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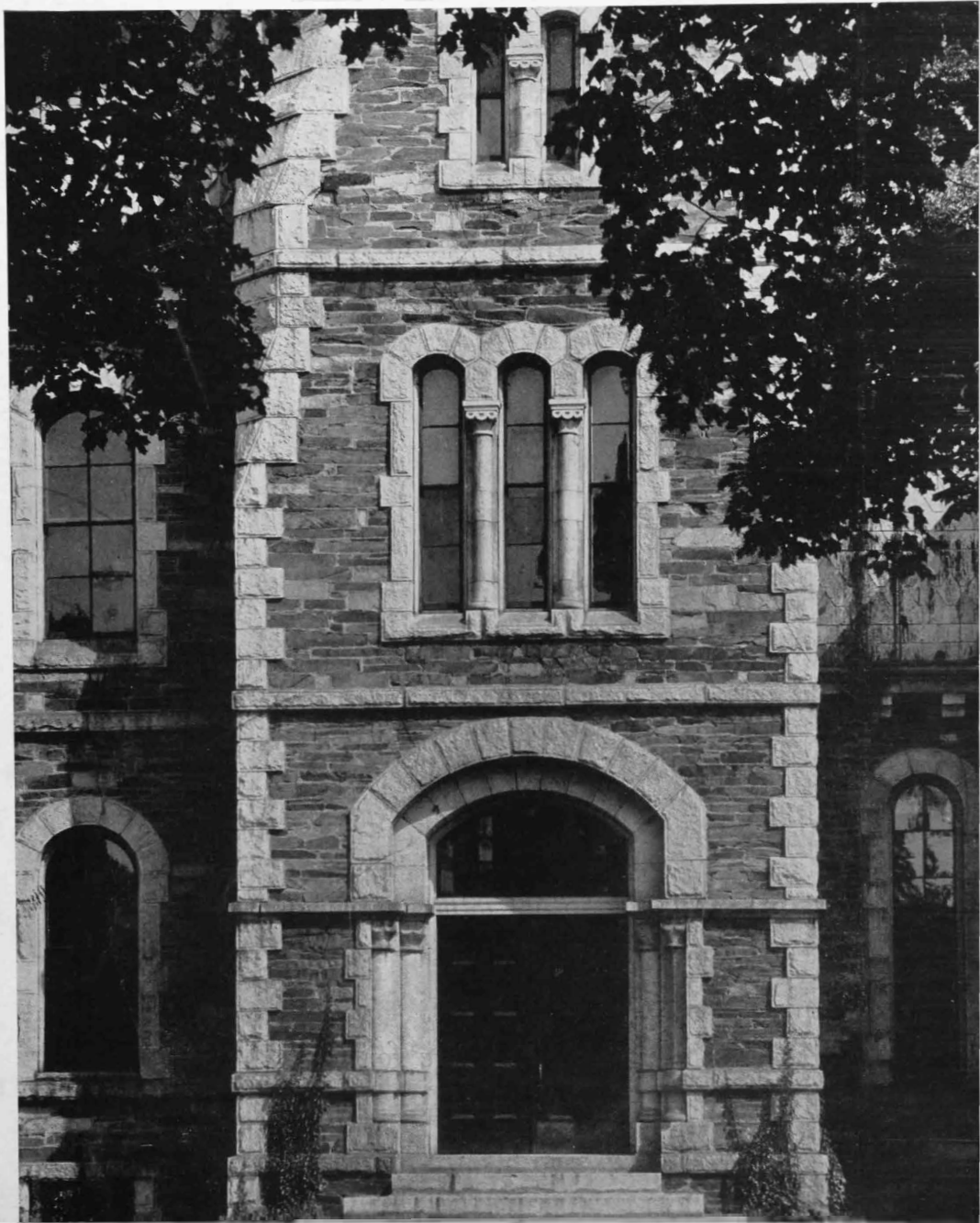
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## "He Has Set a Standard of Loyal Service, The Equal of Which I Do Not Know"

President Franklin W. Johnson's Tribute to the Retiring Chairman of  
The Board of Trustees, Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92

I was a sophomore when Herbert Wadsworth entered the College in 1888. Membership in the same fraternity was the original basis of an intimate friendship which has ripened with the passing years. As a student he showed the sterling qualities that have made him admired and respected by all who have known him. He was serious in manner, deliberate and sound in judgment, straightforward in speech, honest with himself and others, sympathetic and generous to a marked degree, and unduly modest regarding his own ability. As his life has progressed, these qualities have made him a man of the type which I like to think of as exemplifying the highest characteristics that our Maine environment can produce.

HE has been an honest and successful business man. He has served in high political office with a record of unswerving integrity. He has devoted time and money to many organizations concerned with social welfare. Quietly and generously he has aided countless persons in time of need. No one will ever know what he has done to enable boys and girls to secure an education, both at Colby and at other institutions.

IN his relation to his College, he has set a standard of loyal service, the equal of

which I do not know. One should hesitate to make statements about the motives or intimate concerns of another. I would judge, however, from our long and intimate acquaintance that the deepest interest of his life has been the welfare of Colby College.

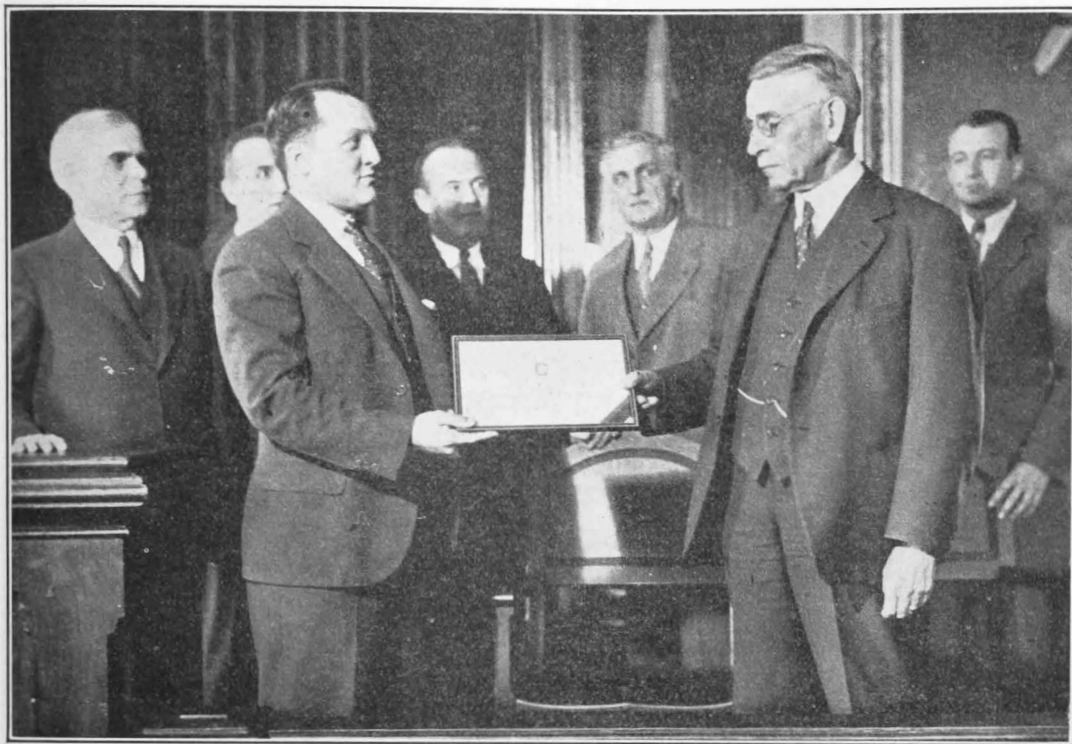
HE became an alumni trustee in 1917. At the expiration of his term he was re-elected by the Board and has continued to be a member until the present time. He succeeded Judge Cornish as Chairman of the Board in 1925.

DURING these many years he has failed to attend only one meeting, when he was confined to his home by illness. He has served faithfully upon many important committees. He has been the originator of many ideas which have resulted in action by the Board. Among these were the introduction of courses in business administration and the raising of the funds for the construction of the field house.

HIS recent resignation of the Chairmanship of the Board, on the advice of his physician, was deeply regretted by all. It is our earnest hope that he will continue to serve as a trustee for many years to come.

# WADSWORTH RESIGNS: AWARDED COLBY "C"

By Frank B. Nichols, '92  
Publisher, Bath Daily Times



Colby "C" awarded to Herbert E. Wadsworth of Winthrop in recognition of his long support and encouragement of the college's athletic department. Gilbert F. Loebs, Director of Health and Physical Education, makes the presentation on the chapel platform before the undergraduate body. The others in the photograph are (Left to Right): President Franklin W. Johnson; Ellsworth W. Millett, Assistant Coach of Football and Coach of Hockey; Edward C. Roundy, Coach of Football and Baseball; the Chairman-Elect of the Board of Trustees, George Otis Smith; and Norman C. Perkins, Coach of Track.

Professor Loebs, chairman of the Athletic Council, in paying tribute to the services of Mr. Wadsworth, mentioned the fact that he had been influential in obtaining the gift of the Woodman Stadium, was on the committee which planned the construction of Seaverns Field, was chairman of the committee which raised funds for the Indoor Field House, planned the recent expansion of the gymnasium facilities, and has been an ardent supporter of all Colby sports. Mr. Wadsworth has been a Colby trustee since 1917 and chairman from 1925 until his resignation last June.

CLASSMATES read with deep regret of the resignation of Herbert E. Wadsworth from the chairmanship of the board of trustees of Colby. The citizens of Winthrop, where he has made his home for many years, as well as the people of Maine, have given his friends abiding gratitude by the many honors which they have eagerly and gladly conferred upon him.

Born at Livermore Falls, Maine, October 25, 1868, the son of Ruth Record and Elijah Wads-

worth, he had the usual uphill fight of a country lad. Even now, when with friends, he relates in his charming manner how, as a boy, he worked on the farm, his first money having been earned by taking care of hens. He entered into an arrangement with his brother whereby the brother would take care of the hens for two weeks, then he himself would take care of the hens for two weeks, each receiving every thirteenth egg. The next occasion of his earning money was when his uncle

employed him to fix a fence in company with an experienced laborer, paying them equally seventy-five cents a day.

He attended Hebron for two semesters, but many of us met him for the first time in the Fall of '87 at Coburn Classical Institute, and graduated with him from that preparatory school the next June. He had a room in Principal J. H. Hanson's residence on Elm street and naturally, under the close eye of that stern but distinguished Latin scholar, he was expected to keep study hours. But this by no means kept him from joining other classmates in school escapades. We have vivid memories of him removing his shoes many an evening before starting up or down those well worn back stairs when summoned by his fellow students.

#### SOLD BOOKS TO EARN WAY

During the time that elapsed after graduation from Coburn until his entrance into Colby, he sold books through Washington County. In this way he earned money to take care of his college expenses during the first year.

Entering college in the Fall of '88, our class was made up of a heterogeneous group of forty-two boys and nine girls. But we had not been on the college campus many days before that indefinable quality known as "college spirit" began to assert itself within members of our class. I am proud to say that with the passage of time the fervor of that college spirit has never weakened. "Waddy" had no desire to "carry the flag," in the parlance of the day, but was ever ready by brain, brawn or purse to uphold the dignity of our class and college. He could always be depended upon to do his utmost in all worthy causes, or when illness or trouble came to any of us. He always extended tenderness—the tenderness of strength toward all frailty or distress. His complete poise soothed the hot-headed classmates and kept them out of trouble. Always a gentleman, never seeking office or honor at the expense of another, it was inevitable that he should become the outstanding personality of the class.

He became a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, and is regarded as one of its most beloved brothers, yet his loyalty to his own fraternity never prevented him from extending a sympathetic understanding and friendship to men of other, and no fraternities.

His interest in the college did not cease at graduation and he took much pleasure in pointing out the advantages of a college education to many

young men, and naturally they became interested in Colby. It is doubtful if any man has directly helped more Colby boys than he, and the cordial way he is greeted by them is a revelation to those unacquainted with him. On any alumni night one will see many boys crowded around him to shake his hand and to express their gratitude for what he has done for them, and their pleasure in having him back.

#### RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPROVEMENTS

As a member of the important Committee on Buildings and Grounds he inaugurated many improvements: the new cement walk leading from the Library, North to Coburn Hall; the improved condition of the campus; and even the flag pole with a tablet upon it given by the class of '92. He was the principal factor in securing the Woodman Stadium. The purchase of the so-called Bangs' property on College Avenue, which is now an infirmary for the Men's Division, all are symbolic of his guiding hand.

During his Freshman year at college, he went to the town of Winthrop, Maine, to teach school, where he became acquainted with the members of the firm of Charles M. Bailey Sons & Company, and through this friendship he secured employment in their office during vacation times and for the fall and spring terms during his Sophomore year. At graduation he entered their employ at Winthrop as a bookkeeper and later as a salesman, and in 1894 was transferred to their warehouse in Philadelphia from which point he traveled extensively, representing their interests until 1905.

Returning from Philadelphia in 1905, he entered into partnership with Harris S. Woodman in the manufacture of table oil cloth, the only industry of its kind in the State of Maine. During these many years the wages of the workers have never been reduced, and the plant has never experienced a strike; an enviable reputation for any manufacturer, or humanitarian to hold.

He has served with distinction in the House of Representatives and Senate at our State Capital, because with him citizenship is a sacred trust as well as a privilege, and in the discharge of its responsibilities he exercised the most conscientious care. He is a politician in the sense that he is a student in the science of government, and a successful legislator in that he wrought into effective laws the principles in which he believed.

While Senator he held the chairmanship of three joint standing committees of the Legislature, be-

ing the only man in the Senate to be thus honored—and burdened.

As chairman of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, he had the handling of all legislative measures which called for the expenditures of money, and no measure could be carried out until it had the approval of this committee.

Senator Wadsworth was chairman of the committee on insane hospitals which considered all measures relating in any way to the equipment, or administration of the state hospitals at Augusta and Bangor; and he was also chairman of the committee of manufacturers. He was a member of the committee on labor whose duty it was to pass upon the variety of labor and industrial measures which came before it.

He was the first one to advocate a Gas Tax in the State of Maine, and while his original bill was not accepted, one embodying its essential features was passed. He was responsible for a bill in favor of the State Constabulary, which has made the highways of Maine safe for motorists and pedestrians. While serving in the Legislature he was appointed as a director of the Port of Portland by the Hon. Ralph Brewster, then serving as Governor of the State of Maine, and he has held that position ever since. What he accomplished at the State Capital as a representative of the people demonstrates that he possesses all the characteristics of an able statesman. He reasoned out each proposition which came before him with a singleness of purpose and a desire to know the right in order to serve the best interests of the citizens of Maine.

He was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of the college in 1917, and became chairman in '25 on the death of the late Leslie C. Cornish, '75, Chief Justice of Maine, one of our ablest, most scholarly and most distinguished graduates. It was no easy task to follow such a man, especially at a time when the health of former President Roberts was showing signs of a nervous breakdown, and later he was shocked, in common with all his friends, at President Roberts' death. No one outside of the intimate friends of Wadsworth and the trustees knew of the heavy burden he carried for many years. During this time, seeing the



Retiring Chairman

need of more funds for the college, he put on a Campaign for the Indoor Field House, obtaining \$175,000 and paying the expense of the campaign manager, Mr. Charles S. Brown, from his own resources.

Day and night Wadsworth kept in close touch with the faculty and administrative officers and guided the college through the most crucial period of its history. Upon the death of President Roberts he had added responsibilities and the difficult job of choosing his successor. And he gave this matter the calm, logical attention that he had always given to previous emergencies. Several names were suggested but he realized that the fate of Colby

was at stake. Finally the choice was made and the mantle was wisely placed about the shoulders of Franklin W. Johnson.

During the most drastic period of the depression when Waterville banks containing some of the college funds closed and security values of all kinds hung in the balance, then the keen judgment of Colby's Finance Committee was proven. While many colleges saw their endowment funds and income melt away like snow, the securities of the old college on the Kennebec stood the test. Later it was revealed that doubtful securities had been sold before the panic, and that the college could carry on in its usual modest manner. Such good fortune was not all due to our classmate, but he is responsible for having included in the college curriculum the course of Business Administration, which shows the importance he places upon business acumen. He was always consulted in financial matters and is largely responsible for the high type of men now serving the college in financial and in all other departments.

Throughout the years he has been a most generous contributor to all Colby activities, at the same time extending financial aid to worthy students. He never married. We would that he might have had a son to carry on his name and splendid achievements.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Waterville Federal Trust Company, which did not falter when so many other banks in the state were compelled to keep their doors closed; a director

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# "GO" SMITH: NEW TRUSTEE CHAIRMAN

A Classmate Looks Back Over the Career of the College's New First Mate

By OLIVER L. HALL, '93  
Editor, Bangor Daily Commercial

ON a pleasant day in September, 1889, George Otis Smith arrived on the Colby campus, unheralded and unsung. He came from Skowhegan via the Maine Central and was met at the depot by the most popular official of the college—Sam Osborne—who hoisted the newcomer's trunk upon his ever-trusty wheelbarrow and escorted the embryo student across the tracks and within the gates. That completed the induction ceremony, except for a chat with Professor Hall, the registrar, and later ministrations of the Sophomores, whose introductory squad included Charles P. Barnes, now an Associate Justice of the Maine Supreme Court; William L. Bonney, later Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives and State Treasurer; Frank B. Nichols, who has served Maine on its Executive Council, and Herbert E. Wadsworth, who has recently resigned from the chairmanship of the Trustees of Colby College after most devoted and valuable service.

George Otis Smith has been chosen to succeed Mr. Wadsworth in this position of so great importance to the college and its welfare, which is the reason for this sketch by a classmate, undertaken by request of the Editor of the Alumnus.

But let us go back forty-five years to Mr. Smith's arrival at Colby when he saw prominently displayed upon the bulletin board in front of South College a call for Freshmen to



Left to Right—Charles W. Spencer, '90; George Otis Smith, '93; Edward B. Mathews, '91.

meet on the diamond to pick a ball team for the annual game with the Sophomores. As a loyal member of his class, George repaired to the ball ground and for introduction placed a paper band around his straw hat, the band inscribed "G. O. Smith." From that moment he became "Go" Smith to his classmates, and it is a truism that he has gone some places, in the slang of the day.

