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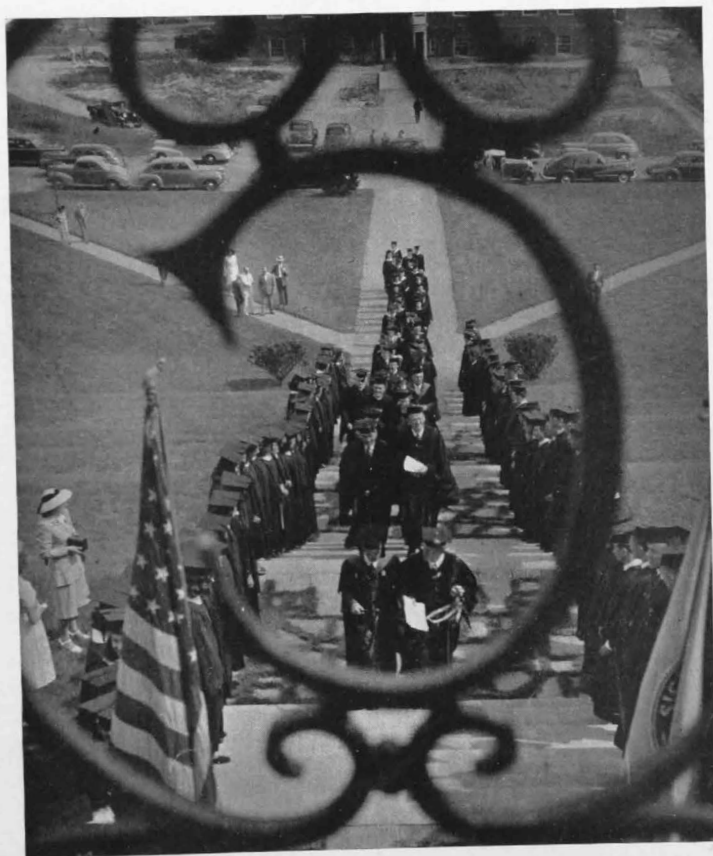
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## The Cover

Looking through the wrought-iron "C" in the railing of the Lorimer Chapel, we see Faculty Marshals Smith and Ashcraft leading the procession consisting of President Bixler with the Commencement Speaker, followed by recipients of honorary degrees, trustees, and faculty, while the seniors are lined up on either side of the steps.

## The Interested Reader Will be Glad to Learn:

That there is a relation between Two Campuses and One World. (p. 4)

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How the inside of the Lorimer Chapel looks. (pp. 8 and 9)

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## The President's Page



Colby today is in a creative mood. It is hard to see how anyone who visits us can escape that impression. Five new buildings were opened during the last academic year. The foundations for three more will be laid during the next two months. A hangar which will be bricked in to serve as another should be ready by late fall. Paths are being laid out, steps built, lawns seeded and the overall problems of landscaping are being vigorously tackled.

Yet the real issue the college must face goes deeper. It is this: are we concerned with physical equipment alone? Or have we a right to believe that along with the new campus we are erecting an educational structure that will last? In other words, is our mood sufficiently creative to enable us to build the spiritual attitudes that our age so desperately needs?

Sometimes we ask ourselves this question: if Colby students could learn only one lesson what should it be? It seems to me that the answer is: the habit of neighborly living. If we can create a community whose members will learn to forget their petty grievances and to work and play and think together in harmonious cooperation then we shall have achieved a worth-while aim. Except the house be built in the spirit of love we labor in vain who build it.

Colby is more fortunate than some institutions in that it is bound together as a college community not only by its traditions which stem from the past but also by its eager hopes for the future. It is less fortunate than some others, however, in that its hopes are tantalizingly slow in being realized. Especially at present the two campuses seem almost to present a situation where we live in two worlds instead of one. Of course ours is a geographical separation, not one of idea. We are not set off, as is the larger society, into hostile camps. But our geographical division is difficult enough and leads to misunderstandings and divided purposes that have their own kind of seriousness.

In some respects, therefore, Colby in its small way faces the same problem by which humanity in the large is troubled, namely, how can we plan, build, and enter into One World? Whatever may be true of the larger scene, I believe Colby must solve its problem by forming a community where common loyalties may be won through participation in common purposes and where, in particular, men and women have the chance to share the kind of experience that the life of reason can offer. Nothing has the power to bind people together in a common devotion like the search for truth, especially when it is interpreted, as we here at Colby try to interpret it, as an active eagerness not only to discover what is reasonable but to apply it.

"Whether a man is going to be 'competitive' or 'cooperative,'" says a modern teacher of psychology, "... (is) almost entirely determined by the particular set of conditions and values the man has learned." "Human nature," he adds, "is anything but static and unchangeable. It can and does change with conditions." May we here at Colby be given the wisdom and the energy to provide the kind of conditions needed for learning what cooperation is and how it may be lived.

J. S. Bixler



# THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

**HIGHLIGHTS** — Some things were noted with pleasure during the Commencement weekend — Sophia Hanson Mace, '81, and Robie G. Frye, '82, oldest returnees in point of class numerals, but among the youngest in eager enjoyment of the events . . . Col. Thomas F. Joyce, '17, of Yokohama, who flew halfway around the world to celebrate his thirtieth . . . The place filled by the Library's Spa with its cool drinkables on the hot days . . . The iris beds in full bloom on the lawn in front of the Women's Union.

**REVIEW** — July is the time for a backward glance over the academic year to catch its highlights and, perhaps, its low tones. Not for a long time have we had what could be called a normal year, and even since the war ended Colby has been constantly in the throes of something or other. This past year has been as rough as any.

The year of 1946-47 can be remembered as the year of the Great Move. It is common experience that moving may lead to better things, but it is no fun during the process. Moving a college is no exception. Mingled with the exhilaration of seeing a dream come true have been a myriad of immediate little annoyances.

To begin with, none of last summer's construction could be completed on time. Delays in materials, scarcity of skilled labor, unexpected obstacles, and the overall nightmare of soaring costs were enough to make the administrative officers go bughouse. Each of these troubles set off a chain reaction which travelled right back to the classrooms or dormitory. Schedules, places of meetings, size of classes, were all subject to change at short notice. Then, too, it forced all the moving to be done the hard way. The first dormitory for men had to be occupied before heat was installed or half the furniture delivered. The Roberts Union was opened in the winter first as a dining hall and then, gradually, as a social and recreation center: in fact, it has not yet been put into full working order. The Library was used for classrooms on the first day of the second semester, but the noise of hammer and saw resounded for weeks afterwards. The books were not moved

until the spring vacation and it was a month or more later before the main reading room was usable. On top of other inconveniences was the cold, rainy spring that kept the raw grounds in an almost constant state of goeey mud which, despite plank walks, was tracked all over the new floors.

All of these changes with their upsetting of routines and previous habits put a strain on the good humor of students and faculty. Everyone felt pushed around. Some tactless administrative mistakes during the transition period touched off an epidemic of gripes among the students, over and above the normal feeling of disillusionment and cynicism which, unhappily, is frequently the lot of young warriors who find that the civilian world falls short of their ideals.

Then, thank heaven, came the dawn. One annoyance after another was finally ironed out. The barometer rose. The long overdue sun at last came through with some balmy afternoons, just right for browning backs and legs while relaxing on the lawn with a text or notebook. The new buildings began to function on all eight cylinders. Arbor Day accelerated the progress toward green lawns and dry walks. The ball team shook off its jitters and started rampaging at the expense of

Maine and Massachusetts colleges. The imminence of final examinations took minds off minor troubles, and beyond lay the inviting summer, with jobs to get or plans to make. With the approach of their graduation, the seniors began to grow sentimental. And to wind it up, we had a lovely Commencement. So, all in all, it has been quite a year!

**COLOR** — Edward F. Stevens, '89, recently came across an entry in his diary which he wrote while in Waterville for the 1920 Centennial Commencement. Describing the environs of Waterville, it is highly probable that he had gained his impressions from a walk into the country region which we now know as Mayflower Hill. anyhow, the description fits. Here it is:

"Fields in gorgeous color, broad flashes of yellow with buttercups and hawkweed, and with sweeps of Pomepeian red devil's paint brush."

**A LUMNI COLLEGE** — Though smaller than last year, this year's Alumni College proved another enjoyable experience in going to college again on Mayflower Hill. Colby graduates with first-hand information on their topics gave revealing talks on some of the globe's hot spots, and two from the faculty gave stimulating surveys of the world outlook today.

The "student body" gained from Betty-Ann Royal Spiegel, '42, insight into how man-of-the-street opinion makes itself felt on our foreign policy and, conversely, how the State Department tries to get the public to thinking informally about such issues. Big Tom Joyce, '17, wearing his Eagles, told about the Japanese, from their insect-listening parties to the actions of the Emperor and said that he hoped that we would continue to occupy Japan for a generation in order to keep the Communists out. Poland, where an orange costs \$3 and many of the half-million war-orphaned kids hate to give up their wartime habits of banditry, was the subject of Kenneth J. Smith, '26, about to go back to that country on YMCA duties. Frank T. Foster, '16, took us through Germany and the terrific problem of the displaced persons in his talk. Prof. Wal-

## *We Paint With Pride In—*

Sanford A. Baker, '68, who celebrated his 101st birthday on June 17 in Panama City, Fla.

Leon C. Staples, '03, elected president of the Stamford Memorial Museum.

Nathan R. Patterson, '11, elected vice president of the American Institute of Steel Construction, and president of the Tulsa (Okla.) Chamber of Commerce.

Royden K. Greeley, '13, elected president of the Connecticut Education Association.

Alexander LaFleur, '20, elected State Commander of the American Legion.



ter N. Breckenridge laid the facts of taxation and labor relations on the line as he surveyed "The Economic Outlook for the United States." Dean Ernest C. Marriner, '13, who attended the New York *Herald Tribune* Forum on world affairs last winter, quoted some of the world leaders whom he heard, as he surveyed the global outlook in 1947. It was a sobering three days, so far as the lecture content went, but it was relaxing and restful when one's mind came back from hunger and rubble and intrigue and pressure groups to the placid buildings, the fragrant green fields and hemlock groves of Mayflower Hill. And yet both environments are realities. Which shall prevail?

**SPAN** — It used to be a joking matter to refer to the necessity for taking more than four years to get through college, but we just went through the academic histories of the 69 men who received diplomas the other day and found that only six out of the whole number were normal members of the Class of 1947. The others had entered as freshmen anywhere from three to ten years ago. One had started in the fall of 1937 and one in 1944 (and accelerated by summer work). Every class between was represented by at least four members. Nearly half of the senior men (30) were erstwhile members of the Class of 1944 — which, incidentally, explains why that class which took top honors in Alumni Fund response last year and the year before, has had to step down with so many of its members reverting to undergraduate status with different class affiliations.

The make-up of the 1947 graduates is a good example of the jumbled-up membership of post-war classes. We asked Alumni Secretary Goddard what was going to be the policy in this regard. He said that, while the official records, of course, would list each man according to the year in which he received his degree, each was welcome to affiliate himself socially, for reunions, class letters, and so on, with either his original or adopted class, or both. However, he will have to choose which one he wishes to have the credit for his annual Alumni Fund contribution, so we can see some vigorous efforts on the part of Class Agents to get these semi-members lined up on their rolls.

**OLDEST** — Our last issue cited William W. Mayo, '79, as Colby's oldest living graduate (with 101 year-old Sanford A. Baker, undisputed champion in the non-graduate class), but a letter from Mr. Mayo suggests that James E. Trask, '80, though younger in class, is actually older in age. A check-up reveals that he is correct. Both men were 92 this past spring, but Trask's birthday was 41 days ahead of Mayo's. So, Mr. Trask, the gold-headed cane, if we had one, would be yours.

**GOOD BETS** — Among the honors given out at the annual Recognition Day Assembly, none are, perhaps, more significant than the Lelia M. Forster Prizes of \$125 awarded "to the man and woman of the preceding entering class who have shown the character and ideals the most likely to benefit society." In other words, not rank or achievement, but *promise*, is looked for, and it is always interesting to see whom the committee of administration and faculty members pick. Twenty-five years hence it will be possible to find out just how astute this committee was in placing its bets. This year two veterans were named and the storm of applause which broke out from the student body at the announcement proved that the opinion of the judges was widely shared.

The young woman receiving a Forster Prize was Ruth E. Endicott of Belgrade Village, Maine. Although she rather dislikes being known as a WAC, being sensitive to the anti-WAC sentiments encountered among the combat GI's overseas, our readers will be interested to know that she was a Corporal, spending some time in the Medical Corps and more as a court reporter in the Judge Advocate's division in England and in France. These unlike skills were the result of some pre-medical work at Temple University and, after giving up her ambition to be a doctor for financial reasons, a secretarial course and an office job in the Portsmouth Navy Yard before enlisting. Taking the Veteran's Aptitude Examination for entrance to Colby last year, she scored 800, the highest obtainable mark, in the verbal test. Obviously mature and responsible, though a freshman, she was named Student Head of Mower House this past year. Ruth has hap-

pily reverted to her medical ambitions and, by using credits obtained from Temple and Shrivensham American University (the GI college in England) she expects to get through Colby in three years. She probably will because she pulled straight A's this year — and readers know that the pre-med course is no pushover. However, Ruth is not a single-tracked think machine. She plays a first violin in the Symphony Orchestra, has had articles in both issues of *Focus*, the students' new literary magazine, and completely stole the show in the Camera Club's spring exhibition with a series of sensitive French landscapes and Parisian scenes taken with a box camera. With top-notch abilities, a sense of service, and no waste motions, she should go far.

Norman R. White, the other winner, is also in college because of the war. A native of Reading, Mass., he graduated from Wentworth Institute and started in the advertising business. Summer baseball took him to Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, where he met and later married Priscilla R. Hathorn, '42. Norm went through this war the hard way, going in with the National Guard nine months before Pearl Harbor as an infantry private and fighting the long rough road from Guadalcanal to Tokyo, returning from his 45-month overseas stretch as a Captain. He thought quite awhile before deciding to try college. He never had had a college preparatory course in high school, he was married, and four years looked like a long postponement of a job and a home. However, once he had decided, Colby was glad to take him on his obvious merits, it being our policy to waive specific requirements in such cases. So the Whites have a room in town and Priscilla teaches the 7th grade in Oakland. Norm plugged his way onto the Dean's List and is one of those who never pass up an educational opportunity. Every Averill lecture, concert or assembly sees him present, eager and interested. Come spring, he went out for baseball and when he finally laid down his mask and chest protector he led the four Maine colleges with a .500 batting average and, although a freshman, was elected captain of next year's nine. Relaxed, friendly, loyal, he is as happy a person as one sees around the campus. Another good bet for the Forster prize judges!

# A MAYFLOWER HILL COMMENCEMENT

OPENING OF LORIMER CHAPEL MARKS COLBY'S 126th GRADUATION EXERCISES

**C**OLBY'S 126th Commencement was unique and thrilling because for the first time the Mayflower Hill campus was utilized to the full and attending alumni caught a glimpse of the kind of college life which the new facilities make possible.

One visitor, a stranger to Colby, said that he had attended many different college commencements in recent years, but none which topped the high level of the addresses and exercises, and the general family spirit that he found here.

The faculty and administration, too, took special satisfaction in the fact that this marked a return to a senior class of normal size, after the dislocations of the war years. The 127 seniors receiving degrees were almost evenly divided between men and women. So far as the men were concerned, however, it was still a wartime situation with 63 of the 69 being veterans.

With the local hotels booked solidly for this weekend months ago, the housing facilities of the college were called into play. By using the Roberts Union and dormitory rooms vacated by underclassmen, it was found possible to accommodate about 130 returning Colby people and some 75 members of seniors' families on Mayflower Hill. This experience apparently worked out so happily all around that it may well become standard practice.

For the seniors, the Commencement festivities began auspiciously on the preceding Thursday when, final examinations over, they took over the Island Park resort on Lake Coboscontee, for an all day clambake. On Friday morning they were the guests of the faculty at the annual Farewell Breakfast at the Hotel Elmwood where teachers and students were groused according to their major fields and there was good talk over the scrambled eggs and coffee.

