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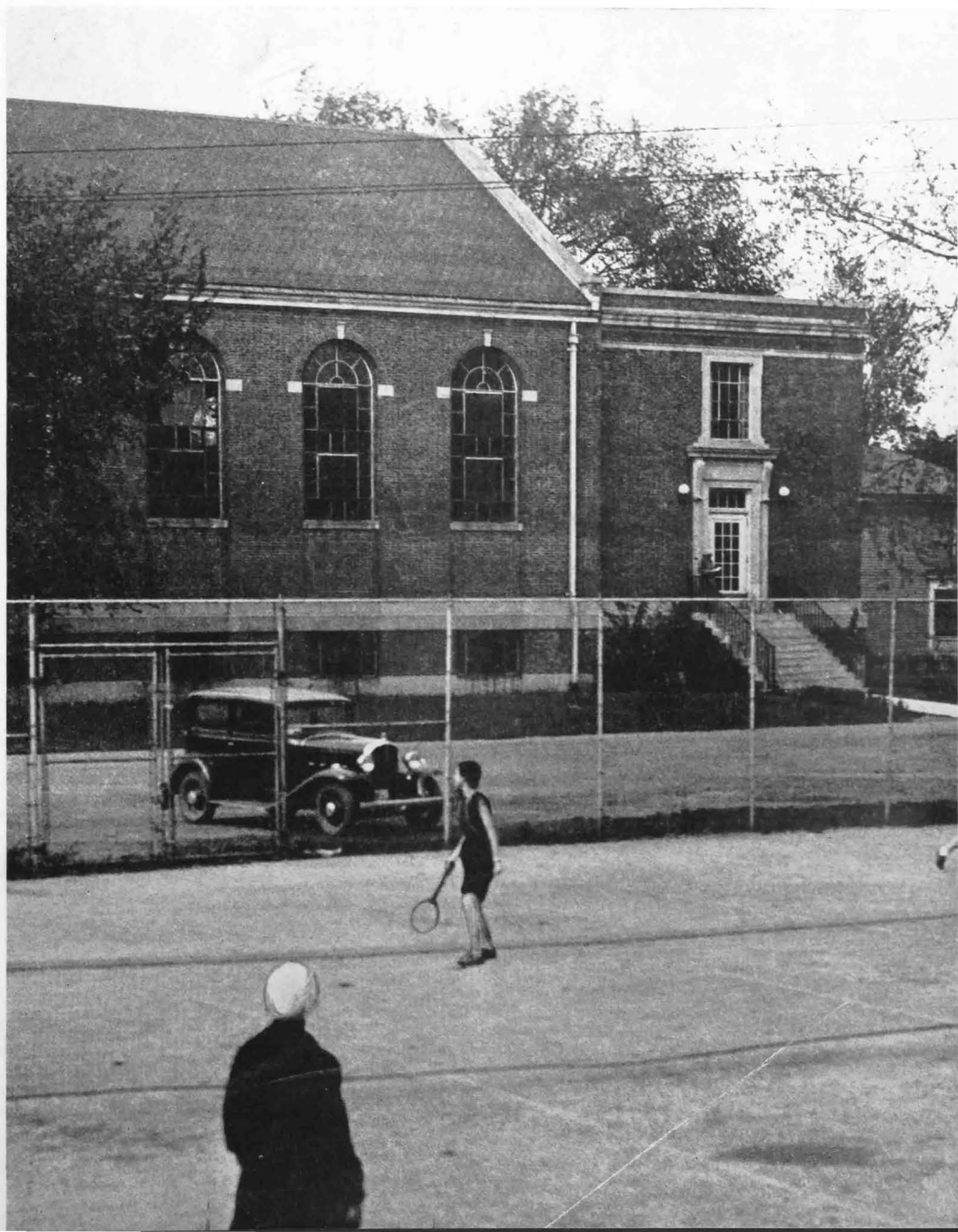
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# CONSECRATIO COLLEGII

BY 1905

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(A credo for 1905, which is returning for its thirtieth reunion  
this Commencement, written by one of its members)

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WE believe in Colby College.

WE believe the alumni body of the College, of which we are a part, is a distinct department of the college but we do not believe it is its function to run the college.

WE believe that we should foster our interest in our Alma Mater, maintain our loyalty to her, and support her with our means.

WE have high confidence in Franklin W. Johnson, President of Colby, and the faculty devoted to the college under his inspiring leadership.

IN these days, when the theory and practice in education is moving forward with startling rapidity, we believe that the curriculum at Colby is based on the fundamental virtues of honesty, perseverance, and hard work. It above all strives to awaken the minds and spirits of those who

enter its doors, being liberal but never irrational; constructive but never destructive; vital, dynamic, and progressive.

WE believe that Colby is a good place to send our sons and daughters, that it is a friendly college where sympathy outweighs severity, kindness is more frequent than kicks, and courtesy is used instead of curses.

WE believe our college is keeping in tune with a world not only as it was under an Egyptian Dynasty and a Roman Empire, a French Revolution and a Reformation, but also as it is today under a Mussolini, a Hitler and a Roosevelt.

OUR college is one of the great stabilizing influences in our lives.

IN these days, when it is easy to rush after false gods, we pledge our devotion and loyalty to Colby, supporting her in every way possible, knowing that we will thereby broaden and strengthen our own lives in the joy of service rendered to her.

# THIS IS THE ALUMNAE BUILDING!

The Saga of the Women's Achievement Which Has Revolutionized Student Life at Colby

By Joseph Coburn Smith, '24



A freshman's first introduction to the social life of Colby is the buffet supper, get-acquainted program and dance on the first evening of Freshman Week in the *Alumnae Building*. The last social event of the senior's fourth year at Colby is the President's Reception in the *Alumnae Building*. Between these two milestones are scattered a host of pleasant memories of parties, conferences, dances, concerts, lectures, games, meetings, teas, services, and so on, which were held in the same place—the *Alumnae Building*.

Those who graduated from Colby before the study of Latin joined the dodo and other extinct figures will recognize the word *alumnae* as of the feminine gender. But the *Alumnae*

*Building* is feminine only in that it was the women graduates of Colby who had the dream and made it come true. So far as the enjoyment of the building is concerned, however, it is very nearly as masculine as feminine. In fact, the spirit of the place is not even "co-ordinate," it belongs to Colby—the whole college.

Perhaps the best way to realize what this place means to the life of the college is to follow through the daily and weekly round of activities that take place within its walls. It is fortunate that the edifice was never compelled to subscribe to the N. R. A., for it habitually works a ten to sixteen hour day and a seven day week.

Suppose, for example, it is a Tues-

day morning. The first human to enter, of course, is the janitor who stirs up the fire. (Incidentally, the heating system is a modern and efficient "differential vacuum" steam plant). Next comes the charwoman whose special job is to keep the place in a spic and span condition. At nine, Miss Corinne Van Norman, director of physical education for girls, is in her office and some girls begin to come in for individually prescribed corrective training. Soon others arrive, change into gymnasium togs and spend an hour or so playing paddle tennis or volleyball on the gym floor. Although omitted this year, there is usually a forenoon class or two in English or hygiene in the sunny classroom upstairs.

Through the noon hour, things are fairly quiet, but at 1:30 the class in Dramatic Art goes down into the workshop and there comes the clatter of hammers and saws building scenery, while up on the stage others may be rehearsing a play or planning out the lighting effects for a forthcoming production. No sooner are the theatrical producers off the floor than basketball girls appear and the place resounds to scampering feet and the referee's whistle.

The regular scheduled program for Tuesdays ends at 5:30, but there are few nights during the college year when the day's work of the Alumnae Building is over at that time. It is the events that happen after hours which constitute much that is fine and good, as well as fun, in the life of the College.

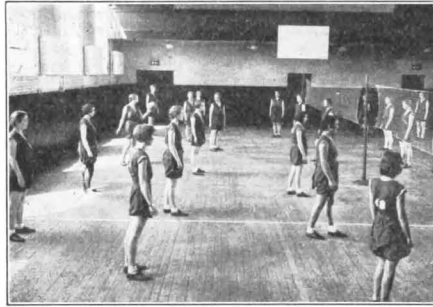
The size of the groups using the building varies. On some evening, for instance, you might come upon half a dozen girls in the dining room celebrating the birthday of one of their number who has received a box of edibles from home. Again, the auditorium may be filled to capacity (500) to witness a performance of The Caravan Players in a Moliere play. Often two affairs are going on simultaneously in different rooms. During the infrequent evenings when there are no organizations using some part of the building, girls will be found in the Social Room, curled up on the davenports and easy chairs, studying, reading or listening to the radio.

To appreciate fully the wide sphere of usefulness of the building, it is only necessary to look at the schedule of coming events and reservations in the office of Dean Runnals' secretary. There are few blank spaces in this chart from now until Commencement. But, perhaps, a specific example will convey the idea better than any generalization. Here, therefore, is a copy of the sheet of instructions given to the janitor for the week of March 4, 1935:

**Monday**—Y room: Phi Mu, 2:30 to 3:30. Y Room: Y. M.-Y. W. Play Rehearsal, 4:30 to 5:30. Gym: Junior Week-end Play, 7:30 to 9:30.

**Tuesday**—Social Room: French Club, 7:30 to 10. Gym: Dramatic Art Class, 7 to 10. Y Room: Y. M.-Y. W. Play Rehearsal, 6:30 to 7:30.

**Wednesday**—Social Room: Phi Mu, 7 to 10; Gym: A. A. U. W. Rehearsal, 7:30 to 10.



VOLLEY BALL IN GIRLS' GYM

**Thursday**—Y Room: Orchestra Audition, 1 to 2. Y Room: Junior Week-end Play, 4 to 6. Y Room: Y. M.-Y. W. Play Rehearsal, 6:30 to 7:20. Social Room: Concert Board, 6:45 to 8. Gym: Concert Lauga-Laas Trio, 7:30 to 10.

**Friday**—Y Room: Boardman Society, 6:45 to 7:30. Gym: A. A. U. W. Rehearsal, 7:30 to 10.

**Saturday**—Gym and Social Room: Senior Women's Dance, 1 to 11:50.

**Sunday**—Gym: Little Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal, 2:15 to 4:30. Social Room, Gym and Kitchen: Open House, 7:30 to 10.

On this list, no fewer than twelve different organizations made use of the facilities during the week. (What would they have done if we had no Alumnae Building?) But that is only a random sample of its usefulness, quite outside of its primary purpose as a women's gymnasium. A total list of the organizations and events using some of the facilities of the Alumnae Building would be something like this:

All-College Reception.  
Alumnae Council.  
American Association of University Women.  
Boardman Society.  
Camera Club.  
Colby Orchestra.

Commencement events—President's Reception.

tion, Alumnae Association annual meeting, Alumnae Luncheon.

Concert Board.  
Cosmopolitan Club.  
Dramatic Art Class.  
Fellowship Forum Committee.  
French Club.  
Freshman Week activities.  
Glee Club.  
Health League picnic and frolic.  
International Relations Club.  
Joint Assemblies.  
Junior Week-end Committee.  
Lecture Series (Caravan Players.)  
Luncheon for Special Entrance Scholarship Competitors.  
Maine College Student Volunteer Conference.

Mathematics Club.  
May Day Festival.  
Panellenic Association.

Phi Beta Kappa, suppers and initiation banquet.

Sons and Daughters of Colby.  
Student Council Dances.  
Student small party groups.  
Waterville Alumnae Association.  
Waterville Alumni Association.  
Waterville Woman's Club.  
Y. M. C. A.  
Y. W. C. A.  
Y Christmas Party for Waterville children.

In addition, all the sororities have used it at some time or other for rushing parties, formal dances, dinner dances, teas, or other purposes. Several fraternities and classes have also held dances here.

It was mentioned that Sunday is no holiday for the Alumnae Building. In the afternoon we would find twenty to thirty boys and girls in chairs arranged in a half circle around the student leader practicing orchestral music. On this day they may find themselves lacking in the woodwinds or with a vacancy or two in the strings, but they wend their way through the intricacies of the Peer Gynt suite, and, for the most part, the harmonies come through clear and pure. At any rate, they seem to be enjoying it hugely.

Perhaps you would like to drop in on Sunday evening. As we enter there is a hum of voices, laughter and music. Looking into the Social Room glowing with soft lights and with a crackling fire in the fireplace, we see about a dozen boys and girls engaged in checkers, backgammon, jig saw puzzles, or just enjoying each other's company. As host and hostess, a faculty couple join in the conversa-



THE SOCIAL ROOM



tion or games. Out on the floor of the gym a net is up and a group of students are playing volleyball. At the other end, two tables of ping pong are in use. A certain aroma entices us through a door into the kitchen where many hands are successfully collaborating on a kettle of fudge. Students come and go during the evening, sometimes in couples, but more often in groups of their own sex. As many as thirty-five may be there at a time, the majority being freshmen who appreciate this opportunity for widening their circle of acquaintance.

The observer might well conclude that this is a wholesome substitute for a Sunday evening at home with a few of the neighboring young folks invited in. Perhaps the picture will contrast favorably with one's memories of lonesome Sunday evenings during his first winter at college.

Possibly by this time the reader who has not revisited the campus within late years will be wondering

what sort of paragon among college halls this may be, that seems to be able to accomplish such a variety of useful purposes. A tour of the Alumnæ Building, therefore, will be in order.

As we approach, it appears as a large central structure with a two story wing on either end. It is of brick with limestone trim and attractively landscaped with young elm trees, shrubs and lawn. We go up the steps to the right hand (east) entrance which is used chiefly by the girls going to and from their gymnasium classes. In the hall we see a bulletin with charts and credit sheets for all manner of sports. A step down the hall brings us to the office of Miss Van Norman: a small room, but attractive with its mahogany furniture, white curtains and such touches as the Japanese print on the walls and the brass bowl of ivy. Beyond, is the Corrective Room with standard equipment, including a pair of scales which, incidentally, are in constant use by

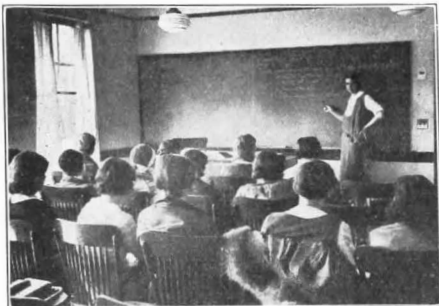
girls who wish to keep tabs on their figures. Leading off from this is a Rest Room where a couch and a number of rather uninteresting looking magazine articles are provided for girls who are not able to do strenuous exercises during the gym periods.

Strolling back through the hall, we ascend the stairs to the Classroom. Sunny in the forenoons, the white curtains and light stained furniture make it easily the most attractive classroom in the college. A small office is adjoining.

Downstairs again, another door leads to the basement where are located the service rooms of the physical education plant. Locker space for 260 girls, dressing room facilities for thirty-six at a time, twenty-one showers, and a storeroom and racks for hockey sticks and similar sports equipment, everything modern and sanitary, are provided in these subterranean regions.

There is one extraordinary sight in





CLASSROOM ON SECOND FLOOR

an adjoining part of the basement. Lighted from half windows and skylights, there yawns before us a great concrete void. Second glance at the rectangular pit with its sloping floor shows it to be the foundations for a large swimming pool. A gallery runs along one side. All it lacks is the finishing tiles and plumbing equipment to make it a place of gleaming beauty. Fifteen thousand dollars, one is told, is the price of such a metamorphose. If this "unfinished symphony" could be put on display each Commencement, the needed funds might soon be forthcoming, since to see the place is to wish fervently for its completion.