As this is a truthful commentary, I must admit that Smith was not any Frank Merriwell, and his diamond experience was soon concluded, but it is characteristic of him that he was willing to try and do his best.

## HANDSOME, SLENDER YOUTH

As Colby '93 inspected young Smith it saw a handsome, rather slender youth with dark curly hair and rather acquisitive nose of the leadership type. Such diagnosis was justified for George Otis Smith was prominent in scholarship and the more worthwhile of college activities. An earnest and faithful student, he was not a "dig" to exclusion of all else, but frivolities did not attract him. He was at Colby to lay the scholastic foundations for a life of usefulness and did not affiliate with the Lotus Eaters. He quickly gained the respect and esteem of his classmates and later came affection with realization of his high character, his kindness and his wide toleration and sympathy.

Smith did not lead '93 in scholarship for that

## CHIEF JUSTICE'S TRIBUTE TO GEORGE OTIS SMITH

ONE of the most highly prized possessions of George Otis Smith, new chairman of Colby's board of trustees, is the letter written in 1922 by Charles Evans Hughes, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, expressing his "desire to have a share in the tribute to George Otis Smith for his long and important service to the Washington Young Men's Christian Association."

In his letter, the Chief Justice pointed out that "this service is the by product of the busy life of one of our most eminent scientists and public officers."

Moreover, the Chief Justice continued, "It is this sort of devotion to the needs of our social and religious life which gives us the best promise of successful resistance to the demoralizing tendencies of our time."

honor was reserved for Denis Evarts Bowman, now a very successful attorney in Los Angeles, who was regarded by some faculty members the most brilliant scholar Colby had enrolled since the graduation of Albion W. Small of the class of '76, but he had high ranking throughout his course and probably was the most widely informed member of the class. He early displayed a most logical and analytical mind and was a star student in Professor Warren's classes in mathematics and in the sciences, being one of the few members of the class supposed to have passed Professor Rogers' terrible course in Mechanics without resorting to methods frowned upon by the Student Council.

Courses in geology and mineralogy under Dr. William S. Bayley decided Smith to follow broader studies in these lines and after graduating from Colby he entered Johns Hopkins university where Dr. Bayley had taken postgraduate work. Dr. Bayley was an eminent scientist with unusual lucidity in imparting his knowledge and in 1890 was made Fellow of the Geological Society of America.

During the college year of '93, the Colby faculty was small, as always, but choice, comprised of distinguished scholars who labored earnestly and tirelessly, impelled by love of their work and of the college.

#### SMALL PRESIDENT THEN

The young men and women, who attended Colby in those years, could not have failed to gain in character and knowledge and culture from the inspiring teaching of such men as President Albion W. Small, of wide learning and original thought; as Shailer Mathews, an intuitive teacher quickly called to a broader field of usefulness; as the Reverend Dr. Samuel K. Smith; as Dr. Elder who recognized merit but made the going difficult for the shirkers; as Dr. Taylor, beloved by generations of Colby students; as Dr. Foster, held in deep affection; as Professor Warren, profound mathematician and kindly gentleman; as Dr. Rogers, eminent scientist; Professor Hall, always courteous and accommodating and Dr. Marquardt, so eager to help, so pained when a pupil was unprepared.

A distinguished roll, that, of thorough educators, whose interest in their students extended beyond the classrooms, men of character, of mental attainment and of personality.

Three years study at Johns Hopkins, following his graduation from Colby, brought George Otis Smith a Ph. D. degree, proper reward for honor

ranking, and then the subject of this sketch entered the government service as the first appointee to the United States Geological Survey on the basis of a civil service competitive examination. This appointment being made in the administration of President Cleveland demonstrated that political influence played no part, for the young man came of Republican forebears, his father, the late Joseph O. Smith, being a prominent Maine Republican leader, who served for a period as Secretary of State, and early imbibed the Republican faith.

#### NEVER CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE

In this connection it should be stated that in Dr. Smith's later advancement to administrative positions by presidential appointment, he never was a candidate, nor had he the endorsement of anyone with political authority or influence. And Dr. Smith's freedom from the entanglements of politics gave him an unusually free hand in his efforts to build the service on an efficiency basis alone.

Dr. Smith held appointments by four presidents of the United States. From a minor position on the United States Geological Survey he advanced through merit and competence until he was named Director of the Survey by President Roosevelt in 1907. He was appointed a member of the U. S. Coal commission by President Harding in 1922; re-appointed as Director of the Survey by President Coolidge in 1923; and named as Chairman of the Federal Power commission by President Hoover in 1930.

Another honor that came to him during these years of public service was an appointment by President Coolidge in 1925 as chairman of a Naval Oil Reserve commission to advise the President and Secretary of the Navy. And none of the oil from Teapot Dome or elsewhere stained the Smith toga.

My readers, I think, already have appreciated that Fate in passing his surname to the learned scientist failed to conceal him. "Go" Smith went along steadily, full steam ahead, with his hand on the throttle of much of the nation's most important business and as steadily increasing his fame as a thorough student of many of the natural resources of the country.

Dr. Smith's study of the natural resources of the United States began with his work as a geologist in Michigan, Washington, Utah and many of the Eastern states, including Maine; then as the head of the Survey his inspection trips and his

work as advisor of the Secretary of the Interior took him to every state in the Union with the single exception of Florida, although he several times passed through the northern edge of the Everglades State. He admits to friends that his ingenuity failed in finding sufficient excuse for an official visit to Florida. Dr. Smith broadened his knowledge on economic subjects by his experiences as official delegate to the first World Power Congress in London, International Geological congresses in Mexico, Sweden and Canada, and the World Engineering congress in Japan.

His resignation as Chairman of the Federal Power commission was offered at the commencement of the present administration and a little later, Dr. Smith resigned from the commission and has since been a scientist at leisure, except that the preparation of articles on scientific subjects and frequent addresses of wide scope have kept him sufficiently busy.

The effort of certain Senators to prevent the confirmation of Dr. Smith as a member of the Federal Power commission resulted in a test case for the Supreme Court. After confirming Dr. Smith the Senate sought to have President Hoover return the confirmation but without success and in its Court effort the Senate opponents of Dr. Smith were again unsuccessful.

The attorney for the Senate was John W. Davis, Esq., once the Democratic nominee for the Presidency, who sent Dr. Smith a copy of his brief in behalf of the Senate and added: "I'm bound to say that in this case personal friendship and professional duty divide my ambition as to the result."

#### "POLITICS" WERE OUT

In the great positions of trust and responsibility to which George Otis Smith attained, "politics" were out. And it is his pride that, after serving as chief of one of the vital scientific bureaus of the government for 23 years under six Presidents, he is able to state that never once was he obliged to know or learn the political status of anyone whom he recommended for appointment or promotion. This experience shows the extent to which a non-political civic service can be maintained in the



The New Chairman

interest of high standards of technical efficiency.

Despite the exacting duties of his important positions, Dr. Smith has found time for many extra activities. During the years of his public service more than 350 scientific and economic articles were published and addresses given by him. Perhaps his most conspicuous speech was that on International Engineering given at the banquet for the delegates of many countries at the World Engineering Congress in Tokyo, in 1929, when he represented the American committee. His most acclaimed scientific article was published in *The Atlantic Monthly*, in October, 1922, his selected

subject being, *What Coal Means To Us*. It is possible that the merit of this article may have inspired President Harding to appoint Dr. Smith to membership on the United States Coal commission, an action that came shortly after the publication.

Over the years, Dr. Smith has made Phi Beta Kappa or Commencement addresses at the University of Illinois, Case School of Applied Science, Colorado School of Mines, Montana School of Mines, University of Montana, University of Arizona and Colby. While in the West last year he visited 14 universities and schools of mining, addressing the students as a member of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers' committee on Student Relations. He is at present a member of the two committees of this Institute having control of the income of two large endowment funds, chiefly devoted to special publications.

Election in 1928 to the presidency of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers was an honor that came unexpectedly to Dr. Smith. As the organization contains the largest body of mining men in the world, the selection of Dr. Smith was a great and appreciated tribute to his standing as a scientist. His service as a member of the Institute board began in 1920 when Herbert Hoover was president of the Institute.

During his life at the Nation's Capital, Dr. Smith served for 13 years as President of the Washington Y. M. C. A., a service that brought

him in contact with people in many diverse walks of life, as he says: "From bootblacks, who took educational courses, to bishops, who served the association with spiritual counsel." At the termination of his long service as President of the Y, tributes of appreciation were contributed by many Washington citizens. One from Charles E. Hughes, then Secretary of State, is reproduced with this sketch. Another Presidency held by Dr. Smith was that of Washington's famous Cosmos club, world-noted organization of scientists and professional men. In 1920, he was awarded the Daly Gold Medal of the American Geographical Society in recognition of the war work of the Geological Survey.

Dr. Smith has collected degrees from several institutions and is entitled to place after his name, A.B., A.M., LL.D., Ph.D., and Sc.D. The scientific organizations in which he holds membership are space-filling and, if they call for annual dues, check-compelling.

Dr. Smith married a class-mate at Colby, Miss Grace Coburn, gifted and charming, whose passing severed an ideal union.

Dr. Smith regards his service on the board of trustees at University of Chicago—from which he resigned in June—as affording exceptional educational opportunity. When his election to that board, composed largely of alumni living in Chicago, was announced, his Washington friends could discover no adequate reason for his selection, until someone recalled that Baptists only were eligible for membership and then the new trustee told them that Julius Rosenwald was the member who called on him in Washington to extend the invitation to the board.

As a Colby friend wrote him, the title of Chairman still pursues him and it is understood that he wishes no higher title nor more congenial task than to serve his college as an active officer of the Colby Trustees. His contact with the colleges and universities has been constant and broad, and it is known to his intimate friends that he once received an invitation to become president of one of the older and larger colleges of the East, at a salary twice that of his Government position. But his ambition was to add a few more years of effort to his task of increasing the usefulness of the U. S. Geological Survey.

As a recent speaker before Rotary and other service clubs in the state, he has dwelt upon his faith in his country and his State. His optimism is based largely upon the natural resources which

give the United States economic primacy among the countries of the world, but also upon the democratic spirit of the people, although he admits recent events make it hard to be an optimist, but he adds that only an optimist can be a Republican. He believes the foundations of industrial prosperity remain solid and unshaken, though somewhat covered up by recent debris.

#### AN ACTIVE CAMPAIGNER

Free from government service, Dr. Smith campaigned actively in the interests of the Republican party in Maine during the fall election activities, and his speeches received high praise as lucid and effective. It is conceivable that he might have taken a more prominent place in the campaign for upon his return from Washington he was frequently urged to be a candidate for the Republican gubernatorial nomination and had he acceded would have received strong support. However, he said, he was not interested in seeking political office. A host of Maine admirers and friends are hoping he may change his mind at a later date.

It has been a gratification to Colby friends that Dr. Smith brought no high hat home with him from Washington. He remains the "Go" Smith they always knew—genial, democratic and lovable. He continues to spell his name as John spelled it and as "Al" spells it and most of the numerous progeny of Smith spell it—without changing the "i" to "y" or adding a final "e."

He is glad to be home in Maine and his neighbors of Skowhegan know that he is well content to come back to the home under a towering pine, on the north bank of the Kennebec, with time to spend at his desk, looking out upon the flowing water, and the garden of his affection, or up to his collection of autographed photographs, among which are those of four Presidents and seven Secretaries of the Interior under whom he served.

And as he greets his friends in his beautiful home he tells them that he hopes to live up to the kind words written on the autographed portrait of Vice President Marshall, with whom he served on the Coal Commission, and which reads: "Gentleman, Scientist, honest man and loyal friend."

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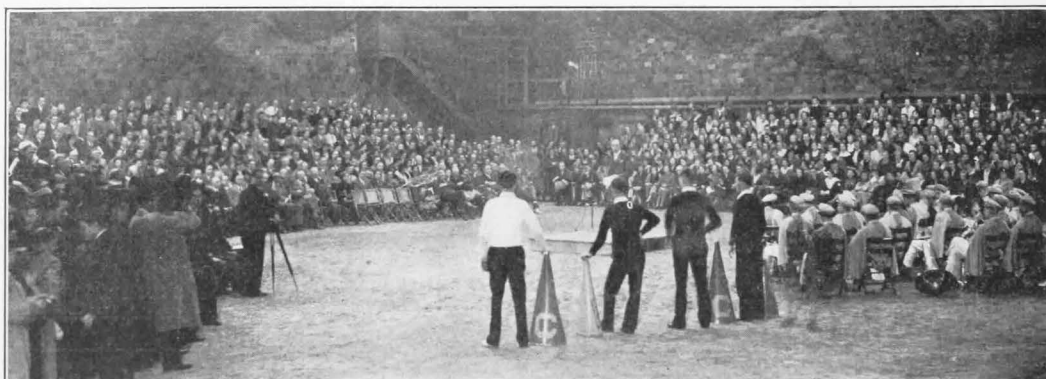
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ABOVE—Among The Prominent Alumni At The Thirtieth Colby Night (Left to Right)—Byron Boyd, '86; John E. Cummings, '84; J. Frederick Hill, '82; F. Harold Dubord, '14, former Mayor of Waterville; Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, former chairman of the board of trustees; President Franklin W. Johnson, '91; Frank B. Nichols, '92, Publisher of the Bath Daily Times; Oliver L. Hall, '93, Editor of the Bangor Daily Commercial; George Otis Smith, '93, newly-elected chairman of the board of trustees.



BELOW—The annual Autumn get-together of the college's graduates, held for the first time in the field house, and attended for the first time by the alumnæ of the college. On the right, the college band; center, the energetic quartet of undergraduate cheer leaders; at the microphone, on the platform, Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, the presiding officer of the evening; in the bleachers part of the throng of 1100 graduates and friends of the institution who attended the annual homecoming, on the eve of the state series football game with Bowdoin. (Colby 12—Bowdoin 7.)



## LOVEJOY---PATRON SAINT OF COLBY

Ninety-seven Years After His Death, the College Reveres the Memory of Its Most Famous Son



The college places a wreath at the stone, outside the Chapel, from the foundation of the hearth in the birthplace, and home at Albion of the "first American martyr to the freedom of the press." As the flags of college and nation flutter in the campus breezes, President Franklin W. Johnson (left) and Dr. Herbert Carlyle Libby, lifelong admirer of the Illinois editor, watch John J. Pullen, '35, of Amity, President of the Colby Press Club, place the floral tribute of the college.

**C**OLBY'S patron saint, Elijah Parish Lovejoy, "first American martyr to the freedom of the press," was revered on the campus November 7th, when President Franklin W. Johnson and Professor Herbert Carlyle Libby spoke in chapel, and a wreath was laid on the Lovejoy Stone, on the green outside of Memorial Hall.

The occasion was the ninety-seventh anniversary of the slaying of the great Illinois editor, Colby's most famous son. Dr. Johnson's address has received particular commendation in the press, and from friends of the college. Dr. Libby delivered a brief eulogy on the man who was killed in Alton, Ill., by a mob infuriated by his anti-

slavery editorials. Colby's Professor of Public Speaking and of Journalism spoke as follows:

**"I**F the people of the great State of Illinois which witnessed the life deeds of Elijah Parish Lovejoy are prompted to erect a towering marble shaft to his memory, build into its school-houses reminders of his life and martyrdom, and place within the Hall of Fame of its State University a bronze bust of its most famous editor, then surely the College that nurtured Lovejoy in his youth and gave him the ideals whose achievements led to his tragic death, ought to pause for at least a brief moment to pay homage to his memory.

"It is highly fitting that this public service should be held on the day that marks the anniversary of his martyrdom. On a similar day ninety-seven years ago a nation of people were aroused to action at the news of his death; it would indeed be fitting testimony to Lovejoy's heroic life if we, on this day, could feel the full impact of the meaning of that national tragedy.

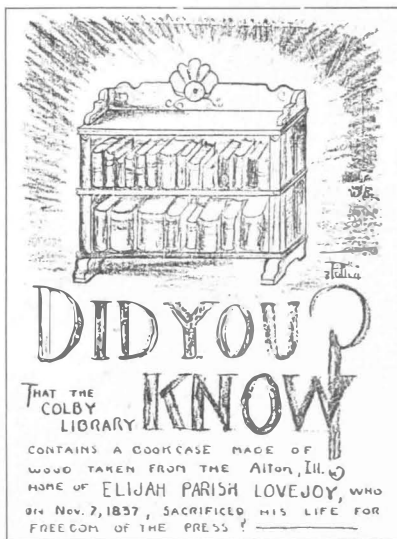
"As the wreath is placed at the foot of this stone, taken from the foundation of the hearth in the old Lovejoy home in Albion, let us be mindful of the significance of what we do. We reverence the memory of Colby's patron-saint, but even more, we signalize anew our faith in eternal truths: That the most priceless possession in a democracy is freedom of speech and of action; that right is never so glorious as when defended by men of strong will and of high vision; that he who would lose his life for a great cause shall save it—it lives on in the hearts of a grateful people.

"These are the enduring truths that we would recall as we reverently place our tribute at the base of this historic stone."

#### ALL HAVE OUR HEROES

President Johnson spoke as follows:

EVERY institution with ideals admires those whose lives vividly express those ideals. We all have our heroes whom we worship. The Church of Rome has its Saints—persons who have been martyrs to the Faith, whose memory it wishes to perpetuate. I like to think that Colby College has its saints—men and women whose lives are examples of the best things that a Christian college can implant in the human heart and mind. If I were to be asked who is the patron saint of Colby College, I should



give without hesitation the name of Elijah Parish Lovejoy, a member of the class of 1826.

There are two reasons on which to base our cannonization of Lovejoy: his heroic spirit, and the influence which his life and death has had on succeeding generations.

Lovejoy was a hero. To read of his experiences while editing his newspaper in St. Louis and in Alton, is to admire the sheer courage which was needed to stand by the moral principles which he held.