The Trustees convened for their annual meeting Friday afternoon and adjourned in time for a Cook's tour of the new buildings led by President Bixler, ending up at the Roberts Union where the faculty joined the Trustees

for a dinner. With both groups intermingled at the tables, this offered an opportunity for those who share the major responsibilities in the conduct of the college to get acquainted with each other. Afterwards, Prof. Ermanno Comparetti was persuaded to give an impromptu recital of his new *Concerto in C Minor* at the piano.

## Class Day Events

Saturday was given over to annual business meetings of various college organizations and also to the glorification of classes, present and past.

The list of meetings included the Class Agents' breakfast at 8, the Alumni Council and Phi Beta Kappa at 9:30, and the Colby Library Associates at 11:30. All were active, interesting affairs and their elections are noted elsewhere in this issue.

The Senior Class Day Exercises took place on the lawn in front of the Lorimer Chapel before a good sized audience of parents and alumni. Carl R. Wright, Class Marshal, led the cap-and-gowned seniors to their places and Patterson A. Small was the presiding officer. As usual, the speeches were full of quips which convulsed the seniors, though quite inexplicable to the general audience. Jodie Sheiber and Thomas Burke related the class history, Doris Meyer and Stanley Levine presented appropriate gifts to some of the class personalities, Claire Finkeldey, Helen Jacobs and Lester Soule combined on a class will and prophecy, while William Crowther delivered a farewell address. The Ode, written by Jeanne Smith, was rendered by a double quartette, and then the 1862 Pipe of Peace made the rounds to cement the class in ritualistic bonds.

## The Graduate Luncheons

It was Lobster Day, as of yore, for the alumni and alumnae who gathered for their luncheon meetings. While the men took off their coats and tackled the crustaceans with both hands, the ladies in their party dresses were at a disadvantage and registered a sentiment for lobster salad next year.

In the Women's Gymnasium, Mrs. Phyllis St. Clair Fraser, '13, Assistant Alumni Secretary, presided over the speaking exercises. First were Robert E. Wilkins, '20, who reported on the Alumni Fund, and President Bixler, both of whom then left to give a repeat performance at the Alumni Luncheon. It was noted that Louise H. Coburn, '77, was graduated seventy years ago and greetings were sent to her in Skowhegan where she resides in delicate health. A message was also sent to Elizabeth Swanton Allan, '33, vice-chairman of the Alumni Council, who would have presided if she could have been present.

Dean Ninetta M. Runnals was listened to attentively as she spoke on the college and the role of education in general. The two honor classes were represented by Miriam Hardy, '22, and Grace Gatchell, '97. Mrs. Fraser extended greetings to the senior girls who were luncheon guests and soon to become alumnae. Jocelyn Hulme, '47, graciously responded.

In the Roberts Union, the three banquet rooms thrown into one adequately seated the 200 men who sat down to the Alumni Luncheon. The surroundings, as Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21, presiding officer, remarked, were a far cry from the dingy old gymnasium, "and thank God for that!"

Prof. George F. Parmenter, retiring this year after 44 years of chemistry teaching at this college, was the object of an appreciative tribute by Newton L. Nourse, '19, who spoke especially of three attributes of Parmenter: his participation in the extra-curricular life of the college, notably on the Athletic Association and as Commencement Marshal; his constant encouragement of his pupils to go on to graduate study and his success in giving them solid preparation for this; and his habit of always placing those who graduated with a major in chemistry in graduate school or jobs.

Amid tremendous applause, Professor Parmenter rose and responded briefly. He pointed out that when he began teaching there were 12 teachers

and about as many students as there were present at the luncheon tables. "A small, but good college!" he concluded with his characteristic emphasis.

Robert E. Wilkins, '20, then reported on the Alumni Fund. With a goal of \$40,000, the amount received to date, he said, was \$34,000. However, there was good reason to expect another \$2,000 before the June 30 deadline, he pointed out, and announced that the campaign would be continued exclusively for the remaining amount needed to erect the Memorial Flagpole this summer.

Chairman Sturtevant welcomed Robbie G. Frye, '82, sixty-five years out of college, and four members of the class of 1887 with sixty years behind them. Delegations from the other reunioning classes were asked to stand and take a bow. Herbert S. Philbrick, '97, was the spokesman for the fifty year class, introducing his classmates, and paying grateful tribute to three members of the faculty of half a century ago: Roberts, Elder, and Bayley. William F. Cushman, '22, devoted his remarks on behalf of the Twenty Five Year Class to a sketch of "Chef" Weymouth, honorary member of the class, who was present as their guest.

President Bixler ended the program with an eloquent presentation of the college, particularly in its Mayflower Hill venture, as "a monument to the creative forces which are at work in society in this era when the divisive and disruptive elements loom so large."

#### Afternoon and Evening Events

The unusual situation arising from the facts of Colby's late closing and Bowdoin's early Summer School made it possible to schedule an intercollegiate baseball game for Saturday afternoon. The fans were prepared to be lenient because only six of Colby's first string players were available and had been three weeks without practice, while the Polar Bear "informal" team was an unknown quantity. Much to everyone's pleasure, however, it turned out to be an air-tight game, well up to mid-season form, with the Mules coming out with a satisfactory 3-1 victory behind the pitching of senior Carl Wright who thus brought a remarkable season to a happy close.

While the reunioning classes scattered to their various appointed places over the supper hour, Mayflower Hill



PRESIDENT BIXLER DELIVERING THE BACCALAUREATE SERMON IN NEW CHAPEL

quieted down until later in the evening when the Women's Gymnasium was the scene of a pleasant dance with a varying crowd of student and alumni couples enjoying the music of a fourteen-piece orchestra.

#### Baccalaureate Service

In the hot bright sun of Sunday morning the Lorimer Chapel's red brick and white woodwork gleamed in an emerald setting, ready for its first use, nearly ten long years after the ground was first broken on its hillside site. There was a special eagerness, therefore, in the ticket-holders who entered the doors and gazed around at the Colonial white-paneled finish and the sky-blue vaulted ceiling. As the service began and President Bixler mounted the high pulpit, one felt that here, at last, was the setting and the man to carry into the next era the spiritual dynamic which has motivated this college for the past century-and-a-quarter.

"Let us resolve," began the President, "at this first service which is in a way a dedication of the Lorimer Chapel, that it shall stand always in the minds of this community for the religious truth which shall lead us out of selfishness."

"Man is certainly in some sense a pleasure-seeking animal, controlled for the desire for power and for gain, but the proper response of an educated man is not that of a pleasure-seeking automaton."

To the Seniors he said: "Colby College has tried to show you how to distinguish among the various levels of experience and in particular it has tried to expose you to the lure of the disinterested and reasonable quest for truth. Furthermore, in the words of Woodrow Wilson, we are not put into this world to sit still and know; we are put into it to act.

"The real issue is this: Are you willing to go through life on the level of a griper, asking always: 'What is there in it for me?' Are you committed to this attitude as a citizen as well as a person, so that you will be concerned only with what brings immediate benefit to yourself, your family, your economic group, or your country? Or have you caught the idea that there is a higher level which society is at present struggling desperately to achieve?"

#### A Varied Afternoon

Over the noon hour, while the seniors and their family parties had luncheon in the Roberts Union Cafe-



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teria, the various fraternities were assigned rooms in the Union where the meal was provided by an out-of-town caterer. According to reports, these get-togethers were thoroughly successful; in one or two cases, the largest ever. Several sororities held reunions later in the afternoon, with tea being served in the chapter rooms.

Beginning at three, the Seaverns Lounge was the scene of a reception. A receiving line consisting of President and Mrs. Bixler, President-Emeritus and Mrs. Johnson, and Professor and Mrs. Parmenter greeted the guests as they drifted in during the afternoon and the spacious lounge and pleasant porch facilitated enjoyable conversations and renewals of old acquaintances. Those who looked back to Commencement receptions in Chemi-

cal Hall classrooms could not help remarking that, while good fellowship is not dependent upon surroundings, a lovely and adequate place for such affairs does give an extra dividend of pride and pleasure to the occasion. Alumni, too, reflecting on how well the Roberts Union was adapted to various Commencement uses, felt well repaid for whatever contribution they had made toward its erection.

As the hour of five approached, people began to drift across the campus toward the Chapel, looking expectantly toward the spire. Then came the golden-throated sound of chimes. Those who wandered inside saw Dr. Bixler at the little two-octave keyboard enjoying himself as he played the melodies from well-known hymns and Colby songs.

Installed as the first part of the Colby Alumni Council's war memorial project, a bronze tablet will be placed in the Chapel lobby dedicating the Carillon to the Colby men and women who served in World War II. The Carillon may not be a practical necessity, but it is a beautiful extra touch and one could feel in this first concert the setting of a pattern which will be a part of the Mayflower Hill memories of coming generations of students and alumni.

About six the caterers set up buffet tables on the shady side of the Chapel and a "chow line" formed for the picnic plateful of sandwiches and a cold drink.

#### Boardman's Memory Honored

Other colleges have their baccalaureates and class day exercises, but no other college has a Boardman Service. This traditional Sunday evening religious exercise memorializes Colby's first graduate, George Dana Boardman of the class of 1822, who burned out his brief life in the Burmese jungles. In keeping with Colby's great missionary tradition, three alumni who served in foreign fields were on the platform of the Lorimer Chapel, and the sermon was delivered by Dr. Gordon E. Gates, '19, head of the biology department of Judson College, Rangoon, Burma, now home on furlough after a harrowing few years which included an escape by foot from Burma just ahead of the invading Japanese.

Speaking on the text of "casting one's bread upon the waters," Dr. Gates traced the relationship between George Dana Boardman's self-sacrificing efforts to bring something of advancement and happiness to the barbarian Karen tribes, the despised "wild cattle" of Burma a century ago, and the fact that "forty thousand American parents can thank their missionaries for the lives of their sons."

Military experts, he explained, credit the saving of at least 20,000 American casualties in the campaign to open the Burma Road to the friendly cooperation of certain Burmese peoples who had been taught to admire the American way of life through the missionary



UPPER LEFT: Trustees Johnson, '91, Seaverns, '01, and Pottle, '17, confer before meeting of the board. UPPER RIGHT: Grace E. Berry, onetime Dean of Women (center), is greeted by four alumnae trustees: Marion White Smith, '17, Florence E. Dunn, '96, Myrtice Cheney Berry, '96, and Ruth Hamilton Whittemore, '12. MIDDLE LEFT: About to smoke the 1862 Class Day Pipe are seniors Betty Richmond, Betty Wade, Jeanne Smith, Jocelyn Hulme, and Ray Kozen. MIDDLE RIGHT: Ready for the Alumni Council meeting are Robert E. Wilkins, '20; Chairman Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21; and Raymond Spinney, '21. LOWER LEFT: Head table guests at the Alumnae Luncheon appear amused by the remarks of Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, '08. LOWER RIGHT: Scene at reception with Prof. A. K. Chapman, '25, greeted by President-Emeritus Johnson. Also in receiving line are Pres. and Mrs. Bixler, Mrs. Johnson, and Prof. and Mrs. George F. Parmenter. (Photos by Edward Cragin, '34, courtesy of Waterville Morning Sentinel.)



representatives of the Christian churches over the past 150 years.

"A by-product, to be sure," he said, "but an unexpected and very real contribution by the simple people in thousands of little churches over the decades who have unselfishly made possible the great mission work of the Orient."

"A century after. Boardman," he went on, "we see the Karens as a respected minority group in Burma with 1,000 self-supporting churches, their own high schools, hospitals, and a happier and richer life."

In contrast, he cited another group, the Was, untouched by Christian mission work, who, hag-ridden by superstitions, have gone on a violent head-hunting warpath during the past year. Quoting an official as saying that they could not be brought under control by anything less than a well-equipped expeditionary force, Dr. Gates said the only other alternative, and the one adopted, was to put the problem in the hands of one man — a missionary.

#### Graduation Exercises

As a setting for the pomp and ceremony of the Commencement exercises, the Lorimer Chapel is ideal. A few minutes before ten on Monday morning, while the Carillon pealed forth a march, an academic procession emerged from the Miller Library and slowly came across and up the steps to the Chapel. As the seniors reached the top, the double line stopped and separated while the President, recipients of honorary degrees, and faculty passed through and entered the building, followed in turn by the graduating class.

The exercises were simple and dignified. Rev. Evan J. Shearman, '22, offered the invocation and the audience sang the Colby hymn, *Hail, Colby, Hail*. Mr. McCloy's address, printed elsewhere, was forthright and stimulating. Then President Bixler, for all we know using the same words as Jeremiah Chaplin in 1822, addressed the Trustees: "*Hosce juvenes, viri clarissimi, . . . ad gradum baccalaurealem admitto.*" The long line of seniors filed around the hall and, one by one, as announced by his or her Dean, walked across the platform, accepted the diploma and a handshake from the President, flipped the tassel on the mortarboard from right to left, and completed the circuit to the seats, re-

maining standing until President Bixler once more addressed the group: "*Adolescentes, non jam discipuli sed fratres et socii . . . exite atque valete.*"

The ritual of the presentation of honorary degrees was, as always, colorful and interesting. Seven men and a woman were cited and behooded — a group of personages whose varied types of achievement the college could well publicly honor.

As the academic procession filed from the Chapel and down the terraced steps, the audience streamed out with cameras to shoot the scene. After the procession had broken up the lawns were scattered with little knots of people, each with a black-robed senior as a nucleus, while dozens of snapshots were being taken of the new graduates proudly holding the coveted diploma.

In the Miller Library the recipients of honorary degrees and President Bixler held court, with the former receiving congratulations from their friends and the Commencement public in general.

#### The Commencement Dinner

In keeping with the traditional Colby Commencement weekend pattern, a dinner for alumni, seniors, families and friends, culminated the program.

In the Women's Gymnasium, tables for 300 were filled and a turkey dinner was enjoyed. Neil Leonard, '21,

Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presided over the brief, yet effective, after-dinner program.

Prof. Frederick A. Pottle, '17, of Yale University, as spokesman for the Corporation, gave a long-to-be-remembered talk on "Loyalty." He illustrated his point by describing two acquaintances, both Yale men. One denied himself the pleasure of feeling sentimental about his alma mater, feeling that he must not waste any energy upon "secondary loyalties." The other, a priest, when the appropriate time presented itself, poured out to Pottle his enthusiastic concern about everything pertaining to Yale. The speaker's conclusion was that loyalty to one's college can enrich, rather than diminish, one's capacity for the larger loyalties of life.

The second speaker was President Ernest C. Colwell of the University of Chicago, who had just received a Colby Doctorate of Laws. He called the alumni of any college its "number one reserve off campus." Pointing out that alumni have responsibilities, as well as rights, he urged them to be "more vocal about the important things." "Unless the rank and file of college alumni are intelligent about education in this country," he concluded, "this democracy will cease to be run by an enlightened citizenry."

On that sober thought, Colby's 126th Commencement was brought to a close.

## THE COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

*The Commencement speaker, John Jay McCloy, was on the inside of America's participation in World War II as the Assistant Secretary of War. Currently he is president of what is commonly called the World Bank. From this background, he had some sound observations to offer the Colby seniors. The manuscript of his address, which unfortunately omits several telling anecdotes which he added impromptu, is given in part herewith.*

IT was my lot to travel widely during the war, in fact enough to have circled the earth about eight times. I saw the world while it was being rather well taken apart, and I now find myself thrown closely with those whose direct responsibilities it is

to help put at least a few pieces together again.

I have been endeavoring for the past few months to distill from this experience something tangible and yet fundamental that I could use as a basis for my own future conduct if not as a guide to pass on to others. But the ultimates in human values are so difficult to glean and to express that I cannot assume to develop them here. I can only attempt to give you a few impressions.

I have frequently tried to analyze how great decisions were arrived at during the war in the hope that such a study would give guidance, but it seemed to me as I recalled them the greater and more far reaching the decision the less it could be traced to any

thoughtful or clear consideration of the problem at hand.

