern. Keep up the good work!

Gilbert Y. Taverner '48
Newport, R.I.

Pleasantly Overwhelmed

I have been pleasantly overwhelmed by the volume and quality of publications arriving recently from Colby. I am well aware of the high standards Colby represents and continues to foster in students, faculty, and administration. My husband has taught for more than 20 years in a state college (now a university), and I am always disappointed with the spirit of professionalism, scholarship, and pride in the college as exhibited by the community. It is partly due to the lack of positive administrative direction and partly to a sense of liberal education purpose.

I have always felt a great sense of pride and wonderment at what Colby is, and it means all the more, the farther I am separated from 1967. Much of what I am today was shaped by my three years at Colby.

Although I wish I could contribute more to the 20th reunion fund, I feel that more than double my usual gift is what I can afford at present. I am not employed, having chosen to stay home with my small children, so I have less disposable income.

I am sure many graduates feel equally strong about Colby, but I still needed to write this letter. . . . With gratitude, I am sincerely—

Clemence Ravaçon Mershon '67
Conneautville, Pa.



Tom Claytor '85 dropped a picture card from Mt. Kilimanjaro—from 19,340 feet!

NEWS FROM THE HILL

New Alcohol Policy Brews

The administration was forced to reevaluate Colby's alcohol policy last spring, as Maine state liquor inspectors began cracking down on student drinking. When the state recently increased its number of liquor inspectors from 3 to 17, one was assigned specifically to the Augusta-Waterville area. The appearance of a liquor inspector during Winter Carnival resulted in the arrest and fining of several students for violation of state liquor laws. Warning that she would routinely appear on the Colby campus until she was satisfied that liquor violations were no longer occurring, the inspector encouraged the administration to find ways to enforce Maine's liquor laws from within the College community itself.

A special alcohol policy committee was formed shortly thereafter, assigned the task of making recommendations about Colby's alcohol policy that would be acceptable to the liquor inspector, the administration, and the students. Chaired by Steven Teplitz '88, the committee comprises one governor from each Commons, one faculty member, and one member of the Student Affairs Committee.

Three areas of Colby's alcohol policy that the committee examined were underage drinking at all-campus parties, drinking at the Spa, and public drinking. Final recommendations were to be submitted in April to the Commons Council and the dean's office for approval.

AIDS Awareness

The issue of AIDS awareness was addressed at Colby on February 25 at a public forum, which included a young man afflicted with the disease, and on March 11 at a lecture by professional journalist David Black.

The forum was attended by some 200 students who came to hear several speakers share their knowledge of the AIDS virus. Dr. Peter Leadley, an epidemiologist at Mid-Maine Medical Center, described the symptoms and progression of the disease. He also told

the audience that AIDS is transmitted only through the sharing of bodily fluids, primarily during sexual contact and blood transfusions.

Gary Anderson, executive director of the AIDS Project in Portland, Maine, praised the audience, saying it included the largest turnout of men he had yet seen since he began doing educational programs about AIDS several years ago. It is especially important for men to educate themselves about the disease because the risk is five times greater of a man giving AIDS to a woman than of a woman giving AIDS to a man, according to Anderson. The AIDS Project in Portland provides assistance to AIDS victims in Maine and promotes methods of preventing the disease; Anderson particularly counselled the audience to practice "safe sex," which includes the use of a condom.

The third speaker at the forum was a young man who identified himself as "Vincent." He told the audience of the problems he has faced since the discovery two years ago that he has AIDS. Not only has he been plagued by numerous ailments—a stroke, the deterioration of his muscles and connective tissue, and parasites in his intestines—

he has also had to deal with the lack of support from his family. "If I had polio or leukemia it would be alright," he said of his disease. "They still love me, but they don't want to know about it."

The second lecture on AIDS was attended by a smaller audience, who listened to David Black read a passage from his book, *The Diseased Years: AIDS*. The message Black conveyed was that although only a small percentage of the population will contract AIDS, the disease will leave a deep mark on society because everyone has been affected by the fear of it. Pointing to inaccuracies in the public's perception of AIDS as the cause of increasing sexual conservatism in general, he criticized the new "sex equals death" philosophy and questioned how it will affect our children's future attitudes about sex.

Like those who spoke at the earlier forum in February, Black encouraged people to take serious measures to practice safer sex while also working to combat the psychological impact of the disease on Western society. Said Black, "AIDS needs to be addressed with the courage it demands."

PJP



Irish faces beam as President Cotter visits Colby's program at University College Cork: (from left) Registrar Michael P. Mortell, President Cotter, Vice President Shawn Doonan, President Tadhg O' Ciardha, Finance Officer Michael F. Kelleher, Colby Professor-in-residence Robert P. McArthur.

Race Relations Workshop

Last February, Dr. Charles King spoke to an audience of some 400 people in the Student Center about "the subject that no one dares to discuss"—the subject of race relations. During the first half of his presentation, King asked questions of the audience that were designed to make them feel uncomfortable. Questions such as "What causes prejudice?" were answered by members of the audience with explanations of "fear," "jealousy," and "feelings of supremacy." Dr. King ridiculed these answers, arousing the anger and frustration of the audience, and declared that "white people" were the root cause of prejudice. When some members of the audience tried to dispute this statement, King cut them off in mid-sentence, giving them a feeling of what it is like to be oppressed and to be unable to share their opinion.

After the entire audience had experienced the frustration of being persecuted, King apologized to those members of the audience whom he had humiliated. He explained that the feelings of oppression they had just experienced are part of everyday life for minorities in our predominantly white society. An open discussion of racism followed, with whites and blacks in the audience speaking freely about their feelings. Many whites in the room heard for the first time their black classmates express their feelings about the difficulties of being black students at a predominantly white school. Feelings of "leading a double life" were the most common complaint of the black students, because they had to leave much of their black culture behind them in order to adapt to living in Colby's white culture.

Three hours after Dr. King began his race relations workshop, an emotionally exhausted audience gave him a standing ovation.

JPJ, KHP

Whitmore Wins 250

On February 25, men's basketball coach Dick Whitmore registered the 250th victory of his 17-year career with a 95-76 win over Bates. This milestone is one of many in a coaching career that by season's end had recorded 251 wins and 148 losses, a .628 winning percentage.

Whitmore's coaching has produced four All-American players through the years, including Mike McGee, Paul Harvey, Matt Hummel, and three-timer Harland Storey. Colby has made eight appearances in the ECAC playoffs in the past 14 years and has won five CBB titles and shared five in the 13-year history of the series. The team's record in the state series and conference play is 59-29, an impressive .670 percentage.

Although Colby has yet to win an ECAC playoff game at home, Whitmore has always been proud of his team's post-season play. This is due in part to the enthusiasm of Colby's basketball fans. "The fact that we really have had the most outstanding crowd support of any school that's ever been able to host [the tournament] is a source of great pride," Whitmore told the *Central Maine Morning Sentinel* in an interview on March 11.

The most successful season of his career so far came during the winter of 1984-85, when the team compiled a record of 22-3. Ranked second in the nation, the team was the first that Whitmore had coached to 20 wins.

When it comes time for the yearly alumni scrimmage game, Whitmore inevitably reminisces about seasons past. "When guys walk downstairs into the gym, . . . highlights will just cross my mind in panorama," he said. Whitmore recalls not only the contributions of his starters and first-string players but also "the guys that have been there and really given to the cause without much recognition." Players and fans alike agree that Whitmore's coaching career deserves its own special recognition.

Three Seniors Awarded Fellowships

The Thomas J. Watson Foundation has named two Colby seniors as Watson Fellows for 1987-88. Timothy Oakes and Jeanne Guild, both recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa, have been granted funds to support a year of focused study and experience in their fields of special interest. Oakes, who lives in Boise, Idaho, majored in East Asian studies and plans to retrace the 6,000-mile Long March of Mao Tse Tung's army in 1934-35 from south to north China. Guild, of Chester, Vt., a biology major, proposes to study certain bird species of the Americas and the effect on their numbers of loss of rain forest

habitat in Central and South America.

Katherine Philips, of Pennwynne, Pa., also an East Asian studies major with a special interest in women's studies, has been awarded a Fulbright Fellowship for 1987-88. She will attend the National University of Singapore, where her project will involve a study of Singapore's family planning systems. Philips previously spent three months of her junior year abroad in Taiwan and a full academic year in the People's Republic of China.

Women's Hockey: Sticks for Peace

Coach Rob Pfeiffer and the women's hockey team went into the lumber business last spring in an effort to raise funds for a team trip during the 1988 Jan Plan to Sweden, Finland, and the Soviet Union. The team obtained tree-length hardwood at a bargain price, which they sawed, split, hauled, and stacked in the back lot of the fieldhouse grounds, selling it for \$85 a cord. Colby ordered 50 cords for the several wood-burning stoves it operates on campus, and when that order is completed the group will begin taking other orders.

The proposed Jan Plan trip will be a combination of a hockey exhibition tour and a peace mission for the team. "The idea behind the journey is to follow the spirit of Samantha Smith's work," said Coach Pfeiffer, a peace activist involved with the Samantha Smith Foundation. He hopes to have the team meet with both sports and peace groups in the Soviet Union.

Pfeiffer feels the women's hockey team members are the perfect ambassadors of peace because they can play a hard game of hockey and then sit down and break bread with their opponents afterwards, a practice common at women's hockey tournaments but something male athletes seldom do. "Women athletes in general epitomize the spirit of cooperation, and that is what is required to make the world a peaceful place," he said.

The team hopes to visit Moscow and Leningrad and perhaps Waterville's sister-city of Kotlas. Because the cost of sending each student athlete on the trip is approximately \$1,500, the team, in addition to the revenue it raises from chopping lumber, is soliciting donations from foundations and other interested groups to support their project.



Yemi Ajibade with some of the African masks used in the Strider Theater production of his play, "Mokai."

Nigerian Playwright in Residence

Yemi Ajibade, a native of Nigeria, climaxed his six week's artist-in-residence program at Colby in mid-March with a student production of his original play, "Mokai." The work concerns the mystical powers and influence of women in African society and marked Ajibade's theatrical debut in the United States. An actor, writer, director, and former member of the Royal Shakespeare Company, he has also worked in filmmaking and radio production. He was trained in England at the Actor's Workshop, the British Drama League, and the University of London, where he received his master's degree in drama and theater studies.

After attending one of Ajibade's plays in London, Professor Patrick Brancaccio, current chair of performing arts, persuaded Ajibade to visit Colby and give a course in African drama. In an interview with the *Central Maine Morning Sentinel*, Brancaccio said that the Nigerian came to Colby as "part of our attempt at the College to bring diversity in terms of culture. . . . [The students] learned an incredible amount from him, not only about African culture but about acting as well." The play delighted its American audience, according to the Colby *Echo*, in part "because of its trap-pings. From the opening entrance of the

cast, who chanted and danced their way onto the stage, to the elaborate masks worn by the High Priest, . . . the audience was . . . treated to a new experience."

Ajibade, who had enthusiastically plunged into a Maine winter and the Colby community, was "deeply moved" by the personal bonds that he established at the College, and he was most pleased by the performers' willingness to "have faith in me," even though they had less than three weeks for rehearsal and production of the play. Ajibade told the *Sentinel*, "I'm not looking forward to leaving. At Colby I stayed with these people, lived with them, and worked with them. But now I have to go. It's not easy and you do feel a loss. But the memory will come with me."

Suspect Acquitted

On January 29, a Maine Superior Court jury, after more than 12 hours of deliberation, found Alan D. Pelletier of Winslow innocent in the 1971 beating death of Katherine R. Murphy '75. The introduction of new evidence reopened the case last year, but Pelletier was acquitted after the defense successfully argued that state investigators had failed to check out leads and did not investigate other potential suspects.

One Hundred Seventy-Fifth Edition

This fall a six-section special edition of the *Central Maine Morning Sentinel* will commemorate the 175th anniversary of Colby College. Staff writers of the *Morning Sentinel* will trace the Colby story from its beginning, through attempts to spirit it away to another city, its move to Mayflower Hill, and its growth into an institution that has achieved a reputation as one of the nation's most prestigious liberal arts colleges.

Morning Sentinel writers will look at a cross section of former Colby men and women who have gained prominence since their graduation. The edition will also feature stories of faculty members and their widely divergent interests. It will examine Colby students today, how they differ from those of the past and how they remain similar. It will take readers on a tour of the campus, with visits to the expanded library, the arts center, and the new residence halls—all of which contribute to a Colby life-style in which computer terminals have entered both classrooms and residence halls and changed forever the way subjects are taught and the way papers are written.

The *Morning Sentinel* will go beyond its examination of Colby today by looking to the College's situation in the years ahead: how its student body will change, how the campus will grow, how growth will be financed, and what is likely to be happening on Mayflower Hill in the years leading up to the new century and beyond.

In addition to honoring Colby on its 175th year, the *Morning Sentinel* special edition will commemorate the 35th Lovejoy Convocation that honors Elijah Parish Lovejoy, 1826 Colby graduate who died in Alton, Ill., defending freedom of the press against pro-slavery mobs. Since 1952, nationally prominent journalists have been honored at annual convocations, and the Lovejoy recipients will be featured in the final section of the special edition.

This special *Morning Sentinel* edition will be distributed along with regular editions of the newspaper and will also be available by mail to Colby alumni and friends.

If you would like to order the six-edition series on Colby College, please send a \$5 check or money order to: "Colby 175," *Central Maine Morning Sentinel*, 25 Silver Street, Waterville, Maine 04901.

"A Thanksgiving for His Life"

Ellerton M. Jetté, Colby trustee and art philanthropist to New England, died December 27, 1986, in Boston, Mass., at age 87. At a memorial service in Lorimer Chapel on January 8, 1987, President William R. Cotter told friends and admirers of Jetté, "When we think of Jet, each of us will conjure up his or her own set of unique images. Mine are: connoisseur of art; magnetic personal warmth; unwavering standards; powerful drive; imagination; attention to details; raconteur." Noting that "Jet was part of a team" with his wife, the former Edith Kemper, Cotter said that he was pleased to have Edith Jetté at the service, "For Edith and Jet have already given Colby more than 36 years of devotion, a record that has only rarely been equalled in the history of the College."

Former President Robert E. L. Strider II and Edward H. Turner, vice president for development, emeritus, recalled the achievements and the warm personality of this friend of Colby, whose initiative and imagination, demonstrated during nearly 30 years as president and chairman of the board of the C. F. Hathaway Company, were greatly evident in his enthusiastic contribution to the development of the Mayflower Hill campus, to the Board of Trustees, and to the arts at Colby. A lifetime trustee of the College from 1950 until his death, and chairman of the board from 1965 to 1970, Jetté led the 1952 Greater Waterville Campaign that enabled the College to complete the move to Mayflower Hill. In 1958 he headed the Trustee Planning Committee, and in 1962 he was chairman of the Leadership Gifts Committee that raised more than \$4 million for Colby during the Ford Foundation Challenge. Strider said that although "we miss him very much, already," the memorial service "should be thought of as a celebration, a Thanksgiving for his life."

"Jet was loved and respected by his fellow human beings in all walks of life," said Turner. "Because of the broad spectrum of his interests and involvements, Jet was equally accepted and welcome in environments of marked contrasts—from a small Maine village to the boardrooms of corporations and those of museum, library, medical and charitable organizations."

"As you know," Turner continued, "if you are not born in Maine, you are 'from away' and it is virtually impossible—ever—to be accepted in a small Maine village as a real member of the community. In little Sebec Village, where Jet restored a house around its historic stencilled walls, villagers at first commented, 'Could have built a whole new house cheaper!' Later, when Jet worked with them rebuilding the local church, they were to say, 'He is one of us.' One villager observed, 'He is a practicing Christian. He rebuilt our church with volunteer labor. When the church needed to be painted, he scraped and painted with the rest of them. He raised money faster than we could spend it.'"

Turner spoke of the "equal enthusiasm" for Jetté in the corporate world. Quoting one of Jetté's associates, Turner said, "No man in the industry has contributed more to fashion styling in quality dress. He is known the world over in the business field." Turner listed Jetté's innovations for C. F. Hathaway as "oval collars, square corner cuffs, low slope collars, bi-angle stay collars, king-size buttons, one-piece sleeves, single stitching throughout the garment—and much, much more. He introduced the fashion world to madras, batiste-broadcloth, lightweight shirts, gingham from Scotland, prints from France, broadcloth from Japan, Lochlana from Scotland."

Strider said that "It is in the arts that Jet is probably best known, to this community and to the world." In their more than 35 years of association with the College, Ellerton and Edith Jetté made major gifts to the Museum of Art. Co-founders of the Friends of Art at Colby, they gave the American Heritage Collection, one of the broadest gatherings of American primitive art in the country, and in 1975 they donated 96 paintings by American impressionists, an extraordinary collection that toured the United States. "Early on," Strider said, Ellerton and Edith Jetté "recognized that the American impressionists deserved special attention, and when he and Edith gave the impressionist collection to Colby . . . he started a trend toward recognition of the impressionists all over the country."

Turner quoted from the Maine Arts Award citation that honored the Jettés' remarkable partnership: "The Jettés rep-



resent the most important type of patrons," said the award. "Both their contributions, and the example they have set, helped initiate an important trend in Maine." Turner went on to note that art connoisseurs and art historians have said, "the Jettés are ahead of the time in drawing attention to schools of art that were little noted, but have since gained international recognition." Other critics have written, "The Jettés' special contribution is their ability to recognize the caliber of painting of obscure artists, and their courage to bring such artists to light."

In 1972 the new gallery of the Bixler Art and Music Center was named in honor of the Jettés' contributions to the museum, and in 1976 the Ellerton Jetté Professorship of Art was established in recognition of their significant partnership with the College. At that time, Stri-



der called the professorship "a fitting tribute to a devoted friend of Colby over the span of many years."

"And it was quality," Strider said in his memorial address, "that governed the gifts Jet and Edith made to the Colby museum, just as it was quality that Jet recognized in the College in his newly-adopted hometown of Waterville that led him to give so generously to it. How appropriate it is that the Jetté Gallery in the Colby College Museum of Art is named for these two benefactors who knew so well what a first-class museum should comprise and how it should be supported."

Strider remembered Jetté's warmth and sense of humor as extraordinarily helpful to the president and the staff when Jetté was chairman of the board in the late 1960s. "His practicality and shrewdness, along with his tolerance

and understanding, his kindness and restraint, were a strong support to the College. . . . He never felt that the role of the board was to run the institution, and he never tried to second-guess the administration after a tough decision or a controversial interval. The establishment of the Ellerton Jetté Professorship of Art arose as much from the College's recognition of his distinguished performance as chairman of the board as from his conspicuous role in building the art department and the museum into the remarkable entities they became."

Strider also stressed Jetté's wit and wisdom. Recalling an anecdote about "one of his classic instantaneous rejoinders," Strider reminded those in attendance that proclaimed, "At 60 miles an hour, the loudest noise you hear in a Rolls

Royce is the electric clock." The advertisement, Strider said, "came from the fertile mind of David Ogilvy," who later joined the Colby Board of Trustees after Jetté provided the College with an introduction. "Well," Strider said, "Jet had a Rolls Royce (the only one, I am sure, in Waterville), and one day he invited me to accompany him to a meeting in Portland in the Rolls. I noticed with wry amusement as we sped down the Maine Turnpike that the electric clock, like the electric clocks in ordinary mortal cars, wasn't working. At the next meeting of the board we were relaxing during a lull, and I told our colleagues, with David Ogilvy present, that it was quite true that Mr. Jetté had a Rolls Royce and that I had had the privilege of riding in it lately, but I had observed that his electric clock, like electric clocks in most cars, wasn't running. In a flash Jet looked up and said, 'Damn thing made so much noise I unplugged it!'"

In another wry reminiscence, Turner remarked that Jetté "was one who could turn a challenge into an opportunity. When it was discovered that madras cloth has a tendency to bleed, he hailed the fact in an ad that assured that his madras shirts were *guaranteed* to bleed."

When the College awarded Jetté an honorary doctor of laws degree in 1955, the accompanying citation included President Julius Seelye Bixler's description of Jetté as so possessed of "initiative, daring, and skill" in his efforts for Colby that future historians might speak of the time as "Colby's age of Jet-propulsion." The man who served on both the Advisory Council of the Maine Department of Economic Development and on the Maine State Arts and Humanities Commission will be recalled, in the words of a fellow trustee, as "a creative businessman turned humanist."

Ellerton and Edith Jetté's imaginative leadership and generosity with their own resources made a unique and powerful impact on education and the arts at Colby and for all people in the State of Maine and New England. As President Cotter observed, "it was not only in art that they led the way. They brought to Colby that special cosmopolitan sense and impeccable taste that have helped make a small Maine institution a national leader in higher education."

Ellerton Jetté is survived by his wife.

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The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys

by Doris Kearns Goodwin '64
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The *Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys* amply fulfills its claim as an American saga. Spanning a century of critical change in American history, Doris Kearns Goodwin begins in the Irish slums of Boston's North End with the birth in 1863 of John Francis Fitzgerald, who was to become the city's first Irish mayor, and ends with the inauguration in 1961 of his grandson and namesake, John Fitzgerald Kennedy, as 35th president of the United States. Goodwin demonstrates at each new stage of her chronicle how deeply the rise of these two remarkable families reflects the influence of historical events. She creates over three generations an epic cast of vivid personalities through whose lives emerge patterns of determination and courage, arrogance and betrayal, which inform in different ways the destiny of the Kennedy children. Onto the multi-

plicity of detail with which she documents this American saga, Goodwin imposes the stark and timeless contours of myth.

The first stage of this chronicle, "The Fitzgeralds," focuses on the first generation of Irish immigrants, the rise of John Fitzgerald from the poverty of the Boston Irish ghetto to heights of political power and patronage, and the privileged girlhood of his daughter, Rose. Goodwin's evocation of Boston itself in the rapidly changing decades after the Civil War is as fascinating as her sensitive portrayal of the complex Fitzgerald-Kennedy family. She brings remarkable narrative powers to her depiction of a city on the verge of losing its preeminence in shipping and manufacturing just when successive boatloads of Irish immigrants began to flood its ports. To the Brahmin families, the Irish influx loomed the more threatening as it seemed to cause the rapid decline from Boston's past prominence and prosperity. For decades the Irish figured as their major enemy. The immigrants, crowded into the worst neighborhoods and living in direst poverty, were forced to evolve their own means of survival. Bound by ties of family and community, sustained by the solace of their Church, the Boston Irish became a unique phenomenon in a hostile city.

Through a skillful blending of family reminiscences of life in Boston's North End, Goodwin creates a composite portrait of the young John Fitzgerald. Charming and determined, daring and

intelligent, he appears in some ways like his more privileged grandson, with whom he shared a special bond. When Fitzgerald's father decided that one of his sons would become a doctor, John, a newsboy on the streets of Boston, was chosen as the most likely to succeed. At his father's death six years later, Fitzgerald, determining to maintain a home for his younger brothers, left Harvard Medical School and appealed for help to Matthew Keany, the most respected and influential Irish politician in the North End. Keany took him on as an apprentice.

With an innate capacity for sensing and seizing opportunity, Fitzgerald became in rapid succession councilman, congressman, and mayor. Goodwin sympathetically describes the intricacies of ward politics, in which the "boss" responded to the material needs of his impoverished constituency in return for their support at the polls. But this system, however effective at the local level, could only lead to fraud and corruption when raised to the unlimited opportunity the mayoralty offered. Despite the bright promise of his idealistic platform, Fitzgerald found himself bound inevitably by obligations of patronage, and his first term ended in scandal and disgrace. Nevertheless, in the first flush of Irish triumph over the Brahmin establishment in the early 1900s, Fitzgerald's popularity survived untarnished. He was to gain a second, less controversial term as mayor, and he remained until his death in 1950 at the age of 87 one of the most beloved public figures in Boston. When John F. Kennedy first ran for office in 1946, the irrepressible Fitzgerald enlisted innumerable friends and connections and participated in the campaign with all the enthusiasm of earlier days.

As her father's favorite child, young Rose Fitzgerald enjoyed her special position as the daughter of the mayor. Since her mother shunned the public spotlight, Rose was her father's constant companion at civic functions. Charming, attractive, and intelligent, she hoped to enter Wellesley in the fall of 1907. It remained a lifelong disappointment to Rose that her father, fearing the disap-



proval of his Catholic constituency, changed his mind within weeks of the start of the fall term. Goodwin sketches briefly the exciting climate of the college that she feels Rose would have found congenial in those years. Though one can only speculate over the course her life might otherwise have taken, Rose was at the center of a glittering Catholic social circle in 1914 when she married Joseph Patrick Kennedy, himself the son of a prominent East Boston politician.

In "The Kennedys," the second section of the book, Goodwin shows that Joe Kennedy's rise, if less romantic than John Fitzgerald's, was no less astonishing. After graduating from Harvard in 1912, he mastered the mysteries first of banking, then of investment, to profit from the explosion of business opportunities after World War I. Goodwin describes in fascinating detail the range and promise of Kennedy's diverse interests, from the burgeoning automobile empire of John Hertz to the golden glamor of Hollywood. With a shrewd sense of when to get in and when to get out, he amassed a fortune and a nexus of connections worthy of ancient Rome.

Promoting the candidacy of Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1932, the brilliant "insider" who had made a fortune in the stock market became the controversial but effective chairman of the newly appointed Securities and Exchange Commission. For the grandson of an Irish immigrant also to become ambassador to the Court of St. James's in London was the social achievement for which he had waited a lifetime; yet his private fear of war and his blindness to Hitler's menace leagued him with the advocates of peace at any price. His appointment at that moment, Goodwin notes, was a misfortune of international dimension. Moreover, through a series of indiscretions as arrogant as they were naive, Kennedy alienated the British, whom initially he had so charmed, and permanently estranged the president.

Kennedy had persuaded himself that with intelligence, wealth, and education he could scale the most impregnable barriers of prestige and privilege. But Boston of the early 1900s still looked

with suspicion on any Irishman, however talented. Such disappointments as not being invited to join a club at Harvard or exclusion from the Cohasset Golf Club rankled deeply. His failure was a source of abiding bitterness and the cause, Goodwin suggests, of his lifelong withholding of commitment to all but his family. Obsessed as he was by the slightest details of his children's lives, however, Goodwin observes that never in his many extant letters to them over a period of years did he offer moral guidelines. Achievement was the goal. Perhaps a similar failing, she suggests, blinded John Kennedy to the dangers of Senator McCarthy, a bias that may have cost him the vice presidential bid in 1956.

Behind Joseph Kennedy's phenomenal drive toward wealth and power was the determination that his eldest son, Joe, would become the first Irish Catholic president of the United States. Paradoxically, it was Rose Kennedy, with a different kind of strength and persistence, who instilled in her children the values of their Irish Catholic inheritance. The promise of the young Rose Fitzgerald, so beguilingly evoked earlier in the book, appears to be submerged by the force of her more flamboyant husband, although one feels in the peculiar intensity of the Kennedy family bond that the force of her traditional values tempered her husband's blatant secularism. At the prospect of Kathleen Kennedy's second marriage to a divorced British nobleman, for instance, Rose Kennedy was saddened on religious grounds; Joe feared that it might darken his son John's political future.

Only after the tragic and violent deaths of Joe and Kathleen did John, the lone survivor of "The Golden Trio"—the third section of the book—become the focus of his father's attention. John Kennedy was perhaps less constrained than Joe or Kathleen by the dominant personalities of their parents and was better able to absorb both aspects of his inheritance with a clarity and independence that suited him for the presidential role he inherited from his brother. In the final stages of his own career, Joe Kennedy devoted himself to John's polit-

ical aspirations with the skill and connections of a lifetime. Planning and executing each campaign with the brilliant administrative powers he had demonstrated in every venture of his business life, he could justly savor the triumph of attainment. The full price of his achievement lay ahead.

The Fitzgeralds and the Kennedys closes with the inauguration of John F. Kennedy as he swears the oath of office on the old Fitzgerald family Bible that had recorded the birth of his grandfather nearly a century earlier. After this historic event there were no further entries. On a final page of her book, Goodwin registers with stark simplicity the deaths of John Kennedy in 1963, Robert Kennedy in 1968, and Joseph Kennedy in 1969.

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"Don't Believe Everything You Hear and Only Half of What You Read"

by Eric S. Zolov '87

In recent years, Colby has continued to refine the January Program of Independent Study, a concept the College pioneered in 1961. Today many students intern or acquire other off-campus work experience in jobs provided by Colby alumni and other interested individuals and companies. In 1987, Jan Plans included internships with the Republican National Committee, the Union Bank of Finland in Helsinki, Jobs for Peace in Philadelphia, and a New York City firm representing art galleries and contemporary artists; work as a publications assistant at the Denver Children's Museum; study in a Benedictine monastery at St. Anselm's Abbey in New Hampshire; running support groups for families of Alzheimer's disease patients in Augusta, Maine; and research in the cardiovascular lab of the Tufts Nutrition Research Center in Boston, in the optical properties of semiconductor materials at the Bell Labs in New Jersey, and in plant genetics in California.

Several opportunities also exist for study abroad. This year one of the more unusual—and controversial—Jan Plans was led by Professor of Government Roger Bowen, whose group of 15 visited Nicaragua for two weeks. The Alumnus asked history major Eric Zolov '87 to report on the trip.

Two weeks before I left for Nicaragua, I ran into a friend from high school in a hometown bar. It was Christmas Eve and I told him about the upcoming trip. Looking at me very seriously, he urged, "Don't go, man."

A last line of advice from various others often ran along the lines of "Take care to dodge the bullets!" Fortunately, not one alarmist fear of a revolution gone awry—from images of Soviet tanks roaming the streets to Nicaraguan hoodlums eager to slice some North American throats—came to pass. In fact, the entire two-week experience, which included travel to four cities outside of Managua, daily meetings with close to twenty diverse sectors of Nicaraguan society (including the opposition and an independent human rights organization), and often intense intellectual debate, demonstrated that North American notions about the Nicaraguan situation amount to little more than a closet full of misconceptions.

The Reagan Administration's half-truths and policy of "perception management," journalist Robert Mathew's euphemism for "disinformation," are being used to discredit a popularly elected regime. The White House's objective in toppling the Sandinistas is to bring about

an administration more favorable to U.S. interests of long-term political and economic stability. At this time, however, it is United States military and political pressures on the Central American nations that most raise the risk of instability and potential for regional war.

