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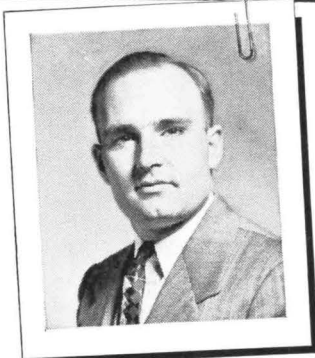
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Robert E. Froom—Youngstown, Ohio

*Another post-college
career story*

In 1940 I was studying to be a Civil Engineer at Ohio State University. In 1941 I was inducted, spent a good deal of time "paddling a saddle" in the Horse Cavalry, and then became an Aviation Cadet. After receiving my wings, I was assigned to the Air Transport Command, winding up my activities flying the "Hump."

Two days before V-J Day, I received a cablegram telling me of my father's death. Dad had been a New England Mutual policyholder so, shortly after returning home, I was introduced to the Company's representative in Youngstown, Harley Kirkpatrick. I soon realized that Mr. Kirkpatrick had been of invaluable service to my father and to the whole family. When he learned that I wanted to go into business for myself, he suggested life insurance, and arranged an interview with the General Agent in Cleveland, and with the Home Office in Boston.

Investigation convinced me that as an Agent for New England Mutual I would basically be in business for myself--with no real ceiling on my earnings, and complete independence of action. With everything to gain and nothing to lose, I took the Company's aptitude test, and qualified.

To date, I have completed a thorough training course in the Home Office in Boston; I have attended two Company conventions; I have my own office, and I have placed a half million dollars of insurance on the lives of people in my community. Each day I discover new uses for life insurance and realize that there's no limit to the amount that will be bought in the future.

I'm certainly glad I chose life insurance as a career. Besides the earning possibilities and the independence, it gives me the deep satisfaction of knowing that my services can be as valuable to my clients as were those of Mr. Kirkpatrick to my own family.

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The Cover

The couple on the cover who will receive their diplomas in a few weeks are the senior class president, Francis ("Bud") Folino of Watertown, Mass., and his wife, the former Virginia ("Bobo") Brewer of this city. He is a business administration major and wants to go into the construction field, while she has majored in art. They have been married about a year and are living in one of the veterans' apartments on the campus.

Mail Box

OFF THE BEAM

Dear Mr. Editor:

The April issue of the Alumnus contained its usual store of interesting reading. Other reading matter must always be laid aside until the Alumnus has been read. I liked, particularly, Prof. Anthon's article on the revolutions in Europe one hundred years ago.

The picture captioned "Peacefully Flowed the Kennebec in 1848," appearing in connection with this article aroused my interest. My first thought was that, although the Kennebec may have been peacefully flowing in 1848, it was not flowing under the railroad bridge shown in the picture. A little research confirmed my belief. I have always understood that the first railroad entering Waterville was the "back road," so called, the line from Lewiston, via Oakland, whose trains may be seen from Mayflower Hill and that the year was 1849.

By referring to the History of Waterville, whose chapter Waterville 1802-1902 was written by the late Rev. E. C. Whittemore, Colby 1879, I find, on page 69, this fact authenticated.

This same picture appeared in the Jan. 2nd, 1938 issue of a Portland paper. There this explanation was given. "This is a remarkable view of Waterville, taken from Sand Hill in Winslow, showing both vehicular and railroad covered bridges spanning the Kennebec. Picture taken in 1860."

So, Mr. Editor, you see how carefully your words are scrutinized by some of the older grads. We don't often find you napping, but even Homer nodded, or, to modernize the phrase, perhaps you were "off the beam" just a little!

RALPH B. YOUNG, '07.

THE 127th ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

PROGRAM OF PRINCIPAL EVENTS

(Information regarding meetings of special groups and organizations will be found in the official commencement program.)

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

- 8:30 P.M. The President's Reception in the Dunn Lounge of the Women's Union, providing opportunity to meet the President and faculty, and other returning alumni. From 9:00 on there will be dancing in the Women's Gymnasium. (Formal dress is optional.)

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

- 10:00 A.M. Exercises commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of the Colby Alumni Association, in the Women's Gymnasium. Reginald H. Sturtevant, '21, chairman of the Alumni Council, will preside. Speakers include President Bixler, Dean Marriner, Dean Runnals and Leonard W. Mayo, '22, vice president of Western Reserve University, Cleveland.
- 11:30 A.M. Dedication of the War Memorial Flagpole and raising of the flag, with the dedicatory address by President-Emeritus Franklin W. Johnson, '91.
- 12:30 P.M. The Commencement Dinner. Taking the place of the former alumni and alumnae luncheons, this all-college dinner is open to alumni, alumnae, faculty, graduating seniors, their parents and friends, up to the capacity of the Women's Gymnasium.
- 2:45 P.M. (or at the close of the dinner.) Laying of the cornerstone of the Keyes Building. Dr. and Mrs. George G. Averill, guests of honor.
- 3:45 P.M. Baseball game, Colby Varsity vs. Bowdoin Summer School, on Seaverns Field.
- 6:00 P.M. Reunions of classes from 1898 to 1943, and "The Old Timers," at various designated places in Waterville and vicinity.
- 7:00 P.M. The Senior Class Day Exercises and the traditional Peace Pipe ceremony on the lawn of the Women's Union.
- 9:00 P.M. The College Play, *The Rivals*, by Sheridan, in the Women's Gymnasium, with a student cast under the direction of Prof. Cecil A. Rollins, '17.

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

- 10:00 A.M. Baccalaureate Service in the Lorimer Memorial Chapel. Sermon by President J. Seelye Bixler. (Due to the limited capacity of the Chapel families of seniors will be given preference until 9:45.)
- 12:00 M. Fraternity and Sorority Reunions. Buffet luncheons will be served to fraternity alumni in the Roberts Union and to sorority alumnae in the Women's Union, following which members of the societies will adjourn to separate rooms for their reunion programs.
- 3:00 - 5:00 P.M. Reception, Roberts Union. Members of the senior class will have opportunity to introduce their parents and guests to President and Mrs. Bixler and members of the faculty.
- 6:00 P.M. Picnic supper for the entire Colby family served from the Mary Low dining room and eaten on adjacent lawns.
- 7:30 P.M. Concert by the 60-piece Colby-Community Symphony Orchestra, in the Women's Gymnasium, conducted by Dr. Ermanno F. G. Comparetti. The program will include "The Mayflower Hill Concerto for Piano and Orchestra" composed by Dr. Comparetti.

MONDAY, JUNE 21

- 10:00 A.M. The 127th Commencement exercises. The address will be delivered by Joshua Loth Liebman, Rabbi of Temple Israel, Boston, and author of *Peace of Mind*. Awarding of degrees to the graduating class. Awarding of honorary degrees. If pleasant, the exercises will take place on the lawn adjoining the Women's Union; if inclement, in Women's Gymnasium.

THE TALK OF THE COLLEGE

JOTTINGS — The Joint Glee Club on its way to a concert in East Machias a few weeks ago stopped in a Bangor restaurant and, as a bunch of college kids will, started up a little post-prandial harmonizing from their tables in the rear of the joint. A little girl who came in with her mother watched wide-eyed and inquired who all those people were. "Sh!" replied the woman, "that's the Bowdoin Glee Club." And were our co-eds burned up!

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Statistic of the month: There are about four miles of conduit for electrical wires going into the Keyes Building right now, mostly embedded in the concrete floors.

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Registrations for the Colby-Swarthmore Summer School already include students from 18 states and China who are presently attending over 30 different colleges and 16 schools.

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Quote from US Atomic Energy Commissioner Sumner T. Pike in speaking before the Government 4 class: "It is quite evident that the real people in pure science don't come from the technical institutions. There the vocational avenues open up too early and most students are tempted to skimp on the courses in other fields. Why, one of the best nuclear physicists I know, a Nobel prize man, didn't take a course in physics until his junior year. It is the graduate of a liberal arts college who seems to reach the really top brackets in science."

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At the convention of New England College Librarians held here last month, one glum delegate came up to Colby Librarian Humphry with the remark: "I have one serious complaint to make. We are all going home utterly disoriented with our own Library buildings."

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The facilities of Mayflower Hill, plus Waterville's central location, makes Colby the choice for many state-wide conferences. On one Saturday recently the State Convention of the YMCAs of Maine was going on in

the Roberts Union, while a conference of delegates from the Newman Clubs of upper New England took place in the Women's Union, along with a debate tourney between freshmen teams from Bates, Colby and U. of M.

SALUDOS AMIGOS — When you come back for Commencement next month, don't be surprised if you find President Bixler wearing a sombrero with red tassels dangling from the brim, while Treasurer Eustis guards a chest of doubloons, wearing a brocaded bolero and silver-studded pistol belt while he idly twirls the drooping points of his thin black mustache, and over yonder is Senorita Runnals with a black lace mantilla, and red rose in teeth. At least that is our temptation, now that we are owners of *Rancho Los Palos Verdes*.

These 170 verdant acres overlooking San Pedro harbor which have passed to the College from Dr. and Mrs. George G. Averill are the last sections of this historic ranch which once comprised 35,000 acres. This was granted from Spain to Dolores Sepulveda in 1822 (when George Dana Boardman was graduating from this College) and was one of the last Spanish Grants before jurisdiction passed to Mexico. Colby College becomes only the third owner of these acres since Dolores — thus giving rise to our Spanish accent.

Dr. Averill invested in this property a good many years ago and has watched Los Angeles crawl in its direction ever since. At one time the University of California looked at it as a site for their Los Angeles campus, and during the war it was seriously con-

sidered for a Naval hospital. Now it will be sold off as a house lot subdivision and Dr. Averill, characteristically, did not turn it over to the College until after he had assurance of an immediate and advantageous sale which will net Colby some \$200,000.

A study of the history of this tract, tracing its transmutation from the loot of conquistadors into a laboratory for teaching the science of the atomic age at a Yankee College, would reveal a lot about the ebb and flow of civilizations!

INTER-FAITH — An important change in the set-up of student religious activities has taken place with a voluntary self-reorganization by the Student Christian Association, putting itself under the sovereignty of what is to be known as the Inter-Faith Association of Colby College.