Events moved with such force and with such speed it was rarely that any one person or group of persons could intelligently apply any studied direction to their plan.

If a significant decision was reached it was more often than not induced by the instinct or pattern of the man who happened to be in control rather than by his premeditation or analysis.

Whether men responded well or ill to the sudden personal emergencies was entirely a matter of their personal reserves—reserves long since built up or wasted. Churchill's courage and eloquence in the early days of the war—reserves worth probably twenty divisions—were already in existence and instinctive with him when he came into power. What impelled him to send the last armored divisions he had in England to Egypt when England was still under the threat of invasion was a habit of boldness, not a nicety of calculation. The fact is that we have to depend on having men and women with an ingrained habit of courage and rectitude available and on hand at the critical points of history.

It is too late to train yourself to these things after the emergency is upon you. Today's forces are so vast and they travel with such velocity that they are upon you even before you have time to think and the world depends upon there being a sufficient quantity of people about whose morals and intelligence are deeply enough rooted in the ultimate values to guide our course to progress rather than destruction. When at sea a good sailor must know his knots drunk or sober, and so it is with men and their decisions.

What impresses me is the element of time—for it takes time to develop habits of character, intelligence and rectitude, and all the while there are increasingly violent forces to guide—new social and political forces as well as physical ones—which are not going to wait while we meditate, and least of all while we just sit and gripe.

The class which is graduating today from Colby is extraordinarily equipped. Though further along in average age it has, unlike the usual run of graduating classes, both experience and learning. Its members have been across the world and they have already been called upon to complete men's jobs. Its record already is a part of

history. It covers a wider span of college generations than I dare say any other class that has graduated from Colby. War and peace, birth and death—and I'm told even diapers—are all a part of its experience.

Throughout Europe there are vast shortages of educated manpower. In many countries the generation of which you are a part is largely nonexistent.

We hear much of what impelled Churchill to oppose the attack across the Channel in 1943 and we hear many people say that maybe he was right for post-war political reasons to seek to avoid that attack by a sort of end-run up through the Mediterranean.

The reason he hesitated to make that attack in 1943 and even for a time in 1944, and I believe I know what I am talking about, was not based on a political consideration but because to him, at least, an attack through France or Flanders meant the possible loss of another youthful British generation. It conjured up memories of the generation lost at Passchendale and The Somme—losses which England could not again withstand if she were to remain a great power or even a vigorous one.

And so it is with France. After her losses in World War I she suffered the loss in the last war through casualties, disease, concentration camps, executions, and other war-induced deaths of another one million men.

Such is not the case with your generation in this country. Although our casualties were tragic and substantial there are now within our educational institutions more young men and women than was the case with any other era in our nation's history. Thus, while there never was such a need for men and women of character and enlightenment, there never have been so many exposed at any one time to the influence of character and enlightenment which colleges such as this one exert.

Now the future of the world does not look too pleasant and there are all sorts of false doctrines, suspicions, and power plays at work in the world. But stop and consider for a moment the material on which we have to build.

First of all there is the fundamental instinct to restore and move ahead. In some parts of the world there is more instinct perhaps than means, but there is also a means to restore. In spite of

all the destruction there is much productive capacity still operative in Europe if the wheels of trade and production can be gotten off the dead center where the war left them.

Moreover there is the vastly increased productive capacity of this country. Our capacity has been doubled at a time when the world is in its greatest need of things.

Just consider the stretch of this country's capacity to produce and supply during the war. I think in all, 14 million men and women went through the armed services in some form. They were fed, clothed, armed, and transported all over the world.

We maintained an Air Force almost incomparably larger than any other nation and our Navy was far larger than all the rest of the Navies of the world put together. This country was responsible for the equipment of about 40% of the British Army, practically all of the French army equipment, and, among many other things, sent about 350,000 motor vehicles to Russia without which the Red Army could scarcely have been considered mobile. It supported a large part of the domestic economy of Britain and Russia and China and at the same time it maintained a standard of living at home which was the envy of all other peoples.

We did all these things and we were able to come through the war with our essential liberties preserved—thus giving to us not only the physical means by which we can assist others to rehabilitate themselves but, more important, enabling us to preserve the spiritual example of the freedom of the individual in a world where the police state is all too prevalent.

And may I somewhat digress here for just a moment. I have said that there were false doctrines abroad. Well, what I mean is just this: there is a vast propaganda machine in operation throughout the world and indeed in this country, operating with all the insistence and persistence of a primitive drum beat to the effect that the forces of reaction lie with the system on whose capacity to produce the world must very largely depend for its rehabilitation; that liberalism is opposed to the system which still nourishes the Bill of Rights rather than to a system which tolerates the secret police and the slave labor camp as instruments of government. The



power of reiterated and uncontradicted statement to which Hitler first called attention is in evidence again if liberalism can associate itself with such instruments.

I have said that our liberties have been preserved to us in spite of all the violence of our war effort. We should see that they are not lost through our own failure to recognize and assert their essential merit against all comers.

To go on with our assets. We have a scientific knowledge which can develop the greatest booms to mankind if properly applied.

Too much emphasis has been placed on the destructive potentials of atomic

energy and not enough upon the fact that we are on the verge of mastering the secrets of the sun and the distribution of life-giving energy throughout the earth. In this we may achieve a standard of living far greater than we have ever known.

We have medical knowledge to safeguard our health and induce long and useful life to a degree that generations before you never enjoyed.

We have all these material things. It remains to add to them the spiritual content so that these things can take on real meaning.

Colby College was at a low ebb physically some years back. Its build-

ings antiquated and its future precarious. But some men with the habit of rectitude, of which I have spoken, at a critical moment looked up from the railroad tracks unto these hills, received their help, and the college was set forth on a new era. You are graduating in one of the buildings which is an evidence of the miracle of the spirit.

Men and women of the class of 1947, you have everything—power, inspiration, experience, challenge, need. If, as has been said elsewhere, American education—indeed if American life—is ever to succeed it must succeed in you.

## EIGHT RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREES

IN conferring the eight honorary degrees, President Bixler gave the following citations:

### DOCTOR OF LAWS

To **John Jay McCloy**—"Captain of Artillery and winner of the Croix de Guerre in the First World War. Member of the Legion of Merit and Grand Officer of the National Order of the Legion of Honor of France. Assistant Secretary of War in the recent conflict. Awarded the Distinguished Service Medal for your work in developing lend-lease legislation, reorganizing the War Department, and setting up machinery for the administration of civil affairs in occupied territories, you are now invited to make your talents count in the cause of peace as well as that of war. As President of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development you will have an unparalleled opportunity to bring unity to a world which in your own words cannot continue to exist half skyscraper and half rubble."

### DOCTOR OF LAWS

To **Ernest Cadman Colwell**—"Student of New Testament Literature, author of books that throw new light on many ancient Biblical questions and especially on the use of the Greek Language in the Fourth Gospel, you have been able to translate a scholar's interest in the original meaning of Christian charity into an administrator's ability to practice charity in his dealings with such difficult individuals as

contemporary Christian theologians. The creation from diverse schools of the Federated Theological Faculty of Chicago is recognized on all sides as in large measure your personal achievement. In recognition of your abilities, the University of Chicago called you within the last eight years first to a professorship, then successively to be Dean of the Divinity School, Dean of the Faculties, Vice President and President."

### DOCTOR OF LAWS

To **Charles Frederick Taft Seaverns**—"Holder of the bachelor's and master's degrees from Colby College, your alma mater recalls you today to its Commencement stage to receive the doctorate as a symbol of the profound regard in which you are held by all your fellow graduates and as what may be called the third degree of Colby affection and respect. Important as are your accomplishments, as student and lover of the classics, of nature, and of the arts, as a civic leader, and as one who has organized and developed an educational and artistic center unmatched of its kind in this country, your college yet holds in highest esteem the personal qualities that have prompted your keen interest in all its concerns, an interest which you have shown in the hours both of its triumph and of its needs."

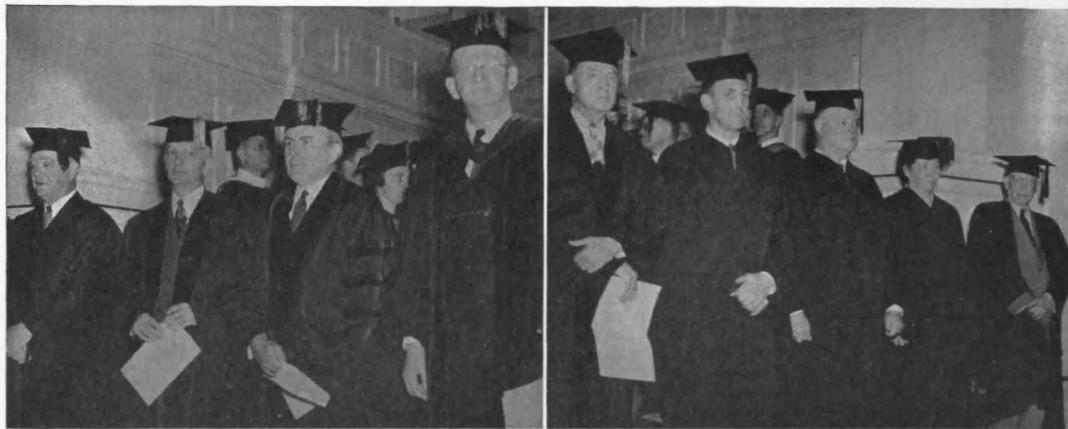
### DOCTOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

To **William Harrison Spring Stevens**: "Son of Colby, teacher of eco-

nomics at many institutions, including The Wharton School, Columbia, George Washington, Tulane and Johns Hopkins Universities; author of articles and monographs on economic theory; expert consultant for the Office of Production Management, member of the Central Statistical Board, Director of the Bureau of Transport Economics and Statistics of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and organizer of inquiries conducted by the Federal Trade Commission into situations affecting the economic life of this country. In recognition of your outstanding work in your chosen profession, your alma mater summons you to be placed within the circle of its particularly honored graduates."

### DOCTOR OF MUSIC

To **Stanley Chapple**: "An English cousin who has now become an American brother, skilled pianist and gifted conductor, former leader of the British Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra, one-time associate director of the Peabody Conservatory of Music, Guest Conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, now Dean of Tanglewood School and permanent director of the St. Louis Symphony Society, you have won recognition not only for your scholarship and musicianship but particularly for your ability to convey to the layman a new conception of the significance of the world of sound. A master of the art of communication, your lectures on the history of music



#### RECIPIENTS OF HONORARY DEGREES

Left to right: Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, Ernest C. Colwell, John J. McCloy, President Bixler, William H. S. Stevens, '06, Stanley Chapple, Herbert M. W. Haven, Eva Pratt Owen, '14, John L. Pepper, '89.

have brought inspiration to scores of audiences, but to none more than those composed of your devoted disciples at Colby College."

#### MASTER OF SCIENCE

To Herbert M. W. Haven: "Amateur scientist whose thirst for knowledge has kept you a diligent student of nature in the midst of a business career, you have become known throughout the state of Maine as one whose contagious enthusiasm for learning has inspired a similar interest in others. Active supporter of the Portland Society of Natural History, member of the Josselyn Botanical Society, Fellow of the American Ornithologists Union, charter member and former President of the Maine Mineralogical and Geological Society, President of the Maine Microscopy Society, recognized for your work in photographing birds, esteemed equally for the excellence of your mineralogical collection and for the generosity with which you have disposed of parts of it to encourage beginners in the field, Colby College honors your achievements as the more remarkable because the educational resources on which you have relied have been so largely supplied by your own eager zeal."

#### MASTER OF ARTS

To Eva Pratt Owen: "Student at Colby, at Harvard, and at the University of Geneva, Assistant at the Jean

Jacques Rousseau Institute. Translator of books and articles from the French language, co-principal with your able husband of a school which under your direction has grown steadily in power and influence, you have been able, while pointing your students to the paths which lead to gracious living, to build an institution whose castellated walls reach out across the river in friendly greeting to the Colonial towers of Mayflower Hill. Recognizing your many abilities, Colby College wishes to make secure your place within its circle and to express the hope that the good neighborly relations which have kept pace with the building operations will continue to grow for many years to come."

#### MASTER OF ARTS

To John Lyman Pepper: "Nephew of a Colby president and yourself a son of Colby in the class which graduated 58 years ago, your career since college bears tribute both to the keenness of your own intellectual interest and to the stimulating quality of the teaching in classics you must have received. Engaged after college, first in the practice of the profession of medicine, then as a speaker and worker for public health, your retirement from active labor brought a renewal of your interest in language study, and with a pious reverence for the past, worthy of Aeneas himself, you have produced a metrical translation of the Aeneid which critics have pronounced outstanding."

## ANNUAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

THE annual business meeting of the Colby Alumni Council was held on the Saturday morning of Commencement with 29 members present.

Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21, was re-elected chairman for the coming year, and other officers chosen as follows: Elizabeth B. Carey, '21, vice-chairman; G. Cecil Goddard, '29, executive secretary; A. Galen Eustis, '23, treasurer; Joseph C. Smith, '24, editor of *The Colby Alumnus*.

The Council heard reports from the Executive Secretary, the Treasurer, the

Editor of *The Alumnus*, and the several standing and special committees.

Robert E. Wilkins, '20, reported for the Alumni Fund Committee. The Committee was authorized to conduct a special campaign to raise the balance needed at the close of the 1947 Fund campaign to finance both of the first two parts of the War Memorial project, namely: the carillon bells in the Lorimer Chapel and the Memorial Flagpole to be erected in the center of the main campus in front of the Miller Library. A drawing of the proposed

granite base of the flagpole was examined by those present. On this base will be inscribed the names of Colby's war dead.

The carillonic bells have already been installed in the Lorimer Chapel tower at a cost of \$4,900 financed from current Alumni Fund receipts. They were purchased from the Schulmerich Company upon recommendation of a sub-committee of the War Memorial Committee, consisting of President Bixler, Prof. Everett F. Strong, the Chairman and the Executive Secretary.

The monument project was left in the hands of the Chairman, the Executive Secretary, and the Treasurer. Estimates indicate that it can be erected for \$5,000.

The third part of the War Memorial Project, Alumni Scholarships for all children of those who lost their lives in the war, was reported on by a special committee consisting of Hugh A. Smith, '20, Ervena Goodale Smith, '24, Lester F. Weeks, '15, and the Executive Secretary.

The election of Phyllis St. Clair Fraser, '13, as Assistant Secretary of the Alumni Council, by the Executive Committee last April was confirmed.

Colby gavels were voted to four alumni who have been elected during the past year to national or sectional organizations.

The Chairman was authorized to appoint a special committee to plan for the observance of the centennial of the Colby Alumni Association in 1948. He was also authorized to name an advisory committee from the Council on Colby Night and Commencement programs, and a committee on the War Memorial Scholarships.

A committee, consisting of the Chairman, Executive Secretary, Russell M. Squire, '25, and Lewis L. Levine, '16, was elected to confer with President Bixler on matters of public relations.

Hugh A. Smith, '20, on behalf of the Ballot Committee, announced the results of the elections for alumni trustees, members of the Alumni Council, and member of the Athletic Council. These names are printed elsewhere.

Joseph C. Smith, '24, made a preliminary report for the committee working on a design and the cost data for special Colby plates to be made of English Wedgewood ware.

—G. CECIL GODDARD, '29.

