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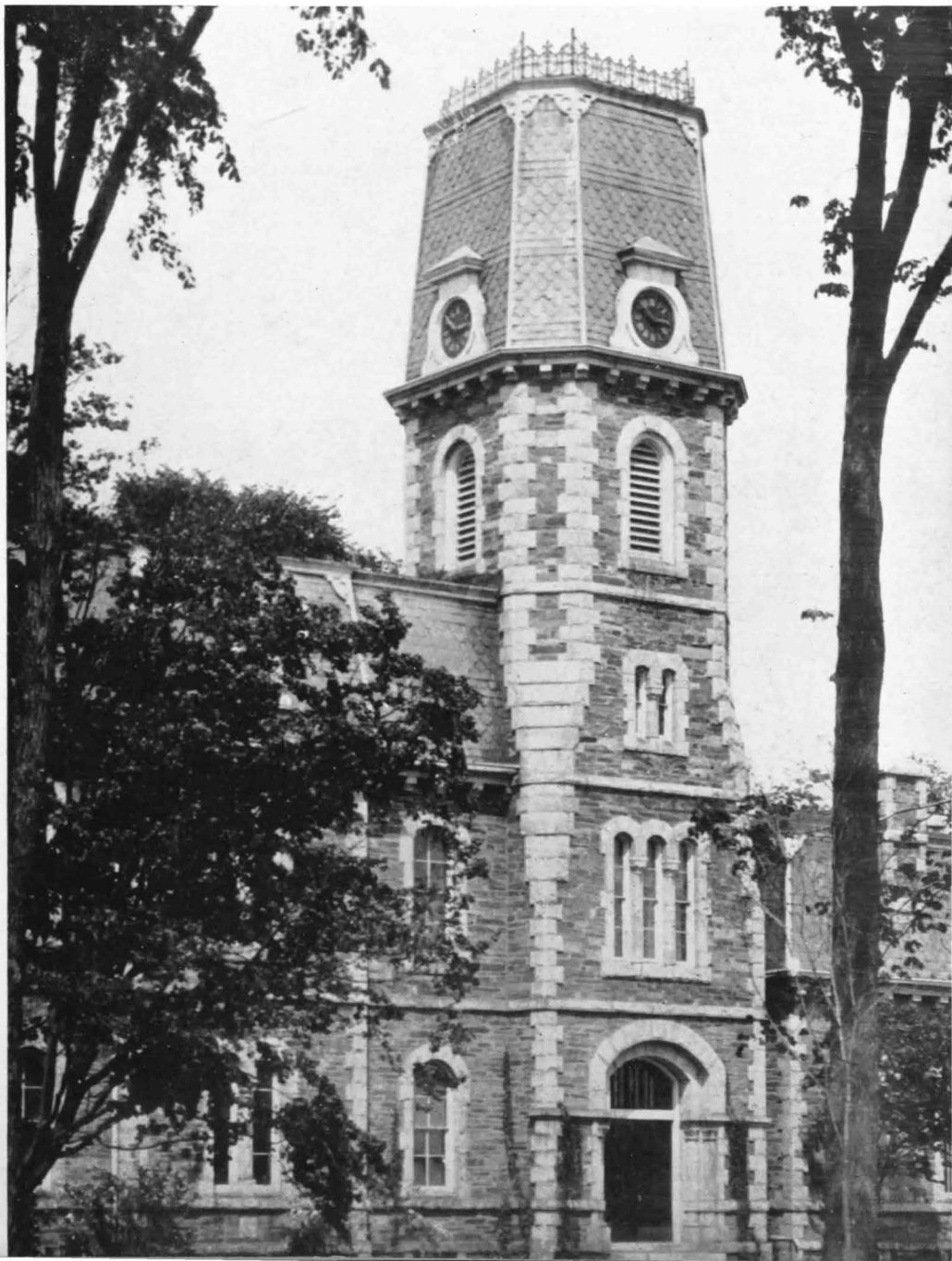
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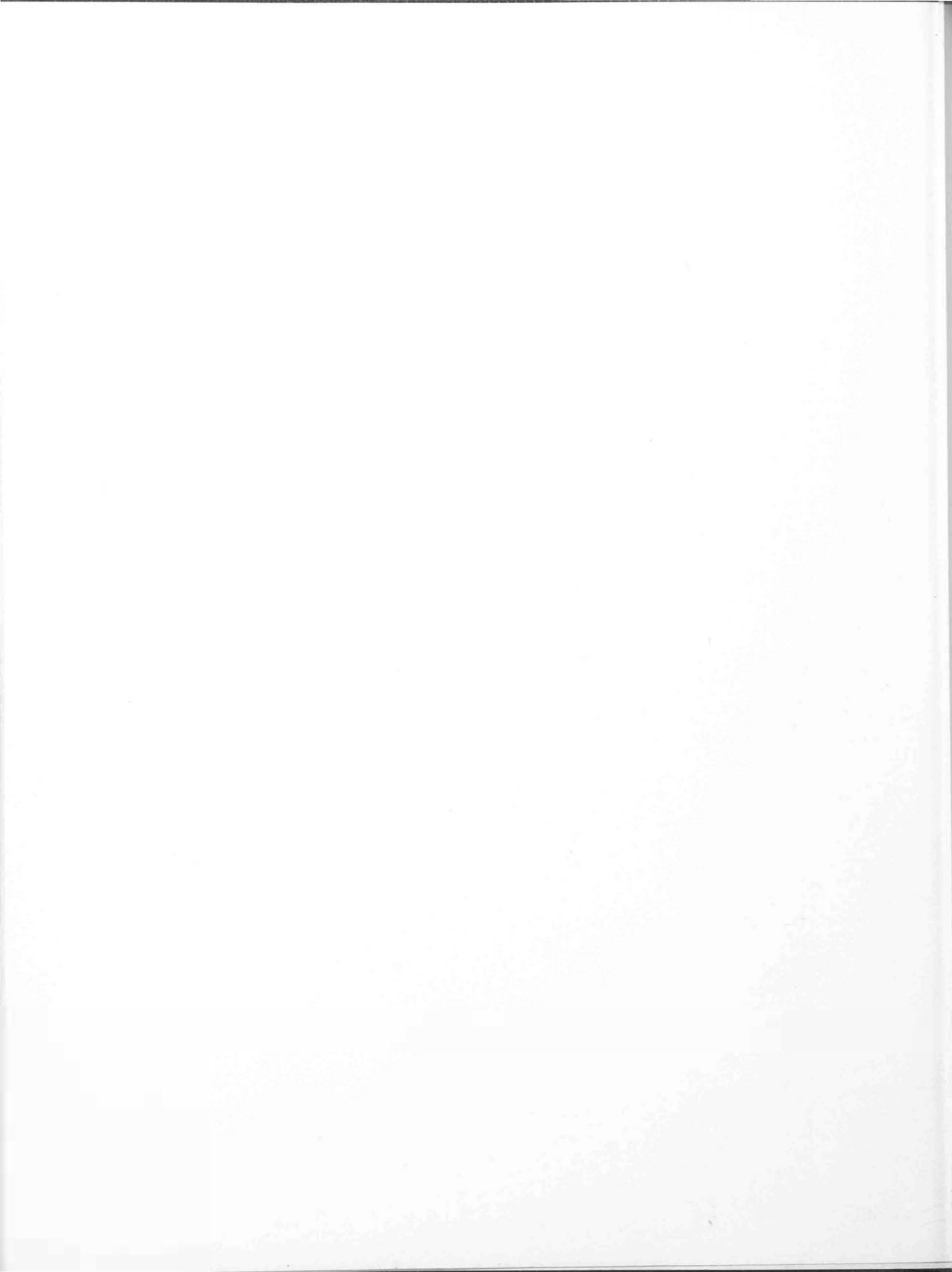
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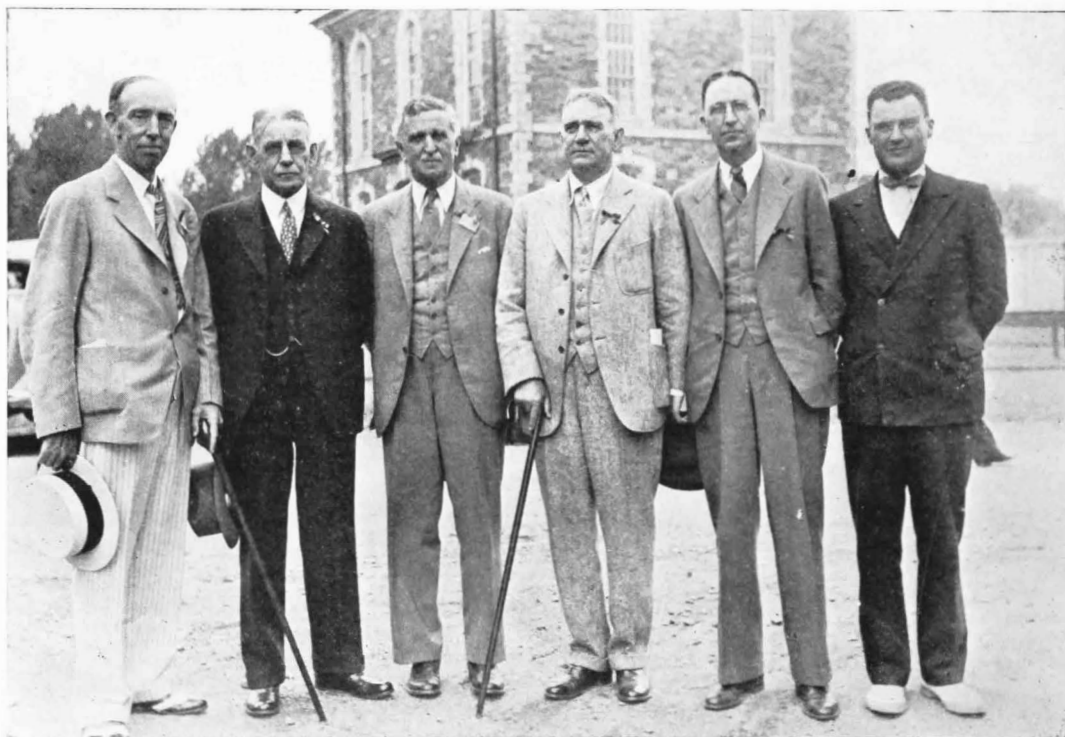
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# THE 114th COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Four Days of Inspiring Events—A Week-End of Thrilling Reunioning  
"The Best Commencement Ever."