The change is the result of long and thoroughgoing cabinet discussions throughout the year. The crux of the matter, interestingly enough, is the old issue of the tax-supported church, as it applies to the campus microcosm. The SCA has been financed for many years out of a \$2 per capita fee included in the student activities "blanket tax." Insofar as the SCA program was for the general campus good (welcoming freshmen, infirmity visitations, Christmas party for needy children, sponsoring World Student Service Fund and other campus drives, getting up a lecture course on Courtship and Marriage, and so on) there was no problem. The trouble was that the SCA cabinet which is predominantly Protestant, although those of other faiths may be and frequently are members, felt constrained when it came to appropriating funds for purely Protestant projects such as conventions of the Student Christian Movement, chapel speakers, and the College Church, thus drawing from funds which had been paid non-voluntarily by students of all or no faiths.

One alternative was to subsist on voluntary SCA membership dues or contributions, but this would involve such a financial reduction that the SCA would be forced to curtail many of its fine all-college services. The

We Point With Pride To—

Dr. Frederick T. Hill, '10, elected president of the American Laryngological Association.

Thomas (Brenner) Savage, '40, whose latest novel brought a \$50,000 stipend from Hollywood for movie rights.

other alternative, which was finally adopted, was to form the Inter-Faith Association, financed by a general student fee, as is the case at present. This body would carry on all of the present non-sectarian activities, and the remainder of the budget would be divided proportionately between the Student Christian Association (Protestant), the Newman Club (Catholic), and the Hillel Foundation (Jewish). This year the religious distribution of the student body is as follows: Protestant, 69 percent; Roman Catholic, 18 percent; Jewish, 9 percent; others, 4 percent. ("Others," incidentally, include the Russian Orthodox, Islam, Mormon, and Greek Orthodox faiths.)

Colby College was founded by the Baptists, but in an age of bigotry its original By-Laws contained the surprisingly tolerant provision that no denominational requirements shall ever be applied to membership in the Board of Trustees and that no student shall be "denied admission to said Institution on the ground that his interpretations of the scriptures differ from those which are contained in the articles of faith adopted or to be adopted by said institution."

The religious atmosphere of this college has always been in the liberal Protestant tradition and there is no reason to soft-pedal this rich heritage. The action of the Student Christian Association in thus recognizing the status of minority faiths is in accord with our proud tradition of religious democracy.

PLACEMENT — In the spring young college seniors' fancies turn to jobs, and the placement work of the Alumni Office has been humming. Talent scouts from more than a dozen nationally-known concerns have been entertained, and 85 interviews arranged so far between these representatives and seniors who had asked to be considered for business positions.

The Colby product, these men have told Alumni Secretary Goddard, stacks up very well. One company, for instance, has two representatives on the road going from campus to campus to fill just ten openings—and one of our seniors has been taken. Another firm is contacting 57 colleges to pick 31 seniors for the 1948 training course—but *three* of our boys were just too good to be turned down. When these

personnel men tell him things like that, Goddard walks around in a glow all day.

We have pointed out before that it is too bad that Maine concerns with attractive openings for college graduates do not take more pains to make their opportunities known to Maine college seniors. The other companies come in and walk off with the cream of the crop. The one exception is the Hathaway Shirt Company of this city which took two of our boys last year and has promised at least one job to a 1948 graduate. Our four Maine colleges attract hundreds of young men and women of exceptional calibre from other parts of the country who grow to like it in this State and would be receptive to offers of interesting jobs. Our Maine industries would do well to take the initiative and cash in on this asset.

RED — An observant columnist in the local paper lately gleaned from *The Colby Echo* the results of a presidential poll taken among the students, and viewed with alarm the fact that five times as many preferred Wallace as did Taft. This communistic infiltration, he hinted, was greatly to be deplored. Being cramped for space, however, he did not have room for all the scores, which were:

Stassen	187
Dewey	56
Truman	37
Wallace	35
Taft	7
Eisenhower	5
Vandenberg	5
Scattering	9

Such is the power of the press, however, that after his comments had circulated over the campus there immediately sprang up a Wallace-for-President Club. But we aren't yet laying any bets on Wallace to carry Maine, or even Colby.

TRIBUTE — It was a pleasure to attend a Rotary meeting the other day which took the form of a presentation of an honorary lifetime membership to "Frank" Johnson, '91. Attorney Jim Boyle presided over the program which included appropriate remarks from Mayor Russell M. Squire, '25, a warm and moving tribute by President Bixler to his predecessor, a gift of a red-lined fishing

jacket presented by Bryant L. Hopkins who cited Johnson as one "who will accept any job, if it is worthwhile," and Jeff Smith who gave him a hoe, presumably to keep him busy between fishing trips.

The President-Emeritus was taken completely by surprise and was naturally touched. In his response he pointed out, somewhat wryly, that the feeling was apparently somewhat warmer than it was just after his advent, when the offer of a site for the college in Augusta had been made and Johnson's attempt to remain neutral until the Trustees made their decision, was interpreted to mean that he was in league with those who wanted to steal Colby from Waterville. A lot of water has flowed over the Lockwood dam since then, and it was good to see the genuine regard in which Waterville's business and professional men hold their fellow Rotarian.

JACKPOT — We hope you noted the human interest yarn in the papers recently about the young novelist who was refused (politely) when he applied for a \$500 loan from a bank and a few days later received word that movie rights for his latest novel had been accepted by a Hollywood company for \$50,000. Learning of this, the story reads, the bank called him up and pointed out their suitability as custodian of this money, but the author, he says, refused them (politely).

Not all of our readers who attended Colby in 1937-40 may have recognized the Thomas Savage of the story as the Tom Brenner whom they knew. (He legally changed his name from his stepfather's back to his original name of Savage.) Tom will be remembered as the fellow from Montana who was looked upon with some awe because he had had a yarn ("Bronc Stomper") published in *Coronet*. He wooed and married Betty Fitzgerald, '40, and has ground steadily away at his writing since graduation, along with other employment. His first success was "The Pass," published in 1942. During the war he worked in the Bethlehem-Hingham shipyards on the second shift, writing regularly five hours a day. Another book, based on the shipyard experience, failed to click. And then this one, "Lona Hanson," hit Columbia Pictures for the jackpot.

A MATTER OF INTEREST AND PERHAPS DIVIDENDS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

By REGINALD H. STURTEVANT, '21

Chairman, The Alumni Council

MAY is the month for remembrance.

Again it is the season of Mother's Day, of Memorial Day, and of the sharpening of pencils by class agents for a jab at those of us whose memories are, perhaps, not all they ought to be, with the reminder that it is, too, the time when dutiful sons and daughters of Alma Mater remember her.

It is not my purpose here to seek contributions to the Alumni Fund, knowing very well that there are few, if any, subscribers of the *Alumnus* who are not contributors to that fund. Neither am I pressing for larger gifts, — such matters are safely left in the capable hands of Robert E. Wilkins '20. My present concern is not with what you are putting into the Fund, but rather with what you are getting out of it.

There was a lady, with more money than judgment, who decided to go into the business of raising silver foxes. After buying a farm, having pens and runways built, hiring a manager to operate it, and stocking it with some of the pretty little animals, she inspected the lay-out with satisfaction and said to the manager, "Now, how often can we skin them?"

"Only about once a year, M'am," replied the manager. "Often than that, they get a little sore."

When the mailman brings you greetings from the agent of your favorite class, if your reaction is a resigned, "Oh dear, it's time again for the annual skinning of the Alumni," then it is evident you have not been getting a proper return on your investment, and something should be done about it.

There is due you, in the first place, the large distribution paid in pride of achievement. Consider just briefly what your dollars did last year. Most important, of course, is the fact that the \$30,000 you gave in unrestricted

funds enabled the college to balance its budget. Without it, the college would have operated at a big deficit; without it, many items of equipment badly needed in various departments could not have been purchased; without it, some of the long overdue faculty salary increases could not have been given; without it, Treasurer Eustis would by this time, I suspect, be wrapped in a strait-jacket, making both ends meet behind his back.

You added \$500 to our student loan fund which we have been gradually building, and which we hope to make large enough eventually to provide for all needs of students for emergency borrowing.

You placed in the chapel tower, at a cost of about \$5,000, the beautiful carillon bells as a tribute to those of our members who served in the Armed forces in World War II.

You set aside \$2,000 as the first installment on the cost of the War Memorial Scholarships which will pay all college expenses of the children of those of our number who died in World War II.

It would be proper here, I think, to pass along some of the messages sent to you by relatives of boys who were killed.

From the Widow of a Colby Boy:

"I wish to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation to the Alumni Council for affording my daughter the opportunity to attend her father's college."

From the Father of a Colby Man Killed:

"I just want to say that we have been deeply stirred by this move and I want to express to you, as well as to the Trustees of Colby, my profound gratitude for this very mag-nanimous action."

From a Widow:

"From records of my husband I

know that he worked very hard to acquire his education, and that he would wish his son to have every advantage possible to gain the best of knowledge and a well-rounded preparation for life. I have been giving great thought to the future, and have been concerned over finances. Therefore, you can well imagine what your letter meant to me."

From Another Widow:

"Words cannot begin to express my gratitude to those who have made this scholarship possible. It is indeed a very generous and worthwhile memorial for those who have lost their lives in the Service. Fathers who have graduated from Colby would naturally strive to make it possible for their children to attend college. I want you to know how deeply I appreciate what you have done to make this one big dream come true. From the very bottom of my heart, I thank you."

Those messages must indeed be very gratifying to you. If, from the families of those whose sacrifice was so great, you are able to lift a little of the burden, make up a little of the loss, it must give you a more deep and abiding satisfaction than anything else your few dollars could buy.

Then, too, there is due you the thrill of opportunity. So many wonderful and worthwhile things there are which this Fund money could do, that with it you are like a little boy, with a dime in his fist, looking through a Woolworth store.

Not long ago a poultryman was in my office complaining about the squeeze he was in between rising grain prices and falling prices for eggs and poultry. "I tell you," he concluded, "The way things are today, hens are nothin' but an asset."

The connotation was slightly differ-

ent from that to which I am accustomed, but his meaning was perfectly clear; and I don't know but we are all slightly screwy in our conception of assets anyway. I often have to sit down with some customer to draw up his balance sheet; and, when he tells me that he owns this or that, the thought sometimes crosses my mind, "No, you don't either,—you just have the use of it for a little while. Perhaps you have title to your home in what the lawyers call "Fee simple," but just the same you are only a tenant at will, with the tenuous possibility of suggesting who may next have the use of it after you."

"Time," the adage says, "Is

money." It is more than that. It is the only wealth you or I will ever own. All other worldly possessions are only loaned us, but the little piece of eternity allotted to each of us is ours forever, and shall never belong to another. In that light, its investment is the only thing that really matters.