Perhaps Lovejoy's own descriptions of some of the early incidents leading up to his murder will give you some idea of the man himself. In one letter to his mother he wrote:

"Just as I was leaving the principal street I met the mob. They did not at first recognize me, and I parted their columns for some distance, and had just reached the rear, when some of them began to suspect who it was. They immediately wheeled their column and came after me; I did not hurry at all, believing it was not for such a man as I am to flee. They seemed a little loath to come on me, and I could hear their leaders swearing at them and telling them to 'push on,' etc. By this time they began to throw clods of dirt at me, and several hit, without hurting me. And now

a fellow pushed up to my side, armed with a club, to ascertain certainly who it was. He then yelled out, 'It's the bloody Abolitionist, give him hell;' whereat there was another rush upon me. But when they got close up, they seemed again to fall back. At length a number of them linked arm in arm, pushed by me and wheeled in the road before me, thus stopping me completely. I then spoke to them, asking them why they stopped me. By this time the cry was all around me, 'damn him,' 'rail him,' 'rail

#### LOVEJOY DAY PRAYER

By President Franklin W. Johnson

GIVE us courage to combat thy enemies,  
Give us courage to suffer in thy cause:  
Make us hard and remorseless towards ourselves:  
Cleanse from our souls all futile sentiment:  
Spur us this day to challenge the grim realities,  
Pain, disease, injustice and sin,  
And help us by gallant service to conquer these  
thy foes.

Give us wills alert and obedient,  
Till we seek, not our own base ease,  
But only the advancing of thy Kingdom.

Toughen us, Master, by rigorous training and  
sternest use,  
Till we are strong and hard as steel  
In the doing of thy Will.

Yet keep us tender and kind as thyself,  
To all thy little ones who need our service.

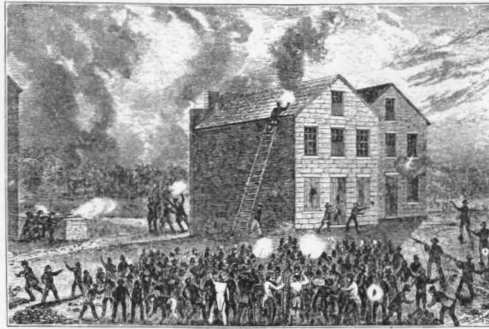
him,' 'tar and feather him.' I had no doubt that such was to be my fate. I then said to them, 'You had better let me go home; you have no right to detain me; I have never injured you.' They began to curse and swear, when I added, 'I am in your hands, and you must do with me whatever God permits you to do.' They consulted a few moments and then told me I might go home."

However, Lovejoy's courage was not merely of the kind that rises in an emergency, spurred on by the excitement of the moment. Outrages such as these just mentioned, continued over a year, were enough to break down the resolution of any man, but Lovejoy maintained his stand undaunted. His courage was the result of many weeks of sober thought and prayer. He felt impelled to put his cause above himself and all the tempting excuses of prudence and expediency, even the future welfare of his wife and infant son, did not alter the burning conviction in his mind that human bondage was wrong, and he must speak the truth as he saw it.

#### MASS MEETING HELD

The situation disturbed the solid citizens of the community and a mass meeting was held, in the hope of finding some way out of the tragedy which all saw impending. All shades of opinion were represented, and finally Lovejoy took the platform. Two versions of his speech have been preserved, slightly differing in language, but identical in thought. I will give his final words, which illustrate, I think, the depth and intensity of his courage:

"....I have concluded, after consultation with my friends and earnestly seeking counsel of God, to remain in Alton, and here to insist on protection in the exercise of my rights. If the civil au-



#### NINETY-SEVEN YEARS AGO

Lovejoy, standing at the back corner of his home, is fired upon by three members of the mob

thorities refuse to protect me, I must look to God; and if I die, I have determined to make my grave in Alton."

Perhaps you are thinking of how Lovejoy must have looked as he uttered those words. Fortunately, we have a passage which tells how he affected one of his listeners at that moment:

"His countenance, the subdued tones of his voice, and whole appearance indicated a mind in a peculiarly heavenly

frame, and ready to acquiesce in the will of God, whatever that might be. I confess to you, sir, that I regarded him at the time, in view of all the circumstances, as presenting a spectacle of moral sublimity, such as I had never before witnessed, and such as the world seldom affords. It reminded me of Paul before Festus, and of Luther at Worms."

There is no need of rehearsing the sequence of tragic events which culminated in Lovejoy's death just 97 years ago this very day, but I do want to dwell for a moment upon the effect that the news of his assassination had upon the rest of the country.

In these autumn days, we are familiar with the sight of a pile of burning leaves from which the smouldering fire throws off clouds of smoke which become denser and denser until finally there is one flicker of fire and instantly the whole pile bursts into flame. Lovejoy's death was like that. It touched off a blaze of indignation all over the country.

#### CONDEMNED THE MURDER

Scores of newspapers carried editorials violently condemning this murder of one who had committed no crime save that of expressing his own views. Town after town held meetings at which resolutions were passed honoring Lovejoy, censuring the people of Alton and affirming the constitutional privi-

#### LOVEJOY DAY HYMN

Once to every man and nation  
Comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood,  
For the good or evil side;  
Some great cause, God's new Messiah,  
Offering each the bloom or blight,  
And the choice goes by forever  
'Twixt that darkness and that light.

By the light of burning martyrs,  
Jesus' bleeding feet I track,  
Tolling up new Calvaries ever  
With the cross that turns not back;  
New occasions teach new duties,  
Time makes ancient gods uncouth;  
They must upward still and onward,  
Who would keep abreast of truth.

Though the cause of evil prosper,  
Yet 'tis truth alone is strong;  
Truth forever on the scaffold,  
Wrong forever on the throne,  
Yet that scaffold sways the future,  
And, behind the dim unknown,  
Standeth God within the shadow  
Keeping watch above his own.

("Social Justice," by James Russell Lowell, sung at the opening of the Lovejoy memorial service in the College chapel by the student choir of eight members.)

lege of freedom of the press. The name of Alton became a by-word for infamy. The various anti-slavery movements holding divergent views were, for the moment, united and measurably strengthened.

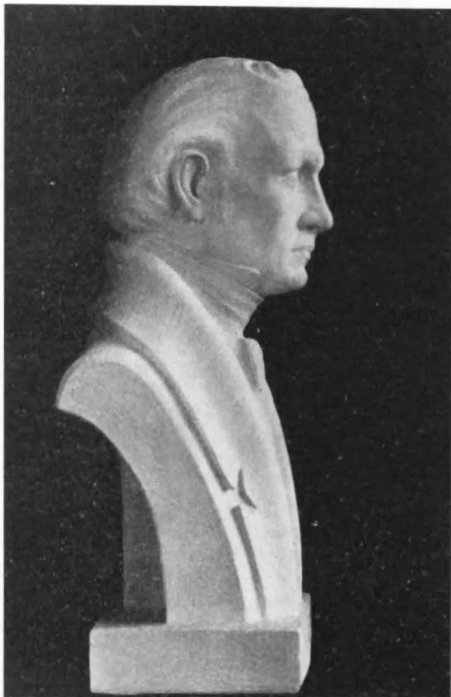
It was for these reasons that ex-president John Quincy Adams wrote as follows: "The incidents which preceded and accompanied and followed the catastrophe of Mr. Lovejoy's death point it out as an epoch in the annals of human liberty. They have given a shock as of an earthquake throughout this continent, which will be felt in the most distant regions of the earth."

And years later, Lincoln, after reading over some of Lovejoy's letters, said in sober earnestness: "Lovejoy's tragic death for freedom in every sense marked his sad ending as the greatest single event that ever happened in the new world."

#### FREE SPEECH NECESSARY

Since that event of nearly a century ago, the principle of the freedom of the press has been almost unquestioned in America. Without that episode to dramatize the issue and bring home to the people the worth of that constitutional right, however, who can say what our history might have been? We may be sure of this: free speech is necessary to democracy; it is our insurance against absolutism. A dictator and a free press cannot exist side by side.

Of course, democracy itself is an ideal which is frequently questioned in these chaotic years. Most social reformers, and I suppose the present "brain-trusters" may be included in this group, have a feeling of impatience at the sluggish response of public opinion to their projected improvements. Doubtless democracy is a drag on rapid social progress, but it is equally true that the conservative public mind has kept us from rushing into many experiments which would have



THE LOVEJOY BUST

In the University of Illinois Hall of Fame

proved disastrous.

It is conceivably true that a dictatorship is the best form of government, providing that the dictator is benevolent and all-wise. Indeed, I suppose that every dictator does think of himself as omniscient, but, unhappily, the dispassionate view of later historians has always shown that every despot has human failings and limitations. Rather than take the chance of putting ourselves unreservedly into the hands of the wrong dictator, we believers in democracy are content to crawl towards Utopia at a pace which may be slower, but which enables us to avoid unfortunate detours.

#### UNDER CONSTANT FIRE

There are those who profess to see in the present political situation a swing towards absolutism and a dictatorship in the United States. Possibly there is such a trend, but to see how far we really are from living under a true dictatorship, one has only to observe the situation in Germany, Poland, Russia, Italy, and within the last few days, Mexico—nations wherein a muzzled press prints only what is handed out from the official propaganda department. Here, in contrast, the Administration is under constant fire of bitter criticism from the opposition newspapers, and is just as stalwartly defended by its own supporters. I am told that editorials on political questions are carefully clipped from all the newspapers in the country and their content is analyzed by White House officials to determine the consensus of public opinion on Administration measures. This is a proper use of the press as a public barometer, and it assures us that, however extreme may be the personal wishes of any of those in control of the Nation's affairs, no step will be taken in opposition to any concerted view of the people. It should be noted, however, that this confidence of ours rests upon the continuance of an absolutely free press.

Any step, no matter how small, which tends towards any abrogation of this freedom should be strenuously opposed. Last winter, when the NRA code for newspapers was under discussion, a clause was inserted which seemed to restrain this freedom in some measure. Immediately the leaders of the nation's newspapers leaped into active opposition, and I am proud to say that one of our own trustees, Dr. Bainbridge Colby, was the spokesman for the press of America in that controversy, and was influential in having the dangerous clause removed.

There are other sectors in which the fight for a free press is still going on. The situation is bad in Louisiana, where the Huey Long administration is attempting reprisals against the sections of the press which are antagonistic to his administration, in the form of arbitrary and unequal taxation upon a circulation basis. Also, the system of licensing of radio communication represents a dangerous encroachment upon the freedom of communication which is analogous to the freedom of the press.

America will not tolerate a muzzled press. We insist upon the right of unpopular minorities to have their say, but we also insist that no one faction, whether minority or majority, has the right to be the one and only voice of America. A free press is our bulwark against the danger of having un-American doctrines foisted upon us from either the Right or the Left. A free press is a crucible for testing political leaders and social ideas in the heat of public opinion. In it, attractive, but unsound theories will melt away into worthless dross, while the pure gold of social progress will slowly, but surely emerge.

This is the precious heritage which Lovejoy left to us, and this is why Colby College honors today the memory of that first martyr to the Freedom of the Press.

#### WADSWORTH RESIGNS

*(Continued from page 5)*

of the Lewiston, Monmouth & Greene Telephone Company, and a member of the New England Council. He was, for two years, president of the Associated Industries of Maine. He is one of the Board of Directors of Oak Grove Seminary, rapidly becoming the outstanding seminary for girls in the State of Maine, while at the same time he is a trustee of the C. M. Bailey Library at Winthrop.

To show the real man out of all the honors that have come to him during an eventful life, he re-

gards most highly the certificate awarded to him in November, by the Athletic Council with the hearty endorsement of the Varsity football squad for his outstanding service to his college, and generous aid in sports.

#### TWO PLAYS BY DRAMATIC WORKSHOP PLAYERS

TWO plays were produced by the college's Dramatic Workshop Players on the Alumnæ Building stage. The settings, costumes and properties were all constructed by the students under direction of Professor Cecil A. Rollins, coach of dramatics.

"The Killer," by Albert Cowles, was a thrilling melodrama of the Canadian forests and the Northwest Mounted Police, starring Helen E. Kelly, '36, Waterville, and Morris Cohen, '35, Mattapan, Mass. The supporting characters were played by Willard H. Dunn, '36, Gardiner, and Harold W. Kimball, Jr., '36, Waterville.

Anatole France's famous medieval comedy, "The Man Who Married a Dumb Wife," was ably presented by a large cast in extravagant costumes. Agnes C. Carlyle, '36, West Roxbury, Mass., took the part of the wife, while her distracted husband was portrayed by John J. Pullen, '35, Amity. The rest of the cast included: Alvin L. Vose, '35, Waterville; George C. Crosby, '36, Worcester, Mass.; Frederick J. Banzi, '36, Brant Rock, Mass.; Clarence A. Morrill, '35, Auburn; Avis E. Merritt, '35, Presque Isle; Amy H. Thompson, '37, Waterville; Virginia M. Swallow, '35, New York City; Reba E. Jose, '35, Saco; Edward J. Gurney, '35, Waterville; Ruth A. Millett, '36, Springfield, Vt.; Adele Bosko, '37, Winslow; Lysbeth Winchell, '36, Brunswick; Helen F. Curtis, '36, Portland.

#### SOCIETY WEARY, SAYS DEAN MUILENBURG

"Society today is weary, impatient and prone to use force," said Dean James Muilenburg of University of Maine in an address to the students of Colby at assembly.

Describing his talk as an attempt at social diagnosis, Dean Muilenburg attributed many of the political upheavals and social unrest in the world today to a form of fatigue pervading society. We even are too impatient to allow our government to progress slowly through the process of trial and error, he said, and so we find dictatorships and fascism receiving the support of vast majorities of various populations.

# THROUGH UNDERGRADUATE EYES

By Edward J. Gurney, Jr.

Editor of The Echo

THE choicest bit of excitement at college thus far this year came in the form of a student petition for an extended Christmas recess. A few energetic souls who were particularly anxious to leave college earlier with the hope of obtaining employment were the brains behind the move. The idea originated about a month before the Thanksgiving recess but it was not until after students had returned from carving the turkey that courage was aroused sufficient to take the decisive step. Once the thing got started it gained support by leaps and bounds. In fact who wouldn't sign a petition for an extended vacation. A vast majority of the student body affixed their signatures and not a few of the professors, which goes to prove that once in an eon a prof will take a definite stand upon a concrete action. But to continue, the petition was in due time formally submitted to President Johnson who in return promised that he would see that the faculty would give it the most profound consideration. I say in all due sincerity that its defeat was a foregone conclusion. Had there been betting upon the decision of the august governing body there would have been few taken at 20 to 1. You have guessed correctly, the petition was refused. Per usual the faculty had good grounds for its decision. A bit of sputtered indignation from students quickly died down and everyone was happy.

## Public Discussion Group

Among the more intellectual extracurricular activities there are one or two outstanding examples worthy of mention. Professor Libby has inaugurated a Public Discussion Group, the purpose of which is to acquaint interested students with urgent present day national and governmental questions. The group has been a great success. The outstanding meeting brought Chief Justice Pattangall of the Maine Supreme Court as speaker. He launched an attack on the New Deal before a capacity audience in the college chapel. Governor Brann aroused equal interest. In a spirited open forum held following his talk the governor solved partially the problem of obtaining jobs for gradu-

## COLBY ECONOMISTS DEBATE NEW DEAL

THE Economics Department of Colby was divided against itself when two members took opposite sides of an argument on the New Deal at a regular Monday evening open forum conducted by the department of public speaking.

Professor Curtis H. Morrow, head of the department, presented the case in opposition to the policies of President Roosevelt, while Professor Walter N. Breckenridge defended the steps being taken by the federal government and explained the economic theories involved. The faculty members gave spirited talks which were followed by a general discussion in which many of the students took part.

ating seniors. The genial chief executive in answer to a question of how to get into government service invited the senior questioner to appear at the state house next June and that he would be given a job!

## The Goat and Ram

Two fraternities have undergone deviation from the usual routine recently. The Dekes lost their goat and the A. T. O. ram received a soaking. The mishap which occurred to the Deke animal was caused by the negligence of a lowly pledge who, following the ancient custom of D. K. E., was forcibly entrusted with guarding the belligerent animal. The freshman wandered off and not to be outdone the goat did likewise. When next heard from he was enjoying a meal from the clothesline of an irate housewife. The Dekes were notified and after a long and hard chase finally caught the critter. To turn to the Alpha Taus, during a cold spell recently the South College residents closed the windows and turned on the steam in the ram that it might be more comfortable for sleeping purposes. They did not know that there was a hole in one of the radiators. The first retiree upon opening the ram door was forced to retreat before a barrage of live steam. It was some moments before a safe entrance could be effected. The beds were soaked

and the A. T. O.'s slept in their rooms that night.

## Soap Box Activities

Public speakers will start work in earnest following the Christmas recess. Within a month the Hallowell Contest and the Murray Prize Debate will take place. Preparation for an extensive debate season will also get under way. March 6 is the date on which Colby debaters will engage for the first time a team from the University of Hawaii. In addition, because of the fine showing that our debaters made at the national Pi Kappa Delta convention last year in Kentucky, a Colby team will attend the Great Lakes province convention to be held in Ohio sometime during Easter vacation.

## Fall Dances

Fraternity fall dances this year witnessed unique innovations. The three outstanding affairs were those held by Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, and Delta Kappa Epsilon. The Lambda Chis gave a "prison party" with convicts on the walls in characteristic poses, and a trusty guarding the door. The Phi Dels decorated and dressed appropriately for a roused-by-fire-in-the-middle-of-night party. Santa Claus Tiny Stone gave the coeds presents as a fitting climax. The Deke dance was a merry party in Christmas style with trees, boughs, wreaths, and all the rest. My vote for top honors goes to L. C. A.

## Greek Competition

"Mike" Loeb's interfraternity sports program has stirred up keen interest and friendly rivalry among the "greeks." At this date Alpha Tau Omega has a head start on its colleagues. Three cups emblematic of championship have been awarded thus far and two of these now reside in the A. T. O. house. The D. U.'s won the cross country title. The touch football and soccer trophies went to the A. T. O.'s. Basketball looms on the horizon as the next field of competition. For the past two or three years the Dekes have completely dominated fraternity basketball. Again they appear to have a slight edge at this early date. However, graduation took their best performers and Zeta Psi, L. C. A., and D. U. will all give stern opposition.

# THE ALUMNI COUNCIL'S FIRST YEAR

Extracts From The Annual Report Of The Alumni Secretary To The Alumni Council

BY G. CECIL GODDARD

A review of the activity and accomplishment of the Alumni Council since its formation, less than a year ago, deserves a place of first importance in this report, and a recital of our accomplishment should result in some feeling of satisfaction.

No doubt the first form of organization of our Council copied in many respects certain features of other Alumni Councils. In creating a new form of alumni organization it was the very definite purpose of the committee of the Association to lay a foundation for an Executive Committee with power to direct and conduct all alumni work advancing the interests of the college. Since those beginnings, the association has voted all its former powers to this body as its representative governing body. The progress which we have made in the past year more than justifies the theory upon which the Council was first created.