Probably one of the most popular impressions of Nicaragua these days, especially following President Reagan's last State of the Union address in which he claimed that the Sandinistas are waging "war against the Nicaraguan people," is one of Sandinista totalitarian rule. This quick, sweeping denunciation conjures images of a police state and of a Nicaraguan population that has had its revolution "stolen" by the Sandinista Party, the FSLN (Frente Sandinista de Liberación Nacional). This claim is a grave distortion of reality. A Nicaraguan-born journalist (who works for a North American news network and asked that she remain unidentified) told us, "The party has the support of the people. The Sandinistas are a reality . . . after eight years they are [still] here. And I think they've been good. . . . [But] it's not easy to have United States intervention." Not every Nicaraguan may be entirely satisfied with his or her situation, yet after eight years of Sandinista rule, this na-



To the right of bus driver Silvio (in white cap and Colby shirt), Eric Zolov is one of the exuberant Jan Plan group in Nicaragua.

tion has not been divided by domestic dissatisfaction (notwithstanding, of course, the U.S.-funded *contra* war). Daily life in Nicaragua would be tenser and more volatile if the people did not want the Sandinistas to stay in power. Our trip showed us that the situation is in fact not blatantly repressive or dangerous, as my impressions before the trip had led me to believe. The conservative Right in the United States, exemplified by the Reagan Administration, has successfully manipulated the entire, complex situation into one simple image: Nicaragua=Sandinista=Communist Totalitarianism. The media have largely failed to question the validity of this image, and thus the reality of popular support for the FSLN is overlooked.

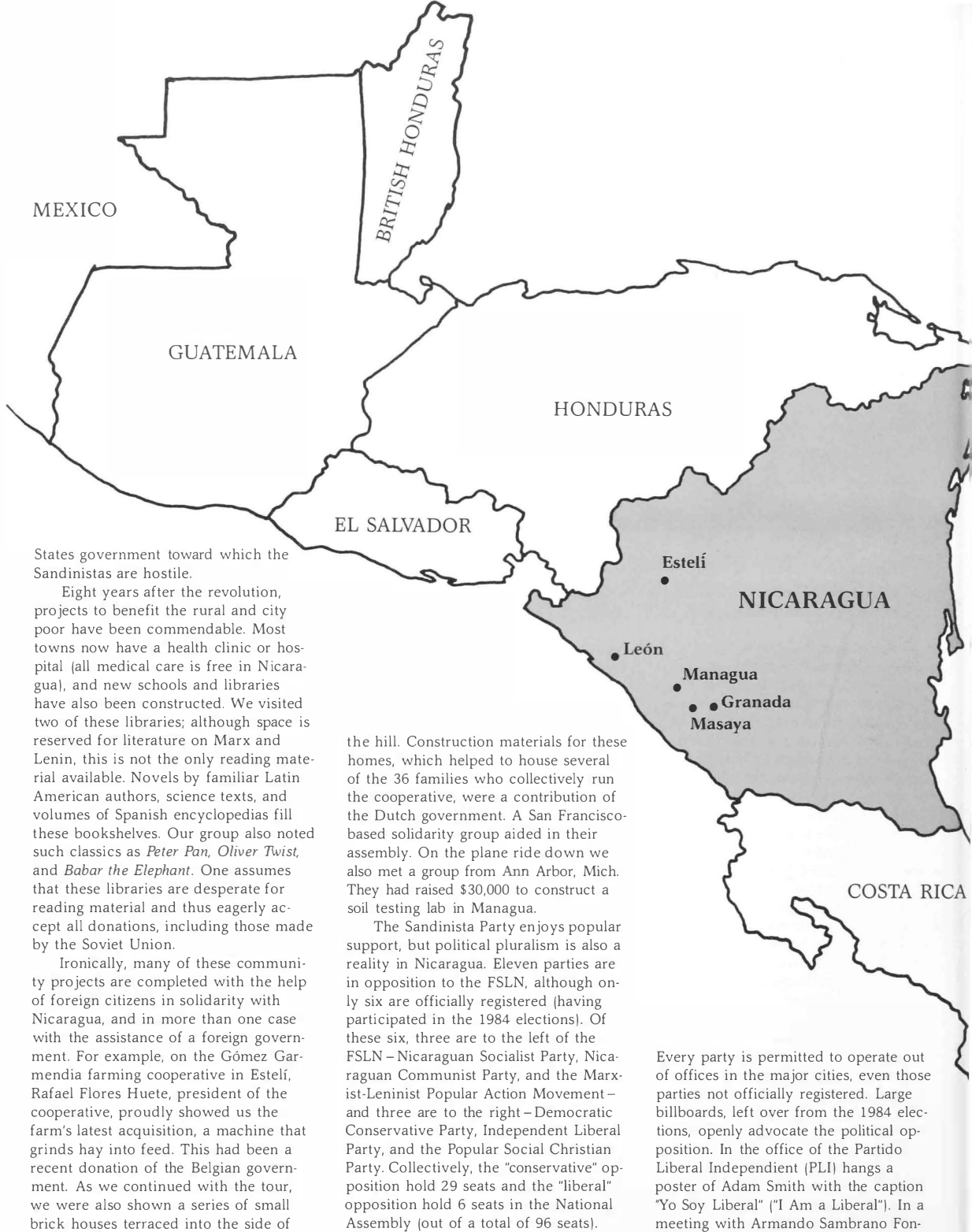
Investigating the streets of Managua, Estelí, León, Masaya, and Granada (the five principle cities we visited) overwhelmingly confirmed the assessment that the Sandinistas have "the support of the people." There is an observable pride taken in the gains of the revolution. Unlike the accumulated filth one often finds in other underdeveloped nations (an observation a friend from Pakistan agreed with me on, and one which, regarding his own country, he attributes to a prevailing spirit of pessimism),

many of the streets and sidewalks in Nicaragua are kept raked and free of garbage. Homes, some precariously constructed with strips of corrugated tin and plywood, are periodically bordered by flowers. We saw some of the 50,000 new homes and housing settlements, ranging in shape and size from all-wood shacks to "low income" apartment complexes, allocated since 1979 by MIMVAH (Ministry of Housing and Human Settlements). These, too, were often quaintly decorated. Elaborate murals, not one defaced, ornament many of the larger walls. Outside of Estelí, which has experienced fighting in the past, is a pervasive sense of calm and tranquility.

Far from being suppressed, Managua, Nicaragua's capital, is an open city. The degree of military presence is minimal. In fact, if Managua were to be attacked tomorrow it would be a quick seizure. (We saw more anti-aircraft guns and helicopters at our stopover in Belize and Honduras than we saw in Managua, although I am sure that surrounding the city such equipment existed camouflaged.) A self-consciously critical coalition, we scanned the streets continually for signs of weaponry. Indeed, soldiers, sometimes armed, other times not, may be spotted throughout the city,

and their presence dots the highway connecting Managua to the countryside. But the soldiers' attitude appeared calm, confident, and unrigid. We did not see one instance of organized marching or standing at attention. Media reports of Soviet-built T-54 and T-55 tanks lead one to envision armored vehicles and groups of soldiers roaming the streets in ongoing demonstration of military strength. Yet we did not see one tank our entire trip. As a representative of the FSLN pointed out, "If the Nicaraguan people did not agree with the popular revolution, with the amount of weapons they [the people] have, no government could have withstood that force." One Sandinista "stronghold" (protected by five armed soldiers sitting on a concrete wall) proved only to be the army hospital. The most exciting battle scene had taken place downtown, behind the children's library. There, several of us climbed in and out of gutted U.S. army tanks, a Nicaraguan symbol of triumph over imperialists.

Before the trip my father warned me, "A trip to Nicaragua at this time is both foolhardy and very dangerous. These people would like nothing better than to use some idealistic Americans as an example just to show who is in charge." His impression of the situation, he afterwards explained to me, was that the country is in chaos, much like Lebanon. "This year is open season on Americans," he remarked, afraid that we would be captured by terrorists or killed in some anti-American attack. The truth is that we were well-received everywhere we went. Not once did we encounter an incident of anti-American hostility, although the basis for such a demonstration would have been understandable. Incredibly enough, even soldiers often responded to our waves with a smile and gesture of friendship. Once, as we were preparing to leave an island we had just visited, a woman insisted that I take with me several of the bananas she carried. Toward the end of the trip, we played a group of high school students from León in a fierce game of baseball. On several occasions I engaged in conversation with people in the streets, bartenders, even two youths who were on break from the front. All were poignant conversations about the tragedy of the *contra* war situation. Everyone urged us to return home with a message of peace. Repeatedly we were reminded that it is not the people of the United States but, rather, the United



States government toward which the Sandinistas are hostile.

Eight years after the revolution, projects to benefit the rural and city poor have been commendable. Most towns now have a health clinic or hospital (all medical care is free in Nicaragua), and new schools and libraries have also been constructed. We visited two of these libraries; although space is reserved for literature on Marx and Lenin, this is not the only reading material available. Novels by familiar Latin American authors, science texts, and volumes of Spanish encyclopedias fill these bookshelves. Our group also noted such classics as *Peter Pan*, *Oliver Twist*, and *Babar the Elephant*. One assumes that these libraries are desperate for reading material and thus eagerly accept all donations, including those made by the Soviet Union.

Ironically, many of these community projects are completed with the help of foreign citizens in solidarity with Nicaragua, and in more than one case with the assistance of a foreign government. For example, on the Gómez Gardemdia farming cooperative in Estelí, Rafael Flores Huete, president of the cooperative, proudly showed us the farm's latest acquisition, a machine that grinds hay into feed. This had been a recent donation of the Belgian government. As we continued with the tour, we were also shown a series of small brick houses terraced into the side of

the hill. Construction materials for these homes, which helped to house several of the 36 families who collectively run the cooperative, were a contribution of the Dutch government. A San Francisco-based solidarity group aided in their assembly. On the plane ride down we also met a group from Ann Arbor, Mich. They had raised \$30,000 to construct a soil testing lab in Managua.

The Sandinista Party enjoys popular support, but political pluralism is also a reality in Nicaragua. Eleven parties are in opposition to the FSLN, although only six are officially registered (having participated in the 1984 elections). Of these six, three are to the left of the FSLN—Nicaraguan Socialist Party, Nicaraguan Communist Party, and the Marxist-Leninist Popular Action Movement—and three are to the right—Democratic Conservative Party, Independent Liberal Party, and the Popular Social Christian Party. Collectively, the "conservative" opposition hold 29 seats and the "liberal" opposition hold 6 seats in the National Assembly (out of a total of 96 seats).

Every party is permitted to operate out of offices in the major cities, even those parties not officially registered. Large billboards, left over from the 1984 elections, openly advocate the political opposition. In the office of the Partido Liberal Independiente (PLI) hangs a poster of Adam Smith with the caption "Yo Soy Liberal" ("I Am a Liberal"). In a meeting with Armando Sambrano Fon-

seca, Secretary General of the unregistered Partido Socialista Cristiano (PSC), we were told that the Sandinista "strategy is to instill terror among the masses," yet on one of my walks I photographed a teenage girl openly wearing a "PLI" tee shirt. Nor does FSLN street graffiti hold a monopoly on the walls of buildings. As Xavier Chamorro Cardenal, editor of *El Nuevo Diario*, one of the two Nicaraguan newspapers, told us, "It would be very boring if a whole family and whole country thought exactly the same. Here one can find all of the ideologies of the world present, from Marxist to Social Democrat." Although there is undoubtedly a degree of truth to State Department reports of Sandinista repression of opposition parties—and we believed Armando Fonseca when he told us that his office was bugged—the context of a nation at war must be kept in consideration. Does the United States have to look far back into

its own history to remember the subjection of students and artists to the McCarthy blacklists and the infamous House Committee on Un-American Activities?

Furthermore, the argument of Sandinista "suppression" of the opposition is not a valid one in explaining why a more conservative party has not come to the forefront of Nicaraguan politics. In fact, the reasons lie principally with the social program of the opposition itself—and with the United States government. In the months preceding the 1984 national elections, the Reagan Administration successfully exerted pressure on the two most prominent candidates of the opposition, Virgilio Godoy and Arturo Cruz, to withdraw their candidacies, ostensibly for lack of an open political climate. In completing its objective, the Reagan Administration claimed, before the election had even transpired, that the vote was invalid,

knowing beforehand that the FSLN party would most likely receive a majority of the vote regardless. The following is an excerpt from a study of the elections by the Latin American Studies Association (LASA):

... [I]n the six-month period leading up to the election, the Reagan Administration used a combination of diplomatic, economic, and military instruments in a systematic attempt to undermine the Nicaraguan electoral process and to destroy its credibility in the eyes of the world. Within Nicaragua, the behavior of U.S. diplomats was clearly interventionist. This behavior included repeated attempts to persuade key opposition party candidates to drop out of the election, and in at least one case, to bribe lower-level party officials to abandon the campaign of their presidential candidate, who insisted on staying in the race.

These elections, the first in over 40 years, were confirmed by this independent organization to be among the cleanest in Latin American history. As also reported by LASA, "foreign assistance for the electoral process came exclusively from countries with vigorous Western democratic traditions. None of the donors subsequently complained that its aid had been misused." Furthermore, LASA stated that "close inspection of the platforms of the seven parties listed on the November 4 ballot reveal that the Nicaraguan voter had a wide range of options on major issues—considerably wider, for example, than in recent elections in El Salvador and Guatemala."

A farming co-op outside Estelí: Colby instructor Marcia Tardito, Jan Plan's official translator; with co-op leader; field workers carry weapons against contra attacks.



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Arturo Cruz, backed by the conservative business coalition (COSEP), probably had the greatest chance of winning votes. He was convinced by the State Department, however, not to run. His withdrawal, particularly because he was a former member of the original Sandinista junta, gave credibility to the State Department's assertion that the elections were "unfair" and "fraudulent," and practically guaranteed congressional support for his *contras* campaign. Shortly after the elections Cruz turned up as a leader of the Nicaraguan Opposition Union (UNO), the administrative arm of the *contras*. In February of this year, that organization underwent a leadership shakeup, and in early March, citing the inability for fundamental reform of the *contras'* goals and tactics, Cruz resigned. "[Cruz] followed the United States line of not running [in the 1984 elections], which was a big mistake," the Nicaragua-born news correspondent told us. Had Cruz participated, the political opposition in Nicaragua undoubtedly would be stronger, and the fierce *contra* war, as it stands now, would be largely diffused. The political opposition has talked of creating a unified coalition to present alternative candidates to the Sandinistas for the municipal elections, to be held within the next two years. To succeed, however, the opposition will need first to distance itself from connections with the *contras* and from the support of the CIA.

A final point to be clarified is that all sectors of Nicaraguan society disapprove of the military actions of the counterrevolutionaries, or *contras*. The entire country is affected by the war, which demands a 50 percent cut of the national budget and an obligatory 2-year military service at the front for all males between 18 and 25 (service is voluntary for females) and creates gas rationing, food shortages, and other hard-felt repercussions. The "gains" of the *contras* have only been measured in cooperatives burned, mayors shot, roads mined. After six years of fighting, not one city or region has been captured and established with a provisional government. The *contras* clearly lack popular support.

More importantly, every opposition party that we met with, as well as major institutions of Nicaraguan society such as *El Nuevo Diario*, expressed an unconfident frustration with the *contras* and the state of war into which they had plunged Nicaragua. Vital economic,

medical, and other social resources are being drained by the war effort. Even those critical of Sandinista policies do not support outside armed aggression to topple the present government. "We believe in civil government," said Gilberto Cuadra, president of INDE (Nicaraguan Institute for Economic Development), one of the six organizations belonging to the business organization COSEP. "[But] we are fighting a war that doesn't belong to us." There is room within the Nicaraguan political system for opposition, but the war has delivered into the hands of the Sandinista government a strong influence on the ideological direction of the country. U.S. support for the *contras* has turned an internal question of power sharing into a super-power struggle for prestige. "This is a war that belongs to the East and West," Cuadra told us. "We are being killed by [a struggle] that doesn't belong to us." Language used by President Reagan confirms Cuadra's fears. "[O]ur resolve is being tested [in Central America] as well," Reagan said in his State of the Union address. "Here, especially, the world is watching to see how this nation responds."

The Reagan Administration is adamantly opposed to a Sandinista-governed Nicaragua. Why? Because the FSLN is a revolutionary government in a region perpetually ripe for revolution. Massive economic aid to Central and Latin American countries has, in most cases, not succeeded in alleviating the harsh social conditions that foment this revolutionary spirit. Leaders of these so-called "democracies," furthermore, are often seen by their populaces as no more than puppets of the military, or even worse, as dictators supported by the United States. Past military intervention by the U.S.—in Nicaragua from 1912 to 1933—and domination of these economies by transnational corporations make understandable the shouts for self-determination. Consequently, the example set by Nicaragua of a triumphant nationalist revolution becomes frightening to U.S. policy makers. In "losing" Nicaragua, the United States has lost real political and economic leverage over the destiny of that nation, and arguably, the destiny of Central America as well.

Having successfully discredited the Sandinista government in the eyes of the American public, the Reagan Administration has laid the groundwork for toppling that regime. Legitimately, the Reagan argument is for regional sta-

bility: politically, and perhaps militarily as well, Nicaragua might in the future support revolution elsewhere in Latin America. Yet as McGeorge Bundy, national security advisor to presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson, wrote:

Now let us consider the other possibility: that there is no inevitability in the future course of the Nicaraguan government, that it may come to accept pluralism in its own country and respect the rights of its neighbors, that it can become a party to a live-and-let-live arrangement and back away from the slippery slope of increasing dependence on Havana and Moscow. Let us suppose also that Nicaragua's neighbors, in the region and the Contadora group, and indeed in Latin America as a whole, can exert their own substantial influence in this direction. Is there not advantage in leaving this road open, rather than building roadblocks across it by implacable insistence on covert war?

United States military presence in the region and outward support of the *contras'* intent of overthrowing the Sandinista government apparently do more to contribute to regional instability than any other factors.

The nationalist Sandinista government deserves the opportunity to disprove Reagan's worst fears and to promote political, social, and economic pluralism within Nicaraguan society. Relentless critics will point to the closure of the newspaper *La Prensa*, criticism of the Catholic Church, or past persecution of the Miskito Indians as "proofs" that the Sandinistas have totalitarian tendencies. Close examination of any one of these three issues, however, and others for that matter, would reveal that each situation has a certain historical complexity to it, often involving multiple and confused protagonists, victims, and motives. Each of these must be explored before an accurate conclusion about government repression may be drawn. Yet the State Department has persistently simplified each case, casting the Sandinistas always as the evildoers. Although I do not have space in this article for an in-depth examination of the press, the Church, or the East Coast Indian question, I will briefly attempt to clarify certain facts.

In the summer of 1986, *La Prensa*, the only newspaper regarded by the United States government as being critical of the Sandinista party, was officially shut down. Initiated under the Somoza regime, the paper had been influential in consolidating the non-military op-

position in confronting this dictatorship. *La Barricada*, the official paper of the FSLN party, was started immediately following the triumph over Somoza. In 1980, one year after the revolution, a third newspaper, *El Nuevo Diario*, was formed out of an internal division in *La Prensa*; 80 percent of *La Prensa*'s staff left, including its former editor, Xavier Chamorro Cardenal, to begin this new newspaper. The war justified periodic censorship of all three papers on sensitive military and economic matters (*La Barricada* and *El Nuevo Diario* continue to be subject to such censorship). At the time of the 1984 elections, the Latin American Studies Association found *La Prensa* "to be a virulently partisan newspaper, intensely opposed to the FSLN government and to the holding of the 1984 elections, and supportive of Reagan Administration policy toward Nicaragua." (According to an article in *The New York Times* of March 26, 1985, *La Prensa* received \$100,000 from the conservative National Endowment for Democracy to purchase "badly needed ink.") Xavier Chamorro Cardenal explained to us the government's actions regarding *La Prensa* in this way: "The closure of *La Prensa* cannot be explained in terms of freedom of the press. *La Prensa*, from the beginning, was not in opposition to the [Sandinista] government but in favor of U.S. policy." In continuing the discussion, Chamorro drew for us the following analogy: "In the United States during the 1930s many German papers were closed and confiscated. If *La Pre-*

sa changes its attitude toward the [contra] aggression, the paper can be permitted to reopen. The paper [press] has not been confiscated." This brief background on the political context of *La Prensa* will show that its closure was not entirely unjustifiable in light of the subversive nature of the paper during a wartime situation.

Exploring the situation of the Catholic Church or of the Miskito Indians also reveals that there is more to these conflicts than one often hears or reads about. For example, although President Reagan asserts that the Catholic Church is being "suppressed," the average person is not knowledgeable about the bitter ideological conflict that has been brewing for years within the Church hierarchy itself and that, in large part, defines the past and present context of the Church's status in Nicaragua. Over the past 10 to 15 years in Latin America, many practicing Catholics have been influenced by the position of the Liberation Theologists, that the Church must assert itself in promoting social reform. The Pope and the Church hierarchy have condemned this philosophy, creating a rift between Rome-appointed officials and many local priests in Nicaragua, as has happened in other countries in Latin America undergoing a transformation in religious philosophy. The result has been an inevitable struggle for political power between the Church hierarchy, local priests, and the reform-minded government. In a report published by the Michigan Interchurch

Committee on Central American Human Rights, a Jesuit from the Central American Historical Institute in Managua (which we also visited) described the religious situation in Nicaragua this way:

The real division now is a vertical one. There are leaders among all the churches who continue to be allied with the very few who are rich—the big businessmen and landowners, who seek to keep the nation's power and wealth to themselves. But there is also a growing number of church leaders both Catholic and Protestant, both lay and cleric that believe that the church must make a preferential option for the vast majority who are poor. They believe the power and wealth should be shared by all. Theirs is a struggle for justice and liberation.

Contrary to State Department accusations, the Catholic Church is actually better represented today than it was under Somoza. The number of priests has increased from 293 to 430; the number of churches from 167 to 173; the number of seminaries from 2 to 8; and the number of Protestant churches from 46 to 85. Of the several religious billboards scattered throughout Managua, one solemnly reads, "Este país tiene sed y hambre de Dios" ("This country is thirsty and hungry for God"). The remark was made by Pope John Paul II on his last visit to Nicaragua.

The situation of the Miskito Indians (really a metaphor for the entire East Coast population, which is made up of several Indian and mixed race groups), is too large and complex a problem to clarify in detail here, particularly in the context of "Sandinista totalitarianism." A brief explanation would note that following the revolution, the Sandinista government sought to implement many of its social reforms, first of which was the literacy campaign, on the East Coast populations. The assumption that the East should be merged with the West after years of differentiation and separation, to form one united Nicaragua (an obvious nationalist desire), was a hastily drawn conclusion; the two coasts have entirely separate histories, speak different languages, practice different customs, and were never integrated under the Somoza regime. The largest of the Indian groups, the Miskito, was persecuted as a result of the initial ambitions of the Sandinista government. The FSLN has publicly admitted that improper decisions were made. However, an organization composed of members



At party headquarters, Tardito and students meet an FSLN representative. Photo in background shows Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega and other Sandinista officials.

of the populations themselves has been working to implement a negotiated plan for limited East Coast autonomy, in recognition of the fact that the East has a history distinct from that of the West, and that these Indians have different needs from their Spanish-speaking brethren. As with the numerous other problems facing the Sandinista government—the rights of women, education, and land reform to mention a few—resolution is a slow and painful process.

One piece of advice from my father that has always stuck with me over the years is, "Don't believe everything you hear and only half of what you read." More than anything, our trip to Nicaragua this January made me question the accuracy and origin of information that we receive in the United States. Having seen and spoken directly with the Nicaraguan people themselves (not to mention extensive research conducted prior to the trip, which, after all, was a three-credit program), I believe strongly that the overall characterization of the Sandinista government by our president and the media is an inaccurate depiction of the situation. Certainly there are problems with the present government in Nicaragua. Most discouraging is that the FSLN is a pervasive political party apparatus that exerts considerable influence over much, but not all, of the nation's economy and political infrastructure. One might remember, however, that the Institutionalized Revolutionary Party government (PRI) in Mexico has enormous control over that nation's political and social infrastructure and has ruled uninterrupted since its official formation in 1946. The people of Nicaragua also face severe hardships on a daily basis, such as gas rationing, lack of basic supplies (for example, toilet paper), and running water only five days a week. Those whom we questioned on the latter problem told us that of the two pumps that circulate water around the city of Managua, one is broken; these pumps, and other machinery as well, are American-made and cannot be fixed because of the trade embargo we have placed on that country.

Much of our group's discussion centered on our North American political socialization and its implicit dangers. The problem, above all, is one of linguistics. Adjectives used to describe political situations—*communist*, *repressive*, *democratic*, *free*—are often useless in helping the average citizen to arrive at a clearer and more accurate understand-

ing of the complexities of a country in question. For example, I have often seen and heard the *contras* described by the media as the "anti-communist rebels." The Sandinista government is referred to as "Marxist-Leninist." This terminology precludes a fair examination of the Sandinista regime based upon its merits and history. The American public has come to associate the term "communist" with the Soviet Union, and thus any group operating to thwart the "communists" must be wholeheartedly supported; anything less would be un-American. Will there never be room, then, for a socialist revolution? Will the United States government continue to refuse recognition of the fact that not every socialist movement is inherently Soviet inspired? As Daniel Ortega, president of Nicaragua, has stated, "We define ourselves as Sandinistas. The Sandinista leadership has proposed to carry out a type of revolutionary leadership which believes in what is appropriate for Latin America. . . . We have to start from the premise that Nicaragua is not a country where there are conditions for a class struggle. It is a country with a peasant population and a working population and small commercial class." Broad and ambiguous terms used by our government, and supported, in large part, by the American media, serve only to prejudice the Nicaraguan situation, leading the American public to form a biased and uninformed opinion on this

important matter of foreign policy.

Yet this all-encompassing terminology makes up the language of our parents, our press, and our president. "Sandinista," "communist," "repression": those solitary words, becoming even stronger when used in connection with other, more sensitive words—"war on the Nicaraguan people," for instance—create impressions of horror, of real totalitarianism. Manipulated language indoctrinates American citizens to believe the worst of all possible scenarios. Granted, the Sandinista regime is not a utopia. Like any other government, it should be criticized constructively. But before one concludes that the Sandinistas are intrinsically evil or that Nicaragua is a totalitarian dictatorship bent on extending its territorial borders clear up to Texas; before one blindly believes and accepts at face value everything that is heard and read, I would urge that person to question authority. I would urge that person, better still, to visit Nicaragua. The country is not a "Beirut," and Americans (provided one is not a Eugene Hasenfus working for the CIA) are welcomed. Before one assumes that the rest of Latin America, and Central America in particular, is made up of democratic regimes and that Nicaragua is "the odd man out," take a hard critical look at the accuracy and source of information. The truth, more than just being heard and read about, needs to be seen.



Brimming baskets in a central market in Managua: despite hardships, no food shortages.

Not Just Some Old Fossils

by Donaldson Koons

When I came to Colby the last snowy week in January 1947, I considered myself lucky to come into a geology department that already could look back over a distinguished history. Much needed to be done, of course, to help the department, as well as the rest of the College, to recover from the impact of the war, but fortunately Dr. Bixler understood the importance of science and its place in a liberal arts college. Committed to the development of a new campus, he intended to improve the facilities of the Colby geology department and to maintain the proven distinction of the geologists both as professionals and as teachers.

That snowy day in 1947, classes were still held on the old campus in Memorial Library, Chemical Hall, Shannon Laboratories, and Coburn Hall. I found the geology department in the basement and ground floor of Coburn. Biology occupied the second and third floors, the attic, and the museum. The building, originally constructed in the 1870s and rebuilt in the 1920s after a fire, in some ways was a sound structure and the most recent building on the old campus, but our facilities, such as the small mineralogy laboratory in the basement, were cramped.

In April 1947, the College moved the library to Mayflower Hill, and with it went the humanities and social sciences. Most student housing remained on the old campus, and the natural sciences stayed, too, on the theory that it was easier to move a few faculty from campus to campus than to transport 15 to 170 students, and I guess that was true, although for some faculty it did mean a fair amount of lugging of material to and from class. When it was necessary to move students, we had some old surplus buses, which often were delayed by weather or broke down and sometimes made scheduling difficult, but both students and faculty accepted these problems as part of the cost of doing business. Besides, the situation

provided a built-in excuse for failure to prepare (useful to both students and teachers at times). I once used an examination question based on what the students might have observed from the bus on their frequent trips between the campuses. One student commented that he was forced to stand on the bus, hence could see little but the roadside, and really couldn't answer the question. Having ridden standing myself, I had to agree that he had a point.

In the fall of 1948 we conducted Geology 101 in the basement of Runnals Union, with about 170 students in what is now the preparation and shop rooms under Strider Theater. The basement of Runnals Union, with ceilings of perhaps eight feet, was never intended to be used for a large lecture room. Talking to a class of 170 in that space was like living in a ham sandwich, with sauerkraut—confined above and below, and not always easy to get oxygen to all parts of the room. In addition, we had some classes in temporary classrooms with thin partitions in Miller Library. It was possible for my students to acquire a thorough knowledge of German from Phil Bither's class in the next room. Two for the price of one. Phil had a powerful voice, especially at the resonant frequency of the partitions.

When Keyes was completed on the new campus in 1949, geology, along with chemistry and physics, moved to temporary quarters on Mayflower Hill. We occupied the space that is currently the science division library and the class room, seminar room, and coffee room across the hall. We had earlier considered going to the top floor of Roberts (the area now used by the psychology department), but the architects concluded that the building was not designed to accommodate the stresses that would be placed on the floors by the large rock and mineral collections. We all bore up nonetheless. Galen Eustis, treasurer of the College, was a tight man with a buck, and departments on

Mayflower Hill did not even have telephones. After Eustis had to walk to my office one day during a spell of bad weather, he authorized a phone.

Lectures for the introductory class were in Keyes 105. Beneath the classroom are boilers, which heat the science buildings and which run much of the time; the result is the only good radiant heating system on campus, a completely heated floor. With a low ceiling and tiered seats, seats 150 to 200 tended to be warm and cozy, better for sleeping than learning.

The "Life Sciences" building, which we moved to in 1951, was designed for biology and geology, and in most ways it was a very satisfactory structure. The fact that the departmental library was an integral part of our office and classroom arrangement was especially useful. The geology library had been put together over the years by men who were active research geologists as well as teachers, and it was supported in a program of acquisition by the librarians then in office, a tradition to this day. Our library was a resource used by geologists at the University of Maine and the State Geological Survey, and we were also a depository for the United States Geological Survey, which meant that we had complete runs of the major American and some foreign periodicals and a good collection of references. Faculty who needed to read current periodicals had them to hand, and students had immediate access to reference materials for class use. When students were aware that the faculty used the library constantly, it became something of a habit for them as well.

When we moved to the Seeley G. Mudd Building in 1978, the library was incorporated in the divisional library, a change that had many advantages but also brought about the loss of that casual learning arrangement, the place where student and teacher were in informal contact in a distinctly academic environment. We lost some square foot-

age, too, although we gained some wide hallways that we have used for displays of exceptional mineral and fossil specimens, chiefly from Maine localities. My office in Life Sciences had a splendid view of the Kennebec Valley (and the parking lot!); when we moved to Mudd, I could watch the feet of people on their way to and from Roberts Union. The Valley was better.