As it concerns the case in hand, my thought is this,—for a negligible outlay of your precious capital of time, for a very modest distribution of your other so-called "assets," you have the chance to touch most constructively upon the lives of many young men and women, and by helping to make a

better education available to more people thus to enhance greatly the value of their capital in broader, more useful lives. It is a real bargain in opportunity.

So, if from your investment in our common enterprise, you have not been receiving the returns which are your due, let me urge you to step up and collect the regular annual payment in pride of achievement and the special spring dividend declared in the thrill of opportunity. You are entitled to both. Responsible as I am, temporarily, as your Chairman, I would not wish to see you short-changed on either count.

YOUNG SCULPTOR SHOWS TALENT

BEGINNING May 23, the college will exhibit works of art, sculpture and paintings, by two members of the student body—an exhibit which will be remarkable because it does not need to be judged on a "don't-they-do-well-for-students" basis, but can hold its own with what can be seen in the galleries of 57th Street or Newbury Street.

This article concerns the sculptor, Robert C. Burkhart, although the young painter, Edward C. Schlick, equally deserves an introduction to the Colby alumni.

Burkhart doesn't quite know how he got into sculpturing except that he always had a compulsion to make things. Evidently he always made things extraordinarily well, too. As a little boy attending the "Little Red School House" progressive school in New York, he built a desk which was chosen for an exhibition of some kind, he dimly remembers. Later he became engrossed in painting, even working in oils, but when he saw a marionette show his enthusiasm swung to puppets and he molded heads for a number of characters, although not particularly interested in the theatrical side of puppetry.

One day when he was in the 6th grade he tried to fashion a replica of the Discus Thrower out of clay, only to find that the structure straightway collapsed. So he got out some books which revealed the methods of internal

bracing. By that time he had been given a supply of plastacine (non-drying clay) and, on a frame of coat-hanger wire, he molded a 30 inch man in a walking position. By then, his family had moved to Pittsburgh so his parents took the piece over to Carnegie Institute of Technology to get it cast in plaster. Apparently this came before the eyes of some of the fine arts faculty, because the 13 year old boy was invited to join the high school sculpturing class. He ate it up and

was awarded a scholarship to the Carnegie Tech summer session which had a college-level course in the art. One of the teachers, an able sculptress named Janet De Coud, took a special interest in Bob and helped him after class.

Bob's parents decided to send him to the Cranbrook School in Michigan, entirely unaware that the Cranbrook Academy of Art was also in Bloomfield Hills. It was not long, of course, before he discovered it and found to his delight that Miss De Coud was on the faculty of the Academy. The upshot was that Bob began to spend all the time he could in the Academy and became a protege of Milles, the noted sculptor whose fountain adorns Rockefeller Plaza.

Oddly enough, Bob's other extra-curricular accomplishment was wrestling. Although in the 105 pound class, he often competed with the 115 and 125 pound boys, and even won the Michigan Interscholastic Championship in his own weight. This seemed to be overstraining his heart, so after his second year in Cranbrook he returned to Pittsburgh and attended Schenley High School in that city for a year and a half, completing his work at the Falk School, an experimental progressive school under the auspices of the University of Pittsburgh. One of his teachers here recommended Colby, solely on the basis of once having studied under Bixler and believing



"THE VETERAN"

This close-up of the head illustrates the sculptor's ability to portray abstract qualities such as frustration and disillusionment.

that a small liberal arts college would offer Burkhart the friendly environment and flexibility of attitude which would favor his artistic growth while providing the solid academic fare and the mental disciplines which he needed. So, in February, 1946, he arrived at Colby among the influx of veterans.

Burkhart naturally gravitated to Prof. Samuel M. Green, then head of the art department, who encouraged him and managed to find a place where he could model to his heart's content. At the present he has his "studio" in what used to be the men's room in the basement of the Alumnae Building where he has running water and fairly good lighting. Sculpturing is a messy occupation at best, and this workshop looks like a janitor's nightmare with plaster splatterings all over the place and junk piled here and there. Outside the door are five rubbish cans full of the debris of his craft. But for Bob, it is perfect, for he can work undisturbed and lock the door behind him when he leaves.

Now 20, Bob is somewhat diminutive in stature and has a "little boy" face which is surprisingly at odds with the maturity of his mind in certain special directions. His fellow students accept him amiably as being more or less "out of this world" but a good guy, nevertheless. There is nothing of the poseur in Bob, as one so frequently finds in the cliques of pseudo-esthetes on college campuses, and he finds himself in a group of fellows and girls with genuine artistic leanings, out of which has come a project for turning one of the unused Chemical Hall classrooms into a hobby-shop next year where two or three of them will conduct regular (although unofficial) classes in drawing, clay modeling, textile design, and the like. As Bob told President Bixler in obtaining permission, "it will give the college an art department without costing anything."

Since coming to Colby, he has completed nine pieces of sculpture. Last year the undergraduate art show included his "Adolescent Boy," "The Indifferent Philosopher," "Crucifixion" (the Christ against a war-battered brick wall), "Young Girl," and "Head." His coming exhibition will include: "Gray Girl," "The Veteran," "The Critic," "The Composer," and "The Teacher."



"THE CRITIC"

This portrait bust of Professor Green is notable for its success in conveying the idea of concentrated thought.

Burkhart's medium at this stage is plaster casts from clay originals. His imagination finds easier expression through building up and adding on, rather than by revealing the form by cutting away, as in stone or wood carving. He feels that plaster is coming

to be accepted as a legitimate permanent medium. Bronze, which also is a permanent form of a clay original, is of course out of the question for technical and financial reasons. He has worked out a way of incorporating stove polish into the plaster material, so that the casting comes out in whatever tone of gray he feels is in keeping with the mood of the piece.

To anyone who is looking for literal representations, Burkhart's art is disappointing. The figures are rough, distorted, and, in the case of portrait busts, poor likenesses. To others with more sensitive powers of appreciation, however, a study of his pieces may be rewarded by a reception of the abstract messages which he is trying to convey. His "Critic," for instance, may or may not look just like his subject, Professor Green, but it does succeed uncannily in portraying a man thinking and thinking hard.

Perhaps an example will make clearer what he is after. His latest piece, entitled "The Composer," is a portrait of Dr. Ermanno Comporet, director of music. This grew out of several months of observation while sitting in class, and a gradual sorting out of the elements which constitute Com-



STUDIO OF THE SCULPTOR

Robert C. Burkhart, '50, may be spotted among his creations in his workshop in the Alumnae Building. The pieces shown in the picture are from left to right: "The Composer," "Gray Girl," "The Veteran," and "The Indifferent Philosopher."

paretti's talent as a creative musician. Burkhart finally boiled these down to "restfulness of thought, plus force." Then came the problem of how to express these qualities in form and physiogamy. Brooding on this day after day, he began to fix upon one characteristic stance of the professor with one arm akimbo and the other resting limply on the piano—a pose which seemed to symbolize the antithetical ideas of quiet and action at the same time. This he kept visualizing in terms of clay and plaster: the position of arms, the twist of the torso, the tenseness of neck and upper lip. He let the whole idea ripen for a while, confident that if the conception was poor he would soon forget it and get to thinking about something else. But it persisted, so he went to work. By that time he had the finished portrait so vividly in mind that the actual sculpturing process was almost me-

chanical, and it only took him about eight hours of work to complete the larger-than-life bust in clay. Does the finished job look like Comparetti? Well, in a photographic sense, no. But one friend looked at it and said that the piece reminded him of the quotation: "Great men start into action out of quiet." At this, the young sculptor was overjoyed, because it meant that to one person, at least, his message had got through.

This portrait is one of three faculty likenesses which Burkhart is doing. The first, as was mentioned earlier, was entitled "The Critic," and is a portrait of Prof. Green. It was intended to suggest the qualities of "humility and strength of thought," which Burkhart feels to be the essence of good criticism in general and which he perceived in Green. The Comparetti piece was the next, and the third, still in the process of creation, is "The

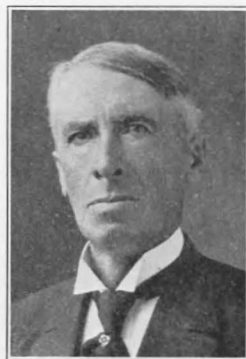
Teacher," and will embody Dr. Mary H. Marshall of the English faculty in a characteristic pose intended to express "understanding with stimulation."

It is no accident that these three of his teachers were chosen by Burkhart to be his subjects, for they also epitomize his own life purposes, which are to be: a creative artist, a critic, and a teacher. He is quite clear about his future. He feels that he is about ready to enter the sculptural Big League, such as the annual competition of the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts. He might even try for the *Prix de Rome*. After completing his work at Colby in 1950 he wants to try for a graduate fellowship in some university which he will pick out according to the work offered in sculpturing. Then—a position somewhere where he can teach creative art, write a projected book on artistic criticism, and go on modeling ideas all the rest of his life.

LOOKING BACKWARD FIFTY YEARS

WHEN members of the Class of 1898 assemble for their Golden Anniversary next month, they will look back half a century at an eventful year.

Colby University in the year 1897-98 was attended by 138 men and 73 women. Nathaniel Butler, '73, was president, and the faculty was made up of: Samuel King Smith, English; Edward Winslow Hall, Librarian and Registrar; William Elder, Chemistry; Julian Daniel Taylor, Latin; Laban Edwards Warren, mathematics and art; George Dana Boardman Pepper, Biblical literature; William Augustus Rogers, physics and astronomy; William Shirley Bayley, mineralogy and geology; Carlton Beecher Stetson, Greek; James William Black, history and political economy; Arthur Jeremiah Roberts, rhetoric and elocution; Anton Marquardt, modern languages; Mary Anna Sawtelle, Dean of the Women's College; Gordon Ferris Hull, physics; John Hedman, Greek; John Harold Bates, gymnastics; Edson Fobes Hitchings, biology; James Frederick Hill, M.D., lecturer on the eye and ear, and medical examiner. Unmentioned in the catalog, but not for-



"JUDY"

gotten by any student was: Samuel Osborne, Janitor.

