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## The Cover

Memories of the bicycle-riding nineties may be invoked by the cover picture, although we doubt whether even in those days the faculty pedalled in public. But all-out war does strange things. Even before the gas-rationing plan, these had begun to wheel to classes. They are: Dr. Alice Pattee Comparetti (English), Janet Marchant (physical education), Dr. Henry P. Applington (biology), Coach Norman C. Perkins (track), and Prof. Cecil A. Rollins (English). Other regular bike riders include Prof. Everett F. Strong (Spanish) and Prof. Richard J. Lougee (geology). Readers may let their imaginations play on the spectacle of certain other faculty members mounted on wheels, if worst comes to worst.

### HIGHER DEGREES

As usual, the July number of the ALUMNUS will publish as complete a list as possible of higher degrees received by Colby men and women this spring. Please communicate to the Editor any information you have in this regard.

### SUMMER ADDRESSES

The next and final issue of this magazine will appear about July 15. Any who wish this number mailed to a different address should send word before that date. Teachers, especially, should take note.

### MILITARY ADDRESSES

For censorship reasons, we do not name the units to which our alumni are attached. Anyone who wishes to send first class mail to a man in the armed services, however, is invited to send it to him in care of the Colby Alumni Office. Here the proper address, to the best of our knowledge, will be inscribed and the letter sent promptly on its way.

## Fan Mail

Dear Editor:

Let me say that I enjoy the ALUMNUS increasingly. I do not see how it could be improved.

—A. H. CHIPMAN, '91.

Hampton Station, N. B.,  
Canada.

Dear Editor:

I enjoy the ALUMNUS.

—MRS. MABEL F. DENNETT, '04.  
Washington, D. C.

## *The President's Page*

The government is making better use of the American liberal arts colleges than it did in the first World War. While this fact is generally appreciated among educators it deserves wider recognition on the part of the public.

Modern war is an undertaking of very intricate and complicated detail, both of technology and organization. For its waging we must have large numbers of junior officers and "noncoms" who are able to master new techniques quickly and have the intellectual resourcefulness to handle successfully the problems that arise in the field.

The mental qualities needed are the powers of analysis, judgment, decision and execution, founded on wide general knowledge and an understanding of basic scientific principles. These attributes of a good Army or Navy officer, it will be noted, almost perfectly define the traditional aims of a liberal arts education.

Fortunately, the high commands of our armed forces realize that the colleges have something invaluable to contribute to America's war effort simply by doing what they know best how to do. We have been asked to intensify and accelerate the process of higher education, but not to change or give up the tested methods and curriculum.

Statements recently issued from both the War and the Navy Departments are, in reality, strong endorsements for the type of higher education that the liberal arts colleges have been offering right along.

Both branches emphasize the desirability of courses in such subjects as history, English and the languages, as well as in the more obviously applicable subjects, such as mathematics, physics and physical training.

The Navy and Marine Corps have backed up their endorsement of higher education by making it possible for boys who enlist, even in their freshman year, to pursue their college course to completion, barring unforeseen exigencies, before going into the officer training schools of the respective services. And now the Army Air Corps offers a similar arrangement.

All of this offers a thrilling challenge to those of us who are connected with liberal arts colleges. For decades we have been asserting that our type of education gives fundamental intellectual capacities of a superior order. Now, in the fiery ordeal of war, we have been taken at our word and told to go ahead and turn out men with the capacity for "sound, incisive and well-ordered thought," as the Navy puts it.

It is frequently said that the colleges are on trial and some maintain that only the technical and engineering schools will survive the experience of a total war. I am not among those who think thus. I am certain that the records of our graduates will prove the confidence of the military high command to have been well founded and that this will heighten the prestige of liberal arts education in the public mind.

To be sure, war will change many of our cherished educational procedures. Colleges will never be quite the same again. But what we will lose will be merely methods and procedures that may well be dispensed with. The core of our educational tradition will emerge from the war strong and healthy and our colleges will be ready to throw their weight into the problems of winning the peace and building a world society.

FRANKLIN W. JOHNSON.

# THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

**FUNDS** — While changes in our academic time-table make comparisons difficult, it seems certain that the Alumni and Alumnae Funds will top last year's marks by a substantial margin. The number of "trusties" already exceeds the total number of \$10 givers of last year and there are more gifts in the larger brackets than before. The women, it seems, go in more for the Defense Stamp idea and the collection will be turned into as large a bond as possible on June 30. The response of the younger classes, men and women, has been larger, even the boys in the service responding to an amazing extent. The sum total of these expressions of loyalty, pooled into the Alumni and Alumnae Funds, amounts to a helpful hedge against the financial uncertainties of next year.

**TRAVEL** — Foreign travel under the auspices of the United States government is going to be made available to large numbers of young alumni within the next few months. But perhaps you don't realize that you can get in quite a lot of free traveling as an undergraduate, if you are a good enough athlete. We were dumbfounded to learn, for instance, that Eddie Loring had been transported the equivalent of three-quarters around the world during his four years. By actual count, game by game, his mileage mounts up over the 18,000 mile mark. He has played for Colby in over 100 intercollegiate contests, plus freshman games. Eddie played freshman football, three years of varsity football and four years of varsity hockey and baseball, including two southern trips on the latter team. He has won eight letters. But on his next trips, he'll be travelling with a bigger team.

**DORM** — Poking around to find items of interest for our readers the other day, we walked into a scene of indescribable confusion in Foss Hall. Strips of cloth were draped over lamps, pictures, and doors, wallpaper samples were rolling around, dozens of swatches of textile materials were piled crazily on the chairs, and paint sample cards, furni-

ture catalogs, blueprints and other objects were obscuring each other on the table. In the tiny office five women and four men were circulating around and carrying on nine different conversations. Yet, if there ever was a happy and constructive turmoil, this was it. It was the Committee on Furnishings for the women's dormitory, meeting with the architect and decorator. The committee consists of Dean Runnals, Mrs. Johnson, Sally Sherburne (Director of Residences), Florence E. Dunn, '96, and Ervena G. Smith, '24, with the President and Treasurer sitting in ex-officio.

Listening in, we began to get the picture of the interior appearance of the college home which will open its doors next September. The color schemes of the girls' rooms will be varied, with pastel tints of green, yellow, rose and blue in different combinations with white, so that the girls may choose to live with their favorite colors. The room furniture will be maple "Early American," using the relatively new furnishings of Mary Low, Alden and Boutelle Houses as far as it goes. Of the two dining rooms, one will be coral and the other blue, with harmonizing hangings, pictorial panels, Hitchcock chairs, round and square tables, and break-front sideboards with historic china. One of the lounges is to be a memorial room of distinction and beauty, the details of which we cannot yet divulge. The plans for the other living room forecast a cheery colorful place with Colonial atmosphere, yet where comfort has not been sacrificed

to authenticity. The basement game rooms will be gay, not to say gaudy, with modern furniture and equipment.

So, when you walk into the dormitory next fall or winter and gasp at the way the whole place glows with color and harmony and good taste, don't think it just grew that way. Remember the thousands of materials and styles and patterns that were considered and *not* used. Remember the hubbub of those committee conferences, the endless correspondence, the thoughtful comparisons, the careful estimates of durability, the constant battle between desires and costs, the wracking of brains to find just the right solutions—that is what will make the new Colby look and function like a dream come true.

**HIKE** — Last week Colby introduced to America a new educational athletic contest: a *maaottelu-marssi*. That, according to Eero Helin, is Finnish for a cross-country marching contest. Helin, whom you will remember as captain of last fall's championship football team, shares his country's mania for physical conditioning, and thought it would be a fine thing for Colby men and women to stage a contest similar to that done in Scandinavian countries. Last year Sweden and Finland competed to see which nation had more people in condition to cover a march within time limits. For men, this was 15 km. distance in 2 hr., 20 min.; for women, 9 km. in 1 hr., 30 min. In the space of a month, so Eero says, the young and old of whole villages and neighborhoods went out and tried to pass the test. The result was a Finnish victory by about 1,400,000 to 1,000,000.

At Colby, the response was less enthusiastic, American pride in physical fitness being secondary to most everything else. Furthermore, men who were engaged in intercollegiate or intramural sports, about 135 of them, were not eligible. However, under Helin's leadership 40 or 50 fellows and girls took some of the training hikes and on the appointed Saturday afternoon a group of devotees strode off from the Alumnae Building.

## *We Paint With Pride To—*

Axel Johan Uppvall, '05, decorated with the Order of the North Star by order of the King of Sweden.

Lt. Alma Moses, '39, R. N., first Colby girl to receive a commission in the United States Army.

The girls went out over the Cedar Bridge, around some country roads and returned by the Mayflower Hill campus, the boys going out nearly to Oakland and also returning by the new campus.

The girls won, their whole contingent of 30 covering the six miles inside the allotted hour and a half, with the first ones finishing in 1:13. There were only 13 boys to enter and ten qualified, walking the ten miles in 2:20. Helin and one other, however, made the distance in 1:52 — which is fast stepping for anybody. We personally shudder at the thought of walking ten miles without any time limit, so our admiration for these hardy youngsters is unbounded. And so, as the Echo headline put it: **GIRLS OUTWALK MEN — MALE CLAIM TO SUPERIORITY SERIOUSLY WEAKENED.**

**B**AND — After several years of canned Commencement music, it is gratifying to learn that this year there will once more be a live band in attendance and, best of all, it will be our own Colby band. For the first time in history, the student band has maintained its organization throughout the year and developed from a football game adjunct to a concert band of splendid quality. A few ardent boosters and the generous services of Dr. Ermanno Comparetti, musical director for the Waterville schools, carried the thing along and even managed to outfit the organization in snappy blue and gray military outfits. Their spring concert was a conspicuous success and the students have agreed to remain over the Commencement week-end in order to add a welcome touch of color and music to the occasion. An outdoor concert on the campus before the play on Saturday night will give alumni an opportunity to enjoy the results of the year's efforts.

There is good precedent for a band at Commencement for 120 years ago, at the first one, a band of eight or ten musicians made their way from the Penobscot River to the Kennebec on foot, partly by bridle paths and partly by blazed trees, so the legend tells us. This was the Hampden Band composed of a few clarinets, a bass drum and, especially, a bugle played by the then incomparable

Douglas. That was a heroic enterprise, but, in some ways, so is the maintaining of a good student band now. We hope that the alumni will encourage the players and the leader with words of appreciation at this Commencement, so that the custom may be felt worth continuing from now on.



**B**OOKS — The piles of volumes illustrated above represent only the incomplete collections of Colby's more prolific writers. They were assembled by Professor Libby to illustrate one of his historical talks to the freshmen. If all the writers of one or more books had been included, the display would have been more extensive, but hardly more impressive.

Nearest the camera we see the monumental works of Asher Crosby Hinds, '83, his thousand page volumes of parliamentary precedents and the rules of the House of Representatives. Next in line, but worlds away, are the literary explorations of Frederick A. Pottle, '17, whose latest is reviewed in this issue. Next comes William O. Stevens, '99, with his early books for boys and his later travel and other non-fiction best-sellers. Dr. Libby's palm is on the tallest pile of all — the works of Holman Day, '87, poet and story teller of the Maine woods. Next, in contrast, are the philosophical works of Arthur K. Rogers, '91, followed by the slim volumes of choicest verse by Harry Lyman Koopman, '80, the ponderous works by Albion W. Small, '76, which introduced sociology to America, the amazing pile of brilliant writings turned out by Shailer Mathews, '84, and, beyond the pulpit, some of the best-selling works of a century ago, written by

William Mathews, '35. These 100 books by the nine authors include most types of writing: verse, novels, biography, essays, history and text books. They are a tangible form of Colby's contribution to society.

**M**ORATORIUM — Among other interesting experiments of this summer session will be the moratorium on extra-curricular activities. For the summer, intercollegiate athletics, fraternity activities, publications, and virtually all clubs and societies will be inactive. How much will they be missed? We often hear that these activities are over-stressed and that they take up too much of a student's time and energy. On the other hand, some claim that these outside activities constitute one of the important factors in a college education. Well, this summer will throw some light on it. In a way, it is a reversion to the European concept of university education: lectures, laboratory work and exams, outside of that you are on your own. It will be interesting to watch.

**M**OVES — "There'll be some changes made," is no mere popular ditty to the Alumni office staff, it is the disheartening theme song of the boys who cut address stencils. Not until you try to keep an address file up to date do you realize that modern living is a transitory affair. Would you believe that almost one Colby person out of every three changes his or her residence in the course of a year? In the ten months since July first, no less than 944 alumni and 492 alumnae have changed their address that we know about. How many more there are whom we do not know about, will be indicated in a few days when envelopes containing the Commencement Programs come trickling back, marked "Moved, left no address." Then will come the detective-work sequence as letters and post cards go out to people who may know the new addresses of the lost alumni. Then the student clerks pound out the new address plates. Then another alumni mailing goes into the mails. Then other familiar, sad-looking, rubber-stamped envelopes come straggling back, with postage due. It is discouraging.