Now, upstairs again, we will enter upon the gymnasium floor, the main body of the building. It is fully lighted by five great windows on either side and through the southern exposure the sun is apt to be beating in cheerily. The playing surface is 70 by 46 feet and the lowest steel girders are 22 feet from the floor. Walls are of cream colored brick, while the iron work is in light green and the wainscoting and other woodwork finished in mahogany stain. This is the color scheme, by the way, which is used throughout the building and lends itself admirably to the various finishes and uses of the different rooms. At one end of the gymnasium is the stage, of which more will be told later. Double doors from one side lead to a storeroom for the folding chairs, stage extension, and other equipment used on the floor.

The first part of our sightseeing tour took us chiefly through the physical education plant. The main gymnasium floor is used jointly for athletic and social functions. Now, we will pass to the other end of the

building which is entirely devoted to the latter purposes. This has its own entrance, which is the one nearest the street and invariably used by the public. Facing the doorway is the dedicatory plaque with its simple inscription.

From the entrance hall are stairways leading up and down. There are three cloakrooms and lavatories, and at social occasions the men go downstairs to leave their things, the women go upstairs, and the faculty are apt to use the cloakroom on the main floor.

Earlier in this article mention was made of the Dramatic Art Workshop. To reach this, we must go down into the basement where we find a long narrow room extending across the front of the building, lighted by half windows. Originally, this area was intended for a future installation of bowling alleys, but it is doubtful whether any such utilization of the space would provide as much fun and benefit as the present use. It is a workshop, not a show place, and so first strikes us as a clutter of miscellaneous junk. However, as we pick our way down the room, we soon see that here are "flats" and "wings" in various stages of completion, here is a place for electrical fittings and apparatus, here is a puppet stage with grotesque dolls sprawled around, here is the costume department and down at the end is the "property room." Tools, paints, materials, supplies of one kind and another, testify that this is one course, at least, that is not all lectures and recitations.

If Professor Rollins should be present, he will be anxious for you to see the stage upstairs at the further end of the gymnasium. There is an extension to the stage which makes a playing surface of about 23 by 16 feet available. The Dramatic Art classes have been four years in equipping this little theater, chiefly through the earnings of their own stage performances, and they now boast a surprising amount of home-made stage appara-

tus. If you are familiar with theatrical jargon, you may understand the following terms; if not, the inventory of stage equipment will give you a general conception of what the students have to work with:

Gas pipe gridiron; 50 pulleys with ropes to two tie racks fitted with belaying pins; cyclorama of neutral colored monks cloth; adjustable borders and lights; a power line leading in from outside to a switchboard for eight circuits; two dimmers, capacity 3,650 watts; two troughs of overhead border lights; footlights wired for three circuits; two 500 watt flood lights; a soft edge stovepipe spot light; box set which has been used for all sorts of interiors, ranging from a log cabin to a throne room of a palace; set of wings for exteriors; backings for both interior and exterior scenes; inset doors, windows, French door and two fireplaces; flight of stairs.

On the main floor is the pride and joy of Colby College—the Social Room. Beautifully furnished, it reflects the color harmony and sense of good taste which resulted from the counsel of a professional interior decorator. A large rug in rose, taupe and blue sets the key for the upholstered chairs and divans, while shaded lamps give color accents to the scene. A fireplace and mantel at one end are surmounted by a portrait of Florence E. Dunn, '96, painted by Patrick of Boston. Some complain that the likeness is not good, but there is no denying that it is highly decorative. On a side wall is a landscape in oils by one of Maine's most famous artists, Ben Foster, while on another is a charming Maine lake scene by our own Charles Hovey Pepper, '89. A sculptured head of Sappho in one corner looks over what might be called the "heart" of this whole structure: the Book of the Alumnæ



RIGGING THE STAGE

Building. Kept under glass on a mahogany pedestal, this document is a precious item in Colby history. A hand tooled cover of blue leather encloses the text, hand inscribed and illuminated on parchment. Within these pages lies the story of this building, its history and the list of persons who made it possible.

From the Social Room it is but a step into the Dining Room: a beautiful little room, furnished for eight in pine furniture, Dutch peasant style, stained a sort of green-gray. This is frequently used by girls for birthday parties and other small groups, while, by using extra tables and chairs, a group of thirty or so, such as the Phi Beta Kappa suppers, can be accommodated. There is service for thirty-six in china, silverware and linen, as well as a choice Italian Luncheon set for eight which is used for special occasions. Everything appears to be scrupulously cared for.

Next to it is a kitchen that would bring joy to the heart of any modern housewife. A modern electric range, zinc topped tables, ample cupboard room and counter space, and a set of utensils, make up equipment which is adequate for all ordinary purposes.

Going back, now, through the Social Room to the hall, we ascend the staircase to the Y. W. C. A. Room. It is another of those perfectly appointed rooms which have so satisfied us while we toured the building. Here are fifty mahogany Windsor chairs, while at the front is a refectory table and two arm chairs. A fireplace and mantle are in front, while over it is a large print of the Sistine Madonna. On another wall are two Della Robbia bas-reliefs in blue and white china, harmonizing with the blue window

drapes. Simple and dignified, it is an appropriate place for religious services and other meetings.

This ends our tour and shows you the Alumnæ Building as it stands, working day and night in the interests of Colby. It is the show place of the college; the place that stands highest in the pride of the students; the place that has revolutionized the social life of the college and lifted it to a higher plane. A platitude around Colby, a cliché which one hears with almost tiresome frequency is: "What in the world did we ever do without the Alumnæ Building?"

Inconceivable as it may now seem, there was a pre-Alumnæ-Building period in Colby history, but out of those dark ages came the Renaissance, the story of which we are about to chronicle.

The precise origin of the idea of the Alumnæ Building is obscure. Miss Dunn has in her possession a drawing made by a firm of Portland architects in 1907 entitled, "A sketch for a Proposed Recreation Building for the Women of Colby College." Evidently that laudable project went into eclipse, for nothing much of any kind, much less a new building, was provided for the health and recreation of the women's division for many years.

When Miss Runnals came to her position as Dean of Women in 1920, she found a serious lack of organized physical education among the girls. Ernest conferences took place with Miss Dunn, Rose Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, Louise H. Coburn, '77, (then newly elected as the first woman trustee) and other loyal alumnæ. Into these discussions there often crept the forlorn thought: "If only we had a women's gym!" But it might be doubted if that wish would have soon amounted to anything had it not been for an incident which Miss Gilpatrick has recounted.

It seems that a committee of alumnæ decided to approach President Roberts in regard to establishing a director and facilities for phys-



TENNIS COURT WITH HOCKEY FIELD  
FOSS HALL IN BACKGROUND

ical education among the girls. Mustering up their courage, they met the President and broached the subject. Yes, he agreed that it would be eminently desirable, but pointed out, "Even if the college should establish such a department, there is no place in which to carry on the work, and the college," he thundered, "cannot provide a building."

In the zeal of their enthusiasm, the committee replied, "If the Trustees will establish the department, the women will provide the building."

"It's a bargain," said the President.

The women left the interview somewhat stunned. They looked at each other aghast. Here they were definitely committed to the undertaking of providing this building which they had so long been wistfully discussing. "Well," they told each other, "Now we will do it!" And thus the Alumnæ Building was born.

From that point on, the waking and sleeping hours of this loyal band of Colby women were taken up with plans for this new shining goal on the far horizon. The inspired dream was conveyed to the alumnæ body at the Commencement of 1921 and received with acclaim. Meeting after meeting was held. Professor Amy M. Homans of Wellesley, one of the national authorities on women's physical culture, was solicited for advice and became an enthusiastic supporter and friend of the project, even visiting Waterville on its behalf. Out of these meetings evolved the vision of a hundred thousand dollar structure, but, alas, the treasury of the Alumnæ Association contained just \$89.21.

"Saga" is the only word that describes the ensuing dogged struggle of



Y. W. C. A. ROOM



FIELD HOCKEY  
ALUMNAE BUILDING IN BACKGROUND

the Colby women during the twenties. It could be truthfully said that the Alumnae Building (the foundation, at least) was built nickle upon nickle.

From a multitude of sources, little rivulets of money began to flow into the treasury. No opportunity for making a few dollars was left unexplored. The women sold Colby pencils, paper napkins, soap, fudge. The Waterville alumnae sold tickets for two lectures by Thornton Burgess. Faculty ladies and others joined in putting on a very successful fair at the Baptist Church. Other alumnae groups sold magazine subscriptions or held silver teas, bridge parties, cake sales, concerts.

An encouraging lift was given early in the campaign by a \$10,000 pledge from Miss Coburn. The alumnae were yearly solicited for subscriptions. People of means were sought out and interested. Mrs. Maude Andrews, Mrs. Silas Hoxie and Mrs. Annie Pepper Varney, '98, assisted at different times as solicitors.

At one stage a flurry was caused among the inner circle when it was understood that Frank Munsey, Maine born newspaper tycoon, was interested in establishing not a woman's gymnasium, but a whole new women's campus. However, his death quieted

that rumor, and the Metropolitan Museum, not Colby, received his millions.

The years passed by. We come to the thrilling moment at the Commencement of 1927. Treasurer Alice M. Purinton, '99, reported that the New Building Fund amounted in cash and pledges to \$47,583.35. It was heartening and a splendid achievement, but, after all, it only marked the half way mark towards the goal. Then there was read a communication from Dr.

Frank W. Padelford, '94, pledging the support of the Northern Baptist Convention up to \$20,000. A glimmer of hope appeared in the skies. Then came an announcement of a pledge of \$25,000 from Miss Dunn (in addition to the substantial gifts already made.) There was an instant of intense mental arithmetic among the Colby women and then the electrifying realization that their millenium had arrived! Applause, tears, smiles—the dream was coming true.

With the new building now in sight, there were practical details to be attended to, so the Alumnae Council was put in charge. Plans had already been drawn by Horace True Muzzy of Waterville; in fact, the publication of these drawings and the accompanying description of the proposed structure was a powerful influence in the campaign for funds.

The ideal site seemed to be on the area occupied by Dr. I. B. Mower on College Place, so this property was purchased by the college and the house moved to its present stand beyond the west end of the Alumnae Building, where as a dormitory the name "Mower House" perpetuates the name of this revered Baptist leader and Colby trustee.

Just when the forthcoming structure was christened is uncertain. During the many conversations, a number of tentative names were considered. A logical desire to name it for one of the prime movers in the undertaking was immediately squelched by that person. "Womens' Hall" was too

reminiscent of "Ladies' Hall," the term by which many of the older alumnae still think of the present Phi Delta Theta House. The name "Alumnae Hall" was in considerable favor until Miss Dunn suggested the term "*Alumnae Building*," as carrying with it the idea of the continuous, creative building process. The name fitted and today few people can conceive of its being called anything else.

By the next spring, construction was underway, and enough of the foundations had been built by Commencement time to permit the corner stone to be laid. Miss Dunn gave the address and the service, including an antiphonal response, was planned by Grace Coburn Smith, '93. Into the copper box went the list of 719 alumnae givers, ranging from Mildred Alley, '26, to Sarah B. Young, '09, as well as the many friends and organizations who had also contributed. Dabs of mortar were spread by representatives of ten alumnae organizations and the stone block was lowered into place.

This story of achievement would be incomplete without mention of Miss Purinton who acted as treasurer throughout the period. Aside from the laborious routine of bookkeeping, which few people realized lay behind her annual reports, she kept account of the hundreds of pledges and saw to it that virtually every one was collected—a record seldom attained in philanthropic fund campaigns. Her sagacity and sound business sense is demonstrated from the fact that her investment of the funds collected by her during the campaign resulted in a net profit of a round thousand dollars, as well as interest earnings,



A LESSON IN MAKE-UP  
IN DRAMATIC ART WORKSHOP

FOR COLBY GIRLS  
NOW AND TO COME  
THE ALUMNAE  
AND MANY FRIENDS  
HAVE GIVEN THIS BUILDING  
TO COLBY COLLEGE

(Bronze tablet in entrance hall)

when it came time to turn them into cash.

The ensuing year found efforts being made to furnish the building in the desired manner. Here again the alumnae associations in various regions, as well as individuals, gave generously. While most of these gifts went into the general furnishing fund, there were some special gifts which deserve mention. In the Social Room, \$500 for a rug was given by Mrs. W. M. Dunn, four lamps by the Connecticut Valley Alumnae Association, fire set from the Waterville Branch of the A. A. U. W., head of Sappho sent from Paris by Alice Cole Kleene, '98, Book of the Alumnae Building and glass case by the Class of 1929, and the balance of the furnishings by Miss Dunn. Later the Class of 1930 gave a stately "grandfather's" clock. The Y. W. C. A. Room was furnished from a gift of \$1,000 for this purpose from Grace Coburn Smith, '93, and the fire set from Meroe Morse, '13. The Dining Room furniture was provided for from gifts of \$200 each from Miss Exerene Flood and Mrs. John Ware, and the Boston Alumnae gave the china, silver, linen and tea wagon. The Italian luncheon set was from Helen Hanscom Hill, '97. The 500 folding chairs for the auditorium were given by Miss Coburn.

At last the building was completed and accepted from the contractor by a committee of the Trustees. On February 18, 1929, the formal opening was held. Since it was only partially furnished, the occasion was a Silver Tea, the "silver" amounting to \$414.00. Students, alumnae, faculty and townspeople tramped up the new steps and "oh'd" and "ah'd" as they were shown through the various

rooms by the undergraduate ushers. A committee of Waterville alumnae served as hostesses and poured tea in the afternoon, and fruit punch in the evening. It was a proud day.

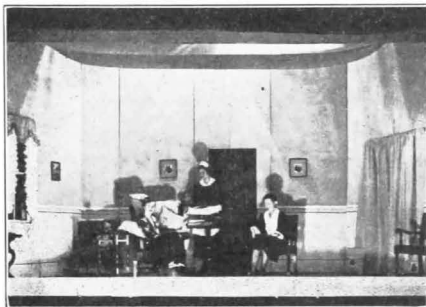
The Commencement of 1929 was a momentous one, for at that time both the Alumnae Building and President Johnson were officially added to Colby College. The dedication service took place on Saturday afternoon, June 15, with dignified and impressive exercises. Dean Lucy Jenkins Franklin of Boston University delivered the address on the text, "Always building—never built." The audience joined in a hymn and responsive service written especially for the occasion. Then Miss Purinton had the satisfaction of presenting the keys to President Johnson. The fifteenth President of Colby College accepted them—and the saga of the Alumnae Building had passed into history.

#### MASS DEMONSTRATION AGAINST WAR EVILS

A mass demonstration against the evils of war was participated in by several hundred Colby students and faculty members on the eighteenth anniversary of America's entrance into the World War.

Although the affair was hurriedly planned as a result of the desire of many students to have a part in the protest which many other college groups were planning for the same hour, there was an hour's program of speeches in the Colby Chapel which was filled to overflowing.

John P. Dolan, '36, Portland, presided over the meeting and first called upon President Franklin W. Johnson who told of his contact with the crippled and disabled men of the World War as a Major in the Rehabilitation Corps. Kenneth A. Johnson, '37, Newton Upper Falls, Mass., told of the part that Armament makers play in fomenting wars. Professor Walter N. Breckenridge spoke of the economic burden upon the country as the result of past wars, and urged that



PLAY IN ALUMNAE BUILDING  
"LITTLE THEATER"

the people count the cost of any future war they might feel impelled to enter.