## ALUMNI FUND TOTAL \$36,845

*The report of the Colby Alumni Fund as of the June 30 deadline is given below. While this total is the largest in history, it is still \$3,155 short of the \$40,000 goal which the Alumni Council set in order to finance two of the three phases of the War Memorial project this year. Those who have not yet given will be immediately solicited to complete the amount needed for the flagpole.*

Class	Contributors	Amount	Class	Contributors	Amount	Class	Contributors	Amount
Friends	25	\$7,143.00	1902	22	\$ 365.25	1928	50	\$ 422.50
Alumni			1903	20	197.00	1929	53	596.50
Clubs	1	110.00	1904	19	306.25	1930	52	398.50
1877	1	135.00	1905	21	781.80	1931	39	275.00
1880	1	25.00	1906	22	392.00	1932	39	486.50
1881	2	25.00	1907	23	347.00	1933	42	362.85
1882	2	500.00	1908	21	406.00	1934	35	362.50
1883	1	11.00	1909	32	269.50	1935	31	236.50
1884	8	461.00	1910	18	734.00	1936	44	244.50
1885	3	24.00	1911	18	378.00	1937	33	224.00
1886	4	50.50	1912	42	617.50	1938	35	208.00
1887	5	164.56	1913	33	557.50	1939	29	179.25
1888	6	66.00	1914	43	1,406.50	1940	41	267.00
1889	9	130.00	1915	31	666.00	1941	36	252.00
1890	8	550.67	1916	34	539.00	1942	52	394.50
1891	10	2,090.00	1917	50	689.97	1943	52	226.67
1892	9	107.00	1918	38	623.41	1944	37	212.50
1893	17	206.00	1919	37	588.50	1945	19	152.90
1894	16	318.50	1920	33	460.25	1946	25	128.00
1895	11	239.00	1921	59	873.50	1947	7	51.00
1896	23	2,056.75	1922	45	502.00	1948	2	27.00
1897	28	591.00	1923	40	461.00	1949	1	10.00
1898	21	436.50	1924	42	378.75			
1899	24	401.50	1925	31	364.17	Total	1,912	\$36,844.96
1900	21	221.00	1926	49	957.67			
1901	20	686.50	1927	60	516.00			

## ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Trustees

**N**EW members of the Board of Trustees elected by alumni ballot: E. Richard Drummond, '28; Bernard E. Esters, '21; Elizabeth Swanton Allan, '33.

Trustees re-elected by the Board for three year terms: Guy G. Gabrielson; Fred F. Lawrence, '00; Neil Leonard, '21; Matthew T. Mellon; Frederick A. Pottle, '17.

To fill the two year unexpired term of Marston Morse, resigned: Richard Dana Hall, '32.

### Alumni Council

Officers of the Alumni Council: Chairman, Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21; Vice Chairman, Elizabeth B. Carey, '21; Secretary, G. Cecil Goddard, '29; Treasurer, A. Galen Eustis, '23.

New members of the Alumni Council elected by ballot: Philip S. Bither, '30; John S. Pullen, '38; Mark R. Shibles, '29; Hugh A. Smith, '20;

Hilda M. Fife, '26; Katherine Holmes Snell, '33.

Members elected by the Council: George E. Ferrell, '18; Morton M. Goldfine, '37; Harry B. Thomas, '26; Marjorie D. Gould, '37.

### Phi Beta Kappa

Officers elected by Phi Beta Kappa: President, J. Seelye Bixler; Vice President, Luella F. Norwood; Secretary, Philip S. Bither, '30; Treasurer, Robert W. Pullen, '40; Executive Council, Phyllis St. Clair Fraser, '13; Benjamin W. Early; and Louise Williams Brown, '34.

### Colby Library Associates

Officers elected by the Colby Library Associates: President, Frederick A. Pottle, '17; Vice President, Ernest C. Marriner, '13; Secretary, James Humphry, III; Treasurer, Miriam Beede; Chairman of Committee on Programs and Exhibits, Carl J. Weber.

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE REUNIONS

## OLD TIMERS CLUB

THE Old Timers Club celebrated its fifth anniversary with dinner in Mary Low Hall at six o'clock on Saturday, June 28, 1947.

Thirty Old Timers were present from classes ranging from 1881 to 1896.

The dinner was excellent and attractively served under the direction of Miss Nichols, the college dietitian.

There was no fixed program, but Dr. Franklin W. Johnson, '91, the Permanent President, saw to it that there were no dull moments. Each one was required to stand up and give an account of himself or herself. There were many interesting and amusing anecdotes and stories.

The oldest class, 1881, was well represented by Sophia Hanson (Mrs. E. R. Mace) who gave an excellent and amusing talk. Dr. John Pepper, of the class of 1889, gave an interesting talk on his work in translating the *Aeneid*, which, he said, he did "just for fun." Very few remember much Latin after nearly sixty years.

Mrs. Dora Knight Andrews of the class of 1892 paid a warm tribute to William H. Snyder, '85, referring to his remarkable career as an educator and to the great esteem in which he is held by his fellow citizens in California. Dr. Johnson spoke at some length about the wonderful work which Dr. Snyder has done in Los Angeles and elsewhere and in founding the first and largest Junior College.

Of course, John Cummings and Bert Drummond were there. There was some rivalry between them as to the number of their descendants, but when John Cummings claimed 48, Bert gave up.

Mrs. George Hurd (Edith Merrill) of '88, Mrs. Dora Knight Andrews, '92, and Miss Minnie Bunker of '89 came from California for the occasion. The freshman Old Timers, class of 1896, were well represented by four members.

It is significant that the majority of those present at each meeting of the Old Timers have attended previous meetings.

Following is the list of those present:

Sophia Hanson Mace, '81, and Mr. Mace; Robie G. Frye, '82; John E. Cummings, '84; Albert F. Drummond, '88, and Mrs. Drummond; William M. Cole, '88; Edith Merrill Hurd, '88; Charles Hovey Pepper, '89; John L. Pepper, '89; Edward F. Stevens, '89; Minnie Bunker, '89; Franklin W. Johnson, '91, and Mrs. Johnson; Edward C. Teague, '91; Adelle Gilpatrick, '92; Dora Knight Andrews, '92; Ernest F. Osgood, '92; Edgar P. Neal, '93, and Lora Cummings Neal, '93; Lucia H. Morrill, '93; Albert Robinson, '93; Frances H. Morrill, '94; Clara P. Morrill, '94; Melville C. Freeman, '94, and Mrs. Freeman; John B. Merrill, '96; H. Warren Foss, '96; Rev. Hannah Powell, '96; and Florence B. Dunn, '96.

—ROBIE G. FRYE, '82.

## THE FIFTY YEAR CLASS

AT 9:30 P. M. on Saturday, June 28, 1947, the men and women of Colby 1897 closed their Fifty Year Banquet and moved into the Old Timers' group. Henceforth they must range the pastures of Mayflower Hill with Colby veterans of the sunset years. They take membership in the group with no regrets but with high hopes, knowing they will be a part of a goodly company.

The Fifty Year Banquet went over in the best of fashion. Nearly all the living men and women of '97 were present, and there were letters and messages from those who could not be present. In short, good humor, good will and good fellowship were dominant at the banquet as they were throughout the three Commencement days.

At the Alumni Luncheon the fellows had a good time chatting together, while Bert Philbrick carried off the honors as the representative of the class among the after-dinner speakers. He had something to say and he said it mightily well.

At the Alumnae Luncheon, Grace Gatchell, who for many years has served as Class Agent for '97 women with distinction, won additional honors as class speaker. Ninety-seven had re-

sponded to be proud of both their representatives.

Of course all were pleased with the provision made for their material comfort, with the food and service in the dining hall and the rooms of Louise Coburn Hall. It couldn't have been better.

The high spot of the three days for the Class was the Fifty Year Banquet held in Louise Coburn Dining Hall at six o'clock on Saturday evening. Twenty-nine members of the class group partook of the fine dinner, excellently served. Grace Gatchell and Bill Holmes as Class Agents shared the work of presiding at the after-dinner program. Harmon Cross opened the events with a most interesting account of the departed members of the class. His history brought back many memories.

The main speech of the banquet was made by Alice Nye Fite, who told of her experiences and observations on education from the point of view of a college professor's wife. Her talk was full of common sense. Then came the two class poems. *Our Golden Year* by Edith Larrabee is in the writer's opinion equal in many of its ideas and much of its poetical expression to that of Longfellow's *Moriturii Salutamus*. The poem by Bill Holmes is a *Fiftieth Anniversary Sonnet*, dedicated to the Class of Colby, 1897. It urges men and women to look to the guiding stars of Hope, of Thought, of Love; to spend their lives in growing up rather than in growing old.

Grace Gatchell turned over to Myra Wilson Jones the pleasant task of calling on every one of the women to tell something of interest about her career, and what each one told was of great interest. Then the men took over; they also had many interesting things to relate. Al Keith's summary of his career was most entertaining, as was Eddie Osborne's story of the greatest ball game he ever played and the longest hit he ever made. Colby never had a greater first baseman than Eddie. Cross told of the unique house he and his niece built with their own hands and the help of a model T Ford on the shore of Flying Point in Freeport. Arthur Dunton, for many years judge



#### HALF CENTURY CLASS AT ALUMNI LUNCHEON

Members of the 50 year class seated at the head table included the following, starting at the left and proceeding clockwise: Herbert S. Philbrick, Arthur G. Wright, Arthur J. Dunton, William H. Holmes, and Albert R. Keith.

in Bath, had pertinent things to say of the past, present and the future. Wright spoke of how Colby's education had helped him to a larger and happier life. His little talk was inspiring. Bill Holmes told of how, as college marshal in 1896, he won a *summa cum laude* out of course, for executive ability in getting the Alumni procession to the church in time, much to the satisfaction of Professor Roberts and dearly loved Cosine Warren, better known to the world as Professor Laban E. Warren. Bert Philbrick told how Professor Bayley helped him to observe things rather than to look and not see. Bayley was a great teacher of geology.

The exercises closed with short talks by two husbands, guests of the class — Professor Fite, husband of Alice Nye, and Mr. Reed, husband of Ruth Stevens. Their presence at the '97 Fiftieth Commencement, as well as the presence of Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Philbrick, Miss Thurston, Mrs. Dunton and her daughter, and Nan Pepper, added much to the pleasure of the reunion. A letter of greeting was read from Chapman, kept at home in South Portland because of serious illness, and from Fred Taylor, whose health was

not strong enough to stand the journey from far away California. We heard from Bradeen and Mansur through Al Keith.

As a parting note we might add that every living woman and man graduate and non-graduate of the Class of 1897 contributed to the 1947 Alumni Fund, and that their quota was exceeded by a great deal more than 33 percent. May other Fifty Year classes in future years do as well!

— WILLIAM H. HOLMES, '97.

#### 1902 REUNION

THE class of 1902 held its 45th anniversary reunion on Saturday evening at the home of Edna Owen Douglass. Others present were Vera Nash Locke, Edith Williams Small, Grace Bicknell Eisenwinter, Frank Haggerty, Charles A. Richardson and Guy W. Chipman, and as special guests, Mr. Eisenwinter, Mr. Douglass, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Chipman and Mary Bragg Weston, '01.

The program was quite informal. The necrology of the class was read, followed by a period of silence in

memoriam. The class agents reported that the class had contributed this year to the Alumni Fund \$365, there being but four men and two women who had not been heard from in this respect.

Edith Williams and Guy Chipman then reported whatever information they had concerning the absent women and men and each of those present gave an accounting of his or her activities through the years. The absence of so many was deeply regretted but in most cases the alibi of distance was acceptable. Vera came from Oberlin, Ohio, Frank from Chicago, and Charles from Closter, N. J., and their effort to come was much appreciated. For refreshments Edna served a sherbet and Nellie some delicious cookies which she had made for us.

We are now looking forward to 1952 when we shall become "Old Timers." At that time we shall have quarters together on Mayflower Hill and shall be together for the entire Commencement period. It is hoped that every member of the class will begin now to plan for this great event and let nothing prevent a large reunion of the class on our 50th.

— GUY W. CHIPMAN, '02.

#### 40th REUNION

THE Class of 1907, represented by 11 members, three wives, and one husband, held a very pleasant reunion dinner at the Elmwood Hotel, at 6 o'clock on June 28th, with Prof. Perley L. Thorne presiding. After eating the really delicious meal, Perley asked each one to sum up the varied experiences.

After graduating he went directly to New York University staying continuously with the one job (which is actually many, many jobs in one) for the whole forty years. He is now Head of the Department of Mathematics with 17 Instructors. In the meantime he has served in different capacities of the Administrative work of the University, as Assistant Dean and as Dean but his special department is his pride and joy. His son is a graduate of Yale in the Department of Chemical Engineering and is now with Du Pont. His daughter is a student at Hood College.

Myron E. Berry worked for four years in the Telephone Company Traffic Department, spent some time with Music, taught in Lynn Junior



High for one year and for the past 29 years in Tilton School for Boys. He plays the organ in the Episcopal Church at Franklin and in the Episcopal Church at Tilton, New Hampshire, each Sunday. His teaching subjects have been Chemistry, Physics, and Biology. His one son is a graduate of Colby, now teaching at Habana.

Bertha Robinson Wheeler taught Latin and English at Vinalhaven, Dover-Foxcroft, and at Yarmouth. Then she married Lyman Wheeler of Bethel and lived there until they moved to Phillips, Maine, 14 years ago. Along with her housekeeping Bertha has ever been and now is a busy community worker especially in the Sunday School and Library. No, Bertha hasn't changed a bit. (In fact, everybody there seemed as young as ever—Where were the rest of you? Afraid of not being recognized, I wonder? We had no difficulty in that respect, I assure you.) Bertha's daughter, Mary, is a graduate of Farmington Teachers' College and now teaching at South Portland.

Adelaide Holway Brown has just retired from a very active career of 25 years' teaching in Springfield, Massachusetts. We hear she made Front Page Headlines of The Springfield Union upon the occasion of this retirement. Along with teaching she has been President of Civic Clubs, American Federation of League, Club Women for the Defense of Civil and Economic Rights of Women. Previous to going to Springfield Adelaide taught English in the 8th and 9th grades of Palmer, Mass.; English and French at Madison, Maine; and English at Deering High for 10 years—as Head of the Department for the last four. She made a trip to Europe for study of Social backgrounds and received her M.A. at Boston University after several summer school terms. She married Albert H. Brown of Springfield.

Grace Stetson Grant taught at Jay, Freeport, and Washburn before her marriage to Chester Grant who was Superintendent of Schools in Winslow and Caribou. After their children, Abbie, Elander and Grace, grew up she taught again at Orono, and now at Albion. She received her M.A. at Middlebury Summer French School in 1935. During the war Grace spent five months in special service in Washington, D. C.

#### PRESENTATION OF GAVELS

An annual Commencement custom of the Colby Alumni Council is the presentation of gavels to any Colby alumni who have been elected to the presidency of important organizations during the past year. With the head constructed of black cherry from Mayflower Hill and the handles of elm from the Old Campus, together with an engraved silver plate, these gavels are full of significance. Although none of this year's recipients could be present to receive them, announcement of the awards were made at the Alumni luncheon as follows:

George W. Pratt, '14, president of the Surrogate's Association of New York State.

Leonard W. Mayo, '22, president of the National Conference of Social Welfare.

Harold E. Donnell, '12, president of the National Prison Association.

J. Russell Coulter, '23, president of the Toledo, Peoria, and Western Railroad.

Arthur W. Stetson began his teaching at Erskine Academy, stayed for five years, found his wife there and decided that the profession was not satisfactorily lucrative for family needs. He has had a grain business, some insurance experience, and now cares for the Stetson Farm. He is enthusiastic about this prosperous farm and gave a ready answer to every challenging remark that went across the table from our professor members. His son, Arthur Jr., was a Colby graduate in 1934, has become a lawyer, been in foreign military service, and is now located in Pennsylvania. Two other sons and the daughter live in Waterville.

Elihu B. Tilton—"Mose"—has also found it difficult to decide between business and school. The potatoes of Aroostook County furnished some experience then a Principalship plus teaching a multitude of subjects compelled him to return to the farm. But there followed a period of teaching at New Britain, Conn., one and a half years at Hebron Academy, and the past 20 years as Principal of Rangeley High. During practically all the time

he has coached athletics. Someone else says, "The people of Rangeley think a lot of him." His wife is Director of Physical Education at Farmington State Teachers College.

Ralph B. Young worked four years with the Central Maine Power Co., then prepared for Commercial teaching. He taught in Charleston, South Carolina; Malone, N. Y.; and Concord, N. H., before going to Deering High in 1921 where he has spent 26 years, being Assistant Principal for the past three. One big job for Ralph now is to make a schedule of classes and activities for the entering class. He, too, has Civic interests as President of the Portland Teachers' Association, Financial Secretary of the Methodist Church, and year after year Registration Chairman for the Maine Teachers' Association at Portland meetings.