By HARLAND R. RATCLIFFE



**JUST BEFORE THE ALUMNI LUNCHEON LOBSTERS WERE SERVED**

Left to right—Dr. Cecil W. Clark, '05, President of the Boston Colby Alumni Association; Herbert E. Wadsworth, '92, former chairman of the Board of Trustees; George Otis Smith, '93, chairman of the Board of Trustees; Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, chairman of the Alumni Fund; Leslie F. Murch, '15, the Class Day Speaker; and G. Cecil Goddard, '29, Alumni Secretary.

THE panic at the City Opera House during the first performance of The Commencement Play; the shortest speech ever delivered at a Commencement Dinner, by Kenneth Lewis Roberts; the stinging if humorous reprimand delivered to a long-winded orator at the Alumni Luncheon by the toastmaster; "Uncle Billy" Crawford claiming the right of way over a street car; the glamorous lady on the wine-list reunion program of 1910; the off-the-record re-

mark by a college official of considerable importance that he considered the new Elmwood Hotel tap room "a notable addition to the Commencement facilities of Colby College"; the slyness of Alumni Secretary G. Cecil Goddard in successfully keeping from even his most intimate friends the time and place of his Alumni Day marriage; driving two hundred miles home after the Commencement Dinner through a veritable cloudburst; the Commencement orator's observation that if the members of the senior

class have learned the value of the dollar the bankers of the country have not; the realization that there are better looking girls in Colby today than there used to be; the confession of one alumnus to another that, nineteen years ago, the one had pledged the other **through an error in identity**—these are some of the things I will remember longest about the one hundred and fourteenth Commencement at Colby.

Four days of inspiring exercises, of thrilling reunioning, of rekindling

in each graduate's heart of the fire of Alma Mater love and loyalty. "The best Commencement ever" are words which undoubtedly have been uttered after each and every one of the college's one hundred and fourteen graduation festivals but there was a conviction in the phrase this year and a thorough sincerity, a great pride in the fact that Colby has weathered these Depression years in a manner equalled by few other American colleges and universities.

This Commencement review is being written not only for the benefit of those far-flung alumni of the college who could not return for the exercises but also for those who were able to be present, for it is a journalistic axiom that those who most enjoy reading about the ball game are those who were there. I have only one hope and that is that I may be able to convey to those who were absent some appreciation of the enjoyment they missed, to the end that even more of the graduates of the college will return a year hence.

An article by Cecil A. Rollins, Associate Professor of English, which appeared in the late winter in *The Alumnus* had, of course, convinced me that Colby had made tremendous strides in the realm of dramatics since my own undergraduate day, but I am frank to confess that I was totally unprepared for The Commencement Play, the complete excellence of which I had hardly anticipated. A review of Commencement would not have been complete without some brief comment on The Commencement Play, so I hid myself to the City Opera House more in recognition of my duty as a reporter than in anticipation of dramatic pleasure.