# THE OUTLOOK FOR RUBBER

By Everett G. Holt, '15

THE natural first line of thought concerning the effects of a rubber shortage in the United States is that production of rubber products must decline. This means fewer tires and tubes for passenger cars, trucks, busses, aeroplanes, motorcycles, tractors, trailers, farm implements, cannon, bicycles, carriages and toy vehicles, both for original equipment of new vehicles and for replacement of tires worn out in service. It has already resulted in selective elimination of production of the less necessary vehicles using rubber tires, and to rationing of tires for replacement purposes.

Mechanical rubber goods (beltings, hoses, packings), insulated wires, molded rubber goods, and hard rubber products are required for use in industrial plants, mills and oil wells, railroads, construction, agriculture, and shipbuilding. Curtailed products of these goods means that substitutes must be developed to prevent any slowing of the tempo of the war effort.

Medical and surgical rubber sundries, some rubber footwear, and waterproof clothing, are factors in sanitation and health, and are necessary both for civilian and military use.

A considerable list of minor rubber products is now prohibited from manufacture, if made of crude rubber. Stationers' rubber goods (bands and erasers), golf balls and certain other sporting goods, all novelties and toys, rubber mats and flooring, and most sponge rubber products, are in this class, and shortages will soon be noticeable as stocks become depleted. Rubber thread for use in manufacture of elastic fabrics for corsets and girdles won considerable publicity as a result of feminine reaction to the limitations on processing of rubber.

In absence of rubber from the Far East, it is usual for men of middle age, who were taught in the grade schools that rubber came from Brazil

*On this timely topic, we present Colby's own expert (and, incidentally, one of the nation's) on rubber. Mr. Holt, one of the Clinton Holts, entered the Civil Service in 1917 and rose from position to position in the Bureau of Commerce, with the exception of five months with Goodyear as manager of rubber research. He has travelled abroad investigating marketing methods and is author of numerous papers and pamphlets. His present position, in full, is as follows: Chief of the Rubber Staff, Division of Consumption Goods and Materials, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, United States Department of Commerce.*

and the Congo, to think that these sources may again furnish our requirements. That thought is ill-founded. In the days when tropical America and Africa supplied the world's rubber, the total annual consumption was no more than one-tenth of the present normal consumption in the United States alone. If the United States had imported all the

rubber produced in those regions in 1940, it would have kept our factories running less than three weeks in 1941. There is more chance that domestic guayule cultivation may yield us a substantial supply, after a few years, as a result of planting now being started by the Federal Service of the Department of Agriculture under recent Congressional authorization.

We do have one important resource, and it represents the chief contribution of the United States to the economics of rubber materials up to this time. We have developed the processes of reclaiming rubber from worn-out rubber products, and the use of reclaimed rubber in the manufacture of finished goods, more than any other nation. We have a very large—as yet nobody can say just how large—reserve supply of “scrap rubber,” and its collection, manufacture into reclaim, and use in finished products will go a long way to assist in this period. This material lacks the properties necessary for exacting service, and there is need, therefore, for large quantities of superior material to be made available.

National hopes of a quick remedy rest mainly on synthetic rubbers. Excellent materials of this sort have been produced in this country for several years, on a limited scale. Mass production of some types has been developed—but this mass production is not of an order of magnitude comparable to what is now required. The head of the Dupont synthetic rubber company, which makes neoprene (in larger quantities than any other synthetic rubber was produced in 1941) estimated last September that the total national production of all types in 1941 would fall slightly short of 12,000 long tons, and we used over 750,000 long tons of crude rubber in 1941!

The government-sponsored synthetic rubber program was first announced in April, 1941, and the original plan was to build four factories, each with initial capacity of 2,500



EVERETT G. HOLT, '15



tons a year but capable of being expanded to 10,000 tons annually. Last July 31, the signal was given to build for the full 10,000 tons, and each of the four rubber companies concerned (Firestone, Goodrich, Goodyear, and U. S. Rubber) revised their plans accordingly. Their initial plants will start operation at varying dates this summer.

In mid-December, following Pearl Harbor, the objective for each company was raised to 30,000 tons a year, and new plant construction has started. In mid-January, the Federal Loan Administrator announced, with the approval of the President, that an objective of 400,000 tons annual capacity, to be ready by July 1, 1943, was authorized. In subsequent Congressional hearings, it was stated that the 400,000-ton production rate would not be reached until the close of 1943. This calls for a tremendous effort! Priority difficulties on required machinery and equipment, lack of a synchronized production of butadiene, styrene, and other intermediates used

as material in the synthetic rubber polymerization plants, or any of the many other factors may cause bottlenecks in production, as will be evident to any reader upon thoughtful consideration. The oil industry believes it will be readily able to supply the butadiene in required quantities, and while there is no disposition to make light of the difficulties to be faced, there is general determination to do everything possible for success in the undertaking.

Meantime the War Production Board is doing everything it can to regulate the processing of rubber and allied materials so as to provide essential products and yet conserve crude rubber. The Office of Price Administration is regulating the distribution and price of rubber products so as to cushion the effects of the rubber shortage in its impact upon the domestic economy in general. A campaign to collect scrap rubber throughout the United States will be launched before many weeks. The

State Department has just completed arrangements with Brazil under which production of rubber there in excess of Brazilian requirements will be available to the United States, and efforts to stimulate rubber production throughout Latin America are under way through the Office of the Coordinator of Inter American Affairs. The Board of Economic Warfare and Export Control Office are limiting United States exports of rubber products, with due regard to the little-appreciated fact that this rubber shortage is a problem of the United Nations as a whole — not only of the United States.

In short, every effort is being made to conserve and increase supplies, and make the best possible use of available materials. If it becomes necessary to commandeer tires and tubes from part of the privately-owned vehicles in our country to win this War, I believe every citizen concerned would cheerfully bear whatever hardship that would cause him.

## UPPVALL HONORED BY SWEDISH KING

By Everett S. Kelson, '14

**A** HUNDRED and forty persons gathered to do honor to Dr. Axel Johan Uppvall, '05, at a dinner in Philadelphia, on January tenth. Many others, who could not attend, sent letters or telegrams. The occasion was the celebration of Dr. Uppvall's seventieth birthday. Speakers at the dinner were: Professor Ernst Jockers, Chairman of the Department of Germanics at the University of Pennsylvania; Professor Thomas K. Brown, Jr., toastmaster, of the same department; John M. Fogg, Jr., Dean of the College; Dr. Allan Lake Rice, former student of Dr. Uppvall, now an instructor in the department; Major Frank W. Melvin, Esq., President of the Swedish Colonial Society, in Philadelphia; Ludvig T. Brehm, Vice Consul of Denmark; Maurice A. Hogeland, Esq., Swedish Consul in Philadelphia; and Martin Kastengren, Swedish Consul General in New York.

The last named presented Dr. Uppvall with the jewel of a Chevalier of the Order of the North Star, conferred by the King of Sweden. Dr. Uppvall, in his usual humble manner, responded "I accept it as a recognition of what I have ardently tried to do during all these years rather than of what I have accomplished."

This is the second recognition of Dr. Uppvall's scholarly attainments which, in the words of the bestowal, "have helped to cement more closely the bonds between the great republic of the United States and the kingdom of Sweden." In 1934, King Gustaf conferred upon Dr. Uppvall The Order of Vasa, Class I.

Dr. Uppvall was born January 2, 1872, in Avelsater, Varmland, Sweden. He attended the Swedish public schools and served his terms in the Swedish army. At the age of 23 he emigrated to the United States. Af-

ter attending classes at Prospect Union in Cambridge, Mass., he transferred to Hebron Academy, from which he was graduated in 1901. He then attended Colby for a year, spent the next two in Swedish, German and French institutions of higher learning, and returned to Colby for his senior year, receiving an A.B. degree in 1905. He was next a graduate student at the University of Gottingen for a year, then earned an M.A. degree at Harvard in 1907. He was granted a Ph.D. degree by Clark University in 1919.

Returning to Hebron, Dr. Uppvall was an Instructor in French during the academic year 1907-08. Next he taught Latin and German at the Philip Brooks School, then French and German at the University of New Brunswick. After a year as Instructor in French at the University of Pennsylvania, he returned to the University of New Brunswick as Pro-

fessor of Modern Foreign Languages, where he served five years. After two years as Professor of German at Clark College, Dr. Uppvall returned to the University of Pennsylvania, where he has been ever since. He was Instructor in French in 1919-21; became Assistant Professor of Scandinavian Languages in 1926, and Professor in 1930.

In 1918, Dr. Uppvall married Alma Mathild Johnson, of Gamla Karleby, Finland. At the dinner, Mrs. Uppvall was also honored, receiving affectionate tribute from several of the speakers. Gifts of choice books were presented by various faculty and student groups.

As the closing speaker of the evening, Dr. Uppvall was obviously deeply touched by the deluge of praise and felicitations and, in reminiscing, he warmed the hearts of us all by telling how his whole life had been changed by the kindness and generosity of Mr. William Blake Wood, then of Arlington, Mass., later of Hudson, N. Y. As an immigrant

youth, Dr. Uppvall received employment in Mr. Wood's factory. He spent time before and after working hours in study and his employer, noting this, offered to send the apprentice to school. The offer was gladly accepted and each man stuck by his bargain. After Dr. Uppvall had received his Master's degree from Harvard, Mr. Wood asked him for an accounting, insisted that the young man's figures were too high, and settled the whole matter by burning all the notes in the fireplace. Mr. Wood has been dead for twenty years, but Dr. Uppvall has not forgotten his benefactor, as was shown by his remarks at the dinner.

Dr. Uppvall now retires from full-time duty at Pennsylvania, because of regulations. The University has, however, asked him to give certain lectures. Being still vigorous in mind and body, Dr. Uppvall will keep on with his many outside activities. He is a leading figure among the Philadelphia Colby alumni, by whom he is highly regarded.

"Look," said Mike, "this isn't the last race we're ever going to run, and I think with the experience you'll get this season you'll be on the team next year. But that's not the important thing. I don't know your personal history, but I'll bet there's been a lot of hard work there somewhere by somebody. I know it's a disappointment to you, but life is made up of disappointments, and every time we have one and we rise above it, we're that much better. It's coming through the disappointments like this one that make it possible to meet the ones you're bound to have after you get through with this college."

Four hours later, I understood what Mike meant, for our talk had covered the distance from the sidewalks of New York to the Olympic Games in Stockholm, and I know how much harder he had worked at it than I had. I knew how big some of his disappointments had been. I knew that the decision had been fair. And I knew that here was a man who had been the greatest distance runner in America because he had taken the disappointments in his stride. I knew, too, that he had been talking very little about running races, but was talking about something much more important to me.

I was back on the outdoor board track the next day. I lost a lot of races after that, and won some, but I never needed that talking-to again. And I have lost and won in many ways since then; but my luck has been good and I know that the losses I didn't deserve have been more than equalled by the winnings I didn't earn. I think I learned more that has been useful to me since in those four hours than in any other four hours I spent in college. The professors deserve all the good things that are said about them and more, but I wonder if coaches like Mike Ryan haven't done more education than they get credit for.

And isn't it too bad that in all the four years most boys have spent at Colby, the track coach might be, as in my case, the only teacher who knew when a little guy would be sitting alone in his room, and needed someone wiser to talk to him . . . and did anything about it? Maybe that's why I remember Mike Ryan.

— FRED BAKER, '27.

Hartford, Conn.

## "I'M GLAD I STUDIED UNDER . . ."

### The Lesson Mike Taught Me

SITTING here 15 years distant from Memorial Hall (and Rufe Grindle's poem about it, "Oh, What has become of the Dying Gaul? He's buried in dust in Memorial Hall"), I can distinguish more clearly the halos hovering above the very fine men who were members of the faculty. They were a fine group of Christian gentlemen, and no liberal arts college can say anything more important about its faculty.

A boy in college does well to collect impressions and ideas and build sluices for his thoughts. So I shall tell you of one impression, one idea, one new sluice that was built in a boy's mind one February evening of my freshman year.

I sat in my room at the ATO house. There was a strong smell of rubbing oil, for was I not Deering's great gift to the Colby track team? Was I not the Streak who would make Colby famous? Apparently there was some difference of opinion (then and later), for on that day the relay team for the BAA Games had been chosen. And there had been a Great Injustice, for



. . . took disappointments in stride . . .

I was not on it. "I wuz robbed" and no two ways about it. It was a Major Disaster.

The door opened. In walked Mike Ryan, the track coach. "Hi." "Hi." "Disappointed?" "Yeah." "I'd like to take you as an alternate, but there's only expense money enough to take four fellows." "To hell with it. If I can't beat a couple of those guys, I'm going to take up ping-pong. I'm through with track. Let them win the races for you."

# PETE MILLS—COMER IN POLITICS

By Jerry Ryan, '37

IT seems funny to be way out here in Skagway, Alaska, writing about Sumner Peter Mills, '34, of Farmington, Maine.