Millard C. Moore became High School Principal in Maine and New Hampshire towns until, in 1920, he became Superintendent in Ashfield, Mass. Since that time he has continued to hold a union superintendency with much success, meriting especial credit in the organization of an outstanding consolidated school at Southwick. He has acted as Moderator of Town Meeting in these towns for successive years, and President of Teachers' Associations. In 1911 he married a Boston University graduate of Salem, Mass. His daughter, Virginia, was graduated from Colby in 1935 and now is Secretary to an Executive of The Christian Science Monitor.

Burr F. Jones began teaching at Waterville High, then took graduate work at Harvard for two years, preparing for work of superintendency. He returned to Maine to be Superintendent at South Paris and Woodstock with 18 one-room schools, a two-room, a four-room, two four-year high schools, and one two-year high school, then again to Amesbury, Mass. In 1917, under Payson Smith he became Agent for Elementary Schools in the State of Mass. There he found 20 Colby men in the State Department of Education. After this term he was in Fitchburg for two years as Supervisor of Elementary Education, Superintendent in East Longmeadow and neighboring suburbs of Springfield for four years, and now is pleasantly located in Plymouth, Mass. He feels quite at home here because it is said that the man

who brought corn to Plymouth was named "Jones." Mrs. Jones is a Farmington graduate.

Hattie S. Fossett has taught nearly all the time, starting at New Gloucester High, having two years at Shelton, Conn., and many years at Lincoln Academy, Newcastle, Maine. The location has allowed me to keep in closer touch with Colby than you who have lived farther away. Some months of graduate study at Radcliffe, and several summers of French have been on my program.

We had a good chat together and were just sorry that all could not come. It was noticeable that so many had made teaching a career and those present gave evidence of much satisfaction in such as a life work.

It was a joy to have with us Mrs. Myron Berry (Leona Garland, '09), Mrs. Ralph Young, Mrs. Burr Jones, and Mr. Albert Brown. Chairman Perley assured these guests that we had all been so busy that this was the very first time we had had the time to reminisce. In this report I could tell of only a little of what 1907 has been doing in the short period of time since College Days. We seem to feel there is yet more of interest for us.

— HATTIE S. FOSSETT, '07.

## TWENTY-FIFTH REUNION

THERE were two reunion activities on the Commencement agenda for 1922: the Alumni and Alumnae Luncheons on Saturday, June 30, and the Class Dinner that evening.

The 25 and 50-year classes received special attention at the luncheons in accordance with custom. At the men's affair the response from 1922 was expressed by "Chick" Cushman who featured his remarks by a special tribute to the "adopted" member of the class — Fred P. (Chef) Weymouth, beloved by many generations of Colby people. In this tribute, Cushman read the salute to the Chef published in the Oracle of 1922 and declared that the feelings of the class expressed then had been multiplied 25 times during the intervening years. Chef Weymouth, who included in his many and varied duties in other years the supervision of the Alumni Luncheon, was able to be present and take a bow.

Miriam Hardy was the class spokesman at the Alumnae Luncheon and



## TWENTY-FIVE YEAR MEN HONOR CHEF WEYMOUTH

*Members of 1922 grouped around their honorary member, "the Old Chef," as follows: Seated, Gale (and son), Weymouth, T. Smith, Lowery, Russell. Standing, Perkins, Cushman, Sullivan, Terry, Berry, Shearman.*

addressed herself to the outgoing seniors, outlining from the standpoint of one who has been out for twenty-five years some of the attitudes and ideals which are indicated in this changing world.

The reunion dinner was held at the Overlook in Belgrade. Classmates began assembling at 5:30 and much reuniting had been accomplished by the time dinner was served at 7:15. The arrangements, which had been made by George Fred Terry in cooperation with the Alumni Office, were excellent. In fact, it was agreed that they were the best of any of the reunions to date.

Throughout the dinner the 41 present, including husbands and wives, did a large amount of reviewing of college days and more recent personal history. President Bixler appeared to greet the class and about 9:00 Evan J. Shearman took over as master of ceremonies. He called on each one for the traditional personal report as to what he has been doing and why. The formal part of the program ended late in the evening with a Locomotive Cheer for the college and class, but reminiscences con-

tinued indefinitely out on the lawn, at the Elmwood, and elsewhere.

A short "business" session was devoted to discussion of class participation in the Alumni Fund and improved cooperation in securing news about members during the years between get-togethers. It is planned to issue periodically a news sheet by way of keeping the class closer-knit in the coming years.

Although some members of 1922 present may not have signed the Commencement Register, the official list is as follows:

Lorena E. Scott, Virginia M. Bean, William F. Cushman, Miriam Hardy, Mary Brier, Eleanor C. Bailey, Herbert A. Perkins, Charles H. Gale, William J. Wallace, Bertha Gilliatt Moore, Clyde Russell, Catherine Larrabee, Merle F. Lowery, Helen Raymond Macomber, Dorothy White Lamoreau, H. Theodore Smith, George F. Terry, Evan J. Shearman, Avis Barton Bixby, Walter T. Moreland, Ruth Goodwin, Julia Hoyt Brakewood, Walter D. Berry, and Arthur Sullivan.

— CHARLES H. GALE, '22.



## COULTER, '23, CITED BY TIME

*The election of J. Russell Coulter, '23, to the presidency of the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad was noted in our May issue. Interesting additional details, however, are found in the following sketch which appeared in Time magazine for June 16 entitled "Rebirth in Peoria":*

**W**HEN George Plummer McNear, Jr. was murdered three months ago, Peoria wondered if the strife over his strikebound Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad had died with him. This week it looked as if it had.

The road was in full operation again for the first time in 18 months. Peoria gave credit chiefly to T. P. & W.'s handsome new president, Russell Coulter, 48, the antithesis of ruggedly individualistic, anti-union Mr. McNear. Coulter is affable, friendly and a born joiner; he is a member of more than a score of clubs.

An old railroader, Coulter started as a track hand during the summer while attending Colby College in Waterville, Maine. After graduation he took a job as clerk with the St. Louis-San Fran-

cisco (Frisco) Railway Co. By 1942 he was chief traffic officer and vice president of a trucking subsidiary. St. Louis knew him as one of the nattiest dressers who ever slipped into a blue double-breasted suit.

Even before Coulter had been officially put on the payroll a month ago, he began patching up things in Peoria. First he put the company back in the local Association of Commerce. Next he walked down to the East Peoria yards and talked to the craft chairmen of the railroad brotherhoods. They had ended their six year strike only a few days before. Under Coulter, they set to with a will to get the road operating. Engineers and firemen set ties and laid rails at trackmen's wages (80 cents an hour) until three flood-razed bridges were repaired.

Coulter knew that he had a tough job ahead to get the T. P. & W., which had been on its way to the junk heap, back in shape. "We've got it going now," said he last week. "But I feel that the railroad is still on the spot, and so am I."

football coach, Walter R. Holmer, was initiated by playing catcher for the staff and knocked out the longest home run of the day.

### Campus Briefs

**Concerto** — The annual spring concert of the Colby Community Symphony Orchestra was held on Friday evening, June 6, with the feature number being the premiere of "Piano Concerto in C Minor" composed by Dr. Ermanno F. Comparetti, director of music at Colby, who also played the piano part while President Bixler conducted the orchestra. The large audience, which included a great many from outside the city, registered enthusiastic approval, and the composer was called back to take a bow over and over until he consented to repeat one of the movements. The concerto was broadcast and also a recording was made which has been made available to the public in the form of an album of four records. The Comparetti Concerto will be played on the program of the Portland "Pops" on July 31.

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**Montgomery** — The annual Montgomery Prize Speaking Contest was resumed this spring after being suspended during the war years. Conducted by Prof. Cecil A. Rollins, '17, the 24 competitors from all parts of Maine gave excerpts from notable public addresses of recent years. The winners were: First prize, Hugh Pillsbury of Cape Elizabeth high school; second, Irving Lancaster, John Baptist high school; Richard Dysart, Cony high school, and David Moore, Skowhegan high school, tied for third place. Paul Aldrich of Mattanawcook Academy placed fifth.

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**Parel** — One of the most enlightening public events of the year was a labor-management discussion on the topic "Can Labor-Management Peace be Legislated?" under the auspices of the course known as "Government 4," which is made possible through the generosity of Guy G. Gabrielson of New York. Three speakers came from New York for this occasion, representing organized labor, business, and the public. They were: Fred Bullen, chairman of the New York State Board of Conciliation; Stephen Vladeck, re-

## ARBOR DAY HOLIDAY OBSERVED

**T**HE Colby student body, superintended by President-Emeritus Franklin W. Johnson, '91, transformed rough ground surrounding the new Mayflower Hill buildings into smooth lawns ready for seeding in four hours of mass labor June 4 as part of the annual Arbor Day holiday.

With faculty members as foremen of each gang, eight groups shoveled and raked plots on the front, north and west sides of the Miller Library, in front of both men's dormitories, the rear of West Hall, and the front of the Roberts Union. A fleet of trucks kept top soil coming in as the students spread out the piles.

Meanwhile, other gangs were cleaning up debris in the rear of the Lorimer Chapel, picking up and loading a truck with over-size stones along the sides of the gravelled roads, clearing out underbrush, and digging out weeds from the lawns in front of the Chapel and the women's buildings.

At noon, all adjourned for picnic lunch on the Women's Union playing field, while an impromptu "Company H" performed close order drill with rakes over their shoulders, to the applause of the crowd.

The senior class inaugurated a new custom by planting its "Arbor Day Oak" at an intersection of two drives and Elizabeth Hall Fitch, May Day Queen, had the honor of tossing in the first spadeful of earth. A stone marker at the foot of the tree will identify the occasion of its planting.

Next on the program was a faculty-student softball game. Both sides hit freely and errors were not infrequent so at the end of the fifth inning no one knew what the score was. Both sides compromised at an 11-11 score, however, so an extra inning was played. President Bixler captained the faculty nine, while George Clark led the undergraduate team which included several star co-ed players. Colby's new

search director of the Machinists Union; and James Connelly, labor manager of the R. H. Macy Company. Although the three speakers ably expressed different views on many points, they all agreed that the "omnibus" labor bill then before the U. S. Senate would do little to promote industrial peace.

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**Spring Fling** — The annual spring social weekend of the college was held May 23-25. The weekend began with fraternity dances Friday evening. On Saturday the students and their guests watched Colby defeat Northeastern on the diamond. The big event was the ball on Saturday night with music supplied by Sam Donahue and his orchestra. Elizabeth Hall Fitch, Senior, wife of a GI stationed in China, was the popular choice for Queen of the Spring Fling.

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**Extemporaneous** — The annual Levine Extemporaneous Speaking Contest was held June 10 with 46 students competing and eight chosen for the final contest. Each contestant drew a topic and was given a limited time in which to gather material and organize his speech. The winners, who received the prizes personally from Lewis L. Levine, '16, donor of the awards in memory of his parents, were: First prize, Gilbert Y. Taverner, North Vassalboro; second, George F. Burns, Waterville; third, David A. Choate, Waterville; fourth, Winston C. Oliver, Reading, Mass.

### BEQUEST

**COLBY COLLEGE** has been notified of a bequest of \$1000 from the late Malleville C. Tobey of Brewer. This is for unrestricted use by the college.

### SIEGERT SCHOLARSHIP

**FROM** funds provided by the late Wilhemina C. Siegert, a full-tuition scholarship of \$400 will be made available annually to a recipient nominated by Colby College and known as the William C. Siegert Scholarship, according to correspondence with Arthur H. Priest, attorney, Forest Hills, N. Y., one of the Trustees under the will.



### NEW DEAN OF MEN

*George T. Nickerson, '24, replaces Dean Ernest C. Marriner, '13, who becomes Dean of the Faculty.*

### FACULTY PROMOTIONS

**CHANGES** in faculty and staff status, announced by President Bixler, are as follows:

Ernest C. Marriner, '13, from Dean of the Men's Division to Dean of the Faculty.

George T. Nickerson, '24, from Director of Admissions to Dean of the Men's Division.

Promoted to full professor: Walter C. Breckenridge, Economics; Lester F. Weeks, '15, Chemistry; and James Humphry, III, Librarian.

Promoted from Assistant Professor to Associate Professor: Paul A. Fullam, History; Samuel M. Green, Art; Luella M. Norwood, English; and Norman S. Smith, Education.

Promoted from instructor to Assistant Professor: Lloyd Anderson, Physical Education; Lee Williams, Physical Education; Robert W. Pullen, '40, Economics; and Lucille K. Pinette, '37, Mathematics.

Appointed Assistant Treasurer: Arthur W. Seepe.

Appointed to Assistant Dean of Men: William L. Bryant, '47.

Appointed Recorder: Francis N. Perkins, '33.

### ST. PETERSBURG GROUP HAS ACTIVE SEASON

**T**HE Colby Club of St. Petersburg held monthly meetings the past season, beginning with a Colby Night celebration at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Russell, and closing with a picnic gathering, March 8th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Nash.

At the last meeting, the following officers were chosen for the coming year: President, Ralph E. Nash; Vice President, Donald E. Putnam; Secretary, Mrs. Effie Lowe Patch, and Treasurer, Edwin A. Russell. Miss Nella Merrick was chosen representative to the Alumni Council.

President Emeritus and Mrs. Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert F. Drummond were again in St. Petersburg, and for a longer stay, and meetings were so arranged that they could attend the January, February and March meetings. At the February meeting, held at the Detroit Hotel, Dr. and Mrs. Johnson were the guests of honor.

Dr. Johnson was guest speaker for a number of organizations during his stay, including the Men's Club of the United Liberal Church at their Ladies Day meeting, and the Maine Society of St. Petersburg at their annual banquet.

The following, besides those already named, attended meetings of the Club sometime during the season: Miss Emma A. Fountain, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W. Haviland (Olive Robbins), Doctor and Mrs. Lester W. Horne (Alice Smyth), Mrs. F. F. Tefft (Mary Bickmore), Mrs. Donald Putnam, Mrs. Vernon K. Gould (Martha Merserve), Prof. Josef Nelson, Dr. and Mrs. John W. Hatch (Nellie Worth), Dr. and Mrs. George A. Martin (Maude Hoxie), Dr. John E. Cummings, Mr. James R. McConnell, Mrs. H. L. Pierce (Grace Goddard), Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Brown (Alice Lowe). Other members of the Colby family attended meetings but for lack of record at hand, as this is written, the list must be incomplete.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell have again been kind enough to invite the Club to celebrate Colby Night at their home. It is hoped that all Colby people, who expect to be in St. Petersburg at that time, will keep this invitation in mind, and plan to be present.

# BALL TEAM TIES FOR TITLE

By DICK REID, '47

**A** FAST improving baseball team that tied for the state title and gave promise of future greatness more than made up for the mediocre showing of other spring sports teams. The nine won eight out of ten games, losing only to Bowdoin twice, and was considered for the New England berth in the national collegiate playoffs. It dominated the All-Maine team and gave Boston teams a big headache.

Football also came into the lime-light out of season, with new head coach Walt Holmer holding a two week spring session. A three day clinic in basketball and football featuring Howie Odell of Yale, Doggie Julian of Holy Cross and Colby's Holmer as teachers wound up spring activities, except for the commencement baseball game between Colby and Bowdoin, first such an affair in years.

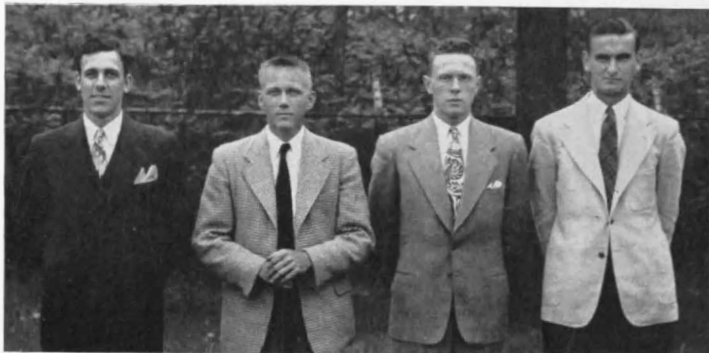
## Baseball

Poor April weather and vacation kept early baseball down to an exhibition with Maine and a series contest with Bowdoin, both of which were lost by loose play and erratic pitching.