Being anxious to see the college's state championship baseball nine in action on Seaverns Field Saturday afternoon I decided to disguise myself as a citizen of Waterville and attend the "production for the townspeople" on Friday afternoon.

#### Devil Chief Stage Hand

It was my good fortune to be seated beside "Uncle Billy" Crawford, whose observations are ever pungent and startling, whether they concern the state of the stage or the infant mortality of earthworms. "Uncle Billy" was particularly interested in what was transpiring behind the footlights because his daughter had been

#### '20 "ROGUES GALLERY"

ONE of the more unique productions of the Commencement season was the "rogues gallery" sheet of the Class of 1920 which was the brain child of "Tom" Urie, class agent and chairman of the committee in charge of the fifteenth reunion of the class.

In a determined attempt to quicken the interest and enthusiasm of his masculine classmates in their forthcoming gathering, "Tom," aided and abetted by Alumni Secretary G. Cecil Goddard, dug up a collection of photographs of his classmates which had appeared in the *Colby Oracle* of 1920. These he had printed on a large sheet of paper, together with a spirited invitation to his classmates to return to Waterville for their fifteenth.

Characteristic and truly colorful nicknames appeared under the pictures, together with short captions, such as: "The Oakland Grain Maggot," "You Should See His Present Crop of Hair," "His Ram Pasture Ravings Were Famous," "Friends-Roughnecks-Countrymen, Let's Blow Up Doc Parmenter's Lab," and "Navigator Of 'The Plains.'"

instrumental in the selection by Agnes C. Carlyle, leading lady of "Dolly Reforming Herself," of Colby as her Alma Mater.

We, "Uncle Billy" and I, discussed the state of the stage at Colby as we awaited the first act and I commented on the increase of interest by the undergraduates. He ventured the opinion that the reason that dramatics had for so long been ignored by college and university curriculums was because of the ancient belief that the devil, himself, was the chief stage hand and the main aim of dramatics contamination.

The Opera House was well filled as the curtain went up on the first act of Henry Arthur Jones' comedy in four acts. "Dolly," played by Miss Carlyle, was "born without money sense," and the play revolved, more or less, around her financial difficulties. "Professor Sturgess," played by Morris Cohen, had devoted his entire life to the study of the human brain but was still unable to under-

stand it. His discussions of free will and moral responsibility lent a hilarious background to the proceedings.

"Dolly," who insisted that her bills were nothing but vampires, and "Mrs. Sturgess," played by Virginia M. Swallow, who continually reiterated that "my life has not been altogether a happy one," led the rest of the cast in a rousing campaign for the "Hospital For Incurables."

#### Serious Panic Averted

The most realistic scenes in the production (how should I know?) were those in which "Matthew Barron," played by Carl E. Reed, read his paper while his daughter attempted to talk to him; and "Polly" and her husband, "Harry," played by John J. Pullen, talked over her bills. "Harry" objected to her "jolly proud and cocky dresses" while she, in turn, declared she would have to disinfect the house because of his "horrid, nasty" cigars.

A stinging whack at New Deal policies was injected into the proceedings during a domestic debate on what constitutes shabbiness. It was pleasant to discover that one's misdemeanors and indiscretions cannot be helped but are simply the result of the atoms in one's gray matter getting a trifle out of kilter.

This first event on the Commencement program might have been concluded in tragedy had it not been for the coolness of three members of the cast who carried on their parts behind the footlights while hysteria mounted through the audience and a serious panic was averted by the narrowest of margins. I once sat in a theatre while an earthquake rocked the building, while the audience became decidedly nervous but did not lose its collective head. The fourth act of The Commencement Play was under way when the siren of a fire engine approached and seemed to circle the building. Up and down the scale it shrieked until one would have thought all Hades ablaze. There were anxious glances out the windows; vivid imaginations twisted the aroma of incense from the stage into that from blazing wood; a group of women in the left balcony prepared to leave, others sprang up here and there throughout the auditorium and, in a few hectic seconds, nearly three quarters of the audience were on their feet, surging toward the exits,

fear in their hearts and reason fled from their minds.

It seemed as if in another moment they would be climbing up each other's backs, and surely there would have been trouble shortly on the stairs, but the student actors serenely continued their dramatic ways. They may have been scared stiff by this unexpected interruption but they never showed it, and then many of those who had gone out and discovered that they were not to be burned to a crisp within the twinkling of an eye, started trickling back, and quiet and calm resumed.

The performance ended; the audience vacated the building; outside was drawn up the Waterville Fire Department, assembled in Opera House Square in honor of "The Perfect Fool," Ed Wynn, Texaco's nationally known radio fire chief. Unwittingly, "The Perfect Fool," en route to Lakewood to witness the stage debut of his son, Keenan, in "Accent On Youth," had nearly been the innocent cause of dire tragedy.

My grandfather used to cause me to roll on the floor with his hilarious account of his participation in a theatre fire panic during which he had tripped, whereupon at least ninety-seven persons had trampled on his recumbent body. But nobody saw any humor in the Opera House episode. The following afternoon, after a thunder shower had ended the ball game, I witnessed the last act and a half of the play again, this time from back stage, where I saw, closeup, undergraduate actors and actresses who had spent weeks in preparation, and a production director in Professor Rollins who in dress, appearance and speech gave certain indication that his efforts for days on end had been most intensive.

As I left the theatre I heard several persons say that this year's play was not as good as some of those which have gone before, but, if such were truly the case, I maintain that the Commencement plays of other years must have been of a very high excellence, indeed.

Previous to the first performance of The College Play had been held the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees, a report of which will be found in the October Alumnus. Approximately 2000 persons attended the two performances of the play. The third event on the Commence-

### 1935 CLASS ODE

(Tune: "Home on the Range")

Oh come, let us sing;  
From our hearts let it ring,  
All praise to our Colby's dear name.

A name that is fair,  
To be cherished fore'er,  
To be honored, exalted to fame.

#### Chorus:

Sing! Sing 'neath the elms  
The praises of Colby's dear name.  
Let us ever be true  
To the gray and the blue,  
And proudly her glories proclaim.  
We now leave these halls  
And our friends one and all  
To traverse life's highway afar;  
But oft we'll return  
In our thoughts; we will yearn  
For the memories no time can mar.

#### Chorus:

Beulah F. Bennett.  
Harold F. Brown.

ment program was a dinner for members of the Board of Trustees and of the Alumni Council, held for the first time, in The Elmwood. Simultaneously was held, at Hollyhock House, a dinner for the alumnae class agents, the Alumnae Council and alumnae members of the Board of Trustees. This latter gathering, together with the Alumnae Council meeting of Saturday morning and the Alumnae Luncheon, will be reported upon elsewhere in this issue by Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith.