Between 1948 and 1978, the department made four moves. It is said that "three moves equals one fire," so we have had our fire and are on the way to the next. Our first three moves were carried out by buildings and grounds crews, by the way, and we suffered no losses and only very minor damage. Norm Poulin once cut his hand rather badly, however, on some quartz, and in subsequent moves he made a point of seeing that someone else got that piece. By the time of our third move into Life Sciences, some of the crew would ask about particular specimens. We'd get into a discussion, until I realized that I was being suckered just a little by men who were being careful and friendly in every way.

Their interest doesn't really surprise me. Some people have always been intrigued by rocks and minerals. I, on the other hand, came into geology by accident. My major in college was physics, but during my last year at Wooster I took the course in geology from Karl Ver Steeg, a man of great enthusiasm and skill, who sent many people on in the field of geology. Geology fascinated me, and for graduate work I went to Columbia, where I wrote my dissertation on the volcanics of the western Grand Canyon region in Arizona.

I taught at Carleton College, but then entered the army, served in the air corps for a while and later with OSS in China, and then taught at Columbia for a semester after my discharge. I was teaching at West Virginia University when I received a letter from Richard J. Lougee, asking if I would be interested in applying for the position of head of the geology department at Colby. I arranged to meet Dr. Bixler in Boston, at Symphony Hall. A friend of his had an extra ticket to the concert for me, and Dr. Bixler and I talked during the intermission. When the concert was over, he drove me to North Station to meet some friends of mine, and later made me an offer, which I accepted.

An exceptional person in many ways, Dr. Bixler had a very clear vision

of what a good liberal arts college should be, and he understood the important function of its various divisions and departments. Bixler was well aware of the historical role of the small liberal arts college, that it was the source of those who would go into the professions. Like Yale, Harvard, Amherst, Bowdoin, and other colleges of the day, the purpose of Colby, which had been founded as the Maine Literary and Theological Institution, was to educate those who would become society's ministers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, and other professionals. The student who enrolled at Colby 125 years ago took "the course," one third of which was natural philosophy and natural history. Dr. Bixler was of this tradition, and he recognized that the sciences had always been an integral part of the liberal arts, from the time of the Scholastics 1,000 years ago.

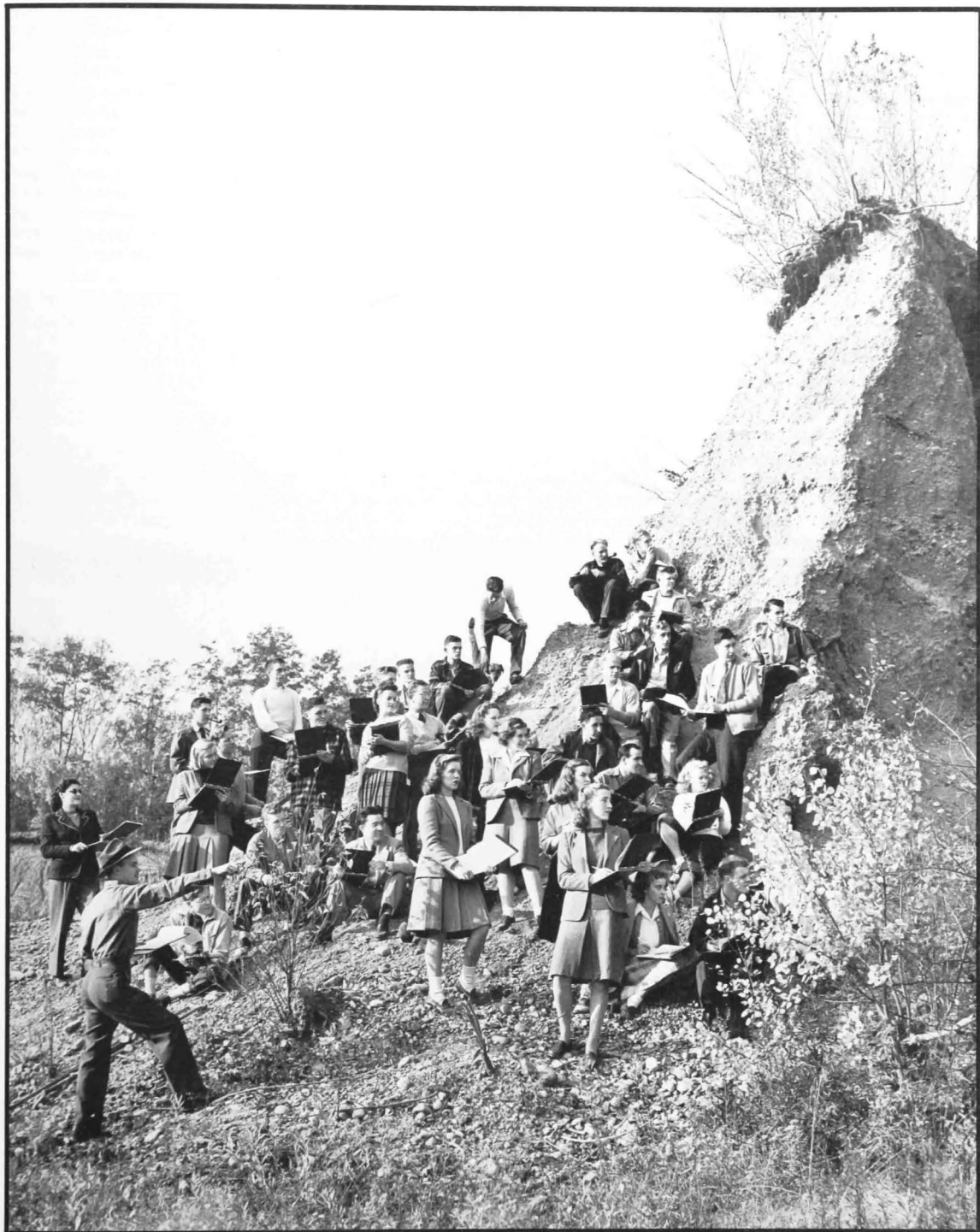
When philosopher Will Durant commented some years ago that "Civilization exists by consent of Geology," he meant, in addition to the dependence of civilized society on natural resources, that certain thinkers have been intrigued by questions about the distribution of fossils, clearly related to animals now living in the seas, or apparently unrelated to anything now on earth. The human question is always "why?" and "how come?" Towards the end of the eighteenth century a Scottish physician, James Hutton, was so puzzled and impressed by the relations of rocks in exposures near Edinburgh that he devoted much of his life to studying them, and ultimately concluded that the observed relationships could be explained only if one applied to the past the lessons of the present: that processes acting today had acted in the past and in much the same way and at the same rate. He concluded that mountains had been formed and worn away and that seas had covered and retreated from the land over great periods of time. He said that he could see no vestige of a beginning, no prospect of an end. His views, immediately seized on by others—Charles Lyell, Erasmus Darwin, and Hugh Miller, for example—were codified and widely taught. Lyell produced a text that for many years was the standard of the world. One of his students was Charles Darwin, who, like Erasmus Darwin, Lamarck, and others before him, saw the immensity of time and its implications but saw them in the special way of genius. In 1833, the year

that geology began to be taught in a serious way at Colby, the faculty came hard on the heels of these men—and in a continent that was only beginning to be known. What an opportunity!

For many in the mid-nineteenth century, of course, evolution presented not an opportunity but a threat to fundamentalist religious beliefs. In 1833, however, Colby's earliest science teachers followed very closely after Hutton and Lyell in England. Ezekiel Holmes, who taught much of the science at the time, was trained as a physician—science teachers were ordinarily schooled as physicians—and Justin R. Loomis, who came in 1836, published one of the earliest textbooks of geology in the United States. In 1948 I extracted a portion of Loomis's 1846 text having to do with granites, mimeographed it, and gave it to students without identifying the source. They found the discussion essentially correct, if somewhat archaic in form, and were surprised that it was 100 years old. Loomis wrote before the theory of continental glaciation had been accepted in this country, and he was clearly uncomfortable with the then-current explanation of the Noachian deluge as the source of the glacial deposits so abundant in New England and northern Europe. Loomis's text predated much of Charles Darwin's work as well as the general acceptance of the glacial theories of Louis Agassiz, who was director of the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard and the eminent natural scientist of the mid-nineteenth century, responsible among other things for identifying the deposits as the result of continental glaciation during the Pleistocene Epoch (the "Ice Age").

After Loomis left Colby to become president of Bucknell, C. E. Hamlin, an outstanding naturalist, became the science department head for the next 20 years. Although Hamlin was at Colby at the time of Darwin, no indication exists that he found theories of evolution to be a problem. Hamlin, whose friend Agassiz reportedly visited him on the campus to examine Colby's most "spectacular" fossil—a large, well-preserved tooth of a mastodon—wrote the first scientific report on the geology of Mt. Katahdin. When Hamlin left the College, he followed Agassiz as director of the Museum of Comparative Zoology at Harvard, then as now a center of evolutionary studies.

These scientists and teachers appear to have recognized that there are sever-



Art Fernald points out marine clay deposits near Drummond Avenue on this well-dressed geology field trip in spring 1947.

al ways of knowing, and that science is one way, rendering reproducible results. (Poetry, religion, mysticism, art, also ways of knowing, may be intensely personal and perhaps not reproducible or transferable to others.) If these Colby professors experienced any personal conflict with theories of evolution, the records do not show it. From the evidence, the early Colby geology faculty appear to have been unusually intelligent, thoughtful people who were not given to controversy.

In 1885, geology became a department separate from the science division with the appointment of Marshman Edward Wadsworth, who served until 1887 when he left to become the first president of the Michigan School of Mines, now Michigan Tech, and later president of the University of Pittsburgh. One of the earliest geology departments in the United States, pre-dating even Columbia's program by five years, Colby's department originated in the exciting climate of scientific discovery then current throughout New England.

Although all the department heads in geology beginning with Wadsworth were Ph.D.s and capable researchers as well as outstanding teachers, Wadsworth's successor, W. S. Bayley, appears to be the person chiefly responsible for defining the professional quality of the department. Trained as a petrographer and mineralogist, Bayley specialized in the geology of ore deposits and metamorphic rocks, and he did the first detailed study of the petrography of the Lake Superior iron ores (the foundation of America's industrial growth), which was published as a monograph by the U.S. Geological Survey. He also purchased a very fine study set of petrographic samples and thin sections. We find the record of these purchases in the ledger that he opened to record his expenses, a ledger the department still has. When I arrived, we also still had the petrographic microscope Bayley purchased for the department—a fine old Zeiss with Nicol prisms. Bayley must have been one of the first teachers of undergraduates to use the microscope in class instruction. Years later, at a time when we were able to buy new Bausch & Lomb microscopes for student use, few colleges of our size had begun to use them in undergraduate instruction.

Bayley left Colby in 1905 to join the faculty at the University of Illinois, but he left a mark on the department for

many years. Among his graduates were George Otis Smith, Class of 1893, who took his Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins. Smith carried Bayley's work into his study of the Fox Islands (Vinalhaven and North Haven) and later studies elsewhere on the Maine Coast, and his report in 1901 on the geology of the Fox Islands was the first research publication from the Colby College Press. Smith was also director of the U.S. Geological Survey for 27 years and subsequently chairman of the Federal Power Commission. Another of Bayley's students was E. B. Mathews, Class of 1891, who also took a Ph.D. from Johns Hopkins, was on the faculty there for many years and later head of the department, and served at the same time as State Geologist of Maryland.

Among Bayley's successors was E. H. Perkins, whose Ph.D. also was from Johns Hopkins. (Colby certainly had a strong Hopkins connection for a number of years.) He had a great interest in birds, and the Perkins Arboretum on the Mayflower Hill campus is dedicated to him. While teaching, Perkins wrote extensively on the geology of Maine, served as State Geologist, and was responsible for publication of the glacial portion of the "Survey of Road Materials of Maine" by Leavitt and Perkins, which for about 50 years was the definitive study of the glacial geology of Maine. Perkins's duplicate collections of specimens for Colby enabled continued growth of the study collections in rocks, minerals, and fossils. When he died suddenly in 1936, contemporary accounts and comments that were made to me more than 10 years later made it clear that as person, as teacher, and as head of a fully professional department, Perkins was deeply missed on campus.

The tradition of research established at Colby by Bayley and Perkins continues in the activity of the geology faculty today. Department head Don Allen's special interests have been in geochemistry and in mineral deposits of the western United States. Harold Pestana specializes in carbonate sediments., Robert Nelson in the glacial geology of Maine and Alaska, William Doll in geophysical studies of the crustal structure of Maine, and Bruce Rueger in techniques for analyzing fossil pollen in the salt deposits of southwestern Colorado. Their research carries over to the undergraduates, who frequently are directly involved in the faculty member's work. Convinced, however, that the best

preparation for the professional—in any field—comes from the broad exposure to the principal areas of knowledge required in the small liberal arts college, the geology department has never pretended to prepare professionals. Rather, we have prepared people to become professional.

One aspect of my own career may illustrate the difference. Even though I wrote my dissertation on the volcanics of the western Grand Canyon in Arizona, and my own particular interest has been the geology of the Colorado River, in 1967 I was appointed, on President Strider's recommendation to Governor Kenneth Curtis, to the Water Improvement Commission, an agency having responsibility for protection and improvement of the waters of Maine. In 1968, when I was elected chairman, the responsibilities of the commission were expanded to include air quality and land use. In 1973, Governor Curtis also asked me to become the first commissioner of the Department of Conservation. (I was granted a leave from the College until I resigned in September 1975 to return to Colby.) The period from 1967 to 1975, then, was an exceptionally interesting one for a geologist. I was involved in implementation of the cleanup of rivers from both industrial and municipal discharges. I was involved in decisions on several coastal refinery proposals, formulation of air quality standards, coastal transport of oil (a statute, challenged to the Supreme Court, which we won), land use controls, and the like. The job at Conservation involved bringing together four existing agencies—Forest Service, Parks and Recreation, Geological Survey, Land Use Commission—and the formation of a new agency, the Bureau of Public Lands, which deals with public lots. Although the branches of the Department of Conservation are not necessarily directly related to geology, the geologist's broad training at a liberal arts college in understanding relationships and interactions provided excellent background for policy making and administration. We like to think that Colby provides this same sort of background for its graduates and that geology in particular enables them to deal with problems of continental and worldwide scope.

During the years of the Depression and World War II the number of graduates entering geology declined, but by 1947 when I came to Colby money was

available for graduate assistantships and scholarships, and the interest in geology as a science and as a career field involving natural resources increased. Consequently, we have had since 1947, as we had in the earlier years of geology at Colby, a significant number of graduates who have gone on to distinguished professional careers. Of a total number of about 240 graduates, about one third of them women, several have been or are department heads at other colleges, many have positions as president, vice

president, or manager with commercial exploration or mineral development companies, and some are in administrative positions with research organizations.

A few of these people—and I don't mean to slight anyone—deserve special mention. George I. Smith '49, grandson of George Otis Smith and son of Joseph Coburn Smith '24 and Ervena Goodale Smith '24, went to Cal Tech for his doctorate, taught for a while in California, then joined the USGS, and has been a branch chief with them for years. He is

one of the world's authorities on the geochemistry of low temperature soluble salts and their formation. Peter Conney '51 has had an impressive career in academics, was recently head of the department at Middlebury, and is now a professor at Arizona, and one of the original thinkers in the field of plate tectonics. David Miller '51, who is one of the recognized experts on groundwater problems, heads a major consulting company on Long Island. MacDonald Grout '54 is senior geologist for the St. Joe Mineral Company, Abel Peirson '54 is administrator at Woods Hole, and David Rhoades '58 is vice president of a major exploration company. Steve Eit-treim '63 is associate branch chief of the Pacific Marine Division of the U.S. Geological Survey, and Linda Wackwitz '72 has been with Sun Energy, was a senior analyst in the Office of Technology Assessment in Washington, and is now at Denver University studying environmental law. Two years ago Cynthia Wigley Domack '80 completed a Ph.D. at Rice University and is now an assistant professor of geology at Hamilton College in upstate New York.

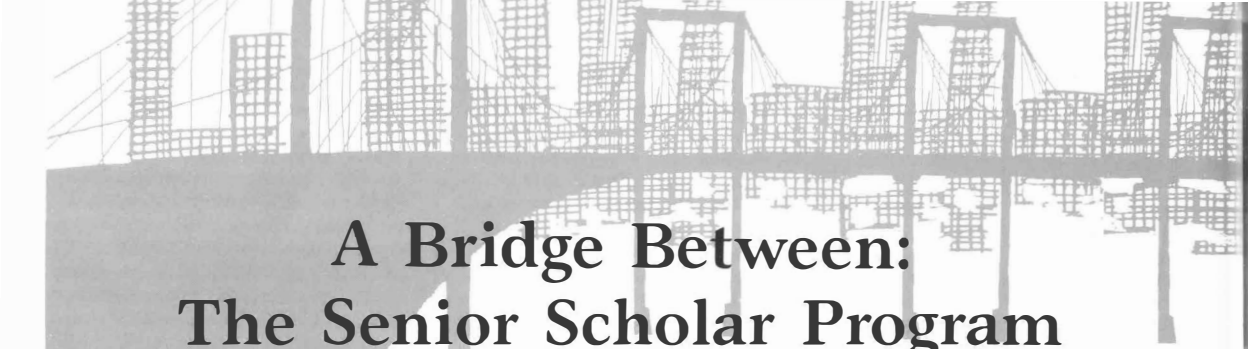
In short, Colby has had a lot of good recent geologists who are widely scattered from Alaska, Canada, and the U.S. all the way to Saudi Arabia and South America. They work with state and federal surveys and with exploration and development companies, some small, some very large, and they teach at prestigious colleges and universities.

And Colby probably has graduated more people who have become geologists than has Harvard, even though Harvard has one of the great graduate geology departments. Like other small colleges that have done as well—Wooster, Augustana, Oberlin, Pomona, to name a few—Colby's success is most likely a reflection of the close association of undergraduates with teachers who are competent in their specializations and enthusiastic about their profession, enjoy teaching, and involve students in their daily work at the College and in the field. From its earliest faculty to its most recent graduates, Colby should be pleased with its geology record.

In honor of Don Koons, Teruko and George I. Smith '49 last year established the Koons Field Research Fund, a scholarship at California Institute of Technology for doctoral candidates in geological and planetary sciences.



Don Koons looks far from retired in the Seeley G. Mudd Building. The geology department display case features a unique water-clear quartz crystal from a French cave.



A Bridge Between: The Senior Scholar Program

by Wendy Lapham '86

In the past 20 years, Colby has considerably expanded opportunities for independent research, junior year abroad, and career exploration. The College today utilizes contacts from alumni, businesses, and organizations to provide internships and field work as more and more students take advantage of off-campus learning experiences. Before such options were available, however, the Senior Scholar program fulfilled many of the same needs. Since 1958, this year-long independent course of study has enabled a student with interest in a specific area to create a project related to that interest and to work under the tutorial influence of a faculty sponsor.

Guidelines for Senior Scholars only hint at possibilities for original discovery or creation. Prospective Senior Scholars submit formal project outlines to a College Senior Scholar committee. Accepted Scholars are responsible for the completion of their projects by the end of the academic year. They receive 12 academic credits and exemption from two course requirements each semester, and their names and project titles appear in commencement and College catalogue literature. Final written theses are bound and placed in Colby's special collections archives. At the end of the year each Senior Scholar gives a performance or demonstration of his or her project, and each makes a defense of the thesis at a dinner held in their honor.

Last summer the *Alumnus* contacted 60 former Senior Scholars, most of whom have been out of college for 10 years or more, asking them to comment on the influence their projects may have had on their personal and professional lives. Although several of the 23 respondents questioned the appropriateness of the program at the undergradu-

ate level—interestingly, negative views were expressed by Senior Scholars in both the sciences and humanities—most seemed to agree that pursuing an individual interest, developing skills and knowledge through the process of completing the project, and working one-on-one with a faculty member were valuable during and long after the year of independent work. The consensus of the Senior Scholars was that their liberal arts education at Colby was greatly enhanced by the opportunities they enjoyed in the Senior Scholar program.

According to Mark Serdjenian '73, now associate dean of students at the College, "The chance to be a Senior Scholar was a tremendously invigorating opportunity within the academic framework." His project, "Writing and Illustrating Children's Literature," enabled him to work directly with elementary school students. He feels that this classroom experience guided his project and helped confirm his plans to be an educator, a career he followed for 11 years before he made the move to the administrative position in the dean of students office.

Alden C. Wilson '65 also had plans for an academic career when he pursued his project, "Some Aspects of the Critical Theory and Practice of Six Twentieth-Century Critics of Art." Through his sustained interest in art, he also became interested in arts promotion, and he now serves as executive director of the Maine Arts Commission. He feels that the Senior Scholar program "provided not only solid understanding of the arts, but also helped me develop a commitment to the field."

In 1970, Richard Abramson '71 began to formulate his own commitment to the field his project encompassed: "The Effects of Three Training Techniques on the Swimming Abilities

of Trainable and Educable Mentally Retarded Children." He believes his interest in working with handicapped children has been a continuation of his Senior Scholar project; in fact, he served for three years as executive director of one of the programs he was involved with as a Senior Scholar in 1971. He is now executive director of the Kennebec Valley YMCA in Augusta, and he continues to work to improve fitness and aquatic programs for handicapped youth.

Senior Scholar projects were also valuable as a means of educating students about the realities of certain careers, much like the role of internships today. Stuart Rosenfeld '69 gained an understanding of "what life would be like as a chemist" through his project, "An Investigation of Unusual Forms of Thiamine." He says, "It slowly became apparent to me that working for hours or days to complete a single experiment . . . was very different from getting a broad overview of a field as one might in taking a course." Rosenfeld says that Professor George D. Maier "encouraged my interest in chemistry from the start," particularly in spectroscopy, because "it represented a way to gather information about molecular structure." His eye-opening experience was obviously a positive one, as Rosenfeld maintains his interest in spectroscopy and is now an assistant professor of chemistry at Smith College.

For these four alumni, the program seems to have provided important "field experience" or "exposure" to the realities of teaching, arts promotion, special education, and laboratory research. For others, however, this aspect of the program was a mixed blessing.

For Dick Cass '73, the opportunity to explore poetry writing as a Senior Scholar filled him with false hopes of

*The program demands that they practice self-discipline
and sharpen the skills most equated with the liberal arts:
research, communication, and analysis.*

being a self-supporting poet. "Here was an academically-approved program," he writes only half ironically, "that seduced me, at the tender age of 20 or so, into thinking I was always going to be able to spend months or days doing little but reading or writing poems, and getting academic credit for it." Russell Sehnert '75, also a Senior Scholar in poetry, shares these feelings. He writes that during his senior year at Colby he thought being a poet was a "great career." It wasn't until after an M.F.A. degree at Brigham Young University that he realized, "If I wanted to write *and* make money, I better find something other than poetry." Jennifer C. Barber '78 feels that the opportunity to explore poetry as a Senior Scholar might have come too early. Now, nine years later, she feels she has a better understanding of the time and effort it takes to create a poem. "In college," she says, "wanting to be a writer is seen as equivalent to being one."

Both Sehnert and Barber stress that the opportunity to work under the guidance of Colby faculty was an extremely worthwhile aspect of the program. "The most important thing I learned was that I liked to write," Sehnert says. "I have to give 99 percent of the credit for that to my supervisor, Bob Gillespie. I got to feel how he really felt about writing." Barber, who was also a Rhodes Scholar, says, "My finished Senior Scholar project disappointed me. My advisor, Peter Harris, told me that being dissatisfied meant that I could possibly continue to grow as a writer. This helped me recover from a month of despair that comes from knowing what you want to do but not being able to do it."

Despite their ambivalent feelings about the Senior Scholar program, all three are still actively writing and earning livings through jobs that involve

writing. Cass supports himself by technical writing but still sets aside time every day for his own work. "Every morning before I climb in my car and head into the Massachusetts high technology follies," he says, "I spend three hours writing or trying to write. But I don't settle for any less, and that is partly because of opportunities that the Senior Scholar program gave me—to learn how I could work, how to discipline myself, and how important it is to me to continue trying to create structures from words."

Sehnert works in advertising and has come to see that "writing some radio commercials is quite like writing a lyric poem. A 30-second TV commercial with an attention-getting opening, some clever dialog, a demo, and a great selling line requires the same kind of discipline as writing a sestina or a sonnet."

In her letter to the *Alumnus*, Barber wrote, "Working on a Senior Scholar project introduced me to the difficulty of writing, and my own impatience." The tone of the letter, however, suggests that she sees these as valuable lessons, and indeed her perseverance has paid off: Barber has published in *Shenandoah*, *The Poetry Review*, and *The Georgia Review*. All three writers agree that the process of completing their projects was extremely valuable as it helped them to develop the discipline and patience to persevere.

The importance of *process* occurred to many other Senior Scholars. Some of the most important skills the respondents mentioned were related to the independent nature of the program. Because the Senior Scholar program offers a tremendous amount of time and freedom to the student pursuing it, this independence allows participants to concentrate intensely on a specific topic. It also demands that they practice self-dis-

cipline and sharpen the skills most equated with the liberal arts: research, communication, and analysis.

These skills proved extremely valuable to Dr. Martin Gliserman '67, whose project, "Blake and Yeats: A Comparative Study," gave him "a critical edge" in graduate school. "I was familiar with intensive, critical, long-term research work," Gliserman says. "I would not have been so well trained without the project—nothing else at Colby required such extensive research." Gliserman's Senior Scholar project ignited ideas that became increasingly important to him in future years. "I was intrigued at the time [of the project] with the revolutionary interests—sexual, political, and psychological—of both poets. I remained in the field, but expanded. I became interested in implementing the radical ideas I got in touch with." He is currently on the faculty at Rutgers University, is in the process of completing a manuscript, and is training to be a psychoanalyst, a goal clearly related to his interest in the psychological aspect of literature.

For Cynthia Peters McGyver '63, "The Musilian Concept of Modern Man," her project on the Austrian writer Robert Musil, helped intensify her love for Germanic studies and led her to continue in the field of German literature, in which she eventually earned her master's degree from Middlebury College and her doctorate from Harvard University and the University of Vienna. She completed her Ph.D. work on Robert Musil, the writer who had been the original subject of her Senior Scholar project. She is currently working as a consultant with educational systems and writes programs for advanced students of German.

Stanley I. Garnett '65 realized the effect his project has had on his life in a different way. "Ethics in a Capitalistic



Society" detailed the 1961 court convictions of General Electric and Westinghouse executives about price fixing in the sale of electrical equipment to electric utilities. Now, 20 years later, Garnett is a vice president and chief legal officer of one of the utilities involved. He says, "It is fair to say that the many hours spent on my paper produced a mindset that knowing violations of legal principles in business should not be tolerated." The lessons learned through deep immersion in the topic have had a "lasting beneficial effect" throughout his career on his attitudes toward business ethics.

Like Garnett, Dr. Robert P. Younes '61 and Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr. '70 appear to have developed "mindsets" as a result of their Senior Scholar projects. Younes's project in scientific research involving the synthesis of analogues of plant growth hormone created "a recurring pattern of intense scholarly interest in a wide-ranging series of topics." He adds that "Most of my most joyous activities are very similar to my Senior Scholar year; i.e., pursuing an interest with curiosity, persistence, and intense concentration, with the intent to understand the problem, solve it, and create a lasting solution to the difficulty encountered during the investigation." Younes is now the regional medical director for the Group Health Association in Washington, D.C. Shettleworth's project, "The Architecture of Portland, Maine, 1839-1870" has become what he calls "the basis and the departure point for lecture series and publications." He is currently director of the Maine Historic Preservation Commission in Augusta. Shettleworth states, "There are those who might argue that one should wait for graduate school for this. . . . I feel that for some students the Senior Scholar program is the logical culmina-

tion of the four-year college experience."

Lawrence Bernstein '67, a Senior Scholar in chemistry and now a practicing physician, disagrees. He makes the point that "If I were directing such a program, I think I would try to stress projects that embellish the educational experience. I feel that 'research' at the undergraduate level probably does not fit that criterion." The comments of Nancy Beale '68 may help to clarify Bernstein's objection. Having completed all of her required course work by her junior year, she elected to take her senior year of college enrolled in a Ph.D. program at Johns Hopkins University. There she found challenging computer and laboratory facilities not available to her at Colby. She feels that "Colby was not actually rushing forward" in regard to scientific research at that time.

Of course, just as there has been expansion in the area of field experience opportunities, there has been tremendous growth in all of Colby's science departments over the last 20 years, and research possibilities are much more available and sophisticated now than in 1967. However, the number of Senior Scholars pursuing projects in the sciences has decreased steadily in the past few years while the number in the humanities has increased.

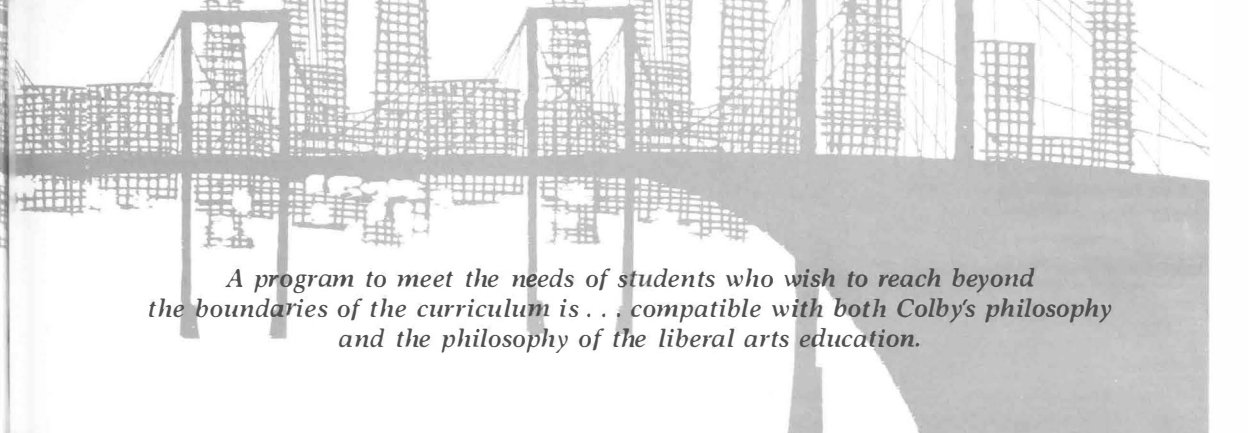
According to G. Calvin Mackenzie, vice president for development and alumni relations, substantial increases for Colby science facilities over the past several years have enhanced the quality and coverage of Colby's science programs. In October, Colby received a Sherman Fairchild Grant of \$500,000 to be used over the next five years for the purchase of scientific equipment for undergraduate instruction. The decrease in the number of science majors involved with the Senior Scholar program, therefore, cannot be equated with a

lack of College facilities or equipment. Dr. Miriam Bennett, William R. Kenan, Jr., Professor of Biology, suggests that this lack of involvement may be due to the organization of the program itself. From her viewpoint, "The Senior Scholar program as it is now causes students to specialize during their senior year. It's unwise for biology students planning to go on to graduate school to specialize too soon." Wayne Smith, professor of chemistry, agrees that advanced chemistry students may be limiting themselves as Senior Scholars "because of the restrictive nature of the program."