The curriculum of those days does not seem unusual today with the exception of the offering of courses in Hebrew by Dr. Pepper and in the Sanskrit Language and Literature by Mr. Stetson. There is, however, a sense of unreality about the courses in physical education which, the Catalog says, prescribes for each student "the

special form of exercise most desirable for a symmetrical bodily development." To accomplish this, women were instructed in "dumb-bell exercises; wand drill; free movements" as freshmen, and "light gymnastics; Indian club exercises; marching and fancy steps" as sophomores. Men, on the other hand, must take in their successive years: dumb-bell exercises, heavy gymnastics and wrestling; Indian-club exercises and boxing; single-stick fencing; and fencing with broad-swords.

This training must have been beneficial, for it is recorded that the football team, led by the mountainous Brooks, played an undefeated season and won a somewhat hollow state championship by virtue of a tie with Bates, a victory over Bowdoin, and a final tie with Bowdoin—University of Maine being temporarily not on speaking terms with us. Besides Captain Brooks, Varney Putnam, Jack Scannell, and August C. Bunneman won "All-Maine" honors. C. M. Wharton, a young Pennsylvania star, was coach until he had to leave in mid-season to enroll at graduate school.



PROF. HALL IN THE OLD LIBRARY

The battleship *Maine* was blown up in Havana harbor on February 15, 1898, but the Spanish-American war was practically over before Commencement and left little mark on the college except a humorous skit in *The Oracle* about the invasion of Colby by forces from the Spanish fleet which sailed up the Kennebec.

The *Oracle*, ably edited by John E. Nelson, devotes its frontispiece to the dedication of the Lovejoy monument in Illinois. Prof. William A. Rogers, who died in March, 1898, is eulogized and his very great scientific distinctions are recounted. His successor, Gordon Ferrie Hull, with the ink scarcely dry on his University of Chicago Ph. D., is welcomed. A forecast of a literary and artistic career is seen in the drawings and short story by W. O. Stevens. We read that the debating team, composed of A. W. Cleaves, E. C. Herrick and J. E. Nelson defeated Bates in the City Hall. *The Colby Echo*, which had just become a weekly, was edited by T. R. Pierce, Edna Harriet Stephens and Bertram C. Richardson. Jennie Buck was president of the Y.W.C.A., and George A. Martin headed the Y. M. The Glee Club, we note, was directed by C.E.G. Shannon, with H. S. Brown, Manager, and H. R. Spencer, accompanist. The college quartette was composed of Goodwin, Hudson, Shannon, and Brown.

We learn, too, from the *Oracle* that

the class enrollment shrunk from 60 to 36, that the class was "207 feet and four inches high, and weighed about two and three-quarters tons." There were 31 Republicans, two Democrats and the others Mugwumps. Seven expected to teach, six enter the ministry, four go into law, three into medicine

"and the remainder will govern the United States."

Spring on the campus fifty years ago—ah, spring! Hints of long-forgotten episodes are found in *Oracle* squibs: "Assault on Recitation Hall successfully repulsed by Detective Bishop, unassisted. . . Squinks and Richardson have one-round battle. Dutchy crazy. . . Freshman Reading War Cry appear from unexpected sources. . . Scraps on campus. Hooke displays more grit than judgment. The light fingered gent entertains in chapel. . . Howard gets ducked on Sunday and swears vengeance. . . Grand celebration. Banquet at Elmwood. Robe de nuit. Nelson loses a ring. . . " Athletically the spring was a success, too. MacFadden and Shannon won the state tennis trophy and the ball team under Jack Scannell won the pennant.



PRES. "NAT" BUTLER, '73

It was a notable Commencement half a century ago. The Lovejoy tablet was unveiled in the Chapel. The cornerstone of "The Alumni Chemical Building" was laid with well-founded prophecies as to its potential service. President Harper, of Chicago, who was later to lure President Butler to his institution, delivered the Phi Beta Kappa address, and on June 29, the redoubtable Class of 1898 entered the world.

CAREER CONFERENCE HELD

PICTURE about 450 students, divided into 15 groups of varying sizes, each composed of a guest who had first hand knowledge about some general vocational field, surrounded by students who were thinking seriously about a future career in that field—there you have the first annual Colby Career Conference in full swing.

Initiated by the Student Council and carried through by a large student committee, the success of the undertaking is to be judged both by the student attendance and, even more, by the calibre of the list of out-of-town consultants (listed below) who were willing to give their time and travel for the occasion.

The Career Conference was held on Friday, April 16, opening with a get-together tea in the Women's Union. A student host met each visiting speaker and piloted him around. The event was then officially opened by John W. Brown, '49, of Chelsea, Mass., chairman, at an assembly with Hon. Sumner Sewall, former governor, president of the American Overseas Airlines and, most recently, occupation governor of Bavaria, giving the key-

note address. The guests then took pot luck with their student hosts for supper in the Roberts Union cafeteria and thence to various assigned rooms in both unions for the evening discussion groups. At ten, coffee and doughnuts were served in Roberts and it was midnight before the final knots of interested students and willing consultants dispersed. On Saturday, as many as could visited appropriate classes or were available for talks with individual students. Students and visitors alike expressed the sentiment: "This is the best thing that has happened to me in a long time."

List of Visiting Consultants

The different fields covered and the consultants were: *Public Administration*, Hon. Sumner Sewall; *Law*, Dean Elwood H. Hetterick of Boston University School of Law; *Medicine*, Lloyd C. Fogg, chairman of faculty committee on admissions, Boston University School of Medicine; *Ministry*, Rev. Clifford H. Osborne, pastor of Waterville Methodist Church; *Education*, Harland A. Ladd, Commissioner of Education for State of Maine, and John Cass, Director of Guidance, State Department of Education; *Physical*

Education, Howard C. Richardson, director of Health and Physical Education, State Department of Education.

Psychology, Dr. Hollis Leverett, professor of psychology and director of guidance, Northeastern University, Boston; *Chemistry*, Dr. John Parsons, director of research, Hollingsworth and Whitney Co., Winslow; *Investments and Banking*, Ralph E. Bailey, vice-president and comptroller, Shawmut National Bank, Boston; *Insurance*, Robert H. Bradley, Waterville, former vice-president, Prudential Life Insurance Company.

Advertising, George C. Wiswell, president of Chambers and Wiswell Advertising Agency, Boston; *Merchandising*, Mrs. Margaret E. Riggs, personnel director, Porteous, Mitchell and Braun Company, Portland; *Personnel Work*, Raymond H. Kozen, Jr., '47, personnel director, Hathaway Shirt Company, Waterville; *Journalism*, John ("Farmer Takes a Wife") Gould, editor, Lisbon Falls "Enterprise"; *Radio*, Morgan Ryan, account executive, American Broadcasting Company, New York.



CANDID SHOTS AT CAREER CONFERENCE

Merchandising promotion is explained by Mrs. Riggs of a Portland department store to a group of students who lingered after the evening meeting.

The opportunity of talking with former Governor Sumner Sewall was enjoyed by numbers of students during his afternoon and evening at the college.

On the Campus

PHYSICS HONOR SOCIETY

A CHAPTER of Sigma Pi Sigma, national physics honor society, was installed at Colby on May 5 with Dr. Marsh W. White, executive secretary of the society and Professor of Physics at Pennsylvania State College, as the guest speaker.

Officers of the Colby chapter were elected as follows: President, Carleton E. Porter, Lowell, Mass.; vice president, Ann M. Beveridge, Scarsdale, N. Y.; secretary, Ruth E. Rogers, Rumford; and treasurer, Gabriel J. Hikel, Waterville. The other undergraduate charter members are: William R. Atherton, Waterville; John S. Choate, Waterville; Frederic S. Hubbard, Buffalo, N. Y.; Daniel J. Shanahan, Jr., Miami, Fla.; Phillip W. Waugh, New Braintree, Mass.; and James H. Wing, Augusta.

Alumni whose work is connected with the science of physics have been invited to join the society and acceptances were received from: Ashton S. Hamilton, '28; Curtis L. Hemenway, '42; Gerald A. Johnson, '30; Phillip E. Keith, '26; Rene J. Marcou, '28; Marston Morse, '14; Leslie F. Murch, '15; Frederic B. Oleson, '38; Hugh A. Smith, '20; Fred L. Turner, '27; and William L. Whittemore, '45.

The induction service was conducted by Prof. White and membership keys were presented to the new members. This was followed by an address on "Physicists in Peace and War" by Prof. White.

CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Newman Club — The first annual Maine Assembly of Newman Clubs was held at Colby on April 24-25 with Bishop Joseph E. McCarthy of the Portland diocese as the honor guest. Visiting colleges were Bates, Bowdoin, Farmington Teachers, Gorham Teachers, Norwich University, Nasson, University of Maine and the University of Vermont. Father Fisher of Boston, Chaplain of the New England Province of Newman Clubs, addressed the group. Discussion groups were held, tea was served, the guests were entertained at an all-college dance, and the weekend was concluded with a Com-

munion Breakfast on Sunday morning.

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Glee Club — The Glee Club gave a concert in Dover-Foxcroft on April 14. It was principally a concert of light music, including selections from "Alice in Wonderland," and "The Elijah." A smaller group also journeyed to East Machias on April 30 to sing with a high school group which is directed by John L. Thomas, son of the director of the Colby Glee Club.

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Marriage — "Love, Courtship and Marriage" was the topic of an extra-curricular series of four lectures given the end of April under the auspices of the Student Christian Association. "Romance and Realism in Love," "Engagement, Courtship, and Pre-Marital Conduct," and "Marriage, Divorce, and Emotional Maturity" were the topics discussed.

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Levine Contest — The 14th annual Levine Extemporaneous Speaking Contest was held in the Roberts Union on April 27. The general subject for this year was "An example of the foreign policy of the United States as it influences world peace." First prize was won by Donald Nicoll whose topic was "The United Nations." Robert Rosen won second prize for his speech on "Democracy vs. Communism," and third place went to Robert Rosenthal for his discussion of "The Truman Doctrine." David Choate won fourth prize for "Russian Relations." Special prizes aggregating \$100 are given for this contest by Lewis Lester Levine, '16, in memory of his parents, Rachel and Julius Levine.

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Concert — The Colby College Glee Clubs, assisted by the string ensemble of the Colby-Community Symphony Orchestra, presented a program of sacred music on May 9 in the Lorimer Chapel under the auspices of the Student Christian Association. The program featured Mozart's Mass in F Major.

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PBK — Dr. Christian Gauss, Dean Emeritus of Princeton University and president of the National Association of Phi Beta Kappa, was the guest speaker at the annual initiation of new members to Phi Beta Kappa fraternity. Among the initiates were Louise Gill-

ingham, daughter of Arthur D. Gillingham, '14, and Ruth Marriner, daughter of Ernest C. ('13) and Eleanor Creech Marriner, '10.