Your first recommendation to the board of trustees, made after careful study of other New England set-ups, called for the reorganization of the Department of Athletics; and this was adopted. Today we have a well organized Department of Health and Physical Education, under direction of Professor Gilbert F. Loeb.

Our Alumni Fund last year, under direction of the Alumni Fund Committee, showed a very substantial increase, both in the number of subscribers and in the total amount of money raised. As compared with the record of 538 contributors who gave \$2,918.32 in the first year of the Fund, the 1934 Fund shows a twenty-four per cent increase in contributors and a seventy-five per cent gain in the total amount of money raised.

We should not judge the importance of the Fund in just mere dollars and cents. It has other values, more or less intangible but no less real. It often provides money for the administration to carry on work which it otherwise would be unable to do—the keeping of an address file of our alumni is a simple illustration.

Some college presidents, recognizing the value of their Alumni Offices,



have influenced their finance committees to provide for the conduct and operation of alumni activities through the Alumni Office as an item of administrative expense. By the adoption of this means of financing the Alumni Office, the total amount of money given to the Alumni Fund can be turned over to the College for some specific need and will be so recognized by the alumni.

The Alumni Council, through its Committee on the ALUMNUS, has now taken over the publication of our alumni magazine. This problem was studied by the committee over a period of eighteen months before any definite recommendation was made. The first issue of the ALUMNUS has come from the press and is being well received. I can report that more of the younger alumni are subscribing to it than in any previous period of which we have record.

With the taking over of the ALUMNUS comes additional work for the Alumni Office. It now becomes one of our duties to obtain advertising—and advertising must be secured if the magazine is to be self-supporting.

## The Local Associations

Our local associations in the principal cities, where twenty-five or more alumni reside, are more or less ac-

tive. At least they hold one meeting a year. The other Maine colleges have alumni clubs in every county in the State. I think we should make some attempt along the same line, but we must hold out to these new clubs some purpose or aim. I would suggest that every club in the State of Maine, as one of its duties or privileges, submit to the Dean of the College the name of a student in that locality as a candidate for a special form of scholarship aid, the final award, of course, to be made by the Scholarship Committee on a competitive basis. I recommend that a committee be appointed whose duty it will be to promote the formation of new local alumni associations.

Colby Night, after twenty-six years of a local character, reached nationwide proportions, and may even extend beyond those limits, as I expect meetings were held in Paris and Honolulu. Nearly 1,500 Colby folk met in the spirit of Colby. To all of the groups the President sent greetings, and there was an interchange of greetings among them. One of the most promising features of our alumni work is the series of annual spring meetings. Last year nearly 500 Colby alumni attended our meetings. One of the reasons for this large turn-out of alumni was to hear the President bring his personal greeting and word picture of the College. We are also indebted to our Chairman, who attended many of the meetings.

Last year the Alumni Secretary contacted nearly 100 schools of the New England states, speaking before the student body in many and interviewing several hundred boys and girls interested in going to college. Careful information was kept on all these trips, and at the present time Joseph Coburn Smith, Publicity Director, is making an analysis for the purpose of determining the value of the work.

Colby has been most fortunate in keeping up her enrollment, but there is a desire on the part of our Admissions Office to raise the standards of students finally admitted. We should give thought to some method whereby

graduates can influence and direct mentally alive high school seniors to matriculate at Colby.

What are some of the duties of an Alumni Office? Suppose you should ask me, "Just what do you do as Alumni Secretary?" I would answer:

Maintain an up-to-date address file of all alumni. This is an endless task and one of the real items of expense in any Alumni Office. In addition to the actual cost, it involves a great amount of time. An Alumni Secretary is the one on whom any college administration unloads a burden of detail. All the details that arise from Colby Night celebrations, Teachers' Conventions, Commencement programs—such as arranging for speakers in one case, seeing that the apples are on hand in another, and that the notices have been mailed—fall on the Alumni Secretary. And, in addition, he must direct class organization, promote alumni get-togethers, conduct an Alumni Fund campaign, contact Colby clubs through personal visits and by correspondence, look after the circulation and advertising for the ALUMNUS, make contacts with secondary schools and interview prospective students. That's all.

#### PHILADELPHIA COLBY NIGHT GATHERING

The Philadelphia Colby Night gathering was held at the Art Alliance, 251 South 18th Street. Among those present were Frederick F. Sully, '16, President; Raymond I. Haskell, '14, Secretary; E. Stanley Kelson, '14; Axel J. Uppvall, '05; Joseph Chandler, '09; Arthur L. Berry, '23; Ralph H. Drew, '19; Paul F. Cranston, '26; Charles E. G. Shannon, '99; and Ercole A. Addonizio, '34.

Raymond Haskell, Secretary.

#### COLBY NIGHT, MINNEAPOLIS

The Colby meeting in Minneapolis on Colby Night was attended by five alumni. After a brief recognition in the lobby, they located in a private dining-room of the Athletic Club. During the dinner greetings were read from friends who could not be present. The President's letter was enjoyed, as well as the Alumni Secretary's. Those present: Mr. and Mrs. Lew C. Church, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Allen, Miss Mary F. Small, Miss Mildred Alley, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Madsen.

#### COLBY THANKSGIVING TEA HELD IN PARIS

As a sort of delayed Colby Night celebration, the Colby graduates in and near Paris, France, were guests of Mme. Lucien Sellet at a Thanksgiving Day Tea, according to information received at the Alumni office.

Mme. Sellet, formerly Rosamond Cummings, attended Colby in the class of 1925. The other Colby alumnae invited to the affair were: Clio M. Chilcott, '95, now traveling and writing in France; Mme. Adrian Garcia, '19, formerly Elizabeth Hoffman, wife of an executive of a mining firm; Evelyn R. Stapleton, '33, Colby's exchange student in France last year, who was retained this year on the faculty of the Ecole Normale d'Instituteurs, at Bourg-en-Bresse; Margaret E. Salmond, '34, this year's exchange student from Colby to the Ecole Normale Supérieure at Sevrès.

George A. Andrews, '82, came for a short visit, to convey his greetings. Judge Benjamin F. Wright and Mrs. Wright had attended the two previous meetings, but were prevented this year by temporary disability. Recollections from college days, the present outlook and future plans of the College were topics of discussion.

T. B. Madsen.

#### COLBY ALUMNÆ MAY APPLY FOR FELLOWSHIP

The Women's Organization for National Prohibition Reform has established a fellowship for women graduates who show promise of usefulness in the public service. Under the terms of this gift a fellowship of \$1,300 is offered for a year of graduate study at an approved college or university, in one or more of the related fields of History, Economics, Government and Social Science. This fellowship will be awarded annually by the faculty of Barnard College, not later than May first. A candidate applying for this fellowship must (1) be a citizen of the United States; (2) have received the Bachelor's degree not earlier than June, 1929, from a college or university on the accepted list approved by the

Association of American Universities;

- (3) have shown special ability in the field of political science (History, Economics, Government, Social Science);
- (4) show promise of future usefulness in the public service;
- (5) be of good moral character and have suitable personal qualities.

Applications and recommendations must reach the committee not later than March 1, 1935. Applications must be submitted on the regular application form which will be furnished by the chairman of the committee, Professor Emilie J. Hutchinson.

#### NEW YORK ALUMNI HOLD STAG PARTY

A stag party was held on Colby Night by the New York Colby Alumni Association, with an enthusiastic gathering. Short talks were given by former football players and by some of the older graduates; letters were read from the college. The movie of Frank Merriwell was received with a great deal of enthusiasm. Plans were made for future meetings, also for the annual dinner in April. Those present were:

John C. McCoy, Jr., '32; John Skinner, '33; Dr. R. E. Castelli, '18; Doane Eaton, '16; Len Mayo, '22; Dr. N. Weg, '17; C. H. Gale, '22; F. R. Kleinholz, '23; W. F. Cushman, '22; Roy C. Hearn, '25; C. C. Hicks, '31; E. B. Winslow, '04; J. B. Conlon, '19; V. G. Smith, '21; L. W. Nelson, '25; University of Pennsylvania; E. R. Scriber, '17; P. M. Edmunds, '26; W. F. Edmunds, '27; R. B. Austin, '98; M. A. Coker, '29; C. Drummond, '21; A. L. Kittredge, '26; H. E. Hall, '17; Dr. J. Frevola, '18; C. E. Pooler, '33; C. F. Foster, '33.

Nathaniel Weg, President.

#### COLBY ALUMNI OF PROVIDENCE MEET

Colby Night in Providence, R. I., was a successful affair. It was regretted that the women members of the club could not be included because of a last minute shift in arrangements. The men, with Superintendent of Schools Charles F. Towne, '00, gathered first at the Old France Restaurant. Later they went to the home of Elmer H. Hussey, '13, president of the club, at 99 Brown Street. Mariano Brodeira, Jr., '30, Newport, played the piano; John A. Chadwick, '30, East Greenwich, sang songs; Dr. Seth F. H. Howes, '14, from the Rhode Island State Hospital, told stories about college days.

Wayne W. McNally, Secretary.

# JOE ALUMNUS: Fifteen Minutes at the Elbow of Colby's Alumni Secretary

By G. Cecil Goddard

THE item that merits first position in this column this year is taken from a letter written by one of Colby's most energetic and loyal class agents. He writes to THE ALUMNUS: "I am keenly anxious to have the alumni magazine get into the hands of my class this year for two reasons. I want them to become more definitely Colby minded. I also want them to be thinking about our reunion, which is coming next June. The Lord knows I am not rolling in wealth, but I believe the magazine is so important to every Colby man that I want you to send it to all of my class, both graduates and non-graduates. I will guarantee the subscriptions." And he closes his letter with these words: "I would rather you wouldn't give this any publicity because I am modest and also the Council might suggest that I be psychoanalyzed." There are twenty-four members in his class who haven't subscribed to THE ALUMNUS.

In a column called "Tales Out of School" in the BROOKLYN, N. Y., EAGLE appears the following item: "Edward F. Stevens' interest in books continues outside his duties as director of the Library School of Pratt Institute. He makes a hobby of printing. He has installed a printing press in the basement of the library. Most any Saturday afternoon you'll find Mr. Stevens and his wife at work there—printing." Mr. Stevens, a member of the class of 1889, was elected alumni trustee of Colby last June.

The Dean's List for this semester, based on the marks of the second semester of the academic year 1933-34, includes the names of sixty-one men and women, of whom ten are the sons and daughters of alumni: Grace H. Wheeler, '35, daughter of Professor Nathaniel E., '09, and Annie Harthorn Wheeler, '08; H. Lucile Jones, '36, daughter of Burr F. Jones, '07; Ruth A. Millett, '36, daughter of Robert N. Millett, '93; Marjorie D. Gould, '37, daughter of Florence King Gould, '08; Eleanor B. Ross, '37,

daughter of Linwood L. Ross, '06; Carroll W. Abbott, '35, son of Dr. Henry W. Abbott, '06; Francis Barnes, '36, son of Justice Charles P., '92, and Annie Richardson Barnes, '94; E. Noyes Ervin, '36, son of Robert L., '11, and Caroline Noyes Ervin, '08; John G. Rideout, '36, son of Walter J., '12, and Ruth Brickett Rideout, '15; and Kermit LaFleur, '37, son of Daniel K. LaFleur, '14.

Colby's oldest living graduate is John F. Moody, '67, of Hebron. He was born in Kingfield, January 18, 1842. He has received the degree of Master of Arts from Bowdoin and Colby. His life has been devoted to secondary education, he having served as principal of Auburn High School and Yarmouth, Bridgton and Hebron Academies. He is said to have introduced the game of baseball to Colby and played on the first baseball team to represent a school or college in the State of Maine.

Colby, under the will of Mrs. Lottie S. Haines of Malden, Mass., widow of Howard D. Haines, who conducted a tutoring school in Malden for many years, will ultimately receive \$3,000 to provide two scholarships for deserving boys and girls in Maine. The bequest is contingent on life estates of two nephews and two nieces in the residue of the estate which is left in trust for their benefit and payable on their deaths. Harvard University, Bowdoin College, and Phillips Andover Academy are also named in the will.

In a group picture of the physicians of the Margaret Pillsbury Hospital of Concord, N. H., which appeared on the front page of the CONCORD DAILY MONITOR and N. H. PATRIOT of October 24, 1934, one finds Dr. Chancey Adams of the class of 1885. In the same issue Dr. Adams writes a complete history of the Margaret Pillsbury Institution, tracing its steady expansion from the time of a first meeting of the citizens of Concord in 1884 to consider "the advisability of establishing in Concord a

medical and surgical center" to the present day. Dr. Adams, a graduate of the Bowdoin Medical School, appointed to the Medical Assistant Staff in 1897, was actively connected with the hospital until he resigned in 1926 and was made Surgeon Emeritus. Dr. Adams is writing his classmates urging them to return for the fiftieth anniversary of the class at the next Commencement.

It is not too early to "sound the call" for the class reunions at the 114th Colby Commencement (June 14-17). During the past three years the class agents have made the arrangements for their reunions and will be asked to do so again this year. The five-year classes to hold reunions in June will be 1870, 1875, 1880, 1885, 1890, 1895, 1900, 1905, 1910, 1915, 1920, 1925, and 1930.

The Cornell Council Bulletin (Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.) reports as follows:—"Since its organization in 1909, as a 'bureau for the collection of an Alumni Fund for the support of the University,' the Cornellian Council has served as the medium through which the alumni have made their contributions to the financial support of their Alma Mater. During that time gifts totaling \$6,197,251.29 have been made, through the Council, by alumni and friends of the University. And last year, despite prevailing economic conditions and the pressure of other demands, Cornell alumni contributed \$188,533.06 to the support of the University. This steady flow of annual contributions attests their unswerving loyalty and continuing interest." . . . "The independent effort of an individual may be but a feeble gesture . . . But when he joins in mass formation with his neighbors the same effort becomes an irresistible and mighty force."

A meeting of the Alumni Fund Committee—Messrs. Seaverns, Pierce, Murch, Bickford, and Ratcliffe—with Harry T. Jordan of the Board of Trustees, Neil Leonard, Chairman of the Alumni Council, and President

Johnson was held at the University Club in Boston, December 15th, to outline the third annual Colby Alumni Fund campaign.

**Fifty years ago:** Honorable Abner Coburn passed away January 4th. He was one of Colby's warmest and staunchest friends. He served as a trustee of the College for almost forty years. In addition to a life of service to the College, Governor Coburn gave to Colby College by the legacies of his will, either directly or indirectly through preparatory schools, the immense sum of over \$400,000.

**Twenty-five years ago:** On the evening of January 12th the members of the Zeta Psi Fraternity gave a

### THE COLBY CALENDAR

#### January

- 16—Hockey: Bowdoin, Waterville.
- 17—Hallowell Prize Speaking.
- President Johnson at Association of American Colleges, Atlanta, Ga.
- 18—Freshman Basketball: Rumford, Rumford.
- Hockey: Bates, Lewiston.
- 19—Freshman Basketball: Farmington.
- Freshman Track: Bridgton Academy, Waterville.
- Delta Delta Delta Dance.
- 21—Lecture, H. C. Englebrecht, author of "Merchants of Death."
- 22—First Semester Ends.
- 24—Mid-year Examinations.

#### February

- 4—Registration Second Semester.
- Freshman Basketball: Houlton, Houlton.
- 5—Second Semester Classes.
- Freshman Basketball: Ricker, Houlton.
- 8—Freshman Basketball: Waterville High, Waterville.
- 9—Track: B. A. A. Games, Boston.
- Freshman Track: Hebron Academy, Waterville.
- Chi Omega Dance.
- 11—Murray Prize Debate.
- 12—Hockey: Bowdoin, Brunswick.
- 13—Hockey: Yale, New Haven.
- 15—Hockey: Brown at Providence.
- 16—Track: Bowdoin, Waterville.
- Freshman Basketball: Waterville High, Waterville.
- Alpha Delta Pi Dance.

### VARSITY FOOTBALL—1935

Sept. 28	Amherst, Amherst.
Oct. 5	Tufts, Waterville.
Oct. 12	Vermont, Burlington.
Oct. 19	Providence, Waterville.
Oct. 26	Bowdoin, Brunswick.
Nov. 2	Maine, Waterville.
Nov. 11	Bates, Waterville.

Freshman games with Hebron, Coburn, Kent's Hill, and Ricker.

farewell smoker to Dennis E. Bowman, '93, who had resigned as Superintendent of the Waterville Public Schools and was to enter upon the practice of law in Los Angeles.

### CAMERA CLUB EXHIBITS PICTORIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

A collection of pictorial photographs by some of the most eminent camera artists of the world was exhibited at Colby under auspices of the college Camera Club.

There were 100 prints in the collection which consisted of the original pictures selected for publication in the American Annual of Photography.

### MONTGOMERY CONTEST IS NEW COMPETITION

Job H. Montgomery of Camden has donated funds for an interscholastic prize speaking contest to be held at Colby next March, Dr. Herbert C. Libby, head of the department of public speaking, has announced.

This competition, to be known as the Montgomery Contest, will take the place of the annual interscholastic competition for prizes donated by Will H. Lyford, '79, who died last May.

The Montgomery Contest will be held on Friday, March 1, and will be open as usual to students from secondary schools in Maine, New Hampshire and Massachusetts.

Mr. Montgomery is one of the best known attorneys and business men of Maine. He organized the Maine Woolen Company, of which he is still an active force, and is president of the Ordway Plaster Company of Camden, as well as maintaining a law practice.

He has always been interested in the art of expression and became one of the most effective advocates in the state. He is author of a book of poems, "The Spirit's Work," and a

friend of the famous poet Edna St. Vincent Millay, whom he encouraged in her early efforts. Many of her first verses were written by her on the typewriter in Mr. Montgomery's Camden law office.

Mr. Montgomery has long been a friend of Colby and has stated that it was his early ambition to attend, although circumstances made this impossible. He has, however, through the years made it possible for other young men to attend Colby, and through the gift of these awards he hopes to encourage excellence of diction and vocal expression among school boys, as well as benefit Colby.

### FALL MEETING OF BOSTON COLBY ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATION

The Boston Colby Alumnæ Association held its fall meeting Saturday afternoon, Nov. 3, at the Hotel Lenox. Thirty-five members assembled in the club room of the hotel to consider business of the association and renew Colby ties.