Both faculty members cited established research programs within the College's science curriculum as possible reasons for decreased participation in the Senior Scholar program. Undergraduate research opportunities are available to Colby science students in the form of independent study, January Program, and summer projects. The geology department, for instance, offers field trips to such geologically interesting places as Iowa fossil locations, Mojave Desert mineral deposits, and Bermuda carbonate environments. The biology department conducts courses in Florida, the West Indies, and the Mojave Desert during January or spring vacation, and nearer home sponsors work directed in part by physicians and dentists in local hospitals.

Nevertheless, Professor Smith feels that even though these opportunities exist, "Senior Scholar projects are still an important part of Colby's science curriculum. I am not prepared to say that the program's time has passed, only that there are other ways to accomplish the same goals."

Advanced-level independent study courses are offered in virtually every major at Colby. Faculty and administration have consistently proven them-



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selves open to student requests for independent topic research. We may wonder, in that case, why the Senior Scholar program has endured at Colby at all when there are such an abundance of both College-supported and outside opportunities for exploration into specific topics.

The answer most probably lies in the initial question about what makes the Senior Scholar program unique in the context of the College curriculum. The program remains the only competitive, year-long, independent program that requires sponsorship within a specific discipline and evaluation by a committee made up of members from all disciplines. It is hard to dispute that for the appropriately motivated student, it may be the truest way to pursue advanced work in an undergraduate liberal arts environment. And like most established programs at Colby, it fits comfortably with the College's educational goal of providing a range of academic opportunities.

This idea is best supported by Joan Muir Hocking '58. She feels that "The Senior Scholar program provided me with the best gift any education can give—a methodology for approaching problems (any problems) and a solid basis for pursuing further knowledge and research." Hocking has proven her commitment to individualized programs like the Senior Scholar: as an assistant professor of English at the Pennsylvania State University/Mont Alto, she works with the honors program for University Scholars, is coordinator of the writing across the curriculum program, and is involved with Computer Assisted Instruction, a project for teaching composition. According to Hocking, "The Senior Scholar program was important because it was a first step in this long

evolving process of personalized instruction."

The issue of personalized instruction is an important one to any college that prides itself, as Colby does, on small class size and student/professor interaction. The idea of developing a methodology for approaching and solving problems is also linked to the liberal arts ideal. A program to meet the needs of students who wish to reach beyond the boundaries of the curriculum is for that reason compatible with both Colby's philosophy and the philosophy of the liberal arts education.

No one expresses this better than Ann Dudley DeWitt '60, whose project, "Philosophies of Physics," has influenced her work and has affected the way she conducts her life. Although she points out that her present work, directing a Maine State agency concerned with determining disability under Social Security laws, is not directly related to scientific research, she has found that applying the subject of her project to her job has improved her management abilities. She says, "A manager is always faced with new situations for which there are no textbook solutions. Being able to recognize reality in the midst of conflicting data and opinion makes useful action possible." She also feels that the Social Security Associate Commissioner's Award she received last year is "directly attributable to my liberal arts education."

Last year, as in every year since 1958, Senior Scholars with deep interests in a variety of fields developed individual projects that allowed them the time and support to completely immerse themselves in a subject solely because they were interested enough to pursue the subject for an entire academic year. The 1987 group included four writers—Julie D'Amico, Gregg Bach,

and Pamela Sherbondy in poetry and Glenn Cummings in fiction. Maura Murphy focused on dance choreography and performance, Rebecca Binder studied nineteenth-century women's factory work, and Jeffrey Thaxter studied the modern Swedish welfare state. Not surprisingly, the most recent Senior Scholars echoed former Senior Scholars on the attractions of the program.

Julie D'Amico felt that she was "getting a writer's look into the syntax, feeling, and impulse of poetry." "The faculty support is great," Gregg Bach said, "and my self-confidence is increasing." Jeff Thaxter said, "By the end of my junior year I had reached the climax of my academic studies and there was nowhere left for me to go. The Senior Scholar project provided a bridge between what I have done at Colby and what I hope to do in the future." If this year's Senior Scholars are like past Senior Scholars, most of them will continue to use their projects in pursuing a personal interest or in achieving a self-motivated goal. The impressive record of Senior Scholars' continued success after leaving Colby warrants that forecast.

The number of Senior Scholars will probably fluctuate, and perhaps the sciences will eventually cease to be represented. What is most likely is that students who are chosen to take part in the Senior Scholar program will gain significantly from what the program teaches them—or enables them to learn—and will continue to view it as a valued part of their personal and professional education.

Wendy Lapham completed a Senior Scholar project in fiction in 1986. This past year she worked as administrative intern in Colby's Office of Career Services.

50+

The Class of '36 gets top billing in this column for two reasons: it is the most recent class to join the Fifty Plus Club and almost 20 percent of the membership responded to a request for information about themselves. The following are all Class of '36 members • **Edna Allen Becker**, Nalcrest, Fla., reported: "I am certainly enjoying life in Florida. I have traveled extensively and especially enjoyed Australia and New Zealand" • **Alton D. Blake**, Bryn Mawr, Pa., has retired from medical practice. He spends winters in Florida and summers in Maine • **Lewis N. Brackley**, Strong, Maine, has retired from teaching and coaching after 25 years • **Catherine Laughton Briggs**, Somers, Conn., has six grandchildren, is regent of the DAR, and is "hooked on genealogy" • **H. Leslie Brown**, Fair Haven, N.J., reported that ill health has kept him from the reunion and has restricted his driving • **Robert O. and Katherine Rollins Brown**,

Fairfield, Maine, enjoyed the reunion but they hope the elevator in which most class members were stuck has been abolished • **James N. Buckner**, Naples, Fla., has moved there from Marco Island, Fla., to be near the Foxfire Golf Community. The Buckners expect to be at their Great Pond camp in Maine this summer • **Omar Canders**, Plainville, Mass., said he looks forward to Fifty Plus meetings and is enjoying a new home • **Des Moines**, Iowa, hasn't been able to handle the shock since **John P. Dolan**, schoolmaster, raconteur, and sportsman, arrived there. He now tutors, skis in Colorado, and enjoys close family ties • **Ray W. Farnham**, Bath, Maine, reported that while he and Ruth were wintering at Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., he scored his first hole-in-one, a 150-yard par 3. "Not bad at age 76," he thinks • **Ruth Fuller Frost** is now living in Myrtle Beach, S.C. • **Louis F. Garson**, Branford, Conn., wintered at Lake Worth, Fla. • **Floyd M. Haskell**, Houlton, Maine, and Ft. Myers, Fla., wrote that he and Mabel achieved a travel goal in 1986 when their first visit to Washington and Oregon completed their

tour of all 50 states • **Harold W. Hickey**, Vestal, N.Y., stated that he and Virginia have taken up apartment living. Instead of spending 6 months each in Florida and New York, they have finally opted for 12 months in New York state. For that decision he credits the good judgment of his bride of 51 years • **Winifred White Houghton**, Intervale, N.H., reported that she and Ed "winter on the cape." She doesn't specify whether it is Cape Horn or Cape of Good Hope! According to her, "Ed is again playing his sax, and I torture the organ and piano" • **Maxine L. Knapp** is residing in Augusta, Maine • **Katherine Franklin Merrill** is residing in Seekonk, Mass. • **Ruth Richardson Paradise** lives in Concord, Mass. • "A totally awesome experience," declares **Natalie Gilley Reeves**, Upper Montclair, N.J., when she speaks of her two-year-old twin grandchildren, but she adds that they are a "bundle of fun." She is active in many areas of her church • **Dorothy Gould Rhoades** resides in Claremont, Calif. Her husband, **Donald H. Rhoades '33**, attended his 50th reunion at Andover Newton Seminary in May, and they combined their trip to observe her 50th with visits to friends and relatives in Maine. In July they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a service in the Andover Newton Chapel • **John G. Rideout**, Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada, and Miriam visited South Carolina last summer. Their daughter is an actress and stage director in Canada and the United States • **Amy H. Thompson** is now living in Las Vegas, Nev. • **Jeannette Benn Beebe**, San Lorenzo, Calif., is looking forward to membership in the Fifty Plus Club this year • **Edward T. Kyle**, New Milford, Conn., retired banker, enjoys golf in summer and his grandchildren the year round • Other classes: **R. Leon Williams '33**, East Eddington, Maine, former salesman and long-time lumber mill operator, is the subject of an illustrated feature story in the *Ellsworth American*. His spare time has been taken up with politics and civic affairs on both a statewide and local level. His success in these areas has brought him many awards and honors • **Mira L. Dolley '19**, Raymond, Maine, spent the winter months in Portland • The late **Arnold "Jim" Peabody '34**, 1930s Colby football great, was inducted posthumously into the Maine Sports Hall of Fame in Portland on June 7 • **Jean M. Watson '29** has a new address—8760 Luck Lane, Ft. Myers, Fla. • **Irene Hersey Tuttle '29** is now living at 50 Bailey Road, Watertown, Mass. She is a retired librarian of the Boston Public Library • The late **Marston Morse '14**, renowned mathematician and Einstein assistant, was termed "the most illustrious alumnus of Colby College" in a recent feature story in the *Waterville Sentinel*. Dr. Morse, holder of 20 honorary degrees, was a Waterville native • In their holiday letter, Hope and **Wayne McNally '21**, Ludlow, Vt., describe themselves as two "Yankee traders who have been accepted by oodles of loyal and friendly people" at their winter home in Lexington, Ky. Their 1986 travels took them to Spokane, Wash., Kansas City, Mo., Houston, Tex., Bethesda, Md., and Boston, Mass. In Bethesda they participated in several current government studies. While Hope was involved

A Manner of Giving

John L. "Jack" Berry '24, M.D., is a master of the fine art of giving. The John L. and Kathleen Berry Financial Aid Fund, established in 1963 by Dr. Berry and his late wife and added to every year out of respect for Professor of Biology Webster Chester, is a fine tribute to the Berrys' shared lives and to his alma mater. Dr. Berry and his second wife, Dorothy, were married in 1986 and now live at Leisure World in Mesa, Ariz.

Dr. Berry's support of Colby has long been significant and generous. He furthered the cause of annual giving in his role as class agent, bolstered the alumni club structure as vice president of the Eastern New York Alumni Club in 1975, and served as chair of his 50th and 55th reunions. In 1986, with a six-figure gift to the Colby 2000 Campaign, he named "The Colby Electron Microscopy Laboratory" in the Arey Life Sciences Building. Pleased to so remember his College, Dr. Berry also enjoys remembering that he was the first to be named captain of a Colby hockey team and that he was track coach for Coburn Classical Institute in 1923-24.

Dr. Berry's contributions and achievements in medicine reveal his dedicated service to society. The Vermont native attended the University of Vermont Medical College, graduating in 1929. He served in the U.S. Army Medical Corps in World War II and retired as a colonel after six years of active duty and twenty years in the reserve. Named chief of urology at Albany Veterans Administration Hospital in 1957, he went on to Albany Medical College of Union University as professor of surgery. He was awarded first prize at the American Urological Association exhibit on new instruments, procedures, and apparatus in 1962, and in 1963 he received the John H. Morrissey Award for the outstanding exhibit in the urology section at the Annual Scientific Assembly of the American Medical Association. He devised the Berry Procedure for treatment of urinary incontinence. He has written numerous medical papers and has lectured throughout the United States and the world.

In 1979 Dr. Berry was awarded a Colby Brick for his service to the College and his contributions to society as physician, professor, and author. Colby commends John Berry for his successful medical career and for his generous dedication to the College.

with their current psychological testing program, Wayne became "enamored with the PETT Scan project, which depicted 'What Happens to the Brain in the Aging Process,' an unusual and thrilling project." He concluded that "to remain virile one must keep that old brain in action." He recommends making choices and pursuing some vital interests. He apparently heeds his own advice—he attended his 65th reunion at Colby!

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New news from the Class of 1938 is very scarce. Over the years we have covered the territory quite well—you have responded excellently to questions about your biographies and newly developed life-styles, which has added to the newsclips and other information the alumni affairs office has sent concerning you. Let's start thinking about June of 1988 and think positively. As previously indicated in these notes, **Bob Anthony and Sigrid Tompkins** have done some preliminary planning for the big 50th reunion. Our class members have been privileged to live in possibly the most interesting era of these United States. We have had depression and wars but also we have seen achievements in many fields. We have lost many classmates that have meant so much to us. Again, let us be constructive in our planning for June of 1988 and for getting together at the College that has such an interesting history and that has affected us all. Many thanks to Susan Cook for all her work.

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Can you imagine yourself, 48 years out of college, riding an elephant into the jungle? **Jean Burr Smith** did just that this year, among a few other interesting things. As befits this academic publication, I should first mention Jean's award for mathematical excellence as Teacher of the Year, an award given by the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges. She has taught at Middlesex Community College for 17 years and, to quote the *Middletown* (Conn.) Press, "has developed a national reputation in the field of math anxiety as one of the originators of the concept and a pioneer in developing strategies to combat the problem." Last July she went to Australia to conduct math anxiety workshops. In December, she and her husband, Sandy, flew to Katmandu and joined a trek through little Nepalese villages high in the hills, arriving after eight days at the top of a 10,000-foot snow-covered ridge where the whole Annapurna Range lay before them. After the trek, they rafted on the headwaters of the Ganges; then in a national park they rode elephants in search of single-tusked rhinoceroses. One day, Jean, alone with a driver, and riding bareback for two and a half hours, saw eight rhinos and their babies. No one else has reported such adventures but we have news of several people, thank you all! • **Clar-**



Mary Elizabeth Warren '23 chats with Lovejoy Fellow Herb Block

A Lifetime of Interest

"No one in my family had ever gone to Colby and I was the youngest—I've never stopped being grateful." After 64 years, Mary Elizabeth Warren '23 is still brimming with warmth and affection for her College. In 1919, when Miss Warren ranked highest in her class at Coburn Classical Institute, Colby gave her a \$100 scholarship, the beginning of a mutually rewarding lifetime partnership.

"You had to be a born teacher in those days," she said, and Colby trained her well. Except for credits earned in two summer sessions at Teacher's College of Columbia University where she learned "methods," Miss Warren received much of her superb preparation in Latin, history, and English from the College's pedagogical giants Julian Taylor, J. William Black, Carl Weber, and Neilson Hanney. Her master's degree was the first diploma awarded by new president Franklin Johnson in 1929.

She began to teach in 1923 at Lawrence High School in Fairfield and then moved to Waterville High School. "Every moment was a joy," she remarked, even the term when she was given 85 students to manage during the last study hall of the day. Although teaching Latin and sometimes English and history has been its own reward for this "born teacher," the Waterville Board of Education and the Waterville High School faculty also rewarded her with a Colby Governor's Chair when she retired in 1966.

Other honors have steadily come her way, including a Colby Brick in 1980. She was awarded honorary life membership in the American Association of University Women as a charter member of the local chapter since 1924 and was the organization's first secretary-treasurer and scholarship chairman. She was also one of the founders of the Cum Laude Society, later the National Honor Society, at Waterville High School, and she served as its advisor for 20 years. The Mary E. Warren Latin Award was established at the school by the Junior Classical League in her honor. She remains active in College and community affairs, particularly as advisor to the newly formed Alumni Association at Waterville High School.

Miss Warren, who is Planned Giving Agent for the Class of 1923, continued to return Colby's investment in 1986 when she contributed \$35,000 to the College and named the Warren Suite in the new Student Center. She regards the gift of the suite, which consists of a Green room—a lounge for visiting artists—and a commuter room, as a fitting memorial to her two sisters, Ann and Marion. Never one to bury her talents, Mary Warren has spent a lifetime returning that \$100 scholarship with interest.

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ence "Doggie" Dore was featured in a sportsmen's column in the *Kennebec Journal*. He had identified a heron that readers had wondered about. Doggie lives on the bank of the Kennebec River in Sidney and has a camp for salmon fishing at Chesuncook. He catches tuna off Block Island and spends most of the winter fishing in Costa Rica • Another sportsman is John "Wendy" Tarr who goes hunting and target shooting, does handloading, and flies a plane. He also tinkers with his motorcycle when he and his wife

arent riding it. They are in Spring Hill, Fla., from November to May, having given up the "winter sport," as he calls it, of snow shoveling • **Marjorie Towle Stinchfield**, on the other hand, likes snowshoeing and cross-country skiing. She enjoys working part time at a local inn and has been to Rome, Greece, London, and the Canary Islands • **Tom Vose** wrote that his wife, Mary, is recovering from a serious brain operation. They both volunteer at the Wells, Maine, library, where he is on the board of directors. He retired

in 1978 as superintendent of schools in Wells, and then was an academic counselor for the University of Southern Maine until 1984 • **Bob Borovoy** wrote that his son is working with him in the stock brokerage business. He talks with **Louis Sacks** regularly. He plays golf and does photography, and, as we all should be doing, is "trying to age gracefully" • More news but no more space. Stay tuned.

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Hodges Retires Busily

If many people fail to make a distinction between the words "retirement" and "inactivity," Reverend Deane Hodges '35 is not one of them. Retired from full-time pastoring since 1978, the Newington, Conn., resident maintains a busy schedule counseling other retired clergymen and their spouses. He is also writer, editor, and publisher of "The Saints Letter," a quarterly newsletter by which he maintains contact with fellow retirees. The newsletter is meant to be on the light side and contains quips and cartoons that Hodges has collected from various newspapers and magazines, as well as poetry, letters from readers, and articles of interest to retired people. He also enjoys sending letters and birthday cards to people who are ill or in the hospital, he said, "to let them see somebody cares."

A native of Winslow, Maine, Hodges majored in English at Colby but he felt a strong interest in religion when he performed Sunday services at a small church in Vassalboro during his junior year. After Colby, he enrolled in Andover Newton Seminary, where he met his wife, Abbie, and first counseled high school youth groups, helping them to cope with changing times. After graduating from the seminary, he continued his work with youths while serving as minister of a small church in Rumford Point, Maine, and later in Westmoreland, N.H.

In 1943, Hodges was sent to England as chaplain with the 96th Infantry Division. He helped install gas and oil pipelines in Paris and "did a lot of traveling," he said, "visiting hospitals and working on morale problems." For his work in France he was awarded the Bronze Star.

One of his most vivid wartime memories is of a Christmas party given in Antwerp for 200 Belgian children who had not been allowed to evacuate despite the constant bombings. He handed out presents and candy while a G.I. band competed with the sound of the buzz bombs outside. "I was the only one who was frightened," he said. "The children were so happy they didn't even notice."

Near the end of the war, he was called back to a church in Plymouth, N.H., where he stayed for 13 years. He then held the position of minister of Christian education for the Connecticut Conference for United Church of Christ for 14 years, a period in which he sent high school seniors from Conference churches to youth camps in Jamaica, Haiti, and Puerto Rico. Hodges set up the camps to show the teenagers that their foreign counterparts were also "very human and devoted and would make good friends." He often accompanied the students on the trips, until he began his busy "retirement" to ministry and counseling.

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Certainly we are all rejoicing that the Colby 2000 Campaign was victorious! Thanks to all the class members who helped. And so on to some class news • After nine years of widowhood, **Diana Wiesenfeld Friedman** remarried on March 20, 1986, and now lives in Stratford, Conn., as Mrs. Edward M. Opton. She still works part time as a research assistant in the Yale Medical School Department of Epidemiology and Public Health. Her husband is a retired virologist from the Yale University School of Medicine. Diane has two married sons, one an artist in Maine and the other a rabbi in Oklahoma City. She sings in a choral group and to keep fit walks and works out occasionally on a rowing machine, and "generally complains about being fat and lazy." Probably she has some company there. Diane said that in these later years she has learned to appreciate the values and heritage she took for granted when young • **Hiram Macintosh** became the proud grandfather of a grandson on December 8. He and his wife, Rita, enjoyed a two-week trip to Ireland. He still enjoys hunting, fishing, skiing, and golf. It appears he'll stay fit!

• **Ruth Lewis Nolan** still works as senior library assistant in Foxboro and recently became president of the Foxboro Historical Society. She definitely enjoys her three teenage grandchildren. She also sings with a Sweet Adeline group, which will be going to Hawaii in September. Ruth fondly remembers the old library, Dean Runnals, Sally Pat, the nurse, and how COLD it got in Waterville way back then • **Virginia Mosher** is still very busy with various aspects of bowling. In May 1986 she was inducted into the South Carolina Women's Bowling Association Hall of Fame. Like many of us retired folk she wonders sometimes how she ever found time to work • **Henry and Jane Russell Abbott** are really enjoying their life in Englewood, N.J., and Jane is now doing well physically. She is teaching honors biology, advanced placement biology, and an independent study class in biochemistry at the Dwight Englewood School. This spring she will go on a school trip to the Virgin Islands, teaching marine biology. Much of the day will be spent snorkeling or scuba diving • There seems to be space this month so let me share with you what's going on in your correspondent's life. I continue to be involved in activities around

the issues of peace, justice, and responsible care of our planet. For over a year now my husband, Hank, and I have been serving as lay ministers in our church, the United Parish of Lunenburg. To keep healthy and energized I continue as a member of the Center for Well Being and serve on its board of directors. I have also studied to become a second-degree Reiki—a universal energy. We often take time out to go dancing and go on an occasional trip. We hope to go to Bermuda in the near future. If this column seems to be quite feminist this time, it's quite unintentional, I assure you. Let us hear from more of our male classmates. And to all of you, good health and interesting and stimulating activities.

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Most of us in the Northeast, except the skiers, are glad to have a fairly bitter winter behind us. There was the consolation of some rare bird visitors • Thanks to the **Besseys** and the **Lalibertes** for a bit of attitude adjustment prior to the reunion dinner on June 6 • **Cliff Came** may have the biggest reunion committee on record. I hope it results in the biggest attendance. Some have already sent regrets. **Mary Elizabeth Jones** pleads failing eyesight and a recent move to North Carolina from Winthrop, Maine • **Max Holzrichter** has other commitments • A breezy letter from **Jack Stevens** said that he and Lucille will be in England in late May for a reunion of the 8th Air Force Unit, return indefinite enough to conflict • **Harry Hicks** confessed that he's never been to a reunion nor kept up on college contacts but may try this one • **Oren Shiro** will also be on hand. Is it any surprise that he plans to play in Friday's golf tournament? • See you on Mayflower Hill.

Class secretary: CHRISTINE BRUCE SHEA (Mrs. Charles), 1 Springdale Ave., Wellesley Hills, Mass. 02181.

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Many thanks for all the greetings and responses to my Christmas appeal. **Lou Volpe** wrote from Australia, which he and his wife visited as part of their tour to Tahiti, Fiji, and New Zealand. They also stopped in San Francisco to visit their seventh grandchild • **Barbara and Bill Finkelder** have retired to a condo in Hanover, N.H., near the Dartmouth campus and within five minutes of a golf course. All this plus cross-country skiing • **Dot and Don Whitten** have done some traveling this past year: South Carolina, a two-week trip through the Canadian Rockies, and last August, Albuquerque, N.M., to see their first grandchild. They are exploring the Naples/Ft. Myers, Fla., area for future purchase or rental possibilities • **Iicah Shapiro Mellon** would love to get in touch with any Colbyites in the Ft. Lauderdale area—either permanent residents or 'snowbirds' • **Andrew Bedo**, now semi-retired, and his wife visited his Colby roommate, **Ed Alexander**, in Maine last summer and on

the same trip also saw **Henry Aplington**, former Colby professor. The **Bedos** have a son who works in nuclear medicine, a daughter who is a nurse, and a total of four grandchildren • **Ron and Betty Wood Reed** '44 retired in 1985 and wonder when they ever found time to work. Ron has become "Chaufeur Extraordinaire" for three volunteer organizations and finds that his 40 years of personnel work have made him a good listener and thus much appreciated by the elderly and handicapped that he deals with • **Leonard Cohen** still practices dentistry in North Dartmouth, Mass., and in 1985 and 1986 attended meetings in Russia, Mainland China, Hong Kong, and Japan with dental groups to exchange information. The Cohens have two daughters and one grandson • Although the news will no longer be current, I am keeping the rest of your notes for the next *Alumnus*. I have nightmares about running out of material! I am again writing from Maine as there is illness in the family. I always get a lift, however, from **Tom Farnsworth**. His note said, "I have never dreamed—could never have—of the kinds of opportunities and challenges that appear to lie ahead." I hope that we can all feel something of this—even at our ages!

Class secretary: ELEANOR SMART BRAUNMÜLER (Mrs. Albert R.), 115 Lake Rd., Basking Ridge, N.J. 07920.

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Class secretary: NANCY CURTIS LAWRENCE (Mrs. Watson A.), 185 Wildwood Terrace, Jackson, Miss. 39212.

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Constance Stanley Shane provided lots of information in her questionnaire, and I want to share as much about her very full life as space permits. She and George, whose occupation she lists as crop consultant, have seven sons and daughters (and so far) eight granddaughters. Her children include three teachers, two managers, one designer, and one former McDonald's manager now homemaker. Believe it or not, Constance still finds time to work at her church, read history and biography, go on nature walks, garden, do photography, watch British comedies, and enjoy cooking [home-grown vegetables and herbs in particular] as an artistic expression. And in the past six years, she and George have traveled to Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maine, Colonial Williamsburg, Florida, Texas, Oklahoma, Nebraska, New Mexico, and Ontario • More news from our retired classmates. **Dot Chellman Bonneau** and **Cliff live** in Topsfield, Mass., where **Dot** (retired occupational therapist) works part time in a florist shop, enjoys aerobics, biking, birding, and quilting, and is also rather taken up with three children and eight grandchildren • **Colby Tibbetts** wrote that after 37 years with Metropolitan Life (where he became a senior vice president) he's happily pursuing his special interests in music, sailing, and reading. He and Nancy live in Manhasset, N.Y., and have two sons and two daughters • As for **Robert Holcomb**,

he's been retired for 10 years and fills his life cooking, gardening, playing the organ, and writing poetry. The **Holcombs** have three daughters and 13 grandchildren. Congratulations to **Robert** are in order, for last year he observed his 50th anniversary as a minister of the United Methodist Church • Nostalgia time: Remember the *Lambeth Walk*? **Joan Gay Kent** and I recently had a marvelous time attending *Me and My Girl*, the 1937 British musical (and a current Broadway hit) that introduced the *Lambeth Walk*. The play includes some very lovely songs and is truly hilarious • I'm sending another questionnaire to you—to which I'm looking forward to a record-setting response. OK? Swell!

Class secretary: NAOMI COLLETT PAGANELLI, 2 Horatio St., New York, N.Y. 10014

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It appears that the mid-winter doldrums have affected us all. There's no news about our class right now but I hope you'll all be thinking about sharing information with us for future columns. I'm in the midst of making plans to head for a college composition conference in Atlanta, and Mike has decided to join me for a vacation. We spent a week at Lake Tahoe, Nev., in January when our daughter Ellen was married there. Our whole family enjoyed cross-country skiing and being together for such a joyous occasion. It's wonderful to add members to the family group as the years go on. In addition to our three children, we have now managed to acquire three terrific in-laws and two grandchildren (can't find enough adjectives for them!). I hope to hear from some of you before the next column is due. Happy summer days ahead for all, I hope!

Class secretary: HANNAH KARP LAIPSON (Mrs. Myron R.), 25 Pomona Rd., Worcester, Mass. 01602.

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It's reunion time, and great to be back. You'll read about it in the next column • **David C. Weber**, director of the Stanford University libraries, has recently helped to prepare the second edition of a book on planning library buildings. He has published articles in numerous journals and is co-author of a book on library administration. You sound busy, David • This is my last column as class secretary so I'll take time to thank you for sending in your questionnaires to help make the column interesting. Keep sending them so that **June Chipman Coalson** can carry on the great tradition • Also thanks to **Helen Jacobs Eddy** for her work as president • **Stan Frolio** reported that you've contributed to the class gift so we are going to reach our goal. Thanks to Stan for his hard work as class agent • And finally a big thank you to **Dorie Meyer Hawkes** and "Tossie" **Campbell Kozen** for all their efforts in planning and carrying out our reunion, a big job well done! Have a great summer!

Class secretary: ELIZABETH WADE DRUM (Mrs. John J.), 44 Country Village Lane, Sudbury, Mass. 01776.

Careers Woman

Jeanne Littlefield Hammond '49 doesn't know the meaning of one career. As the family of seven that she and her husband, Earle, have raised has grown and moved away from Waterville, she has kept her hand in at least two other careers. She is now executive secretary of the Lancaster Course in Ophthalmology, Colby's longest-running summer program, as well as administrative clerk to Colby's registrar.

In 1962, Lancaster Course Director Parker Heath said, "Come at registration and be prepared to work." It was "learn as you go" as she typed notes, cut stencils, collated course syllabi, and made and received endless phone calls dealing with endless problems. Later, with the current director, Henry F. Allen, she began to help with recruitment of doctors, to process applications, and to schedule classes and labs on campus. In effect, Hammond became the crucial conduit to the outside world.

But for several weeks each spring she juggles responsibilities—fielding calls from eye doctors and would-be eye doctors while making changes in copy for the new College catalogue and preparing diplomas for seniors. She started in 1962 as part-time secretary to Rebecca Larson, who was succeeded by Gilbert "Mike" Loebs in 1963. When George Coleman became registrar in 1966, she was working full time during the academic year. Keeping academic records, which means being responsible for accuracy, security, and confidentiality, the registrar's staff devise schedules—who teaches what, where, and when—provide transcripts, and certify seniors for graduation. An important cog in the wheel of public relations outside the College, the staff constantly interact with faculty, students, parents, and other colleges.

Last spring Hammond organized a group, "Business and Professional Women at Colby," which hopes to serve the interests of all women who work at the College and meets once a month for programs on current issues. She has also been a member of the Maine Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs for 30 years, serving a term as state president. And as legislative chair for the local American Association of University Women, Hammond sometimes attends sessions of the legislature in Augusta to keep an eye on the progress of bills affecting Maine women and their families.