Myra Whittaker, '35, Queens Village, N. Y., spoke on the Christian conception of personality and its absolute incompatibility with human killing. Professor William J. Wilkinson was the next speaker; he congratulated the student body on its awakened interest and concern with the critical problems of the international situation. Lucile Jones, '36, Watertown, Mass., who has represented Colby at student peace conferences, offered a number of specific suggestions for making the public more peace minded. The final speaker was Harold W. Hickey, '36, Turner, who stated that mass education was the only fundamental method for abolishing the war system.

#### THE ALUMNAE BUILDING

June 21, 1921—Campaign for funds launched.

June 18, 1927—\$100,000 in hand or in sight.

May 19, 1928—Contract let. Work started soon after.

June 16, 1928—Laying of the corner stone.

Feb. 9, 1929—Structure accepted from the contractors.

Feb. 18, 1929—First social event, public opening and tea.

June 15, 1929—Formal dedication.

Size 125 by 60 feet.

Architect: Horace True Muzzy Waterville.

Contractor: Horace Purinton Co., Waterville.

Cost: Building: \$100,278; Furnishings: \$5,509.



DANCING IN THE ALUMNAE BUILDING

# THREE ALUMNI MEETINGS HELD IN BOSTON

By Harland R. Ratcliffe

ALUMNI activity in Boston reached its climax for the academic year late in March and early in April when the Boston Colby Alumni Association held its fifty-fourth annual reunion and dinner; the Alumni Council, now in its second year of operation, met for its customary Spring deliberations; and the Alumni Fund Committee of the Alumni Council and the agents of the classes assembled for their campaign-opening dinner and exchange of fund ideas.

All three of these meetings were held at the University Club. The annual reunion of the Boston Alumni, with the Boston Colby Alumnae Association as their guests, was held on Wednesday, March 27th, as the second gathering on the annual alumni meeting tour of President Franklin W. Johnson and G. Cecil Goddard, Alumni Secretary. The banquet was held in the President's Room and the principal speaker of the evening was Dr. Bainbridge Colby, eminent New York lawyer, honorary graduate of Colby and member of its board of trustees, Secretary of State during the administration of Woodrow Wilson, outstanding attacker of the New Deal (see his article in the April Alumnus on "The Play-Boys Of The New Deal") and one of the nation's staunchest defenders of the Constitution.

The toastmaster was Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, Managing Editor of The Alumnus and retiring President of the Boston Association. He introduced, in addition to Dr. Colby and President Johnson, Neil Leonard, '21, of Newton, President of the Alumni Council, who spoke briefly on the Alumni Fund; Alumni Secretary Goddard, recently elected to the Waterville City Council; Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, of Newton, President-elect of the Boston Association; and Mrs. Stephen G. Bean of Wilmington, President of the Boston Colby Alumnae Association, who spoke for Foss Hall.

Dr. Colby, as polished and as forceful a speaker as the Boston Association has ever had as its guest of honor, briefly touched upon his own views on education and then pointed

out the dangers of the present trend of government.

President Johnson delivered his customary, masterful summing up of the progress of the college touching upon many matters of interest to the alumni, his customary vigor quite undiminished despite the fact that late in the winter he underwent a major operation. He defended the college's let-alone policy with regard to the existence on the campus of such organizations as the Socialist Club, and pointed out that undergraduate radical organizations, if unopposed, are not, as a rule, long lived.

Alumni Secretary Goddard reviewed the work of his organization and touched upon the current activities and past achievements of the Alumni Council, taking note of such accomplishments as the reorganization of the athletic department of the college and the proposal for the establishment of a college cafeteria on the campus. Stephen G. Bean, '05, led the usual cheers and singing. Representatives of the college faculty and administration were present in the persons of Ernest C. Marriner, '13, Dean of the Men's Division, and of Elmer C. Warren, Registrar and Director of the college's Placement Bureau. They were introduced by President Johnson, at the conclusion of his address, as was Edward J. Gurney, Jr., Editor of The Colby Echo, who had just returned from a Colby cross country debate tour.

The arrangements for the dinner were in charge of Burton E. Small, Secretary-Treasurer of the Boston Association. Those at the head table were: President Johnson, Dean Marriner, Mr. and Mrs. Ratcliffe, Dr. Colby, Mr. and Mrs. Bean, Alumni Secretary Goddard, Dr. and Mrs. Clark, and Dr. John E. Cummings, '84, who opened the banquet with a prayer. There were 111 present.

The newly-elected officers, the nominating committee being composed of Raymond Spinney, '21, past president of the Boston Association, and William C. Crawford, '82, are: president, Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05; vice

president, H. Thomas Urie, '20; secretary-treasurer, Burton E. Small, '19; assistant secretary-treasurer, Walter D. Berry, '22; member of executive committee, Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23.

## Spring Alumni Council Meeting

The Spring meeting of the Alumni Council, the second assembly of the current academic year, was held at the University Club on Saturday afternoon, April 6.

The Alumni Fund, starting on its third year, was discussed at some length, especially by members of the Alumni Fund Committee who are also members of the Council, and the list of class agents was revised and approved for the current campaign. It was decided to make a special drive for gifts to the fund from the members of this year's reunioning classes, and to continue this effort in succeeding years. A competition between such classes was suggested but not favored by the Council.

The report of the nominating committee, for alumni trustees and for membership on the Council, was made and accepted. (It was published in the April Alumnus). The report of the Alumni Council Committee on a College Cafeteria was read and commented upon by Dr. Frederick T. Hill, '10, Waterville, the other members of this committee having been William B. Jack, '00, Superintendent of Schools of Portland; and Arthur G. Eustis, '23, representative of the college's faculty on the Alumni Council. This committee was appointed at the October meeting of the Council and had, after intensive investigating of the eating facilities available to the undergraduates of the college, submitted its report to the board of trustees. The trustees referred the matter to their committee on buildings and grounds, with Dean Marriner acting in a consulting and advisory capacity. His services are most valuable because he has made, over a period of several years, a rather extensive survey of eating facilities among Eastern colleges and universities.

President Johnson reported on the

efforts of this committee to find a suitable place for the cafeteria and commented on the fact that Dean Marriner had addressed a lengthy letter to the Student Council, undergraduate governing organization, in which he had set down half a dozen questions, all calculated to give an accurate picture of undergraduate sentiment with regard to the new project.

There ensued within the Council discussion of whether or not eating in the cafeteria should be made compulsory for freshmen and there was lengthy consideration of possible sites for the new establishment, which will be under direction of the Department of Health and Physical Education.

It had first been proposed that the cafeteria should be set up in the basement of one of the freshman dormitories, in either Hedman or Roberts Halls, but it was pointed out that the construction of these buildings makes such a plan unfeasible. An additional suggestion was made that it might be possible to move one of the campus fraternities from North or South College into the home of the late Professor Julian D. Taylor, across the railroad tracks from the campus.

There was complete agreement among the Council's members, as there was in the board of trustees, as to the soundness of the plan as proposed by the Council committee, and the item of expense of establishment and of operation proved no obstacle, but it was thought possible that there might be some delay in the finding of a suitable spot. It is definitely settled that Colby will have a college cafeteria in the near future. The only remaining question is: "Where?"

The suggestion was made before the Council that the Council annually award distinguished service medals to alumni who had been of great service to their Alma Mater. Ways and means of making this award were discussed at some length but the matter was tabled when the opinion of the members seemed to be quite equally divided. It was pointed out, however, that several other colleges and universities make similar awards.

President Johnson reported on the alumni meetings which he had been attending during the previous week or ten days, declaring he was inspired

## '67 REUNION

To the Editor of The Alumnus:

On Saturday, March 9, the two living members of the Class of '67 held a reunion at Haines City, Florida, the home of John F. Moody.

We thoroughly enjoyed recalling Waterville scenes and people, in spite of John's failing sight and Charles' defective hearing.

John was assisted by his granddaughter, Barbara, and Charles by his daughter, Alice, the mother of four of his grand-children.

John reminded his class-mate of being the "baby of the class."

One item of history was of particular interest to each of us—that Moody was for twenty-two years principal of Edward Little High School in Auburn, Maine, in the very building where his class-mate was fitted for college.

We are grateful to President Johnson for giving us this privilege, for furnishing the needed address:

Charles R. Coffin,  
Colby, '67,  
Avon Park, Fla.

by the enthusiasm and loyalty displayed by the alumni in the larger centers along the Atlantic seaboard. Referring to the organization of the Department of Health and Physical Education he discussed the athletic situation at the college, taking note especially of the progress being made in the coaching of track and the beginning of a program of dual meets with other New England colleges in the indoor cage, which, he reminded his listeners, was made possible by gifts of alumni of the college.

Ralph A. Macdonald, Treasurer of the College who also serves as Treasurer of the Alumni Council, gave a financial report on the state of the alumni purse. The question as to whether or not the college should bear the expenses of the alumni office was tabled after adequate discussion, during which it was pointed out that such is the practice at many colleges and universities. The main advantage of such procedure is that all money contributed to the alumni fund could then go toward definite projects of

worth to the college and the alumni, none being spent on so-called overhead which, in the case of Colby, is maintained at the irreducible minimum.

Among those present, in addition to President Johnson and Alumni Secretary Goddard, were: Frederick T. Hill, '10, Waterville; William B. Jack, '00, Portland; John B. Pugsley, '05, Watertown, Mass.; Neil Leonard, '21, Newton, Chairman of the Council; Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, Greenwood, Mass.; Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, Hartford, Conn.; Arthur F. Bickford, '16, Boston; Leslie F. Murch, '15, Hanover, N. H.; Leo G. Shesong, '13, Portland, Me.; Raymond Spinney, '21, Boston; Clayton Johnson, representative of the Waterbury, Conn., Colby Club.

## The Alumni Fund Dinner

The annual Alumni Fund Dinner, inaugurating the alumni fund of 1935, attended by the Fund Committee, members of the Council and the class agents, was held shortly after the conclusion of the Council's deliberations. The toastmaster was Mr. Seaverns, Chairman for the third year of the Fund. Others seated at the head table were: Alumni Secretary Goddard, Council Chairman Leonard, Robie G. Frye, '82, one of the most successful of Colby's class agents; Dr. Johnson and Treasurer Macdonald.

President Johnson, delivering his annual message to the agents, declared the college to be "flourishing financially" and stressed the opinion that Colby is a good college in which to invest money because it has proved during these difficult Depression years that it knows how to take care of its money.

Later, others present were called upon and the meeting proved one of the most enjoyable alumni gatherings of the year. Those present, in addition to those who had attended the Council meeting, were: Henry B. Moor, '10; H. Thomas Urie, '20; Robie G. Frye, '82; R. D. Hall, '32; Walter B. Berry, '22; Joseph Coburn Smith, '24; Ralph A. Bramhall, '15; Ellsworth W. Millett, '24; Burton E. Small, '19; Richard L. Sprague, '18; Linwood L. Workman, '02; Frederick G. Getchell, '18; William A. Macomber, '27; Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05.



# THE CHANGING STATUS OF WOMEN

By Harriet Sweetser Greene, '20

**T**HIS year our International Relations Committee of the Lewiston College Club selected as its study course, "A Changing Political Economy as It Affects Women."

One has to slip back into the eighteenth century and peruse the pages of even the most progressive writers to realize how far women have advanced. In that famous little book entitled "A Father's Legacy to his Daughter," written by Dr. Gregory of Edinburgh, the author asserts that the female character must avoid the public eye, that wit and good humor must be concealed; even health should never be mentioned, but enjoyed in grateful silence. Female brains, if it so happened they did exist, were looked upon as a prelude to unchastity. It was Boswell who entirely agreed with Dr. Johnson that it would be most inconvenient to have an intelligent wife.

It was during the nineteenth century that the attitude began to change. We think of the first real impetus as being at the International Conference of Anti-Slavery societies held in London in 1840. Seven delegates were sent to London for this important conference; four of them were women. It was an unheard of thing! The Englishmen who were arranging the conference refused to allow the ladies to take part at all. In fact, they were obliged to sit in the gallery. Of course there was indignation both in America and England; women were so aroused that they began to attempt to change this feeling and thus the beginning of woman suffrage.

## Suffrage Plus World War

It was both suffrage and the World War that brought about the greatest change. While the men were fighting, women were obliged to take their places in the fields, in the factories, and in offices. For the most part they really liked it, natural enough they should like the change from housework, and that feeling of independence which came with working. And today women have entered so many fields, and so many more women are working. It is rather astonishing to note in actual statistics the increase in the number of women working. In 1920, there were 8,347,000 women

listed among the gainfully employed, and in 1930 almost eleven million women were found to be classified as wage earners.

The trend seems to be away from the poorly paid positions; there has been a great increase in women who own independent businesses, and those who serve in managerial capacities. Women are filling positions of importance; we now have a woman in the Cabinet, Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labor; the first woman serves in the Diplomatic Corps, Mrs. Ruth Bryan Owen, Minister to Denmark, and the first woman serves as judge in a federal court, Judge Florence E. Allen.

As we would naturally expect we find the status of women in foreign countries very varied. In Russia men and women are on equal terms but neither are free under communism. In Italy Mussolini is dictating what women shall do, and urging women to have large families. In Japan and China we find active suffrage associations where they study economics and educational problems. In Australia

and New Zealand men and women are supposed to possess equal rights in all things. Of course, the greatest recent suffrage victory was the extension of the vote to women in South Africa in 1930. In Great Britain and in the Scandinavian countries we find progress in the status of women. Women in Turkey have dropped the veil, even have eligibility to office. In Germany under Hitler we find definite retrogression; even the admission of women to universities has been made difficult. Of those who completed high school only twenty-two per cent. in 1933 entered universities as against forty-nine per cent. in 1931.

## Some Alarm Here

Even in the United States there has been some alarm felt over the rise of women in the world, fear that women will neglect their duties as mothers. Perhaps this fear is justifiable for many women prefer their careers to marriage, many married women defer motherhood to be able to work, many of the mothers prefer to leave the care of their children entirely to others in order to be able to work. Women themselves are beginning to wonder if they are going to be allowed to work. There seems to be two outstanding questions: (1) Shall married women have the right to work? (2) To what extent shall women have the right to work where men are employed?

If the violent struggle for livelihood still goes on, it seems possible that women may be limited to those lines of work for which they are best equipped. Dorothy Thompson, the distinguished wife of Sinclair Lewis, has made an interesting study of this changing status of women in many countries. She summarizes with this statement: "If women are not to run the risk of being pushed back into a position of subjection, if their status is further to unfold and develop, then they must concern themselves not with yesterday's rights, but with tomorrow's responsibilities." Lena Madesin Phillips, President of the International Council of Women, states: "The future of the professional women is inextricably interwoven with the future of America and the world. If we would save ourselves and our service, we must first save mankind."

## HAIL, COLBY!

Words by K. R. Kennison, '06  
Air: "O Canada!"

Hail, Colby, hail! Thy sons from far and near  
Stand at thy call, our Alma Mater dear.

Thy shaded paths recall our steps,  
To gather at thy shrine,  
Thy mem'ried halls reclaim our hearts,  
'Till all our thoughts art thine.

## Chorus

Hail, Colby, hail!  
Hail, Colby, hail!  
To thee we lift our hearts and  
homage pay,  
Our Alma Mater, hail the Blue and Gray!

Hail, Colby, hail! We look to thee  
once more;  
Light thou our path and guide us  
as of yore.  
In days of peace thy torch hath  
flared  
And led our steps aright;  
At war's grim call thy sons were  
true  
And valiant in the fight.

# PRODUCING REAL MINISTERS HIS CALLING

Dr. Everett C. Herrick, '98, Enters Upon a Super-Denominational Day With High Practical Discipline for His Men.