At The Elmwood the occasion was mainly a social one. Neil Leonard, retiring Chairman of the Alumni Council who is also a member of the Board of Trustees, sat at one end of the table, with President Franklin W. Johnson at the other. Scattered the length of the table, in such a way as to insure their becoming better acquainted, were the trustees and council members. The Council chairman spoke briefly, as did President Johnson, to the twenty-two participants in this friendly gathering.

#### The President's Reception

The President's Reception, followed by dancing to music furnished by the Colby White Mules, the college's dance band which is going to Europe this summer, was, as usual, a delightful opportunity for renewing

old friendships and cementing new acquaintanceships. In the receiving line were: President and Mrs. Johnson, George Otis Smith, chairman of the Board of Trustees; Ninetta M. Runnals, Dean of the Women's Division; Harry T. Jordan, '93, of Philadelphia, a trustee, accompanied by his bride of a few days; Mira L. Dolley, '19, president of the Alumnae; Dean of the Men's Division Ernest C. Marriner and Mrs. Marriner; Clio M. Chilcott, '95; Barbara C. Howard, '35, president of the women's division; and Laurance E. Dow, '35, president of the men's division and winner this year of the Condon Medal as the best college citizen in the graduating class. "Larry" was captain of last year's football eleven.

Servers, assisted by senior girls, were: Mrs. Wallace M. Kelley, wife of the Instructor in Chemistry; Jane C. Belcher, Instructor in Biology; Mrs. Webster Chester, wife of the Professor of Biology; and Mrs. Edward J. Colgan, wife of the Professor of Education and Psychology. On no other occasion does the Alumnae Building serve the college to any greater or better purpose than at Commencement.

On Saturday morning at The Elmwood was held the annual Phi Beta Kappa Breakfast and annual meeting of the Colby chapter. Miss Grace R. Foster, '21, president of the Beta Chapter of Maine, presided. At the same hour was held the alumni class agents' breakfast, at the Delta Kappa Epsilon House, with twenty-three in attendance. Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01, of Hartford, Conn., retiring chairman of the Alumni Fund, delivered the preliminary report on this year's fund campaign and thanked the assembled agents for their interest and enthusiasm. The previous evening, he reported, there had been 593 contributors, with a total of \$4437. At the conclusion of last year's campaign, on July 1, there had been 672 contributors. At Commencement this year's fund was 79 behind last year's final report in the number of contributors, but thirty ahead for the corresponding period. Mr. Seaverns predicted that the final total for this academic year would exceed last year's final total—\$5089. Pointing out that one gift last year amounted to \$1100, he showed how this year's campaign had improved on that of last year.

He recalled the statement of the late President Arthur J. Roberts who, in soliciting a contribution to the college's Christmas Fund, asked an alumnus of the college to give not \$100 in one year but \$10 for ten years, in order that he might get the habit of giving to the college. The Chairman asked the gathering for an answer to the question why so many of the alumni give to the fund one year and drop out of the ranks the following year. It was obvious to all present that, with new givers every year, the fund would gain considerably each year if it were only possible to hold the old contributors.

Neil Leonard expressed the opinion that more effort should be made to secure contributions at class reunions. President Johnson declared that he was interested in the Fund not only because he is the President of the College but also because he is an alumnus. Colby College is a good thing for an alumnus to be interested in, for his own good, he said, and the Alumni Fund is of importance beyond the amount of money it raises because it serves to increase the interest of the alumni in their college.

Alumni Secretary G. Cecil Goddard discussed the length of the Fund campaign and the trend of the contributions. Various agents made suggestions as to how the campaign might be waged more successfully and there was exchange of opinion concerning the agents' problems. The oldest attendant at the breakfast was Eben G. Russell, '75, sixty years out of college. Mr. Russell, who is a resident of Portland, is a retired wholesale grocer and has returned to Commencement every five years since his graduation. At the time of the breakfast he was the only member of his class on the campus.

#### Alumni Council Meets

Following the class agents' breakfast was held, in Chemical Hall, the annual meeting of the Alumni Council at which Frederick T. Hill, '10, Waterville, was elected chairman for the ensuing academic year; and Archer Jordan, '95, Auburn, was elected vice chairman.

I should like to digress for a moment to point out that "Ted" Hill's class was at Commencement observing the twenty-fifth anniversary of its graduation and that his father, James Frederick Hill, '82, fifty-three

#### NEW CLASS AGENTS

- 1875 Eben G. Russell,  
32 Veranda St., Portland.
- 1880 Arthur M. Thomas,  
Porter Hill, Middlebury,  
Conn.
- 1884 Frank B. Hubbard,  
Elm St., Waterville.
- 1888 John F. Tilton,  
66 Alba St., Woodfords.
- 1908 Charles W. Bradley,  
805 Comstock Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
- 1909 Harold W. Kimball,  
11 West St., Waterville.
- 1911 Ralph E. Nash, Box 115,  
Harrington.
- 1926 Paul M. Edmunds,  
Empire State Building, New  
York City.
- 1931 Roderick E. Farnham,  
Brownville Junction.
- 1934 S. Peter Mills, Jr.,  
B. U. Law School, Boston.

years out of college, on Alumni Day observed his eighty-first birthday. When introduced at the Alumni Luncheon this distinguished and loyal alumnus of the college was given an ovation. Furthermore, "Ted" Hill's birthday was the Friday on which the Commencement program was ushered in and his wedding anniversary was on Baccalaureate Sunday, so there was plenty to celebrate in the Hill family over graduation week-end.

Those attending the Council meeting were: John B. Pugsley, '05; Archer Jordan, '95; Frank B. Nichols, '92; Neil Leonard, '21; G. Cecil Goddard, '29; Charles F. T. Seaverns, '01; Raymond T. Spinney, '21; William B. Jack, '00; Theodore Hodgkins, '24; Percy S. Merrill, '94, and Dr. Hill.

Alumni Secretary Goddard reported briefly on the activities of his office (his annual report comes in the Autumn) and distributed to the members of the Council "Two-Way Currents Of Service: The Colleges And Their Alumni," a pamphlet by Ruth E. Anderson, Research Secretary of the Association of American Colleges.

He reported that only 349, seventy more than last year, had participated in the voting for alumni trustees and members of the Alumni Council. The new alumni trustees are: Frederick A. Pottle, '17, re-elected; and Hugh D. McLellan, '95, also re-elected. E. Richard Drummond was elected alum-

ni representative on the college's Athletic Council and the four new members of the Alumni Council were declared to be: Leslie F. Murch, '15; Arthur F. Bickford, '16; John W. Brush, '20; and George B. Barnes, '26.