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Play — The first annual freshman play, "Heaven Can Wait," was presented on April 17. The class of 1951 financed the venture which was a great success.

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Recital — Mrs. Irma S. Wolpe, pianist, presented a recital on April 25 under the auspices of the Averill Lecture Series. Mrs. Wolpe is the sister of former Professor Schoenberg, who, with his wife, made a weekend visit to the campus and renewed his acquaintance with many of his former colleagues at Colby.

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India — Eddy Asirvatham, former head of the department of Political Science and Public Administration at the University of Madras, India, and now professor of Missions and Christian International Relations at Boston University, lectured at Colby on April 9 under the auspices of the Averill Lecture Series. He gave an intimate picture of India under partition and the audience particularly enjoyed his dry humor.

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Chem Club — Carleton Stinchfield, son of Roger A. Stinchfield, '26, was elected president of the reactivated Chi Epsilon Mu, undergrad chemistry society. The group took a personally-conducted tour over the Hollingsworth & Whitney paper mill.

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Outing Club — George I. Smith, '49, son of Joseph C., '24, and Ervena Goodale Smith, '24, was elected president of the Colby Outing Club at a recent meeting. Other officers were: vice president, Richard M. Martin, '49, Stamford, Conn.; secretary, Mary Bauman, '49, Waterville; and treasurer, John H. Ives, '49, Needham, Mass.

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Camera Club — The Colby Camera Club is planning a picture-making expedition to Quebec on May 21-23. This will take the place of the annual excursion to Bar Harbor. The Quebec Camera Club has expressed interest in meeting the Colby group.

Philharmonic — The Portland Philharmonic Orchestra presented a concert at Colby on May 2. The feature soloist of the evening was Maxine Webber, a nineteen year old violinist from Freeport, Maine.

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Politics — A candid appraisal of the leading presidential aspirants by a panel of faculty members provided the program for the April all-college assembly. The claims of the candidates were presented as follows: Wallace, Prof. Robert V. Burdick; Truman, Prof. Robert W. Pullen; Stassen, Prof. Joseph W. Bishop; Dewey, Prof. Lester F. Weeks; Taft, Prof. Ernest C. Marriner. In a summary, Prof. Walter N. Breckenridge warned against making choices on personality grounds and stated that most of the candidates had not yet taken stands on the great issues of the day. "We are one of the few remaining nations enjoying the privilege of free elections," he said. "Use this wisely!"

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Contemporary Lit — "Yeats, the Dramatist" was the topic of the discussion at the April 20th meeting of the Contemporary Literature Group. Three of Yeats' plays, produced and directed by students, were presented. They were: "Cathleen Hi Houlihan,"

"The Cat and the Moon," and "The Only Jealousy of Emer."

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Libe Associates — Prof. Herbert L. Newman was the speaker at the April meeting of the Colby Library Associates on "The Greatest Book in the World." In the display cases of the Treasure Room were over a hundred Bibles ranging from a reproduction of pages from the famed Gutenberg Bible down to the present including translations into many languages and dialects and curious editions of different kinds.

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SCA Teas — This year the Student Christian Association has been sponsoring regular Sunday afternoon teas in the lounge of the Roberts Union. Hostess duties are rotated among the members and students either singly or as couples enjoy the opportunity to drop in for a pleasant social hour.

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Frosh Debate — Colby College was host to a three-way freshman intercollegiate debating tourney on April 24. The Bates freshmen were high scorers with Colby second followed by the University of Maine. Prof. Robert V. Burdick, director of speech activities, is to be credited with originating and carrying through the idea.

to send the game into overtime. The Crimson sent across the telling blow in their half of the tenth to sew it up, Harvard 4, Colby 3.

Leading at the start, Colby appeared to be a sure bet to smack Northeastern the following afternoon. The Mules grabbed an early 5-0 lead and nothing was going to stop them, it appeared. But again, pitching wildness plus a couple of bad breaks put the skids under the local clubbers and that was that. Northeastern 6, Colby 5.

A blistering batting barrage with both sides swinging from their shoe tops was the feature of the final fiasco with Boston University. Pitchers came and went like in-laws as Colby took it square on the proboscis for the third consecutive day 17-15 in one of the wildest melees in Hub history. The Mules collected all the extra-base blows save three and that trio, bashed by the Boston batsmen, consisted of three home runs. Last spring, the two teams battled it out in a 10-9 game which saw Colby on the long end.

The clatter of spikes on the hard ground outside the fieldhouse and the hard crack of bat against ball resounded across Seaverns Field and from just outside the varsity locker room, you could hear the solemn but optimistic voice of Prof. Edward C. Roundy: "You can't win 'em if you don't tear the cover off that ball. We'll be in there for the State Series. Now let's get out there and . . ."

BASEBALL SEASON OPENS

By SID McKEEN, '49

All was not well in the Colby baseball camp. Two exhibition games — one with Bowdoin and one with Maine — had seen the Mules drop successive games by scores of 5-1 and 6-5. And what was more, three of the toughest games of the season lay ahead in Boston.

Last week, Eddie Roundy's ball-hawks blew into Beantown and were again served a double dose from adversity's cup. Dame Fortune seemingly rode with the Mules for the better part of each game and then with characteristic fickleness deserted in the late innings for greener pastures.

Opening a three-day road trip through Greater Boston (where the college nines are having better luck than their major league colleagues) the

LATE FLASHES

May 5 — Colby 6 - Bates 1
May 8 — Colby 6 - Bowdoin 4
(10 in.)
May 13 — Colby 6 - Bowdoin 0

Roundymen met Harvard on the 22nd of April in the first meeting between the Blue and the Crimson since 1932 when the Peabody boys led the Mules to a 9-7 win over the gentlemen from Cambridge. This time, it was different. A tight pitching duel with Colby's Burt Silberstein, graduate of last year's jayvees, matching slants with Godin, ace of the Harvard hurling corps, saw Colby leading until the ninth when the home club tied it up

BASKETBALL RANKINGS

Although Colby did not win the State Championship in basketball, we have the satisfaction of ranking above our rivals in the national ratings published by Dick Dunkel and circulated widely in sport circles.

These ratings are computed mathematically and take into account the ratings of opponents. Colby's rank, therefore, rose because of good showings against such teams as Yale, Brown, Providence, Boston College, and so on, and because we defeated the higher-rated University of Maine club two out of three times.

To prove that the Mules have been on the upgrade under Coach Lee Williams, it is only necessary to note that he raised our index number from 29.1 to 40.1 in his first year and edged it up to 42.9 in the season just past.

REPORTS OF ALUMNI MEETINGS

ST. PETERSBURG GROUP HAS MONTHLY MEETINGS

THE Colby Club of St. Petersburg held its annual meeting and luncheon at the Detroit Hotel on February 21, as the high spot in its calendar of monthly meetings which began in December.

Among the guests were welcomed President-Emeritus and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Drummond, Mrs. F. J. Arnold, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Knauff, all of Waterville. Dr. Johnson always brings the latest news of the college year in a way that inspires continued loyalty.

Distinguished guests from other colleges who are friends of Colby and its alumni brought the numbers at the luncheon up to 39, and their presence was very enjoyable.

—EMMA A. FOUNTAIN, '95.

COME FROM FAR TO ROCHESTER MEETING

TAKING advantage of President Bixler's presence in Rochester to deliver the Ayer Lectures at Colgate-Rochester Theological School, the Colby men and women of the vicinity met at the Chatterbox Club for dinner on March 31.

Dr. Libby Pulsifer, '21, was the guiding spirit of the occasion, and alumni came for the event from as far away as Pittsburgh and Corning. The program was informal and the group listened eagerly to President Bixler's description of college affairs after which a reel of movies showing building progress on Mayflower Hill was shown.

HUDSON VALLEY GROUP MEETS AT ALBANY

THE Hudson Valley Colby Alumni Association elected William M. Harriman, '17, president for the ensuing year at its annual alumni dinner on April 1 at the University Club, Albany. Other officers were: Stanley P. Miller, '14, Glens Falls, vice president; Laura May Tolman Brown, '36, Scotia, secretary; and Mrs. Florence

Cole Barnard, '14, Cobleskill, treasurer.

Phineas B. Barnes, '20, presided and introduced President Bixler who spoke on the state of the college. John P. Harriman, '50, who was home for the spring vacation, gave an interesting informal description of the college from the undergraduate viewpoint.

Dr. Lyman I. Thayer, '16, and Ruth Murdock Thayer, '17, were present and announcement was made of their gift of a cross and candlesticks for the Lorimer Chapel in memory of their son, Lyman I. Thayer, Jr., '46, who was killed in World War II.

NINETY PRESENT AT HARTFORD ALUMNI MEETING

THE annual Hartford meeting of

Colby men and women of this section of Connecticut took place at the Hartford Club on April 2, 1948. There were 90 people present to give President Bixler a hearty welcome.

Royden K. Greely, president of the local alumni group, called on two trustees, Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, and H. Bacon Collamore, for brief messages.

Robert E. Wilkins, '20, spoke of the success and vital importance of the Alumni Fund in this critical period of Colby history.

Dean Nickerson presented the problems and opportunities involved in the unprecedented rush of applicants who would like to enter Colby College.

President Bixler in his usual candid and pleasing manner brought us up-to-date on the progress made this year and the problems of the immediate future. If we were to express in one word the theme of this inspiring meeting, it would be the word: "Immediacy."

Officers were re-elected for next year as follows: President, Royden K. Greely, '13; and secretary, William Hoyt, '05.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Pugsley and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Norvish were welcome guests from Boston.

The Hartford Club is always very happy to welcome visitors from other Colby groups.

—WILLIAM HOYT, '05.

PORTLAND ALUMNAE HOSTS TO PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

THE Colby Alumnae Association of Western Maine entertained the undergraduates and prospective students of Colby at a spring coffee on April 3 at the Westbrook home of Pauline Abbott, '21, and Margaret Abbott Paul, '24.

Louise J. Gillingham, '48, who will be graduated in June, spoke on Life at Mayflower Hill.

ANNUAL MEETING OF NAUGATUCK VALLEY ALUMNI

THE annual meeting of the Naugatuck Valley Colby Alumni Association was held at the Elton Hotel, Waterbury, on April 3.

The group numbered over 40 including as usual several of the parents of Colby undergraduates from Waterbury.