Maybe it's because Pete's doings fascinated me as an Auburn, Maine, schoolboy before I ever entered Colby and met him; maybe it's because I love politics and Mills' possibilities in that line, where the clay pigeons are eventually hit, provide good leisure time speculation; or perhaps it's because I like to see a fellow who loves to get into the fray in a world where it's becoming increasingly difficult to do that and come out unscathed.

The first time I met Pete he was giving his portable typewriter an unmerciful pounding in getting out a couple of stories for one of the Portland papers. (Incidentally, I believe Pete at one time wrote for the Portland Evening News of which Ernest Gruening, present Governor of Alaska, was once the editor.)

Because he completed his college course in three and a half years and left to study law in Washington, D. C., Pete was only around the A. T. O. house until February of my freshman year but in that short stretch of time he left an impression so favorable that I have been avidly following his exploits since.

Pete was made to order for public life, and after watching him in college, no great discernment was necessary to conclude that some day Mills would be a force in Maine politics. That he has arrived has been evident to me in reading newspapers from that state since coming West three years back. I don't care to predict where he will go from now on, but I'd much prefer even money on his chances of becoming Governor of Maine, or a member of the U. S. House or Senate, than the reverse.

Many ardent Republicans have called for a re-awakening of their party, and there are those among them who will whisper to you that the kindling of a new G. O. P. fire will not come through converted

*Publication of this sketch was delayed several months, hoping to get an accompanying article on Ryan by Mills. But Ryan was way off in Alaska and meanwhile Mills became an ordnance officer in the Navy, so here it is, anyway. Son of one-time Colby track coach Mike Ryan, Jerry followed his father out to Idaho after graduation and then moved north to a teaching position in Skagway. For the story of his extra-curricular activities in the Arctic, see next page.*

Democrats. In an age when a combination of personal color, statesmanship and political savvy doesn't hinder one trying to mount the ladder in public life, the young man from Farmington will not have to take any tips from New Deal contemporaries.

I've watched Pacific Northwest political figures in action. The late Senator William E. Borah did most of his talking in the Senate. His Idaho campaigns, except for an occasional speech, at which time the "standing room only" sign was hung out early, were simple, down to earth, chats with farmers and businessmen.

Idaho knew Borah was the nation's great orator, and he likely knew it too, but realizing his linguistic excellence wouldn't give him the latest slant on the state's irrigation, timber and mining problems, he spent most of his time "back home" on the receiving end.

Pete's political philosophy follows the same bent. I used to accompany him on excursions to Farmington and environs, and only my keen friendship for Pete made me wait along Franklin County streets while burghers told him about their cows, new chicken houses, store fronts, the condition of the roads, and other topics of local interest. When I noticed that older men were just as happy to talk to Pete as the younger ones, I thought this complimentary, for the veterans

in Maine don't unbend to every young man, especially about matters of state.

As his life in college was one of variety, so has it been since. At Colby, Pete managed to mix football, dramatics, newspaper editing, sports-writing, public speaking, debating, Christian work, fraternity life, and studies with different enterprises to finance his way, and he came out of this maze of activities adequately prepared for almost anything.

In February 1934 Pete went to Washington at a time when Young Republicans just weren't hanging around that city. He pushed himself into the seating plan of a George Washington University night law course, then grabbed a job shouting about the sights from Capitol City buses. On the side Pete picked up knowledge of public life by sight, by ear and other ways the average fellow wouldn't think of.

Back to Boston came Pete after a year, and enlarged the New England perspective of his academic law training. Here, again, his life wasn't one-tracked. He worked in a legal aid clinic and in the University Club when he wasn't pouring over text books.

To top his undergraduate performance, Mills passed the Maine Bar after two years of study, in 1936, a full year before his law degree was due to come up at Boston University.

Next on his program was a 3,000 mile bicycle trip through Europe and the Near East in the summer of 1937, then a position with the Locke, Campbell and Reid firm in Augusta, followed by his election to the Maine House of Representatives on his first try in 1938.

I followed the bills Pete introduced in the House last winter, and in every one he has worked to strengthen Maine's democratic processes.

The party which once sponsored Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt doesn't have to worry about the young blood in Maine with fellows like Pete Mills coming along.

# An Alaskan Newspaper Proprietor

**P**LUNK an ex-reporter into a little Alaskan village without a newspaper, give him some spare time after his high school teaching duties are finished every day, and what happens? Right, he founds a paper.

That is the story of the birth of The Skagway News-Review, a mimeographed 12 page weekly recording the news of "The Gateway to the Klondike," founded, edited and published by M. Gerald Ryan, Colby 1937, eldest son of that indefatigable sports writer and track coach, Mike Ryan.

Volume one, number one, rolled off the duplicator on May 25, 1941, and the venture as planned continued until the Labor Day edition, coinciding with the tourist season (when the merchants make most of their yearly income) and the editor's summer vacation. Information is lacking whether the paper will continue during the 1942 season, since the Ryans are headed back to the States and may appear at the 1937 Class Reunion.

Preconceived notions of what a newspaper office looks like must be abandoned when you visit the plant of the News-Review. Two high school girls are cutting stencils on typewriters, the star center on the basketball team is waiting at the mimeograph to start cranking out the pages, Editor Jerry Ryan dashes in with the hot dope on the City Council's meeting, and on publication days four small boys, one with a bike, are waiting to "circulate" the edition.

Yet this, like most pioneer papers, sticks close to its real function: telling the people what they haven't heard about their neighbors and what they enjoy reading about themselves. War and national news are out: the radio takes care of that field. Big League baseball gets some dope stories, however, (no Ryan could ignore sports), and there is editorial comment on the international scene with a certain Wilkinsonian flavor. Moreover, there occasionally appears a bucolic columnist by the name of "Van Slyke"—now where could Ryan have picked up that pseudonym?

But by and large the news columns picture Skagway doings of the past

week, with an occasional excursion into reminiscences of gold rush days as told by some local sourdough. Glancing over a few issues you note with interest: A dog quilled by porcupine . . . Three steamers touch harbor bottom in one day . . . Tennis court construction passes half way mark . . . Local pitcher tosses 4th of July no-hitter . . . Ex-Skagway girl steamer agent in North Atlantic shipwreck . . . Forest fire blazes for 24 hours . . . Labor Day picnic planned . . . Council approves purchase of 18 new street light reflectors for Broadway . . . X-Ray clinic planned . . . Yukon river traffic opens . . . Women's Club elects . . . New library books . . . Tourist says Skagway ideal place for rest . . . Harbor improvement hearing set for Thursday.

While Ryan does not have all the cares of a Col. McCormick in getting out his paper, he has had some crises. Once the stencil correction fluid was all gone except for the last few drops in a borrowed bottle, a situation which kept editor and staff on edge for three weeks until the boat arrived with a precious bottle from Spokane. And then, one day, a strike was threatened. As dutifully recorded in

the paper, the "staff" was up in arms because once too often they had been waiting around all afternoon, only to have the editor drop in to say that he didn't have any news for them to work on. Just at that moment, however, the mother of one of the staff members brought in a few items of social news, so the staff happily went to work and all was forgotten.

The weakness of the paper commercially is the lack of advertising. Skagway has 20 potential advertisers, but only a half dozen or so use the columns of the News-Review with any regularity. But those few sound interesting. You read notices of the "White Pass Tavern," "Van's," and "The Pack Train Inn . . . The Original Bar of Gold Rush Days." "Harry Ask" advertises: "A fresh supply of perishables came in on the McKinley yesterday. Come for your share right away." Otherwise, the venture has had the support of the population: 120 out of the 150 Skagway families subscribe and there are scattering subscriptions from various states. So, whether or not the News-Review proved to be another Alaskan gold mine, it brought good will and, probably, a lot of fun to Jerry Ryan.

## SORORITY NEWS LETTERS



### SIGMA KAPPA

**O**UR first event of the year was a tea for our Alumnae on October 12. This was followed by our rushing parties, the large one, on November 7, having a Moulin Rouge theme. Our Traveling Secretary, Miss Betty Spenser, was with us at this time.

The next social event was our barn dance on December 4, given by the chapter for the pledges. In February came the annual tea for the faculty on the eighth, and our "Sweetheart Ball" with the Tri-Delts on the fourteenth. On March 17, we are plan-

ning to have a Bridge Party for the benefit of the Red Cross.

Christine Bruce, '42, from Fort Fairfield, Maine, has been elected to the Colby Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. Martha Wheeler, '44, of Waterville, Maine, won first prize in the annual Colby Sophomore Declamation Contest. Barbara Blaisdell, '45, of Hartford, Connecticut, was elected "Co-ed of the Month," and was an attendant to the Queen at the Colby Winter Carnival.

This year we have pledged the following girls: Sona Tahmizian, '43, Brookline, Mass.; Bernice Knight, '44, Westbrook, Maine; Lorraine Carson, '44, Paterson, N. J.; Eileen Matteo, '44, Providence, R. I.; Barbara Blaisdell, '45, Hartford, Conn.; Mary Louise Fraser, '45, Westbrook, Maine; Norma Frost, '45, Waterville,

Maine; Virginia Goodwin, '45, Wells, Maine; Elizabeth Skillin, '45, Lynn, Mass.; Virginia Umphreys, '45, Washburn, Maine; Elvira Worthington, '45, Great Neck, N. Y.

We initiated two girls last fall, Elizabeth Mathes, '44, Beaumont, Texas; and Martha Wheeler, '44, Waterville, Maine.

Our spring initiation occurred on March 27.



### CHI OMEGA

**C**HI OMEGA'S activities on Colby's campus have been many in number and varied in nature. Starting the season, seventeen new members were pledged. Class of '44: Nancy Grahn, Tenaflly, N. J.; and Barbara Baylis, Providence, R. I. Class of '45: Jean Adams, Ellsworth, Maine; Eleanor Carter, Cambridge, Mass.; Kathryn Conway, Baltimore, Md.; Constance Daviau, Waterville, Maine; Janet Jacobs, Portland, Maine; Louise Johnson, Middletown, Conn.; Miriam Leighton, Cape Elizabeth, Me.; Kathleen Matteo, Providence, R. I.; Katharine McCarroll, Ridgewood, N. J.; Margery Owen, Battle Creek, Mich.; Constance Stanley, Waterville, Maine; Emily Stocking, Williamstown, Mass.; Laura Tapia, Panama City, Panama; Ramona Tower, Pepperell, Mass.

Elections of officers in student organizations found Chi Omega well represented. In the Student Christian Association, Jane Soule was vice-president, Olive Monell secretary, Evelyn Gates the new vice-president, and Mary Weeks the new secretary.

Betty Anne Royal is the Women's Editor of the Echo. Dorris Heaney is the president of the Women's Division of the Glee Club. Class presidents include three Chi O's: Senior President, Barbara E. Grant; Junior President, Elizabeth Tobey, and Sophomore President, Elaine Johnson. Secretarial posts in two classes are held by the sorority: Kathleen Monaghan in the Junior class, and Katharine McCarroll in the Freshman class.



### HOSTESSES FOR SPRING DANCE

Left to right, June Totman, '42, Shirley Ellice, '44, Jacquelyn Nerney, '43, and Dorothy Holtman, '44. The queen this year, was Jean Adams, a freshman girl.

Katharine McCarroll filled the only vacancy in the women's cheering squad. Chi O rated well in the Winter Carnival festivities too, with Kathleen Monaghan reigning as queen and June Totman a member of the court.

In athletics they kept up their claim to the Intersorority Athletic Cup which they hope to win for the third year, thus gaining permanent possession. Many Chi O's are members of the Skating Club, Glee Club and Modern Dance Club, and Geraldine Fennessey holds the presidency of the latter. Elizabeth Tobey, Alice Katkauskas, and Glenna Hartley were prominent members of the W. A. A. Board.

Climaxing the social events of the season was the Chi Omega-Lambda Chi Alpha Barn Dance for the benefit of the Red Cross. Other events included the formal Chi Omega-Phi Mu dance, a pledge dance at the Ticonic Club, holiday breakfasts, alumnae tea, mother and daughter banquet, and various festive parties. The initiation banquet was held on April 15.

Social and Civic Service is one of the foremost policies of the Chi

Omega group. This was evidenced in the Christmas party at which time all gifts were turned in to the "Home for Little Wanderers." A Thanksgiving Basket was given to some needy family. The annual award to the Senior woman receiving the highest average in the Social Sciences will be awarded in the spring. Roundtable discussions enlivened Chi Omega's interest in the interpretation of Democracy. And a penny collection for the Red Cross has been taken at every meeting.



### DELTA DELTA DELTA

**T**HE initiates to Delta Delta Delta sorority for 1941-1942 are as follows: Marilyn Bragdon, of White Plains, N. Y.; Patricia Gregory, Caribou, Maine; Hope Mansfield, Ipswich, Mass.; Barbara Soule, Waterville, Maine; Louise Hagan, Houlton, Maine; Dorothy Holtman, Chevy Chase, Md.; Hazel Brewer, Water-

ville, Maine; Roberta Holt, Clinton, Maine; Betty Gilman, Abington, Mass.; Albertie Allen, New Portland, Maine; Lina Cole, Holliston, Mass.