Chairman of the Alumni Fund Seaverns repeated his fund report and Secretary Goddard reported on the efforts of the Friends Of The Colby Library, led by Edward F. Stevens, '89. The Associates of The Colby Library are a group led by Frederick A. Pottle, '17, formed to purchase needed books for the library. Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, managing editor of The Alumnus, reported briefly on the condition of the magazine and there was general discussion of its editorial policies and financial condition.

There was considerable discussion of the problem whether or not the alumnæ should again be invited to participate in the October Colby Night exercises and the matter was finally referred to a committee composed of: Dr. Hill, chairman; Mr. Seaverns and Alumni Secretary Goddard.

#### Certificates For Captains

The length of term of alumni and alumnæ trustees was discussed at the suggestion of the President of the Alumnæ, Mira L. Dolley, '19, who wished the term of office extended from three to five years. But the Alumni Council voted to retain the three year term for alumni trustees with the possibility of re-election and suggested to the alumnæ of the college that if they wished their representatives on the board to serve longer periods of time they should change that clause in their constitution which denies the privilege of re-election to alumnæ trustees.

Resolutions expressing the appreciation of the alumni body for state championships in hockey and baseball were passed and certificates of congratulation voted to Richard S. Sawyer, '35, captain of baseball; and to Elbridge B. Ross, '35, captain of hockey.

The college cafeteria proposed by the Alumni Council last Autumn and now in the hands of the committee on buildings and grounds of the board of trustees again came up for discussion. Neil Leonard reported the trustees as being greatly in favor of

**COLBY MARCHING SONG**

(Words and Music by Cecil M.

Daggett, '03)

C-O-L-B-Y! Rah!

Here's to dear old Colby, boys!

We'll sing her praises and her fame.

As with proudly falling tread  
 We march to bear her noble name;  
 For her win our victories,  
 And at her feet our trophies lay.  
 We'll be true and loyal, one and  
 all,

To the honored Blue and Gray.

**Chorus**

So we'll cheer for dear old Colby  
 As we lift her banner high;  
 In serried ranks we march along,  
 There is pride in every eye;  
 For we love our Alma Mater,  
 And to her our homage pay.  
 God bless her now and ever!  
 Here's to Colby—the Blue and  
 Gray!

the cafeteria but added that the committee was of the opinion there is no place on the campus suitable for such an establishment. There is the possibility, he said, that the college may lease the Railroad Y. M. C. A. for this purpose. The Council voted to continue in existence its cafeteria committee, headed by Dr. Hill. The report of this committee has been printed in *The Alumnus*.

**New Fund Committee**

The report of the nominating committee was presented by Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23. The new Fund committee will be composed of Mr. Seaverns, '01; Frederick T. Hill, '10; Leslie F. Murch, '15; Neil Leonard, '21; and Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, with the chairman to be named at a later date. A new nominating committee was named, comprising: Mr. Jack, Mr. Hill and Mr. Pugsley. The new executive committee will comprise: Chairman Hill, Secretary Goddard, Retiring Chairman Leonard, John W. Brush, '20; and A. Galen Eustis, '23.

Alumni Secretary Goddard was commended for his untiring efforts in behalf of efficient alumni organization and it was decided that an effort be made at the Autumn meeting of the Board of Trustees to get the college to assume the expenses of the alumni office, as is done by a majority of the

other colleges and universities of the country. A committee was named to draw up a recommendation to be submitted to the board of trustees, comprising Mr. Leonard and Dr. Hill. The final item of business was the reelection for one year of Harland R. Ratcliffe, '23, as managing editor of *The Alumnus*. The next meeting of the Council will be held on the campus on the morning after Colby Night.

While the Alumni Council was deliberating in Chemical Hall, the Senior Class Day exercises were held on the customary spot on the Lower Campus, where an amplifying system carried the voices of the speakers to the several hundred listeners. Although during the early morning hours the weather had been decidedly threatening, the sun burst through the clouds as the final exercises of the Class of 1935 got under way.

Kenneth F. Mills, Marshal of the class, led the procession from the chapel down the back campus slope to the spot, near the Willows, where so many Colby graduating classes have listened to class parts. The prayer opening the exercises was by Clarence A. Morrill. Carl E. Reed delivered the class oration and the address to undergraduates was by Ralph S. Williams. John J. Pullen and Wilma Stanley awarded the honors for their respective divisions and the class poem was recited by Elizabeth M. Franklin. The parting address was by Margaret Jordan and Beulah E. Bennett and Harold F. Brown had written the class ode. The guest speaker was Professor Leslie F. Murch, '15, of the Dartmouth College Faculty, member of the Colby Alumni Council. His address appears elsewhere in this issue.

**Undergraduate Speaking Excellent**

I should like to digress from this running account of the week-end's exercises to extend my humble congratulations to the Class Day and Commencement Day undergraduate speakers and to the veteran professor of the college who assisted them in their oratorical preparations, Dr. Herbert Carlyle Libby, Professor of Public Speaking and former Editor of *The Alumnus*. Public speaking has for many years been one of Colby's strong points and the student speaking this June was of an unusually high order.

The Alumni Luncheon, which followed in the Gymnasium immediately

after the conclusion of the Class Day exercises, had the largest attendance in years. A large Colby seal hung over the entrance and the Classes of '80 and '85, fifty-five and fifty years out, respectively, had seats reserved for them at the head table, which ran along the Kennebec side of the main gymnasium floor. The members of the reunioning classes were assigned special tables as Winfred N. Donovan, '92, Professor at Andover-Newton Theological Institution, delivered the invocation.

Alumni Secretary Goddard announced the schedule of the reunion banquets: '85, The Elmwood; '95, The Wishing Well; '00, Hollyhock House; '05, Messalonskee Inn; '10, Pine Tree Tavern; '15, East Pond; '20, The Elmwood; '25, Sandy Beach Camps; '30, The Green Lantern. Announcement that the Class of '25 would proceed to the scene of its banquet after meeting first at Foss Hall brought a round of chuckles from the assembled graduates.

The results of the alumni elections, recorded hereinbefore, were announced by Mr. Goddard, as were the certificates of congratulation presented by the Alumni Council to the captains of baseball and hockey. Last year the college had been represented by four state championship teams but this year that number was halved. Colby has won the state hockey championship two years running and the baseball title for three consecutive years.

Mr. Seaverns, for the third time in the space of four hours, delivered his report on the Alumni Fund and drew a well merited guffaw from the alumni when he addressed them as "gentlemen and fellow alumni." Mr. Goddard mentioned the fact that there are now twenty-six members on the Alumni Council and introduced the new chairman, Dr. Hill. He then explained that, since the abolition of the alumni association, it had become the new custom to invite a member of the twenty-five year class to serve as the presiding officer at the Alumni Luncheon and introduced Merle W. Crowell, '10, Director of Public Relations for Rockefeller Center and former Editor of *The American Magazine*.