Dr. John H. Foster, '13, the "perpetual president," presided and Mrs. Shirley Armstrong Howe, '46, was chairman of the arrangements committee.

The group enjoyed hearing President Bixler tell about the state of the college and joined in his concern as to the financial crisis confronting the Mayflower Hill program.

WORCESTER ASSOCIATION RAISES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

THE Worcester Alumni of Colby met at The Sheraton Hotel in Worcester on April 6 with President Bixler and Dean George T. Nickerson as honor guests. After a good meal Dr. Bixler gave a very entertaining talk and movies were shown of the new college.

Before electing the President of the Club, a note had been received from Ray Spinney, '21, saying that the Boston Alumni would raise \$50 for tuition for a boy from our territory if we would match the amount. This was done to the tune of \$74. Then the husband of a Colby graduate, who is a Bowdoin man, said he would give the

difference to \$100 if Boston would match our amount. A letter from Ray Spinney tells me that the Boston Alumni did match us so that this needy boy is getting \$200 help this year.

Eleanor Bradlee Mitchell, '16, was elected president and Leota E. Schoff, '25, was again elected secretary.

—DR. KENT T. ROYAL, '15.

PROVIDENCE ALUMNI GROUP ENTERTAINS BASKETBALL TEAM

THE Colby Club of Rhode Island held its annual meeting and dinner on February 28, 1948, at Johnson's Hummocks Grille in Providence.

Sixty-eight members and guests attended including Dr. and Mrs. Bixler, Dean George T. Nickerson, Coach Lee Williams and the members of the basketball team.

Dr. Bixler and Dean Nickerson were guest speakers.

Following the meeting, the group adjourned to the Marvel Gymnasium where they witnessed the Colby-Brown basketball game.

Newly elected officers are: President, Edward H. Jenison, '40; vice president, George N. Burt, '37; secretary-treasurer, Mary L. Buss, '34; representative to Alumni Council, Charles F. Towne, '00; alternate, George N. Burt, '37.

—EDWARD H. JENISON, '40.

MILLETT TO LEAD WATERVILLE ALUMNI GROUP

THE Waterville Colby Alumni Association elected Ellsworth W. Millett, '25, as president for the ensuing year at its annual meeting April 8 in the Roberts Union. Mary Abbott Stobie, '08, was named vice president; Vivian Maxwell Brown, '44, secretary; and Calvin K. Hubbard, '43, treasurer. Arthur R. Austin, '33, was renamed representative to the Alumni Council.

James E. Glover, '37, president of the association, introduced President Bixler who gave an informal and enjoyable account of his recent trip which included 13 speeches in ten days. He dwelt upon the financial crisis affecting the Mayflower Hill program and expressed his belief that the

alumni body would accept a large share of the responsibility for completing the project.

Russell M. Squire, '25, mayor of Waterville, brought greetings "from town to town."

The guest speaker of the evening was Robert A. Maheu of Waterville, one-time FBI agent, who declared that the American mentality was a complete puzzle to other countries and that there was elaborate foreign espionage going on at the present time for the sole purpose of analyzing the American spirit so that "the foreign power" would not misjudge our war potential as did the Germans and the Japanese.

PALMER, '30, NAMED PRESIDENT OF PHILA- DELPHIA ASSOCIATION

THE spring dinner-meeting of the Philadelphia Colby College Alumni Association was held April 27, 1948, at the University Club and was attended by 36 members and friends.



THE COLBY DISPLAY AT ROCKEFELLER CENTER

For the third successive year the State of Maine Information Bureau granted the use of one of its show windows to Colby College for a four-week exhibition of pictures and information as shown above. Spot checks on foot traffic indicated that an average of 2,000 people stopped and looked at the photographs each week day.

THE THIRD ANNUAL ALUMNI COLLEGE

Program

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

12:00 M. Luncheon. Greetings from Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, '08, and Dean George T. Nickerson, '24. Opening address, Dean of Faculty Ernest C. Marriner, '13.

2:30 P.M. Lectures

"Geology from Colby" by Dr. E. Donaldson Koons, Professor of Geology.

"The Breakdown of the Two-Party System" by Prof. Paul A. Fullam, Department of History.

8:00 P.M. Lecture-Recital

"The Mayflower Hill Concerto" by Dr. Ermanno F. G. Comparetti, Professor of Music.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

8:30 A.M. Chapel conducted by Rev. Herbert L. Newman, '18.

9:00 A.M. Lectures

"Infinity and Beyond," by Henri A. Jordan, Department of Mathematics.

"Stephen Vincent Benet, Man and Poet, with Readings from 'Western Star,'" by Dr. Luella F. Norwood, Department of English.

12:15 P.M. Luncheon. Closing remarks by President J. Seelye Bixler.

G. Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary, and President Bixler were present and spoke on life at Mayflower Hill and the tremendous need for money to continue the vast building program there.

Dr. Joseph Chandler, '09, president of the club, conducted the business meeting.

Dr. Alex J. Uppvall, '05, chairman of the nominating committee, presented the following slate of officers who were elected: President, Norman D. Palmer, '30; vice president, Bertam W. Hayward, '30; secretary-treasurer, Geraldine Fennessy Parker, '43.

Mr. Goddard showed color slides and movies of Mayflower Hill. A social hour followed the business meeting.

Those present were: Dr. C. E. G. Shannon, '99; Alex J. Uppvall, '05; Joseph Chandler, '09, and Mrs. Chandler; Raymond I. Haskell, '14; Everett S. Kelson, '14, and Mrs. Kelson; George E. Ingersoll, '19, and Mrs. Ingersoll; Robert E. Sullivan, '19; Gladys Dow Daskam, '21; Martha Johnston Hayward, '32; Norman D. Palmer, '30; Ruth Vose Janes, '33; Harry T. Jordan, Jr., '33; Esther Marshall, '37; Lucille Pinette, '37; Catherine Fussell, '41; George A. Parker, Jr., '42; Geraldine Fennessy Parker, '43; Ronald

M. Reed, '43; Betty Wood Reed, '44; M. Frances Shannon, '44; Janet S. Jacobs, '45; Clayton Currier, '47; Priscilla Weeks Currier, '47; Laughlin D. MacKinnon, '43, and Mrs. MacKinnon; Dr. and Mrs. Henry W. Aplington (former faculty); Mr. and Mrs. Morton S. Enslin, Hon. '45; G. Cecil Goddard, '29; Nancy Bixler (Swarthmore, '51); and President Bixler.

—GERALDINE FENNESSY PARKER, '43.

SCIENTIST IS SPEAKER AT NEW YORK COLBY DINNER

ON Wednesday evening, April 28, the New York Colby Alumni Association held its annual dinner meeting at the Columbia University Club in New York City. Approximately 100 alumni and friends attended.

The meeting was called to order by Pres. George C. Putnam, '34, who expressed appreciation to Mr. T. Raymond Pierce for making arrangements for the dinner and regret over Mr. Pierce's absence. The president then introduced the following guests: Pres. Bixler; Dr. Percival C. Keith, member of the Visiting Committee on Sciences for Colby; Mr. Henderson E. VanSurdam, assistant to Pres. Bixler in Colby's fund raising program; Mr. Merle

Crowell, former trustee of Colby; Mrs. Elizabeth Swanton Allan, present member of the Board of Trustees; and Mr. J. Frederick Larson, Colby's architect. Mr. Cecil Goddard, '29, Alumni Secretary, was present.

Dr. Keith, the guest speaker, talked about Atomic Energy. He explained some of the good uses, medical, scientific and industrial which can come from its discovery. He mentioned the small source of fissionable material available for production of this enormous power and the problems of disposal of the waste products. He emphasized the importance of controlling this destructive power now menacing our whole civilization and expressed hope that complete and spiritual education could prevent world disaster. This type of education is what Pres. Bixler and Colby College are offering, he concluded.

President Bixler brought us up to date with life at the college. He spoke in glowing terms of the present freshman class; they have demonstrated their ability as students and give promise of athletic power. Colby is presented with an ever increasing number of entrance applications and only one in ten can be accepted. The problems of conducting a two campus college are many and expensive, and the May-

flower Hill project must be continued in spite of the greatly increased cost of construction. He expressed faith and courage that the necessary funds will be raised and urged that more Alumni be gathered together into a firmer bond to help the college.

A colored film of the step-by-step construction of the present new campus buildings was shown.

Dr. Nathaniel Weg gave the report of the nominating committee and the following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Joseph P. Burke, '14; vice president, Vesta Alden Putnam, '33; secretary, Elizabeth B. Carey, '21; treasurer, Dr. Nathaniel Weg, '17.

Members of Executive Committee: Lawrence R. Bowler, '13; Rhena Clark Marsh, '01; Miriam Hardy, '22; Charles H. Gale, '22; H. B. Thomas, '26; Freda Abel, '39; R. I. Gammon, '37; Marguerite DeRochemont, '33; Wm. T. Belger, '18; Eunice Foye Hutchins, '31; Alice Skinner, '35; Douglas B. Allan, '32; William Caddeo, '32; T. Raymond Pierce, '98; Dr. R. E. Castelli, '20; George C. Putnam, '34; William F. Cushman, '22; Rev. H. F. Lemoine, '32; Paul M. Edmunds, '26; James H. Halpin, '26; I. Ross McCombe, '08; Norman W. Foran, '22; Arthur Sullivan, '23; Samuel Ferster, '26.

ROCKLAND MEETING PLANNED

THE Knox County Colby Club will hold its spring meeting on May 15 at 6:30 P. M. at the Copper Kettle in Rockland, Maine. President Bixler will be the guest speaker.

Officers of the association are: President, Diana Wall Pitts, '13; vice president, Irene Gushee Moran, '21; secretary, John M. Richardson, '15; and treasurer, Lindon E. Christie, '30.

—DIANA WALL PITTS, '13.

SPRINGFIELD PICNIC

THE Springfield Alumni Association will hold its annual spring meeting on Sunday evening, June 6. A picnic is planned with President Bixler as guest-of-honor.

AVERILLS GIVE \$200,000

A GIFT to Colby College of California property worth about \$200,000 from Dr. and Mrs. George G. Averill was announced at the regular meeting of the trustees April 17.

Arrangements have already been made for the sale of the land, it was stated, and the proceeds are to be used to complete the Keyes Building now under construction on the new campus.