The Hammonds' nine-room house on Lovejoy Pond in Albion has been in the family since 1820. They plan to live there in a few years and now spend a lot of time fixing it up. Once she is permanently in Albion, Hammond will have leisure for some favorite hobbies—braiding rugs, sewing, and enjoying the view. The house faces the old farm site across the water where Elijah Parish Lovejoy was born.

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I have a feeling of déjà vu every time I end up cramming for a column deadline, and I must confess that I now know I work better under pressure. **Phil Shulman** sent a card from Haifa, Israel, where he was working as a volunteer on a military base. He has watched the boats go on patrol, and not far from where he was a terrorist ship was captured. • **Phil Caminiti** was inducted into the Waltham, Mass., High Football Hall of Fame and was described as the "triple threat" of the 1938 Waltham team. Phil, of course, went on to stardom at Colby. Because of illness, Phil was unable to make the trip from his Cleveland, Ohio, home, and his daughter, Barbara, accepted the award at the ceremony. Congratulations and good health to you, Phil. • This is a quickie because I have had little news from you, and because I leave tomorrow for five weeks in Central America and am writing several weeks in advance. Warm regards.

Class secretary: VIRGINIA BREWER FOLINO, R.R. 1, Box 613, Grand Isle, Vt. 05458.

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Alvin Schwartz has written 32 children's books, each one exploring an aspect of folklore. His books deal with tongue twisters, word play, riddles, rhymes, folk poetry, jokes and jests, nonsense, and superstition. "It's all traditional material," he said. "I try to present folklore in an interesting manner." As a visiting author sponsored by the Capital City Council on the Arts and the Missouri Arts Council, he visits elementary schools, where he entertains students with riddles, rhymes, and tall tales collected from years of research on the folklore passed on by word of mouth from generation to generation. Many riddles originated as a form of entertainment for people in the rural areas who would gather around the stove in the evening and challenge family and friends with the word games. "Children have always been interested in the scary tale. It's fun, and it helps us explore things we don't understand," Alvin said. He collects the folklore in a variety of ways, with some of it com-

ing straight from children. Some of the folklore, however, is gathered from painstaking research in libraries and archives and from letters and interviews. Some of Alvin's children's books include *Busy Buzzing Bumblebees*, and *Other Tongue Twisters*, *Ten Copy Cats in a Boat* and *Other Riddles*, and *Scary Tales to Tell in the Dark*. (You might like to read these with your grandchildren.) Alvin finds the recent attack by groups on certain textbooks in public schools unfortunate. He feels that the attempts to remove textbooks, including some that are considered children's classics, "misguided. They're taking a very short term view." • If supernaturated means to be over the hill and to retire means to go to bed, life as I've lived it since September as a high school dropout teacher has been far from sedentary. There was the sudden awareness at Bar Harbor in the fall that all the tourists were my age. There was the discovery one morning that only young mothers and their toddlers were in the line ahead of me at the five and dime, and there was the realization late one evening that I could stay awake until the planning board meeting was over and there were no papers to correct before morning. Too, last minute travel arrangements are advantageous for a person with no schedule. Yes,

as so many of you have discovered (along with Browning), "The best is yet to be." Please let me hear from you.

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Class president: NELSON T. EVERTS, 121 Richardson Drive, Needham, Mass. 02192.

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Class secretary: WARREN FINEGAN, White Pine Knoll Rd., Wayland, Mass. 01778.

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Well, reunion weekend is over, and I hope all that attended had a fine time. We have a great class, and reunions are a wonderful way to renew acquaintances. • **David Saltzman** wrote that he has been teaching basic science courses to nursing students at Santa Fe Community College in Gainesville, Fla. His wife, Lynn, teaches at the University of Florida School of Law so their home in Flagler Beach is a welcome retreat. • **Mel Lyon** wrote from Denmark, where he has been a senior lecturer in psychology at Copenhagen University. However, in February he and his new wife, Nancy, made the decision to come "home" to Los Angeles this year to continue their work. • **Patricia Merrill Pratt** is doing nicely with her own human resources consultancy in Medfield, Mass., and is taking courses at the Rhode Island School of Design with ideas of a second career. • **George "Lum" Leberherz** and his wife, Charlotte, are faced with the empty nest syndrome. Daughter Karin is teaching in Mexico and son Chris '85 is at Suffolk Law School in Boston. Lum has his own plane and travels extensively from his home in Falmouth, Mass., up and down the East Coast. • **Josette and Norman Crook** are kept busy raising and exhibiting boxers and celebrating the 20th anniversary of Norm's ordination. He is the pastor of the Second Congregational Church in Boxford, Mass. • Keep those cards and letters coming.

Class secretary: DONALD G. HAILER, 28 Forest Rd., Glen Rock, N.J. 07452.

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I've only a smattering of news this time, much of it gleaned from holiday greeting cards that I tucked away for this column. Here goes: Envy our class president! **Martha "Marty" Friedlaender** attended an International Conference of Social Welfare in Japan last fall and while in the neighborhood, so to speak, managed to join a

study tour to China and Hong Kong. She was gone nearly a month and she can't wait to go back. • **Carol Carlson Van Alstyne** reported seeing Marty and Bob Grindle as well as **Barbara "Bestie" Best Merrill** at the New York City Colby Club's trip to Lincoln Center last fall. • **Hershel and Barbara "Bobbie" Weiss Alpert** have had a bittersweet year with the death of Hershel's father and Bobbie's mother tempered by the marriage of their third child. Legal problems haven't a chance in that household with three lawyers in the family. Youngest son (not a lawyer) graduates from Brown in May. • From the College comes this news: **Mildred "Millie" Thornhill Reynolds** had an exhibition of her colorful batik at Cypress College Library in Cypress, Calif., for three months last fall, and **Dana Anderson** retired recently after 27 years of service with *Skating* magazine. After Colby, Dana worked for Scott Paper before joining the staff of *Skating* in 1959 as advertising director. When he retired, he did so as western sales manager. • Last, but not least, **Phil Hussey's** company recently purchased a plant in Tyngsboro, Mass., which is a scant two miles from my home. So far, my attempts to reach him have been to no avail. Perhaps this column will do the trick. . . . the dinner offer still stands, Phil!

Class secretary: CAROLYN EGGLESTON CACI, 288 Wellman Ave., North Chelmsford, Mass. 01863.

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Only 13 questionnaires left, folks! That's two columns worth so you better start dropping some notes to me or we will have to yield some space to '53 and '55. • **Richard Beatty** sent in a very newsy questionnaire. It said, "I live in King of Prussia, Pa.; I work in sales; my wife, Joan, is a receptionist; we have five grown children and four grandchildren; and I'll call you when I get to Bangor." Later, after he called, I realized why he is in sales. Good thing it's not a toll call. Great to hear about so many classmates, Dick. Next time, please try to come the extra 18 miles to Bucksport for a full-scale briefing. • **Robert Alpert** and his wife, Sidsel, live in Dallas, Tex., where he divides his time between developing real estate and traveling to such interesting countries as Australia, Russia, and Sweden. Bob says his life remains much the same - busy, happy, and hopefully productive. His daughter, Laura, married last year, and his sons Robert and Christopher attend college at Princeton and the University of Texas. When is the next birthday party? • **Wallace Ward** lives in Boulder City, Nev., and lists his occupation as publisher, author, and editor. He is president of the I & O Publishing Company and has written many books and articles under various pen names. Wally says his answer to happiness is to have his children, Wallace, Frank, and Ruth, and their spouses all hold productive positions in his company. Sounds like you are indeed having a ball, Wally. • **Herbert Adams** lives in Evanston, Ill., and is president and chief executive officer of Laidlaw Educational Publishers. His wife, Mary, is an attorney and they have four children, Ashley, Joshua, Lee, and Rachel. Herb, who else but you could interpret the wording of a questionnaire so literally? The next questionnaire will have three pages allocated for life changes. Herb would like to ask

all his classmates the following question: "How important is the success of Colby to each of you?" Since Herb is in the publishing business, he would be in a better position to collate your answers. Please respond directly to Herb at 2679 Stewart Ave., Evanston, Ill. 60201. • **Judy Thompson Lowe** lists her occupation as a "generalist," which covers a large area of activities. However, her primary focus as of last August was actively organizing for a nuclear freeze. Judy wants to hear from anyone of similar persuasion. She and her husband, Tony, have two daughters, Jennifer and Meg. Would **Carol Dyer Wauters** and Richard "Butch" Maguire '57 please check in with Judy? • **Ann Delamater Lovaas** is secretary to the systems sales manager for Webb-Norfolk Conveyor in Cohasset, Mass. She has two sons, two daughters, and six grandchildren. Ann reported that she has recovered from serious stomach surgery two years ago and is enjoying the many blessings we sometimes take for granted. • **Robert Frank** is a division president in the SFM Media Corporation and remarried three years ago. He claims he inherited two children, a dog, a cat, and a pony from his new wife, Cindy. She also gave birth to their daughter, Alison, one year ago. Nice going, Bob! • **Charles Windhorst** is executive vice president of Communispond. He and his wife, Mary, have three children: Jim '87, Karen (Pine Manor), and Jane (high school). Charlie reported that nothing much has changed in his life lately except that he is losing his hair, has a tennis elbow, wears glasses, has an arthritic right knee, is 20 pounds overweight, and donated his appendix to St. Joseph's Hospital in 1985. He says he has been able to stay out of jail and keep the payments up on his Buick station wagon. That's a hard act to follow, Charlie. • **Nancy Fischer Lowrey** and husband Peter '53 are looking for a great place to spend the winters after they retire. The summers will definitely be allocated to Northern Maine (The County), but the winter location must have the following amenities: golf, fishing, tennis, and some cultural activities. Any suggestions? They have three children: Jonathan (finishing his residency in anesthesiology); Mike (sales in Tampa, Fla.); and Susan (special education teacher). Perhaps you can winter in southern Maine. You can count on cheap green fees from November to May.

Class secretary: ROBERT F. THURSTON, P.O. Box 414, Bucksport, Maine 04416.

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Classmates: Please take the time to complete the questionnaire that you will soon receive. Your classmates and your class secretary want to hear from you. Most of my news comes from the alumni office, and I do want to thank them. Also, many thanks to **Jane Millett Dornish** who mailed alumni interview forms to me along with the news that she and Karl '54 would soon be heading for Hawaii. While there, they will visit with their youngest child who lives outside of Honolulu. Karl's college roommate, Don Wyeth '54, and his wife, Anne, were joining them for a week. • **Andy Boissevain** always makes my day with his interesting letters. Andy has been an army doctor for 10 years now and has been stationed around the world. Right now, he and his wife, Judy, are stationed at Fort Sheridan, Ill.,

where Andy is teaching. His last overseas tour was in Germany and they traveled to Budapest, Prague, Berlin, Yugoslavia, Greece—all over Western Europe, except for the Scandinavian countries. Andy won't be able to retire for another 10 years, but will eventually do so to his home on Oahu, Hawaii • I'm sorry to have learned that shortly after he was honored last June in Fairfield, Maine, as the Outstanding Alumnus of Lawrence High School's Class of 1951, **Ronald Francis** died at his home in Henrietta, N.Y. (see the March *Alumnus* obituaries). Ron was a nationally known professor of photographic science • Congratulations go to **Margaret Grant Ludwig** who last November won a senate seat in the Maine legislature • It was great hearing at Christmas from Jane and **John Dutton**, Jo Bailey Anderson, Betty and Bob Thurston '54, and David and Ruth MacDonald Roberts. We hope to see some of you during 1987. This year, we come with pictures of our first grandson, Selden Thomas Staples, born January 30, 1987. Our best to all of you.

Class secretary: SUE BIVEN STAPLES (Mrs. Seldon C.), 430 Lyons Rd., Liberty Corner, N.J. 07938.

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As you read this column, you will hardly be thinking of snow! But as I write, we are just beginning to come out under the most snow we've seen in Maine for almost 10 years. Remember the blizzard of '55 our junior year? For many years, however, we have had relatively snowless winters. The ski slopes—in spite of snow-making capabilities—have been hurting, and last winter Maine's largest ski mountain, Sugarloaf, went bankrupt. This year snow began falling in November (early for us) and continued through January. Needless to say, the skiers are rejoicing, and all the mountains are having a record-breaking year, including Sugarloaf, which is back on its feet. Speaking of records, your silence is breaking one! I know you all are doing exciting things, having important career changes, and earning well-deserved recognition for achievement. We would like to share in your accomplishments, so please write. Currently, my mailbox is filled with meeting notices and board reports—hardly exciting reading! • It was great to receive news from **Bob and Barbara Barnes Brown**. Bob recently received a Citation for Outstanding Performance in the Department of Youth Services of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Congratulations! Bobbie, in addition to working with the elderly as well as young mothers, is following the Bixler's lead and is now taking cello lessons. Bob and Bobbie enjoyed dinner and an evening out with **Charlie Brown**, who paid a surprise visit. Charlie works for Sun Oil. Two of Bobbie's brood, both Colby graduates, spent a year in Scotland. The Browns also have a son, Glenn, who is currently a senior at Colby. The Sons and Daughters Banquet during Parents Weekend became an unexpected mini-reunion with several old friends, most of whom have freshman daughters. The Browns enjoyed seeing **Anne Stiegler Richards**, **Carl Siegal**, **Walt Foster**, and **Yvonne Nelson Summerill**. Yvonne has raised five children, with most still in various stages of schooling. Yvonne, since you've "found Colby again," plan now to attend

our next reunion in '91! It's never too late! • **Paul Christie's** new wife is also secretary/treasurer of his automobile dealership, which was recently renamed Christie Chevrolet-Oldsmobile. It is located in Mathews, Va., east of Williamsburg and northeast of Yorktown on the Chesapeake Bay. He would welcome a call or visit—any takers? • For any of you sailors, Pete and **Hope Palmer Bramhall** can be found aboard their 32-foot Sabre, *Blue Chip*, sailing the coast of Maine from June through mid-October. We would welcome any classmates anytime who might want to make a nostalgic trip to Maine. We enjoyed a visit from **Brian Stompe** and his lovely wife several years ago—all the way from California!

Class secretary: HOPE PALMER BRAMHALL (Mrs. Peter T.C.), 1 Meadow Creek Lane, Falmouth Foreside, Maine 04105.

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As you read this column, our 30th reunion is history, but the details of that great weekend will have to wait, as this is being written while the snow is still up to our . . . windowsills. What I can say for certain, however, is that everyone who made it to Mayflower Hill for the reunion weekend had a terrific time. The renewal of old friendships is always an exciting event, and this was no exception. The details of the extraordinary happening will be forthcoming in the September issue of the *Alumnus*, and I hope we can bring to you, especially those of you who were unable to make it, a real sense of participation and presence. For now, let me just say that it was great being with all of you who were there, and we missed greatly all who were not there. Why don't we all start thinking ahead now toward 1992, and instead of the number of folks dwindling a bit at each reunion, let's have our class grow each time. Another questionnaire will be coming your way in the fall. This column exists on information, as you know, and you know where I have to get it, right? 'Til then, bye for now.

Class secretary: BRIAN F. OLSEN, 46 Washington Drive, Acton, Mass. 01720.

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News is slowing to a trickle so expect a questionnaire soon and please answer at least one question • I had a chat with **Kay Litchfield Cross** on a stormy Maine day. She had enjoyed our snow-filled winter, taking advantage of cross-country as well as downhill skiing. Kay is working some swim time into her schedule as well so she's wisely trying to keep in shape . . . or just trying to keep up with her athletic offspring. Son Justin is a free agent after six years with the Buffalo Bills. Jeffrey, whose basketball career is on hold momentarily due to a broken foot, was married in June 1986. Daughter Kaye '84 lives in the Boston area, where she is employed by Digital • **Howard Clarke** has joined Pendleton Woolen Mills as a marketing representative for the New York metropolitan area. Howie was previously with Christian Dior Sportswear and Accessories

• **Helen Payson Seager** is western Pennsylvania field director for Women's Agenda and is also president of the Pennsylvania Women's Campaign Fund. Women's Agenda is a Pennsylvania-based organization that advocates news programs and reforms of laws adversely affecting women and children. Its funding is used for child care, women's and children's nutrition, battered women, pregnant teens, and homeless women • Emhart Corporation has elected **Richard Campbell** a corporate vice president and group president of their new \$400 million consumer operation • Another Connecticut voice heard from was **Norman Lee**. He and Charlotte Clifton Lee '61 and family attended Colby's Winter Weekend and were happy to share some of it with the Bill Bryans • **Marian Woodsome Ludwig** teaches music to kindergartners through grade three. As if that's not enough, she has taken a summer music course, attended a National Orff Music Conference in Boston, watched her and **John Ludwig's** son graduate from Norwich University and enter the U.S. Air Force, acquired a new son-in-law, and hosted her grandson who was visiting from Germany with his parents—and after all this she still has energy left to sing in a local choral group! • The sad news is left for last as I must report the death of our classmate **George M. Eaton**, husband of **Jean French Eaton**. He, Jean, son Jonathan, and daughter Katherine C.C. Jordan all resided in Damariscotta. George also left a granddaughter • Soon we'll be planning our 30th reunion; don't put off sharing it with your classmates. Jot down any preferences on what you'd like included in that weekend on your questionnaire because we want all of you there.

Class secretary: LOIS MUNSON MEGATHLIN, 20 Ledgewood Lane, Cape Elizabeth, Maine 04107.

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Class secretary: KAY GERMAN DEAN, 295 Pierce St., Leominster, Mass. 01453.

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Jo Deans Auchincloss specializes in selling nineteenth-century residential income properties in Albany, N.Y. (Last summer Albany celebrated its 300th birthday as a chartered city.) She herself lives in an 1876 row house. Her children live nearby: Jane works in a health maintenance organization and Lee in an arts and science gallery • **Judy Miller Heekin** has joined the home computer group with an IBM PC. Last year the New England Historical and Genealogical Society's newsletter, *Nexus*, published her article, "Ann Arbor Tuesday Evening Genealogy Group: A Prototype for a Successful Genealogy Group" • And last fall, **Caroline Coward Wood**, who now has an M.S.W. degree, won the Robert S. Burgess Community Service Award given by the Rhode Island Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers • In January Tim and **Janet Grout Williams** stopped by for lunch with Tony '57 and me (because New

Sweet Briar Sweet Life

In the early 1960s, when Thomas Neel Connors '59 was a marine officer and dating at Sweet Briar College, he "had a feeling" that Sweet Briar would be a great place to live. Today Connors' wife, Jocelyn, remains a loyal Sweet Briar alumna and he is the school's vice president for business affairs and treasurer. On the campus on a hill in rural Virginia, the climate, the friendly people, and the comfortable pace of life live up to the promise of 25 years ago.

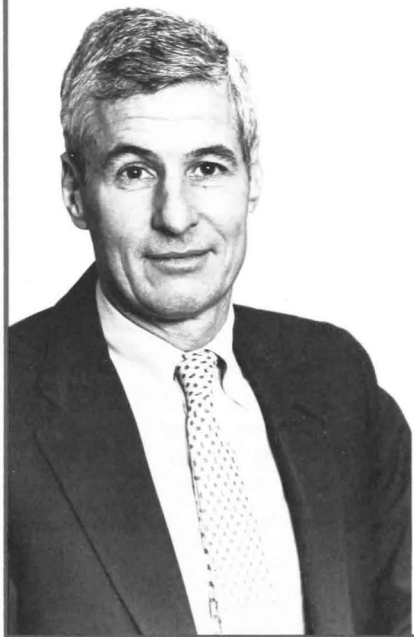
Retiring with the rank of captain after three and a half years in the marines, Connors began a career in banking. He also became a Sweet Briar overseer and then a trustee. Last summer, although he was president of the Jet-A-Way Corporation, a manufacturer of industrial cleaning and heating equipment, he couldn't pass up the opportunity when the treasurer of the college retired. This is "gorgeous country," he said. "I wanted to come to Sweet Briar."

If he's there for the country, Connors also enjoys being responsible for the school's many auxiliary business enterprises. Of Sweet Briar's 3,300 acres, formerly a plantation, the college farms 900. Four hundred fifty dairy cattle produce two-and-a-half million pounds of milk a year from which the college manufactures its own "Dutch Yogurt." Sweet Briar sells pulpwood from its wooded lands. The college also runs a catering service in addition to its own dining rooms, and its bookstore is a major retailer of computers. The business office handles the county payroll. And since 98 percent of the students and many faculty live on campus, the college maintains 37 rental houses and 27 apartments as well as its own security force of 12. The college is now building an inn, while in Paris it operates the oldest junior year abroad program in the country—and in Spain, one of the newest. "It's not all just college finances," Connors said of the varied business projects he directs.

How does an ex-marine, a co-captain and MVP of the 1958 Colby football team, feel at a women's college? Connors pointed out that he married a Sweet Briar alumna and that his two daughters graduated from Sweet Briar, Katherine in 1986 and Michaelle this year. Sweet Briar is "a large family," Connors said. "It's like having 700 surrogate daughters." (Where is his son, Mark, going to go to college?—to Hampden-Sydney, a single-sex school, of course.)

If he's not rooting at one of Sweet Briar's sports events, Connors might be keeping fit by working out in the Nautilus center. He also swims, runs the miles of winding trails or the four-mile loop around the campus, and skis in the Blue Ridge Mountains. Living and working in beautiful country that he's "had a feeling about" for 25 years, Tom Connors is happily at home.

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Jersey set a record for snow last winter, there was even time for a little cross-country skiing).

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Stephen E. Chase has been promoted to vice president at Key Trust Company in Syracuse, N.Y., according to the *Syracuse Post Standard* • **John R. Hooper**, living in Cape Elizabeth, Maine, was/is looking for ATO alumni to "roll up their sleeves" to work for the Gamma Alpha Chapter • **Norcross "Pete" Teel, Jr.**, of Fairfield, Conn., was named chairman of MONY Real Estate Investors, a real estate investment trust. Pete is also president of 1740 Ventures, MONY's real estate development subsidiary, director of MONY Pension Insurance Corporation, and chairman and chief executive of MONY Realty Partners and MONY Realty Manage-

ment • **Michael** and Joyce Dignam Flynn '62 are living in Charlotte, Vt. Michael became a CPA after five years in marketing and is a partner in Gallagher, Flynn, Crampton & Company. Michael is also active in politics as assistant treasurer for Senator Leahy's reelection campaign. Joyce is teaching third grade • **Carol Trigg Friedley** and husband David are in the Northwest in Lake Oswego, Oreg. Carol is a full-time wife and mother and a "flex-time" volunteer for community and church. She is studying piano and ballet, sings both folk and classical music, loves to ski, and goes camping in their motor home. David is vice president of Tektronix and general manager of the communications group. Carol and David celebrated their 25th anniversary this year with a cruise of the Hawaiian Islands • **Judy Hoffman Hakola** and husband John live in Orono, Maine, where Judy is an instructor in English at the University of Maine. John was a history professor there until a severe stroke forced his retirement. Unexpectedly, Judy has developed a passion for sports. She presented a paper at the Northeast Popular Culture Association on the function of sports in contemporary American life • **Dale** and "Bebe" Clark Mutz

are living in Potomac, Md. Bebe went back to school two years ago and received her M.L.S. degree last August. She thinks she'll enjoy her new career. She is now reference librarian and cataloguer at the national library of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Bebe never anticipated that she would learn to scuba dive and would like to do more diving—especially in clear water • **Robert and Wendy Ihlstrom Nielsen** make their home in New Canaan, Conn. Besides being a homemaker, Wendy works part time selling antiques. Robert is an insurance broker • **Frances Maher Reinstein** is living in Gardiner, Maine, where she teaches high school English. Fran never anticipated divorce, teaching so many years, or having a diabetic child. She wishes she could contribute more time, energy, and other resources to diabetes research. She credits NAACP car wash activity at Colby for leading her in time to work for Pax Christi and peace in Central America • Space limits force me to be a hatchet man on your lively replies. Many other classmates have sent news that must wait for the next issue. Don't give up on me. Keep it coming.

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Class secretary: **PATRICIA "PATCH" JACK MOSHER** (Mrs. Arthur L.), 226 Pleasant St., Pembroke, Mass. 02359.

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Greetings, classmates! Maine has been heaven for winter sports enthusiasts this year, with the plentiful snowfall and moderate temperatures. Yours truly has been skiing (cross-country) or snowshoeing every day, except for the days of Colby's Alumni-Parent Weekend. It reminded me of 1961 in Waterville—the wind chill was -40, but the alumni there seemed undaunted. I saw **Merrill and Connie Lay Raikes** with their freshman daughter, Jane, at the hockey game. It was an action-packed weekend of fun for all the alums and families who returned • Colby clippings this winter have included the following news. The *Westport* (Conn.) *News* reported that **Stu Gollinger** was to be part of a panel at a seminar providing information about the Tax Reform Act of 1986. Stu is an attorney specializing in taxation, estate planning, corporate law, and tax litigations, and has written several articles dealing with taxation. He is also director of the Westport Arts Center • **Paul Rogers** and his business, Hanson Energy Products, of New-castle, Maine, were the featured photo in a *Maine Sunday Telegram* article in November titled "The Sun Sets on Solar Energy." I hope the future of the solar energy business was not accurately reflected in the article! Paul produces a solar space-heating system that is aimed at the do-it-yourselfer. He specializes in mail order sales, so if any of you are planning on utilizing solar energy, Paul would be a great person to contact • I mentioned in an earlier column that **Py Ryder Kezar** was running for the office of Connecticut's secretary of state on the Republican ticket. Julie Belaga was the Republican gubernatorial candidate, and she and Py were defeated in the November elections. It is great to read about our classmates seeking leadership positions. I'm sure you'll win the next election, Py! • In January 1987 the *Portland* (Maine) *Evening Express* carried an article featuring **Pen Williamson**. He spoke to the Portland Kiwanis Club about the Hurricane Island Outward Bound School, for which Pen is vice president for development. The program is celebrating its 25th year. Its enrollment has grown at a rapid rate, and its offerings have increased as well. Interested in such a program for your children? Pen said that the goals are to provide a "safe, sound educational opportunity in a wilderness setting and to improve self-esteem, self-reliance, self-confidence, and concern for others and the environment" • According to a late summer 1986 news clipping, **Carl "Skip" Stinson** has been elected president of the Maine Trial Lawyers Association. Congratulations, Skip! • The entire Class of '63 takes pleasure in the fact that **Sue Comeau** received a Colby Brick for exceptional dedication and service to her alma mater at the awards banquet of the 1986 Reunion Weekend. It is worth repeating that Sue became, in 1972, the first woman vice president of State Street Bank in Boston. Her work on behalf of Colby is well documented and includes her chairing of the Alumni Fund from 1982 to 1985 • **Fran Jones**

A Jan Plan Comes Full Circle

Philip Choate '64 mentioned to a friend at church one Sunday that he wanted to do his senior Jan Plan off campus. The friend, Jim Hood, assistant administrator at Thayer Hospital, urged him to contact the medical director, Dr. Ted Hill '10, who was able to arrange a desk in Hood's office. There, Choate said, "I saw everyone who came in, and received a close-up view of what it takes to run a hospital." Colby's business administration department awarded Choate honors for his project (the only honors Jan Plan for 1964), which involved proposals for alleviating the financial burden placed on the hospital for the care and treatment of the medically indigent. From this modest beginning Choate made a career decision that has affected his whole life.

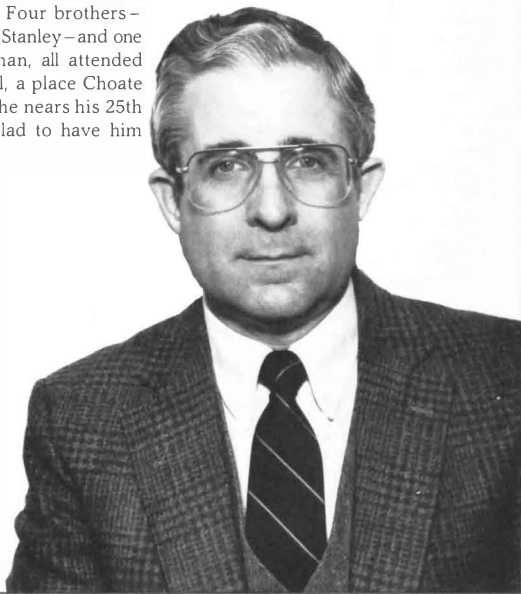
"In 1964 I was 1-A for the draft, so I decided to enlist for OCS and try to get a hospital administration job in the army," Choate said. He survived Infantry Officer's Candidate School and became a qualified parachutist, even though "I kept asking them to just point me at the nearest hospital." Army assignments took him to the Dominican Republic and then in 1967 to Vietnam with the Army Medical Service Corps. With the 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam, he was in charge of ordering, receiving, and distributing medical supplies for 12,000 soldiers.

The army sent Choate to school between different assignments. In the late 1960s and into the 70s he was trained to be a comptroller with responsibility for fiscal and manpower programs—in effect, a mover of huge blocks of men and money. Between school sessions he was given hospitals to manage—in New Jersey, Japan, Alabama, and Texas. In 1976 he earned a master's degree in health care administration from Baylor University. With numerous decorations, including the Bronze Star, Choate was inducted into the Order of Military Medical Merit in 1984. When he retired with the rank of lieutenant colonel in February 1987, he was deputy commander for administration at the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases in Fort Detrick, Md.

Now this Winslow native has come full circle back to a Maine hospital. He has recently been named assistant vice president for support services at Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. Choate and his wife, Jany, planned to come back to Maine eventually, and now they will have more opportunity to enjoy their cottage on Three-Cornered Pond near Augusta with Eric, a junior at the University of Maine, and Carolyn, a freshman at Duke University.

Choate is the seventh child of the late John Choate '20. Four brothers—David, Paul, John, and Stanley—and one sister, Constance Trahan, all attended Colby. Mayflower Hill, a place Choate plans to visit often as he nears his 25th reunion in 1989, is glad to have him back.