After vacation, the baseball team took heart to whip Maine, 7-2, in a tight contest that saw neither side get over four or five hits, but Colby take advantage of every blow and some fine base running. Carl Wright won the first of his string of games. Then Norm White put on his batting clothes to lead the Mules to a 12-8 ten-inning win over Bates at Lewiston. Norm collected five hits in six trips and drove in seven runs. Tubby Washburn pitched nine innings and George Clark relieved to get credit.

The team looked set for the title until it struck Bowdoin at Brunswick. The Polar Bears couldn't hit, but they didn't need to that day. Four Colby pitchers allowed 20 bases on balls and Bowdoin won, 15-11, after scoring 11 times in two innings without a single safe blow.

That seemed to clear the air, despite its costly result, and the Mules went on to take six straight. Wright set



## ELECTED CAPTAINS OF 1948 SPRING SPORTS TEAMS

*Left to right: Norman R. White, baseball; N. Ray Lindquist, golf; Arthur S. O'Halloran, track; and Nelson T. Everts, tennis.*

Boston College down, while his mates blasted three B. C. hurlers for 21 runs and 22 hits, the best batting exhibition at Seaverns Field in 30 years. Wright then relieved Washburn in the ninth of the Northeastern game, after Tubby was struck on the head with a ball, and gained credit for the 6-5 win.

The next day, Wright went nine to stop Bates, 17-3, as Norm White got another five for six and drove in seven more runs.

Maine came to town three days later. Colby and Maine were tied for second place behind Bowdoin, which

had finished its season. A win for either would mean a tie. Coach Roundy started Wright with two days' rest, and Gumbo came through with his third series win, as the Mules eked out a 6-5 victory. Four runs in the first proved enough of a lead for the Mules.

Thrilling wins over Boston University and Northeastern in the Hub over Memorial Day weekend wound up the season. George Clark and Will Eldridge teamed up for a 10-9 win over B. U. in 11 innings on the holiday, and Wright and the team's big bats were too much for N. U. in a 19-1 rout.

John Spinner, first base, George Clark, third base, Mike Puia and Bob St. Pierre, outfield, and Norm White, catcher, were selected on the All-Maine team, and why Carl Wright, with three series wins and a record of six and none for the season, was not picked will be a mystery for many years. Norman White was elected captain at the end of the season. Only Puia and Wright are graduating on the first team.

## Track, Golf, Tennis

New faces and lack of practice hampered all three of the other varsity teams. The cindermen lost dual meets to Bates and Vermont, and were un-

## FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- Sept. 27 — University of New Hampshire at Durham
- Oct. 4 — University of Vermont at Burlington
- Oct. 11 — U. S. Coast Guard Academy at Waterville
- Oct. 18 — Amherst College at Waterville
- Oct. 25 — Bowdoin College at Brunswick
- Oct. 31 — COLBY NIGHT
- Nov. 1 — University of Maine at Waterville
- Nov. 11 — Bates College at Waterville

able to gather points at the state meet.

Coach Swede Anderson has some promising newcomers, including captain-elect Red O'Halloran, Al Sandler, Harry Marden, Bill Igoe, Al Gates and Dick Pullen, but they were not ready for competition against Maine's powerhouse this season.

Bob Taylor, Waterville Country Club pro, took over coaching duties in golf. His team topped Bates twice, but had little success against their other opponents. Ray Lindquist will be captain next year.

Under Professor John Clark, the tennis team won its last match of the year from Maine. Bud Everts and George Felton reached the finals of the state doubles, and Everts was defeated in the semi-finals of the singles. Everts was elected captain for 1948.

#### Football

About 45 candidates worked out with plenty of pep under Coaches Holmer and Anderson in a two week spring drill. Holmer said he was pleased with the showing of his men and predicted that they would hold their own next spring. He was the guest at a sportswriter's luncheon in early June.

#### Clinic

Coaches from five states attended a three day coaching clinic sponsored by Colby and the Central Maine Athletic Association. Howie Odell, Doggie Julian, Walt Holmer, Swede Anderson, Eddie Roundy, Dr. Ted Hardy and Bill Macomber comprised the "faculty" with Bill Millett and Lee Williams as co-chairmen.

The instructors discussed all phases of football and basketball, offense, defense, passing, kicking, running, scouting, care of injuries and rules. A banquet was held at the Overlook Inn, Belgrade, as highlight of the activities. Thirty-eight coaches registered for the courses, most of them from Central Maine.

### SUMMARY OF RESULTS

#### Baseball

Maine 14, Colby 8 (exhibition)  
Bowdoin 7, Colby 6  
Colby 7, Maine 2  
Colby 12, Bates 8 (12 innings)  
Bowdoin 15, Colby 11  
Colby 21, Boston College 5

Colby 6, Northeastern 5  
Colby 17, Bates 3  
Colby 6, Maine 5  
Colby 10, Boston Univ. 9 (11 innings)  
Colby 19, Northeastern 1

#### Track

Bates 74, Colby 61  
Vermont 78, Colby 56  
State Meet — no score  
Easterns — one point

#### Golf

Boston Univ. 8, Colby 1  
Bowdoin 9, Colby 0

Colby 8, Bates 1  
Maine 9, Colby 0  
Brown 9, Colby 0  
Boston Univ. 8, Colby 1  
Colby 9, Bates 0

#### Tennis

Bowdoin 8, Colby 1  
Boston Univ. 8, Colby 1  
Bowdoin 9, Colby 0  
Bates 8, Colby 1  
Maine 9, Colby 0  
Bates 8, Colby 1  
Tufts 8, Colby 1  
Colby 5, Maine 4

## LETTERS FROM READERS

### RECALLS DUTCHY

Dear Editor:

I have enjoyed the most delightful articles on "Dutchy" and "Judy" in recent issues. After 28 years how vividly I can recall their classrooms. Mr. Ratcliffe's article on "Dutchy" lacked only his favorite saying: "A sleeping fox catches no hens, and verbs and past participles come last!" His poems I can still recall.

— OLIVE STONE LERMOND, '22.  
*North Haven, Maine*

### FACULTY PHOTOGRAPH RECALLS MEMORIES

Dear Editor:

Perhaps we recipients of your monthly effort may seem as a whole to be rather unappreciative. I know that I must appear so, for this is the first time in all the years that I have been reading *The Alumnus* that I have taken time out from all the hustle-bustle of the daily grind to tell you how much I enjoy it. I hope that others have been less lax.

While I have enjoyed all the issues to reach me, it took the May copy with its photograph of the Colby Faculty on April 24, 1929, to spark this letter of thanks. My, oh my, but that photo gave me a nostalgic turn! It whirled me back through the years as nothing has done before. It was my senior year, and how well I remember every face and personality depicted! I had studied under a number of them and, as Assoc. Editor of the Echo and col-

lege reporter for the Waterville Morning Sentinel, had become acquainted with many of the others. They were Colby to me in that period just before I was to step out into my oyster. And now, looking at that photograph, I find that, a little to my surprise, they are my closest link with Colby today.

Through the years since graduation I have been saying to myself, "I must go back, I must go back and see Colby again." And I guess I was thinking mostly of the stone and concrete of the beloved buildings, of the beauty of the Boardman Willows in June, of the paths I trod across the campus, yes — even a little of the acrid smoke from the Maine Central train going round the bend and the H-W mills across the river. I've been thinking that I must get back at least once before they move the campus from all those old, familiar scenes, for, no matter how happy we are about Mayflower Hill, we old timers can't help being a bit sentimental over that iron-bound semi-circle where we spent so many happy hours. But now I find an even stronger urge to revisit my Colby as soon as possible. The realization that so many of those respected and loved personalities are still there, that I still have time to shake their hands and thank them for what I received from them, practically assures that I'll be there, come Commencement — or sooner — so help me!!

Thanks again.

— DAVID F. KRONQUIST, '29.  
*Glen Ridge, N. J.*

## TWO COLBY BRICKS AWARDED

TWO members of the alumni body were awarded Colby Bricks at the alumni and alumnae luncheons this Commencement.

These quarter-size brick paper weights are manufactured by the makers of the bricks used in the Mayflower Hill buildings and are awarded by the Alumni Council each year to recognize: "loyal, outstanding, and meritorious service to the college beyond the call of duty."

The recipients and the accompanying citations for the 1947 awards are given below:

"Grace Farrar Linscott, Class of 1901 — perpetual mainspring of every Colby activity in Portland for more than 25 years; serving her college with steady, wise loyalty, she has promoted with phenomenal success numberless Colby projects such as the Western Maine Alumnae Association, Western Maine Scholarship Funds, prospective student parties, appearances of the

Colby Glee Club in Portland, the Women's Union campaign in the Portland area; one-time member of the Colby Alumni Council, and past president of the Colby Alumnae Association."

"John Hess Foster, Class of 1913 — father of a Colby son and daughter, son of a Colby father of the class of 1877, grandson of John B. Foster of the class of 1843, famous professor of Greek at this college — a Colby lineage in which you take pardonable pride; a former medical missionary in China, now a distinguished member of your profession in Waterbury, Conn. We honor you today for organizing the Naugatuck Valley Alumni Club, for serving it continuously as president since its organization in 1935, and for inaugurating and continuing its custom of entertaining each year the fathers and mothers of all former Colby students as well as all present Colby students from your area."

### The Rare Book Corner

COMMENCEMENT visitors to the temporary Rare Book Room found on exhibition a collection of fine books about which the college has heard little. Perhaps the chief reason for this silence has been the fact that the collection has been slowly growing for a decade or more, and at no previous time during this period has it been exhibited as a unit. Edward F. Stevens, '89, founder of our Book Arts Collection, has been chief contributor to it. Students enrolled in the course in Bibliography have, from time to time, been given a sight of this or that item from the Book Arts Collection; but even they have probably never seen all the books that the Colby Library owes to the interest and the generosity of Dr. Stevens. At last, these books were given the assembly and display that they have long deserved.

At Commencement, seven exhibition-cases were filled with items presented by Dr. Stevens. These treasures by no means exhausted the list of material that the library has received from this one source, but they served

to illustrate many of its features. The exhibition included samples of fine printing, of artistic illustration, and of fine binding. Illustrators included Rudolph Ruzika, Boris Artzybasheff, and William Blake. There were costly books bound in leather, there were gilt-edged cloth-bound volumes, paper "boards" and pamphlets. Some were commercial publications; many were the products of private presses, done with a taste and charm not always found in printed books turned out in quantity for "the trade." Color in a wide variety of inks, paper of diversified quality, and contents that ran from poetry and fiction to personal essays and letters — all were represented. There were books about Gutenberg and the Flemish printer Plantin; there was a Dutch book from Haarlem and one by the famous Italian printer Beldoni.

Those who examined the exhibition more closely than the average passer-by could afford to examine it, found that it contained not only an impressive historical record of modern fine printing

and book-making, but also first-hand records of literary and typographical activity not easily found elsewhere. Fifteen years ago, Dr. Stevens, becoming dissatisfied with the poor quality of the printing and the paper often found in copies of standard works of fiction, set about trying to correct this sad state of affairs — at least by demonstrating that a correction was possible. He accordingly had an edition of Trollope's *The Warden* prepared and printed "for libraries." The Colby exhibition included the copy of *The Warden* which Dr. Stevens used in the preparation of his text, as well as a copy of the Library Edition.

Highly informative were the privately printed books and pamphlets, many of them containing information available nowhere else. To cite only one instance: — from the copy of *Letters of T. E. Lawrence*, of which Bruce Rogers had an edition limited to only 200 copies printed in 1931, we learn that it was Rogers himself who suggested that Lawrence translate the *Odyssey* anew. Four years later the suggestion had become fact; but the record of how that fact had been brought about has remained the secret knowledge of only that small number who have been privileged to examine such a copy of the *Letters* as was included in this Stevens Exhibition.

Examples of the work of famous Presses were present in great quantity and variety — the Riverside Press, the Merrymount Press, the Harbor Press, the Golden Hind, the Derrydale, the Afterhours, the Lakeside, the Elm Tree Press — all were represented. First editions included Thoreau's *Cape Cod*; famous reprints included Lowell's *Democracy*; and well-known authors represented included Conrad, Irving, Wordsworth, Izaak Walton, and Andrew Lang.

To list the "association items" would require more space than is available here; but no one could examine the exhibited books without finding in them an inspiring record of Dr. Stevens's friendships and of his long and successful career as a librarian.

One of the pleasant things about the Commencement exhibition was the fact that Dr. Stevens was himself present, to see and enjoy it. If every alumnus would only imitate his splendid example . . . !



## Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1890

Antha Knowlton Miller of Pasadena, Calif., writes that she is retired but goes occasionally to Sigma Kappa meetings.

1897

Grace Goddard Pierce is residing in Shrewsbury, Mass., but has spent the past winter in St. Petersburg, Fla., and Havana, Cuba.

1898

Charles M. Woodman has retired from active Gospel ministry teaching in Earlham College and, for the summer, will be at Shore Acres, Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

1907

Elihu B. Tilton of Rangeley writes that the "principals of Rangeley high school keeps me quite busy."

1909

Agrandece Record Pullen informs us that her two sons came home safely from the service. One is now an instructor at the University of Maine.

Martha Bryant Kelley writes: "I am a minister's wife, a high school teacher's wife and just a housewife. My husband has been substituting as a commercial teacher here (Oswegatchie, N. Y.) for the last year and a half. I am a 4-H Club leader, active in the Missionary Society, Home Bureau, and Order of the Eastern Star.

Mabelle Babson Mayo's new address is 59 Ocean Avenue, Portland. She has sold her home in Cumberland and moved into a large old Victorian house which has been made over to house three families. Mrs. Mayo has an apartment on the second floor with her two sons occupying the other two floors.

Blanche Emory Folsom has been making the rounds of schools this spring. She went to West Point to bring home her older grandson after his plebe year; attended the graduation exercises at the Maine Maritime Academy at Castine when her second grandson was graduated; and also the graduation exercises at Cony high school in Augusta when her only granddaughter was graduated.

1911

Nathan Patterson writes the following: "The first meeting of the Tulsa Colby Club was held Saturday and Sunday, February 15-16, with Dr. J. Seelye Bixler and me attending." Mr. Patterson has been elected Vice President of the American Institute of Steel Construction and President of the Tulsa Chamber of Commerce. He also reported the marriage of his sons: Sidney on November 29 and Edward on December 28.

1912

Carl R. Smith, former State Commissioner of Agriculture and now assistant to the president of the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad, has accepted a bid to serve on the Agricultural Department committee of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

Thomas S. Grindle has just completed an active year as president of the Mass. Superintendents' Association.

Bess Cummings Walden is Assistant Dietitian at Bates College in Lewiston.

Henry C. Allard is special agent for the Commercial Union Insurance Company in Camden, Maine.

1913

Pauline Hanson is still on the faculty of New Haven high school.

Henry Cushman may be addressed at the Glocker Sanatorium, Colorado Springs, Colo.

1914

Vinal H. Tibbetts has been appointed director of the Hessian Hills School, Croton, N. Y., and will assume his new duties on September 1st.

1915

Everett Holt left recently for Paris to attend the International Rubber Conference as one of the delegates of the United States Department of State.

1916

Eleanor Bradlee Mitchell keeps busy as chairman of the Volunteer Committee of Worcester Girls' Club; newly appointed member of the Education Department of the Worcester Women's Club; and vice president of the Worcester Colby Alumni Association.

Loren F. Carter is superintendent of the Northern Maine Sanatorium in Presque Isle, Maine.

Dr. Donald S. Knowlton, consultant at Mount Alto Veterans' Hospital, was re-elected president of the Tufts College Alumni of Washington recently.