The first social of the fall of 1941 was a rushing party given to the incoming Freshmen, on October 27, in the social room of the Alumnae Building. A very informal social hour was enjoyed, during which time refreshments were served and several Tri Delta songs were sung by the entire group. On November 4, the members held their big rushing party in a section of the gym. The traditional Pearl banquet was given. Dinner was served by "alums."

The Mother and Daughter banquet was held at the Elmwood Hotel on December 4. Each daughter wore a corsage. Several vocals were given by the sorority president, Virginia Duggan. On the following day, the pledges gave an after-dinner coffee for the active members in the sorority rooms.

The annual Christmas party, with Natalie Daggett in charge, took place on December 14. Humorous gifts and verses were distributed by Hope Mansfield, dressed as Santa Claus.

The Tri Delta - Sigma Kappa dance was held in the gym of the Alumnae Building on February 14. The decorations were in keeping with Valentine's Day. Music was by Paul Prince. A tea was given by the pledges for the Tri Psi's in the Alumnae Building. Dorothy Holtman was in charge.

On Wednesday, March 18, the new initiates and members met in the dining room of the Elmwood Hotel for the first initiation banquet of the year.

Pledges and members of Tri Delta were given a supper in April, by the Tri Psi's.

Several members have received honors this year. Ann Jones has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Ann Jones, Susanne Rose, and Marjorie Cate were elected to WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES. Ann Jones, Susanne Rose, and Marjorie Cate were elected to Cap and Gown also.



#### PHI MU

**I**MEDIATELY after their arrival in the fall, the Phi Mu girls established themselves in their new rooms. At the conclusion of the two rushing parties, the following girls were pledged: Helen Beck, Royalton, Vermont; Thelma Brann, China, Maine; Elizabeth Dodge, Edgecomb, Maine; Jan Hudson, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Elizabeth Lohnes, North Weymouth, Mass.; Annabelle Morrison, Biddeford, Maine; Eleanor Mundie, Calais, Maine; Evelyn Sterry, Skowhegan, Maine; and Joan St. James, Millinocket, Maine.

In the fall election, Marion Treglown was elected vice-president of the junior class. Elizabeth Lohnes and Ruth Howes were outstanding during the hockey season and were chosen for the varsity team. In December the annual mother and daughter banquet was held at the Crescent Hotel. The actives and pledges joined together for several fraternity sings and for a Christmas party before the Christmas vacation. The actives and pledges also held a shower for the president, Theodora Wright Weston, in honor of her recent marriage. Phi Mu and Chi Omega combined for their spring dance, which was held in the Alumnae building. The vice-president, Ruth Thomas, has been chosen to play Portia in *The Merchant of Venice*.



#### ALPHA DELTA PI

**T**HIS year has been a very busy one for Alpha Delta Chapter. We have initiated four new members this spring: Patricia Cotting, '45, Saugus, Mass.; Frances Dow, '45, Fort Kent, Maine; Fern Falkenbach, '44, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; and Patricia Ford, '43, Canajoharie, N. Y. Previously Catherine Clark, '44, of Merri-

macport, Mass., and Marcia Wade, '44, of Newton, Mass., were admitted.

The main event of the year was the National Convention held in June at Hot Springs, Virginia. This convention marked the ninetieth anniversary of the founding of the sorority. The delegate to the convention was Cynthia Smith, '42. She was accompanied by Olive Savage, '41, and Ruth Littorin, '43.

Our president, Ethel Paradis, '43, has recently been elected to Chi Epsilon Mu, honorary chemistry society, and the treasurers of The Arts Club and International Relations Club are Alpha Deltas. We are all doing something in the way of defense work. Catherine Clark is an air-raid warden and many of the rest of us are taking the courses offered by the Red Cross.

We are all looking forward to a grand year up on the new campus.

#### DR. BIXLER SPEAKS AT

#### PHI BETA KAPPA BANQUET

**T**HE annual initiation and banquet of the Phi Beta Kappa Society took place on April 17, with President-elect Julius Seelye Bixler as the honored guest and speaker.

In a notable address, he discoursed on "Philosophy the Guide of Life," which is the translation of the Greek motto signified by the letters PBK. With recourse to examples in music, history, and literature, Dr. Bixler made clear his thesis that the extremes of pure intellectualism ("philosophy") and physical instinct ("life") are each dangerous, and that these two should harmonize with each other to produce happiness. "Philosophy is the guide of life, and life is the goal of philosophy," he concluded.

Five girls and three boys were initiated into the Colby chapter on the basis of their outstanding scholastic zeal and records. They were: Christine Bruce, Fort Fairfield, Me.; Robinson D. Burbank, Berlin, N. H.; Barbara E. Holden, Peabody, Mass.; Ann B. Jones, Waterville, Me.; Mary E. Jones, Winthrop, Me.; Arthur B. Lincoln, Jr., St. Albans, N. Y.; Burton L. Linscott, Bar Harbor, Me.; and Marion B. Thomas, Middleboro, Mass.



# WINDING UP THE SPORTS YEAR

By Norman C. Perkins, '32

COLBY is in the midst of another hectic period of athletic competition. All the spring schedules must be completed in less than three weeks' time. The first two baseball games had to be postponed and this further complicated matters. The schedules in all sports have been radically reduced but this concentration of games in the last couple of weeks may prove a hardship on the players' studies. There is now developing some doubt as to whether similar spring schedules can be carried out next year.

The baseball team, as it is lined up at present by Coach Roundy, is composed largely of Seniors and Sophomores. Seniors in the lineup include Captain Joe Slattery, the team's number one pitcher, Tee Laliberte at shortstop and Ed Loring in the outfield. Juniors are Bob Dennison and Milt Stillwell, both outfielders. The Sophomores present Bud McKay behind the plate, Mike Collins on first, Dom Puiia at second and Ben Zecker at third. Don Butcher and Mitch Jaworski are second year pitchers, as is Zecker. When the latter pitches, Jaworski fills in at third. In Bob Jacobs and Jerry Cole, Roundy has capable replacements for catcher McKay.

The season started off with a "marathon" game with Maine on Seaverns field. It was a typical opening game for both teams and much poor play was exhibited. In former days this would have been an exhibition game, but not in the present shortened season. Joe Slattery pitched for the Mules and after a big first inning in which Maine scored four runs, held the opposition well. In the meantime, Colby piled up a 7 to 5 lead. Joe had been having trouble with a stiff shoulder and it finally caught up to him in the ninth inning. In this frame Maine fell on his delivery for four runs to win the game 9 to 7.

Bowdoin next invaded Waterville on April 27, leading the state series by virtue of their win over Bates. Don Butcher set the Polar Bears



**FACES WE WILL MISS NEXT YEAR** — These nine senior athletes have helped win many victories for Colby in the past three years. In front are Eero Helin, captain of football, and Eddie Loring, All-Maine center, All-New England goalie, and varsity outfielder. The others are, left to right, Harold Bubar, All-Maine end and letter winner in basketball and track; Victor Lebednick, captain of track; Alton Laliberte, star hockey defense man and regular shortstop; Oren Shiro, football tackle, captain of basketball, member of golf team; Shelley Pratt, hurdler; Robert I. Johnson, captain of hockey and captain of golf; Joseph Slattery, star pitcher, outfielder and captain of baseball. Also deserving to be in the picture is Charles A. Lord, captain of tennis and twice state singles champion.

down with five hits and four runs while Colby reversed this order by getting only four hits but scoring five runs. As in the Maine game, the early play of both teams was rather poor but they settled down after the third inning to play scoreless ball.

On the following day the team played their first game away from home at Bates. Ben Zecker's fast ball, boosted by a tail wind, set the Bates players down without a run. Colby scored single runs in three different innings to win 3 to 0 and go into a lead in the state series.

Northeastern defeated Colby in Boston 9 to 8 with a perfect squeeze play in the ninth inning. The Colby boys had their big chance to win in their half of the ninth after loading the bases with none out, but Slattery, Jaworski and Collins failed to hit.

Baseball material in the Freshman class is so scanty that Bill Millett has been forced to open the sport up to upperclassmen. The Junior Varsity thus formed won their opening game from Waterville High 9 to 3 and then lost a close but poorly played game to Kents Hill 8 to 9. In their third game, they outslugged Coburn 24 to 9. Larry Arra shows promise as a pitcher and infielder and Gene Hunter plays well at first base. Dick Gruber and George Lewald should develop as outfielders. Another good prospect is Roy Leaf who works out with the team but is not eligible for spring competition.

The tennis team was the surprise of the early spring season. The boys on the squad practiced on the basketball floor in the field house and took their Boston trip without having



played on an outdoor court. Nevertheless, they took M. I. T. into camp by the score of 5 to 4 and followed this with an 8 to 1 victory over Boston University. Bates gave them their first defeat by the score of 7 to 2. Captain Charlie Lord is the number one player and the other regulars in order are: 2, Bud Godfrey; 3, Ed Alexander; 4, Carl Pizzano; 5, Dwight Howard and 6, Bob Rice. Arthur Mosher and Mayer Jacobs are other members of the squad.

Late snows handicapped the golf team, making the Waterville country club course unavailable for practice. The team is captained by Bud Johnson who plays number one. Other members are: 2, Joe Wallace; 3, Oren Shiro; 4, Al Ridley; 5, John Wood and 6, Lockley Jennings or Cliff Came. A four man team of Johnson, Wallace, Shiro and Ridley lost to M. I. T. 5 to 1. Wallace was the only Colby winner. On the following day, they were defeated by Boston University, 6 to 0. The state championship for this year will be decided by dual matches. An individual championship will be played off at the Augusta country club.

We thought that the indoor track season was hampered by injury and sickness, but it was a coach's paradise compared to the chain of circumstances which have transpired this spring. Several good prospects who would have helped the team failed to report, preferring to play intramural sports. Then Frank Quincy, our best two miler in several years, got the mumps and was so ill the college doctor will not let him run at all. He was a sure place winner in the state meet. We got through our dual meet with M. I. T., losing to them 40 to 95. Captain Vic Lebednik was the high scorer of the meet, winning the shot and discus throws and placing second in the hammer. Shelley Pratt won both hurdles with beautiful races. The Engineers outclassed us badly in the running events and jumps while we were superior in the weights and hurdles.

In the midst of our preparations for the meet with Vermont, we learn that Pratt is in the infirmary with the mumps and Jim Bateman will be in Lawrence, Mass. conferring with his draft board. We go into this meet without a sprinter, broad jumper, high hurdler, two miler or good low

## Spring Sport Results

### BASEBALL

Colby	Opp.
7 Maine	9
5 Bowdoin	4
3 Bates	0
8 Northeastern (11 innings)	9
12 Boston College	22
2 Bowdoin	4
2 Maine (10 innings)	3
11 Bates	6

### Series Standing

Colby	Won	Lost	Pc.
Bates	3	3	500
Bowdoin	3	3	500
Maine	3	3	500

### TRACK

Colby	Opp.
40 Mass. Inst. Tech.	95
42 2-3 Univ. of Vermont	92 1-3

State meet—Colby fourth.

### GOLF

Colby	Opp.
1 Mass. Inst. Tech.	7
40 Boston Univ.	8
7 Bates	2
1½ Maine	7½
5 Bowdoin	4

State tournament—Wallace, fourth.  
Series standing—Colby, Maine, Bowdoin, tied for first.

### TENNIS

Colby	Opp.
5 Mass. Inst. Tech.	4
8 Boston Univ.	1
2 Bates	7
2 Maine	7

State tournament—Alexander reached semi-finals. (Capt. Lord out because of illness.)  
Series standing—Colby fourth.

### FRESHMAN BASEBALL

Colby	Opp.
9 Waterville H. S.	3
8 Kents Hill	9
24 Coburn	9
9 Kents Hill	11

### FRESHMAN TRACK

Colby	Opp.
72 Combined Kennebec Valley high schools	54
81 Coburn and M. C. I.	45
64 Hebron	62

State relays—Colby second.

### FRESHMAN TENNIS

Colby	Opp.
5 Ricker	4

hurdler and no magician who can produce any of these.

We are fortunate to have a very cooperative group of Freshmen out for track. In their first meet, they defeated the combined champions of the Kennebec Valley League 72 to 45. Red Weinstein bettered the college record in the 440 by running it in 50.6 seconds. His 22.6 seconds in the 220 is a new Freshman record. Jerry Lewis won his specialties, the high

jump and hurdles and then jumped 21' 11" in the broad jump which is a new event for him. Competition is very keen for places on the Freshman medley relay team which will run at the state meet. Weinstein is in a class by himself in the quarter mile. Roberts and Barton appear to be the leading 220 men and Robinson, Burke and Ellingwood are the distance men who are waging a close battle for the privilege of running the 880 leg.

### SIDE LINE CHATTER

Readers of this column (if any) may wonder why early season games are given full write-ups while later games are mentioned only briefly. It is all a matter of press dead lines. Copy is sent to the printer in the middle of the season and scores of late games are inserted in the final proof by the Editor.

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At the year's end we look back on Colby's most successful season in history: state championships, in football and hockey, ties for championships in basketball, baseball and golf.