By EDWARD H. COTTON, '05  
In The Boston Evening Transcript

REV. Everett C. Herrick, D. D., president of Andover Newton Theological School in Newton Center, says, speaking of the recent significant working agreement between Andover and Newton—Congregational and Baptist institutions—adopted by both boards of trustees, and authorized by the Supreme Court of Massachusetts, "Getting Andover and Newton together was like trying to follow a lost trail through a jungle. But we suddenly discovered it, and emerged into the open. thanks to the Supreme Court decision. The agreement includes a union in spirit and a federation in organization.

"From the beginning we have welcomed development of a ministry that was not denominational-minded. The denominations had their building era and served well their day. But we must fix our interest and attention on tomorrow, when the motive will be cooperation. I feel that these two ancient schools—Newton organized in 1825 and Andover in 1807—can give on this hilltop, the tradition of which from the beginning has been broad theological education, a conspicuous example of spiritual cooperation. We called the union the Andover Newton Theological School, with no hyphen. The hyphen was deliberately omitted that the union might really be one in spirit."

Dr. Herrick, after graduating from Colby College in 1898, and from Newton in 1901, divided the next twenty-five years between pastorates at Charlestown and Fall River, Mass. In 1926 he was elected president of the Newton Theological Institution.

## Need A New Crop

Turning to a discussion of present day theological training, he said, "I firmly believe that we need a new crop of ministers, perhaps a different crop. We are saying with more and more emphasis that the important thing is the social and the spiritual rather than the mechanical. That means highly-trained, qualified men to shape up the social and the spirit-



ual. We ought first to graduate pastors. You can get a good preacher over the radio, but I do not exactly see how you can get a pastor. In the present disruption in nation and community, people need help, at times desperately, for the readjustment of their lives. We hope Andover Newton will adequately supply this need."

"Would you be willing to explain just how you propose to meet that need?"

"By confronting our students with the practical problems a pastor faces. By giving them the right 'set' at the start; and by keeping them out of the ministry if they lack the mental equipment and the vision. We do not deceive them. We tell them plainly that the vocation they have chosen will mean privation, self-denial, perhaps crucifixion. Yet, we don't tell them one-half as much as they themselves seem to know about it. I am constantly surprised at the close and accurate insight many students seem to have in regard to their calling."

Dr. Herrick said the school is developing clinical training courses. Students will get actual experience in the work of a minister in hospitals and

other similar institutions. Many students are regularly employed as student pastors and church workers. Recently a director of field work was engaged to assist these workers, guide them and help them solve their problems.

"Our first interest," said Dr. Herrick, "is to make the school serve the church and give it real pastors. But, important as the pastoral function is, I would not for a moment fail to estimate the influence of the pulpit, nor teach anything at the expense of the pulpit. There is something about preaching that survives all chance and change. In our training of preachers we have to be more and more careful, since the rivals of the pulpit are fast increasing. Preaching is becoming more and more an exacting art.

"We urge preachers to preach to life—to preach great themes. Perhaps we are not hearing so much about expository preaching, though that form certainly has its place in all phases of church development; but, we can never get away from the lasting value and power of biblical preaching."

It is the same old world, the same old fundamentals, this teacher of preachers believes. The same old disciplines are required. "After all, we carry on substantially the same spiritual values from one generation to another. Theological isms and panaceas for social ills have their day and cease to be. The fundamental values remain. If we can convince our students of that fact, we have fulfilled one of our most important hopes."

## "We Are Confident"

The interviewer asked Dr. Herrick about the future.

"We are confident," he said, "that we are erecting here a permanent structure. We are strengthening the faculty, improving our building equipment, and adding to our courses. The traditions on this hill are all of training religious teachers, pastors and

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# Shall I Send My Child to Camp This Summer?

By ADELLE M. McLOON, '21

**O**f course I am inclined to give the enthusiast's answer, for my happiest summers have been spent in camps as camper, counsellor or director.

But just any camp will not do for any child. Study your child's needs and then, as near as your budget will allow, select a camp that meets these needs.

Camps may be classified in four general groups; the health camps, community organization camps, private camps and special interest camps.

The program in the health camp is planned for children who must be on a restricted schedule. Extra rest period, special diets, corrective exercises, and non-strenuous activities are the order of the day. The main purpose of these camps is to build up the child's health and keep him happy while doing so.

The directors and many of the counsellors of such camps are usually nurses or physicians who have a special interest in mal-nutrition, heart-lesions, mental disorders, paralysis cases and other health defects.

Many of these camps are supported by such organizations as the American Red Cross, Tuberculosis Association, hospitals, newspapers or local clubs in which case the fees will be very low, from \$3.00 to \$10.00 per week, with many "scholarships" so that a needy child may go free.

On the other hand the private health camp frequently owned and directed by a physician, a specialist in a particular disease, is rather expensive, the fees being from \$200 to \$600 per season.

The health camp, private or community, caters to the child who needs to be under medical care. It is well for parents to seek the aid of their family physician in selecting a camp for the child who needs special attention to health.

## For The Normal, Active Child

The program in the community organization camp is planned for the normal, active child. It includes sports, crafts, music, dramatics, nature lore, camp craft, hikes and trips. The policies of the organization managing the camp, its physical equipment and location plus the training



ADELLE M. McLOON, '21

**A**FTER her graduation from Colby in 1921, Adelle M. McLoon studied in the Physical Education graduate department at Wellesley College, and there obtained the degree of Master of Science. She is now studying for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at Columbia University. In the period since graduation Miss McLoon has been director of health and physical education in public schools and a junior college. She has also held important positions in the Y. W. C. A., as director of health and recreation. For thirteen summers Miss McLoon has had experience as counsellor or director in several types of camps. For the past two years she has been head counsellor at the Birch Crest Camp for Girls on East Pond of the Belgrade Lakes. Miss McLoon suggests that any alumnae who wish specific information in regard to camps should send her their questions, with a stamped addressed envelope, and she will be glad to correspond with them. Her address is 106 Morningside Drive, New York City.

and experience of the counsellors, determine the program.

Community camps range all the way from the most primitive type with little equipment, to those of the

most elaborate type. The one may have only tents for shelter and all cooking done over an open fire. The other, with a central kitchen and dining room, a main lodge housing library, game tables, stage and grand piano, special sleeping cabins, tennis courts and well equipped water front, has every facility for a varied program.

In most community camps the campers do much of the work, help prepare meals, wash dishes, wait on table, tidy lodges and cabins, make own beds and care for the grounds, water front and all equipment. Divided among many it is light work yet a valuable factor in the child's training especially if the counsellors in charge are mature and understanding.

A rugged child guided by intelligent counsellors can thrive under decidedly primitive conditions. However, for vacations of more than two weeks, a camp with some permanent buildings is preferable. Of course the location, whether in the mountains, at the shore, on a lake, stream, or in a historical region, determines the type of trips and sports that will be possible.

The main purpose of the community camp is character building through happy, meaningful experiences. The ideals and policies of the organization and the personnel managing the camp are most important if the camp is to fulfill its purpose.

## Emphasis On Discipline

There are still the formal type of camps with everyone doing the same thing at the same time and the military type with emphasis on discipline. The more progressive camps allow the campers considerable choice of activities and expect the boys and girls to participate in planning and carrying out the program, encourage and guide in creative projects for group and individual, and wherever possible allow the child to plan his own good time with due regard to the rights and wishes of the other campers. It is in this flexible organization that the child gets opportunity to display initiative, qualities of leadership, fair play and perseverance. Individual differences are recognized and the successful counsellors aid the child to

develop his own possibilities and overcome his difficulties.

These community camps are usually run by such organizations as the scouts, campfire, Y's, churches or local clubs. The director is frequently one of the regular paid workers active in the organizations the year round.

The counsellors may be volunteer or paid workers connected with the organization, or teachers, college students, professional persons engaged especially for the camp season. Personal experience in New Jersey, New York and New England makes me believe that on the whole the staff in this type of camp is well qualified for its work.

As the community camps are not run for profit the fees are low, from \$5 to \$15 a week. And again there are scholarships for the needy child. The campers may come for a week or for the season.

The private camp is operated by an individual or corporation for profit. It caters to wealthy or well-to-do parents. Children are expected to remain for the entire season. The fees range from \$250 to \$600 for the term.

The purpose of the camp is the all around development of the child with special attention given to personality difficulties. The activities are similar to those in the community camps, usually with golf and horse back riding added to the sports. The equipment, service and instruction has to be of superior quality to attract this type of clientele.

A highly educated staff with professional experience in particular activities, such as dancing, dramatics, art and sport—conducts the program in such a camp. A staff like this with special training in child care knows how to keep the child healthy and happy and sends him home in the fall a better adjusted and more self reliant individual.

The special purpose camp exists to develop the camper in some one particular phase, art, music or religion, under healthful, happy, outdoor conditions. The joys of camping are incidental to education in music, painting, sculpture, etc. Artists of the first rank frequently are connected with these camps as either full or part-time instructors and counsellors. For the child with definitely artistic de-

### NO JUNE ALUMNUS

**S**UBSCRIBERS of The Alumnus are reminded that the next issue of the magazine will be the July issue, featuring the Commencement exercises. There will be no issue during June. Those who subscribe to The Alumnus between May 15 and July 15, will receive this forthcoming July issue, as well as the eight issues to be published during next academic year.

sires such a camp offers an ideal experience. It insures advancement of his special interest coupled with healthful activity and relaxation. The fees vary with the type and quality of instruction given; ranging from \$15 to \$35 a week with extra fees if studying with a famous master.

Camps like people defy rigid classification. The modification and variations of these four types just described are endless. However, there are certain things you may expect your child to get out of any camp. Listed briefly they are as follows:

1. **Health**—out-door exercise, good eating habits, regularity, proper rest.
2. **Skills**—swimming, boating, riding, tennis, land and water sports in general, crafts, arts, music.
3. **Appreciation of Nature**—how to care for one's self and enjoy outdoors.
4. **Character Development**—Cooperation in work and play, independence, right attitude toward work, overcoming fears, respect for rights of others, honesty, loyalty, cheerfulness, sense of responsibility.

No matter how primitive or luxurious the camp, if the leadership is right, your child should develop skills, attitudes, and qualities of character that will be a vital source of strength and of true recreation for him in adult life.

### ANNUAL DINNER OF NEW YORK ALUMNI

The annual dinner of the New York City Alumni Association was held Friday, March 29, at the Hotel Lexington. The entire program was devoted to hearing news of Colby. Following an introductory speech by the President, Dr. Nathaniel Weg, Miss

Helen Cole, '17, secretary of the New York Association, extended greetings to the women. President Johnson then gave a very graphic and interesting account of current affairs at the college. Plenty of time was allowed for reunions and reminiscing. Those present:

Dr. and Mrs. Franklin Johnson; Prof. Elmer Warren; G. Cecil Goddard; Rev. Addison B. Lorimer, '88; Mr. and Mrs. T. Raymond Pierce, '98; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stevens, '89; Mrs. E. D. Truesdell, '98; Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Blackburn, '01; Miss Bertha Soule, '85; George Marsh, '01; Edward Winslow, '04; Everett Gross, '21; Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Gale, '22; Peter Mayers, '16; Dr. James Brennan; James B. Conlon, '19; Harold Lemoine, '32; Lawrence R. Bowler, '13; Stella Greenlaw Thompson, '20; Alice Hanson, '20; Iva Willis, '13; Marian A. Lewis, '18; Helene Buker, '18; Harold Hall, '17; Lucy Allen, '17; H. B. Baldwin, '31; Mrs. H. B. Baldwin; A. L. Murray, P. B. Dexter, '29; John Skinner, '33; D. M. Eastment, '31; John McCoy, '32; M. J. Baldwin; William Pierce, '27; Dr. Mark Shay, '25; Clark Drummond, '21; H. K. Rhinesmith; R. G. Stirling, '31; H. Doane Eaton, '16; D. J. Gallert, '93; C. Pooler, '33; C. Foster, '33; T. L. Taylor, '34; C. Louis; Vesta Alden, '33; R. J. Finch, '33; Louise M. Dyer, '32; Louise C. Smith, '33; Ervena Goodale Smith, '24; Joseph C. Smith, '24; Mr. and Mrs. Alan Mercer, '23; Miriam Hardy, '22; Jay Hoyt Brakewood, '22; Helen Williams Cushman, '23; William F. Cushman, '22; Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Hearon, '25; Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Ryder; Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins, '31; J. A. Halpin, '26; S. D. Ferster, '26; P. Katz, '26; Mr. and Mrs. Cahill, '30; Dr. Mathew Golden, '17; Martin Wiseman, '19; John Leno; Florence Eaton, '18; Helen Cole, '17; Dr. John Frevola, '18; Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Weg, '17; W. S. Tanner, '28; Robert Stewart, '31.

### "THE WHITE-HEADED BOY" IS PRESENTED AT COLBY

A hilarious Irish comedy, "The White-Headed Boy," by Lennox Robinson, was performed by the Colby Dramatic Art Players under the direction of Professor Cecil A. Rollins in the Alumnae Building Little Theater.

John J. Pullen, '35, Amity, played the male lead, while Virginia M. Swallow, '35, New York City, carried off the role of the mother who copes with the complicated situations arising from her large family of children and other relatives. Agnes C. Carlyle, '36, West Roxbury, Mass., and Morris Cohen, '35, Mattapan, Mass., had leading parts, while the supporting cast consisted of Willard H. Dunn, '36, Gardiner; Amy H. Thompson, '37, Waterville; Kathryn E. Caswell, '36, East Orange, N. J.; Helen E. Kelly, '36, Waterville; Ruth A. Millett, '36, Springfield, Vt.; and Avis E. Merritt, '35, Presque Isle.

# AN ADVENTURE IN POLITICS

By Mary Donald Deans

"TO make America the Beautiful Safe for Democracy." Ah! that was a good slogan for my campaign in the summer of 1934. Wasn't that what the voters wanted? Yes, but I was a good school-teacher and I should be satisfied with that. Yes, they had trusted me with their most precious possessions, their children, lo! these many years and they wanted other children to be guided by me into this business of good citizenship. All of which was most gratifying but yet it gave me no opportunity to prove untrue Mr. Pitkin's statement in his "Life Begins at Forty" that "the finest institution for the feeble-minded in this country is the United States Congress."

The school year closed on June 22nd and the campaign lasted until the primaries were over on August 28th. What a lot I learned about the pabulum handed out by candidates and lapped up by the gullible folks who really take their politics seriously in the summer time! Yes, they liked my platform, but wasn't it just a bit too idealistic, particularly the two statements:—

No. 5. Honest, sincere, intelligent leadership for the government inspired by the faith of our forefathers, whereby the Golden Rule will be applied and demonstrated.

No. 6. Persistent and consistent work for world peace.

Did I have any stickers for automobiles? No. Did I have paid workers who sent out literature concerning my activities? No. Who was my manager? Mary Donald Deans. Where were my headquarters? In my own home. These answers were so different from those of my eight opponents that they still cannot understand how I polled the six thousand votes that were cast for me. It was a splendid beginning and I am very proud of the fine work done by my friends and supporters. The fact that I got the majority of Republican votes in my home town, San Pedro, was a testimony of confidence in my ability and for that recognition I am most grateful.

Because of my Scotch ancestry I was able to keep my expenses down to a minimum and when I filed my account with the County Recorder the



statement read \$221.52 expended— (\$100 of that amount is for the filing fee in California).

I was besieged by newspapers of all descriptions, lodge members, reporters and such, besides almost swamped with questionnaires. I filled out every one—I spoke wherever I was asked to speak, before Leagues, Brotherhoods, Co-operatives, etc. The Negroes take their politics seriously and I spoke at several of their meetings in the Watts district.