After the singing of the Alma Mater and attention to routine matters, the President, Mrs. Alona Nicholson Bean, '05, suggested work in the way of bringing new and desirable students to Colby and assistance to graduates in the finding of positions. Miss Grace Gatchell, '97, was chosen to serve as chairman of a committee of three, the other two to be selected by the President and Chairman, to plan along these lines.

Suggestions of Colby's needs, made by Dean Runnals, were considered, and the association voted to endeavor to raise money for the scholarship fund.

It was decided the President should appoint a committee to study into ways and means and make plans to this end, so that as a whole or by groups, as seemed best, money-making efforts might be inaugurated.

The President, too, appointed a group for social work to keep in touch with members of the association, arouse interest in its work, and try for a larger attendance at meetings.

Business being concluded, Miss Kathryn Herrick, a Colby student, spoke on present life and activities in the college. After tea, and a social hour, the unusually interesting meeting was concluded.

Mary P. Dunning,  
Secretary.

# JOHN PROFESSOR: The Comings and Goings, Sayings And Doings of the Colby Faculty

By Cecil A. Rollins  
Associate Professor of English

MANY of the clubs and organizations of the faculty and by the faculty have been exceedingly active in the last few weeks.

On October 31, the Faculty Club celebrated Ladies' Night by migrating to the Lancy House at Pittsfield for dinner and an evening program. The Club consisted for the occasion of members of the college faculty and administration (and their wives, if any). Mrs. Ruth Flanders Loebbs played very delightfully a number of violin solos. She was accompanied by Mrs. Viola Rowe Rollins. Some diverting intellectual exercises concluded the affair.

Last year a group of the faculty formed the University Club to promote the writing of faculty studies in various fields. Professors Weber, Marriner, Weeks, Strong, Rollins, Breckenridge, and Mr. Palmer are the charter members. The penalty and privilege for joining was put as the preparing and reading of one paper a year, and the listening to the reading of papers by the other members. In the first year of life, several able studies were presented, and all agreed that the discussions which followed, more or less confined to the material and subject presented, were highly stimulating. The club has had one meeting this year.

Several unofficial clubs of faculty members are reported. Two such clubs meet, it is rumored, somewhat irregularly at the palatial rooms of Professor Chapman in Roberts Hall, and at the equally palatial rooms of Professor Breckenridge in Hedman Hall. The officially reported name of the second organization is the Tuesday Club, and meeting-times are between classes, especially on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, in the time allotted on the alternate days to assembly and chapel. May one suggest as a label for the former club the All-the-Week Club? The programs, according to rumor, as well as the members, are infinitely varied.

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Under the guiding hand of Dr. H.



C. Libby, head of the Department of Public Speaking, the activities of the college in debating and public address have this year become centered in a new organization called the Public Discussion Group. This group has as its procedure:

1. A regular meeting of at least one and one-half hour's duration, 7 to 8.30 o'clock each Monday evening from October to April.
2. Special meetings of members with the instructor at convenient intervals.

At the meetings held thus far, Chief Justice Pattangall of the State Supreme Court; Miss Nettie Burleigh, a prominent Republican of the state; and Professors Morrow and Breckenridge have been the principal speakers. Amazingly large attendance and interest is reported. A fine list of speakers has been announced for succeeding meetings.

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The International Relations Club, with Dr. Wilkinson and other members of the Department of History as advisers, has again begun its public meetings for what promises to be a highly successful year.

A comparatively new club on the campus, and a notable one, is the

Camera Club, under the guidance of Joseph Coburn Smith, publicity director for the college. In addition to other activity, the club has managed the producing of two interesting "movies." The "movies" have been cast, shot, cut, given public presentation, and paid for by the Camera Club. The production of last year, which bore the tasty title of "Frank Merriwell at Colby," was a full-fledged feature-film, and with the able work of two dramatic stars—Sybil Wolman and S. Peter Mills—enjoyed a modest triumph. At the present date, the Colby Oracle is offering prizes for photographs suitable for its pages, which is a fine stimulus to the work of the club, and a method of insuring more attractive cuts for the yearbook.

Some of the other organizations on the campus which owe much of their success to faculty advisers or directors are the Press Club, the Oracle Board, the Colby Concert Board, the Boardman Society, the Musical Clubs, Powder and Wig, and the honorary societies in education, intercollegiate debating, social sciences, chemistry, and the Romance languages.

In addition to their manifold other duties, many of the faculty serve as representatives for the various fraternities, and on committees to guide the social life of the undergraduate bodies.

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For several departments of the colleges, associations of instructors in the state have been formed, meeting once a year for conference on common problems. On November 24, Professors Wheeler and Stanley, of the Physics Department at Colby, motored to the University of Maine to attend such a state conference. On November 9 and 10, Professors Wilkinson, Eustis, Griffiths, Breckenridge, and Mr. Palmer attended the state conference of college teachers of the social sciences at Bates.

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Among President Johnson's recent speaking engagements were those at

the meetings of the Machias Chamber of Commerce on November 16, and of the Kennebec Ministers' Association on December 3. The president attended, early in the month, the October Conference of New England Schoolmen, held at Crawford Notch. The general theme was the "New Era in Education."

President Johnson was Colby's representative at the inauguration of Arthur A. Hauck as president of the University of Maine.

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Dr. T. B. Ashcraft represented the college at the inauguration of Porter H. Adams as president of Norwich University, October 22.

Upon short notice, the Dramatic Art class of Professor Rollins arranged for and managed a successful second production by the Caravan Players, who played under the auspice of the Colby Lecture Series, on November 2, Moliere's *Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme*. The play for the second night was Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*.

Registrar Warren attended the Fall meeting of Eastern College Personnel Officers at Smith College, on November 9 and 10. Student Aid was the special subject of the conference.

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Professor Griffiths of the History Department spoke, on October 17, before the Waterville Unitarian and Universalist Men's Club on Present Political and Social Changes.

Professor Loeb, on October 22, spoke before the Waterville Rotary Club on the subject Community Responsibilities for Providing Individual Leisure Recreation. He spoke also before the Federated Churches of Skowhegan on November 14, asking the question, Can America Be Trusted with Leisure? It is significant that Professor Loeb believes the answer is "No!"

Dean Marriner lately addressed the students of Edward Little High School in Auburn, using as his title—Suggestions for Three Indispensable Books. He cited *Mother Goose*, the *Arabian Nights*, and *Alice in Wonderland* as perfect guides to the maze of modern politics and social changes, proving his assertions by chapter and verse.

Professor Rollins has spoken recently at Oak Grove Seminary and at Colby under the title *The Conflict Between Science and Religion*.

## THE COLBY NECROLOGY

### DR. CHARLES H. GIBBS, '78

THE following was taken, for the most part, from the pen of the late Doctor Gibb's widow as prepared for publishing in the *Ellsworth American*:

Dr. Charles H. Gibbs, dean of Ellsworth physicians and one of the oldest in the State, died Monday, Aug. 27, at the hospital in Bangor, where he had been about a week. He had been in poor health for some time.

Dr. Gibbs was born in Quincy, Ill., Aug. 29, 1851, the son of George and Hannah (Carver) Gibbs. His mother was of Mayflower stock. He was prepared for college at Hebron Academy. He entered Colby in the class of 1878 and graduated from the Maine Medical School of Bowdoin College in 1881. He began the practice of medicine at Livermore Falls, Maine, where he continued it for thirty years. In 1912 he went to Ellsworth where he continued to practice up to the time of his last illness. He had, therefore, practiced more than fifty years and was one of the first Maine physicians to receive the fifty year gold medal of the Maine Medical Association.

Dr. Gibbs was a physician who saw in his profession an opportunity for service to his fellow men, and no call ever went unanswered. During his practice at Livermore Falls he was active in public affairs, serving twenty years as Town Clerk and Treasurer, and ten years as a member of the school board. He had been a Mason and an Odd Fellow for over fifty years, retaining his affiliation with the Livermore Falls Lodges.

Dr. Gibbs was married twice. His first wife was Miss Lucy A. Turner of Buckfield, Maine, who died in 1909. In 1912 he married Miss Wilhelmina Frost of Ellsworth who survives him. He leaves two daughters by his first marriage—Miss Belle Gibbs of Auburn and Mrs. LaVerna Maxwell of Elizabeth, N. J. He is survived by one brother, Edmund H. Gibbs of Livermore Falls.

When Charlie Gibbs and the writer were small boys growing up into early manhood together, we were getting probably the most important part of our education. This in our respective home, at our mothers' knees, and fathers' too, for they were all Christians. And to supplement all this

there was the old brick school house provided for the children of our part of the town. Here we were kept together for a large part of our time to receive our nurture, physical, intellectual and spiritual. This was the time of all our lives when we could know each other, and this is my testimony to the life of the boy Charles H. Gibbs. He was always studying to find what was the right thing for him to do. And when he had found it you would not be betrayed if you implicitly trusted him to do it. Characters like this we cannot afford to lose. But we cannot lose them, for their lesson is ever before us in memory.

Drew T. Wyman.

### CHARLES S. LEMONT, '79

WEDNESDAY, October 24, was the date of his departure from the things seen to those which are unseen. For several months he had not been well. In June of this year he was taken sick and was not with us at our fifty-fifth reunion. We recall him as a student of dignified bearing. He always greeted us with a smile. He was a companionable fellow. He was a graduate of the Bath, Maine, High School. He was a member of the Class of '79 at Colby. For a time he was a student at Newton Theological Institution and also he studied law with the late Judge Washington Gilbert of Bath. Teaching occupied his attention for a few years. He married Miss Margaret Graffam of Brunswick in 1887. For several years he was a grain merchant in Haverhill, Mass. From Haverhill he moved to South Waldo, Maine, and then to West Bath. He retired from business in 1927. A few years ago, after the death of his wife, he married Susan Catherine (Wright) Doyle, who survives him, together with his sister, Mrs. Emma Cox, whose home is in Lexington, Mass.

Mr. Lemont was a man of sterling character and of marked ability in many ways. He was a reliable citizen. He was the senior deacon of the First Baptist Church of Bath. He was highly respected as a Christian gentleman. The dominant characteristics of his college days he carried with him throughout his life of almost eighty one years.

He was born in West Bath, where he died, on Nov. 20, 1853. In the church, in the city, in the community, among his neighbors, his sincerity and manliness caused him to be a highly respected citizen. In his home life the genuineness of his character abounded to the happiness of all of the domestic circle. In the little things he was great.

Some one has said that no one has a right to leave this world no better than he found it. Our classmates have woven their noble characters into the lives of those whom they have so graciously influenced. Edgar Guest has given us these lines:

"Life is not strife for gold  
Nor medalled fame,  
Its years in joys are told—  
The hearth fire's flame,  
The roses nodding in the sun,  
The children's happy feet,  
A pleasure fleet.  
Life is the joy of friends  
And birds and trees,  
The notes the lover sends,  
Old memories,  
Neighbors and sunny skies,  
And little trips to make,  
Tears when a loved one dies  
And hearts that ache.  
"O give me the joy of living  
And some glorious work to do;  
A spirit of thanksgiving,  
With loyal heart and true;  
Some pathway to make brighter,  
Where tired feet now stray;  
Some burden to make lighter,  
While 'tis day."

Rev. George Merriam, '79

#### EDWARD CLINTON ROBINSON 1883

BORN in Bangor, December 25, 1860, Edward Clinton Robinson was educated in the public schools of that city, and entered Colby, obtaining the degree of B. A. in 1883 and that of M. A. in 1886. In college he was a member of the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. While in college, to help defray expenses, he owned and operated the College Book Store for four years, and taught in a country school during some of the then customary long winter vacations.

In September of the year of his graduation, he obtained with the firm of Houghton & Mifflin a position as shipping clerk, subsequently was placed at the head of the copyright and contract department, and finally became Assistant Treasurer. For more than fifty years he remained with this firm and its successor corporation. On October 8, 1890, he married Ellen Hart True, of Portland,

Maine, who, with his daughter, Catharine, survive him.

He studied law, and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar in 1903. For more than thirty years he was a resident of Brookline, Massachusetts. In Boston he was Vice President of the Bibliophile Society, Vice President of the Dickens Fellowship, Treasurer of the Wheelock Kindergarten Alumnae Association, the Vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Brookline. He was a member of the University Club, the Boston City Club, the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and the Dickens Fellowship.

His hobby was books, and he had a fine library of first editions. He was a sturdy soul, with quick sympathies; he loved Nature and decent people, despised shams, honored the truth. Simple and good, he enjoyed the every-day things of life; flowers charmed him, and he enjoyed working in the beautiful grounds about his home. He had a kind, gentle nature, was considerate of others, and was ever ready to aid those in trouble. The dearest things in life to him were his family and his home. A short time ago his vision became impaired and cataracts were successfully removed from both his eyes. His previous robust health was weakened by the pain and stress of these operations. Three attacks of pneumonia within fourteen months were too much for his reduced strength, and, free from pain, he died peacefully at his Brookline home, surrounded by those he loved best.

Colby has no son whose character better illustrates the New England tradition—not one whose tastes were more simple, whose life was more sincere. For the writer, his death ends an unbroken and beautiful friendship of more than fifty years.

In truth and soberness we can say of him—

"His life was gentle, and the elements  
So mixed in him that nature might stand up  
And say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"  
Charles A. True, 1882.

#### DR. SELDOM B. OVERLOCK, '86

Dr. Seldom B. Overlock, a noted surgeon, a fellow of the American College of Surgeons, a director of the American Medical Association and a former President of the Connecticut State Medical Society, died at his home in Pomfret, Conn., October eighth.

Dr. Overlock was born in Washington, Me., Nov. 13th, 1860. He was the son of Nathaniel and Mary Hannan Overlock. He prepared for college at Kent's Hill and entered Colby in the fall of 1882. He was soon recognized by the undergraduates as one of the outstanding men, not only of his class but of the whole student group. Large in frame, quiet and unassuming in manner, endowed with a keen sense of humor, and also with a large supply of sound common sense, he soon came to exert a large measure of influence over his fellow students. Like many other college boys of his time, he was obliged to earn a large part of his expenses by teaching school during the winter terms at Colby. In spite of this handicap he ranked above the average in scholarship. He was especially good in English composition and served upon the staff of the Colby Echo. In after years his contributions to various medical journals were marked not only by a thorough mastery of the subject in hand but they were also models of clear and vigorous English. After the completion of his course at Colby he entered the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, from which institution he received his M. D.

Dr. Overlock began the practice of medicine in Steuben, Me., where he married Miss Cora Smith, a resident of that town, who died a few years ago. One child was born to them, a little son whose span of life was less than one year. This loss was a severe blow to the sorrowing parents. It may be that it was his own sense of loss, as well as his natural kindness of heart, that led Dr. Overlock to take so deep an interest in children from other homes who stood in need of medical or surgical treatment. While in Steuben he became widely known in all that section of Maine as a successful physician and surgeon and his services were in great demand. After a few years he removed to Pomfret, Conn., where the rest of his life was spent. He soon became the head of the staff of the Day Kimball Hospital in the adjoining town of Putnam. Here his reputation as a surgeon of remarkable skill attracted a very large number of patients and his practice increased continually. Some idea of the extent of that practice may be gained by a statement of his to a friend about three years ago, to the effect that he had performed more

than three thousand operations for appendicitis. He was often summoned to give expert testimony in courts where such testimony was needed. Sometimes, on such occasions, the opposing counsel would try to confuse him in the cross examination. In such a contest of wits the doctor invariably worsted the lawyer, to the great amusement of the jury and the spectators.

The subject of this sketch was for many years a member of the Board of Pardons of the State of Connecticut. His associates on that Board soon came to have great respect for his judgment. He strove to hold the balances even between his sympathy with his fellow men who had gone wrong and his sense of the protection that the laws of the land must give to society. Dr. Overlock's loyalty to the standards of his profession was very marked. At one time he had made preparations to attend the reunion of his college class. Just before the time for starting on the trip, he found that one of his patients had reached the crisis of the disease from which he was suffering and that he was in a critical condition. He could have placed him in the hands of competent physicians, but instead he promptly gave up the trip to which he had so long looked forward and remained to watch over his patient. Failing strength led at last to the gradual lessening of his activities. He turned over the work at the hospital to the younger surgeons—his boys, as he affectionately called them. And they in turn gave full measure of esteem and affection to the chief, as they were accustomed to term him. No near relatives survive him. Wife and child and an only brother to whom he was strongly attached had passed on before him. He will be missed and mourned by a great number of sincere friends.

Rev. Thomas J. Ramsdell, '96.

#### HARRY LYMAN PUTNAM, '86

THE death of Dr. Harry Lyman Putnam, of the class of 1886, which occurred at Ashville, N. C., on July 27, has brought to a great number of our graduates profound sorrow. Long a resident of Maine and prominent in the medical profession he was regarded for many years as one of our most distinguished graduates. His removal to St. Petersburg, Fla., some fifteen years ago did

not in any way lessen his interest in his college, for in Florida he continued actively in his profession and in community endeavors, and this activity frequently found expression in doing for his alma mater some worthwhile thing. He returned to Maine frequently, and whenever he did so, he found opportunity to continue his friendship with many people whom he had served professionally or in other ways.

During all the years that he was a resident of Houlton he was held in the highest possible esteem. The best interests of the town were his interests, and as he belonged to the old school of physicians that produced the "family doctor," he was as much a part of countless homes in his native town as were the heads of the families themselves. His death has brought to these households the deepest sorrow. Apart from his professional work, he served as superintendent of the public schools of Houlton for many years, was active in all Colby organizations, served on the board of directors of the Unitarian church, and in numerous other ways acted the part of a good citizen.

Dr. Putnam was born in Houlton, September 9, 1863. He graduated from Ricker, and in 1886 from Colby, after which he taught for a year in Connecticut. His medical education was obtained in Bellevue Medical College, N. Y. In 1890 he began his active practice in Houlton. In 1891 he married Gertrude M. Bass of Deep River, Conn. One son was born to the union, Donald E. Putnam, of Waterville, who graduated from Colby in the class of 1916. In addition to his wife and son, he is survived by one brother, Beecher Putnam, who also resides in St. Petersburg.

Funeral services were held at his home in St. Petersburg and were conducted by Rev. Dr. George Gilmour, pastor of the United Liberal Church. Dr. Gilmour paid eloquent tribute to Dr. Putnam, characterizing him as unpretending and unassuming, just and firm, but all was mellowed by kindness and charity.