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When Ben Toomey, local sports writer, interviewed Coach Roundy for a personal write-up, he learned that Coach was a four letterman when he attended St. Lawrence. When quizzed as to the fourth sport, Roundy admitted that he had been a hurdler on the track team. He ran both low and high hurdles, not low and lower.

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Roundy recalled as one of the funnier moments of his long coaching career in baseball, the time when Colby was playing Duke on a southern trip. Joe Chernauskas who pitched the game had spent the night before reading Jack Coombs' "How to Play Baseball." He was doing his best to keep the home runs well spaced, when Vinnie Allen called in from the outfield, "Why don't you turn the page, Joe, so we can get these fellows out of there?"

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The hockey team is now spread around in several other sports. Ed Loring, Don Butcher and Tee Laliberte are playing baseball. Bud Johnson and Joe Wallace are on the golf team. Ernie Wiedul, husky defense man, is the softie of the group, — playing softball.

## Honors to Colby Sons and Daughters



The Colby Sons and Daughters receiving honors were, left to right, Frances M. Shannon, '44, Ruth E. Crowell, '42, Howard R. Johnson, '43, Carlyle L. Libby, '44, David A. Choate, '45, Priscilla Moldenke, '43, Hope-jane Gillingham, '43, and Robinson Burbank, '42. Not in picture: Curtis L. Hemenway, '42, Addison E. Steeves, '42.

**E**ACH spring the final assembly is an occasion for announcing the winners of the various academic awards and prizes for the past year. President Arthur A. Hauck of the University of Maine was the guest speaker for the occasion on May 4.

There were 42 different awards in the form of medals, certificates, books and cash prizes totalling \$645. The Condon Medal this year went to Charles A. Lord of Philadelphia, senior class president, captain of tennis and state singles champion.

In this list, the sons and daughters of Colby parents appeared frequently, their achievements being as follows:

**Robinson Derry Burbank, '42** (Hazel Robinson Burbank, '17), High Honors in General Scholarship, Phi Beta Kappa.

**Ruth Esther Crowell, '42** (Mary Weston Crowell, '11), Honors in General Scholarship.

**Curtis Leland Hemenway, '42** (Leland D. Hemenway, '17, Clara Hinckley Hemenway, '16), tied for the Marston Morse Mathematics and Physics Essay Prize, and tied for the Bernard H. Porter Physics Prize.

**Addison Elliot Steeves, '42** (Earl R. Steeves, '16), the Solomon Gallert

English Prize, for his essay on "Arms and Ideas."

**Hope-jane Gillingham, '43** (Arthur D. Gillingham, '14), the Students' League Scholarship, for the junior girl with conspicuous qualities of scholarship, leadership, participation in campus activities, friendliness, and who is contributing to her college expenses by her own efforts.

**Howard Raymond Johnson, '43** (Justin O. Johnson, '27), Perkins Geology Prize, and High Honors in General Scholarship.

**Priscilla Moldenke, '43** (Clara Winslow Moldenke, '13), High Honors in General Scholarship.

**Carlyle Lowell Libby, '44** (Herbert Carlyle Libby, '02, Mabel Dunn Libby, '03), second prize, Hallowell Speaking Contest.

**Frances Shannon, '44** (Dr. Charles G. Shannon, '99), Honors in General Scholarship.

**David Atwood Choate, '45** (Col. John F. Choate, '20, Bertha Cobb Choate, '22), first prize, Hallowell Speaking Contest, and the Lelia M. Forster Prize for freshman men for having shown "the characteristics and ideals most likely to benefit society."

## COLBY RECEIVES \$30,000

**T**HE grant of \$30,000 from the Carnegie Corporation of New York was announced by President Johnson this month. This for construction expenses on Mayflower Hill, he said, although not designated for any particular building or other specific purpose.

## SUMMER ENROLLMENT UP

**A**LTHOUGH it was considered that a registration of 100 would be satisfactory for Colby's first summer session beginning June 1, the indications are that there will be 140 or so students enrolled.

## NEW TRUSTEE

**A**T their spring meeting on April 18, the Board of Trustees elected to membership in their body, Albert Stark Newell of Bath.

Mr. Newell is president of the Bath Iron Works and is one of the biggest industrialists in the State. He is a graduate and trustee of Massachusetts Institute of Technology and received the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Colby last June. Numerous scientific and technical societies here and in Great Britain have taken him into membership.

He brings to the Colby board a devotion to all things which benefit the State of Maine, as well as mature experience and practical imagination.

## A. T. O. SEMI-CENTENNIAL

**T**HE Gamma Alpha chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity will be fifty years old in June and will celebrate this important milestone in its history at Commencement. Dr. Frederick A. Pottle, '17, of New Haven, Conn., is in charge of the anniversary program, which begins with a buffet luncheon at the chapter house at noon on Sunday, May 24. The speakers on this occasion will include Wellington Hodgkins, '94, Springfield, Mass., who was the founder of the chapter; Dean Ernest C. Marriner, '13; and Alexander Macomber, Boston, treasurer of the national fraternity and for many years

chief of Province IV. Thomas G. Grace, '21, New York City, will act as toastmaster, and alumni will occupy the various fraternity offices. Fifty-Year Golden Circle certificates will be presented to the eight living charter members, and Harold J. Barbar, '42, who has been selected as the outstanding active member of the fraternity in Province IV, including chapters at Maine, Colby, Bowdoin, New Hampshire and Vermont, will receive from Mr. Macomber the Thomas Arkle Clark award. The officers of Gamma Alpha Alumni Association are: G. Cecil Goddard, '29, president; Henry W. Rollins, '32,

vice-president; A. Galen Eustis, '23, treasurer; and Nathaniel E. Wheeler, '09, secretary.

#### FACULTY PUBLICATIONS

**A**N article on "The Surface Tension of Solutions of Sodium Chloride," by Dr. Wendell A. Ray, assistant professor of chemistry, appeared in the January issue of the *Journal of the American Chemical Society*.

The results of research by Dr. Henry W. Aplington of the biology department, were recently published in the *American Journal of Anatomy*.

etic language is language that expresses the qualities of experience, as distinguished from language that indicates its uses." And then to "the qualities of experience" he adds "in terms of a given sensibility." "In the ordinary or popular sense of the term, poetry is language in which expression of the qualities of experience is felt to predominate greatly over statement concerning its uses."

The chapter of "pure poetry" not only defines the term, but also shows the limitations of such writing, and closes with the statement that the "great" ages in literature are the impure ones, the ones in which "truths" or even didacticism is often part of a poem.

Professor Pottle closes with a discussion of "emergent idiom," making special reference to Wordsworth and Pope.

He speaks of his indebtedness to Aristotle, and, among modern critics, he mentions especially Max Eastman, some of whose ideas have been valuable in the development of the book.

Here is a book on poetic theory which any reader of poetry can enjoy. In it he will find ideas to bring into sharper focus his own concepts.

—ALFRED K. CHAPMAN, '25,  
Asst. Professor of English.

Editor's Note: A lengthy review by Max Eastman in the *New York Times Book Review* for March 29, paid high praise to Prof. Pottle's book. Said the reviewer: "I think it is one of the wisest books on literary criticism ever written, and that no one should discuss poetic values again without reading it. . . How illuminating it (Pottle's theory) is, when flashed about over the field of poetry, both past and present, by Professor Pottle's lively and diverse intelligence, this brief notice can but faintly convey. His little book has wit and beauty as well as a poised and searching thought to expound."

*THE FIRST HUNDRED YEARS OF THOMAS HARDY, 1840-1940.* By Carl J. Weber. Waterville: The Colby College Library, 1942. 276 pages. \$5.00.

**T**HE subtitle of this work by the head of Colby's English department is "A Centenary Bibliography of Hardiana," and this more closely describes the volume which lists all

### New Books by Colby Authors

*THE IDIOM OF POETRY.* By Frederick A. Pottle. 139 pp. Ithaca: Cornell University Press. 1942.

**P**ROFESSOR FREDERICK A. POTTLE'S *The Idiom of Poetry* consists of six lectures, the Messenger Lectures on the Evolution of Civilization, delivered at Cornell University in the spring of 1941. The material for them is derived from a graduate-school course in the theory of poetry, one of Professor Pottle's courses at Yale University.

The lectures avoid technical terminology and are so written as to be understandable to the layman. Perhaps this quality of style contributes to the feeling that here is a very sensible book on a subject difficult to treat in simple language. Also, a breadth of perspective contributes to this feeling. The book has a broad time perspective and a broad subject perspective. Instead of expressing simply a twentieth century reaction, Professor Pottle tries to understand how the people of a past age would react to the poetry of that age. This is most clearly demonstrated in his treatment of the eighteenth century. He is a writer on poetic theory who is at home in dealing with scientific concept, and who can explain his ideas by illuminating analogies from science.

The most valuable part of the book is his "doctrine of critical relativism," which he explains partly by an analogy with scientific relativism, at

the same time distinguishing clearly the differences between the data of science and those of criticism. "What we can ask of the poetry of an age," he says, "is that it shall express the sensibility of that age." Or again, "Critics should evaluate, and evaluate with all their might. But they ought to realize that what they are really evaluating is their own sensibility—or, if that sounds too much like a paradox, that they are always evaluating in terms of their own sensibility." We are mistaken, then, in considering eighteenth century verse unpoetic because the more romantic twentieth century sensibility does not respond to it so strongly as to more romantic writing. After all, human nature did not lose its power of feeling during the eighteenth century. We have to consider subjective judgment and the historical record of what past critics have said. Unlike the judgment of the scientist, who is more likely to be right, the more accumulated material he has to work with, the judgment of the critic is not necessarily any more "right" because it is more recent. Dryden, Professor Pottle thinks, has come nearer than any other English critic to having the relativistic outlook.

In the chapter, "What Is Poetry?" Professor Pottle tries to arrive at a definition which avoids the vagueness of a metaphor, and which, at the same time, is broad enough to include all that is commonly considered poetry. His enlightening conclusion is, "Po-

the books and articles about Thomas Hardy now found in the Colby College Library—276 pages of them, uncounted thousands in number.

This is more than an index, however, it provides a guide to all the theses and dissertations on Hardy in whatever library and whatever language, and also to the vast Hardy literature spread through elusive pages of scores of magazines and journals.

Philip Brooks, rare book expert on the New York Times, devoted one of

his weekly articles to this work. "The publication of this voluminous and impressive record is a valuable service to scholars and students," he said. "Next to the degree of completeness of the entries, a valuable feature is the interpolated comment, often adverse, by Professor Weber and others, and the occasional passages quoted from the articles cited. They afford a splendid critical perspective that one would not expect to find in a work of a bibliographical character."

bundle of written sheets will be cherished among the treasures of the Colby Library.

### The Rare Book Corner

THE Book Arts Collection of the Colby College Library has recently been enriched by a gift from Dr. Charles Worthen Spencer, '90, of a fifteenth century Latin manuscript of the Four Gospels. The manuscript is written on parchment in the pointed missal letters called in France "Lettres de forme." The style of writing would seem to indicate that the manuscript was done in Germany in the latter part of the fifteenth century, that is, at the time when printing from movable type was just coming into use in Europe.

The book is bound in brown calf, characteristic of the sixteenth century. A stamped central panel on the front cover bears a picture of John the Baptist. At the top of the panel is the word IESUS and at the bottom, the word MARIA. In the upper border of the panel are the letters S I, standing for Societas Iesu (the Jesuit Society founded by Ignatius of Loyola in 1539); in the lower border are the letters O P, standing for Ordo Predicatorum (the Order of Preachers founded by St. Dominic in 1215).

Facing the first page there is tipped-in a page-sized picture of the Crucifixion in color. The picture probably belongs to a later date than that of the manuscript. The first page of the manuscript has a beautifully illuminated initial letter in blue and red. Throughout the manuscript there are small initials in red, and red ink is also used for running heads, dotting "i's," indicating abbreviations, and providing other embellishments.

Dr. Edward F. Stevens, '89, a cousin of the donor, was instrumental

in securing the book for Colby. He writes that it was found among the family effects after the death of Mrs. Spencer last January. The book had belonged to Mrs. Spencer's father, Dr. John James Lewis, who had been the pastor of the First Baptist Church in Syracuse, N. Y., and later a professor in Madison University, now Colgate. Dr. Lewis had travelled abroad, and probably had acquired the manuscript somewhere in Europe. A cutting, presumably from a dealer's catalogue, is pasted inside the front cover.

Colby College is very grateful to Dr. Spencer for this, his latest gift. Not only is it a beautiful specimen of book-making but it will be of very great value to students interested in the development of writing in Western Europe.

—WILBERT L. CARR,  
Taylor Professor of Latin.