Did I lose? Not a thing. I gained so much encouragement from the final results. Such loyalty to American ideals when you remember that I am a Republican, a woman and a school teacher! That was just too much all at once for California's Seventeenth Congressional District, especially in August, 1934!

## MARY DONALD DEANS, '10

MARY Donald Deans, one of the best known and best loved of the faculty of San Pedro High School, an outstanding civic leader and student of American and European governments, graduated from Colby, Class of 1910, with an A. B. degree. She has supplemented her college work with continued study and travel. She received her master's degree in history from University of California

where she studied in residence in 1930-31. Her travels have included wanderings in Europe, Alaska, Canada, Panama Canal Zone, and practically all scenic points within the boundaries of the United States. She is planning another trip to Europe this summer.

Daughter of William Barclay Donald and Margaret Stewart McDonald, Mrs. Deans is a native of Quincy, Mass., and very proud of her Scotch parentage, and her New England heritage. Her only brother was Charles Stewart Donald, Coburn 1909, Colby ex-1913. In 1912, in Stuttgart, Ark., where she had been teaching, she married Chris J. Deans of Little Rock, Ark. Their only child, William Donald Deans, is a member of the Class of '37 at Colby.

Mrs. Deans was a candidate for Congress on the Republican ticket in 1934. She made a remarkable record in her campaign although it was a Democratic year. Her activities include work in the Church, Business and Professional Women's Club, Civic Forum, The Business Women's Legislative Council of California, Y. W. C. A., League of Women Voters. In short, Mrs. Deans lends the influence of her personality to every movement for cultural progress.

## THE TEN HIGHEST RANKING WOMEN

The ten highest ranking freshmen women of Colby have been named by Dean of Women Ninetta M. Runnals. An unusual feature of the list is the fact that there were three cases of tie averages. Five of the honor girls come from Maine, three from Massachusetts, one from New Jersey and one from Connecticut.

The list: (1) Edith Barron, Waterville; (2) Mary M. Herd, Madison; (3) Ethel L. Bradstreet, Danvers, Mass.; (4) Catherine A. Deeny, Liberty Corner, N. J.; (5) and (6), tie between Marie Tibbetts, Rangeley, and Mary R. Hains, Waterville; (7) and (8), tie between Alice M. Manley, Newton Center, Mass., and Virginia K. Wing, Livermore Falls; (9) and (10), tie between Martha R. Besom, Marblehead, Mass., and Dorothy B. Trainor, Waterbury, Conn.

# THE ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN

By ALICE NYE FITE, '97

THE American Association of University Women is an organization which was formed, as its charter reads, "for the purpose of uniting the alumnae of different institutions for practical educational work, for the collection and publication of statistical and other information concerning education, and in general for the maintenance of high standards of education."

This broad general purpose continues to be the basis of its existence, adapted from time to time to the needs of the day, as will be seen from its action at its last biennial convention when it adopted resolutions encouraging branches to "concentrate their efforts on keeping up educational standards in their respective communities in the present emergency; on supporting the superintendents of schools and presidents of state and city institutions of higher education in their efforts to hold important educational projects; in taking active part in supporting educational programs presented to state legislatures; in defending the prerogatives of qualified educational leadership to distribute the necessary reductions with due consideration for relative educational values;" and when it urged state divisions and local branches "to be alert to conserve in every feasible manner the new agents of radio and television for the purpose of education and culture, and to protect them and the public from undesirable development and exploitation."

## A Dynamic Working Body

To have an organization with a definite purpose like this, and with a more or less homogeneous membership of women with four years of collegiate training, recruited from those who feel an obligation to the cause of education because of their own privileges, is to have a working body that is dynamic. Starting in 1882 with a membership of sixty-five, it has grown to be an organization of approximately forty thousand with branches in every state of the Union, branches which generally prove themselves to be among the live factors in the community.

There is an international aspect of the work of the Association that is of



ALICE NYE FITE, '97

MEMBER of class of 1897 at Colby. Phi Beta Kappa. Taught Latin and Greek at Ricker Classical Institute and Mount Hermon School. In 1904 married Emerson David Fite, Yale, A. B., Harvard Ph. D., Assistant Professor at Yale, now head of Political Science Department at Vassar, also member of New York State Legislature, author of various books, including a United States History Text book for High schools, "A Book of Old Maps," "Social and Industrial Conditions in the North during the Civil War," "Government by Cooperation." Two daughters: Katherine, graduate of Vassar, and of Yale Law School, admitted to New York Bar, for two years research assistant to John Basset Moore, now member of legal staff of Mexican Mixed Claims Commission, Washington, D. C.; Marcia, graduate of Vassar, now in second year, Yale Medical School. Mrs. Fite is interested in social and civic work, also in gardening, is now President of Poughkeepsie Garden Club. Her main activity is the Association of University Women. She is now President of the New York State Division of the Association.

importance in these days when any step toward better understanding between nations is to be encouraged, for the American Association of University Women is a part of the International Federation of University Women, the object of which is the promotion of friendship and cooperation and the development of common interests among its members. There are branches of the Federation in thirty-eight countries of the world, each having the same basis of membership, the approved university degree. In the triennial meetings held in various countries of the world points of view are acquired from one another that are of value to all; the Federation is in touch with various international bodies concerned with education such as the Committee on Intellectual Cooperation of the League of Nations and others; exchange of teachers, both college and secondary, is effected; committees drawn from different nationalities study together world educational conditions, school methods, university organizations, comparative value of academic degrees, position of women students, etc.; and friendly welcome is extended to visiting members from other nations, Reid Hall in Paris, Crosby Hall in London, the A. A. U. W. Clubhouse in Washington, formerly the home of the Russian Embassy, and headquarters in other cities of the world being pleasant centers of hospitality for university women passing from one country to another.

## For International Fellowships

From its earliest days money has been raised by the Association for international fellowships and this constitutes a major effort in many of the branches. The Association now awards twelve fellowships annually, ranging in value from \$1000 to \$2000 and is seeking to raise money for twenty-five more. The opportunity for women graduates of marked ability to study in the countries where the best facilities for their research are offered, are even more scarce than for men, and it is for university women to do what they can to make provision for these scholars to continue their valuable work.

In addition to its membership in the International Federation and its work for fellowships, the A. A. U. W.

shows its predominant interest in international relations by its maintenance on its central staff of a research scholar whose work is the making of programs of study along these lines for use in the branches and the promotion of such study groups. Approximately two hundred and fifty groups in the different branches are engaged in such study.

In the national educational life the Association has become a recognized factor. Recently the following statement of a prominent educator was reported in the newspapers: "During the recent depression," he said, "the administration in Washington has heard the voice of labor, both individually through the various trade unions and collectively through the American Federation of Labor: it has heard the voice of the American Legion, the American business man and a host of other organized interests, but it has not heard the collective voice of that most intelligent of our constituency, the college man and the college woman." This collective voice of the college woman the A. A. U. W. has to a certain extent furnished. Representatives of the organization have been invited to cooperate with educational bodies and with various agencies of the United States Government. National legislation concerning matters of education calls for just such organized support as the Dean above quoted mentions, and this the Association cooperates in giving.

From the first, the organization has worked for the maintenance of proper standards in the college admitting women. To its own membership are admitted only graduates from those institutions which have fulfilled certain requirements of high academic standards and of due regard for the principle of equity in the recognition of women. Out of the 650 institutions of higher learning in the country open to women only 247 have thus qualified. Colby, it is gratifying to know, is one of this number.

An educational research program, a secondary and collegiate information service, and an excellent journal devoted to the ideas of the Association are among its activities. It is probably in the field of adult education that it has rendered its most distinguished service. In a Carnegie Corporation Report on Alumni and Adult Education prepared by Wilfrid Shaw, the American Association of

University Women is referred to as the pioneer in adult education. and its materials are referred to as the prototype of much that is to come in that field. Outlines for study, pamphlets, bibliographies and material of various sorts are prepared for study groups, of which there are hundreds every year in the branches throughout the country, usually inviting to participation not only members of the branches but all those interested in the course of study to be pursued. There is opportunity for popular courses, and also for work on a graduate plane, such as those who have been trained to disciplined thinking and creative intellectual activity should be ready to carry on. Study groups of the latter type often meet the need of the eager young graduate who misses the organized study that she has been engaged in, and stimulate the older graduate who has sometimes lost some of that zest for further pursuit of knowledge. At present the Association is making a study of the economic status of women in the present crisis, seeking through questionnaires returned by the different branches to gather primary material on that subject. The trained staff at National Headquarters is always available for advice and assistance in organizing these studies.

#### The State Division

Communal activity is an essential feature of the Association's program. Endowments of educational institutions, the graduates, will be of commensurate value to their communities, and interest in the extension of educational facilities for others as well as for one's self is a practical discharge of that obligation. Branches have started nursery schools, others have held toy exhibits with educational emphasis on the suitability of toys for different ages, rural school surveys have been made, creative art encouraged in various ways, forums for general discussion established. There is rare opportunity for cooperation with other organizations, without regard to the question of what organization gets credit, that might in itself be a demonstration of great value.

Between the national and the branch organization, stands the state division. This does not exist simply for the purpose of carrying out a logical chain of organization. In those over-systematized days no wheels or cogs should be permitted that are not

essential. There are however certain things that can be accomplished by this smaller unit that would not be so effectively done without it.

In the first place the presence of an organization within the state gives opportunity for branches with similar conditions and problems to get together in conference without the expense of travelling long distances, for discussion and mutual stimulus. At a coming meeting of the New York State Division, for example, it is planned to devote a half-day to discussion of "Program-making for an A. A. U. W. Branch," conducted by a member of the State Department of Education, after a list of suggestive questions has been sent out to the branches for their consideration in preparation for the Conference; state officers and chairmen will present what they believe are opportunities for united action in the state, and individual branches will report interesting activities.

Then too state Divisions can often reach out and form new branches where the National Organization is too remote to know of possibilities, and local branches are not sufficiently experienced in extension work. In the state of New York, to use that again as an example, with 100,000 potential members, and branches ranging from the cosmopolitan branch of New York City to a branch in the Adirondacks where members sometimes travel seventy-five miles to a meeting there is great opportunity for expansion.

Naturally most legislation concerning education is a state matter and there is opportunity for a united stand for improvement of educational programs in the state. With these programs constantly being reconstructed to meet emergencies and changing ideas, a body of college graduates, if alert, can do much toward helping to formulate public opinion.

And finally in the local branch, which is in the last analysis the essential organism, there is opportunity to work with others of similar training, for the broad national and international aims of the Association; to combine with other branches in efforts for the educational welfare of the state; and to study and to work together with other university women for the highest personal and community standards of education.

# FRENCH HONOR FOR COLBY '33 ALUMNA

Exchange Student From the College Making the Most of Her Two Years Abroad

By J. DORSA RATTENBURY, '32

**S**TUDYING in Paris and in the provinces, spending spare time on the Riviera and in Switzerland, Evelyn Rose Stapleton, '33, Colby exchange student, has been making the most of two years abroad. During her first year in France, Miss Stapleton went to l'Ecole Supérieure at Sevres, a short distance from Paris. There she made such a good impression upon her instructors, Sorbonne professors, that one of them made it possible for her to teach English at Bourg in a school for girls preparing to be "institutrices" or governesses. This is an honor rarely accorded an American student. Enthusiastic though she is, Evelyn occasionally admits twinges of homesickness for Colby in letters written to her friends, Professor and Mrs. E. C. Warren, excerpts of which are quoted here.

Her year in Paris went by quickly. On Thursday and Sunday holidays, she took every opportunity to see museums, go to operas, concerts, ballets and plays—from the masterpieces of Corneille, Rostand and Dostoevsky at the Comedie Francaise to Les Folies Bergeres.

In contrast to her hours of freedom in the city, were the restrictions of her school. "Foss Hall regulations seem like an extreme expression of liberalism now!" she writes, wistfully. "The rules here are really quite impossible when one thinks that the girls are from nineteen to twenty-three years old. We are not allowed to step outside the premises except between 12.30 and 2.00 P. M.—when everyone rushes out for a midday walk. It's like a permanent 'Campus' penalty. We don't have to get up so very early, for breakfast is at 7.30 A. M. But the only thing to which I cannot adjust myself is the lights going out at 10.15. They just go out—and there I am left, sitting in the darkness with my mind just beginning to function."

## Attitude of French Student

Just as the rules differ from the more lenient American regulations, so the attitude of the French student toward her studies differs. At first, Evelyn found it difficult to become



EVELYN R. STAPLETON, '33

used to the new routine: "Each course is one hour and a half long, and, some days, when I have a class from 5.30 to 7.00 P. M., I vainly struggle to pay attention. I just can't do it! You cannot realize the contrast of the spirit here with that of American collegiatism! It's like being in classes with only the most formidable kind of 'Phi Betes.' If a professor talks an hour overtime, no one notices or minds. If he talks under time, they accuse him of being 'lazy.' Cuts just don't exist. Of course, there's always a strong current of competition in the air. The fifty girls who are selected each year are chosen by means of hard exams from all over France.

"The board, room, tuition, etc., are all free at the State's expense and, in return, the girls agree to teach for ten years. They literally work themselves sick, and they almost never get any recreation. I'm glad I was educated in America!"

Slightly depressed at first by the drabness of her room—which wasn't so bare when the Colby banner was tacked to the wall—with its window-view of the Eiffel Tower, Evelyn refused to be dismayed by those famed French inconveniences which can become so distressing if one lets them, and found, instead, that they made the atmosphere the more engaging. "Breakfast consists of a bowl full of

French coffee and a miniature loaf of French bread—with butter," she writes. "It's the one time we are served butter during the day—." Amused, she continues, "We really are considered to have luxury. For we can go down in the cellar (where the Sevriennes took refuge during the World War when Paris was bomb-threatened) and take baths five times a week. Of course, there's always a woman there to collect a little tip, but five sous is the allotted sum. She always beams on me for I'm her best customer."

## Trips Through The Country.

For diversion, Evelyn took trips through the country. "Now I can say that I've not only enjoyed 'apple-blossom time in Normandy,' but have also seen the 'roses blooming in Picardy,'" she wrote of one little excursion. Her only regret of a trip to Avignon was that she did not "dance on the bridge." Avignon was not the only well known spot which she touched on that little jaunt. "Arles was fascinating, too. And, for the first time, I realized that Latin hasn't always been a dead language." She described the Chateau d'Iff of Monte Cristo fame as "a stone prison-fortress on a rocky island off the coast of Marseille. I have longed to see that prison. And I shall never forget how it looked when I was returning by boat as it was silhouetted on the rocky cliff, against the fiery sunset which made the waves, breaking against the rocks, look like flames leaping around the base."

Fraught with fear of arrest was her trip to Malmaison, chateau of Napoleon's divorced wife Josephine, for, to quench their thirst, Evelyn and the two girls accompanying her gathered gooseberries by the side of the road. "Immediately two burly Frenchmen sprang out of the background and told us they were going to escort us to the police station. We had a terrible time with them, for they accused us of stealing and of all sorts of other things which didn't come within my limited vocabulary. It was really very funny, but not at that moment. Finally, we asked what



they wanted and they replied, 'Justice!' We discovered that their idea of 'justice' was twenty francs. We should have gone to the court house if we had not been Sevriennes, but we didn't want the Directrice to get upset about it . . ."

While walking to the Ville d'Avray, "to see the beautiful pools which Corot made famous by his paintings—we found that Corot had omitted something from his pictures—the presence of mosquitoes. They were most plentiful and most active."