**"Congratulations, Cecil!"**

Mr. Crowell's first official act was to congratulate Alumni Secretary Goddard on his marriage, which was

to occur four hours later. In commenting on the absence of aloofness on the part of Colby alumni, Mr. Crowell told of the Harvard senior who resented the statement that Harvard men are aloof.

"Why," exclaimed the Harvard senior, "that is absolutely false. I am a member of the varsity crew and we were sequestered in training quarters for a period of eight weeks. I, as stroke, knew all the men in the boat except the two farthest away."

Mr. Crowell said that he looked back upon his undergraduate days as a corrective and inspirational period. "There was a spiritual and a physical panorama that was boyhood and that was Maine." He found "something infinitely wholesome and reassuring in an occasion like this." Returning to the campus he discovered "old melodies, old memories, old friends." He stacked up the New Deal against the old realities and the traditions of yesteryear. He noted youth in revolt, sneering at modernists and pseudo modernists, and mentioned the overdue shuffle of the economic structure.

Dr. Harry L. Koopman, '80, fifty-five years out, Editorial Writer on The Providence Journal and Librarian Emeritus of Brown University, addressed his remarks to the Class of '35. He discussed movements called the "Spirit Of The Time" and warned the members of the graduating class that they must test such movements, inquiring into the facts of the situation and the facts of experience. He defined a Socialist as one who has nothing to share and a Communist as one who has nothing to lose.

#### The Genesis: The Exodus

George R. Berry, '85, Professor Emeritus at Colgate-Rochester Divinity School, representing the fifty year class, dealt out a generous and lengthy portion of advice to the seniors and his fellow alumni. The Commencement Band blared forth on Seaverns Field, reducing the effectiveness of his remarks, and his rather lengthy recital of the progress of the human race, from its earliest beginnings, was concluded with the withdrawal of a considerable group of the alumni, causing presiding officer Crowell to remark:

"Dr. Berry gave us the genesis of the human race and we now have the exodus."

Rev. John W. Brush, '20, of Waterville, spoke for the fifteen year class

and was properly introduced as the first winner of the college's Condon Medal. He recalled his own undergraduate days when the late Dr. Roberts had led the faculty of the institution and when the type of education made famous by Dr. Mark Hopkins on a log was in style. Education at Colby then, Rev. Mr. Brush recalled, was "a personal tussle, a wrestling match with Dr. Roberts." He said he was looking forward to Mayflower Hill and paid his tribute to "men like Seaverns and Crowell as representatives of the old ideals of Colby." He welcomed the seniors to the fraternity of Colby men and urged them to "cultivate the Colby in your clover crop."

President Johnson, of course, was the principal speaker of the occasion and, as usual, gave a vigorous talk to the graduates. He reported that there are seven more members of the faculty than when he came to the college, that it is a better faculty and that the members have greater professional training than during the previous administration. He lauded the trustees for their interest in the affairs of the institution and commented on the fact that trustees living outside of the State of Maine during the academic year travelled 8,900 miles to attend meetings of the Colby board. All but four of the members of the board, he pointed out, are graduates of the college.

#### Samples Of The College

The alumni of the college, he continued, are its samples. They are its justification for being. The obligation which American colleges and universities feel toward their alumni is a recent development in the realm of education, he said, pointing out the establishment at Colby of a Bureau of Personnel and Placement. He announced that the board of trustees had increased the appropriation for this bureau. The seniors are receiving vocational guidance and advice in the matter of future study and vocational connections. Although he assured the alumni that the college was not interested in them only as a source of potential income, he added that one of the reasons why graduates should support the Alumni Fund is because as undergraduates they paid only half the cost of their education.

He invited frank expressions of opinion (The Alumnus has been attempting for a year to get a "Letters

To The Editor" column started) regarding the educational policies of the college. He reviewed the bequests which have come to the college during the past academic year and reported that only recently he had been called to a neighboring city to receive from a man who had had no previous connection with the college a check for \$25,000. One of the reasons he was proud of Colby, he went on, was because it had earned the appreciation of persons entirely outside of the college family. He called the attention of the graduates to the Lovejoy Exhibition in the Library, arranged in connection with the Lovejoy Convocation held in May, and noted that more than 700 feet of news publicity had been received in the nation's newspapers, in connection with that Freedom Of The Press program.

Mayflower Hill is far from a dream, he continued, but meanwhile the college is maintaining its good record on its present campus, keeping its grounds and buildings in the best possible condition.

#### The Baseball Game

Immediately after the luncheon the Colby varsity baseball nine played a local team known as the Wyandottes. The Waterville Military Band did its

#### COLBY'S ENDOWMENT

1908	-----	\$336,730.57
1909	-----	344,387.57
1911	-----	354,208.79
1912	-----	345,171.59
1913	-----	459,063.39
1914	-----	452,365.59
1915	-----	461,790.81
1916	-----	464,840.74
1917	-----	466,822.74
1918	-----	469,272.74
1919	-----	492,696.59
1920	-----	835,056.59
1921	-----	984,596.59
1922	-----	1,062,376.59
1923	-----	1,129,476.59
1924	-----	1,252,494.34
1925	-----	1,303,794.36
1926	-----	1,340,160.02
1927	-----	1,359,060.02
1928	-----	1,447,610.02
1929	-----	1,461,960.02
1930	-----	1,464,945.14
1931	-----	1,795,238.64
1932	-----	1,800,973.64
1933	-----	1,796,143.14
1934	-----	1,792,187.52
1935	-----	2,323,635.41

best to inspire the players but the dance after the President's Reception the night before had taken its toll in energy, there was nothing at stake and there had been no formal practice for nearly a fortnight, so the boys had plenty of excuses for going down, 5-0, in a five inning game terminated by a thunder shower.

During the abbreviated game the alumni had been given an opportunity to size up the nine which has for three consecutive seasons led the three other teams of the state and the general opinion, whether expressed by an alumnus a few or many years out of college, was: "That's a better team than they had in my day."

Interesting athletic gossip picked up in the Seaverns Field Stadium was that Ralph O. Peabody, '36, of Houlton, versatile athlete, is the last of the Peabody boys who have performed so nobly on the college's playing fields; that Romeo L. Lemieux, '37, of Waterville, will undoubtedly be the first Colby athlete in history to win eleven varsity letters (four in baseball, four in hockey and three in football); that Edwin C. ("Cliff") Veysey, '36, greatest distance runner in Colby's history, gets up at five o'clock every morning during the academic year to sell papers on a Waterville street corner.