"As a physician," said Dr. Gilmour, "his entire life was characterized by the spirit of service. He rendered invaluable services to rich and poor, and through nearly five decades a host of people were helped on their way—many who could only pay him with their grateful appreciation. In an

entirely unconscious way, Dr. Putnam was the type of good physician we read of in the gospel of Luke. Gentle, modest, high minded, he has been a gracious center of influence both here and in New England."

Herbert C. Libby, '02.

#### REV. CHARLES LaFOREST CHAMBERLAIN, '97

REV. Charles L. Chamberlain, a worthy son of Colby, finished his course on Nov. 12, 1934, at Leominster, Mass. Mr. Chamberlain had been sick for about three years, suffering greatly in the past three months from a complication of internal troubles.

Mr. Chamberlain was born in Auburn, Me., Oct. 18, 1869. He was a student at Colby from 1893 to 1895. Financial reason compelled him to leave college, but he never lost his desire of becoming a minister of Jesus Christ. In 1902 the way was opened for him by two Colby graduates to take the pastorate of a delightful country church at Eastford, Conn. Here Chamberlain was ordained on July 30, 1902. The writer was a member of the ordaining council. After a successful pastorate he was called to a Baptist church in Bridgeport, Conn. From here he came to Massachusetts, and while pastor at Bellingham, he pursued the full three years of study at the Newton Theological Institution at Newton Center, Mass., graduating in June, 1911. After happy pastorates at Warner, Lakeport, and Lebanon, New Hampshire, he was called to the Immanuel Baptist Church, Dorchester, Mass. His work here was progressive, constructive and commendable. But the strain of a city pastorate was too great. He broke under it and was obliged to resign much to the regret of his church. After a rest he tried again at West Townsend. A few happy years and he resigned. This was his last pastorate. He retired to Leominster, Mass. In the church here he became a beloved and helpful member, with his devoted wife. It was from this church that his funeral services were held November 14. Rev. R. M. Traflet, pastor, officiated, assisted by Rev. Otis W. Foye, and Rev. E. S. Philbrook (both Colby '98) and Rev. E. B. Price. The interment was at Fitchburg, Mass.

Rev. Mr. Chamberlain is survived by his wife, Mrs. Oraville E. (Pierce)

hamberlain; two sons, Roland of Long Island and Merritt of Dorchester, Mass.; two step daughters of his first wife, Mrs. Grace Smith of Belmont and Mrs. Bertha Kincaid of Lynn, Mass.; three brothers, Edward and Leroy Chamberlain of Lynn, and Ralph Chamberlain of New Brunswick.

Mr. Chamberlain was to be commended for patiently overcoming many difficulties in obtaining an education and fitting himself for the ministry. He was a faithful and worthy minister of the Gospel. He had a pleasing voice and a gracious personality which added to his effectiveness in the pulpit. His kindly, sympathetic spirit added much to his success as a pastor and friend among his people. He was co-operative and helpful among his brethren in the ministry. He had many beautiful flowers at the funeral service, and the large number in attendance, some of them coming from the churches which he has served in Connecticut, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, testified to the large place which he has served in the hearts of his friends. May Colby raise up many more men of devotion to Christ and efficiency in His service.

Otis W. Foye, '98.

Pastor, Dorchester Temple Baptist Church.

### NEW PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST ANNOUNCED

A new prize speaking contest at Colby, with awards totaling \$100, has been announced by Professor Herbert C. Libby, head of the public speaking department.

The prizes will be donated annually by Lewis L. Levine, '16, Waterville attorney, in memory of his father, Julius Levine, who was an interested follower of public speaking activities at the college.

The Levine Contest will differ from the other major prize speaking competitions held annually at Colby in that it will be awarded for excellence in extemporaneous address. A general subject will be announced in advance which a student may investigate, but not until the noon before the evening of the final contest will he draw by lot the specific topic on which he is to give an address. The date of the first occurrence of this contest has not been set, but it will come sometime in the late winter or early spring.

## THE CLASS NOTES

Edited By Joseph Coburn Smith, '24

### 1876

Correspondents:  
Clarence E. Meleney  
200 Chatterton Parkway, White Plains, N. Y.

On September 15, at their summer home in Martha's Vineyard, Carolyn Coit Meleney, wife of Dr. Clarence E. Meleney, Colby '76, passed away in her seventy-sixth year. She was the daughter of Rev. John S. Coit and Ellen Neafce Coit.

Funeral services were conducted at their Vineyard home by the Rev. Dr. Graham of the Oak Bluffs M. E. Church, and the burial was in the family lot in Vineyard Haven.

### 1879

Correspondents:  
George Merriam  
180 Madison Ave., Skowhegan, Me.

A letter from Everett Flood:

This disturbance is not wholly from unselfish motives. I need protection from Mayo. In a few months I have a birthday. Mayo will write me a nice letter, but he is apt to overstate my acknowledged 69 and set the figure discouragingly high. Last season, I went with my son and his wife to Cupesuptic and we each brought home a fine buck. The point now is if Mayo is going to be allowed to run my age up so high that I can't go up and shoot my deer.

Incidentally you may be willing to hear a few personal notes from Capt. Ams. Ambrose Simmons, always called Capt. Am, raised 14 children here and the place has gone by name Capt. Ams for many years. The house was built of heavy hewn timber 135 years ago. The other four houses on the place are all associated with the early settlers, some of them remodeled. They are rented to summer people. During the winter, which we are now usually spending here, we are a little isolated, but the roads are good, we have minimum of snow and, for my part, it suits perfectly. My family are not as much in love with it as I am. We all subscribe to the quotation from Horace which appears on a shield at the turn of the road:

"Ille terrarum mihi practer omnes Angulus ridet."

Just to rival Horace I have a line of Latin (so-called) on the back of the woodshed which keeps the children off the roof, in awe:

"Non accendite up hinc."

My very best regards to you!

### 1881

Correspondents:  
Alfred H. Evans, South Vernon, Mass.  
Mrs. E. R. Mace (Sophia Hanson)  
1 Dakota St., Portland, Me.

An editorial in the Rockland Courier-Gazette of October 23, comments upon the news dispatch concerning the

bequests of the late Fred M. Preble to Colby and Coburn Classical Institute. The editorial concludes with the following tribute to Dr. Preble:

"There will be many among our readers who will recall this splendid minister and citizen not alone for the service he rendered the business and social life of Camden during the period of his ministry there, but also for his contribution to a wider sphere that included this county and the farther parts of Maine. This newspaper recalls many evidences of his personal friendship and regard, sustained long after he had taken on distinguished service in the larger western parts of the country. There is something typical of the man in these bequests. His whole life was devoted to the better things, and what he left behind will serve to continue that good work."

### 1882

Correspondents:  
Robie G. Frye, 89 Pinckney St., Boston, Mass.

Windsor H. Wyman and Mrs. Wyman have gone to their winter home in Melrose, Florida. He has been in poor health for the past year and the cold New England winter is a great tax on his strength. In Florida he can be out in the sunshine.

Herbert Weaver and Mrs. Weaver spent a long season at their summer home at Martin's Point in Friendship, Maine, going down early in May and returning to Boston about the middle of October. Both are in excellent health and report that they have had a fine summer. Their winter home is at 32 High Rock Way, Allston, Mass.

Charles A. True's law office is now at 70 Pine Street, New York City. He and Mrs. True will rent their house on Long Island and spend the winter in an apartment in Manhattan.

Bertis A. Pease celebrated his eightieth birthday on October 31 at his home at One Highland Place, Nashua, New Hampshire. Mrs. Pease, two children and two grandchildren were present and many friends and neighbors paid their respects.

A few days later, he responded to a call for all the attorneys-at-law in Nashua to report at the Court House to arrange for the "Court List." When they were all assembled, the Judge came down from the bench and addressed Mr. Pease as the "dean" of the Nashua bar and presented him with a purse of money and a box of roses for Mrs. Pease. It was a complete surprise to Bert.

In writing to me an account of these happenings, he says: "It was very gracious of my fellow attorneys and added a new pleasure to living and practising law. Everybody had been so nice to me all my life that I

am hopelessly in debt for kindness received. I have tried to pass on some to my fellows, but feel that I have failed to make good in that."

I know that he has given as much as he has received.

He looks forward confidently to celebrating the Fifty-fifth anniversary of 1882 in 1937 and to his golden wedding in 1940.

William C. Crawford, accompanied by his youngest daughter, has recently driven out to Pittsburgh to visit his eldest daughter, thence to Cleveland to visit his son John and count up his four grandchildren, and then on to Aurora, Illinois, to see his two nieces, and to Chicago to see the Century of Progress. Then he hurried home to see how much his fifth grandchild had grown.

Fred N. Fletcher, '82, has recently been reelected a member of the Nevada State Board of Education, of which he has been president for several years.

He is also secretary of the Nevada Tax Payers Association. His house is in Reno.

Reno has good schools and modern school buildings. It is the site of the University of Nevada, noted for its fine School of Mines and Metallurgy.

## 1886

Correspondents:  
Byron Boyd, 11 Western Ave., Augusta, Me.  
Julia E. Winslow, Seely Ave., Portland, Me.

Rev. Elisha Sanderson, ('86) after a sojourn of six weeks at the New England Baptist Hospital last summer, during which time three surgical operations were performed in connection with the removal of a cancer, is slowly recovering at the home of his son (Arthur G. Sanderson, '19) and hopes to be able to attend Commencement in 1936.

His daughter, Abbie G. Sanderson, '14, has been a missionary in Swatow, China, for nearly twenty years.

## 1889

Correspondents:  
Edward F. Stevens  
Pratt Institute Free Library, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Harriet M. Parmenter  
9 Winter St., Waterville, Me.

On January 8th, 1935, Edward F. Stevens completed twenty-five years as Librarian of the Pratt Institute Free Library.

Charles H. Pepper was mentioned in a recent issue of "Time" as a leader in a long-standing revolt against the archaic "Museum School" of art in conservative Boston.

## 1890

Correspondents:  
Charles W. Spencer  
Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y.  
Mrs. Edward Ellery (Adelaide True)  
College Ter., Schenectady, N. Y.

The following change of address for 1890 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. George Thompson (Mary Green), 57 Lincoln Ave., Norwich, Conn.

## 1894

Correspondents:  
Drew T. Hartborn  
24 Elm St., Machias, Me.  
Mrs. Charles P. Barnes (Annie Richardson)  
Houlton, Me.

The following change of address for 1894 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Miss Mary L. Carleton, 439 Congress St., Portland, Maine.

## 1895

Correspondents:  
Archer Jordan, 53 Court St., Auburn, Me.  
Clia M. Chilcutt, c/o Morgan & Co.  
14 Place Vendome, Paris, France

During the days of the Spanish Revolution the class agent was 4,000 feet up in the Pyrenees, in the old mountain village of Puigcerda where she had spent the summer.

From October 5 to October 12, Puigcerda was shut off from the outside world except for the official information which was broadcasted each day from Madrid. No trains, no mail, no newspapers, no telephone, no telegraph and frontiers closed. Not a shot was fired there, but 46 men were imprisoned for what they had said. Not such a bad idea in any country!

The causes make too long a story but here, in the Province of Cataluna, there was a wheel within a wheel.

The Central Government, in Madrid, demonstrated its preparedness and efficiency in the masterful way in which it handled the situation. The first day of the Revolution was October 5 and on October 12 Madrid celebrated Columbus Day, with flags flying.

Barcelona, Nov. 7, 1934.

## 1897

Correspondents:  
Percy F. Williams, West Dennis, Mass.  
Mrs. P. H. Greeley (Nina Vase)  
1167 South Rd., Portsmouth, N. H.

For 1897 the following changes of address have been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Miss Mercy A. Brann, 900 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, Conn.  
Mrs. Edith Hanson Gale, 9 Bartlett Street, Waterville, Maine.

## 1898

Correspondents:  
Fred G. Getchell  
2 Pickering St., Needham, Mass.  
Mrs. W. B. Truesdel (Edna Dacombe)  
718 Bradley St., Mamaroneck, N. Y.

The following change of address for 1898 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Laura Smith Clark, Box 51, Mattapan, Mass.

## 1900

Correspondents:  
Frank J. Severy  
2505 Dewey St., Santa Monica, Calif.  
Nella M. Merrick  
282 Main St., Waterville, Me.

The following change of address for 1900 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Miss Carrie M. Tozier, 145 Church Street, Watertown, Mass.

## 1901

Correspondents:  
George A. Marsh  
231 Boulevard, Scarsdale, N. Y.  
Mrs. A. F. Weston (Mary Bragg)  
53 Summer St., Keene, N. H.

The following change of address for 1901 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. George W. Thomas (Margaret Williams), Box 42, Miami, Ariz.

## 1902

Correspondents:  
Linwood L. Workman  
17 Church St., Framingham, Mass.  
Mrs. A. M. Small (Edith Williams)  
Freedom, Me.

Here is the kind of communication we like to receive—a subscription to the Colby Alumnus, which indicates a real interest in the college activities; and a personal news item, which proves that 1902 is contributing human material for the World's work.

Mrs. Locke says that most of her energies (she always had plenty) are spent in the pleasant but time consuming task of keeping 180 boys and girls (some family!) peaceful and well fed. (Keep them well fed, Vera, and they will be peaceful.) She regrets that her duties prevent her from coming to Commencement—still she came all the way from Oberlin, Ohio, to our thirtieth reunion.

Edith Williams Small writes: "My Doctor (meaning her husband because her letter came to me in an envelope bearing the card, A. M. Small, M. D., Freedom, Maine) has been elected to the Governor's Council for the coming Legislative term and I expect to spend part of the coming winter in Augusta."—Congratulations, Edith. It is undoubtedly an act of Providence to have a good doctor down there to look after those hot headed politicians! And if you are there, too, all will be well with the State of Maine.

All of you will remember Ralph Bean as a very quiet fellow. He still is. In fact it has taken three years for your Class Agent to get a "rise" from him. But Ralph "came through" with a fine letter the other day, and it just shows that quietness is not necessarily a sign of inactivity. He says that he has "no spectacular career for the younger generation to admire"—but just the same he is making a useful place for himself as Head of the Science Department in the Girls' High School, Boston. Here is a quotation which everyone can take to heart: "I am engaged in trying to do my best to do my bit to mold the youngsters who come in contact with me to be a little better citizens than they would be otherwise. . . . I feel strongly that character education is of even greater value than the usual subjects to which the youngsters are exposed." There's a portion of Ralph's philosophy of life.

Who dares to say that there is any better?

Ralph is something like Carl Bryant, '04, because like the latter he scouted around down in Auburn, Maine, and found his wife, Florence W. Lowell. They have no children—so maybe that is why he plays god-father to an orphan Marmon car!

Rev. Charles F. McKoy has removed to 970 St. Marks Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

## 1903

Correspondents:

Leon C. Staples

49 St. George Ave., Stamford, Conn.

This summer, on my annual return to Maine, I made many contacts with Wendell Washburn. "Smut" is a factotum and a Grand Mogul in the State Highway Department, headquarters at Thomaston, Maine. He still swears a little, his trouser legs are two inches shorter than they were at College and his waistline has expanded about twelve inches. "Smut" is a pretty good guy these days but tries hard to make himself believe he isn't.

I had a letter from Allen Knowles. Allen was a renegade, finishing his work at the University of Maine, but he is loyal to the Class of 1903 and has a very fine place in Cleveland and is a railway mogul. I wrote Tom about him and as he was to stop off in Cleveland, he made connections and the two men had a fine hour of fellowship together. I for one am glad to have Knowles back in the class where he belongs.

The members of '03 grieved at the untimely passing of Gene Thayer who, as head of the government in Waterbury, was probably the best mayor in Maine.

Than Tompkins has written me several times. He is one hundred per cent loyal to the college and the old class and incidentally, I suspect he is one of the biggest lawyers in Maine. He writes that in spite of all his political success he only has one wife. These days most of us have difficulty with one. I am sure polygamy is not popular with any member of the class. He neglected to mention, however, the fact that his daughter Sigrid entered Colby in this year's freshman class.

## 1905

Correspondents:

Cecil W. Clark

363 Walnut St., Newtonville, Mass.

S. Ernestine Davis

41 Franklin St., Houlton, Me.

Has any one of our class seen "Eddie" Cotton in the past decade? Your Class Agent had not, in spite of the fact that "Eddie" has lived for the past twelve years only twenty miles outside of Boston. A late Sunday afternoon early in December found me headed for Marblehead up the North shore. The result was one of the most delightful evenings I have ever spent anywhere with anyone.

"Eddie's" charming wife, who was Ruth W. Woodbury of Beverly, Mass., welcomed me at the door of their home at 30 Evans Road, Marblehead and "Eddie's" warm handclasp and cordial greeting followed. Yes, you will know him when you see him at our thirtieth reunion next June. His hair, to be sure, is positively gray, but his eyes are keen and kindly as of old. His shoulders are as broad and square as when he used to take his place in the Colby football line.

I can but exclaim, what a life of service, study, and devotion to his fellow men has been Edward H. Cotton's for the past thirty years. After we graduated in 1905 he continued on with his studies and graduated at Union Theological Seminary in 1908. His first church, after being ordained, was at Provincetown, Mass., where he stayed two years, 1909-1911. He was called then to the Unitarian Church in Danvers, Mass., which pastorate he gave up to become an overseas Y. M. C. A. secretary during the war. He was back again in Danvers late in 1918 to organize a Community Church, leaving there to go to Marblehead in 1922. There he has been since.

It was not enough for this intellectual giant of our class to keep on preaching and attending to the innumerable duties incidental to his church work. "Eddie" is also an author and journalist of note. Just now over his name appears an article each Saturday in the Boston Evening Transcript. Other syndicated articles flow from his pen and for two years he edited the Unitarian News Letter. His books already published include The Ideals of Theodore Roosevelt, 1923; Theodore Roosevelt the American, 1925; The Life of Charles W. Eliot, 1926; Charles W. Eliot's Talks to Parents and Young People, 1928 (edited); William Howard Taft, A Study in Character, 1931; and Has Science Discovered God, 1931 (edited). Yes "Eddie" is a worker and I know more fine things will follow from his active pen.

"Eddie's" family, of which he is justly proud, numbers three. Estelle the oldest is fifteen, Edward H., Jr., is twelve, and Webster the youngest is nine. Before I knew it the evening was over and good-byes were mingled with promises to see each other more often. If you enjoy hearing about one of our class let me assure you that the real thrill was mine in seeing "Eddie" once more and meeting his family.