The Library has received from Rufus Junes the holograph manuscript of his recent book "A Small Town Boy." As many readers know, this book depicts the boyhood of this Quaker leader in China, Maine, less than ten miles from Waterville, but it is less of an autobiography than an examination into the "grass roots" of New England, the rural village of sixty to eighty years ago. The author's profound observations are mixed with anecdotes and character sketches which bring many a chuckle. As a keepsake from one of the greatest figures to come from this section of the country and as a symbol of our heritage of the American and New England way of life—this

In last month's issue of *The Library Quarterly*, there is an article by our former librarian Robert B. Downs on "Notable Materials Added to American Libraries." In this article the Colby Library is mentioned on three counts, with special emphasis on its Edwin Arlington Robinson Collection. Within the past few weeks further Robinson items have come to us from various sources. E. L. Getchell, '96, has sent an autographed copy of Rollo W. Brown's *Next Door to a Poet*,—the poet being Robinson, who, at the MacDowell Colony in Peterborough, N. H., occupied a cabin "next door" to Mr. Brown. From Mrs. Ruby Carver Emerson, '04, has come a copy of the first edition of Robinson's *Children of the Night* (together with a splendid assembly of the publications of Thomas B. Mosher of Portland, Maine,—about whose exquisite book work E. F. Stevens, '89, recently wrote in the *Keepsake* No. 11 issued last year by the Southworth-Anthoensen Press of Portland).

Further contributions to the Robinson Collection have been received from the poet's friend and early neighbor in Gardiner, Mrs. Laura E. Richards. She has sent nicely inscribed copies of two books of poetry by friends of Robinson:—Louis V. Ledoux's "The Story of Eleusis," and Ridgely Torrence's "Poems." (The librarian also reports the receipt from Mrs. Richards of an autographed copy of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," by Julia Ward Howe,—Mrs. Richards's mother.)

Colby graduates will be glad to know, too, that these Rare Book treasures are being *used*. Last week, for the third year in succession, Professor Weber carried a good-sized sampling from the Colby Library for exhibition in Portland at a spring talk on books; last year it was to the Portland College Club, this year to the New England School Librarians' Association. Colby books have been exhibited not only on the home campus and in Portland, but also at the Grolier Club in New York City, at Columbia University, at the University of Newark, and at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn.

If little mention is here made of the Hardy Collection, it is not because there have been no additions in this field but simply because we have made so many previous reports on this subject. Two recent publications testify to the primacy of Colby's Hardy Collection. The latest issue of the *Papers of the Bibliographical Society of America* contains an exhaustive check-list of some fifty-five editions of *The Return of the Native*, an authoritative report based exclusively on the books in the Colby Library, which lacks only three of the 55. The second publication is *The First Hundred Years of Thomas Hardy*, a centenary bibliography of Hardiana

compiled by Professor Weber. Its publication was announced by Librarian Rush about two months ago, and already over five hundred dollars' worth have been sold,—enough to amortize completely the printer's bill.

Following the settled policy of paying special attention to significant Maine authors, the library has added further to its possession of Millay items. At the time of the memorial Millay exhibition opened last February and continued until Easter, the library had to borrow a number of Miss Millay's earlier publications; but since the close of the exhibition several of these youthful publications of the Rockland poet have been permanently added to the Colby files.

annual meetings ever held by the Boston Association. Much credit for its success is due "Tom" Crossman, who early conceived the idea of making the meeting one that President Johnson would always remember as *his* party, given by his own loyal Colby people.

The new officers and executive committee are as follows: President, Rev. John W. Brush, '20; Vice-President, Harris B. McIntyre, '18; Secretary-Treasurer, Lester E. Young, '17; Executive Committee — Thomas J. Crossman, '15; Wilson C. Piper, '29; A. Francis Thompson, '41; Representative to the Alumni Council, Linwood L. Workman, '02.

— Lester E. Young, '17.

## With The Local Colby Clubs

### AT BOSTON

ON Thursday evening, March 26, the final appearance of Dr. Franklin W. Johnson as president of Colby College among the Colby graduates of Boston and vicinity was fittingly celebrated. The occasion was the sixty-first annual meeting of the combined groups of alumni and alumnae, held this year at Hotel Lenox, Boston.

Following an informal reception to Dr. and Mrs. Johnson, promptly at seven o'clock a delicious roast beef dinner was served to one hundred and eighty-three Colby enthusiasts, including President Sills of Bowdoin. Other graduates came in for the program, to bring the total close to the two hundred mark.

The program, Thomas J. Crossman, '15, president of Boston Colby Alumni Association, presiding, was as follows: Greetings by President Crossman and by Mrs. Pauline Higginbotham Blair, '20, president of the Boston Colby alumnae; remarks by President-elect Julius Seelye Bixler; tributes to President Johnson by Dr. Hilda L. Ives, D.D. Colby 1940, and by Neil Leonard, '21, representing the trustees of the college; address by Dr. Kenneth M. Sills of Bowdoin; presentation to Dr. Johnson by Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, of an onyx desk set from the Boston Colby Association; remarks by Dr. Johnson; singing of "Alma Mater"; motion pictures of campus scenes and activities.

A voluminous report would be required adequately to convey the thoughts of the several speakers, but the theme of all who paid tribute to Dr. Johnson dealt with his remarkable and heroic accomplishment for Colby, first in strengthening the curriculum and the faculty of the old Colby, and, second, in working enthusiastically and tirelessly to bring into being the new Colby on Mayflower Hill.

Dr. Bixler, of Harvard, stated that a college education should free people from a sense of insecurity. He also felt sure that Colby men and women stood ready to surrender themselves to the needs of society.

Dr. Johnson, visibly moved by the tributes paid him and by the most cordial atmosphere of the assemblage, reiterated his faith in the liberal arts college and expressed full confidence that, although colleges like Colby will suffer minor changes of method under pressure of war conditions, they will yet emerge from the war with the core of their educational curriculum strong and healthy.

The dinner program was enlivened by spontaneous community singing led by Walter ("Huck") Berry, '22. The Hotel Lenox orchestra and vocal and violin soloists also added much to the occasion. The beautiful souvenir program printed by "Bob" Lavigne, '29, of Worcester, is a permanent reminder of one of the most enjoyable and completely successful

### AT WORCESTER

KEEPING up the record of the alumni meetings in other localities this winter, the largest gathering ever held by the Worcester group took place on April 23 at the Hotel Bond, with 31 present.

President Johnson was the honored guest and three visitors from the Boston association were very welcome. On behalf of the group, Edward F. Buyniski, '35, president, presented Dr. Johnson with a gift which they hoped would remind him of them every day—an electric razor.

An interesting feature was the showing of moving pictures of the fall meeting of the Worcester group held at the Buyniski's summer place. G. Cecil Goddard, '29, alumni secretary, closed the meeting with the current version of the Colby News Reel, including the highlights of last fall's football season.

### AT PROVIDENCE

THE annual dinner of the Colby Club of Rhode Island and South-eastern Massachusetts was held at the Crown Hotel in Providence, on Saturday evening, April 25th. There were thirty-two alumni and guests present. President Johnson and Cecil Goddard were our special guests.

Dr. Henry B. Moor, '10, told very interestingly of President Johnson's work in Education, then of the affection which we all have for him, and of the high esteem in which we all hold him. Dr. Moor then presented the president with a bedside clock as a gift from our Colby Club.

In his response, President Johnson told us, in his characteristically sincere and interesting way, his attitudes and beliefs concerning retiring; and about Dr. Bixler, whom he praised so highly. He talked to us, too, on the effect of the war on the college and the war contributions which the college is making. We were all especially interested in developments on Mayflower Hill and glad that there is so much concrete (and brick) evidence of his genuine success in that undertaking. We are happy to know that his new home is near Mayflower Hill and from here he will carry to completion his worthy endeavor.

Rev. Vernelle W. Dyer, '15, who has recently returned from twenty years in Burma, spoke to us briefly of war conditions there now.

Cecil Goddard showed moving pictures of recent goings-on at the college and Mayflower Hill developments. These we always enjoy.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Wayne McNally, '21, re-elected president; Rev. Vernelle W. Dyer, '15, vice-president; Mrs. J. Drisko Allen, '29, secretary-treasurer.

— Alice Paul Allen, '29.

#### AT HARTFORD

**T**HE Connecticut Valley Colby Club sat down to its annual dinner in the Hotel Bond in Hartford at 7:00 P.M., April 24, 1942. It was the twenty-ninth annual meeting and the second this year. The feelings of the diners were torn between joy at the renewal of old associations and sadness at the thought of its being our last meeting with Dr. Johnson as President of the College. The number present was not up to the usual standard but the Secretary had plenty of evidence that war work, enlistments and lack of tires accounted for this, and not a lack of loyalty. There were six present from the Boston area.

Charles Seaverns, '01, President of the Club, acted as toastmaster and started the meeting off with a few songs and Colby-the-long-way. He then called on Dr. Cecil Clark, '05, one of the visitors from Boston. Dr. Clark effectively showed what the college has done for every Colby man and what Dr. Johnson has done for the College. In behalf of the Club, the toastmaster then presented to Dr.

Johnson a fine set of andirons for his den in the new home on Mayflower Hill. Dr. Johnson responded by expressing his appreciation and reflecting on the memories which the gift would bring to his mind as he sat before his fire. He went on to tell us of life on the campus and progress on the Mayflower Hill development. Members were impressed very favorably with his expressed intention to remain in the background, always ready to help when needed and called upon, but never embarrassing the new administration by interference in the affairs of the College.

After the President's talk, Cecil Goddard took over with the ever interesting moving pictures of the College and its activities. The pictures of Mayflower Hill were not only inspiring but exceptionally well done. They merit showings to others than Colby men and would prove a very fine advertisement.

The meeting was brought to a close by the singing of Alma Mater and those present broke up into small groups and discussed college days.

— Royden K. Greely, '13.

#### ALUMNAE COUNCIL LUNCHEON

**A** "GARDEN LUNCHEON" was tendered to Pres. and Mrs. Johnson by the Alumnae Council on April 4 at the Columbia Hotel, Portland. Green and white decorations, tiny potted plants at each place with plant stakes as place cards, and a

centerpiece (furnished by Ruth Marston Turner, '37) consisting of a four foot miniature garden, complete with spring flowers, pool, pergola and picket fence, bore out the theme.

President Johnson was represented by the presiding officer, Ruth Hamilton Whittmore, '12, as such a competent gardener that his bumper crop of lucre has made it possible to transplant the whole garden to a new and more fertile location.

Esther French Spaulding, '16, spoke of the Alumnae Fund Committee as the "department of trees and shrubs." The crop of "annuals," the undergraduates, were represented by Mary Louise Fraser, '44. The alumnae were characterized by Alona Nicholson Bean, '05, as "the birds that come to the garden attracted by the quality of the seeds there." Florence E. Dunn, '96, speaking for the trustees, explained that they combined the characteristics of hardy perennials with those under-gardeners having spade work to do.

Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, '08, compared Mrs. Johnson to the sunshine in the garden, and presented her with a gift of perfume, symbolic of the affection of all who know her.

President Johnson was then appointed "head gardener extraordinary and landscape architect plenipotentiary" of Mayflower Hill, and presented with a pair of handsome bookends to hold his garden books and seed catalogs.

### Colby Men With The Colors

#### WEAVER, '30, OFF

##### TO NEW ZEALAND

Lieut. Charles W. Weaver, Jr., USN, of Portland, has been assigned to the staff of Vice Admiral Robert L. Ghormley, who is to organize a joint United States - New Zealand naval command with headquarters in New Zealand.

Lieut. Weaver is on two weeks leave of absence before leaving the United States for his new post of duty which is likely to keep him from these shores until the war is over.

Commander of the 19th Division of the Naval Reserves, one of two reserve units in Portland, Lieut. Weaver was ordered to the Naval War College soon after the local reserves were called into Federal service.

He was one of the first 20 reserve officers honored with an assignment to the War College, and while there was an honor student.

Since graduation from the Naval War College last December, Lieut. Weaver has been under Admiral H. R. Stark in the War Plans Division of Naval Operations and for the past two months has served in the headquarters of Commander-in-Chief of the U. S. Fleet, Admiral E. J. King.

Vice Admiral Ghormley has just returned from London where he has been senior U. S. naval officer for two years. The new command which he is to establish in New Zealand will be outside the command of Gen. Douglas MacArthur in Australia.



## FIRST NURSE

**T**HE first report to come into the Alumnae Office of a Colby woman to enter the armed forces is Alma Moses, '39, R. N., who was lately commissioned Second Lieutenant, USA, and has left for an unknown destination overseas.

After three years at Colby, she trained at and was graduated from the Peter Bent Brigham hospital at Boston and has since been working at the Boston Lying In Hospital. She has a brother, a sophomore at Colby.

## TO AUSTRALIA

**W**ORD has been received of the safe arrival in Australia of Capt. Aaron Cook, '30, and Capt. Frank J. Twadelle, '29, both of the Army Medical Corps.

## SERVICE PERSONALS

Maj. Byron H. Smith, '16, has been since December 20th a patient at the Lawson General Hospital, Atlanta, with a knee injury.

Capt. Albert G. Snow, '23, is now attached to the Military Personnel and Training Division, Office of the Quartermaster General, Washington. He had hoped to get leave for the Colby Commencement, but finds that he is scheduled for an inspection and supervision trip to the training schools in the Middle and Far West.