Work on this building thus far has been made possible through a bequest of \$200,000 some years ago from the widow of Martin L. Keyes, founder of the Keyes Fibre Company, Fairfield, with whom Dr. Averill was associated. The Averills previously contributed \$50,000 toward the cost of the Keyes building which will contain the chemistry and physics departments. No estimate of the time of its completion was available.

Fraternity Housing Discussed

The trustees devoted considerable time to a discussion of the prospects of beginning construction of fraternity houses. The undergraduate petition to substitute wooden houses on a different part of the campus was brought up, and the building committee stated

that the cost of this type of construction would be investigated in greater detail in order to compare it more accurately with fireproof construction. The building committee reported that a new bid on brick structures had been received which, making use of the two existing foundations, would build four houses for around \$380,000. This is to be compared with previous bids obtained by the Alumni Council building committee of about \$125,000 per house. Different opinions were expressed relative to the proportion of the costs which could wisely be borrowed from college funds and amortized through room rents over a long term of years. The importance was stressed of getting all pertinent information and a definite recommendation to present to the Board for action at the June meeting.

Squire, '25, Named Trustee

The trustees elected to their membership Waterville's Mayor, Russell M. Squire, '25, to take the place left by the resignation of Frank B. Hubbard, '84, who is in poor health.

The Board ratified the following faculty promotions: from assistant to associate professor, Carl G. Anthon, department of history, and Donaldson Koons, department of geology; from instructor to assistant professor, Joseph W. Bishop, department of business administration, Jean K. Gardiner, modern languages, Richard J. Kellenberger, modern languages, and Lucille K. Pinette, mathematics, who will return next fall after a year's leave of absence for graduate study.

The trustees passed resolutions concerning the recent death of Henry Hoyt Hilton, onetime member of the board, who was president of Ginn and Company, Chicago, for many years, and a partner of the late Dana W. Hall, '90. He was one of the earliest advocates of the undertaking to move Colby to a new site.



RUSSELL M. SQUIRE, '25

Class Notes About Colby Men and Women

1897

Harriet Holmes is receiving the sympathy of her friends on the recent death of her sister.

Nina Vose Greeley, who was unable to attend her class reunion last Commencement because of illness, is now out of the hospital and on the road to recovery although she still has to be very careful not to over-do.

Anne Pepper Varney is nearly herself again after her winter illness. She and Mr. Varney flew to Bermuda recently where they are having a restful vacation.

1898

Mabel Humphrey Hall is receiving the sympathy of her friends in the death of her husband. Her address remains 50 Leighton Street, Bangor.

Laura Smith Clark has moved to 104 Hampton Place, Ridgewood, New Jersey.

1902

Angier L. Goodwin, a member of Congress from Massachusetts, has been appointed to the Committee on Ways and Means and is the only New England Congressman of the majority party on that Committee which writes the tax and tariff laws for the country.

1906

Charles Chipman went on medical leave from the Aetna Insurance Company in October and four months later was put on the retired list. With care and rest he is now on the road to normal health but somewhat reduced activity.

1908

I. Ross McCombe is assistant counsel to the Hudson County Registrar of Elections in Jersey City, N. J., and can be reached at any time at 665 Newark Avenue in that city. He writes that he would appreciate hearing from any men and women of his class.

Harold N. Mitchell writes that as of April 1, 1948, he completed 29 years service with The Murray Company, Dallas, Texas. He is secretary and treasurer and a director of the company which manufactures cotton gin-

ning and cotton seed oil mill machinery. They recently purchased a New England company, the Boston Gear Works, Inc., North Quincy, Mass. Mr. Mitchell is a member of the Dallas Rotary Club and a Director of the Dallas Community Chest.

1909

Rev. Edwin W. Merrill of St. Mary's Church, Kansas City, Missouri, served as Colby's delegate to the inauguration of the new president of Park College, Parkville, Missouri, on March 31.

1910

Dr. Frederick T. Hill, Waterville ear, nose, and throat specialist, was recently elected president of the American Laryngological Association at its 69th annual meeting in Hot Springs, Virginia. Dr. Hill is the only member from Maine. This is one of the oldest and most exclusive medical societies in America. He has been a member for 20 years and Treasurer for the last few.

1914

Harry E. Umphrey, president of the Aroostook Potato Growers, Inc., is the author of "Potato News and Views" which appeared in the spring issue of *The Tater-Stater*.

1915

Ruth Brickett Rideout has been serving as a temporary housemother at the University of New Hampshire where her son, John, '36, is professor of English. She expects to go back for the summer session.

1918

Eugene F. Ellingwood of St. Johnsbury, Vt., was recently the subject of a feature story in the *Caledonian-Record* of that town under the title, "Who's Who in Business and Industry." Mr. Ellingwood, his wife, son, daughter and son-in-law are all associated in the Reliance Electric Store in St. Johnsbury.

1921

Elizabeth Whipple Butler has been

living in Burbank, Calif., for the past several months but a recent communication revealed that she plans shortly to move to Arizona and then in rapid succession to Michigan, Pennsylvania and then Maine.

1922

Leonard W. Mayo, vice president of Western Reserve University and president of the National Conference of Social Work, delivered the opening address at the 75th annual meeting of the conference in Atlantic City on April 21st.

1923

Avis Cox Colby is teaching English at Keene, N. H., high school. Writing and dramatics are her major interests and she is faculty advisor for the school literary magazine which recently won second prize in Columbia University's national scholastic press association contest.

1926

Marian B. Rowe is librarian of the Maine Historical Society, 485 Congress Street, Portland, with which she became affiliated more than 12 years ago. She is a member of the Portland College Club, Portland Altrusa Club, Victorian Society of Maine Women, Whatsoever Class of the Woodfords Congregational Church, Bibliographical Society of America, and the John Clough Genealogical Society.

Mollie Sletzer Yett, violinist and violist, is a member of the Vermont State Symphony orchestra which gave a concert in Barre on April 25. Mrs. Yett is a busy matron with three growing boys and is interested in many social and civic activities in Barre. Born in Wassau, Poland, of musically inclined parents, she came to the U. S. at the age of three and with her family settled in Fairfield. She has taken graduate work at the Julliard School of Music in New York.

1929

Martha Allen Blackwell is now living at 144 Imperial Avenue, Bennington, Vermont.

Agatha MacEachrean is living at 87

Shore Drive, Winthrop, Mass., and teaching at Winthrop High School.

G. Cecil Goddard was recently elected president of the Waterville Rotary Club.

1930

Philip L. Ely represented Colby at the inauguration of the new president at the University of Arizona on May 5 in Tucson.

1932

Norman C. Perkins writes the following: "In Bangor, I get occasional glimpses of John Wibby who is still a technical man with Station WLBZ. I see quite a lot of Dick Drummond, '28, and Charles Heddericg, '31, baseball coach at Brewer. I recently met Bill Dexter, '33, who is the representative of a Portland contractor in this area. John Springer, '35, is an engineer with a local company installing heating plants. Hank Pearson turns up occasionally at school representing the Hammett Company of school supplies. Bill Terry, '33, coaches Houlton and played us this year."

1933

Emery S. Dunfee, instructor of Physics at Deering High School, is supervisor of the school Radio Club which operates under the call of WIRDB.

1935

David Hilton of Waterville has been named on the Mayor's Committee for reorganizing the local Chamber of Commerce.

1938

Jane Montgomery Cole has been a surgical patient at the Thayer Hospital in Waterville and is now convalescing in Houlton, where she is a member of the high school faculty.

1939

A. R. Chavonelle, Jr., of Winnisquam, N. H., is manager of the Endicott-Johnson Retail Shoe Store, Laconia, N. H.

1941

James J. Foster and his wife both recently received medical degrees at the commencement of the University of Rochester, N. Y. The Fosters have taken an appointment at the Corning,

N. Y., hospital for the next three months. They will begin internships in July, Mrs. Foster at St. Mary's Hospital in Rochester and Jim at Strong Memorial Hospital, the teaching hospital of the University of Rochester Medical School.

Wendell T. Starr writes the following: "Three days after graduation I started working for Simplex Wire and Cable Co., and I continued in their employ, making investigations of insulating compounds and many other things until July, 1946. I took a two-year evening course in Electrical Engineering at M.I.T. evening school. I was married in May 1944. In July 1946 I found I was about to be drafted. I joined the Navy to take advantage of the G.I. Bill of Rights and the opportunity to get a training in Electronics. My previous training allowed me to skip the primary course so I was able to finish the forty-four week course in twenty-four weeks. In May of 1947 I was assigned to write a book on advanced mathematics through Calculus for the Navy. The book starts with a presentation of those parts of Algebra, Trigonometry, Logarithms, and Analytic Geometry which are essential to an understanding of Calculus and then proceeds into and through Calculus. The American Chemical Society and its branch, the Division of Rubber Chemistry and Technology, have accepted me as a member." Wendell's address is Box 128, Rt. 1, Lucy, Tenn.

1942

Paul Willey who has spent the last few years in Lima, Peru, has returned to Waterville and is employed at Cottle's Market.

Olive Monell informs us that her wedding will take place on June 12 at the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York. She may now be addressed in care of the New York Herald Tribune, 230 West 41st Street, New York 18, N. Y.

Robinson D. Burbank was one of the speakers at a recent joint meeting of the Crystallographic Society of America and the American Society for X-Ray and Electron Diffraction. Collaborating with a member of the research staff at MIT, Burbank reported the results of their X-ray diffraction work which was successful in determining the crystal structure of new

polymorphic modifications of barium titanate recently developed at that institution. Since graduation from Colby, Burbank has been associated with MIT both as a graduate student and as a member of the research staff.

1944

M-Sgt. William H. Tobey has returned from a 20 month stay in Bamberg, Germany, where Bill was stationed with the Army of Occupation. He is now on 30-day furlough at 27 Spruce Street, Waterville, and expects his next assignment to be in the States.

Mary Weeks will receive her M.Ed. from Smith College in June. She has a teaching position for next year at "The Little School" in Englewood, N. J., a school on the estate of Mrs. Dwight Morrow. Mary is now living at 31 Belmont Street, Northampton, Mass.

1946

I. Bradford Shaw is now living at 222 Veterans Place, Ithaca, N. Y., where he is at New York State School of Labor and Industrial Relations, Cornell University.

1947

Jean Whiston is an all-round reporter for the *Somerset Messenger-Gazette* in Somerville, N. J. "I start my day by visiting Police Headquarters and then to the office where I make routine calls to the State Police, hospital, etc. After that I spend most of my morning in court or touring the various county offices and attending Freeholders meetings. I also cover Borough Council and Board of Education meetings and anything else of interest that takes place.