1917

The Sun Oil Company announced on June 2 the appointment of Francis E. Heath as chief geologist of the Dallas division of the company. He joined Sun Oil in 1926 as a geologist in the Dallas office, later becoming assistant chief geologist and assistant supervisor of research and in June 1940, chief petroleum engineer. After graduation from Colby, he took graduate work in petroleum engineering at the University of Pittsburgh. During World War I he saw Army service in the Explosive Research Division of the Ordnance Department for two years. During World War II he was active as a first Lieutenant in the Texas State Guard, Headquarters 19th Battalion, and was co-technical adviser of the Industry Commission, Production Division of District 3, Petroleum Administration for War. Mr. Heath is a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, the American Petroleum Institute, and American Association of Petroleum Geologists. A resident of Dallas, he is married and has two children.

1918

Gladys P. Twitchell has been promoted to assistant principal of McIndoes Academy, McIndoe Falls, Vt.

1920

Harold A. Osgood writes the following: Teaching, Medford, Mass., high school. Son just out of Navy and finishing 2nd year at MIT. I said Colby. He said MIT. He's bigger than I."

1921

Alice L. Brown of Southampton, Mass., recently entertained Helen Kimball Brown, '18. She reports that Mrs. Brown is teaching English and French at Hampton Academy, Hampton, N. H.

Wayne McNally writes from aboard

the *SS Henry Wilson*, American Export Lines, where he has a summer position as Purser, after "a couple of days' training in the NY office." He expects to land in Genoa or Venice, and is looking forward to "the moon over the Mediterranean."

#### 1922

Kenneth C. Dolbeare has been named Assistant Headmaster of St. Paul's Academy in Garden City, N. Y.

#### 1924

Cranston H. Jordan will be on the science faculty of the State Teachers College, Cortland, N. Y., next year.

#### 1926

George B. Barnes has announced his candidacy for the presidency of the State of Maine Senate.

Paul M. Edmunds represented Colby at the Charter Day Convocation of the City College of New York recently.

Ruth Walker Kilday and her husband have moved to Richmond, Va., where Mr. Kilday is with the Virginia Electric and Power Company. Their new address is 3906 Hanover Avenue.

#### 1927

William E. Pierce now has a family of two girls and two boys. He resides in Madison, N. J., and is district manager of the New York Telephone Company.

Lawrence Roy is teaching Science and History at Hallowell high school.

Herbert Jenkins went from Colby to the University of Chicago where he received a degree in Social Service as preparation for work among Negroes. After some years in Louisville, Kentucky, where he was married, he moved to Cleveland and may now be addressed at 869 Parkwood Drive, Cleveland 8.

#### 1928

Edna E. Turkington teaches History in Malden, Mass., high school, and is head of the history department. She was recently promoted to Dean of Girls.

Rev. Cecil H. Rose has a position as Director of Westminster Foundation, Presbyterian Student Work in New England. He is also assistant professor of English Composition at Curry College in Boston.

#### 1929

Martha Allen Blackwell tells us that her daughter, Audrey Leigh, was born on the same date as one of her ancestors, Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell. "Dr. Blackwell was the first woman doctor in this country. I wonder if my little strawberry blonde will follow in Dr. B's footsteps!"

Ethel Henderson Ferguson reports that it is her husband and not herself who is employed by the Colonial Beacon Oil Company in Portland.

Martin J. Tierney is vice principal of Hudson high school, Hudson, Mass.

#### 1930

Lucy Parker Clements informs us that she is principal of the Central School in Searsport.

Pauline Brill Trafton is living at Long Lake, N. Y., where her husband is the forester for the C. V. Whitney lands. She has been teaching English at Long Lake and expects to teach again next year.

#### 1931

Vivian Russell, who is attending the University of Maine summer session this year, has a teaching position at Kents Hill Junior College as Dean of Women, Head of the English Department, and Director of Dramatics.

Howard Ferguson, assistant coach of baseball at Newton high school since 1933, has been appointed head coach.

Edward S. Cobb is presently with the Navy as a civilian engineer in Photographic Research.

#### 1932

A. J. DeMiceli is teaching Mathematics for the School System of Newburgh, N. Y.

#### 1933

Tillson D. Thomas has been elected principal of Foxcroft Academy and will begin his teaching there next September.

Perry G. Wortman has a position as principal of the Boothbay Harbor high school.

Horace Daggett has been elected president of the Waterville Lions Club.

#### 1934

Francis Allen of Needham, Mass., has been elected librarian of the Congregational Library in Boston.

Dr. Myron H. Matz has reopened his

office in Dorchester after 39 months in the AAF.

#### 1935

Ellen G. Dignam wrote recently that she was in Switzerland with the American delegation to International Trade Conference. She says that she is working at the League of Nations buildings which are very luxurious with massive marble halls, leather divans and chairs, etc.

#### 1936

Ruth L. Mailey is secretary to the Director of Admissions at Colby College, and lives at 3 Pleasant Place in Waterville.

Edna Allen Ecker writes: "During the war I worked at the Naval Base, Quonset Point, R. I. Last October I resigned and married Robert Becker, a former Seabee. We are now living in Joliet, Ill., but I certainly miss the East. We plan to see the new college during my husband's vacation in July."

Ralph A. Pellerin of Dearborn, Mich., is in the production control office of the Ford Motor Co.

#### 1937

James E. Glover of Waterville is seeking nomination as Representative to Congress from the second Maine district.

#### 1939

Gerald M. Armstrong recently received his Ph.D. in chemistry from Brown University. His thesis was entitled: "Vibrational properties of the bridge model for molecules of the type M<sub>2</sub>X<sub>6</sub> or M<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub>Y<sub>4</sub> with application to the spectrum of aluminum bromide."

Major Albert B. Parsons has charge of the 109th Air Reserve Training Detachment at Dow Field, Bangor.

#### 1940

Mary Wheeler has passed her second year in the Women's Medical School of Pennsylvania, located in Philadelphia. She visited Waterville friends and the college at Commencement time.

E. Robert Bruce received his MA from Columbia University on June 3.

#### 1941

John E. Ormiston, Jr. has been appointed a sales representative of the



Sandoz Chemical Works and will be at their Boston offices.

Lubor Leonovich Waltz has recently moved to 43 Yale Street, Maplewood, N. J., where her husband is employed by the Bell Telephone Laboratory in Murray Hill.

Barbara Baehr, who served with the Army during the war, now has her own interior decorating business in New York City.

Bernard Daniels has been purchase agent for the Bunny Bear, Inc., for the past three years. Following his work at Colby he was graduated from Babson Institute.

Robert H. Talbot is first officer for United Air Lines, flying from New York to Chicago or Milwaukee.

Betty Boak Shields is in Norfolk, Va., with her Navy husband. They have finally secured a place in the world's largest Navy housing project. Her new address is 141-A Ingram Street, Benmoreell, Norfolk, Va.

Helen Bradshaw Henderson is working as confidential secretary to the Vice President of William Skinner & Sons in New York City. Her husband is getting his MA at Teachers College, Columbia University. Their address is 25 Cornell Drive, Great Neck, N. Y.

#### 1942

Roger W. Perkins of Waterville received the Bachelor of Laws degree from Boston University Law School on May 26. He plans to enter the firm of Perkins, Weeks and Hutchins after taking his bar exams in the fall.

Eero R. Helin has received his MA from Columbia University and will coach and teach at the high school in Marshfield, Mass., next year.

Gloria Goelitz McGann, who was married in 1940, now has two children: a son, Kenneth, aged 4½; and a daughter, Lee, nine months old. She and her family are residing on Grove Street, Ramsey, N. J.

#### 1943

Priscilla Moldenke has been attending Boston University School of Social Work during the past year and hopes to get her Master's degree in the fall.

Leonard Caust writes that he made an unsuccessful attempt to break into the theatre in New York and is now applying for admission to Harvard Business School.

Barbara Philbrick is still at the Uni-

versity of Colorado School of Medicine in the laboratory of Public Health and Laboratory Diagnosis. She writes that Annabelle Henchey, '45, is there, too.

Elizabeth Tobey Choate and her husband have purchased a house at 21 Brookside Avenue, Winchester, Mass.

Ruby Lott Tucker informs us that she, Bill, and daughter, Susan, are at 173 Loomis Street, Manchester, Conn., in their own little Cape Cod house. Bill is Supervisor of Registration for the Veterans Administration in Hartford.

#### 1944

Nancy Grahn Heatley returned to this country about the first of April and has been with her family in Wading River, N. Y. Her husband has been transferred to Fort Lewis, Wash., however, and she and the baby expect to join him as soon as possible.

M. Frances Shannon has received her MA degree in English from Bryn Mawr College.

Alexander E. Dembkowski is attending Boston College Law School and finds the study of law very interesting as well as a great deal of hard work.

#### 1945

Rev. Robert W. Holcomb has assumed his new duties as pastor of the First Methodist Church of Clinton, Mass.

Frances Willey Rippere is now living at 59 Bay State Road, Holyoke, Mass., where her husband is resident engineer for the new General Electric plant.

Virginia Blair Sensibaugh is at the Lubbock Army Air Field, Lubbock, Texas, while her husband is at Texas Tech. College.

## MILESTONES

### ENGAGED

Carol Robin, '46, to Burton Epstein of Worcester, Mass. Mr. Epstein was graduated from Clark University and is in the Real Estate Business in Worcester. A September wedding is planned.

A. Priscilla Weeks, '47, to Clayton E. Currier, '47. Miss Weeks and Mr. Currier both received their degrees at the June commencement exercises. A fall wedding is planned.

Jean Adams Hillman, '45, to Dr. Edward S. O'Meara of Ellsworth. Mrs. Hillman attended Colby and was graduated from Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School. Dr. O'Meara was graduated from Yale University and the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Columbia University. He served as a Naval Flight Surgeon during the war.

Harriet Glashow, '46, to Harry Levin, '44.

Deborah C. Eager of Wellesley Hills, Mass., to Scott A. Schaller, '48, of Taunton. Miss Eager attended Bates College and at present is studying in Mass Norfleet's School of Individual Study in New York, N. Y. Mr. Schaller is employed by Wellington Sears Co., Chicago.

Frances Cybuch of Revere, Mass., to

Israel Rothblatt, '37, of Everett. Miss Cybuch is a graduate of Salem Teachers College and is at present teaching in Revere. Mr. Rothblatt was graduated from Boston University School of Law. A fall wedding is planned.

Elizabeth C. Lee of Boston to Reginald O'Halloran, '33, of Brookline. Miss Lee is a graduate of Radcliffe College.

Patricia Anne Cashin of Brockton, Mass., to John R. Pomeroy, '44, of West Bridgewater. Miss Cashin was graduated from Boston University.

Billie June Adams of Panama City, Fla., to A. Warren McDougal, Jr., '44, of Sanford. Miss Adams has just completed her sophomore year at the College of Music at Boston University. Mr. McDougal served with the Navy as a Lieutenant junior grade during the war and is now attending Boston University Law School.

### MARRIED

Joyce Irene Palmer, '48, of Waterville, to Thomas A. Simpson. Waterville. at the Belfast Seaside Chapel on June 14, 1947. Mrs. Simpson attended Colby College and is employed in the office of the Hollingsworth and Whitney Company. Mr. Simpson was

graduated from Coburn Classical Institute and plans to attend college in the fall. He served three years in the U. S. Marine Corps during the war. He is the son of Ernest Simpson, '16.

**Madeleine Peyronel Hinckley, '43**, to Guy Gibbs on June 11, 1947. Mr. Gibbs was graduated from Gould Academy and is now employed by a lumber company in Bethel. They are spending the summer at Aziscoos Lake and will return to Bethel in September.

**Elsie Crossland to Paul B. Merrick, '38**, on November 16, 1946, at Hempstead, London, England. Mr. Merrick is employed in the Sanitation Division of the Health Department, Augusta, Maine, and they are residing at 23 Drew Street in Augusta.

**Glencye Sybil Miller, '46**, to Leonard Donald Kaplan on June 17, 1947, in Brookline, Mass. Mr. Kaplan was graduated from Babson Institute and has his own tannery business in Berwick, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Kaplan are spending the summer at the Poland Spring House but will reside in Brookline, Mass., this winter.

**Virginia Sheldon Root of Bethlehem, Conn., to Irving Bradford Shaw, '46**, on May 31, 1947, at the home of the bride. Mrs. Shaw was graduated from Beaver College and Pratt Institute School of Library Science. She is now employed as Fiction Assistant at the Washington, D. C., Public Library. Mr. Shaw was graduated from Colby last June following military service. He received his BLS from Pratt Institute School of Library Science in 1947 and is attending Georgetown University Graduate School during this summer.

**Mary Rush of Houlton to Thomas Vose, '39**, at St. Mary's Church on June 24, 1947, in Houlton. Mrs. Vose was graduated from Farmington Teachers College and has been teaching in several Maine communities. Mr. Vose has returned from military service and is on the faculty of Easton high school.

**Beverly O'Brien of Beverly, Mass., to Dr. John W. Moses, '44**, Waterville, on June 30, 1947, in Beverly. Mrs. Moses was graduated from the Chamberlain School of Design. Dr. Moses took his medical work at Boston University and served his internship at the Beverly Hospital. In August, he will go to San Antonio, Texas, where he

will be stationed with the Army Medical Corps.

**Jean Foster Nolan of Bethel, Maine, to Frederick C. Lawler, '34**, of Bristol, on June 10, 1947, in Bethel. Mrs. Lawler attended Columbia University, Berkeley Secretarial School, and Gosham State Teachers College. For the past three years she has been private secretary to the manager of The Bethel Inn and the Hotel Ormond, Florida. Mr. Lawler served as Lt. Commander in the U. S. Navy during the war. He has been associated with the manager of the Bethel Inn for the past year. Mr. and Mrs. Lawler are making their home at The Bethel Inn, Bethel, Me.

**Virginia M. Cole, '49**, of Portland, to Robert B. Daggett, '46, of Waterville, on June 28, 1947, in Portland. Mrs. Daggett will be a junior at Colby next year. Mr. Daggett is presently employed at Farrow's Book Shop in Waterville, but will resume his college work in the fall. Mr. and Mrs. Daggett are residing in the veterans' apartments on Mayflower Hill.

**Gaynel A. McIntyre of Washburn to Darold B. Hocking, '42**, on May 9, 1947, in Washburn. Mrs. Hocking is a graduate of the Knox School of Nursing in Rockland and served in the Army Nurse Corps during the war. She was stationed in the Philippines. Mr. Hocking was a lieutenant in the U. S. C. G. for 42 months, and is now associated with John Meehan and Son, St. George, Maine.

**Ardeth Edrington to Laughlin D. MacKinnon, '42**, on July 13, 1947, in the Allston Baptist Church. Mrs. MacKinnon is a graduate of Sacramento (Calif.) Junior College and has been doing secretarial work for the Shell Oil Company in Sacramento. Mr. MacKinnon has been teaching at Atlantic City high school since completing his work at Colby in February of 1946.

#### BIRTHS

**To Mr. and Mrs. Roger M. Stebbins (Roger M. Stebbins, '40, Ruth Gould, '40)**, a daughter, Marjorie Alden, on May 25, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick B. McAlary (Frederick B. McAlary, '43, Josephine Pitts, '44)**, a son, Frederick B., Jr., on June 20, 1947, in Bangor, Maine.

**To Dr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Dore**

**(Clarence E. Dore, '37)**, a son, Peter, on May 17, 1947, in Waterville.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Delbert D. Matheson (Delbert D. Matheson, '43, Thelma Proctor, '43)**, a son, Delbert D., Jr., on April 20, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Galen Eustis (A. Galen Eustis, '23)**, a son, Jon Blanchard, on May 12, 1947, in Waterville.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Russell Houghton (Audrey Dyer, '45)**, a son, Bradford Lee, on May 7, 1947, in Waterville.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith (Mary Utecht, '37)**, a son, Oscar, Jr., on March 6, 1947, in Richmond, Maine.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne B. Sanders (Wayne B. Sanders, '37, Elizabeth Herd, '38)**, a daughter, Constance Herd, on June 1, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. McAlary (Eugene A. McAlary, '35, Ruth Michalek, '36)**, a son, David Eugene, on May 28, 1947, in Westfield, Mass.