#### Nevers-Goddard

Although the marriage of Secretary Goddard to Miss Clara L. Nevers was not on the official Commencement program, and though it was a strictly private ceremony, no account of Commencement could be considered complete without some brief mention of it. It occurred a few hours after the Alumni Luncheon in the First Baptist Church of Waterville. Rev. John W. Brush, '20, the pastor of the church, officiated at the single ring ceremony.

The bride had as her only attendant Miss Elsie Reynolds of Portland, and Ralph L. Goddard, brother of the bridegroom, was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Goddard left immediately after the ceremony on a wedding trip to Memphis, Tenn., where they attended the annual convention of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. They have made their home on Winter street, Waterville. Mrs. Goddard was graduated from the Deaconess Hospital in Boston in 1932 and since that time had been supervisor of the operating

room at the Thayer Hospital, Waterville.

Alumni Day was concluded Saturday evening with the reunions of the five-year classes from 1870 to 1930. A favorite spot was the new Pine Tree Tavern in the Elmwood Hotel. Accounts of many of these class reunions have been furnished The Alumnus by the respective class agents and will be found elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. The Editor of The Alumnus was a guest at the '20 dinner and, as an honorary member of '05, visited its reunion and took home one of the canes it carried in honor of its thirtieth reunion.

Following the customary academic procession from the campus to the City Opera House, the Baccalaureate Service was held Sunday morning with the sermon by Rev. Vaughan Dabney, D. D., Dean and Bartlett Professor of Sacred Rhetoric, Andover Newton Theological School. Dr. Dabney's sermon was delivered to a well filled Opera House.

President Johnson presided and the Colby Choir Quartette sang an anthem, "More Love to Thee O Christ." The members of the quartette were: Bertha A. Whittaker, '35; Kathryn A. Herrick, '35; Henry R. Thomas, '35; and James L. Ross, '36. The scripture reading was by Rev. Frederic G. Chutter, '85; an orchestra composed of students played the processional and recessional, the music of the service being in charge of John W. Thomas, Director of Music.

On Sunday afternoon, from 3.30 until 6, came an innovation in the Commencement program, President and Mrs. Johnson at home in their residence on College Avenue. Among those who attended were Mrs. Booth Tarkington; Kenneth Lewis Roberts, author, who on the following day received an honorary degree from the College; and the college's own Marston Morse, the "Second Einstein," who also received an honorary degree from the College. I know nothing of the mechanics, or of the phrases commonly used, in the "covering" by society editors of such delightful affairs but I do know that once again "a good time was had by all." Members of the women's division assisted with the "nourishment," as one enthusiastic alumnus put it, and Mrs. Johnson was assisted in receiving by four ladies of the faculty: Mrs.

Arthur G. Eustis, Mrs. Ernest C. Mariner, Mrs. Joseph S. Ibbotson and Mrs. George F. Parmenter.

#### The Boardman Sermon

The Boardman Sermon was preached in the Chapel Sunday evening by Rev. Isaac Higginbotham, '11, Director of Missionary Cooperation, Massachusetts Baptist Convention. President Johnson again presided and a solo, "O Divine Redeemer," was sung by Beth P. Pendleton, '35. The devotional service was led by Rev. Harold S. Campbell, '15, and the prayer was by Rev. John W. Brush, '20. The chapel was well filled. Following the Boardman Sermon the fraternity and sorority reunions were held at the fraternity houses and sorority rooms.

Monday came in with threatening skies, but the rain did not come down until midway through the Commencement Dinner. The customary academic procession wended its way from the campus to the City Opera House which was filled to overflowing with those who had come to see the Class of '35 go out. The College Marshal in charge of the procession was Associate Professor Arthur G. Eustis and the Assistant Marshal was Professor Thomas B. Ashcraft. Following the police escort and the Marshal came the senior class, followed in order by the faculty, the Class of '85, fifty years out, the trustees and the recipients of the honorary degrees.

Following the processional the exercises began with the invocation by Rev. Vaughan Dabney, D. D., who had been the Baccalaureate preacher and who, a few moments later, was to receive an honorary degree. The undergraduate speakers were Avis E. Merritt, on "The Safeguard of the Nation," and Edward J. Gurney, Jr., on "An Obligation of the College." Gurney, who was Editor of this year's Echo and who will enter Harvard Law School in the Autumn, made a particularly impressive address. A flute solo, "Concertino," was played by Harold F. Brown, '35.

#### "The Bankers Have Not"

The Commencement Address, which appears elsewhere in this issue, was by Dr. Clarence Cook Little, Head of the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory at Bar Harbor and Managing Director of the Society for the Control of Cancer, as well as former president of the University of

Michigan and the University of Maine. "The seniors of Colby College may have learned the value of the dollar," said Dr. Little (referring to a statement by one of the undergraduate speakers) "but the bankers of the country have not." He brought added smiles of appreciation to the faces of his listeners when he referred to the present conditions in this country, describing the squabbles at Washington as a "national barroom fight." When he predicted the demise of the Democratic and Republican parties, Governor Louis J. Brann of Maine, who sat on the platform as the representative of the State, smiled behind his hand, perhaps because Dr. Little had voted for him in the last Maine gubernatorial campaign.

There followed the conferring of the degrees on the members of the graduating class by President Johnson, and, although I was worried for a few moments, there were just enough of the diplomas to go around. The honorary degree recipients, listed with their citations on another page, received their new honors with the usual Commencement Day smile. They were, for the most part, tall, broad shouldered individuals and Marshal Eustis, who placed the hoods on their shoulders, at times appeared to be in need of a footstool. Partridge, Roberts, Dabney, Morse, Parker and Little. It was a strong list and met with general approval. A Maine schoolmaster, an author, a Theological School Dean and three outstanding scientists. And, so far as I know, there were no "Letters to the Editor," as was the case following the announcement of the Harvard list.

#### Magna Cum Laude

Those graduated magna cum laude were: Milton P. Kleinholtz and Roger H. Rhoades; cum laude: Dorothy E. Washburn, Dana W. Jaquith, Norman R. Brown, Avis E. Merritt, Kathryn A. Herrick, Grace H. Wheeler and Bertha Whittaker. Undergraduate prize awards were announced, with the greatest applause going to Laurence E. Dow, winner of the Condon Medal.

Up to the gymnasium, for the final event of the week-end, the Commencement Dinner. President Johnson declared the occasion a notable one because of the great number of old alumni present. Rev. Charles E. Young, '74, opened the dinner with

prayer. He was the oldest alumnus present in respect to the year of his graduation but not in respect to age. Dr. Johnson pointed out that John F. Moody, '67, is the oldest Colby alumnus in point of age, being ninety-four years old. He is strong and well and is living in Florida, having had every expectation of attending the Commencement exercises, until he was in an automobile accident a few weeks ago. At the dinner, representing the class of '75, sixty years out, was Eben G. Russell. Josiah O. Tilton, the other living member of this class, was unable to be present. From '79 were present William W. Mayo and George Merriam; from '85, Dr. George R. Berry and Rev. Frederic G. Chutter; from '80, Hugh R. Chaplin, Dr. Harry L. Koopman and Arthur M. Thomas.