## 1907

Correspondents:

Burr F. Jones

32 Hardy Ave., Watertown, Mass.

Hattie S. Fossett, New Harbor, Me.

The following change of address for 1907 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. William Faulkner, (Caro Beverage), 43 West St., New London, Conn.

Herman Betts of collar-button

fame quite recently attended the opening exercises at Ricker Classical Institute where he was at one time (I do not dare say how many years ago) principal. Betts is in the upper quartile of the long line of men who are upholding the Colby traditions in the teaching profession. Since leaving Ricker he has been in charge of Massachusetts high schools in Adams and Natick. For the past twelve years he has been teaching the youngsters of the Lynn Classical High School how to solve the problems of life by his skillful handling of such unknown quantities as X and Y. On Sundays he is Deacon of the Washington Street Baptist Church and teacher of the Men's Bible Class.

Ross Emery is involved in fraternal orders, being a Knight Templar, Elk, Knights of Pythias. He was grand Chancellor of the latter order last year for Maine. When the Pythian Sisters serve suppers, he is also a faithful member of that order. Knowing the regency of the sardine in Eastport, I wonder that he is not also King Fish of the Mystic Knights of the Sea. Of course, the great ambition he has for eastern Maine is the realization of the Quoddy Bay project. Last month he asked Secretary Ickes to run down from Washington to look over this project. When they build the dam Roscoe will sell off some adjacent land, retire, and give the young fellows a chance.

## 1908

Correspondents:

I. Ross McCombe

501 Summit Ave., Jersey City, N. J.

Mrs. B. T. Weston (Ethel Hayward)

Madison, Me.

The following change in address for 1908 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Dana C. Courtright (Jeanette Baldwin), 138 North Parkwood, Pasadena, Calif.

## 1909

Correspondents:

Wilbur G. Foye

1 Miles Ave., Middletown, Conn.

Clara A. Eastman

Lyndon Cottate, Lyndon Center, Vt.

The following change in address for 1909 has been received in the Alumnæ office:

Mrs. Norman H. Mayo (Mabelle Babson), 397 Lloyd Ave., Providence, R. I.

## 1910

Correspondents:

Henry B. Moor

147 Angell St., Providence, R. I.

Mrs. C. J. Deans (Mary Donald)

1108 So. Gaffey St., San Pedro, Calif.

The following changes in address for 1910 have been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Rosalind M. Jewett, 119 South Miles Street, State College, Penna.

Lillian L. D. Lowell, 38 North Burnett Street, East Orange, N. J.

## 1911

## Correspondents:

Albion W. Blake, 76 Main St., Waterville, Me.  
Mrs. Rose Carver Tilley, Ashland, Me.

The following change in address for 1911 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Paul F. Shupp, (Hazel Cole),  
601 Clyde Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

## 1912

## Correspondents:

Walter J. Rideout, Hartland, Me.  
Mrs. Ernest Jones (Florence Carl)  
17 Fairmount Park West, Bangor, Me.

Your correspondent has been overwhelmed by the tremendous volume of silence which greeted his appeal for information in regard to the men of 1912. A modest (or it is?) bunch!

A small but enthusiastic reunion of 1912 was held in the lobby of the Sunrise Room of the Eastland Hotel, Portland, following the annual Colby reunion in connection with the Maine Teachers' Convention. Judge Wilford G. Chapman (Chappie to you) and Alpheus Laforrest Whittemore, commonly known as "Whit," and yours truly composed the group. Usually "Stivie" Sturtevant, the capable and alert principal of Ellsworth High is around but I did not see him this year.

The Judge rules the Municipal Court of Portland with a firm but kindly hand. I believe he still enjoys his state of single-blessedness, unless one takes into account his being wedded to the law.

"Whit" is teaching manual training in Old Orchard. He married another loyal 1912er, Ruth Hamilton. They have no children.

"Herve" Allen didn't tell me but I have learned that Hervy Clifford Allen, Jr., entered the College of Technology at U. of M. this fall. (Too bad we do not have engineering courses at Colby). Mid-semester reports indicate that Junior is on the Freshman Dean's List. Good for him. He must have a bright mother! Hervy, Senior, is a prominent insurance man of Rockland. J

Lieutenant Roger K. Hodsdon, U. S. N., has recently been transferred to the Navy Yard at Portsmouth, N. H. (It is really located within the borders of the State of Maine, you know).

The following changes of address for 1912 have been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Elsie Gardiner Gilbert, 1663 East Main Street, Waterville, Conn.

Mrs. R. Allen Grupe, (Grace Vose), Pawnee City, Neb.

## 1913

## Correspondents:

Leo G. Sheshong  
119 Exchange St., Portland, Me.  
Mrs. William B. Hazuc, Jr., (Marian Ingalls)  
R. F. D. 3, Gorham, Me.

According to the last report we have from John Wells he was engaged as cable development engineer with the Western Electric Company in

Baltimore. In addition to his duties in the engineering field he was the father of an heir apparent, bearing the same first name.

We have not seen Elmer Bowker for a long time, but at the time of our last knowledge concerning him he was located at Needham, Mass. In addition to his B. S. degree from Colby he held the degree of Ed. M. from Harvard. He was engaged in teaching and had written several articles on Pedagogy of Mathematics.

Elmer Hussey is in Providence, Rhode Island. In addition to his teaching work he was at one time and may still be president of the Rhode Island Vocational Guidance Association.

"Spike" Loane is still in Fort Fairfield engaged in agricultural pursuits, and Granville Reed lives in Bangor. The hand of fate has dealt severely with these two classmates through the loss of their wives. Mrs. Loane was a member of the Class of 1914, as we recall it, while Sarah Pennell Reed was our own classmate. We extend our deepest sympathy to them.

Mattie Windell Allen, after living several years in South Dakota, is now in Minneapolis. Her husband is a banker in the Federal Reserve system. Mattie has been much interested in the A. A. U. W. Her son, Charles, has completed one year at Harvard.

Eva Macomber Kyes writes of the sudden and very unexpected death of her father-in-law and the changes that follow: of the busy life they are leading on their large farm, and of the cattle to be "dolloed up" for exhibition at the Farmington Fair.

Over in Sanford Roy Good is still engaged in the dentist business. We met him a few years ago on one of the neighboring golf courses when he played a pretty good game of golf.

## 1914

## Correspondents:

Everett L. Wyman  
20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, Ill.  
Mrs. Lester F. Weeks (Ethel Merriam)  
31 Winter St., Waterville, Me.

I have received the following from Wyman L. Beal, in reply to my request for history of his life since he left college:

"In the Fall of 1914 I became principal of Hallowell, Maine, High School, where I remained for three years. In the fall of 1917 I became principal of the High School in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, and held that position until January, 1921 at which time I resigned to accept a position as Office Manager with the Delta Electric Company of Worcester. Due to the uncertainty of business conditions and the rather unusual opportunity to become affiliated with the educational system of Worcester, I became a member of the faculty of Worcester High School of Commerce, in January, 1922, and that is my present position. For the past three years I have been studying law in the law office of Attorney Henry C. Walsh,

and in due time I hope to become a member of the Massachusetts bar."

A picture and write-up of Emily Hanson Obeare appeared in the "Nation Wide Review" of last April. This is in part as follows:

"It is more important to give the pupil the proper methods of studying and the right principles of solving problems than to heap upon them a lot of information which they cannot assimilate properly. This is the conviction of Emily Hanson Obeare of the Department of English in the Walton Senior High School. Mrs. Obeare gives credit to Dr. Franklin W. Johnson, and Professors Parker and Dewey, but the importance of her own contribution to the subject should not be minimized."

The following change of address for 1914 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. W. R. Witham, (Lynette Philbrick), 320 14th N. W., Canton, Ohio.

## 1915

## Correspondents:

Ralph A. Bramhall  
Portland National Bank, Portland, Me.  
Ina McCausland, 71 Read St., Woodfords, Me.

An editorial from the Beacon (N. Y.) News:

The Democratic candidate for state senator is Robert R. Decormier, of Poughkeepsie, a capable man for the position and would be a worthy representative of the 28th district in the State Senate. He is thoroughly in sympathy with the policies of President Roosevelt and Governor Lehman and will be needed in the state legislature to support the efforts of the governor to give the state an improved form of local government.

Prof. Decormier was born in Maine in 1893. After graduating in the high school there he received his college degree at Colby College. He followed his studies at Sloyd Training School and did graduate work in education at Yale and Columbia. He has been connected with the city schools of Poughkeepsie as a teacher since 1924. Before coming into this state in 1918 as a teacher, he held minor political offices in Connecticut.

The following change of address for 1915 has been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Vivian M. Ellsworth, Putnam Hall School, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

## 1916

## Correspondents:

Arthur F. Bickford, 63 State St., Boston, Mass.  
Mrs. Carlos L. Hill (Vivian Skinner)  
87 Pillsbury St., So. Portland, Me.

The following changes of address for 1916 have been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Fred B. Dunn (Vivienne Wright), Damariscotta, Maine.

Mrs. Flossie Seekins Nichols, 1829 Monterey Avenue, Berkeley, Calif.

Mrs. Watson R. Sim, (Marion Wyman), 840 Terrace Ave., Colton, Calif.

## 1917

Correspondents:

Ralph N. Smith

9 Woods Ave., Worcester, Mass.

Helen D. Cole

45 Prospect Pl., New York, N. Y.

There are still some reports regarding the class that were not contained in last year's letters as follows:

T. Madson, one time Commons Club and later a clergyman in Portland has finally located in Minnesota and continues his church duties there.

Winthrop Webb continued his singing which made him so well known in college and has been doing church and concert singing since then. He is now head master of the Beebe High School in Malden.

Oliver Wilbur must have absorbed more or less of Doc Parmenter's chemistry courses as he is now a chemist with the DuPont Co., at their Waynesboro plant in Virginia.

While back for Colby Night last month a new story about our Joe Deasy appeared. It seems that Joe lives most of the time in a camp of his with a pet hound dog. One of the crowd told of calling to see Joe some time ago but found that Joe temporarily had no home. His hound dog had caught a skunk inside the cabin a few days before.

Speaking of Joe and potatoes reminds me that there is another of the class in the potato business. John Stockwell runs a potato, fruit and dairy business in Gilmarton, N. H. Besides being selectman of the town, John is quite active in the local Farm Bureau organization.

Lucy Allen is teaching social science in the Davis High School, Mt. Vernon, New York. Lucy usually spends her summers in Maine. Her address is 10 Rich Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.

Mildred Greeley Arnold lives at 63 Riggs Ave., West Hartford, Conn. Mildred is busy bringing up prospective daughters of Colby, Albertine, 14, Annette, 12, and Marian, 4. In spite of her responsibilities, Mildred is finding time to study and is doing some research on the modern novel.

Selma Koehler spent her summer vacation on a summer cruise, visiting Jamaica, Canal Zone, Panama, and several cities in Columbia. S. A. Selma lives at 122 St. Stephens St., Boston, Mass.

Leonora Knight is a teacher in Waterbury, Conn. She and Dorothy Crawford, '22, are in the same school and have a little bungalow together on the sunny side of a green hill. Leonora says that anytime, out of school hours, she and Dorothy can be found working in their garden or enjoying the hillside in some such fashion. Her address is 25 Adelaide Ave., Waterbury, Conn.

The following changes of address for 1917 have been received in the Alumnae Office:

Mrs. Lyman I. Thayer, (Ruth Murdock), Westmount Sanatorium, Glens Falls, N. Y.

Lucy Taylor Pratt, 35 Summer Street, Hartford, Conn.

## 1918

Correspondents:

Richard L. Sprague  
Masonic Bldg., Portland, Me.

Helene B. Boker

250 W. 99th St., New York, N. Y.

The following changes of address for 1918 have been received in the Alumnae Office:

Mrs. F. A. Pottle, (Marion Starbird), 27 Livingston Street, New Haven, Conn.

Marion E. Lewis, 78 Orange Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dorothy I. Roberts, 512 Townsend Ave., New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. W. C. Terrill, (Winifred Shaw), 51 Rumford Street, Concord, N. H.

## 1919

Correspondents:

Burton E. Small, 97 Milk St., Boston, Mass.

Mrs. Neil Leonard (Hildegard Drummond)

31 Kenmore St., Newton Centre, Mass.

Mrs. Herman P. Sweetser (Phyllis Sturdivant)

Cumberland Center, Me.

Mildred Dunham Crosby (Mrs. S. T.) is living at 340 North Ridgewood Place in Los Angeles, Cal. From the enthusiastic letter about that city and their summer home on Balboa Island, it is certain she has not minded too much being away so long from Maine. She has two husky children, a boy and a girl.

Gordon and Helen Gates, who have been living in Newton Centre, Mass. this past year, plan to return to Rangoon this next April.

When they first went there, from Colby, Gordon used to dig earth worms (he is the authority on Asiatic earth worms, to-day) in the jungle just outside the city; now on that spot is the new University of Rangoon, where Gordon teaches zoology and carries on his research work, and where Helen teaches religious education. The university is on the English type and consists of four colleges, Government, Teachers, Medical, and Judson College. The plant is modern and huge, each college being a separate entity and each building being connected by long covered walks. Since they have 100 inches of rain in five months, and tropical sun the rest of the year, they need these walks as protection.

The same is true of all the Rangoon shops. The French and English shops carry the best and latest modes, but since the English shops pay 20% dividends each year, an idea of the prices can be understood.

Margaret Totman was at the Alumnae luncheon. She teaches dramatics and Public Speaking at Fairfield High. She's building a log cabin at Snow Pond. Maybe we'll all drop in on you sometime "Tot," so be careful of your latchstring.

Another call I enjoyed was Retta Carter Meigs', '20. She has been secretary to the President of Dartmouth for some years and is now married.

She and her husband were touring Maine and I was delighted to see her again. Like all the rest of us, she was just the same as ever, and I don't mean maybe.

Mira and I made the most of the good old summer time, and some other Colbyites on whom we called were: Kathryn Sturtevant, '18, who teaches in Westerly, Rhode Island, but usually spends the summers in her delightful little old-fashioned brick farmhouse not far from the twins and me; and Harriet Sweetser Greene, '20, who lives in Lewiston and keeps the home fires burning for her very busy doctor-husband.

The following changes of address for 1919 have been received in the Alumnae Office:

Elizabeth McCausland, Natick, Mass.

Mrs. Ralph L. Burrison, (Katharine Hatch), Watching Road, No. 3, Plainfield, N. J.

Hilda D. Bradbury, 13 Cumberland Circle, East Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Adrian Garcia, (Elizabeth Hoffman), 32 Blvd. d'Inkermann, Neuilly (s/Seine) Paris, France.

## 1920

Correspondents:

H. Thomas Urie  
53 Charlotte Rd., Newton Centre, Mass.

Mrs. Frank Meigs (Retta Carter)

P. O. Box 25, Peru, N. Y.

The Class of 1920 has its fifteenth reunion in June. The dates are June 14-17, 1935. Every member of the class who can possibly arrange for vacations at this time will certainly never regret it. We are planning a reunion which we hope will eclipse that of any fifteenth reunion held at the college in recent years.

J. Gleason Perry of Camden, Maine, takes the prize for the shortest and most emphatic letter which I received last year during my drive for contributions to the Alumni Fund. His letter reads—"Here it is." That certainly was brief and to the point.

Thad Tilton is financial editor of the Providence Journal, a position which he says he hopes to fill if the financial markets do not disappear altogether. He also says that he occasionally sees Umphries and McNally of the Class of 1921. His present address is 10 Jennys Lane, Barrington, Rhode Island.

Merrill "Peanut" Greene is a doctor in Lewiston, and from his handwriting, I think he must be successful as I never could decipher a prescription which was written by a successful doctor. However, he at least wrote me a letter.

Next to Gleason Perry's long letter, Seth Twitchell in Concord, New Hampshire, takes a prize. He took a quarter of a sheet of paper, probably the end of somebody's examination, and wrote as follows—"Busy as — now, but will write later on." I am still waiting for that long letter which I expect to get shortly.

Last summer we were so near Phyllis Sweetser Sturdivant, '19, that

we could not resist driving in. She reigns like a queen over a large country home in Cumberland Center. In the course of conversation I learned that the President's house in Waterville was burned inside just before Commencement; Mrs. Roberts still lives in Waterville; the Titcomb twins go past Phyllis' house every day in summer to play golf; Mira Dolley is thin and Esther Power is fat, or, at least, filled out more than she used to be; Irene Gushee Moran has been in Washington for the past winter with her Congressman husband. Phyllis wished me to send her best regards to all the women of 1920.

One of the legion of teachers who were being paid half scrip and half cash last spring was "Ned" Little at Ocean Grove, N. J.

The following changes of address for 1920 have been received in the Alumni Office:

M. Lucile Kidder, Westbrook Junior College, Portland, Maine.

Mrs. Ralph H. Drew, (Alice Bishop), 341 Trinity Ave., Ambler, Penn.

Mrs. Elno Vondle, (Roberta Harvey), Seawonaka Yacht Club, Oyster Bay, N. Y.

## 1921

Correspondents:  
Raymond Spinney  
22 Allston St., Boston, Mass.  
Mrs. Joseph Chaplin (Elizabeth Smith)  
95 Elm St., Newport, Me.

"Chet" Marden, in business with another Colby man, Cyril M. Joly, '16, at Waterville, was County Attorney of Kennebec County. As candidate for legislature, Chet was sunk in the recent Democratic tidal wave.

When mailing me his contribution to the 1934 Alumni Fund, "Phil" Merchant wrote: "I have your indignation letter of the 8th, and such perseverance of course, can't be ignored. You can't expect every shell in a bombardment to score a hit." Nope, only four out of every five!

"I wish to be remembered to all the boys," writes "Sol" Mills, manager of the St. Johnsbury, (Vt.) district of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Now located at Provincetown, Mass., is Charles A. Mitchell, Superintendent of Schools of the Lower Cape district. He is also commander of the American Legion Post at Provincetown.

Prospecting by himself in the Bettles River Lake Region, Alaska, is Ashton F. ("Richy") Richardson. "This is a wonderfully healthful occupation and climate," he writes. "I confess I like this region and the old times I sometimes come in contact with. If you have read Robert Marshall's recent book, 'Arctic Village', that concerns this camp, you have a good idea of both. . . . Letters are mighty welcome when you're alone with the northern lights." Wise-man, Alaska, is "Rich's" address.