Capt. Wilbur B. McAllister, '26, still misses the many Colby friends who moved away from Camp Blanding a couple of months ago. He is with G-2 of the IVth Army Corps and has to do a great deal of travelling between Florida and the northern cities.

Capt. James Davidson, '30, is commanding two Pack Troops in the Canal Zone. He says that they have so many mules "that we have run out of profanity, but we've been to many places in the jungle that you can't reach on foot and we dare anyone else to say anything nasty about a mule." (Just the old Colby loyalty to the White Mule cropping out.—Ed.)

Lt. (Chap.) James Blok, '32, intended to send a contribution to the ALUMNUS on "I'm glad I studied under Colgan and Wilkinson," but his

duties at Fort Davis, Canal Zone, and the frequent trips on active field duty, have kept him too busy, thus far.

Lt. Donald F. Larkin, '35, writes from Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, that his experiences lately have been many and varied, but censorship regulations prevent their telling. He writes that the day the ALUMNUS arrives, the 6,000 miles between him and home seems greatly diminished.

T[Sgt. Elbridge ("Hocker") Ross, '35, is in a group sponsored by the New England Telephone Co., a Signal Battalion at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. He has charge of setting up field telephones and switchboards. He says that he thought Maine was a big state until he landed "deep in the heart of Texas," and it would be a pleasure to plunge into a cool Maine lake right now.

Ens. Laurel ("Lop") Hersey, '39, is flying instructor at Chevalier Field, Pensacola, Fla. He says that it is called "dual instruction" because you have to do two things simultaneously: try to teach your student how to fly and try to keep him from killing you. "It is a good way to grow old fast," he says, and he hopes to find some Colby boys entering his squadron soon.

Lt. Albert B. Parsons, '39, is flying one of the newest type interceptors on routine patrols from a San Diego base. He frequently meets some Colby man who is a flying officer and enjoys these contacts immensely.

Pvt. Fred Blumenthal, '40, is taking specialist training in the message center at Camp Croft, S. C., and expects to get his diploma soon. He has recently bumped into Bob Canders, '39, Dwight Sargent, '39, and Stan Gruber, '41. Gruber expects to join the parachute troops soon.

Pvt. Edward B. Porter, '42, until last month instructor in stagecraft at Colby, is at Fort Belvoir, Va., taking his basic training in the Engineer's Corps looking forward to specialized training in camouflage work. He also expects to make use of the art project studio at the camp.

Cpl. William E. Pierce, '44, stationed way out at Pendleton, Ore., was listening to the radio one night when over the air came the Colby football song played by Fred Waring's orchestra. He is a radio operator in

a flying fortress, but finds the routine daily flights pretty boring and would like to see more action.

## ADDITIONS TO SERVICE ROSTER

Lt. A. R. Rogers, '17, 706th M. P. Bn., Camp Edwards, Mass.

T[Sgt. Elbridge B. Ross, '35, Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Tex.

Lt. (J.G.) E. Noyes Ervin, '36, M. C., USNR, Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Fla.

Ens. William C. Carter, '38, USNR, Institute of Meteorology, Chicago.

Pvt. Joseph D. Dobbins, '38, Fort Eustis, Va.

A/C Frank A. Record, '38, 353 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge, Mass.

Pvt. Joseph A. Burns, '40, (Alton Burns), USMC, Recruit Dept., Parris Island, S. C.

A/C William A. Small, '40, 44 Irving St., Cambridge, Mass. (Meteorologic Service, Army Air Corps).

Pvt. Arthur S. Cobb, '41, Keesler Field, Miss.

Pvt. Robert E. Wheelock, '41, Fort Knox, Ky.

Max A. Holzrichter, '42, Naval Air Station, Lakehurst, N. J.

## PROMOTIONS

To Corporal, Francis C. Prescott, '38, Fort Sill, Okla.

To Ensign, Stetson C. Beal, '41, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va.

To Ensign, Alfred E. Brown, '41, Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va.

To 2nd Lieutenant, Richard L. Nickerson, '42, USN, Jacksonville, Fla.

To Sergeant, Laurence M. Edwards, '43, France Field, C. Z.

To Corporal, William E. Pierce, '44, Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala.

## TRANSFERALS

Capt. Albert G. Snow, '23, to Office of the Quartermaster General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Lt. Samuel R. Feldman, '26, to Boston Section Base, Lockwood Basin, East Boston, Mass.

Capt. W. B. McAllister, '26, to Fort Shelby, Miss.

Lt. Col. Leslie H. Wyman, '26, (about June 1) to the 6th Armored Division, Fort Knox, Ky.



Capt. James E. Davidson, '30, to Fort Davis, C. Z.

Chap. James Blok, '32, to Fort Wm. D. Davis, C. Z.

Pvt. Dwight E. Sargent, '38, to Camp Croft, S. C.

Lt. Albert B. Parsons, '39, to Naval Air Station, San Diego, Calif.

Pvt. Charles H. Card, '40, to Camp Joseph T. Robinson, Ark.

Candidate Edward H. Jenison, '40, to Officers Candidate School, Finance, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Lloyd V. Gooch, '41, Seaman First Class, to Lockwood Basin, East Boston, Mass.

Ens. William L. Guptill, '41, to Naval Air Station, Norfolk, Va.

A/C Richard C. McDonald, '41, to Naval Air Station, Jacksonville, Fla.

Lt. Vita Fedorovich, '42, Shaw Field, Sumter, S. C.

Pvt. Edward B. Porter, '42, to Fort Belvoir, Va.

## Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

### 1890

Antha Knowlton Miller expects to spend her usual vacation at Lagania Beach (which is not far from San Diego) this next summer. She writes:

"We are not one bit jittery but we do wish that there were not so many Japs around. Our 'Oakies' and fashionable tourists have rather walked out on us and that hurts our pride of course. The hotel men say, however, that the tourists are all running back 'just like boys running to a fire'."

### 1891

Franklin W. Johnson served as chairman for the United China Relief campaign in Waterville and surrounding towns. Assigned a quota of \$2,000, his area contributed more than \$400 in excess of this goal.

### 1893

Oliver L. Hall was the speaker at the annual banquet of the Colby Echo board at the Hotel Elmwood. The students enjoyed his reminiscences of amusing or unusual incidents during his newspaper career.

George Otis Smith is recuperating from an operation performed at the Phillips House, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston. While he does not expect to attend Commencement, he looks forward to renewed health and activity this summer.

### 1907

Fred W. C. Rideout has been appointed assistant vice-president of the Export-Import Bank in Washington, D. C.

### 1909

Harold W. Kimball was elected secretary of the Waterville Rotary Club at a recent meeting.

### 1911

Attorney Royden Valentine Brown of Skowhegan, secretary to the Maine Senate since 1925, was appointed Judge of the Western Somerset Municipal Court.

Judge Brown was born in Clinton, Maine, in February, 1889, the son of Charles C. and Emma Rolfe Brown.

He was graduated from Coburn Classical Institute, and attended Colby College in 1911, leaving after two years for study at the University of Maine Law School and later at Georgetown University Law School in Washington, D. C. He was admitted to the bar in 1912 and began his practice in Bingham, continuing there for 22 years until he moved to Skowhegan to continue his practice. In early manhood he was principal of Solon High School for three years.

He was married Sept. 18, 1924, to Mrs. Naomi Bradburn Campbell of Washington, D. C.

### 1912

"Cy" and Laurel Kepple have just built themselves a new house in San Rafael, California, where "Cy" has been, for the past two years, principal of the Tamalpais School for Boys. Laurel writes: "San Rafael is a quaint, busy little town just twelve miles from San Francisco in a spot as beautiful as God ever made. The school is small, being an old one recently rebuilt into a modern design and preparing boys for Eastern colleges. Cy once more has a 'building job'."

"With the war in our arms, almost, the entire picture of education seems changed. . . We had a number of withdrawals at once when war was declared. . . On the other hand we are constantly getting new boys, sent us from Hawaii. . . We have two boys

who went through the bombing at Pearl Harbor."

The Kepples' son has recently been made manager of the Minn. Mining Co., so the young grandson is now here in New England a long way from his proud grandmother. Their twin daughters went to the University of Southern California where they split company, one joining Tri Delta and the other Chi Omega. They are both engaged to men in the service. One of the girls is majoring in Psychology and taking an Ambulance Driver's course, the other is studying to be a dental nurse and hopes to get into the army next spring.

Laurel has been very busy with various war activities including a Red Cross Drive in the course of which the school raised over \$500 in a period of two weeks. Tires and gas seem likely to prevent their taking the trip East for Commencement and our 30th reunion.

### 1914

Robert E. Owen, principal of the Oak Grove School, Vassalboro, Maine, was recently elected treasurer of the Waterville Rotary Club for the ensuing year.

### 1915

Arthur Sampson in his column in the Boston Herald for April 15th writes as follows of "Fergie" Murch: "Attending the 1941 spring football sessions quite often was Fergie Murch, a physics professor who has served on the athletic council. Prof. Murch is not seen on the athletic field these days. He is too busy. In normal times, Dartmouth undergraduates have not flocked to physics courses in large numbers. There seemed to be easier ways of acquiring term hours than solving problems by experiment in the laboratories. But the declara-

tion of war has changed all that. An understanding of physics is helpful in gaining admittance to officers' training schools. It is an asset when seeking enrollment in air corps branches of the service. So, twice as many students are now enlisted in physics courses. Classes have to be divided into sections. And having twice as many pupils to instruct and twice as much work to do, physics professors, like Prof. Murch, have no time to attend football practice sessions or play golf."

#### 1916

Cyril M. Joly, judge of the Waterville Municipal Court, has been elected vice-president of the Waterville Rotary Club for the ensuing year.

#### 1921

Neil Leonard has been re-elected chairman of the Newton Centre division of the Greater Boston Community Chest Fund.

Bernard E. Esters of Houlton has been nominated to the State Republican Committee from Aroostook County.

#### 1925

At the recent installation meeting of the Houlton Lodge of Elks Oscar P. Benn was seated as Exalted Ruler for the ensuing year.

#### 1926

Francis F. Bartlett, treasurer of the Boothby & Bartlett Insurance Company, Waterville, has been elected president of the Waterville Rotary Club.

#### 1927

Archer Jordan, Jr., is a junior economist in the U. S. Department of Labor and is now located in New York City. His address is Irvington Hall Apts., 355 West 51st Street.

#### 1928

Joseph F. Theriault of Haverhill, Mass., has been appointed engineering head of the civilian defense set-up in Haverhill. Mr. Theriault is a teacher of chemistry in the Haverhill High School.

#### 1929

Taking advantage of his absence on a fishing trip to the Moosehead Lake region, the Kennebec County Republican Committee recently elected G. Cecil Goddard to the office of County Chairman. He has been active in party affairs for several years and is a former Republican Alderman of Waterville.

#### 1930

Millan Egert is special assistant to Assistant Administrator, Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C. He is residing in Bethesda, Md.

#### 1933

Bertha Lewis Timson and her husband have recently moved to Montgomery Road, Manchester, N. H. Bertha would very much like to get in touch with any Colbyites living in her vicinity.

Louise Tinkham is night-supervisor at the Boston Lying-In Hospital but if she passes her physical examination she will soon be a Lieutenant in the Army, destination unknown, but probably with some expeditionary force.

Rosamond Barker returned from Newfoundland at Christmas time. She now lives at the Webster Apartments, 419 West 34th Street, New York City. She still works for the Grenfell Mission in their New York office and plans to return to Newfoundland for summer work.

Rev. Leonard Helie, minister of the Second Unitarian Church in Brookline, Mass., organized an all-Bach recital for the benefit of Dr. Albert Schweitzer on April 22nd. Dr. Julius S. Bixler, president-elect of Colby, spoke briefly on Dr. Schweitzer and his remarkable career.

#### 1935

George Lowell is manager of the Personal Finance Co. in Dover, N. H.

#### 1937

Hayden Wright is an order checker for J. E. Gould Co. in Portland.

#### 1938

George Bonner is floor manager of S. S. Kresge, 477 Washington St., Boston, and lives at 760 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown.

Joseph D. Dobbins, for the past three years teacher and coach at Houlton High School, has been granted a leave of absence and has enlisted in the U. S. Army.

Sigrid Tompkins, who recently passed her Maine state bar exams, has begun the practice of law in Houlton in the offices formerly occupied by her father, Nathaniel Tompkins, '03, justice of the Superior Court. Miss Tompkins is the only woman attorney in Aroostook County.

#### 1940

Carl McGraw is a chemist with the Hawk-Eye Works, Eastman Kodak Co., in Rochester, N. Y.

#### 1941

Ruth Stebbins is studying for her Master's Degree in Political Science at George Washington University. The topic for her thesis is "The Relations of the U. S. and the Philippine Governments since the Commonwealth."

Hartley A. Bither is director of the Y. M. C. A. Camp Jordan and judging from a letter describing the Camp, it's a fine feather in Hartley's cap.

#### 1942

Beniah C. Harding, employed by the Bath Y. M. C. A. since his graduation in February, is now in the Ordnance Office of the War Department in Washington as a result of civil service examination. He and Mrs. Harding are located at 906 So. Washington St., Alexandria, Va.