#### "My Frenchified English"

Last Christmas Evelyn spent with Peg Salmond, '34, who was much amused by "my frenchified English." Together they explored Bourg, famed for "an exquisitely lovely church, and poultry." Into the chateau they went where Gambetta and Hugo had visited and where Zola wrote a book; then off to visit some French friends for Christmas Day. "Family life in France is so self-sufficient. I love it. No radio. No movies!" Both girls hated to leave the family which had been so good to them, the family which had sung Christmas hymns in English so that they would feel more at home, and had cooked their Christmas dinner in the American way, even to the extent of serving vegetables with meat, and apple-sauce, too.

But leave they did, for vacations come infrequently and they wanted to see as much as they could while they had the chance. Adventures they had aplenty: a marquis appropriated their suitcases with all their worldly goods and money inside; Peg reclined in Byron's prison bed at Montreaux. Best of all, however, was Lausanne, for—"When we were down by the lake," writes Evelyn, "looking out across the blue water to the towering snow-capped Alpine peaks, Peg sighed a long, blissful and ecstatic sigh and said: 'Oh Evelyn, it's almost as nice—not quite—but it's almost as nice as China Lake!'"

#### PIERCE PRESIDENT OF THE COLBY Y. M. C. A.

Malcolm M. Pierce, '37, West Lebanon, N. H., was elected president of the Colby Y. M. C. A., at the annual election. Other officers: vice president, John P. Dolan, '36, Portland; secretary, Howard O. Sweet, '36, Strong; treasurer, Leon B. Palmer, '36, Dover-Foxcroft.

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

By Cecil A. Rollins, '17

DEAN Ernest C. Marriner broke into the headlines of the local paper by a vigorous speech on the fraternity situation, delivered at the Friday Men's Assembly, April 12.

"We must not deceive ourselves by living in a fool's paradise that all is well with our fraternities," he began. Speaking of the high costs and the common indifference to fraternities found on every campus, the dean mentioned several matters calling for reform or solution. In particular he said: Our houses must cease to be unsanitary, ill-kept Little Scorpion Clubs, and become fitting homes of decent human beings who are already men. The college man . . . must not be forced to seek a private room in order to secure reasonably quiet conditions of study. We must adopt some sane, sensible system of deferred pledging which will stop the nonsense of rushing men into hasty, ill-considered pledges that are too often later regretted on both sides.

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At a meeting of the Faculty Club, held at the Physics Building, Dr. William T. Bovie told of the experiments and researches that he is making at Colby, in the field of Bio-Physics. It is a compliment to the college that Dr. Bovie transferred his work from Bar Harbor to the physical laboratories here. He has served on the staff at Harvard and at other universities. After the formal meeting, the Department of Physics played the genial host with light refreshments.

Even in this Democratic epoch, there is still a strong Colby (and Republican) flavor to the political scene in Waterville; and members of the faculty and their wives have much to do with it. Professor Chester, after serving for many years in the city government as councilman and alderman from Ward 4 (the professorial ward, be it remembered), has retired to the academic shades. But Dean Marriner retains his seat on the School Board from that same ward; and Cecil Goddard carries on the Colby line as member of the City Council. Dr. H. C. Libby continues Board. Many more of the faculty, as a member of the City Planning and several "faculty wives" (respec-

tively) are continuing members of their ward committees. Three professors, counting Miss Dunn as still in spirit true to her old associations, are directors on the Board of the Waterville Public Library.

Professor Galen Eustis, this spring, was honored by being mentioned for the Chairmanship of the Republican City Committee. Because it was voted to choose the chairman from the membership of the old City Committee, he was not selected, however. Professor Eustis has been rendering a valuable service to the college in the last hard years in reorganizing the accounting and financial policies of several of the fraternities.

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Dr. Libby is now in the throes of the epidemic of public speaking contests. With the Coburns, the Goodwins, the Sophomore Declamation, the Levine Prize Speaking, the Montgomerys (formerly the Lyfords), and such odds-and-ends as the Commencement Speaking and the Freshman Speaking, he is doubtless kept moderately busy. But he still finds time to lead (in his capacity as a director of the Lockwood Company) a protest against the textile policy of the National Administration, and to prepare (as head of the Eastern Music Camp) for the summer's program.

Professor Euclid Helie, of the Department of Modern Languages, spoke recently to the Fellowship Forum on The Old and New in Education. He used as his textbook and example some of the passages from The Clouds, by Aristophanes, that lively Greek comedy which shows Socrates in conflict with older ideas in philosophy and education and deflates the whole matter somewhat maliciously.

Dr. Sharon L. Finch, of the Department of Classics, also spoke to the Forum on April 17 of The Historical Jesus.

On April 19, members of the Colby English Department motored to the University of Maine for the Annual Meeting of the English Departments of the four colleges in the state. The practice of departmental "get-togethers" began for the English faculties in 1929, at Colby's sugges-

tion, and has continued ever since. A program of topics is prepared from questionnaires sent out by the host college, and usually is treated by a general discussion. All participating have profited by the rubbing of mind on mind and the mutual friendliness. For this conference, the morning session was devoted to three discussions led by Professor Berkman of Bates—"Practical Tricks of Our Trade;" by Professor Weber—"When a New Planet Swims"—(a brief report on testing the students' ability to think for themselves); and by Professor Robert P. Tristram Coffin of Bowdoin—"Honors Work in English" The afternoon session was a general discussion of set topics.

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Those who see Dean Marriner in the next few weeks, will probably have to take to the air in a swift plane. For his schedule notes visits to schools and cities in all parts of Maine, from Houlton to Portland, and all way stations; visits to Alumni groups in Boston, Caribou, Houlton; meetings at the Springfield City Club, at Boston, at Middlebury College; and the Deans' Conference at Brown University.

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An interesting conference, held recently in Waterville, was organized by the Colby "Y"—the Pre-School Conference of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Student and faculty representatives from three of the Maine colleges were present. Fifteen or sixteen schools of the Kennebec valley sent undergraduates to the discussion on going to college and adjustment in the difficult transition from school to college. Principal Purinton of Maine Central Institute and Dean Marriner engaged in a "panel" discussion of these problems, as one item on the program.

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Professor Perkins, of the Department of Geology, has prepared a complete bibliography of the writings of the late Professor Wilbur G. Foye, graduate of Colby and beloved teacher at Wesleyan University. The obituary notice, also written by Dr. Perkins, appeared in the April issue of The Alumnus. This bibliography was prepared for the Geological Society of America.

Dean Marriner has a letter in the March 30 issue of School and Society, telling of the faculty-adviser system

used for the undergraduate publications at Colby. Advice, financial supervision extending to auditing the accounts and even signing all vouchers and contracts, and friendly conference have turned these enterprises from college scandals (as they sometimes were) into assured successes. Colby apparently developed the system long before most colleges ever knew there was a problem to be solved.

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President Johnson, on April 20, attended the Conference on Athletics of New England College Presidents, held at Springfield, Mass. On May 13, he spoke at the meeting in Augusta of Rotarians, on the Rotarian Magazine.

The president also attended the "get-together" of Maine College Presidents, at Lewiston, on May 11.

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The illness of Professor Everett Strong has kept him from college for some weeks. At present, April 17, he has been able to return from the hospital to his home, and is on the road to recovery. During his absence, Mrs. Wallace M. Kelley, wife of Mr. Kelley of the Chemistry Department, has been his substitute in teaching French. A versatile family evidently—the Kelleys.

#### "FREEDOM OF THE PRESS" CONVOCATION MAY 18

HOWARD Davis, New York City, president of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, and Col. Robert R. McCormick, Chicago, an officer in the same organization, will deliver addresses on "Freedom of the Press" at the Colby exercises commemorating Elijah Parish Lovejoy, anti-slavery editor and martyr, on May 18.

The program, as announced by President Franklin W. Johnson, will consist of a special convocation of the college on Saturday forenoon at which two addresses will be given and honorary degrees conferred upon outstanding journalists.

The visiting newspaper publishers and editors will be the guests of the College at luncheon, after which there will be opportunity for speeches by prominent guests. Bainbridge Colby, a trustee of the college, will be the toastmaster.

It is also hoped that there can be

appropriate exercises around the Lovejoy, Boulder on the campus which memorializes this editor who died for the cause of a free press nearly a century ago in Alton, Ill.

Mr. Davis is business manager of the New York Herald-Tribune and, as head of the publishers' organization, was prominent in the controversy with the N. R. A. authorities regarding the Freedom of the Press clause in the Daily Newspaper Code. He is also chairman of the Publishers' National Code Committee.

Col. McCormick is editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune and has been chairman of the committee on the Freedom of the Press of the Newspaper Publishers' Association. He is a Yale graduate and served in France during the World War, winning the Distinguished Service Medal and rising to the rank of Colonel in the Field Artillery. He is author of a historical biography, "Ulysses S. Grant, the Great American Soldier," which was published last summer.

The special convocation was authorized by the Board of Trustees at its regular spring meeting. "There is a critical need today for reaffirming the American principle of free speech and a free press," said President Johnson, in explaining the reasons for this Special Convocation. "In looking over the world's horizons, we can observe a disturbing trend towards absolutism as a form of government. The Fascists, Nazis, Communists and demagogues of all brands can obtain their power and maintain their thrones only by a complete subjection of the newspapers in their countries. While we may not as yet feel any serious threat in this country, there are many who believe that now is the time to emphasize the ideals of a free press as our best insurance against dictatorship. Colby College, which nurtured Elijah Parish Lovejoy, America's martyr to this cause, seems to be an eminently fitting place for such a convocation."

The Convocation will be held in the First Baptist Church at 11 A. M., daylight saving time, and will be open to students, alumni and the general public. Arrangements are pending for a nation-wide broadcast of one or more of the speeches. Hon. Bainbridge Colby is chairman of the trustee committee, while Prof. Herbert C. Libby is in charge of the arrangements.



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

By G. Cecil Goddard

THE President's Reception will be the first event of the Commencement week-end program. It will be held in the Alumnæ Building at 8 P. M., June 14th, and dress will be optional. The following morning will be devoted to the Alumni Council Meetings and the Senior Class Day Exercises, with the Alumni Luncheon at 11.30, a baseball game in the afternoon, and class reunions in the evening. In addition to the Baccalaureate Service, Boardman Sermon and the fraternity and sorority reunions on Sunday, June 16th, there will be an added feature this year. President and Mrs. Johnson will hold open house from 3 to 6 P. M. Alumni and friends of the College are cordially invited. Monday, the Commencement Exercises will be held, and the Commencement Dinner at noon.

The attendance at Commencement during the past few years has been on the increase. There are still many who do not register at the Commencement Office. There is no cost for registration. It is a service provided so that others can find their friends. Please register and ask your friends to do so, as soon as you arrive on the campus.

The Commencement Committee urges every graduate and former student to return the business reply cards that accompany the Commencement program. Please do so. By returning the cards you can facilitate the making of arrangements and assist in keeping the address file of the College up to date.

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A comparison of the 1935 Alumni Fund with the 1934 Fund:

For the first two weeks of the Fund:

	1933-34	1934-35
Amount contributed,	\$537.09	\$669.50
Number of contributors,	76	89

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Alumni meetings this spring have been well attended. Meetings have been held in Waterville, Boston, Portland, Hartford, Providence, Philadelphia, New York, Washington, and Waterbury; and in the State of Maine there have been meetings in Strong, Damariscotta, Presque Isle, Houlton, and Bar Harbor. The fine turnout

at each and all of these meetings is an indication of a growing interest on the part of Colby alumni in the College.

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At all of the alumni meetings I have suggested the possibility of an alumni college at Colby. The matter of adult education deserves the serious consideration of alumni and of the college administration. Adult education is growing and will continue to grow. Our College is educating alumni and there are hundreds of alumni who would welcome an opportunity to return to the campus for a purpose and to find out how the College is changing. The picture of an alumni college at Colby could be something like this: It would begin on the evening Commencement ended and last through the rest of the week, thereby permitting alumni to return for Commencement, receive mental stimulation again at their College, and not crowd the usual two-week vacation period of business and professional men and women. In addition to lectures in the evening and morning, the recreational attractions of Waterville and vicinity would appeal to many. I see no difficulty about an arrangement with Lakewood, one of New England's summer theatres located in Skowhegan, and the Eastern Maine Music Camp, located in Sidney, so alumni could have the privilege of attending the plays and concerts. Golf, horseback riding, swimming, etc., could all be had within a few minutes' ride from the campus. Alumni could be housed at the college dormitories, and if the college cafeteria is established on the campus the life of alumni and alumnæ who returned for the Alumni College would center on campus and in the College. Adult education should be a project of every college, and it is hard to justify its development outside the College.

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**Twenty-five years ago:** The second annual banquet of the Aroostook County Colby Alumni was held in Houlton. Twenty-six men attended.

The 16th annual meet of the Maine Intercollegiate Track Associa-

tion, held in Lewiston, was won by Bowdoin, with 49 points; Bates, 37; Maine, 28; Colby, 12.

## NAUGATUCK VALLEY COLBY CLUB FORMED

Due to the visit to Waterbury, Conn., of President Johnson and the Alumni Secretary, G. Cecil Goddard, the Naugatuck Valley Colby Club was formed in Waterbury, March 28.

Forty-eight alumnæ, alumni and friends of the college were present at a dinner at the Waterbury Club. President Johnson and Mr. Goddard both gave vivid and encouraging word-pictures of Colby today, her obligations and aspirations.

In a brief business meeting the following officers were elected: president, Dr. John H. Foster; vice president, Miss Dorothy M. Crawford; secretary-treasurer, Arthur D. Craig; representatives to the Colby Alumnæ and Alumni Councils. Mrs. John H. Foster and Clayton Johnson; student aid committee, Mrs. E. E. Eisenwinter and J. Robert Curtis. The executive committee will also be members of the student aid committee.

The following alumnæ and alumni were present: Elizabeth Carey, '21, New Haven; Ray C. Young, '15, New Britain; Pauline Hanson, '13, New Haven; Merle Hunt, '15, Darien; Marian H. Hunt, '18, Darien; Mrs. Grace B. Eisenwinter, '02, Watertown; and from Waterbury: Harrison S. Allen, '98; Francis Altieri, '33; Eleanor Bailey, '22; A. D. Craig, '16; Dorothy M. Crawford, '22; J. Robert Curtis, '33; Mrs. Jennie R. Dixon, '12; Dr. J. H. Foster, '13; Mrs. John H. Foster, '14; Aubrey Greenlaw, '20; Mrs. Elsie G. Pierson, '12; Clayton Johnson, '25; Leonora A. Knight, '17; Irving Malsch, '31; Arthur M. Thomas, '80.

In addition to the two speakers of the evening, the principals of the three local high schools were invited as guests. Three undergraduates, Dorothy Trainer, Sigrid Tompkins, and Mr. Beerbaum, who were in Waterbury for the spring vacation, were present, as well as several prospective students.

**One Hundred Fourteenth  
COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM  
June 14-June 17, 1935**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 14**

- 10:30 A.M. ANNUAL MEETING, BOARD OF TRUSTEES.  
3:30 P.M. THE COLLEGE PLAY.  
6:00 P.M. BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND ALUMNI COUNCIL DINNER.  
6:00 P.M. WOMEN CLASS AGENTS AND ALUMNAE COUNCIL DINNER.  
8:00 P.M. THE PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION.  
9:00 P.M. THE COMMENCEMENT DANCE.