"Burt" Seekins is still with Bird & Son, Norwood, Mass.

"Don" Shaw's new address is 115 East 90th St., New York City.

"Vern" Smith is Superintendent of the Scarsdale, New York, Union Free School District No. 1.

One of the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company's most successful "go-getters" in Providence, Rhode Island, is "Miff" Umphrey.

"Pop" Wolman joined the "ball and chain" gang last winter, and is living in Waterville.

One of the most pleasant things that has come my way this fall was a short visit from Elva Jeffs Burns who with her husband and daughter Elizabeth were enroute from Fort Fairfield, Me., to their home in Lahaina, Maui, Territory of Hawaii. This summer was the first time they had been in the States since they went to Lahaina 10 years ago, where Mr. Burns is manager of a pineapple plantation. Besides Elizabeth they have a second daughter, Jo-Ann, two years old, whom they left in Lahaina during their trip to Maine. They made the trip cross country by car, coming to Maine by way of the northern states and Canadian provinces and returning by the southern route.

Merle Davis Hamilton who is a graduate of Johns Hopkins, has done some health work in connection with the Nursery School of Whittier College. Her hobbies are Settlement Work and gardening. Last year she raised some "show" chrysanthemums that were nine inches across. "Dutchy" Marquardt is buried about 1/4 mile from her home.

The following changes of address for 1921 have been received in the Alumni Office:

Mrs. D. R. Holt, (Hazel Peck), 5 Gilmore Ave., Everett, Mass.  
Isabel W. Genthner, 810 Broadway, Newark, N. J.

## 1922

Correspondents:  
Walter D. Berry  
231 Arlington St., Wollaston, Mass.  
Mrs. Ernest Town (Hazel Dyer)  
198 Prospect St., Berlin, N. H.

The sympathy of the class is extended to H. Naomi Maher, on the death of her father, the Hon. Benedict Maher of Augusta, in July after an illness of five years.

Mae Greenlaw Cook of York Harbor, Me., had brief visits in Washington and New York City last month.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenleaf (Ruth Banghart) have bought a home on Richard Street in Portland, near the Lincoln Junior High School.

Edith Harvey Norwood, who has been at Greenwood Mountain for nearly two years, was at home for a fortnight this summer. Ruby Dyer, Virginia Curtiss, and Ruth Greenleaf called on her.

Harold Brakewood, '20, and Julia Hoyt Brakewood, '22, have a new address: Amity Road, Woodbridge, Conn.

Nan Burgess Lumsden's mother, Mrs. Robert Burgess, and her aunt, Miss Alice Rich have left for Denver,

Col., to make their home with Nan's sister, Emily, Mrs. Chester Robinson.

Hazel Dyer Town serves this year as vice-president of the Androscoggin Branch, A. A. U. W. of Berlin, N. H. and secretary of the North County District of the New Hampshire Federation of Women's Clubs.

The following changes of address for 1922 have been received by the Alumni Office:

Mrs. Harold E. Brakewood, (Julia Hoyt), Amity Road, Woodbridge, Conn.

Mrs. Daphne Fish Wight, 158 Brace Road, West Hartford, Conn.

Miss Elizabeth J. Dyer, 452 Appleton Street, Holyoke, Mass.

Mrs. Harry L. Greenleaf, (Ruth Banghart), Richard Street, Portland, Maine.

## 1923

Mildred Briggs and Claire Crosby took an auto trip of 1300 miles through New Brunswick and the Gaspé Peninsula in August. Previous to that, Claire toured New York State and the White Mountains. She is to be head of the English Department in Brewer High School this year. Mildred commences her sixth year at the City Library of Manchester, N. H.

Nellie Pottle Hankins was able to get away from drought-stricken Kansas to spend the summer at her home in Otisfield, Me. Plans to visit classmates en route had to be cancelled because of daughter Margaret's cough which threatened to be whooping cough but luckily wasn't.

The following change of address for 1923 has been received by the Alumni Office:

Mrs. Samuel E. Andrews, (Myrtice Swain), 1750 Harvard Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

## 1924

Correspondents:  
Joseph C. Smith  
12 Park St., Waterville, Me.  
Anne Brownstone  
62 Central St., Peabody, Mass.

Classmates and friends of Ruth Allen Peabody will be interested in the following notice which appeared in a Bangor newspaper dated May 28:

"Mrs. Herschel E. Peabody of Bangor, was named president of the Maine League of Women Voters in convention session at Augusta.

Jim Wilson and his wife were here for the Colby Night week-end. And by the way, I understand that her picture may appear in the National Geographic Magazine next March as the human element in some photographs of the Mount Katahdin region.

"Bull" MacDonald and Art Snow were also at the Bowdoin game, and I understand that John Barnes was present, although he was on his way back to Albany from a hunting trip and did not hang around long enough afterwards for your scribe to make connections.

Ted Sammis has moved his office to

152 West 42nd St., N. Y. C. He is a Palmer graduate and busy practicing chiropractic therapy, as well as holding a position on the faculty of the New York School of Chiropractic.

The following changes of address for 1924 have been received by the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. Harold Weaver, (Ruth Pennock), Farmington, Maine.

## 1925

Correspondents:

Ellsworth W. Millett  
16 Dalton St., Waterville, Me.  
Marjorie A. Everingham  
Bradley Home, Barrington Parkway  
East Providence, R. I.

To most of us at first thought, the Colby Commencement in June, 1935, seems far distant, but in reality it is only six short months away.

We of the class of 1925 have a double interest in this 1935 Commencement. First, because it is Commencement and second, because it is our tenth reunion. Ten years have passed since we put down our books and left our Colby student days behind us. Some of us have been fortunate enough, during the rapidly passing years, to have been able to return a few times, while others have not found it possible to come back at all since graduation. This June we want everyone back.

We are going to make our 10th reunion the finest one ever held at Colby. We want you to bring your husband or your wife with you. We are going to have a grand time. Think of the pleasures you will derive in visiting once more the old familiar haunts. Your old friend, your classmates of College days will be there with you to add to the pleasure of your return. You will enjoy this reunion even beyond your fondest expectations.

Make a note of this matter on your calendar right now. Don't say you will try and be there; be there without fail. We want the Class back one hundred per cent. We will send you the exact date and additional information a little later.

Russell Squire  
Class President.

Edith Gray Havice writes from her home in Cambridge about such recreation this summer as rowing on the Charles in a Harvard shell and bicycling. Her husband's pursuit of a Ph. D. in Philosophy kept them in the city.

Elizabeth Kingsley Chapman and Barnard with sons Paul and Philip left East Greenwich, R. I., to spend their summer vacation in their new cottage at Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard.

The following changes of address for 1925 have been received by the Alumnæ Office:

Mrs. John A. McGowan, Jr., (Margaret White), Augusta, Maine.

Elsie C. Adams, Harmony, Maine.

Mrs. C. F. Wiley, (Phyllis Bowman), 42-08 205 Street, Bayside, N. Y.

Mrs. Joseph Goetz, (Ethel Mason), 14614 Cherrylawn, College Park Station, Detroit, Mich.

## 1926

Correspondents:

Clifford H. Littlefield  
110 Spring St., Berlin, N. H.  
Mrs. Richard Dana Hall (Emily Heath)  
24 Gilman St., Waterville, Me.

In the humble opinion of the newly appointed class agent, it is time for the Class of 1926 to appear in print. How about it? Will you help? Why not write a letter telling me your present address, occupation, if you are married or still a bachelor, number of heirs, broken limbs, loss of eyes, and any other little intimate detail that might interest some of your old friends who are scattered all over the country.

I feel that after all I should have the place of honor on this first report. Yes, I am married, and at this very moment my one and only son, who is four years old is showing a bit of temper. He must have inherited this characteristic from his mother. I teach Chemistry in the high school here. (Don't laugh, Professor Parmenter, you know all great scientific minds must be recognized in time). Of course I am becoming wealthy. All school teachers do. How about it "Fat" Earle?

I have been sent the following Flashes for our first appearance. Let us hope I may be able to add more information of these reports and obtain many more for our next appearance.

Kenneth W. Bragdon: Principal, Cherryfield (Maine) Academy.

George B. Barnes: Elected as county attorney of Aroostook for second term; also married.

Francis F. Bartlett: of Boothby and Bartlett Insurance Co., Waterville; the proud papa of Francis F., Jr., born September, 1934.

Stephen B. Berry: Blackstone Hotel, New York City.

Roy Bither: teaching at Ricker Classical Institute (Houlton, Maine).

Russell F. Brown: with his brother Chauncey, '23, running the Silver Fox Farm, Inc., Lincoln, Maine.

John H. Burke: representative for the D. and M. Sporting Goods store, Lewiston, Maine.

## 1927

Correspondents:

William A. Macomber  
3 Cliff Ave., So. Portland, Me.  
Dorothy Giddings  
39 Murray St., Augusta, Me.  
Helen C. Mitchell, Houlton, Me.

It would help your class agent immensely and make his column much more interesting to you if you as members of the class would send in items of interest about yourselves or members of the class. Such items could be sent direct to me or to Cecil Goddard or Joe Smith at Colby.

How many of you have had copies of the new "ALUMNUS" or do you sponge by reading someone's else? It is some magazine! It is just another

indication of the advances Colby has made, is making and will continue to make under its present administration.

Here are a few personals. Good old Clyde "Spud" Riley has joined us married men. I had the clipping that gave all the dope, but lost it. Anyway, here are our congratulations, Clyde.

Several '27's were at the teachers' convention. Ted Emery was on the program; however, he didn't "high-hat" the rest of us.

Justin Johnson and Fred Turner and yours truly were there, but not on the program. There were others attending it, but I didn't see them.

I ran across Ralph Lewin the other day. He is located in Portland now, and I think is with the "Travelers."

Mort Havey is connected with a radio station in Bangor. Well, this is a good item to sign off with.

Late news flash: Ted Emery is a proud father. His wife presented him with a son on December 6. The little fellow's name is Richard Sheldon Emery. Congratulations, Ted!

The following changes in address for 1927 have been received in the Alumnæ Office:

Sylvia V. Brazzell, 388 Sawyer Street, South Portland, Maine.

Mrs. Dorothy Gould Conant, East Livermore, Maine.

Marjorie G. Dunstan, 67 Halycon Road, Newton Center Mass.

Helen Coburn Fawcett, 2575 Le Conte Avenue, Berkeley, Calif.

Mrs. Basil W. Flynn, (Evie Ellis), Brick Kiln Lane, North Pembroke, Mass.

## 1928

Correspondents:

George C. West  
67 Pleasant St., Waterville, Me.  
Edna E. Turkington  
22 Sprague St., Malden, Mass.

Arleen Warburton Russell and "Bill" are spending their days and nights coaching Margaret and her year old sister in Foss Hall etiquette.

We have been asked why Adelaide Coombs leaves her French and History every week-end, and races back to the home-town. Moreover, Adelaide coaches plays and prepares assemblies. It takes a Colby girl to do all of these well!

When a dignified Latin instructor at Newton Center High School admits that she has resigned from "active life," yet acknowledges that she has a Pet Club (mostly fish), what are we to believe about the New Deal? Dot Sylvester, a "whiz" in Latin, served as Vice President of the P. T. A. in Newton Center, last year.

Emma Tozier Harlow is answering the telephone for Eddie, up in Skowhegan.

Have you heard that Gladys Bunker is teaching in the Bangor High School? Amy Dearborn, who lives on Third Street in Bangor, has been nominated as Bunker's guardian.

Marjorie Dunstan, who began col-

lege as '28 but jumped to '27, is teaching English at the Newton Center High School this year. She gets nearer Maine, this jump!

Wedding bells pealed for Connie Adair and Lawrence Cole, this summer. We have many spicy anecdotes to relate regarding the celebration, but a promise keeps us silent. They have hung out their "Welcome" sign in Winslow, where the professor teaches.

## 1930

Correspondents:  
Arthur L. Stebbins  
193 Main St., Waterville, Me.  
Lucile N. Whitcomb  
57 Bangor St., Augusta, Me.

I'll recognize in the month's news must go to Ralph Goddard, the Portland Sharpshooter. A few weeks ago a certain hitherto discreet bear, living up in the North Countree, displayed an unusual lack of judgment when he attempted to run away from Peewee; had the brute but known his bankers, he would have met the Goddard gaze, caused it to fall, and be hibernating now. But the second he showed his retreat our Ralph opened fire, his three shots mutilating Bruin to the extent of a broken leg, a torn side and a splintered lower jaw. We expect that Ralph will send us a mince pie for Christmas. (193 Main Street, Waterville).

And so being, as you see, in more or less of a wild-animal mood, our next item concerns Lee F. (Foxy) Brackett, who made the Waterville "Sentinel" headlines, picture included, a short time ago. It seems that Lee either has developed an affection for the game in the State of Maine, or as we used to say, has, "gone Democrat," for he is working as a Federal Agent in the interests of game preservation in Maine. The particular escapade which put him in the journalistic limelight was his assistance in tracking down the slayer of a pet bull moose, and the picture portrayed him and his immediate superior surrounded by quart jars of the unfortunate beast's canned quarters. We had several meals of the tough fibre before the canning process, and feel that the job was one well done! The procedure of arrest, we mean!

Margaret Hale Shaw has also deserted Western Massachusetts for her native state and she is again living in Portland, at 197 Pleasant Ave.

Miriam Sanders has gone to Boston this fall to take a course in business training.

Since the class letter of last April in which was recounted a little news of the life of Dorothy Dean Van-Leuvan, ex-'30, in Camp Crook, South Dakota, news has been received of the arrival of a daughter in the Van-Leuvan home.

Isa Putnam and Theora Doe made a brief call in Farmington last August, and it is needless to say that a Colby news exchange was immediate-

ly put into operation. Theora is busy as an assistant to the Home Service Director of the Central Maine Power Company, and Isa divides her time between Maine, New York, and Florida.

Kathleen Bailey, ex-'30, has accepted a new position in Woodstock Academy, Conn., where other Colby graduates have places in the faculty.

## 1932

Correspondents:  
Richard Dana Hall  
24 Gilman St., Waterville, Me.  
Justina M. Harding, Stonington, Me.

Here we are with the latest news of some of the fellows and what they are doing. This information came from some of you and Cecil Goddard. Next time please send it to me direct and we can all keep in touch with each other. Now for 1932ers. FLASH!

Stan Clement is principal of the Carmel, Maine, high school. 63 students and, we all hope, future Colby men and women. Good luck, Stan, in your new job. Last I heard you were at Milo, drop me a line and tell me the news.

Bill Crabtree is teaching in the Plainsville, Conn., high school. Another member of the class in education.

Mo Johnstone of football fame is coaching Milo football teams. He won three and lost three games this year with a green team. Miloites express their satisfaction and predict a championship team next year.

Tubby Hilton and Alden Macdonald have turned Democrat (?) and are working for F. D. R. in the FERA.

## 1933

Correspondents:  
Carleton D. Brown  
50 Main St., Waterville, Me.  
Marguerite deRochemont  
106 Pleasant St., Rockland, Me.

Greetings and salutations! This keeping on track of your 101 classmates involves some interesting findings. You may be interested in some of the latest developments.

Principal Emery S. Dunfee of Flagstaff High was in to call the other day, reporting all was well and a minimum temperature of -20 deg. F. up to the 10th of December. While he was in town, Principal Bert Haywood of Brooks High stopped by. His basketball team had taken a licking from Clinton the night before, but Burt was his usual genial self. He and Martha (Johnston) are happily situated in a home of their own and before the next issue of the Alumnus appears we hope there will be good news to report.

While we are on successes, I might add that a friend from New York was in and said Finch and Pooler are both working for the same importers (Grace Co., N. Y. C.) and doing well. He said he didn't know what departments they were in but understood it was either fruits or foreign nuts.

Another visitor reported that Daggett has sold the town of Fairfield a whole car load of sewer pipe.

Evil Chase was here Thanksgiving time and dined with a few of his friends. He reports that the body of a dead Chinaman is fast scientifically being scapelled by himself in a B. U. medical school lab. He often sees Dave Sherman and Fil Silveira who are there, too. L. Helie, P. B. K., B. A. of the Yale graduate school returns monthly for mental, and physical relaxation. He often sups with Frank Norvish in New Haven. Burns and Knauff are both at the same business addresses here while Pooch Rogers is now a super salesman with the Central Maine Power Company here in town. E. E. Hill (we all remember he majored in physics) recently was awarded honors at Brown and is a Master of Science. He studied photographic emulsions.

The opening of the schools this fall finds a great number of the women of '33 employed as teachers.

Velma Brown is teaching in Unity. Rebecca Chester teaches English at Winslow High. Marion Clark is a teacher in Caribou High School. Dorothy Dingwall is teaching French and Latin at Easton High. Isabelle Fairbanks is teaching English and French in Island Falls High. Averill Gellerson is teaching a First Grade group in Houlton. Anna Hannagan is teaching in Madison High. Cordelia Putnam is teaching a Fourth Grade class in Houlton. The best of wishes are being extended to Cordelia on her engagement to Harold Inman of Orono.

Other teachers include: Elizabeth Swanton, who has a position at Brownville Junction, Marguerite deRochemont, who teaches Civics at Rockland High School, and Muriel Hallett who is doing cadet and substitute teaching in the Houlton schools. Ruth Weston received her M. A. from Mills College, California, in June. This year, she is teaching Latin at Good Will Farm, Hinkley. Ruth Pullen is teaching at the "Girls' School" in Hallowell.

We are not all teachers, however. Ruth Atchley is working in the "Little Wanderers' Home" in Boston, Mass. Gladys Averill is doing Social Service work at the State House in Augusta along with Phyllis Whitten. Rosamond Barker is in the C. W. A. office at Presque Isle.

## 1934

Correspondents:  
Harold M. Plotkin  
45 Lanark Rd., Brighton, Mass.  
Ella C. Gray, East Holden, Me.

Harriet W. Pease, Washburn H. S., Washburn, Maine.

Muriel F. Walker, Inwood House, 228 West 15th Street N. Y. C.

Ruth Stubbs, Chebeague Island, Maine.

Margaret E. Salmond, Ecole Normale Supérieure, Sevres (Seine-et-Oise), France.

# Greetings From The Elmwood Hotel To Colby Alumni

We value this opportunity to offer our hospitality  
to Colby Alumni and their families at all  
seasons of the year

LAWRENCE B. HILL,  
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