"Since we are a weekly we have a small staff. There are three of us—the editor, a society editor, and me. Then, of course, we have a multitude of correspondents in the rural areas. So, you see, we can't be compared to the *N. Y. Times*, but it doesn't bother me as I'm getting far more experience than I could get on a larger paper. Also I am AP, *Standard News* and *Herald Tribune* correspondent in this area, which thus far has proved lucrative.

"In my spare time I attend classes at Rutgers Graduate School working for my MA in English, but I think I prefer the life of a reporter to that of a scholar."

MILESTONES

ENGAGED

Harriet Nourse, '47, of Portland, to Dana I. Robinson, '47, of Auburndale, Mass. Miss Nourse is the daughter of Newton L. Nourse, '19, and Mr. Robinson is the son of Arthur G. Robinson, '06.

Mae Hoyt, '47, of North Anson, Maine, to Floyd H. Farrington of Dryden. Miss Hoyt received her medical technology training at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston and is at present employed as laboratory and X-ray technician at the Franklin County Memorial Hospital, Farmington. Mr. Farrington is a veteran of World War II and is at present employed at the Bass Shoe Shop in Wilton. In June he plans to enter the School of Modern Photography in New York.

Elizabeth Hamilton Floyd, '48, of New York, N. Y., to John Richard

Connolly, Syracuse, N. Y. Miss Floyd attended the New York School of Interior Decoration after leaving Colby, and is now associated with the interior decorating firm of Muller-Barringer. Mr. Connolly was graduated cum laude from Syracuse University and received his Master's Degree from Cornell University. He is now associated with the American Cyanamid Company. The wedding is planned for June.

Charlotte Cowan, '50, of Rockland to Frederic Palmer Sutherland, '48, Plainfield, N. J. They are both students at Colby.

MARRIED

Lenora Amanda Cameron of Fairfield and Lewiston to James L. McMahon, '44, of Waterville, on April 6, 1948, at St. Stanislaus Church in Lewiston, Idaho. Mrs. McMahon has been employed as a reporter on the *Lewis-*

ton Daily Sun, Lewiston, Maine, and is now on the Lewiston, Idaho, *Morning Tribune*. Mr. McMahon served with the Company G, 103rd Infantry in the Pacific area during the war and is now attending Northern Idaho College of Education. Mr. and Mrs. McMahon are living on College Hill, Lewiston, Idaho.

Elizabeth A. Buckner, '41, to Bernard Brennan on April 26, 1947, in Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Brennan is working for Morris Krosloff, an associate of King Bros. Producers, as studio coach and dialogue director. She has done some acting with Keenan Wynn and Boris Karloff. Mr. Brennan is a field representative of Cook Bros. Ford Company in Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Brennan are living at 6137 Drexel Avenue, Los Angeles 36, Calif.

Charlotte Ellis Richardson, '50, of Wakefield, Mass., to Sterling Livingstone Butters, Greenwood, Mass., at the First Baptist Church of Wakefield on April 3, 1948. Mr. Butters is a graduate of the New York Institute of Photography and is connected with Lee Studios in Wakefield. Mr. and

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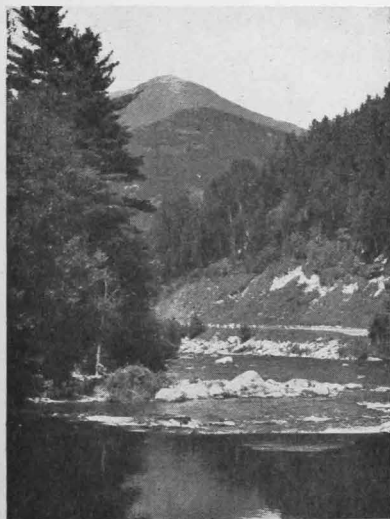
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Mrs. Butters are residing at 75 Greenwood Avenue, Greenwood, Mass. Marion Elizabeth Bohrer, '50, was a bridesmaid.

Mary D. Gilman of Bath, to Felix E. Willette, '42, on April 19, 1948, in St. Mary's Church, Bath. Mrs. Willette has been employed by the J. J. Newberry Company, Bath. Mr. Willette has played the last two seasons with the Geneva, N. Y., BIW team in the Border League.

BIRTHS

To Rev. and Mrs. Walter D. Waggoner, Colby Chaplain, a daughter, Diane Elizabeth, their third child, on April 21, 1948, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Cook (Reta Trites, '38), a daughter, Nancy Louise, on November 2, 1947.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Abbott, Jr. (Henry W. Abbott, '41, Jane Abbott, '41), a daughter, Cheryl Leonice, on March 31, 1948, in Waterville.

To Mr. and Mrs. James J. Bollinger (M. Constance Daviau, '45), a son, Stephen James, April 11, 1948.

To Mr. and Mrs. Eugene C. Struckhoff, Jr. (Eugene C. Struckhoff, '44), a daughter, Laura Lee, on April 24, 1948, in Shirley, Mass.

Necrology

HENRY H. HILTON, JR.

Henry Hoyt Hilton, former Colby Trustee, died in Lowell, Mass., on April 10, a week before his 80th birthday.

As president of Ginn & Company, Chicago, and long time partner of the late Dana W. Hall, '90, he was a close friend of Franklin W. Johnson, '91, who asked Hilton to become a member of the Colby board when he assumed the presidency in 1929. Mr. Hilton, who had visited virtually every American college of importance in the course of his career in the textbook field, is credited by Dr. Johnson with being the first to point out the necessity of finding a new site for the Colby campus. He was one of the most in-

fluential persons in the early and uncertain stages of the Mayflower Hill project.

Mr. Hilton was a loyal Dartmouth alumnus and is credited with originating the Alumni Fund idea in that college. His encouragement and advice helped to organize the Colby Alumni Fund in 1932.

HATTIE BRITTON JOY, 79

Word has been received at the Alumni Office of the death of Hattie Britton Joy at the Cummings Convalescent Home in Manchester, Maine, on July 12, 1946.

Hattie Emily Britton was born in Winslow, Maine, in 1858, the twin daughter of Isaac and Abbie Garland Britton. She entered Colby in 1875, receiving the AB degree in 1879 and the AM in 1899. She was a member of the Sigma Kappa sorority.

She was married to Willis A. Joy, '79, who died on August 9, 1929, in Grand Forks, N. D., where he practiced law and was a loan broker.

Mrs. Joy had been living at the Cummings Convalescent Home in

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Manchester for several years prior to her death.

She is survived by her sister-in-law, Mrs. Harry Britton of Winslow.

ELMER A. RICKER, '87

Elmer Asa Ricker died in Salt Lake City on March 8, 1948.

Elmer Ricker was born on July 27, 1866, in Waterborough, Maine, the son of Asa Low and Augusta Shakley Ricker. He was graduated from Alfred High School in 1882 and attended Waterville (now Coburn) Classical Institute from 1882-83. He received the AB degree from Colby in 1887 where he was a member of the Delta Upsilon fraternity.

From 1904 to 1923, Mr. Ricker was Agency Manager for Utah, Nevada, Wyoming and South Dakota for The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the U. S. In 1923 he became general agent for Utah, Idaho and Nevada of The Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company of California, in 1930 becoming associate general agent.

Mr. Ricker was a member of the Baptist Church, Salt Lake City Chamber of Commerce, University Club, Timpanogos Club, and the Bonneville Club. He was president of the Utah Association of Life Underwriters from 1912-13 and 1920-21.

He was married to Myrtle Elizabeth Grimshaw on July 2, 1907, in Deadwood, South Dakota. Mrs. Ricker, who was a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, survives him.

FRED M. PILE, '07

Fred M. Pile, school principal in Rochester, N. Y., died in Highland Hospital on March 18, 1948. Mr. Pile had been confined to the hospital for several weeks with a heart illness.

He was born in Chicago in 1884 and at the age of four moved to Wayne, Nebraska, where his father founded and became president of the Nebraska Normal College. He entered Colby in 1903 but left in 1905. He received his degree from the University of Utah in 1920. He became president of Nebraska Normal College at the age of 25. He remained there for about seven years, and, after teaching in several Utah schools, went to Rochester, N. Y., to teach economics at East High School. The following year he

became principal of School 16 where he remained for six years. Successively he went to Schools 26, 20, 14 and 27.

Mr. Pile is survived by a sister and several nieces and nephews.

ALICE THOMAS GOOD, '11

Alice Thomas Good died April 10, 1948, at a Portland hospital after a short illness.

Alice Thomas was born in Farmington Falls, Maine, on September 29, 1889, the daughter of Charles and Mary Tolman Thomas. She was graduated from Colby with the AB degree in 1911 and was married to Ralph N. Good, '10, the following year. Mr. and Mrs. Good came to Waterville about seven years ago after making their home in South Portland for 22 years.

Mrs. Good was a member of the Congregational Church, and the Chi Omega sorority.

She is survived by her husband; a son, Dr. Philip Good of Portland; a daughter, Mrs. William Soule of Phillips; two brothers, two sisters, and several grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Alice Thomas Good was a woman of such vitality and such friendliness that those of us who have known her from college days will find it hard to realize that we shall not see her again. Her gaiety of spirit, her sincerity, the very emphasis with which she spoke, and the way she held her head will always be a part of our memories. The usual phrases often sound trite, yet when applied to Alice they take on new meaning: she was a loyal alumna of the college; she was a sincere friend; she was a devoted wife and mother. In these last years she has taken great joy in her grandchildren. In the close circle of her family and the wider circle of her friends she will be greatly missed.

MOLLIE F. HANSON, '11

Mollie Farrar Hanson died in Bangor, Maine, on April 13, 1948.

Mollie Hanson was born in Calais, Maine, on September 4, 1890, the daughter of George M. and Hattie Farrar Hanson. She received her early education in the public schools of Calais and entered Colby in 1907, remaining only one year. She was

graduated from Smith College in 1911 with Phi Beta Kappa honors.

She taught English at Dedham High School, and, in the early twenties, she returned to Calais where she taught English at Calais Academy.

Miss Hanson was a talented musician, playing both the piano and organ. For a number of years she was organist in the Second Baptist Church of Calais.

Ill health forced her to give up her teaching position, and she has lived in retirement for a number of years.

Miss Hanson is survived by her mother, and two sisters, Emily Hanson Obeare, '14, and Helen N. Hanson, '15.

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