**SATURDAY, JUNE 15**

- 8:00 A.M. PHI BETA KAPPA BREAKFAST.  
8:00 A.M. CLASS AGENTS' BREAKFAST.  
9:30 A.M. ALUMNAE COUNCIL MEETING.  
9:30 A.M. ANNUAL MEETING, ALUMNI COUNCIL.  
10:00 A.M. SENIOR CLASS DAY EXERCISES. Address, Professor Leslie F. Murch, '15, Dartmouth College.  
10:45 A.M. ANNUAL MEETING, ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION.  
11:30 A.M. ALUMNI LUNCHEON.  
12:00 M. ALUMNAE LUNCHEON.  
1:30 P.M. BASEBALL GAME.  
3:30 P.M. THE COLLEGE PLAY.  
6:00 P.M. CLASS REUNIONS at various designated places. Reunioning classes are the five year classes from 1870-1930.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 16**

- 10:30 A.M. ACADEMIC PROCESSION.  
10:30 A.M. BACCALAUREATE SERVICE. Sermon by Dean Vaughan Dabney, Andover Newton Theological School, Newton Centre, Mass.  
3:00 P.M. PRESIDENT AND MRS. JOHNSON AT HOME.  
7:30 P.M. THE BOARDMAN SERMON.  
9:00 P.M. FRATERNITY AND SORORITY REUNIONS.

**MONDAY, JUNE 17**

- 9:00 A.M. ACADEMIC PROCESSION.  
9:30 A.M. COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES. Commencement Address, Dr. Clarence C. Little, Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory, Bar Harbor, Maine.  
12.00 M. THE COMMENCEMENT DINNER.

## STRICKEN FROM COLBY'S ALUMNI ROLL

### GEORGE H. GOULD, '82

**G**EORGE Howard Gould, who entered Colby in the class of 1882 but who did not graduate, passed away at his home in George's Mills, N. H., Feb. 20, 1935. He was born in Baring, Maine, May 26, 1853, his father, Rev. Asa H. Gould, being a Baptist clergyman. His sister, Orissa, was a medical missionary in India.

Mr. Gould was graduated from the New London Literary and Scientific Institute, now the Colby Junior College for Girls, in 1878, entering Colby in the fall of that year.

For most of his life he was a school teacher, his teaching experience covering a period of fifty-three years, during which time he taught in many towns in Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and New Jersey. He served several times on the Sunapee, N. H., school board and was active in civic and church affairs. In 1895 he built the "Outlook," a small hotel overlooking Lake Sunapee, to which he devoted his attention during the summer months.

He is survived by his widow, (who was Emma Jane Davis of Springfield, N. H., whom he married in 1881), and by four children and four grandchildren. His son, James R. Gould, is assistant manager of the Prince George Hotel in New York.

### HOYT N. McCaULEY, '06

**H**OYT N. McCauley died March 12, at Quincy, Mass., after an illness of two years although continuing his business. About three weeks before he underwent an operation. Since that time he gradually failed until death came. He was born in Hancock, Me., and had been in business in Quincy for a quarter of a century as a decorator, having handled the interior work as well as house painting on numerous of the best homes in Quincy. During that 25 years he built up a substantial friendship. He was a member of Manet lodge of Masons; Taleb Grotto and Quincy Lodge, N. E. O. P. Mr. McCauley was active in Bethany Congregational Church affairs, was a scout executive, teacher in the Sunday school, member of the executive committee and served on many spec-

ial committees. His wife and two young daughters, Irene and Marion, survive, and a sister, Mrs. H. P. Donohue, the only living relative of his family. The funeral was held at Bethany Congregational church, and burial was in Riverbank cemetery, Hancock, Me.—Quincy, Mass., Patriot-Ledger.

### CHARLES H. JENNINGS, '83

**T**HE funeral of Charles Herbert Jennings, seventy-three, who died March 12 at his home, 73 Mountfort street, Boston, was held at the Second Church in Boston (Unitarian). Rev. Dubois Lefevre, pastor of the church, officiated and the body was taken to Bangor, Me., for burial.

Born in Bangor, Mr. Jennings had been for many years in the real estate and mortgage business in Greater Boston. After his graduation from Harvard in 1884 he entered the employ of I. S. Johnson & Co. Later he joined the Bradstreet Mercantile Company, where he remained until he set up his own business.

His only survivor is his widow, Mrs. Grace (Dodge) Jennings.

### CHARLES L. SNOW, '97

**T**HE death of Charles Lafayette Snow, '97, occurred at his home at Smith's Cove, Digby County, Nova Scotia, Feb. 4. Mr. Snow's health had been gradually failing for several years, and he had for some months been confined to his bed, so that his death was not unexpected.

Mr. Snow was born at Smith's Cove, July 5, 1868, the son of the late Lafayette Snow and Jennie (Hardy) Snow. He is survived by two brothers, W. B. Snow, and Oscar E. Snow, five nephews and five nieces.

While a boy he moved with his mother and younger brother to Lynn, Mass. He at once found employment and carried on his studies at evening school. During this period he came under the influence of that great evangelist, Dwight L. Moody, and thenceforth dedicated his life to Christian service. At the age of nineteen he entered the Moody School at Northfield, Mass., graduating four years later as president of his class. While there he was one of a band of students who on Sundays went out

into the country districts and held gospel services in the school houses.

An opportunity opening for him to take a college course, he entered Colby with the class of '97, receiving his A. B. degree. He then entered Newton Theological Seminary and graduated three years later. He was ordained at Willington, Conn., June 14, 1900, and served four years as pastor of the Willington Church. Then followed pastorates at Norwich, Conn., West Medway, Mass., Hopkinton, N. H., and three years as pastor at large in New Hampshire.

His next service was as a worker under the Military Y. M. C. A., during which time he made three trips to and from France with troops on transports and also served with the troops at Hoboken, N. J.

After his discharge from this war service he visited his boyhood home in Nova Scotia. The Provincial Executive of the Sons of Temperance, knowing him to be a strong Temperance Advocate, secured his services as Organizer and Lecturer for the Grand Division of Nova Scotia, spending two years of very successful service in this work. But his health began to break and he was forced to resign. After a year of rest and treatment he returned to work in the capacity of Home Mission Pastor with the Tancook group of churches comprising preaching stations on three islands. Often-times when doctors could not reach the islands from the main land, he would take his place beside the sick bed and work as faithfully as any doctor and in many cases being instrumental in restoring health to the sick.

Under this strenuous work his health again forced him to seek hospital treatment and rest from nervous strain, and at the same time he took lessons in care of hospital patients so that he might be better fitted for rendering aid to the sick as a part of his future ministry. After this period of rest he again entered the Home Mission Field, but he was able to carry on for only a few months as his strength again failed him.

Upon his retirement he purchased a home in Smith's Cove and undertook the care of an aged relative. Shortly after this old gentleman's

death, he himself suffered a light stroke of paralysis which left him permanently lame. Even then he did not entirely give up, but responded to a call for volunteers to aid the struggling little Bible School being established at Kingston, N. S. This call appealed to him as the work was along the line of the Moody School in preparing young men for Christian service.

He was a lover of children and was never more happy than when he would gather the little ones of the home where he happened to be stopping about him and tell them stories.

At the memorial service his Pastor, Rev. W. H. Turner, speaking from the words, "Well done good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord," spoke first of his faithfulness as a young man in dedicating the talents God had given him to God's service, and went on with these words: "Then he was faithful in obtaining a full rounded education so as to be well equipped for the work that God had called him to do. Then, he was faithful as a citizen in making his influence to be felt for all that was best for the community. He was faithful to his Country in giving his services with the troops during the Great War. He was faithful in his support of both Home and Foreign Missions. Then he was faithful as a church member and a Deacon during the days of his retirement. His life, as a man, as a citizen, as a church member, as a Deacon, and as a Christian Minister, won the love and respect of all with whom he came in contact. His passing is a great loss."

His body was laid at rest in the family lot beside his father and mother, the latter having been the head of his home during all of his pastorates.

Percy F. Williams, '97.

#### JOINT DINNER OF THE WATERVILLE GRADUATES

A joint dinner of the Colby Alumni and Alumnæ of Waterville was held March 26. Nathaniel Tompkins, '03, Speaker of the Maine House of Representatives, and Miss Rose Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, of Hallowell, were the outside speakers. President Johnson spoke on the state of the college and Alumni Secretary Goddard told about the alumni work being carried on. Ellsworth W. Millett, '25, president of the Waterville group, presided.

## CLASS NOTES

Edited By Joseph Coburn Smith, '24

### 1877

Correspondent:

Louise H. Coburn. Skowhegan, Me.

From a letter from Charles Francis Meserve: "It may interest you to learn that I have recently completed a History of Shaw University, 1865-1930, for the A. B. W. U. S."

### 1882

Correspondent:

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

George A. Andrews writes from his home in Minneapolis that he has come through the winter in fine shape, having had plenty of exercise shovelling snow. That ought to make our California members envious.

George sent me some interesting letters which he had received from Judge Benjamin F. Wright ("Ben" Wright of '83) which led to my having an exchange of letters with "Ben." The March Alumnus gave an account of the celebration for Judge Wright's quarter century on the bench.

Robie G. Frye entered the Customs Service in Boston on March 28, 1885. Although he has been retired for nearly three years his former associates celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of that event by giving him a dinner.

Mrs. William C. Crawford (Mabel Spooner) passed away on March 27, 1935. She had been in poor health for some time. Mrs. Crawford was well known to many people in Waterville and in the college. Their summer home being nearby on Lake Messalonskee, Mr. and Mrs. Crawford almost always attended Commencements.

Mrs. Crawford was an unusual woman, of great ability and of lovable character. Her interests and activities were many, covering a wide field and contributing much to the general welfare. Her fine children testify to her success in the home.

'82 was represented at the annual dinner of the Boston Colby Alumni on March 27 by Pease, Dunning and Frye. Bainbridge Colby gave a fine address. How is it that each year President Johnson's address is better than the last?

### 1883

Correspondents:

Arthur A. Cambridge, East Auburn, Me.

Preston I. Merrill, '83, died at his rooms in Boston, Mass., suddenly on April 6th. He had been in poor health for some time but his passing came as a shock to his relatives. His body was taken to the home of one of his sisters in West Minot, Maine, where on Tuesday, April 9, his funeral occurred. Rev. Arthur A. Cambridge, a former classmate officiating.

Members of the classes of '82 and

'84, will recall that the entering class of '83, had two sisters of Mr. Merrill, Addie and Belle. Addie left after one year, Belle after two years, to enter Wellesley, finishing her course there, then she went to a medical college in New York, receiving her Medical Diploma and settling at Waltham, Mass., where as Mrs. Dr. C. M. Hutchinson, she practiced for thirty years. She is now travelling in Spain with her only daughter, Helen, who graduated from Wellesley and later from Columbia College and is fitting herself while abroad for teaching in foreign languages.

The many friends of "Judge" Ben Wright were pleased to read of his elevation so many years ago to the "Bench" and of the well-deserved recognition of his success there. Rumor has it that Ben's profundity is matched by his rotundity, so that "the measure of a man" may be both his **Waist** and his **Hat** band.

Henry C. Barton of '83, has retired from the long service he gave to the Company with which he was connected first in Maine and afterward in Boston, and is in poor health at his home in Brookline, Mass.

The "Class Letter" started by the Class Agent two years ago, but held up for many months by reason of the frequent passing of members of the Class, is again crossing the Continent in revival of its objective to hold the few remaining mates in touch with one another 'till the Reaper who this year has made sad inroads shall have completed the harvesting.

### 1889

Correspondents:

Edward F. Stevens

Pratt Institute Free Library, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Harriet M. Parmenter

9 Winter St., Waterville, Me.

A picture and write up of H. Everett Farnham appeared in the April issue of "Con Mu Topics," the organ of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company. The text mentioned that Farnham is one of the oldest representatives of the company in point of service (thirty years) and was the first to complete and return the written examinations in a new sales training course. The same issue carried the following inspirational paragraph from Farnham's pen:

"The 20th Century, the Royal Scot are famous trains. Why? It is not the speed they make from one place to another in one trip that gives them a world-wide reputation. It is because they perform a given task day in and day out. Their satisfactory performance is continuous, not spasmodic. The same principles work in business."

Charles Hovey Pepper has been honored by having one of his paintings purchased for the permanent col-

lection of the Boston Art Museum. It has been on exhibition with a few other recent acquisitions.

## 1892

### Correspondents:

Frank B. Nichols, 83 Front St., Bath, Me.  
Mrs. W. N. Donovan (Nelly Bakeman)  
117 Cypress St., Newton Centre, Mass.

Eugene H. Stover is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Sedgwick which, according to a quarterly report received, is enjoying a year of material progress and advancement.

## 1895

### Correspondents:

Archer Jordan, 53 Court St., Auburn, Me.  
Clio M. Chilcott, c/o Morgan & Co.  
14 Place Vendôme, Paris, France

News has been received that Clio Chilcott has been elected to the Society of Genealogists in London. This honor recognizes Miss Chilcott's achievement in genealogical research, especially that which she did in England on the Monmouth Rebellion and the Chilcott family. (Ed.)

## 1902

### Correspondents:

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

Since my last letter it has been the pleasure of your class agent to attend two Colby gatherings—the Annual Boston Colby Dinner and the Class Agents' Dinner in the same city. These will be fully written up elsewhere in the Alumnus, but I just want to pass on to you if I can some of the satisfaction derived from visiting for an evening with old yet ever young friends of college days. Then too, as our hair (or the lack of it) becomes more and more emphatic of what our thoughts are too likely to be, it pays us large dividends to check up on the younger generations just out of college and hear about those who now live amidst the hazy scenes of our youth. It is a cheerful antidote for a lot of verbal trash about that clutters up the headlines and pages of contemporary daily print. The biggest kick I got this year was to look with my own eyes on the Colby graduate who at this moment has both a daughter and a grand-daughter at the college! Great medicine if one's loyalty has suffered a sort of sleeping sickness!

While all the rest of us (so far as I know) are still pretty busy trying to gather a few shekels to stave off the ultimate effects of the well known depression or perhaps keep ourselves from the poor farm a little later on, our classmate Julius has already won the intriguing degree "retired." Last time we met, Julius was locating and negotiating for sites for the Leggett stores. Evidently being manager of the Colby football team was a happy training. He always did have a way of "getting on," and we offer our congratulations for a successful business

career. He gives 72 Seaman Avenue, New York City; and 182 Pickett street, South Portland, Maine, as his addresses. I take it that he still keeps an eye on business more or less of the year in the big city but beats a retreat to the coast of the old home state every now and then for real enjoyment.

He has not only traveled up and down the U. S. A., but also qualifies as a globe trotter since he has been several times over the ocean. Still with all this going around he did not lose his perspective because Roselle Park, New Jersey evidently had a claim on him many week-ends—that is the home address of his wife Bertha Ploude Fogg.

## 1903

### Correspondent:

Leon C. Staples  
49 St. George Ave., Stamford, Conn.

Mrs. William H. Hahn (Florence Perry, ex-'03) recently visited her niece Florence Colson, a student in Boston University. Mrs. Hahn and her doctor-husband have a very interesting exhibit in their home at Friendship, Me., of antiques in old iron, and old fashioned furniture.

## 1904

### Correspondents:

Carl R. Bryant, D. C. Heath & Co.  
285 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass.  
Mrs. R. D. H. Emerson (Ruby Carver)  
72 Fayerweather St., Cambridge, Mass.

Mrs. I. H. Jones (Lavina Sweetland Morgan, ex-'04) is a teacher of French and Latin at Hampton Academy, Hampton, N. H., where she has continued to make her home since the passing of her husband, Rev. I. H. Jones. She has maintained her interest in the classics, and studied several summers at Middlebury College, augmenting her work by travel abroad. We hear of her that "like many Colby women, she makes learning attractive to young people."