## Milestones

### ENGAGEMENTS

Isabel G. Putnam, of Houlton, Maine, to James L. Ross, '36, of Houlton. Miss Putnam attended Bradford Junior College and was graduated from the Lesley School in Cambridge, Mass., in 1939. She is a sister of Hannah Putnam, '41. Mr. Ross for the past five years has been employed as assistant editor of the Houlton Pioneer Times. No date has been set for the wedding.

Jean Cannell, '42, of Everett, Mass., to Weston MacRae, '42, of Searsport, Maine. Miss Cannell will receive her degree in June, while Mr. MacRae

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Log Bungalow of four rooms two miles from Waterville on Bus line. Space for extra rooms in attic. Hardwood floors, modern bath, large kitchen, oil burner in furnace, garage, acre of land. Price \$3,400.

Lake Shore Farm, 84 acres on Great Pond near Belgrade Lakes Village. Two houses: one abandoned Cape Cod cottage of beautiful lines, easily repaired and large two-story house with good foundation, electricity available. Both houses situated on large knoll overlooking 35 acres of excellent tillage land. Plenty of wood and timber for home use. Seventy-five foot frontage on Great Pond with sandy beach. Price \$2,000.

Shore Lot of 15 acres — 25 rods frontage on East shore China Lake. Land slopes from macadam road to lake, offering several beautiful cottage sites with excellent view across lake towards the western hills. (Extra wood lot available.) Price \$1,000.

Farm of twenty acres in city limits, fine old colonial house, ten rooms and two baths, steam heat, G-E oil burner, large barn, two car garage. Price \$12,000. Arranged for one or two families.

Cottage on Great Pond, completely furnished, over 100 feet shore front, good bathing, single room sleeping camp with twin beds, cooking camp with dining porch, electricity, beautiful trees, adjoins the Colby Outing Club.

Riverside Farm, four miles from Fairfield, twenty acres of land, suitable for poultry raising. Cape Cod cottage of seven rooms, new roof, electric lights, artesian well and pump in shed, barn 50x60. Good bass fishing in the Kennebec River. Price \$1,650.

Lake Shore Farm of 15 acres with 200 foot frontage on Messalonskee Lake, 15 miles from Waterville on Route 11. Seven room Cape Cod cottage recently renovated, electricity installed, modern bath, running water. Superb view from house. Two barns. Price \$3,000.

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completed his work in February. At present he is employed by Swift & Company in Waterbury, Conn.

Shirley Fottor of Waterville, Maine, to G. Richard Mountfort, Jr., '44, of Waterville, Maine. Miss Fottor was graduated from the Waterville High School and Mr. Mountfort is a sophomore at Colby College.

Deborah E. Stillings, '40, of West Andover, Mass., to Gilbert E. Potts, '42, of East Northfield, Mass. Miss Stillings has recently taken a secretarial course at the Charles School in Cambridge and is now employed by the United Life and Accident Insurance Company at 87 Kilby Street, Boston. Mr. Potts is a senior at Colby.

A. Elizabeth Swanton, '33, of Peabody, Mass., to Douglas B. Allan, '32, Westfield, N. J. Miss Swanton is teaching in Lexington, Mass., and Mr. Allan is engaged in the paper business.

#### MARRIAGES

Josephine Weick Snare of Hampden, Maine, to Lawrence W. Dwyer, '39, of Hermon, Maine, at the home of the bride's parents in Hampden. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Roy H. Short, '26, of Fairfield. Mrs. Dwyer, who is the daughter of Austin W. Snare, '95, and Mrs. Snare, is a graduate of the University of Maine and has been teaching in the Brewer High School. Mr. Dwyer is the principal of Hermon High School.

Jean Coyle, '41, of Norwich, Conn., to Philip William Delaney, at Norwich on April 4, 1942. Miss Coyle is a student at the Norwich Commercial College this year.

Helen E. Foster, '38, of Winthrop, Maine, to Sgt. Edward H. Jenison, '40, on April 24, 1942, at Winthrop. Mrs. Jenison is the daughter of Herbert E. Foster, '96, and Mrs. Foster and has been teaching at Buxton, Maine. Sgt. Jenison is stationed at Westover Field, Mass.

Jane Douglass Montgomery, '38, of Boothbay Harbor, Maine, to Robert Wyckliffe Cole, of Charlottesville, Virginia, on May 2, 1942, at Chevy Chase, Md. The bride is employed in the Hydrographic Department of the Navy in Washington, D. C. Mr. Cole has completed three years of his medical training at the University of Virginia, but is at present with the

George A. Fuller Construction Company in Washington, D. C. The wedding was an informal church wedding with only a small group of relatives and friends present. Prudence Piper, '41, was bridesmaid. Mr. and Mrs. Cole will reside at 1660 Lanier Place, Washington, D. C.

Ida Irene Lenox of Dorchester, Mass., to Hoover R. Goffin, '41, of Portland, Maine, on December 21, 1941, at Brandon Hall, Brookline, Mass. Miss Lenox is a graduate of the Practical Arts and Letters Division of Boston University and at present is employed as a secretary for the Coleman Levin Company of Boston. Mr. Goffin, who is now in the army and stationed at Pine Camp,

N. Y., previous to his induction into military service was a teacher at Sabattus High School, Sabattus, Me.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Cutts (Rebecca Penniman, '34), of Boothbay Harbor, Maine, a son on February 7th.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Hall (A. Willetta Herrick, '38), of Rangeley, Maine, a daughter, Marian Alice, on February 13, 1942, at Farmington, Maine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth J. Smith (Kenneth J. Smith, '26), of Waterville, Maine, a daughter, Margaret, on April 24, 1942, at Waterville, Maine.

### Necrology

#### JOHN A. SHAW, '88

Word has just been received of the death of John A. Shaw at Pasadena, Calif. on April 4, 1941. Mr. Shaw received a B.A. degree from Colby in 1888, and an M.A. in 1892. He was an ordained Baptist minister and had held pastorates in Dover, N. H.; Quincy, Ill.; Red Oak, Iowa; Salida, Colo.; Albuquerque, N. M.; and Spokane, Wash. He was a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity.

#### LELAND P. STURTEVANT, '91

Leland P. Sturtevant, a resident of Fairfield, Maine, died on April 15, 1942, after several years of ill health.

He was born in Fairfield on June 30, 1867, the son of Reward A. and Mary Pollard Sturtevant. After graduation from Colby in 1891, he taught in Maine high schools for a number of years, and then purchased a farm in Fairfield, where he spent the major portion of his life.

On October 21, 1901, Mr. Sturtevant married Minnie Whitaker Heald of Waterville. He is survived by three children: Norman W. Sturtevant of Clinton; Mrs. Earlington Chaney of Freeport; and Arnold Sturtevant of Freeport.

#### NELLIE CRIE HAYNES, '00

Nellie Crie Haynes, Colby 1900, died in a Utica Hospital on July 10, 1941, after a few months' acute and incurable illness. She was born in

Rockland, Maine, and attended the Rockland public schools, from which she came to Colby where she attended for two years.

In 1901 she was married to Rev. Harold W. Haynes of the class of 1900 and for the first years of their marriage they lived in Beverly and Lowell, Mass., where Mr. Haynes occupied pastorates. From 1931 to 1941 their home was in Binghampton, N. Y., and in January, 1941, they moved to Herkimer, N. Y.

Mrs. Haynes was brilliant and capable. During the time she lived in Binghampton she served for two terms as President of the Civic Clubs with a membership of some 600 women; two terms as President of the Federated Church Women, which included forty churches; for seven years teacher of a large class in "The Bible as Literature" at the Y. W. C. A.; was a member of the Southern Tier Chapter of University Women; member of the State of Maine Club, and served on innumerable committees as well as carrying on the parish work of their own church.

While living in Beverly she was President of the Lothrop Club and made a life member when she moved away. She filled many speaking engagements before Women's Clubs and was deeply interested in the civic life of her community.

Rev. and Mrs. Haynes had been married forty years. They have one son, Stephen, a graduate mechanical

engineer from Worcester Polytechnic Institute and meteorologist from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, who is employed at present as a "technical expert" on a project in Vermont.

#### DR. SHERMAN PERRY, '01

Dr. Sherman Perry died at the Phillips House in Boston on April 20, 1942. He had been discharged from the hospital only two days before and had gone to a Boston hotel with Mrs. Perry to spend the night before going on a short trip when he was stricken with severe pain and removed to the hospital for an emergency operation. The cause of his death was a heart condition brought about by high blood pressure.

Dr. Perry was born June 11, 1878, in Passaic, N. J., the son of Wilder W. Perry, '72, and Mary Bell Ladd (Sherman) Perry. The family moved to Camden, Maine, when he was eight months old. He prepared for Colby in the Camden public schools and at Hebron Academy. Following his graduation in 1901 he taught in the Morristown Boys' School, Morristown, N. J.

His ambition was to become a doctor and dedicate his life to the practice of medicine. He entered Harvard Medical School and was graduated in 1907. Internship followed at Worcester City Hospital and a surgical residency at the Boston Children's Hospital. He was assistant surgeon at the Massachusetts State Hospital at Tewksbury from 1910 to 1925, when he went to Winchendon, where he practiced continuously until his death.

Dr. Perry is survived by his wife, Mrs. Bessie Fuller Perry, whom he married in Suffield, Conn., on December 29, 1917; two brothers, George W., '14, of Milford, Del., and J. Gleason, '20, of Camden, Maine; and one sister, Florence Perry Hahn, '03, of Friendship, Maine.

Dr. Perry was a member of the Baptist Church of Camden, the Kiwanis Club, Masons, First Corps Cadets and Sons of the American Revolution, the Harvard Club of Boston, and the Xi chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon. He was a member of the American Medical Association, New England Gynecological Society, and past president of the North Worcester Medical Society.

Dr. Perry had a host of friends, and they included many alumni of his college. He was quiet in manner, loved his work, and cared for his patients with tender faithfulness.

Rev. Harry W. Kimball of Needham in a tribute to Dr. Perry wrote: "Dr. Perry will never be forgotten while one lives whom he served, for it was ever with a devotion that knew no reserve and with a kindliness that never failed. His epitaph might well be 'Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.' It is written in the Gospel what his reward shall be: 'Come ye blessed of my Father. I was sick and ye visited me.'"

#### BERTHA COBB CHOATE, '22

Mrs. Bertha Cobb Choate died at her home in Winslow, Maine, on April 15, 1942, after a long illness.

Bertha Cobb was born in Dexter, Maine, and spent her early childhood in that town. Later, her family moved to Waterville and she attended the Waterville schools and was graduated from Waterville High School in 1918. She entered Colby College with the class of 1922 and through her four years demonstrated a marked ability for leadership and creative activity.

A short time after graduation she was married to John Choate, Colby 1920. Mr. Choate operated a retail music store in Waterville for a time and then became a member of the National Guard, now being a Colonel in the Field Artillery at Camp Shelby, Miss.

Ever since establishing family life in Waterville and Winslow, Bertha Choate has been most active in civic and church life. She was a member of the Waterville Congregational Church and at the time of her death was president of the Lithgow Club of Winslow and vice-president of the League of Women Voters of Waterville. She was an active member as well as past president of the American Legion Auxiliary.

She is survived by four sons and a daughter, besides her husband and her father, Dr. Stanley A. Cobb of Waterville, and her mother, Mrs. William H. Smith of Chester, Conn. The oldest son David is now a freshman at Colby and Constance, their

only daughter, will enter Colby in September. The three younger sons, John, Paul and Foster, are in the Winslow schools.

Mrs. Choate has left with her family and friends the memory of the finest example of courageousness and sterling character which could possibly be imagined. Over a period of years when she knew that her health was constantly breaking, she bore her affliction with complete cheerfulness and calm and led her family through all of the common predicaments of youthful growing-up to a point where they are capable, self-sufficient young people with a philosophy instilled by their mother which has prepared them to face reality and carry on through difficulties with strength and cheerful courage. Few people leave to the world more perfect examples of Christian living than has Bertha Cobb Choate.

#### LT. HARRISON A. GORMAN, '43

Lt. Harrison A. Gorman of the U. S. Navy has been reported missing in action on the U.S.S. Langley, the aircraft carrier destroyed in a recent Pacific naval battle.

Harrison Gorman entered Colby in February, 1940, a transfer from Findley College, and left in June of that year. His home was in Nantucket, Mass., and he was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Gorman.

The Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror of April 11th carries the following tribute: "Harry Gorman was an exemplary young man—a thorough gentleman in every sense. He had the quality of friendship that endures; mild in manner, courteous and congenial at all times, and, above all, true to his parents and loyal to his island home. He entered the Air Corps full of enthusiasm, won his 'wings' with credit, and cheerfully accepted his lot when ordered into service in far-distant lands. His main thought was to serve his country in her time of trial, and in serving he has made the greatest sacrifice a man could make."

At a recent meeting of the Board of Selectmen of Nantucket, it was voted to name some square in the town in memory of Lt. Gorman, who was the first Nantucket boy to lose his life in the war.