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Vitaglione wrote from Raleigh, N.C., that she is working at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences and in her capacity as school programs assistant has been able to learn about a wide variety of ecosystems through field studies. She loves it! Fran's community activities include League of Women Voters, the Wade County Relief-Emergency Feeding Program, and church work. She and her husband, Thomas, a health administrator, have two children, Guy, 17, and Sandy, 15. • **Mary Dexter Wagner** and her husband, Wayne, live in Wartagh, N.Y., and Mary wrote a convincing treatise on not returning to work—the pleasures of volunteerism. Among Mary's activities are vice president of the PTA Council, coordinating the 1986 summer recreation program, Cub Pack Committee, Wartagh Scholarship Committee, and the Air Force Academy Selection Committee. Mary's first love is planning and taking trips, and her family has covered the Canadian provinces. Her two sons are Peter, 19, a freshman at Dartmouth, and David, 9. One of Mary's comments about college searching follows: "I feel that after investigating and visiting colleges as intensely as we did, we could join Lovejoy, Peterson, and Fiske as consultants! We've made big investments in our kids for 18 years, and we shouldn't stop now when they are about to enter 4 years of one of the greatest investments you and they will make" • To end this column I would like to share with you one of the great weekends of my life. In November 1986 "Dee Dee" Wilson Perry, at the urging of Charles Storms Davis, invited several '63ers to her home, and Jo-Ann Wincze French, Laurie "Poochie" Puglia Haines, Cathy McConnell Webber, Pat Ey Ingraham, Charis, and I took her up on it. We spent a weekend catching up on 23 years of changes, and reminiscing about the "good old days" in Mary Low. Cathy summed it up in her "minutes" of the weekend in the following way: "It was so hard to say good-bye when it was time to leave. I guess the most wonderful part of the weekend for me was discovering that the bumps and bruises of 23 years that have mellowed and changed us hadn't turned us into strangers. Something permanent and recoverable was built into our friendship at Colby that 23 years of absence didn't affect." We all felt strongly that renewing old ties at this point in our lives was "just right," and we all hope to be at Colby in June 1988 for our class reunion—25 years! And most importantly, to see all of you there.

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After living in Wisconsin for several years, Rhoda Goldstein Freeman, her husband, Bob, and her two sons have moved "back home" to

Maine. She and Bob are co-owners of Mailbox Etcetera in Portland. Rhoda has done a little bit of everything—taught school, been an insurance claims person, a librarian, a writer, a fund raiser, and a promotion manager in a publishing company—and is now looking forward to directing all her efforts toward her new business, which she is finding exciting and a bit risky! • **Tom '63 and Patti Raymond Thomas** are experiencing the empty nest syndrome but are enjoying it. Their son, Bob, is a junior at Colby, their daughter, Becky, is a freshman at Dartmouth, and Sarah is attending a small boarding school in New Jersey. Patti thoroughly enjoys her role as wife and mother and her work in community service (League of Women Voters, YMCA, and work with disadvantaged adults at a community college). She and Tom are able to travel quite a bit because Tom is the owner of a travel agency in Doylestown, Pa. • **David Fearon** is an associate professor at Central Connecticut State University. After several years in Maine he and his family moved to Connecticut in 1985. David had worked as an administrator and professor in the University of Maine system and spent the 1984-85 academic year as visiting professor of administrative science at Colby. His son, David, Jr., is a sophomore at Colby, and his daughter is a high school senior • **Lew Krinsky** wrote from Houston, Tex., where he is a managing partner of Cowen & Company's Houston operation (a NYSE member firm). His wife, Ellen, owns a stationery business. He, Ellen, and their two daughters recently went to Israel for a two-week visit and attended the international meeting of American Red Mogen David for Israel, the American support arm of the Israel Red Cross Service • **Ginger Goddard Barnes**, husband Howard, and three children live in Lexington, Mass. Ginger is the director of human resources at E. G. & G. Torque Systems in Watertown • **Gordon Bowie** lives in Winterport, Maine, and works as a musician (teacher, performer, composer). He wrote that his compositions are becoming more in demand, and new commissions have kept his pencil very busy. He is also conductor of the Bangor Band • **Nancy Barnett Fort** lives in Rye, N.H., where she is busy raising four children and assorted animals on her farm. Her husband, Jeff, is the president of Tyco Labs. Son Jeff is at Northfield/Mt. Hermon, and her daughter Ali is at Phillips Academy • **Dan Durgin** is the superintendent of schools in Rye, N.H. He lives in Kittery, Maine. Two of his four children are married, and he has recently become a grandfather! • **Rodney Gould** is a partner in the law firm of Rubin & Hays in Framingham, Mass., and is also an adjunct professor at Boston University Law School. His recent travels have included a Kenyan safari and a trip to Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands. He and his wife, Nancy, have two daughters • **Bud Marvin** is the owner and president of Manpower of New Hampshire/Vermont. He wrote that his life has changed considerably since his daughter got her driver's license • **John Tewhey** is a geologist with E. C. Jordon Company, an environmental engineering firm in Portland, and lives in Gorham, Maine. He wrote that he recently saw Bob Brody who is a psychologist in the U.S. Air Force • The response to my recent questionnaire has been good—lots of responses from people who haven't written since 1965! Look for their news in the next column.

Class secretary: **MARCIA HARDING ANDERSON**, 15 Brechin Terrace, Andover, Mass. 01810.

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Carl and Judi David live in East Lyme, Conn. Both work in New London. Judi as a clinical oncology nurse, Carl as periscope program manager at the U.S. Navy Underwater Systems Center • **Janna Vaughan Kasarjian** is a successful free-lance writer of short fiction and poetry. She lives in Ramsey, N.J., and has a new vacation home in Wolfeboro, N.H. Janna's older daughter attends Susquehanna University • Social work is **Judy Kelley Casey**'s field. She's respite services coordinator of Monroe Development Services and lives in Marion, N.Y., near Rochester. Judy's poems have won recognition in national poetry contests • **Bill Koster**'s increased responsibilities in medical research at the Scripps Institute involve some interesting travel to Japan and West Germany, but he has also found time to complete the design and construction of his contemporary home in Pennington, N.J. • After 18 years of teaching, **Martha De Cou** of Boulder, Colo., changed careers and is now a library consultant for the Colorado Department of Education. A lover of the outdoors, "Coie" has traveled extensively (Alaska, Hawaii, Australia) via raft, canoe, and backpack; promotes environmental and peace causes; and teaches backpacking in Rocky Mountain Park in the summer • **Jonathan Hill** is an attorney in Washington, DC, and lives in Chevy Chase, Md. • The "new" **Pam Harris Holden** (65 pounds lighter—congratulations, Pam!) has retired from medical administration and is pursuing interests in historic preservation and art history in Louisville, Ky. Pam and Randy '65 spend the early summer weeks at their home in East Blue Hill, Maine • **Paula McNamara** married Jack McConnell eight years ago. Jack is a corporate and advertising photographer, and they have been partners in business for the past 12 years in Wethersfield, Conn. • **Bonnie Zimmerman Henricksen** and her husband, Clifford, announce the birth of Katrin Elise, their eighth child and fourth daughter, on December 16, 1986. Congratulations on your latest major accomplishment, Bonnie! • **Mary Sue Hilton** Weeks's home was the subject of an article in the *Boston Globe* last winter. Her home is the former one-room schoolhouse in Bremen, Maine, where she attended grades five through eight. Mary Sue is an administrator for Outward Bound • **Doug and Beth Adams Keene** are on a new assignment in Muscat, Oman, where Doug is deputy to the ambassador in the U.S. Embassy. Their younger son, Sterling, is a member of the Class of '90 • **Susan Footer Hummer** and her family traveled to Hawaii, Hong Kong, China, and Japan last year. Sue is a library media specialist and lives in Bath, Maine • **Chip Birlem** of Hamilton, Mass., is glad to be back in his country after living in Tennessee. Chip is a controller for GTE Products • **Beth Peo Armstrong** continues to study photography as she begins her new career as a free-lance photographer. Beth is also a busy mother of four in Everett, Wash. • **Bayard Keenett** has a new son, a new business partner, and a new home in Conway, N.H., where he is in real estate development • **John Tara** is an attorney with offices in Brockton and Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and homes in West Bridgewater, Mass., Vineyard Haven, Mass., and Thornton, N.H. John has suffered the "ultimate indignation" of having his three children, including the four-and-



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one-half-year-old, pass him on the ski slopes . . .

• **Diane Roesing O'Brien** is a weaver in Lincolnville, Maine, where she is working on an oral history of her town • **Peter Swartz**, a retailer in Boston, has experienced recent changes in his life in the forms of his three young children, ages four, two, and one • Thanks for all your news and happy summer.

Class secretary: MEG FALLON WHEELER (Mrs. William A. III), Box 493, West Boxford, Mass. 01885.

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Brad and Sue Grigg Coady '68 live in Wayne, Maine, with their two children, Matthew, 15, and Moya, 6. Brad designs and builds houses, and Sue is a pottery apprentice • **John Cooper** lives with his wife and two children in Saco, Maine. Manager of the York Steak House in South Portland, John keeps busy with racquetball, Nautilus, and organizing his collections. A visit to Colby about a year ago prompted these nostalgic comments . . . "I was amazed at how I could see the past amongst the present . . . somehow upholstering the 'Pit' is like putting siding on a brick house. Loses all its class. The Union had some areas the same as way back (men's room in particular - found one of my 'graf-fittis'!" • **Roberta "Sookie" Stockwell Danielson** and her family live in Winthrop, Maine, where Sookie is a customer service representative for a cable television company. She collects "extra kids, extra activities, and house pets," while one of her recent milestones was "getting the grass stain out of my son's white football uniform." I agree, Sookie, motherhood does have its small victories! • **Joyce Demkowicz Henckler**, husband Donald, and two children live in Bangor, Maine. Joyce is associate director for enrollment management at the University of Maine in Orono. She collects unread best sellers (no time to read) and cookbooks and spends time giving workshops to professional groups on such topics as "the two career family, time management, stress management, and the superwoman syndrome." Perhaps a workshop would be in order for our reunion! • **Dick and Nancy Winslow Lemieux '68** have moved from Gorham, Maine, to Cape Elizabeth, Maine, where they are enjoying condo living. Dick is an oral surgeon. He reported that he and Nancy have just taken up golf • Moving from Maine to New Zealand: **Martha Child Ash** is in charge of education at Waitomo Caves Museum there. This includes not only the obvious job of teacher but also the bus driving responsibilities for the 35 children in first to eighth grade. She and her husband have two children and have just bought their first house, "a spot with a wonderful New Zealand view looking down a limestone valley." Their door is always open to any visitors • Back to New England: **Bob and Sara Holbrook Gracia '66** live in Hingham, Mass., with their son, Brook, 15. Bob is a psychologist, and Ginger is a painter. They see **Lee and Linda Mitchell Potter '66** often as they live in the same neighborhood along with **Chris Brown '65**. (Bob also enjoys sailing on Hingham Bay in a boat he sails with Chris.) The Gracias also see **George Kay** as well as **Bill and Cathy McManus Vanderweil '68**, all of whom live in the area along with **Tony Wilkins** and his wife as well as **Debbie Anglim '66**. Bob computes Hingham to have the highest density of

mid-'60s Colby graduates... any rivals? • **George Markley** is an attorney with the Bridgeport, Conn., law firm of Goldstein and Peck. George heads the offices and board of trustees of Bridgeport's oldest Jewish congregation, B'nai Israel • **Martin Gliserman** and his wife, Marilyn, live in Highland Park, N.J. Marty is a professor and is studying to be a psychologist • **Kenneth Johnson** is pastor of the Covenant Lutheran Church in Gardner, Mass. Father of three, Ken enjoys amateur archaeology and is a member of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society • After four years of subbing I finally have a "real" job as a guidance counselor at East Greenwich High School in East Greenwich, R.I. I love the work, but the inside knowledge of college costs for my three teenagers (16, and 13-year-old twins) are mind boggling. I'll try to finish up all of the remaining questionnaires next time. Please be patient.

Class secretary: SALLY RAY BENNETT (Mrs. Charles K.), 47 West St., East Greenwich, R.I. 02818.

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Claudia Bourcier Yapp has written asking for information about **Jane Whitten Ktorides**. Jane or anyone else, please get in touch with me or **Claudia** • **Bart Weyand** and his wife, Tricia, and their three children have moved back to the States from Oxford, England. Bart is the senior development officer at Bates and wants to know where **Jon Welch** is. What about it, Jon, where are you? • **Arlene Marmer Wilson** has opened her own business, Wilson Associates, on Cape Cod, specializing in wetlands and land use • **Bill Palombo** thoroughly enjoys Newport, R.I., and is president of two small companies—one dealing with fishing and one with plastics. That's diversity for you • **Jan Volk**, constantly in the news, is brainstorming a new deal to help the Celtics repeat their victory—we hope • **Julianne Wentzell Morrison**, who spent two years at Colby before transferring, is living in Northampton, Mass., with her husband, John, and two daughters • **Cathie Smith Bradlee** has moved back East and has reinstituted her private counseling practice • Keep in touch. Enjoy the summer.

Class secretary: JAN SEMONIAN, Box 109, Sandwich, Mass. 02563.

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I am writing from Tampa, Fla., where my children and I are visiting my parents for Valentine's Day. It is a nice change from the 46 inches of snow we left in Central Massachusetts. My real vacation is next week when Mark and I go to Vail by ourselves. Enough said of me, and I have lots of news because recent questionnaires are pouring in • Please join me in congratulating **Connie Tingle Grabowy**, who has happily made the transition from research technician to full-time mom. Connie's daughter, Julia, was adopted in August 1985, and I'm certain has brought much joy to her family in Concord, Mass. • Then there is **Richard Frantz**, whose two kids are into high school varsity sports. Is it true, big kids, big problems? I'm hoping not.

Dick is a graphic artist in Derry, N.H., and wants to hear about **Steve Anderson**, **Paul Dealy**, and **Geoff Little**. How about writing me, guys, and I'll pass on what you're up to • **Dick** is not alone with wanting to be in touch with classmates. **Susan Mathews Szydlowski** may be getting in touch with some of you, though I don't know where she'll find time. Susan has brought stark reality to my fantasy of having free time when the youngest starts school. Susan is a busy woman and I'm guessing a wonderful mom, involved with scouting, music, and running the "family chauffeur service." And she maintains a sense of humor about it all, too. An important asset, I think, at this stage and henceforth • **Robert Bortek's** law firm must be doing very well as they have recently moved to new offices in Roseland, N.J. His son, Andrew, had his Bar Mitzvah in January, and daughter Jill is not far behind. Bob and Lynn live in Pine Brook, N.J. • **Gus Browne** and his wife have recently bought back his old family homestead in Lincoln, Mass., and are in the midst of intensive restoration and a lot of dust. Gus is the manager of corporate planning for New England Telephone. He is also the newest member of the Lincoln Housing Commission. Congratulations and good luck, Gus! Hope there are no dust allergies in your family! • **Judith Lee Moeckel** received a job promotion this year and loves her work as associate consultant in rehabilitation services with the Connecticut Department of Education. She and her husband bought a house in the country last year, Durham, Conn., to be exact. Judy is also singing with the Hartford Chorale and does solo work as well • Before I close let me thank those of you who have written me. Many have requested addresses of long or not-so-long lost friends, a service I'm happy to provide. Those who haven't written, please unearth those questionnaires that are probably buried on or in your desk by now and let us hear from you.

Class secretary: DONNA MASSEY SYKES, 228 Spring St., Shrewsbury, Mass. 01545.

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Thank you for all the interesting responses to the questionnaire. It was fun reading about so many of you and your families. Since there is more than enough class info now, and the column does not appear for three months after submission, forgive me if you do not see your name right away or if I can't get to you all • **Marty Kolonel** is not sure what prompted him to break his silence, perhaps a recent nostalgic visit to Colby, but we are glad he did! Vice president and general manager of Canada's largest confectionary company, Rountree MacKintosh Canada, he and his wife, JoAnn, live with their three children in Toronto. Steve and I were delighted to hear from him and to learn of his good fortune in business and family • If anyone is lucky enough to find him/herself in San Francisco, **Lynne Murrell Mireles** would love to hear from you or have you visit. She travels a great deal herself in her capacity as division sales manager for TriValley Growers. She had been back to New England to visit her mother and to attend her 20th high school reunion. Her husband, Roland, is a real estate developer, and they were planning ski trips to Utah and Wyoming. Good luck

to **Lynne**, who was training for her first marathon • Other travels were reported by **Bob and Terry Boyle Falsani** '71 who had been to Florida, Lake Tahoe, Switzerland, and France. Their son and daughter are now 7 and 10, and the family retreats to a cabin in northern Wisconsin from their home in Duluth. Kudos to Bob who was certified by the National Board of Trial Advocacy as a trial specialist, and to Terry who has carved out her niche as an advertising copywriter • Another long lost classmate, **Judith Carlisle Santarelli**, has also resurfaced and wrote proudly of two children, Amy and John. She had worked as a secretary for 10 years at the University of New Hampshire and is now enjoying motherhood. Husband Kenneth is a technical analyst at Western Electric in North Andover, Mass. They make their home in Kensington, N.H. • Nearby is **John Lombard** who is minister of North Church in Portsmouth, N.H. He and his wife, Janet, have two daughters and appear to be very active in the affairs of the community as well as in their church, for which she is chair of the education board • My predecessor as class secretary, **Donna Mason Williams**, sent me news of her very own photography business, which specializes in children and black and white print. She does her own printing and developing and has displayed her work in a number of shows and in her town's (Grafton, Mass.) 250th anniversary calendar. Husband Ted Williams '69 has written a book, *Don't Blame the Indians*, so they are indeed an accomplished couple. Their son's talents are on the hockey rink and their daughter's on the piano. Donna had traveled to Japan and Hong Kong with her sister, **Leslie Mason Hopkins** '68 • Did you all notice in a winter *Colby Currents* that one of our classmates was a crew member on the *Stars and Stripes*? Congratulations to **Tom Whidden** on that victory. Aren't we all green with envy for his days "down under"? With that, I bid you "gday mates." Til next time—

Class secretary: LAURA STRUCKHOFF CLINE (Mrs. Steven D.), 6602 Loch Hill Rd., Baltimore, Md. 21239.

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As I write this column, we are emerging from the depths of a particularly snowy winter in this part of New England, and it's hard to imagine this column appearing in the June *Alumnus*. Besides fantasizing about sunny climates, I've been enjoying a hectic teaching schedule via a myriad collection of substitute positions. Also, it's been a real treat to read the large number of questionnaires returned by the Class of '71. Rest assured, everyone will be mentioned eventually. And if you haven't mailed your questionnaire back yet, it's not too late. But before unleashing any of these responses, I'd like to insert the results of some personal news gathering. One of the perks of this job seems to be the opportunity to renew old friendships. It was a real pleasure to receive a card from **Cindy Quinn** this past Christmas. Cindy wrote from Macungie, Pa., that she has two children, Ryan, age nine, and Greg, age six, and is currently teaching homebound special education classes • The January wedding of **Bill Glennon** and **Mary Ellen Breen** provided another opportunity to see a number of familiar Colby faces. Among those attending the

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festivities held in Quincy, Mass., were **Nancy Neckes**, **Bruce Dumart** '72, **Beth** and **"Ken" Kenworthy**, **Dave** '72 and **Debbie Bittenbender Collins** '73 (who should have completed their move from Virginia to Maine and added a new member to their family in March), and **Steve Dane**, who returned from Australia two years ago and is currently to be found in Marblehead, Mass. Before leaving for a London honeymoon, Bill revealed to the aforementioned "enquiring minds" that he and Mary Ellen will be taking up residence in their newly acquired home in Quincy, Mass. Bill, by the way, is now working at an accounting firm right near two of Boston's points of interest, Quincy Marketplace and Faneuil Hall.

• And now a quasi-alphabetical look at our questionnaires. **Leslie Anderson** wrote from Somerville, Mass., that she has "the same house, same job (manager of corporate communications at Interleaf), same husband (Dan Nygaard), and same cats (Martin and Sassy)." It doesn't sound as though she's in a rut because she has "a fine new [old] Martin guitar and recently learned to yodel." She also anticipates a trip to Finland this summer and urges increased support of Boston Colby Club activities by the Class of '71.

• **Frank Apantaku** is residing in Chicago, Ill., with his wife, Lelia (also a general surgeon), and new daughter Elyse Marie, born September 7, 1986. Frank became a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in October 1986. He also lectures around the country on trauma and infections in surgery and is definitely a front runner for the most intriguing response to the question on life changes—"working on a secret project. If it succeeds, you will hear about it."

• **Charles "Chip" Altholz** wrote from Highland Park, Ill., that he is manager of the Ten-28 Rock Band and a partner in Danish Fox. He wrote that he so enjoyed his visit with **Jim Peterson** in North Conway, N.H., this past fall that he planned a return trip in the winter. This, in addition to his anticipated plans to visit **Dave Nelson** in Colorado and to enjoy the skiing there as well, suggests that he may have spent this past winter criss-crossing the country on skis!

• **Bert Brewster** of Oakland, Maine, wrote that he is currently director of pastoral care at the Mid-Maine Medical Center in Waterville. Bert and his wife, Carol, who's involved in the field of special education, are the proud parents of a son, Don, age 6, and a daughter, Andrea, age 15, who Bert hopes will be attending Colby in a few years.

• **Ruth Moore Barningham** wrote that husband Steve "graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine in May 1986, and we moved from West Philadelphia to our new home in Wilmot, N.H., two days later. Steve is practicing in the New London, N.H., area, and I've moved from the Wharton School at Penn to a small women's college [Colby-Sawyer, where she serves as assistant to the president]—a very different but truly enjoyable change of pace!"

• And finally a look at the trusty news clips reveals that **Elliot Libman** joined the Lincoln County Counseling Center in Damariscotta, Maine, this past fall. He was quoted as telling the *Lincoln County News* that "I am particularly interested in working with clients who want to take more control of their own lives to overcome life's obstacles. I believe people often have more strength than they realize. I enjoy working with people to bring out their potential!"

• And I believe that's a very pleasant note on which to end this column. Thank you, Elliot.

Class secretary: **LINDA CHESTER**, 46 Lincoln St., Hudson, Mass. 01749.

In addition to teaching French, English, and Latin, **Gary Veilleux** had been the head coach at Richmond (Maine) High School. He ended his coaching efforts with a championship basketball season, then gave up his coaching responsibilities to have more time to spend at home with his wife, Linda, and their four children.

• **Erl McLetchie** was the recipient from the New Hampshire Bar Association of a Pro Bono Service Award for Carroll County, N.H. He received the award in recognition of his contributions to the state's program to provide free legal services in civil cases to low-income clients. Erl has served as secretary of the New Hampshire Bar Association and is currently a member of the association's fee dispute resolution committee.

• **David and Liz Ross Withnell** have moved from Washington, D.C., to their new home in Rockville, Md.

• **Amy Sosland Brown** is a photographer, a free-lance writer, and a landscape designer. In October her photographs were exhibited at the Nashoba (Mass.) Community College. She has had other exhibits at a hospital and at the Harvard Public Library.

• **Richard Levy** is a consulting scientist in the membrane products division of Millipore Corp. in Bedford, Mass. He had previously been a research associate at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where he also earned his Ph.D. He has published articles in several professional journals, the most recent one appearing in the September 1986 issue of the *Journal of the American Water Works Association*.

Class secretary: **ANN BONNER VIDOR**, 1981 Innwood Rd., Atlanta, Ga. 30329.

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Continuing with your questionnaire responses . . . I have heard from several classmates living abroad, including **Wayne Brown**, **Noreddin Nahawi**, and **Merrilee Bonney**. Wayne lives in Paris and is a professor of comparative literature and the English language. Noreddin also lives in Paris, where he is a vice president of Banque Paribas. He was recently married, and he and his wife were expecting their first child in March. Merrilee hails from The Netherlands, where she is an economist/policy analyst. Her most recent news includes the birth of her daughter, Sasja, in November.

• **Bob Levine** has worked for ABC-TV children's programming as producer of the ABC Family Fun Fair. Bob wrote, "I have just discovered that what I have been doing for several years actually has a name, 'event marketing,' and I seem to have an expertise that is proving rather timely and not all that common!"

• **Jonathan Nash Glynn** had a one man show of paintings and ceramic urns last May at the Littlejohn/Smith Gallery in New York City.

• **David Ross** works in information systems planning for The New England, the new name of New England Life Insurance Co. His son, Thomas David, was born in December.

• **Richard Dubin** is an attorney specializing in real estate law and is living in Mashpee, Mass. The Dubins send their regards to **Bob McGurn** and his family.

• **Dee Kelsey** has bought her own home in Portland, Maine, where she works as a staff trainer for the department of human services as well as a conflict management consultant.

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a letter from **David De Long**, who has been very busy with his work at the Center for Information Systems Research at MIT's Sloan School where he studies the sociology of technology, or how computers affect people, organizations, and the nature of work. He is also co-author of a forthcoming book about the use of computers by senior executives.

• **Allan Hill** is a consultant for Medicaid eligibility and lives in Jonesboro, Ga. He has been traveling internationally in his job and playing soccer with a divisional amateur team ("I'm the oldest member!"). To all his friends Allan writes, "Ya'll come see me, hear! I'm sure lots of you stop in Atlanta on your way to Florida!"

• My predecessor at this job, **Margaret McPartland Bean**, lives in Presque Isle, Maine, and lists her occupation as mother and education coordinator for visually handicapped children. Margaret faces a familiar dilemma: "I have returned to work and joined the endless rat race of home to day care to work and back!"

• **Robin Barnes** is an assistant professor of history at Davidson College, where he has received tenure.

• **Judy McDivitt** is a senior research associate in evaluation of communication projects. Last summer she spent four weeks in Liberia, West Africa, where she helped a rural radio network design and implement a baseline survey of their potential audience.

• More next time. . . .

Class secretary: **JANET PERETHIAN BIGELOW** (Mrs. Lawrence C.), 144 Washington Ave., Needham, Mass. 02192.

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I received a lovely picture Christmas card from **Linda Krohn Kildow**, her husband, Al, her daughter, Lindsey, and dog Thunder. Linda asked if I would thank everyone who wished her well following her stroke, in particular during the early days of her recovery, of which she has no memory. She's fortunate to be doing well now, working for the State of Minnesota as a welfare appeals referee. She and Al spent New Year's Eve with Joe '72 and **Martha Hamilton Benson** and their two kids.

• **Havard Jones** wrote, in part to ask the whereabouts of Chris Duncan '75, whom he wanted to congratulate on his Guggenheim Fellowship. Havard lives in Maryland and said that he and his two sons are doing well.

• I also heard from **David Roulston**, who included a copy of an invitation that he and his wife, Melinda, had sent to friends earlier in the year, inviting them to a "housewarming," "baby welcoming," "belated wedding celebration," and "fall festival!" Whew! Quite the celebration. David works as a lawyer for the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health and has occasion to see **Charles Jenks**, **Christopher Germer**, and **James Arnold** '75.

• **Mariellen Baxter** began her new job last fall as library director for Charlton Library in Southbridge, Mass. Expanding the library's collection as well as its physical space are priority items.

• **Bruce Carmichael** began attending classes at the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Va., last fall. Bruce received his master's degree from Golden Gate University and has been in the air force for 12 years.

• Also in the fall, **William Callahan** joined Callahan Real Estate as a sales associate for residential and commercial property. He was formerly a sales executive with the Knapp Shoe Company.

• Also changing jobs was **Jeffrey Barske**,

Restorer



In her studio in a renovated barn in Truro, Mass., Nell Eddy Meldahl 75, a conservator of Oriental paintings, repairs and restores silk screens for institutions and private collectors. An English and East Asian studies major who grew up in Japan, Meldahl decided that instead of going to graduate school she was "going to do something with my hands."

Restoration of art sounded romantic, she said, and learning the skill was a reason to go back to Japan, the "beautiful country" of her childhood. Her fluent Japanese recommended her to the country's finest art restorer and she became the first non-Oriental and first woman apprentice in his workshop. After two months of carrying buckets of water and paste to the skilled craftsmen, she almost resigned, she said, "depressed at the chauvinistic attitude" and "the menial labor." Her beautiful Japan came crashing down. She was halfway through the five-year apprenticeship before she began to like the work.

She peels the paper backing from Chinese and Japanese folding screens and hanging scrolls in order to remount them on new mulberry paper. After getting perfect consistency in the wheat paste glue, she matches patterns in torn silk to make the repair invisible. Today, she said, her work is "riveting. It's completely engrossing. You drift into a meditative state." She enjoys working on her clients' family treasures in the States as much as she grew to like working on national treasures in Kyoto.

Her only colleagues in the art are craftspeople at the Metropolitan, the Smithsonian, and the Boston museums and one or two individuals on the West Coast, so Meldahl thinks she made a wise choice when she came back to this country. It's an open market here, and she gets to do things she wouldn't have learned in Japan even after 10 years of apprenticeship. Now, because she often touches up frames for screens and because her husband is a carpenter, the Meldahls plan to start a frame shop, too. But she's not so straight out at work that she can't get downstairs, where Malcolm Meldahl, self-described "househusband," does the laundry or reads to Geoffrey and Joseph, the couple's almost-2-year-old twins. "I can always hear them," she said. "I'm not missing out."

Malcolm Meldahl also grew up in Japan—the two even went to school together almost 20 years ago. Following the hard years of apprenticeship, Nell Meldahl seems to be restoring "beautiful Japan" for herself and her family as well as for her clients.

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who was promoted to branch administrator of Mechanics Bank, an affiliate of Multibank Financial Corp. His new position will involve a number of responsibilities in the bank's 10 branches in the Worcester-Sturbridge area. Jeffrey lives in Thompson with his wife and two children • Mezzo-soprano **Louise McTigue Hessert** of Cumberland Center was the soloist at a gathering at the Governor's Blaine House in Augusta this fall. Louise studied with the late Freda Gray-Masse and with Mary Davenport of Boston University • **Robert Diamond** was elected a managing director at Morgan Stanley. He joins John R. Zacamy, Jr. '71 in this position.

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• **Mark Farrington** recently presented selections from his poetry at a reading sponsored by the Berkshire Writers Guild. He has been theater critic for the *Maine Times* and has taught high school and college English. His short stories have appeared in the *Louisville Review*, the *Third Berkshire Anthology*, the *George Mason Literary Review*, and *The Booklet* • In Truro, Mass., **Eleanor "Nell" Eddy Meldahl** is very much involved in her profession of Oriental art restoration. (See profile) • **George Neuberger, Jr.**, an attorney with Niemann, Ullsvik, Neuberger & Lorenz, is residing in Watertown, Wis., and plans to marry Patricia Murphy in September • **Patty Green Dunn** recently wrote that she is the mother of three (ranging from seven down to one-and-one-half-years old) and is kept quite busy managing them and doing volunteer work in their schools. She also is involved in a fund-raising project with the Friends of the Dana Farber Cancer Institute • **Eric Gestrich** completed his residency in internal medicine last July. Residing in Wayne, Pa., he is now an internist for a national health service • In New Hampshire, **Doug Windsor** is the owner of House of Windsor, a construction company. For the past few years he has guided the development of the Natural Organic Farmers Associa-

tion into a multistate association. He spends his spare time fighting nuclear waste dumps and dabbling in the acting field • **Keith Peoples** lives in sunny Florida and is president of Southeastern Academy in Kissimmee. He has invested in the development of a 67-acre vacation home community in Highlands, N.C., and enjoys flying the company plane there • More to come next time. Have a great summer!

Class secretary: BARBARA CARROLL PETERSON, 921 Dolphin Drive, Malvern, Pa. 19355.