Mrs. Howard D. Newton (Lillian Berry, ex-'04) lives in Storrs, Conn., with a home in the faculty group at Connecticut State College. Her husband, Prof. Newton formerly head of the department of Chemistry, is now Dean of the Division of Arts and Sciences. Lillian taught music at the college and now having kept her interest and practice, continues to teach and is frequently invited to play on public occasions. In college at Colby, the musical Berry family, of whom two, Mary and Lillian were claimed by 1904 class, were always generous with their talents. They are now carrying the cultural interests into the communities where they go, Mary Berry Manter being head of the Music department at Coburn Institute, and Lillian at Connecticut College assisting often in the field of music, and hand crafts.

President White of Colby college who served in the years of the 1900 classes, is retired and lives in Hampton Falls, N. H.

Miss Grace Berry whom we knew as Dean of the Women of Colby, is spending a year in Newburyport, Mass. She plans to return to California to make her home, near Pomona college, where she served as dean after leaving Colby. She attended the Colby Alumni and Alumnae dinner at the Boston University Club on March 27.

## 1905

### Correspondents:

Cecil W. Clark  
363 Walnut St., Newtonville, Mass.  
S. Ernestine Davis  
41 Franklin St., Houlton, Me.

A drive of twenty miles recently took me out to Wilmington, Mass., to the house of Stephen G. Bean. Boston Alumni reunions and commencements have kept me in touch with "Sam," but this was the first time I had ever visited his home. He and Alona met me at the door and gave me a real 1905 welcome. You all know "Sam" married Alona Nicholson, Colby '05. They have one daughter, Stephanie, who, by the way, graduated from Colby in 1931, and who is teaching English and Dramatics in the Wilmington High School.

"Sam" has had and is having a most interesting career in education. In the fall of 1905 he went to the Salisbury School, Salisbury, Conn., where he stayed one year as head of the science department. In 1906 he became principal of the Norridge-work, Maine, High School, leaving there after two years to accept a similar position in the Winthrop, Maine, High School. After four years here, and always desiring to widen the scope of his work, he went to the Wilson Grammar School in Natick as principal for two years for training and experience in superintendant's work. From 1914 to 1918 he was principal of the Locke Grammar School in Arlington, Mass. While here he got his master's degree in education at Harvard in 1917. Feeling now qualified for a broader field, he accepted the Union Superintendency of the Massachusetts towns of Hanover, Hanson, and Norwell. After six years here, he again broadened his field by going to the Wilmington district which includes Wilmington, Middleton, and Tewksbury. Here he has been since 1924. How many of you dreamed when "Sam" was taking the high hurdles in a track meet back in the old days or picking out the latest popular song on his mandolin that the teaching instinct was one of his basic characteristics and that the field of education was to be his life work. It would not surprise the writer to see "Sam" on the faculty of some college occupying a chair in the department of education where the fruits of his study, work, and experience would have still wider scope.

"Sam" has never been much of a joiner, but did join the Masons and holds membership in the Massachusetts and the New England School

Superintendents Association. He is also a member of the Harvard Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa, an honorary educational society, and finds time for an occasional round of golf.

My little visit with "Sam" and Alona was ended with their wishes that I return at an early date. They will be with us at the reunion in June and their latch string is always out at 130 Church Street, Wilmington, Mass.

## 1907

Correspondents:

Burr F. Jones  
32 Hardy Ave., Watertown, Mass.  
Hattie S. Fossett, New Harbor, Me.

A letter from Ellen Peterson reporting on various details of her life and work in China is too long to be printed here, but a few excerpts may prove interesting:

"After a good summer at Mokanshan, we came down to Hankchow on August 30, and I immediately began teaching. I had promised to take an English class at Wayland because of the contacts it would give me with the boys, and then the Principal of the Union Girls' School came and asked me if I would help them out by substituting for one of the missionaries who was ill, so for two weeks and a half I taught thirteen hours a week there. I was glad to help out my old school and a fellow-missionary, but it kept me busy going from one place to the other, as the Union School is half-way across the city from where I live. Wayland is very near.

"This fall I have had a fine group of boys in my Bible class on Sunday. Half of them are from my Senior I English class and the rest from the other two divisions of Sr. I. The attendance has been excellent, eight boys not having missed a single Sunday and several others having been absent only once. I have thirty-one in the class now. When we began only eight of these boys were Christians, so you can see there is a real interest in Christianity among the non-Christians, when they are willing to come to a Bible class so regularly, many from a long distance.

"Several of my boys have made decisions to be Christians, but could not be baptized in December because of family opposition, and one boy because he cannot make up his mind quite yet to oppose his mother in the matter of ancestor worship. It is very hard for some of them to become Christians. One boy who was baptized was beaten by his father for refusing to worship his ancestors and he also has threatened to take him out of Wayland next semester."

## 1910

Correspondents:

Henry B. Moor  
147 Angell St., Providence, R. I.  
Mrs. C. J. Deane (Mary Dona'd)  
1108 So. Gaffey St., San Pedro, Calif.

Jan. 1, 1935. Twenty-six letters sent out to addresses furnished by Alumnae office. Twenty-six postcards

enclosed asking definite questions such as, "How do you keep busy?"

Feb. 1, 1935. Twenty-five letters sent out. January letter to Miss Agnes Boulia, Atlantic, Mass., had been returned—address unknown.

March 15, 1935. Nine personal letters written to those who sent a letter, returned the postcard, or did both.

The "Honor Roll" consists of:  
\*Mrs. Leona Achorn Gillis, 1110, Me. Mrs. Grace Whittier Green, Lisbon Falls, Me. \*Miss Pauline Herring, Westbrook, Me. \*Mrs. Cassilena Perry Hitchcock, Chicopee Falls, Mass. \*Miss Lillian Lowell, East Orange, N. J. \*Mrs. Eleanor Creech Marriner, Waterville, Me. Mrs. Gertrude French Packard, Upper Montclair, N. J. \*Miss Helen Robinson, Portland, Me. Mrs. Alice Henderson Wood, Cap Haitien, Haiti, W. I.

The ones starred expect to be present for the twenty-fifth reunion of the Class of 1910.

All of them are busy with school, church and club work, carrying on the traditions of the class.

Alice Henderson Wood, the most distant of the group, reports that she has four children. Her oldest boy, David, 17, has been in school in England for two years, but is now in Canada with her brother. The next boy is ready to go to England in September. Alice is engaged, with her husband, in the Baptist Missionary work in Cap Haitien and teaches in their Bible School. Many will remember that Alice came to Colby from Jamaica, W. I. She recently returned to Haiti after a three months' visit in Jamaica, where she was called because of a serious accident befalling her mother, which proved fatal on December 9th. We all send our sympathy to Alice in the loss of her mother.

We hope to report twenty of our twenty-six present on June 15th!

There should be no depression for the class of 1910.

The following new address for 1910 has been received at the College:

Stanley F. Brown, 23 Burleigh St., Waterville, Me.

## 1914

Correspondents:

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

Ray Haskell, after leaving Colby, collected an A. M. from his Alma Mater in 1917 and another from the University of Pennsylvania in 1921, and a Ph. D. in 1924. As an educator, he has held positions in two New Hampshire High Schools, Chelsea (Mass.) High School, William Penn Charter School, Sewickley Academy (as headmaster) and since 1929 has headed the Department of English at Girard College. Just to prove that he is an "educator," I will submit the titles of a few of his writings: "A Statistical Study of the Results of Teaching Derivation in Five Philadel-

phia High Schools in Latin and non-Latin Classes," "What to Know about Bethlehem and the White Mountains," "Fourteen Illustrated Lectures on High School English Classics," and other papers in educational journals.

Arthur D. Gillingham is living at 126 Sherman St., Portland. He went from Colby to Springfield College for a year's study and came back to Portland as Assistant Boys Work Secretary. During the war he was on duty at the local army post. He is now the senior secretary in the Portland "Y" and spends summers as Camp Director at the local "Y" boys camp. He writes: "Have had good opportunity to boost Colby and have the good fortune to see a good number of boys go there. My big task now is to get my oldest daughter to go. She is now at Portland High. Hope as time goes to be able to boast two daughters and a son going to Colby."

The following new address for 1914 has been received at the College:

Ernest L. Warren, High St., Newport, Me.

## 1917

Correspondents:

Ralph N. Smith  
9 Woods Ave., Worcester, Mass.  
Helen D. Cole  
45 Prospect Pl., New York, N. Y.

Lillian Tuttle is Mrs. L. Carlyle Morse living at 11 Highland St., Gloucester, Mass. Lillian has three children, Harold 9, Tommy 6, and Helen 3. Lillian writes that she is the only Colby member of the College Women's club in Gloucester.

Irma Ross is very busy dividing her time between nursing at the Memorial Hospital in Dexter and driving her automobile. Irma can be reached at Dexter, Maine.

Mildred Flood Barton seems to be deeply engrossed with the affairs of her one daughter Martha Ann, now a student at the Emma Willard School in Troy. Martha Ann seems to be a "chip of the old block," very active in all out-of-door sports. Mildred's address is 154 Long Hill St., Springfield, Mass.

Grace Farnum seems to have a full program. During the winter she teaches at Laconia, N. H., and in the summer she helps to run a huge chicken farm. Grace's address is Laconia, N. H.

Hazel Durgin Sandberg is a loyal alumna of the Connecticut Valley Alumnae Association. Although Hazel has no children she seems to live a busy life with club work, concerts, etc. Her address is Mrs. Carl Sandberg, 171 Washington St., Hartford, Conn.

Iola Haskell, ex-'17, is now Mrs. Samuel Kimbell. Her address is Limerick, Maine. We hear this only indirectly. We do not know whether Iola boasts of a family.

Harriet Canham Alley writes that she is kept very busy with one youngster. Harriet's address is North Vassalboro, Maine.



## 1920

## Correspondents:

H. Thomas Urie  
53 Charlotte Rd., Newton Centre, Mass.  
Mrs. Frank Meigs (Rtta Carter)  
P. O. Box 25, Peru, N. Y.

John Liscomb is now practicing law in Portland, after having been connected with the U. S. Department of Justice for some time.

Purdy Eaton is now teaching school in Westwood, Mass., and writes me that he is still a bachelor.

Harry Lewin is Superintendent of Schools in Island Falls, Me., and has two children, a boy and girl, seven and nine years old.

Ted Bresett is teaching and coaching at the High School at Long Branch, N. J.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Tash, a daughter, Joan Blanche Tash, in Wilmington, Del. Says Father Tash: "Another Colby prospect if the Townsend Old Age Plan goes through!"

Don't forget that the Fifteenth Reunion of our class is this June. Let your correspondent know as soon as possible that you are going to attend.

Don't forget also that the Alumni Fund is under way and you can help a good deal by responding immediately. Our efforts this year are to get a large number of contributors.

## 1921

## Correspondents:

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

Recent callers upon your scribe at his 110 Milk street office were Roland Ware, Phil Somerville. I also had the pleasure of seeing "Bunny" Esters and Marcia for an all-too-short hour, when they broke the tedium of a New York to Houlton trip by staying overnight in Boston.

1921ers seen at the 54th annual dinner of the Boston Colby Alumni Association on March 27: Reginald Hersum, Chauncey Brown, Neil Leonard, and Honorary Member "Uncle Billy" Crawford.

Ransom Pratt, Corning, New York, lawyer, has devoted considerable time during the past eight years to conservation work. He was recently appointed by Governor Lehman to serve as a member of a special committee to plan for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the Forest Preserve in New York state. He writes that a two or three days "mardi gras" is planned at Lake Placid, in early September.

## 1922

## Correspondents:

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

Anne Sweeney has been head of the English Department, Waterville Junior High School for the past six years. There are seven other Colby people on the faculty.

Elizabeth Dyar, Holyoke, Mass., is movie operator for visual education at her school. She is writing a science program for the graduation assembly.

Nan Burgess Lumsden is serving on the executive board of Falmouth Foreside, P. T. A., Falmouth Foreside, Maine.

Virginia Bean Curtiss has been working on an Easter pageant to be given in the Sunday School, Thomaston, Conn.

Mary Brier planned to spend her spring vacation with her parents in Sangerville, Me. They moved there from Oakland about five years ago.

Dorothy Crawford was one of the 48 alumni, alumnae, undergraduates some on vacation, parents of Colby students and friends who formed the Naugatuck Valley Colby Club, March 28th. President Johnson and Cecil Goddard were speakers.

"Bob" Jackson is Mayor of Waterville, and George Fred Terry has recently been elected a member of the Waterville City Government.

"Jay" Hoyt and "Mim" Hardy attended the Colby banquet in New York. They sat with "Chick" and Helen Williams Cushman. "Al" and Grace Mercer, Roy Hearon and his wife, "Chick" and Maud Gale, "Joe" and Ervena Goodale Smith, Clark Drummond, Helen Cole, and Everett Gross were also there.

## 1923

Albert G. Snow, Biddeford High School  
Biddeford, Me.

Our most hard working and efficient Alumni Secretary, Cecil Goddard, asked me to pinch-hit for the regular correspondent of the class of 1923, "Skeets" Eustis. At the present time "Skeets" is rather badly bogged down by his work at the college together with his mother's serious illness.

Even as other embryonic class correspondents I took on this job with a great deal of enthusiasm. Expecting an avalanche of replies, I divided my list into two sections, writing to one half for this issue and reserving the other half for the final copy of the year. My enthusiasm is somewhat lessened and I am the poorer by a score of three cent stamps, my mail has contained nothing but the usual amount of dunning letters and advertising material. At this time I am serving notice to the male members of 1923. Either answer my letters or I will make up my own news about you.

Now for a walk to the confessional. I have been married nearly eight years to a former resident of the city of Boston, and a graduate of The Connecticut College for women. I am as cultured as possible for a Blue Hill boy to become. Even that does not seem to satisfy "Jock" Leonard of '21. I have two excellent boys aged three and seven respectively. At the present time I am the Principal of the High School in Biddeford, Maine.

My hobby is the breeding of Cocker Spaniels.

I did hear from a few of the boys and will note a few excerpts from their letters.

I had a nice letter from George Odom. You all remember what a great job George did pitching his Senior year. He writes that he has about lost touch with Colby. Why not drop him a line and reawaken his interest in the old college. He has been connected since graduation with the Merrimac Chemical Co., and lives in Woburn with his three daughters. His wife is a Woburn girl. He does say that he attends the church of "Ev" Shearman of '22.

"Johnny" Lanpher is the Principal of the high school in Brookline, Me. A very nice town contiguous to Blue Hill. John was married to his old M. C. I. sweetheart four years ago.

Believe it or not, Forrest Royal is now a family man. He has two fine children—the spitting images of Forrest. He is in the book game representing Row-Peterson.

## REAL MINISTERS.

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preachers. We want to give that tradition stronger and stronger impulsion. Under the working agreement between Andover, the Congregational school, and Newton, the Baptist school, we ought to be able to instill fresh vigor and spirit into all developments of Christian work. In this connection I must say lasting tribute to Dean Vaughan Dabney, who represents the Andover tradition and attitude. Without his earnest and wise direction and co-operation we should fail of our high purpose."

A generation ago the writer was a student at Newton. He lived in the same room in Farwell Hall that President Herrick occupied while a student. It was highly interesting to return to the school and observe the rather striking changes: new buildings added and old ones reconditioned; new courses; new methods of training ministers and a doubled enrollment. The old theological seminary with its narrow theological position and its medieval methods is gone forever. In its place has risen a modern institution, with modern ideas, equipment and outlook.

This fact, entirely obvious to one who will think and investigate, promises well for the coming teaching and practice of religion in the community. The modern theological seminary, of which Andover Newton is a type, may restore the lost radiance to the noble calling of the minister.

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