**To Dr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Kimball (Stanley W. Kimball, '40)**, a daughter, Margaret Karen, on May 22, 1947, in Boston.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore G. Smart (Theodore G. Smart, '27)**, a daughter, Carol L., on January 25, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Paul MacDonald (Marian Archer, '33)**, a son, Glen Bruce, on February 26, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Lewis I. Naiman (Lewis I. Naiman, '36)**, a son, Frank Roberts, on September 7, 1946.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Peterson (Robert A. Peterson, '29)**, a daughter, Linda Ellen, on June 4, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins (Justina Harding, '32)**, a son, Peter John, on May 17, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Rodgers (Dorothy Cleaves, '47)**, a son, Scott Stearns, on June 22, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. G. Ellis Mott (G. Ellis Mott, '39)**, a daughter, Melissa Clark, on June 7, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Janes (Ruth Vose, '33)**, a son, Richard Albert, on May 13, 1947.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick M. Drummond (Frederick M. Drummond, '44)**, a daughter, Claire Marie, on May 20, 1947, in Waterville.

**To Mr. and Mrs. Chester J. Woods, Jr. (Chester J. Woods, '47, Mary L. Fraser, '45)**, a son, Gordon Fraser, on July 6, 1946.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blackwell (Martha Allen, '29), a daughter, Audrey Leigh, on February 3, 1947.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert L. Carr, Jr. (Wilbert L. Carr, '42, Chrystal LaFleur, '46), a son, Ronald Ley, on July 12, 1947, in Waterville.

To Lt. and Mrs. Edgar B. McClure (Lois Lott, '45), a daughter, Maureen, on July 10, 1947, in Jacksonville, Fla.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Pullen (Robert W. Pullen, '40), a daughter, Susan Ann, on July 3, 1947, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. W. Merritt Emerson (W. Merritt Emerson, '44, Ethel Paradis, '43), a son, on April 22, 1947, in Orono.

## Necrology

### CARROLL A. WILSON, Hon. '40

Carroll Atwood Wilson, recipient of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws from Colby in 1940, died in New York on June 27, 1947.

Born in nearby Benton Falls, he was the son and grandson of graduates of this college. After graduation from Williams with Phi Beta Kappa honors, he became a Rhodes scholar. Besides being a lawyer of distinction and director of the Guggenheim Foundation, he was one of the leading bibliophiles in the East.

His chief connection with this college was based on his scholarly interest in Thomas Hardy which first brought him into contact with the Colby collection of writings by and about that author. As a result he took pleasure in helping Professor Carl J. Weber ex-

tend the college's collection in that field and also made numerous and valuable gifts to the Rare Books Collection of the college Library.

### RUFUS W. STIMSON, '94

Rufus Whittaker Stimson, former Massachusetts supervisor of agricultural education and a nationally recognized authority in his field, died on May 1, 1947, at the Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis.

Rufus Stimson was born on February 21, 1868, in Palmer, Mass., the son of Horace William and Harriet Hunt Stimson. He was graduated from Palmer high school and entered Colby in 1890, remaining only two years. He received the AB degree from Harvard in 1895, and the AM degree in 1896. In 1897, he received the BD degree from Yale. While at Colby, Mr. Stimson was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

He taught at the Connecticut Agricultural College from 1897 to 1901 when he was appointed to the presidency of that school and held that position until 1908 at which time he became a director of Smith's Agricultural School at Northampton. From 1911 to 1938 he was supervisor of vocational agricultural education for the Massachusetts Department of Education.

Mr. Stimson received various medals and commendations from the Panama Pacific Exposition, Massachusetts Horticultural Society, Massachusetts Association of Agricultural Teachers and Directors, and the Massachusetts Department of Agriculture.

He was also the editor of Vocational Agricultural Education by Home Products, an agricultural project series, as well as associate editor of Vocational Education Magazine. In 1938 he was

honored by the U. S. Department of Education when they called him to write a History of Agriculture in the United States, which book he completed before his death.

On October 4, 1899, Mr. Stimson was married to Helen Morris in East Boston, Mass. Mrs. Stimson died in 1944.

He retired in 1938 and had since devoted his time to writing. He had made his home in Newton Highlands until the past two years when he was at Wellfleet on Cape Cod. At the time of his death he was working on an honor roll of persons who have distinguished themselves in agriculture.

Mr. Stimson is survived by four brothers: Dr. Cyrus F. Stimson, '93, of Allston, Mass.; Joseph H. Stimson of Princeton; A. H. W. Stimson of Northampton, Mass.; and S. Newton Stimson of Spencer, N. Y.; one sister, Mrs. Helen L. Schott of Ware, Mass.; 16 nieces and 19 nephews.

### REV. WILLIAM B. CHASE, '99

Rev. William Bryant Chase, pastor of the Buckfield Baptist Church, died on June 3, 1947, while officiating at a funeral service. Death was due to cerebral thrombosis.

Mr. Chase was born in Rockland on October 26, 1875, the son of Rev. S. L. B. and Julia White Chase. After fitting at Hebron Academy, he entered Colby, graduating in 1899. He was a crack bicyclist, winning several college prizes and was Maine college champion in the one-mile and runner up in the two-mile event. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Following his graduation from Newton Theological Institution in 1902, he was ordained into the Baptist ministry and occupied pulpits successively at

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Patten, Washburn and Easton. He then resigned to serve two years as a YMCA county secretary in New Jersey. Later he returned to the ministry, serving in churches in New York, Connecticut, Vermont, and New Hampshire, before returning to his native state where he had pastorates at Houlton, Mechanic Falls and East Sumner before coming to Buckfield.

Mr. Chase was active in denominational affairs and held the presidency of the United Baptist Convention of Maine at one time, and has been on the State Ordaining Board.

Mr. Chase's first wife died in 1932. He remarried and is survived by his widow and five children, including three who are Colby graduates: J. Ardelle Chase, '27, of Shelburne Falls, Mass.; Mrs. Helen Chase Pardey, '30, of Dighton, Mass.; and Dr. Harold Chase of Chardon, Ohio.

#### FRANCIS M. JOSEPH, '01

Francis M. Joseph, printer, familiarly known as "Joe" to members of the Colby *Echo* editorial boards for over 30 years, died at his home in Waterville on July 10, 1947, after a short illness. His death occurred on the 25th anniversary of his marriage.

Francis Joseph was born in Monson on January 30, 1876, the son of Robert and Margaret Thomas Joseph. After his graduation from Monson Academy in 1893, the family moved to Waterville and Mr. Joseph attended Coburn Classical Institute. He then entered Colby and received his degree in 1901.

While in school and college he learned the printing business and from 1901 to 1903 was foreman in the office of the *Waterville Evening Mail*. He studied law in the office of Fred W. Clair for a year, but, when the *Waterville Sentinel* became a daily publication in March 1904, he became foreman of the composing room, remaining until 1911 when he went into business for himself.

At that time he and Fred D. McAlary purchased the City Job Print, the partnership continuing until 1932, when it was dissolved.

Mr. Joseph was a Democrat and served in the City Council and as Councilman from Ward 4. He had been a member of Havelock Lodge, Knights of Pythias; he was a charter member of the Winslow Chamber of Commerce.

Besides his widow he is survived by three nephews, James L. McMahon, '44; Richard J. McMahon and David McMahon.

#### BERDEN A. FOGLER, '03

Mrs. Berdena Trafton Fogler died on May 13, 1947, in Belmont, Mass.

Berdena Trafton was the daughter of William A. and Evy Marston Trafton and was born in St. Albans, Maine. She was graduated from Skowhegan high school and entered Colby with the class of 1903.

After leaving Colby Miss Trafton taught at Skowhegan high school for two years and later was connected with the clerical department of the Skowhegan Post Office. As a young woman she was unusually attractive. A painting of her in a woodland scene, painted by Charles Hovey Pepper, '89, was hung in the Paris Salon and exhibited widely, receiving high praise.

On May 8, 1912, Miss Trafton married Ben B. Fogler, and the couple moved to Ludlow, Mass., then to Cleveland, O., before making their home in Belmont.

Mrs. Fogler is survived by her husband and his mother, four children, and six grandchildren.

#### PERLEY L. WHITAKER, '05

Perley Leland Whitaker of Tacoma, Washington, died on April 20, 1947.

Perley L. Whitaker was born in Bingham, Maine, on January 9, 1880, the son of Joseph M. and Rachel Meader Whitaker. He prepared for college at Oak Grove Seminary and Waterville high school and entered Colby in 1901, remaining until 1903. While at Colby he was a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity.

When Mr. Whitaker left college in 1903 he engaged in accounting work in Waterville until 1911, being employed principally by the Waterville and Fairfield Railway and Light Company and affiliated companies. He also served as city auditor of Waterville for three years during this period.

In 1911 he moved to Boston, where he was in the auditing department of Stone and Webster, doing special work in different cities throughout the United States, Canada, and Cuba. He left this company in 1917 to become General Auditor for Hooper Kimball and Williams, Boston, and had the

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supervision for their organization in Massachusetts, Ohio, Indiana, and Iowa. He returned to the auditing department of Stone and Webster in 1919 and remained with them for several years. He later went to Tacoma, Wash., where he became comptroller for the St. Paul & Tacoma Lumber Company, a position which he held at the time of his death.

Mr. Whitaker was married to Elizabeth K. Harvey of So. Berwick, Maine, on October 10, 1906, and the couple had two children.

#### ALPHEUS L. WHITEMORE, '12

Alpheus LaForest Whittemore, Portland teacher, died in his sleep on the morning of June 12 from a second attack of coronary thrombosis, after being hospitalized for twelve days following the first attack.

He was born in East Dixfield, the eldest of the five children of LaForest C. and Luella G. Whittemore. Following his graduation from Wilton Academy he attended Colby, graduating with the B.S. degree in 1912. He was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

After four years in business at Wilton, he joined the faculty of the Academy, but left in 1918 to enlist in the 124th Field Artillery and served overseas with the 33rd Division.

Following his discharge from the Army, Mr. Whittemore worked briefly as a tester with the General Electric Company at Lynn, before returning to the teaching profession. After three years at Wilton, he spent nine at Rockland as teacher of manual arts, then five years at Old Orchard Beach high school, and four at Deering High in Portland. Since 1942 he has been at the Walker Manual Training School in Portland, teaching woodworking.

At different times, Mr. Whittemore took courses in shop management at the Lowell Institute (an evening school connected with Massachusetts Institute of Technology), and in education and child psychology at summer sessions at Cornell, Harvard, and Bates.

He was a member of the Congregational Church, and was a deacon of the Wilton church while a college student. Always interested in underprivileged boys, he was active in Boy Scout work, being an expert camper. He approached nature not with rod and gun but with camera, binoculars and microscope, seeking to see for himself the handiwork of the Creator.

One who knew him intimately has said of "Whit": "His own experiences gave him understanding sympathy which made him a source of strength to anyone in trouble. Never ambitious for himself, he was able to stimulate and further ambition in others. He was one of those people whose path through life can be traced by the way in which they create order and beauty in place of chaos and ugliness wherever they go."

Mr. Whittemore was married on June 25, 1921, to Ruth O. Hamilton, a Colby classmate, who survives him, as do a foster-son, Edwin J. Cook of Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y., and two brothers.

#### ORIE L. HALL, '14

Orie Lynn Hall died very suddenly of heart trouble in his office in Chicago, Ill., on November 29, 1946.

Mr. Hall was born in East Dixfield, Maine, July 27, 1892, the son of Charles R. and Persia Sawyer Hall. He was educated in the East Dixfield schools, Wilton Academy, Colby College, Massachusetts Institute of Tech-

nology and Cornell University. He worked for the B. F. Sturtevant Co. at Hyde Park, Mass., for some time and was later transferred to their offices in Chicago.

Mr. Hall is survived by his widow, Mildred Dow Hall; his son, Orie L. Hall, Jr.; two daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Schwarz and Barbara Hall, both of Chicago; his mother, Mrs. Persia S. Hall of East Dixfield; two brothers, Edwin S. Hall of Montclair, N. J., and Ralph C. Hall, East Dixfield; and several other near relatives.

#### ELLIS W. PEAVEY, '27

Ellis Walter Peavey died suddenly in Vallejo, Calif., on May 10, 1947.

Mr. Peavey was born in Nantucket, Mass., December 16, 1905, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar M. Peavey. He attended Colby from 1923-24 and was a member of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

For 13 years he was employed by the Shell Oil Company in a Boston office and was chief clerk when he entered the Army Air Corps in 1940. He received training at Camp Edwards, Mass.; Fort Hamilton, N. Y.; Camp Pickett, Va.; and was graduated from the Adjutant General's school in Washington, D. C., as a second lieutenant. He was later awarded his first lieutenant's bars at Fort Washington, Va.

Mr. Peavey was discharged in December of 1945 and returned to Waterville for a time before going to California where he was assistant office administrator for the Aviation Maintenance Corporation at Vallejo.

He is survived by his widow, Blanche Simpson Peavey; two sons, Deane and Stanley; his mother, Mrs. Edith Peavey of Abington, Mass.; two brothers, and three nieces.

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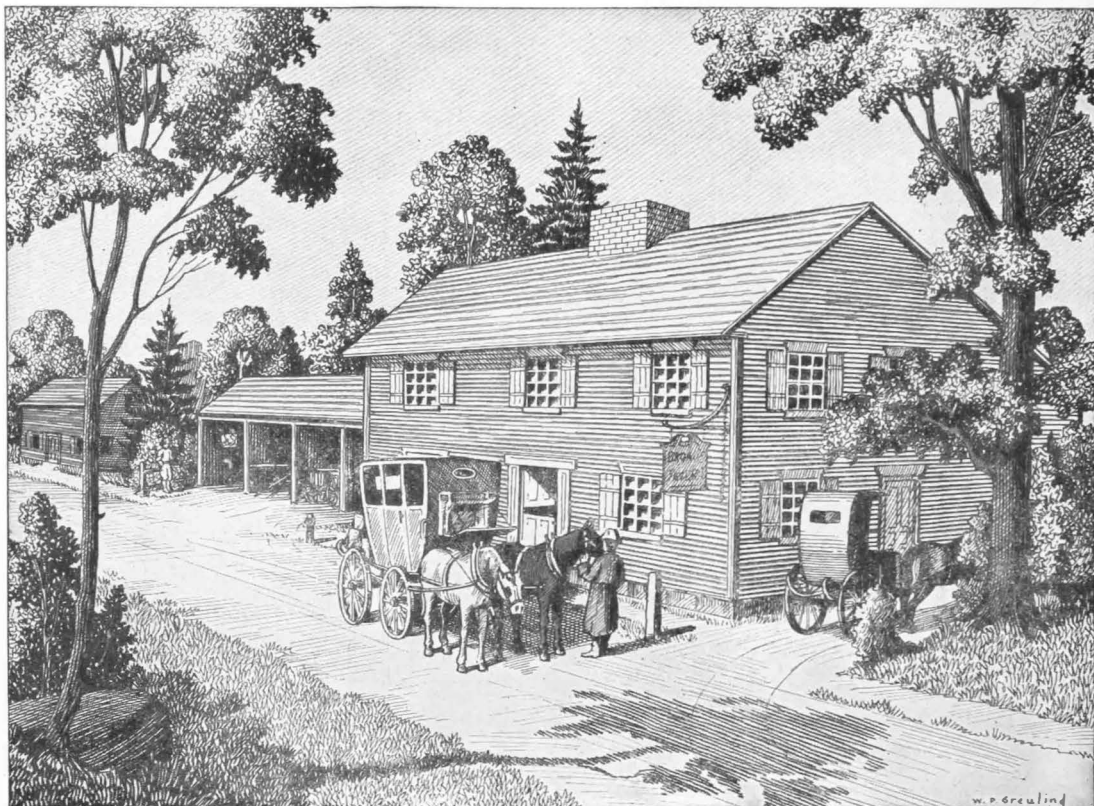
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