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Recently making the news is **Jerre Bryant** as he stepped up to become city manager in South Portland, Maine. Jerre had been assistant city manager for five years. He holds a master's degree in public administration from the University of New Hampshire • **Luis deCorral**, a vitreo-retinal surgeon, is in private practice in Puerto Rico. He completed a fellowship at the Illinois Eye and Ear Infirmary in 1985 and has

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News time again! There's a little left to report from the questionnaires I sent out over a year ago. So get ready to pen me some information—new questionnaires will be on the way soon...

INAUGURATIONS

Periodically, Colby is invited to send representatives to special academic events at colleges and universities. The following persons have represented the College at inaugurations in the past months.

Kathleen T. Swanson '75, at the inauguration of Marshall C. Grigsby as president of Benedict College.

Gary H. Jones '76, at the inauguration of M. Christopher White as president of Gardner-Webb College.

Thomas Longstaff, professor of religion, at the inauguration of Malcolm Warford as president of Bangor Theological Seminary.

Douglas Archibald, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty, at the inauguration of James Roach as president of the University of Maine at Presque Isle.

Anne Bither Shire '49, at the inauguration of Roger Harry Martin as president of Moravian College.

published a number of research papers. Luis and his wife, Lorraine, a radiologist, have two children, Gabriel and Allison • **Wendy Broadbooks** travels extensively as manager of the research, methodology, and evaluation department in Arthur Anderson's Center for Professional Education. She received her Ph.D. in educational measurement statistics in 1982 from Southern Illinois University. For fun, Wendy is part of a square dancing team that does demonstrations at national and regional dance conventions • **Toby Bobbitt** wrote that she's practically a Mainer after living in Portland for six years. She is program director of foster care services for Youth Alternatives of Southern Maine • **Bob and Joan Sennett Compagna** and their children, Brandon and Susan, live in Wethersfield, Conn. Bob is vice president of the electrical division of Capital Light and Supply Company • **Ginger Jaschke** wrote from Topeka, Kans., where she is a fourth-year resident in psychiatry. Ginger began a two-year fellowship in child psychiatry in July 1986. She is looking forward to finishing and returning to the New Mexico mountains • **Ned Lipes**, wife Paula, Ashley, four, and Ned, Jr., one, are enjoying life in New Zealand. Ashley has gone "native," having developed the "proper" New Zealand accent. Ned finds his work with Baxter Travenol challenging and observes that the company has a major impact on the New Zealand health care industry • **David and Barbara McCarty Dane** recently moved to Acton, Mass. Barbara is an instructor at Lesley College and is co-author of a \$1 million National Science Foundation Grant for math/science teacher preparation. Dave is a systems manager at American Cable Systems • **Belinda Davis Gallagher** and husband Coleman are living in London, England. Belinda is a professional florist. Her list of credits includes flowers for royalty, rock stars, and major actors and actresses. Coleman is an operations manager at the Royal Bank of Canada. They've traveled in England, Scotland, Wales, and Morocco—next to Israel • **Mark Janos** and his wife, Mary Ann, are the proud parents of Emmanuel James, born in August. Mark is practicing law in

Newburyport, Mass. As a member of the winning crew on a four-man traditional wooden dory in the Merrimack River Dory race, he tenders a challenge to all rowers for the fifth annual • **Martin Hubbe** and wife Liz Barrett '80 just finished renovating their home in Connecticut. They are planning a move to Orange County, N.Y., to be closer to work at International Paper, where Martin is a research associate. Liz is a technician with an environmental lab doing impact studies • **Robert Gregory** wrote from Newcastle, Maine, where he is an attorney. He and his wife, Sim Kuen Chan '75, have four children—Mei-Ning, 11, Peter, 6, Mei-Shen, 4, and David, 1 • **Paul Kueffner** is in sales for Air France. Paul had the opportunity to take the Concorde to Paris last March. Wife Susan is a senior editor for a children's television workshop. Does daughter Lindy, two and a half, have any thoughts of stardom? • **Joann Defilip Alex** and husband Joseph '75 are directors at Stillwater Montessori School. Under their management, the school has doubled its enrollment. They have two children, Jessica and Joel • **Chris Koerner** wrote from Sacramento, Calif., where he is a senior environmental engineer for Radian Corporation. Chris travels extensively from Hawaii to Europe • Regarding our Fifth Reunion Hair Competition, Chris is certain that he would have won—I'm certain Ken and Roger would have loved to have seen your entry.

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Nancy Garnett is a dietician for the State of Rhode Island, a job that includes dietetic registration for the state prison and training schools • **Steve and Valerie Jones** Roy '76 have also settled in Rhode Island. Steve is a clinical social worker and Valerie is credit department manager

at Fleet National Bank in Providence • **Zeynep Baler Toydemir** is an account officer for the Istanbul branch of Citibank/Citicorp N.A. • **Mindy Silverstein Levy** teaches movement in nursery schools and ballet after school to primary school children in Israel • **Linda Malcolm** is dancing to Afro-Latin-jazz music in Seattle, growing herbs, and making medicines. She has set up her own private practice as holistic healer • **Joanna Pease Chamberlin** is in private practice in internal medicine in Detroit. She can't believe that she lives in the Midwest and likes it! • **Barbara Russell** left her career as a medical social worker to study at the Portland School of Art. Now in her third year, Barbara has chosen graphic design as her major. She was also chosen by the faculty to receive the Harley Flaws Scholarship, an award given to the student who exhibits a lot of growth during the year • **Cathy Beaulieu** won the Phillip Burton Memorial Scholarship, presented to students at the Golden Gate University Law School in San Francisco. Cathy will receive her law degree in 1988 • Some news has come in from two of the boys from the old KDR camp. **Terry Feldheim** wrote that his new job (kitchen design and sales), new home (South Dartmouth, Mass.), and new son, Zachary, have all made him very happy • **Rick Healey** is managing his family's real estate business. He has 60 sales people working out of three offices in north central Massachusetts • New property manager of the Strawberry Banke Museum in Portsmouth, N.H., is **Arthur Gerrier**. He supervises the restoration, preservation, and ongoing maintenance of the museum's buildings • **Vinnie Martucci** is still into his music as a composer, performer, arranger, and conductor! • **Blake Luce** is down in Dixie working as a videotape editor for CNN. He and his wife, a news writer for CNN, would love to relocate back to their home state of Maine • **Ricky '78 and Amy Schuetz Jacques** have moved to Maine from Illinois. Rick is starting his own home health care products delivery business in the Wilton-Farmington area. They want other Colby people around there to look them up • **Aubrey Moore's** latest project as an ironworker was construction of the Veterans Remembrance Bridge above the Penobscot River. I'm sure he could relate a few scary stories here.

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John Devine sent some timely news just as this column was overdue and reported on the whereabouts of several classmates • **John and Sue Raymond Geismar** '79 are expecting their second child, while Scott '76 and **Janet Santry Houser** are expecting their first • **Jim Scott** was reported to be assistant manager of an art deco diner in Stoughton, Mass. • **Chris Noonan** bought the home in Mendon, Mass., where he was reared, and John refers to Chris as a "gentleman farmer." Don't get the idea that Chris relaxes idly by the fireplace hearth, though. A news item reports that Chris, president of Preservation Services, was busy preparing a historic walk and slide show of Mendon in the weeks

before Christmas • Another news clip reports that **Terry O'Brien** has been appointed assistant vice president of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith • I had a nice dinner with **Ed Smith** while he was home for the Christmas holidays. Ed recently began crafting beautiful stained-glass Christmas ornaments, the raw materials for which are by-products of his larger projects • Questionnaire corner this issue highlights **Paula Jones**, **Henry Sigourney**, **Paul Fackler**, **Greg Billington**, **Ann McCreary**, and **Evan Stover**. Paula lives in Eau Claire, Wis., and teaches math at the Eau Claire branch of the University of Wisconsin. She says that winters being the way they are, she has become an avid quilter. Henry works as a software engineer in the Boston area and fantasizes becoming a CAD/CAM consultant for Roger Penske. He would like to hear from Spencer Aitel '77 and Mark Arnold '77. Paul reports that he expects to take a position as assistant professor of economics and business at North Carolina State University. Greg and wife Jane have two young boys and live in Roxbury, Mass. Greg is supervisor of Gold Gymnasium and in his spare time lifts weights and plays basketball with Tom Murphy '79, Chuck Begley '79, and Dan Fitzgerald. Ann is an attorney but really wants to be a horse trainer. She says that she is less active and outdoorsy than she used to be but that she takes in the steeplechases, runs, and skis when she gets a chance. She wants to know where **Nick Levintow** is. Finally, Evan reports that he has spent the last eight years on the Omaha Indian Reservation in Nebraska, most recently as secondary English teacher. He is currently working towards a master's degree in multicultural education. In his "spare" time, Evan trains for ultramarathon cycling races. Any good hills out there?

Class secretary: JAMES S. COOK, JR., RFD 1, Box 3470, Albion, Maine 04910.

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While **Jane Sullivan Allison** '80 remains at home caring for their newborn son and his older brother, **Dwight Allison** and his partner run a wood products manufacturing company near Exeter, N.H., as well as another such company they recently purchased in Maine • **Phil '77** and **Janet Deering Bruen** are on the move again—to Maine this time, where Phil has a new job. Janet said that she feels like she's been pregnant and/or moving for three solid years and hopes that this move to Maine is the last! • **Barry Horwitz** is back in school again pursuing his M.B.A. at the Harvard Business School while **Liz (Yanagihara '80)** tries to keep up with their son, **Michael**, who, at two, has taken an active interest in racquet sports, which includes testing his form indoors! • **Kristopher and Tenley Joseph Baxter** are busy with their new son and lots of travel in addition to their jobs; Tenley's an account executive and Kristopher's in marketing and sales in the Menlo Park, Calif., area • **Charlie '78** and **Janet Cordes Hurd** took a break in March from parenting and their jobs in Minneapolis to join Colby chums **Brad Warner** (now an attorney in the Twin Cities) and **Lisa Turner '80** on a fabulous ski trip, including some helicopter skiing, to Banff, Canada • And last but not least among the new parents in this column, **Louis and Cyn-**

thia Pigott Bacon are busy with their newson, restoring their 1684 farmhouse in Lyme, Conn., and tending to their horse farm. **Cynthia** enjoys playing mom while **Louis** tackles his career trading commodities for Shearson, Lehman Brothers • Last fall, **Gayle Amato** and then boyfriend **Jerry Lusa** traveled cross-country for two months visiting many of our country's national parks, and came home to Farmington, Conn., engaged! They are to be married soon. **Gayle** is a systems analyst for DISC, a software house, and **Jerry** is a computer consultant. **Gayle** wrote that she wishes **David Allen**, who lives in the Hartford area, would attend the Hartford Colby meetings as she'd love to see him • **Robin Towle Glynn** wrote from Chester, N.H., that she and hubby **Dennis** took a seven-day Caribbean cruise in January after which **Dennis** began his year leave from work to attend grad school full time. **Robin** continues to work for the New England Farm Workers Council—she has been area director for almost four years. The council funds employment training and educational programs for low-income farm workers, Hispanics, and limited English speakers. **Robin's** question to classmates born in '57—how do you feel about turning thirty in '87! • **Betsy Bucklin Gray** and husband **Peter** attended the January celebration of the success of the Colby 2000 Campaign—lots of fun, she said. In addition to keeping tabs on Colby's fund-raising campaigns, **Betsy** is also busy with similar activities at Tufts Dental School, where she's been associate director of development for two years. And husband **Peter** is in his second year of dental school there • Promoted to division manager with First Investors Corporation, **Bill Muller** has moved from Portland, Maine, to Ft. Collins, Colo. He's anxious to connect with any Colby alums in the area, Class of '79 or otherwise. In September, he'll be married to **Jennifer Brown**, and in the meantime, **Bill** spends his spare moments adjusting to his new surroundings and hiking and skiing in the nearby mountains • Last October, **Tala Skari** and colleague presented a lecture, "Just Out of Africa," at the University of Montana documenting their 17-month trip by Land Rover through 10 African countries. **Tala** is a free-lance journalist and photographer in Paris and has completed assignments for *Time Magazine*, National Public Radio, and ABC News • **Cathy Cushman** joined the Hartwick College faculty in Oneonta, N.Y., last fall as assistant professor of music. She is also earning her doctorate at the Eastman School of Music, University of Rochester • **Emily Grout Sprague** is also teaching. Last September, she joined the Pulaski Junior-Senior High School staff, in upstate New York, as a seventh grade English teacher, and word has it that she and husband **Phil** are expecting in August—congratulations! • Thanks for completing all those questionnaires, and please keep them coming! Have a great summer. See you next issue.

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Kevin and Cyndi Kaihlanen Desmond live in the Bronx, N.Y. **Kevin's** a policy analyst in the

Mayor's Office of Operations, the City of New York, while **Cyndi's** a community health nurse. Their first child was due in April. They recently found **Paul Novak**, who has returned from Korea with his wife, **Yeong**, and daughter **Angela** to reside in Eaton Town, N.J. • **Paul and Nancy Lichter Mancini** reside in Arlington, Va., and are in their second year of night law school at George Mason School of Law. During the day, **Nancy's** a lobbyist for Contel Corp., while **Paul** is a division director for HUD. Their son, **Jason**, had his first date on Halloween with the prettiest girl in the seventh grade • **Chris and Kelley Osgood Platt** have moved to Portland, Ore. • **Mimi Brodsky** has moved into a new townhouse in Rockville, Md. **Mimi**, who just built her first office building, spends much of her spare time teaching at a local college—women in construction, introduction to construction, and organization and management. She'll lecture on "How to Negotiate Successfully" at the National Association of Homebuilders Convention in Dallas • **Mike and Gretchen Huebsch Daly** had baby #2 • **Bob Bower** is an attorney in Portland, Maine • **Chris and Nancy Klump Mellon** '79 live in Georgetown. **Chris** works on foreign policy and defense issues as a legislative assistant for Maine senator **William S. Cohen**, who is vice chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence and a member of the Armed Services Committee. **Nancy** is busy with their daughter, **Rachel**, and a cooperative nursery school project she helped found • Having spent several years doing social service work in Maine, **Martha McClusky** is now in her second year at Yale Law School. She keeps busy with feminist activities and directing Yale's Prison Legal Services program. Last summer she worked on handicap discrimination regulations for the Maine Human Rights Commission • **Ellie Klopp** travels a lot, in both the United States and Europe, as a dancer with the Margaret Jenkins Dance Company of San Francisco • **Geoff Becker**, who lived in Brooklyn, N.Y., for six years, is now at the Iowa Writers' Workshop getting his M.F.A. In 1986, he received an honorable mention in *Best American Short Stories* • Our condolences to the friends and family of **Daniel Howard Bradford**, who died on November 12, 1986, at Halifax Medical Center, Daytona Beach, Fla., after a short illness. Dan left Colby in October 1979 and had most recently been living in Amagansett, N.Y., and New York City.

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I was fortunate enough to receive numerous responses to the questionnaire and am pleased to report that many of our classmates are already quite successful in business and family matters • **Michael Martin** is practicing family dentistry in Livermore Falls and Farmington, Maine • **Liz Burton Siladi** has been named director of the annual fund for Worcester Polytechnic Institute. **Liz** brings to this position many years of experience in fund raising as well as a graduate degree in the field • **Fred Madeira** is living in Wellesley, Mass., and is working as an account executive for Compuserve. He keeps himself

busy playing squash and sailing • **Jim Bourne** is working as an environmental analyst for the EPA while finishing up a master's program in resource economics at Duke University. He and his wife, **Laura Littlefield Bourne**, are living in Washington, DC, where Laura is the manager of the legislative information lobbyists for the Food Marketing Institute • **Rick Schaub** is the manager of marketing services for Child World. He and his wife, Sue, are living in Medfield, Mass. • **Peter Baye** is a graduate student at the University of Western Ontario studying plant sciences. He has already been successful enough to have several of his writings published • **John Andrews** completed his last year of law school on an exchange program in Sydney, Australia, where he enjoyed two months of traveling "down under" before he returned to Utah College of Law in Salt Lake City • **Diane Jacques Nelson** is living in Derry, N.H., where she is on the staff of Opt 1 Care Eye Center. Her interests are infant and children's eye care • **Emily Lindemann Stuart** is on the admissions staff at Gould Academy. She and her husband, Bob, are dormitory parents to the students who live in Davidson Hall • **Joel Bernard Cutler** and his partner, David Fialkow, have brought us something new and different—A "Vacation Store" in Filene's Basement. The environment they have created makes me wonder what I'd want to do more—wear the clothes or go on a vacation! • **Bruce and Marisa D'Andrea Barber** are living in Ontario, Canada. Marisa works as an account executive for DMB+B Advertising, and Bruce is a personal loans officer for Toronto Dominion Bank. Bruce also coaches a hockey team in his spare time • **Carrie Bingham Boera** and her husband, Michael, are living in the Washington, D.C., area and were expecting their second child in February 1987. Their first son, Benjamin, was born April 10, 1985 • **Jay Otis** and his wife, Debra, have purchased a home and are living in Veazie, Maine. Jay and Debra are expecting a new brother or sister for daughter Lindsey. Jay keeps busy as a member of the town council and as chairman of the Veazie Town Republican Committee, and he's on the board of trustees for Orono United Methodist Church • That's enough for now. I'll save some news for the next column.

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Greetings, everyone. Here's what's new . . . **Lila Duffy** has been named an account executive in the Bangor office of Duffy Darrow, an advertising and public relations agency • **Karen Peterson Binder** has been promoted to assistant vice president at Shawmut Worcester County Bank. Karen had been a loan officer with the bank since 1984 • **Brian Sharples** is engaged to be married to Sydney Tritschler in September. Brian received an M.B.A. from Stanford and is now a consultant with Bain & Company in San Francisco. His fiancée, also an M.B.A. from Stanford, is the project coordinator for The North Face, San Francisco • **Ingrid MacFarlane** has graduated from the Lewis and Clark College of Law in Portland, Oreg., and has been admitted to practice by the Oregon State Bar • **Anne**

Troy is now teaching French at the Gray, Maine, high school. Anne received a master's in French from Middlebury and worked as an instructor and tutor in Paris for three years • **Joyslin Bushman's** watercolors are now being represented by the Anne Jackson Gallery in Westwood, Mass. Joyslin is one of 13 artists whose work can be seen in the gallery • **Jon Schwartz** was married on May 2 to Kim Hamilton. Jon is a marketing director at Technology Financial Services in Chelmsford, Mass., and his wife is a marketing director at the Yankee Group • One final note: **Brian Russell** received an M.B.A. from Wharton in May and is engaged to be married to Kathy Nickerson '84 in July.

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Many thanks to all of you who responded to the recent questionnaire. The response rate was so high that it will take a few issues to cover all of the news. Please be patient! • **Karin Whiting** recently opened up her own graphic design and public relations firm, Art of Image, in Newton, Mass. • **Kevin Purcell** is the assistant controller at the Stouffer Hotel in Austin, Tex. • **Peter Flaherty** wrote that he is teaching environmental education for Nature's Classroom in West Swazey, N.H. • **Korba Peterson Andrews** is a construction engineer in North Carolina • **Debbie Tierney** completed a master of science in water resources at the University of Vermont in July 1985. She is now working for the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority in a program to clean up the Boston Harbor • **Ed Davies** is employed as a loan manager with the Community Credit Company in Minnesota • **Kevin Riley** works as an underwriter for UNUM (the new name for Union Mutual) in Portland, Maine • **Lynda McCann** is also in the Portland area working as a banquet manager for the Channel Crossing Restaurant and Marina. She also runs a windjammer out of Portland Harbor • **Paul Lezberg** is currently the manager of regulatory compliance for American Biogenics Corp. • **Teresa Forster** is employed by Data General Corp. as a human factors specialist. She is working on developing user-friendly computer software • **Sean McNamara** wrote that he is a market analyst for the Pontiac division of General Motors. He also would like to know where you are, **Jim French!** • **Marshall Hogan** is employed in the cost accounting department of E.B. Eddy Forest Products in Ontario, Canada. He would like to know the whereabouts of **Danny Batten** and **Jim Doherty** • **Jenny Knoll** is working for Digital Equipment as an operations specialist. She is also pursuing her M.B.A. at night • **Barbara Leonard** is working at our alma mater as the assistant director of annual giving • **Paul Revere** is in his second year of law school at the Illinois Institute of Technology's Chicago-Kent School of Law. He is interested in patent law and plans to move back to New England upon graduation • **Dave Kerrigan** is finishing up his last year of law school at Boston University. He can hardly wait to start working and become a productive member of society. Good luck, Dave!! • **Julie Bruce** is an attorney

for a small law firm in Boston • **Wendy Witelts** is also in the Boston area. She recently began a new job as a marketing assistant for the Boston Marriott Hotel Long Wharf • I recently became engaged to Douglas Stark, a Colorado native. We are planning a January 16, 1988, wedding. That's all for now. Have a very pleasant spring!

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Here's the latest on Class of '84 happenings . . . **Dana Hanley** has been involved in a vigorous campaign for a seat as state representative. He has been active in Maine's District 51, which includes the towns of Buckfield, Hebron, Paris, and West Paris. Dana is a member of the Republican Party • **Rich Valeri** became engaged to Marion A. Merchant. Rich is presently employed as a computer programmer for the Bank of New England • **Sheryl Battit** is engaged to Lucius H. Biglow. She and her fiancé are employed at New England Mutual Life Insurance as actuarial assistants • **Steve Michaud** will marry Denise Morin on June 27, 1987. Steve is an emergency medical technician for Stat Care in Manchester, N.H. • **David Hill** designed a new computer system for Diamond Machine Company in Lewiston, Maine. Forty years ago the Lewiston firm sold conveyor belts to the shoe and garment industries. Today it supplies computerized storage and retrieval systems to Fortune 500 companies such as Boeing and Rockwell International • **Kevin Morin** married Melissa Ann Pisegna last May 3 at the Manassus Presbyterian Church in Wilton, Conn. Among others ushering at the wedding were **Jim Traettino** and **Greg Tulloch**. Kevin is attending law school at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. The couple honeymooned in the Dutch West Indies and are living in Winston-Salem • We have a celebrity among us! **Max Ruston** was interviewed on ABC News Nightline on December 30, 1986, as the "Voice of America" from Beijing, China. He is assistant bureau chief for Voice of America News with the Beijing bureau • **Brenda Scheider** returned to New Hampshire to be married after completing two years as a Peace Corps volunteer in Ghana, Africa. "It's great to be back," said Brenda in a recent interview. Brenda learned the language of Twi. She plans to go back to school to become a nurse practitioner • Also going back to school is **Sharon Stella**. After spending two years with Merrill Lynch, Sharon is pursuing a master's degree in public policy at the University of Chicago • Thanks for keeping us updated!

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Interviewing Cathy Walsh

As an undergraduate, Cathy Walsh '84 found that a career decision was difficult to make. She was an enthusiastic contributor to *The Echo*, however, on issues she cared about. "I love to learn about the world around me and then educate other people about it through my writing," she said. While spending her junior year at Manchester College in Oxford, England, Walsh was urged by a Jesuit priest to take her writing seriously and to consider working for a Catholic publication after college.

For two years now, Walsh has worked as an assistant editor for *St. Anthony Messenger*, a national Catholic family magazine with over 400,000 subscribers. A native of Milton, Mass., she lives in Cincinnati, Ohio, where the magazine is based. Her job responsibilities include critiquing, copy editing, and proofreading manuscripts, editing several of the magazine's regular columns, writing book reviews and editorials, coordinating a monthly press release, and serving as poetry editor. Her favorite part of the job is writing feature articles about people she interviews.

Spontaneity and initiative in going after a story, two qualities Walsh feels are important for a journalist to have, are apparent in interviews she arranged with such prominent politicians and religious leaders as Congressman Romano L. Mazzoli, co-author of the Simpson-Mazzoli Immigration Bill passed in October, and Cardinal Jaime Sin of Manila, who was active in the Philippine revolution that removed Ferdinand Marcos. *St. Anthony Messenger* nominated her article on Cardinal Sin for a human rights award given by the Catholic Press Association, to be decided upon in May.

Her latest assignment involved traveling to Gallup, N.M., this spring to interview Bishop Donald Pelotte, a native of Waterville, who is the first Native American to be made a bishop in the United States.

Walsh's "big break" in journalism did not come easily. She spent her entire first year after graduation in temporary jobs, ranging from administrative assistant for Oxfam America to working at the front desk of the Parker House hotel in Boston. Advising other young Colby graduates wondering about pursuing careers in their field of interest, she said, "It's amazing how things can work out if you keep at it!"

PJP

Spring fever is running rampant here at The Harvey School as we are all quite anxious for the warm months of summer. After a long, hectic, and cold winter in New York, it will be nice to relax for a while. • I had a phone call from **Meg Frymoyer** who apparently couldn't wait for a New England summer. She has moved out to San Francisco where the sun and surf are practically year round. • **Stephanie Lowe** has been studying professional acting at the Drama Studio London USA in Berkeley, Calif. • **Kristopher Jensen** has continued his studies at Emory University in Atlanta. • **Sarah Pennington** joined the staff at Saint Stephen's School in Bradenton, Fla., where she teaches biology, AP biology, and marine biology. • **Bill Docherty** and **Chris Engstrom** finished up at Navy AOCs, where Bill graduated second in his class, and both are now training in flight school. Bill is stationed in Pensacola, Fla., and reported that he doesn't miss any of the snow! • **Kris Kelley** was last known to be roaming the vineyards in Napa, Calif. • And **Nina Sardo** and **Robin Scheuer** were stalking koala bears somewhere in Australia. • **Peter Solomon**, are you still there, too? • At last writing, **Isabel Wells** was anticipating travel to the Far East for a possible one- to two-year stay. She has been living and working in London since last fall, thoroughly enjoying the English traditions and customs. • At a New York Colby alumni function I was able to catch up with **Rick Bernard**, **Wendy Birbrower**, and **Brigid Hoffman**, who are all busy working in the city and enjoying their new careers. • Although they weren't able to attend, **Dan MacDonald** and **Kevin Mead** are also in the Big Apple selling for Macy's. • Congratulations go out to **Karen Jo Giammusso** and **Steven Shapiro** on their recent marriage. Karen is now working as a case coordinator at the Kennebec Valley Mental Health Center, and Steven is an assistant in the physics department at Colby. • **Tricia Martin** and **Harry Raphael** '84 were also recently engaged and plan to be married this August. Best wishes to you, too! • **Suzanne Battist** is working for Putnam Management in Boston and no doubt enjoying Beantown. She is living in Newton with **Kris Walsh** and **Karyn Weafer**. • **Kelly Chopus** loves her job with the Leukemia Society in Connecticut but would like to do some traveling soon. • **Beth Staples** spent last fall coaching the girl's field hockey team at Maine Central Institute, the high school from which she graduated. • **Laetitia Smith** undoubtedly had a busy year, as she joined the faculty at New Hampton School in New Hampshire. Laetitia taught English and study skills and coached swimming and lacrosse. I'm sure that she is also looking forward to some relaxation this summer! • I am running short on news from you all and would love to hear from you soon. Keep me posted so that we can all share the news. Best wishes and good luck to everyone. Happy summer!

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M I L E S T O N E S



A formal Shinto rite, in which the bride and groom wear gorgeous traditional costume, marked the wedding of Yasuo Kaneko '78 in Japan last fall.



A contingent from Mayflower Hill celebrated in New London, N.H., at the August 31, 1986, wedding of Martha MacMillan '81 and George Plesko. In the front (left to right) are Bruce Shain '82, Dana Russian '79, Eric Rosengren '79, Doug Cook '81, and Gary Westerman '82. Middle: Mimi Rasmussen '82, Ellen Reinhalter Shain '81, Chris Ahlstrom Russian '81, Amy Parker Cook '81, Martha MacMillan, Ginny Low Pomeroy '81, Anne Edwards '83, Liz Pizzuro Ossoff '81. Backing them up are Cheryl Carr '81, George Plesko, Rick Forster '81, Greg Pomeroy '81, and Dan Ossoff '80.



Informality was the note in this photo taken at the wedding of Donna Holt '82 to Jim Archibald on May 17, 1985. The Colby folk: Bob McCurdy '81, Ginny McCourt McCurdy '82, Karen Enegess '82, Midori Yanagihara '82, Lynn Ploof '82, Donna Holt, Anne Phaneuf '82, and Laura Gockel '81.



Why is that man on the crutch laughing? Phil Baker '79 enjoys the wedding of Kristin White '78 and Jim Shaw '79, who are on his right. Others in the first row are Greg Jordan '78, Lindy Williams '79, Margie Wharton Morrison '79, and Danny Morrison '79. Second row: Tim Smith, John Longley '80, Courtney Grimes '78. Third row: Vicki Mains DeAngelis '79, Bruce Henderson '79, Rick Healey '77, Ron Desbois '78, Chuck Jones '79. Last row: Miguel Browne '78, Janet Peel Thompson '77, John Bennett III '79, Howie Ingraham '79, Bill Muller '79.

MARRIAGES

Elizabeth Coombs Corke '48 to Charles J. Myers, November 9, 1985, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Anthony F. Kramer '62 to Linda S. Murray, May 10, 1986, Chicago, Ill.

Richard A. Kenworthy III '71 to Beth Ann Wood, September 13, 1986, Glastonbury, Conn.

Peter F. Crosby '72 to Paige Axtell, September 20, 1986, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Martha A. Bernard '74 to Peter Welsh, January 31, 1987, Boston, Mass.

Susan A. Blanker '75 to Michael E. Aspinwall, December 20, 1986, Greenfield, Mass.

Charles J. Burch III '77 to Miriam K. Myers, December 20, 1986, Kennebunk, Maine.

Amy J. Burdan '79 to Phillip Schissler, October 4, 1986, Red Bank, N.J.

Julie A. Sydow '79 to Robert A. Palmason, September 13, 1986, Center Ossipee, N.H.

Robert Alden Davidson '80 to Alison Marie Martin '82, September 27, 1986, Barnstable, Mass.

Stacey Alyson DuBell '80 to Robert John Mileti, October 18, 1986, New Canaan, Conn.

Eleanor Saltonstall Campbell '81 to Walter Harris Sutton, November 15, 1986, Cambridge, Mass.

James M. McCracken III '81 to Jennifer A. Norsworthy, August 16, 1986, Needham, Mass.

Herbert P. Perry, Jr. '81 to Kathryn J. Bowman, New Durham, N.H.

Christopher R. Carmosino '82 to Katherine M. Dietz, October 18, 1986.

Thomas L. Cone '82 to Tina Smith, January 17, 1987, Memphis, Tenn.

Warren A. Krueger '82 to Lisa M. Kuzia '84, Biddeford, Maine.

William R. Moorman, Jr. '82 to Ameliz N. Dehner, September 6, 1986, Danvers, Mass.

Louis R. Piscatelli '82 to Victoria J. Semprini, December 27, 1986, Waterbury, Conn.

Lawrence David Roop '82 to Mia Rachel Rosner '84, August 24, 1986, Lexington, Mass.

Paul Mark Lezberg '83 to Joyce Ring Mappes, September 28, 1986, East Falmouth, Mass.

Mark Thomas Lingafelter '83 to Anne Clare Musgrave, Dallas, Tex.

Sarah Jeanne Ludwig '84 to John Richard White, Fitchburg, Mass.

Joseph Michael Pallis '84 to Patricia Anne LaRose, October 18, 1986, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Albert A. Pare III '84 to Lisa Ciccio, August 30, 1986, North Reading, Mass.

Joy M. Valvano '84 to Stergios Skatharoudis, April 23, 1986, Pireaus, Greece.

Kimberly Sayre Alexander '85 to Peter J. Shilland, September 27, 1986, St. James, Md.

Karen Jo Giammusso '86 to Steven S. Shapiro '86, November 29, 1986, Lexington, Mass.

BIRTHS

A son, Steven Musche, to Frank W., Jr. '66 and Susan Brown Musche '65, March 14, 1986.

A son, Travis Alexander Rachal, to Paul H. and Elisabeth Lyman Rachal '65, October 29, 1986.

A son, Steven Paul Hopengarten, to Betty Herr and Frederic J. Hopengarten '67, December 14, 1986.

A daughter, Elyse Marie Apantaku, to Lecia and Frank O. Apantaku '71, September 7, 1986.

A daughter, Lee Rotenberg, to Jon and Bonnie Allen Rotenberg '69, April 17, 1986.

Twin sons, Alexander Donald and Benjamin Charles Pinkham, to Christopher W. '72 and Deborah Trescott Pinkham '72, July 23, 1986.

A daughter, Briana Ashburn Higgins, to Robert U. and Terri Ashburn Higgins '73, December 27, 1986.

A daughter, Sarah Anne van der Vaart, to Jacobus van der Vaart and Merrilee Bonney '73, November 18, 1986.

A daughter, Lauren Berg Chamberlain, to Katy and John R. Chamberlain '74, December 3, 1986.

A son, Michael Robert Roulston, to Melinda and David R. Roulston '74, June 4, 1986.

A son, Max Fowler Cohen, to Daniel H. Cohen '75 and Lesley F. Fowler '76, December 22, 1986.

A son, Joshua Howard Lake, to R. Howard '75 and Brenda Lincoln Lake '75, November 6, 1986.

A son, Benjamin Allen Colonna, to Robert and Mary Mabon Colonna '76, February 11, 1987.

A son, Scott Austin Lord, to J. Scott and Marian Lishman Lord '76, March 5, 1986.

A son, Joseph M. Martel, to Roland M. '76 and Adele D'Amico Martel '76, May 29, 1986.

A son, Samuel Howard Crossley, to Alan and Karen Gustafson Crossley '77, November 18, 1986.

Twin daughters, Allison Lee and Caitlin Arline Houlihan, to William H. II and Nancy Gettens Houlihan '77, April 20, 1985.

A son, Ryan William Kennedy, to Richard and Iris Greenberg Kennedy '77, November 22, 1986.

A daughter, Hannah Elizabeth Smith, to Sean and Deb Perkins Smith '77.

A son, Maxwell Charles Hurd, to Charles C. '78 and Janet Cordes Hurd '79, July 12, 1986.

A son, Brian Thomas L'Heureux, to William T. and Wanda Wright L'Heureux '78, March 2, 1986.

A son, Stuart Jacke Littlefield, to Christopher N. and Susan Jacke Littlefield '78, September 16, 1986.

A daughter, Emily MacLean, to Lucine and William R. MacLean, Jr. '78, February 21, 1986.

A daughter, Leslie Elsie Shribman, to Robin M. and Jeffrey N. Shribman '78, November 7, 1986.

A son, Matthew Charles Allison, to Dwight L. III '79 and Jane Sullivan Allison '80, January 9, 1987.

A son, Cameron Moore Bacon, to Louis and Cynthia Pigott Bacon '79, December 31, 1986.

A son, Nicklaus Joseph Baxter, to Kristopher and Tenley Joseph Baxter '79, August 9, 1986.

A son, Michael Horwitz, to Barry '79 and Elizabeth Yanagihara Horwitz '80, February 7, 1985.

A daughter, Hannah Elizabeth Sturtevant, and a son, Isaac Alan Sturtevant, to Alan and Betty Smith Sturtevant '81, November 7, 1986.

A son, Ian Richard Memhard, to R. Scott Memhard and Martha L. Oaks '82, October 1, 1986.

DEATHS

Anne C. B. Pomeroy '12, January 3, 1987, in New Britain, Conn., at age 98. She was born in St. Stephen, New Brunswick, Canada, and was a graduate of Calais Academy and the University of Vermont. She was a teacher in the New Britain school system for 34 years and assistant principal of Nathan Hale Junior High School for 28 years before she retired in 1954. She was a former president of the New Britain Teachers Club and the Quota Club and was a charter member of the New Britain Business and Professional Women's Club. Surviving is a niece, Laura Anderson.

Howard Gilkey Boardman '18, January 11, 1987, in Sarasota, Fla., at age 90. He was born and educated in Islesboro, Maine, before graduating from Colby, where he was drama club president and a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity. A corporal in the army during World War I, he also attended Middlebury College, the University of Grenoble, the Sorbonne, and the Pennsylvania State University, from which he received an M.A. in 1924. He taught French at Williston Academy in Easthampton, Mass., for 40 years, retiring in 1961. While at Williston, he coached soccer and was director of the drama club for over 30 years. In 1958, Colby awarded him an honorary M.A., citing him as a master of the art of teaching. He was a Colby class agent and a lifetime member of Rotary International. His wife, Mary, died in 1932. He is survived by his brother, Reginald Boardman.

Louise Jacobs York '22, December 24, 1982, at age 84. She was born in Bangor, Maine. After graduating from Colby, she taught math and science in Maine at Dennyville High School and Canton High School until her marriage to Guy York in 1926. She was active in her church and 4-H programs and was a member of the Colby Alumnae Club in Merrimack Valley. She was the sister of the late Robert L. Jacobs '24. Survivors include a daughter, Joyce O. Blake, two nephews, Robert L. Jacobs, Jr. '49 and Donald M. Jacobs '50, and a niece, Elizabeth Jacobs Christopoulos '50.

Bert L. Merrill '24, December 3, 1986, in Venice, Fla., at age 89. Born and educated in Waterville, he was a member of Delta Upsilon fraternity while at Colby, where he majored in education. He served overseas in World War I and was awarded an Elijah Parish Lovejoy medal by the College for his military service in the Argonne Forest. He received a master's degree in education from Boston University and spent the next 40 years of his life at schools in Maine and Massachusetts as teacher, principal, and superintendent. He was married to Idora Beaty Merrill '27. He is survived by two sons and four grandchildren, including Benjamin B. Merrill, Jr. '81.

Ruth Fifield Russell '25, November 14, 1986, in Hampton, N.H., at age 84. She was born in Stonington, Maine, and taught school in Pittsfield and Hampton. She and her husband operated Russell's Motor Court at Hampton Beach for many summers. She was a life member of the Hampton Monday Club and a member of the Mothers Circle and the Congregation Guild of Hampton. Survivors include her husband, Bruce, former Hampton Academy headmaster, a sister,

Hester Fifield Campbell '29, a daughter, and four grandsons.

Wilbur B. McAllister '26, December 18, 1986, in Waterbury, Vt., at age 85. Born in Manchester, N.H., he attended Bingham Military Academy and Coburn Classical Institute. He was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. After he graduated from Colby, he attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. For service in Europe from 1940 to 1945 as lieutenant colonel with the Corps of Engineers, he was awarded four battle stars and a silver star for meritorious service during the Rhine crossing. He retired with the rank of colonel from the Army Reserve in 1958 after 28 years in the service. He worked as a civil engineer for the Vermont Department of Highways, Boston & Maine Railroad, and New Hampshire Relief Program, and was a manager of the General Insurance Agency in Manchester, N.H. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club in Manchester, N.H., the Rotary Club of Waterbury, Vt., the Vermont Society of Engineers, and secretary-treasurer of the Vermont Department of Reserve Officers Association. Surviving is his wife, Thelma.

John A. McGowan, Jr. '26, December 5, 1986, in Portland, Maine, at age 84. Born in Worcester, Mass., he graduated from Cambridge Latin High School and from Westbrook Seminary in Portland, Maine. He was the retired federal bank examiner for the New England District, Department of the U.S. Treasury. During the 1920s, he was a professional baseball player with the St. Louis Cardinals' farm team in the Canadian League. Survivors include his wife, Margaret White McGowan '25, a daughter, a sister, two brothers, and two grandchildren.

Harvey J. Bourassa '27, December 28, 1986, in Waterville, Maine, at age 84. He was born and educated in Winslow, Maine, and after graduation from Boston University Medical School he returned to practice in the Waterville/Winslow area for the rest of his life, with temporary service as a major in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the American Medical Association, the American Society of Abdominal Surgeons, and the Maine Medical Association, which honored him with a 50-year Medical Service Pin in 1980. He is survived by his wife, Juliette, a son, a daughter, and two brothers, Roger Bourassa '38 and Henry Bourassa '39.

Perley C. Fullerton '27, January 23, 1987, in Hartford, Conn., at age 81. He was born in Monticello, Maine, and educated in Fort Fairfield. After graduating from Colby, where he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, he earned an M.Ed. from Bates College in 1942. He was chair of the mathematics department at Wethersfield High School in Connecticut from 1931 until 1967. A loyal alumnus, he was a class agent at Colby from 1956 to 1961. He is survived by his wife, Gladys, two daughters, two grandchildren, and a cousin, Leslie Carroll Fullerton '40.

Helen Pollard Hodgkins '27, January 31, 1987, in Farmington, Maine, at age 82. A native of Rockland, Maine, she attended schools in Fairfield before coming to Colby. She was a member of Colonial Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution, the Eastern Star, the Helen Davis Philathea Class, and Senior Citizens, all of Farmington, Maine. Survivors include a son, Rich-

ard B. Hodgkins '52, a daughter, Jayne Willis, nine grandchildren, 14 great grandchildren, and a niece, Gayle Pollard Talbot '66.

John I. Smart '27, May 14, 1979, in Jacksonville, Fla., at age 75. A native of Maxfield, Maine, he was a chemist with the St. Regis Paper Company until he retired and moved from Maine to Florida in 1953. He was a Mason for 50 years. Survivors include his wife, Mary, three daughters, nine grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, and a brother, Theodore G. Smart '27.

Muriel Thomas Squire '27, February 22, 1987, in Fairfield, Maine, at age 81. Born in Sidney, Nova Scotia, she attended Cony High School in Augusta. While at Colby, she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. She was a former member of the Waterville Women's Club, a charter member of the Waterville Contemporary Club, a former member of the Waterville Country Club, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Waterville. She is survived by her husband, Russell M. Squire '25, a son, Russell M., Jr. '55, a daughter, Barbara Squire Coleman '53, a sister, Susie Louise Thomas McQuillan '30, and five grandchildren.

J. Drisko Allen '29, December 17, 1986, in East Providence, R.I., at age 82. Born in Hopkinton, Mass., he attended schools in Maine before entering Colby, where he was a member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He did postgraduate studies at Harvard and the universities of Maine, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Michigan. He taught briefly in Maine and Massachusetts before settling in Providence, where he was headmaster of the Lower School at Moses Brown from 1939 to 1960 and mathematics teacher until 1970. He served as chair of the board of deacons at Central Congregational Church in Providence and involved himself in numerous civic and charitable organizations in the city. He was past president of the Colby Club of Rhode Island, and he and his wife, Alice Paul Allen '29, were class agents for their Colby class. Survivors include his wife, a son, James P. Allen, two grandchildren, and three sisters, including Marion Drisko Tucker '24.

Lillian Morse Henry '29, November 7, 1986, in Athens, Ga., at age 79. She was born and educated in Yarmouth, Maine, and while at Colby was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. After teaching in schools in Maine and Massachusetts, in 1931 she married Gilbert Henry '30, who died in 1984. She was postmistress for 40 years in Ashfield, Mass., and also a member of the Ashfield Congregational Church and the American Legion Auxiliary. Survivors include a daughter, Grace Henry Walton, two grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Eleanor Hathaway Williams '30, January 6, 1987, in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine. Born and educated in Columbia Falls, Maine, she was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority at Colby. She did graduate work in mathematics at Columbia University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and the University of Maine, from which she earned an M.A. She taught math and was chair of the department at Piscataquis Community High School for 17 years. She had previously taught for 10 years in Bennington, Vt. She was a member of the National Education Association, the Maine Teachers Association, and the Retired

Teachers Association. Survivors include her husband, Edwin, three sons, two grandchildren, and one brother.

Martha Hamilton Haskell '32, November 10, 1886, in Caribou, Maine, at age 75. She was born and educated in Caribou and returned there to teach English in the high school for 28 years. While at Colby she was a member of Delta Delta Delta sorority and class president. In Caribou she was also a member of the school board, the Business and Professional Women's Club, and various local organizations. She is survived by her husband, David, two sons, a daughter, a brother, a sister, and four grandchildren.

Phyllis C. Weston '32, November 30, 1886, in Skowhegan, Maine, at age 76. She was born and educated in Skowhegan and taught mathematics at Skowhegan High School during all of her professional life. She earned a master's degree from the University of Maine in 1951 and was awarded an honorary M.Sc. from Bowdoin College in 1959 for her excellent work in teaching mathematics. During her 41 years at Skowhegan High School, she also served as head of the mathematics department for a long period before her retirement in 1974. She was president of the Skowhegan Business and Professional Women's Club, Sunday school superintendent of the Centenary United Methodist Church, treasurer of the Skowhegan Women's Club, member of Eunice Farnsworth Chapter-DAR, and president of the Skowhegan Teachers Association. She is survived by several cousins.

Doris E. Lindsey '33, November 1, 1886, in Littleton, N.C. She was born in East Machias, Maine, and after Colby studied at the University of Maine and Columbia University. She taught school for many years in New Jersey before retiring in 1976 and moving to North Carolina. Survivors include her cousin, Lorena E. Scott '22.

Bertha Lewis Timson '33, November 17, 1886, in Biddeford, Maine, at age 74. She was born in Lynn, Mass., and was a graduate of Lynn Classical High School. While at Colby she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority. Upon graduating she attended Burdett College and earned a business degree. For many years she operated Timberlee Antiques in Kennebunkport, Maine, where she lived in the summer. She was a member of the Arundel Yacht Club and the Kennebunkport Garden Club, and a charter member of the Arundel Women's Republican Club. She was also a member and former president of the Kennebunkport Health Council. She is survived by two daughters, Linda L. Timson and Pamela Timson Cahners '66, three sisters, including Elsie Lewis Everest '29 and Helen Lewis Hooper '38, and four grandchildren.

Ober C. Vaughan '33, November 23, 1886, in Lewiston, Maine, at age 75. A native of Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, he attended the academy there as well as Hebron Academy before coming to Colby. He was Maine State Personnel Director for several years and also served as administrative assistant to Governor Burton Cross. After his retirement, he was personnel director for the Poland Spring Job Corps and later worked in the financial planning office at the College. He is survived by his wife, Leone, a son, William L. Vaughan '64, and three grandchildren.

Joseph W. Brogden '35, December 3, 1886, in Rochester, N.H., at age 75. He was born and educated in Providence, R.I. After graduation from Colby, where he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, he attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology for graduate work in the textile field. He was manager and supervisor in several textile companies during his career, including Crown Manufacturing Co., Nashawena Mills, and Dayco Corp. He is survived by his wife, Miriam, a son, a daughter, nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

John C. Burgoon '35, January 3, 1887, in Cambridge, Mass., at age 74. He was born in Ohio but lived in Massachusetts for most of his life. After graduating from Colby, where he was a member of Kappa Delta Rho fraternity, he attended George Washington University Law School for one year. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. For 35 years he was a field examiner for the National Labor Relations Board, retiring in 1975. He is survived by his wife, Evelyn, five sons, two daughters, one sister, and eleven grandchildren.

Donald F. Larkin '35, November 27, 1886, in Waterville, Maine, at age 72. Born and educated in Waterville, he was a member of Phi Delta Theta fraternity while at Colby. He received his degree from McGill University School of Medicine in 1940. After four years as a major in the U.S. Army Medical Corps, he returned to Maine as a general practitioner for two years. The rest of his professional life was spent in Rhode Island and Michigan as an orthopedic surgeon. He is survived by his wife, Susan, a son, a daughter, two stepdaughters, and four grandchildren.

Theodore P. "Ted" Lougee '36, January 25, 1887, in Caribou, Maine, at age 73. He was born in Oakfield, Maine, and for most of his life lived in Smyrna Mills, where he and his wife, Nina, owned and operated a small retail store, a vitally important meeting place and anchor in a frontier-like region of the state. He was always eager to share fishing and hunting tips with Colby people while introducing them to Aroostook County. Mrs. Lougee, who also taught in a one-room country school nearby, survives him.

Lucia Perreault Bulger '38, February 20, 1887, in Willey Point, Maine, at age 71. She was born in Auburn, Maine, and attended Mt. Meric Academy. After she graduated from Colby, she attended St. Mary's School of Nursing in Lewiston, where she earned an R.N. degree. She worked at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Togus, Maine, and also at Seton Hospital in Waterville before retiring in 1974. She was a past president of the Mt. Meric Alumni and a member of the St. Theresa's Choir. She played the cello in the Colby Community Symphony Orchestra. Surviving are her husband, Joseph, three daughters, two sisters, and five grandchildren.

Joseph B. Bubar '44, June 27, 1876, in Muskego, Wis., at age 56. He was born in Weston, Maine, and while at Colby was active in several local churches before graduating as class marshal. He received a B.D. degree from Gordon-Conwell Divinity School in Boston, Mass., in 1948. He was pastor of Calvary Church, Muskego, Wis., at the time of his death. Survivors include his wife, Ruth, a daughter, two sons, and a brother, Benjamin Bubar '46.



Franklyn H. Ervin '44, December 4, 1882, at age 62. Born in Houlton, Maine, he attended Danforth High School and Ricker Junior College before attending Colby, where he was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity. He flew with fighter squadrons attached to the U.S.S. *Enterprise* and the U.S.S. *Randolph* during World War II and later went to the Cabaniss Field training base for student carrier pilots. He earned his B.S. at the University of Arkansas in 1948 while rising to the rank of commander during his 13-year career in the U.S. Navy. Confined to a wheelchair with polio in 1955, he became a stock broker and managed the Pompano Beach office of Raymond James. He is survived by his former wife, Marilyn Tucker Ervin, his three children, and his cousin, Edmund Noyes Ervin '36.

Margaret Ericson Davis '47, July 26, 1885, in Franklin, N.H., at age 59. Born in New Britain, Conn., she also lived in Wakefield, Mass., and Franklin, N.H. She is survived by a son, Peter J. Simmons '70, and a daughter-in-law, Linda Warren Simmons '72, a daughter, Charlotte, a sister, a brother, and three grandchildren.

Paul I. Smith '48, December 18, 1886, in Hartford, Conn., at age 60. Born in Torrington, Conn., he attended Torrington High School and Cheshire Academy. At Colby he was a member of Tau Delta Phi fraternity. He served in the U.S. Army for two years, rising to the rank of sergeant. He graduated from Boston University School of Law and was the founder of the Paul Smith and Associates law firm in Torrington, where he was city attorney from 1958 to 1961. He was a member of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, the University Club of Hartford, the Lotos Club of New York City, and the Middlebury Hunt Club. An expert on matrimonial law, he lectured on the topic throughout the country. Survivors include his wife, Patricia, his mother, a brother, Jess H. Smith '53, two daughters, two stepdaughters, and three stepsons.

Ray W. Tibbetts, Jr. '50, January 19, 1887, in St. Petersburg, Fla., at age 59. He was born and educated in Sanford, Maine, and after gradua-

tion from Colby he completed a master's degree at Boston University School of Social Work in 1954. His subsequent career in social work included terms with public welfare organizations in Oregon and Florida, with the Veterans Administration in Massachusetts, and in treatment centers for emotionally disturbed children, notably Sweetser Children's Home in Saco, Maine, and the Child and Family Services of Portland and Westbrook. He is survived by his wife, Anne, a son, a daughter, a brother, and two sisters.

Elaine Pratt Golden '55, January 2, 1987, in Portland, Maine, at age 53. She was born in Augusta, Maine, and graduated from Cony High School. She attended Colby, the University of Maine, and Gates Business College. She had been employed by the Portland school department for the past 18 years as a teacher assistant. She is survived by her husband, Thomas, four sons, two grandchildren, one brother, and two sisters.

George M. Eaton '58, January 16, 1987, in Lewiston, Maine, at age 56. Born in Newburyport, Mass., he attended Amesbury High School and Belmont Hill Prep School before entering the navy during the Korean Conflict. After Colby, he went on to receive his master's degree in 1960 from the University of Wyoming. For 25 years he lived in Damariscotta and worked as a geologist for the Maine Department of Transportation. He was a licensed site evaluator for the state, a trustee of the Great Salt Bay Sanitary District, and member and past president of the Pemaquid Watershed. Surviving are his wife, Jean French Eaton '58, his mother, a son, a daughter, a sister, and a granddaughter.

Mary Louise Rice '59, November 3, 1986, in Fall River, Mass., at age 49. Born in Worcester, Mass., she attended Wareham High School. At Colby she was a member of Sigma Kappa sorority. She taught English for 26 years at Bourne High School, where she was advisor for the Code Club and the night school. She is survived by her father and a brother.

John L. Martin '63, December 14, 1986, in Washington, D.C., at age 46. Born in Kearney, Neb., he attended the Shattuck School in Fribault, Minn. After graduating from Colby, he served in the U.S. Army from 1963 to 1965 and then attended law school at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb. He worked as an education program specialist for the U.S. Department of Education in Washington, D.C. A loyal supporter of the College, he made a substantial pledge to the Colby 2000 Campaign in memory of his classmate, Jess Marchese. Surviving are his wife, Muriel, his sister, Patricia Martin Maloney '57, and a niece, Kathleen Maloney '85.

John E. Halpin III '73, January 8, 1987, in Dedham, Mass., at age 35. Born in Cambridge, Mass., he attended Dedham High School before coming to Colby. He earned his master's degree at Pepperdine University in California and then served in the Peace Corps for two years in Tehran, Iran. Later he worked in Iran as personnel administrator for the educational systems company of Raytheon Service Company. He worked for Raytheon in the United States for a short time before joining the Federal Mogel Corporation in Detroit as manager of international employee relations. Survivors include his parents and four sisters.

Robert C. Grasberger '75, January 31, 1987, in New York, N.Y., at age 33. Born in Media, Pa., he attended local schools. While at Colby he was named a member of Phi Beta Kappa and was also a Rhodes Scholar nominee. He graduated from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia in 1979. At the time of his death he was a research fellow in vascular surgery at Montefiore Hospital in the Bronx, N.Y. During 1985-86 he was chief surgical resident at Boston University Medical Center. He was a member of the Society of Critical Care Medicine and the Massachusetts Medical Society. An enthusiastic runner, he twice competed in the Boston Marathon as well as the Philadelphia Marathon. He is survived by his wife, Lynn, his parents, three brothers, and his maternal grandfather.

Daniel H. Bradford '80, November 12, 1986, in Daytona Beach, Fla., at age 27. He was born in Black's Harbour, New Brunswick, Canada, and graduated from high school in Calais, Maine. He attended Pomona College in California as well as Colby and worked as a waiter in New York City before his illness. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Bradford, a brother, and three sisters.

H O N O R A R Y

Clarence Kirshman Streit, LL.D. '41, July 6, 1986, in Washington, D.C., at age 90. Born in Missouri, he was educated in public schools in Missouri and Montana. He earned his B.A. at the University of Montana and also attended the University of Paris. At Oxford University he was a Rhodes Scholar. He served as a volunteer in France during World War I, was attached to the American Peace Delegation at Paris following the war, covered the Turko-Greek war for the *Philadelphia Public Ledger*, and for 15 years was *New York Times* correspondent in the Near East and Balkans. His 1939 book, *Union Now*, brought to public attention his international federalist movement to unite the North Atlantic democracies, a movement that inspired the formation of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. His many writings, which include *Freedom Against Itself* (1954) and *Freedom's Frontier: Atlantic Union Now* (1961), also led to statehood for Alaska and Hawaii. Several times a Nobel Peace Prize nominee, he was honored at Colby "for his contribution to the cause of international good will and the peaceful settlement of international disputes." He is survived by his wife, Jeanne, two daughters, a brother, a sister, and seven grandchildren.

William E. "Ned" Chilton III, LL.D. '82, February 7, in Washington, D.C., at age 65. Publisher of *The Charleston Gazette* of West Virginia, he spent his career in journalism as a fearless crusader against injustice and government abuse. Speaking to a group of Colby students in 1982 at the time that he was named Elijah Parish Lovejoy Fellow and awarded the honorary LL.D., he described the American newspaper as a means to "expose public corruption, tell taxpayers how their money is misspent, open for inspection public documents, and inhibit the machinations of elected officials." He was born in Kingston, N.Y., served in the U.S. Army and Army Air Corps during World War II, and graduated from Yale University in 1950. He was a member of the West Virginia House of Delegates from 1953

to 1960, a delegate-at-large in the 1960 and 1964 Democratic national conventions, and a member of the 1964 Democratic national platform committee. He served as a member of the Pulitzer Prize awards committee and in 1985 was named to the newspaper advisory board of United Press International. He was outspoken in his defense of freedom of the press and in his conviction that a newspaper is the most effective tool against social injustice. In the words of a West Virginia colleague, Charles Connor, publisher of *The Beckley Register-Herald*, "He always said the editorial policies of all papers should be one of continuous outrage. He lived up to that credo." He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth, and a daughter, Susan.

F A C U L T Y A N D S T A F F

Archibald W. Allen, January 27, 1987, in Santa Cruz, Calif., at age 79. He was chair of the classics department at Colby from 1956 to 1963.

Lloyd M. "Swede" Anderson, December 22, 1986, in Portland, Maine, at age 65. Born in Manchester, N.H., he graduated in 1939 from Thornton Academy, attended Phillips Academy in 1940, and in 1944 graduated from Harvard University, where he captained the 1943 football team. In 1947-48, he was assistant football coach and head track coach at Colby. An inspiration to the students, he and his wife, "Rusty," were greatly loved by the Colby community. A navy veteran of World War II and the Korean Conflict, he was a founding partner of Anderson Watkins Insurance Company and helped operate Seaside House, his family's business at Old Orchard Beach, Maine. He retired in 1983 but continued to play tennis in the Maine Senior Tournament. He was past president of Maine Independent Insurance Agents and of the Webber Hospital Association, a 30-year trustee of Thornton Academy, and a member of both the Biddeford-Saco Rotary and First Parish United Church, where he sang in the choir and was a deacon. He was chair of the Saco Beautification Committee and the Saco Charter Commission and a member of both the Saco Industrial Park Commission and the Navy League. Surviving are his wife, Esther, two daughters, and two grandchildren.

Laura Miner, December 16, 1986, at age 95. She was a head resident in Foss Hall for several years during the 1950s. After leaving Colby, she bought a house in Beverly, Mass., and was a part-time resident at Endicott Junior College in Beverly Cove. Later, she moved to Terre Haute, Ind., and then to Texas, where her son lives. She is also survived by her sister, Dorothy H. Hoard.

Inez W. Noyes, January 18, 1987, in Stonington, Maine, at age 87. She attended Franklin High School and graduated *cum laude* from Franklin College in 1924. She received a library of science degree in 1925 from the New York State Library School. She worked as a librarian and instructor of library science for 43 years, serving libraries at the University of Kentucky, University of Michigan, and Syracuse University, and was head cataloguer and librarian at Colby prior to her retirement. She is survived by a nephew, a niece, and several cousins.

ALUMNI CLUB NEWS

The Class of '87 is getting ready to join the Alumni Association in a big way—over 200 people attended the annual Senior Reception sponsored by the Colby Club of **Waterville** • To get the Class of '91 ready for Colby, clubs in **New York**, **Boston**, and the **North Shore** organized welcoming parties for accepted students • With plenty of snow this year, skiers were very happy, and those from the **Waterville** area enjoyed a weekend in March at Sugarloaf/USA • Colby students also traveled to **Los Angeles**—the Colby Chorale, under the direction of Professor Paul Machlin, performed several concerts in Southern California during spring break, including one in Pasadena that many alumni, parents, and friends attended. Joe and Joan Crawley Pollock '48 organized a reception for everyone following the concert • President and Mrs. Cotter were guests of the **New York** Colby Club for their annual dinner in March. The Colby Eight provided musical entertainment • President Cotter also spoke at the spring dinner for the Colby Club of **Southern Maine**, with singing provided by the Colbyettes. **Portland** area Colby families also went stargazing at the planetarium at the University of Southern Maine, learning about the creation and development of stars and solar systems • A number of faculty members met with Colby groups all over the country during the spring. Professors Tom Morrione, sociology, and David Lubin, art, met with Colby people in **San Francisco** at a reception organized by Eliot Terborgh '65 • Professor of Government Sandy Maisel was on the road—to **Chicago**—where he was a guest speaker at a Colby meeting • The **South Central Massachusetts** Alumnae Association invited Jane Hunter of the history department to be their guest at the annual faculty speaker's meeting. She spoke on the "Life and Leisure of the American Schoolgirl 1860-1900" • Experiences during a Jan Plan in Kenya were the subject of a presentation by students of Beverly Hawk of the government department at the **Boston** Luncheon Group meeting in March • Alumni Secretary Sid Farr '55 went to Florida for several club meetings in **Ft. Lauderdale**, **Palm Beach**, **St. Petersburg**, and **Miami** • The Colby Club of **Boston** sent a group of musical enthusiasts to the Harvard Hasty Pudding show, "Bye, Bye, Verdi," a raucous converging of country and classical music.



Photos, top to bottom.

The maitre d' snapped the New York Club and friends at the Grand Hotel on the final night of their winter trip in Zell am See, Austria.

At the Waterville Club senior reception in February, five people (yes, five) intently checked the class photo.

The New York Club also traveled closer to home last fall, with a sailing trip around Manhattan. Bob Scott, parent of Bob, Jr. '90, enjoyed the view of the city skyline.

Professor Charles Bassett lectured to the Boston Club in February. Here he holds forth to David White '75 and his wife and Hal Marden '76.



"The revolution is for the children"
was stressed repeatedly to a
Colby Jan Plan group in Nicaragua.