In introducing Dr. Little as the first speaker, President Johnson referred to the Depression and Dr. Little immediately replied that he was much more sure of its ending than he had been earlier in the day. "Our heads are bloody but unbowed," Dr. Johnson continued. "We have put aside momentarily our cherished hope of moving to Mayflower Hill but our spirit of success and optimism is still undefeated. There has been a great spirit at Colby during the Depression years. The college has received more money this year than in any other five years of its history. We are blessed of God in a material way. Our salaries are unredacted and we are receiving gifts from those who do not know us intimately, from out the air by angels bourn, perhaps."

#### Inspired By Colby

Dr. Little, having in mind his two presidencies at Orono and at Ann Arbor, said he was sorry that he was not a fellow Maine college president of Dr. Johnson. He had been watching Colby during the Depression and had been inspired by the college's courage in the face of adversity. "This institution has always inspired me because Colby has ever hewed to the line in the matter of educational practices. The college's simplicity has loomed large during the Depression as it has set a good example for other institutions and other persons to follow."

Dr. Little maintained that the student is the most important link in the system of education and complimented Colby on the happy relation existing between its faculty and stu-

dents. At Colby, he pointed out, teaching is not ignored in a drive for research. He lauded President Johnson as a simple man and one fond of humanity.

In introducing George Otis Smith, chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Johnson praised Herbert E. Wadsworth, who resigned as chairman of the board during the past academic year because of ill health. Mr. Wadsworth, said Dr. Johnson, has given more time and thought to this college than any alumnus of whom I know. Dr. Smith, he continued, served under five presidents and was fired by a sixth. He told the story originally told by Dr. Smith himself: during his undergraduate days Dr. Smith was known as "Go" Smith, because of his initials. President Roosevelt thought so much of him that when he called at the White House the nation's chief executive called him by his nickname. "We are grateful to President Roosevelt," said Dr. Johnson, "not only because he has given us the New Deal, but also because he has made available to us the time and energy of our new chairman of the board."

#### Under The Eaves

Chairman Smith said that he had been glad of the opportunity of spending the last college year under the eaves of Colby because it had given him a great chance to see how the college really functions. "I am happy and willing to testify," he said, "to the good health of this college." He expressed his love for Maine (see his recent article in the *Geographic*) and said that he loved Maine more because of his forty years in Washington. "I like to be with my own folks," he continued, and added that he hoped one set of initials would be reserved even if the Republican Party went out of existence—G. O. P., for God's Own People, those who live in Maine.

He praised the board of trustees, "a working board," and described the college as a well coordinated endeavor on the part of the students and of the faculty. "All is well here at Colby where traditions are being carried on in the spirit of today." He referred to the fact that he had attended all the Colby state series games, at home and abroad, and boasted: "We won every game."

He declared the Lovejoy Convocation the high point of the college year, a Freedom of the Press pro-

gram which was ably planned and brilliantly executed. He said he had been a friend of Dr. Johnson for forty-six years. He emphasized his opinion that freedom of thought is just as essential as freedom of speech and said that the former is still one of the traditions of Colby. His advice to '35 may be summed up as: "The need to find, face and follow the facts." The government at Washington, he continued, is certainly disinclined to face the facts, because it is afraid it will discover that it is wrong. He defined a pessimist as one who has done business with an optimist.

Kenneth Roberts gave the shortest speech ever delivered at a Colby Commencement Dinner. "I sat in the Senate press gallery for six years," he said, "and I resolved then and there that I would never make a speech."

#### The Work Day Of The Future

George H. Parker, Professor of Zoology at Harvard, another honorary degree recipient, praised the Mayflower Hill site of the new Colby and brought smiles when he suggested that it was possible Colby had become great because of its proximity to a paper mill. "What might Harvard have become had it had a paper mill nearby?" His main theme was the shrinkage in the number of hours of labor man will have in the future and declared the necessity of more time and thought being given to solving the problem of what man would do in the future with his leisure time. He prophesied a day when no man would work for more than two or three hours.

Mrs. Mary Donald Deans, '10, back for her twenty-fifth reunion, spoke for Foss Hall. The mother of a Colby undergraduate she had crossed the continent and was the guest during Commencement of Dean and Mrs. Marriner. She represented the 1900 alumnae of the college, most of whom, she said, are doing worth while things. She paid her personal tribute to Ella May Tolman, '03, the first Colby woman she ever knew. She told of the little girl who did not wish to wash her hands for lunch because she had just shook the hand of Mrs. Roosevelt. But her mother solved the problem by suggesting that they would save the water in which she washed her hands. "I will save the

water in the form of Colby memories," she said. She reviewed her political experience in California when she ran for Congress and recalled her resolution that there would be no mud slinging in her campaign. She said she had telephoned her opponent and had promised that if he would refrain from telling lies about the Republicans she would promise not to tell the truth about the Democrats.

#### "Don't Go Out Glum"

Harry Jordan, '93, of Philadelphia, a member of the board of trustees who was on his honeymoon, declared it was his second Commencement Dinner and said that the Commencement Dinner was more or less the same as it was in his undergraduate days—"a good feed for nothing." He said he could not recall having felt any debt to the college at the time of his graduation but that it had come with the passing of the years. He said that a fellow alumnus had looked at the academic procession and had called it pathetic because the students had no jobs in sight. "We have been looking too long at the wrong side of the Depression," Mr. Jordan argued. "Let us look at the people who are employed rather than at those who are unemployed. Let us look at the banks which are in good condition rather than at those few which have failed. We are headed for a new era of prosperity as soon as the Administration lights somewhere. This is still the land of opportunity." To '35 he said: "Don't go out of here glum. Don't feel badly if you can't, at first, get the kind of a job you want. Do the things you don't want to do and you will find, in the long run, that they will have fitted you for doing the things that you do want to do."

Thus ended the one hundred and fourteenth Commencement, perhaps the most successful in the long and brilliant history of the institution. There was plenty to think about during a seven hour ride home through rain which came down as if shot from the nozzle of a fire hose and through puddles which threatened to engulf one.

#### TWENTY ON GEOLOGY TRIP TO BAR HARBOR

A party of twenty Colby students made the annual geology excursion to Bar Harbor. The trip was under direction of Professor Edward H.

Perkins and the Colby party was joined by a group of Tufts students under Professor Robert Nichols and a party from University of Maine under Professor Hugh Chase.

This trip, to study geologic formation on Mount Desert Island, has been made annually by Colby geology students for twenty-six years.

#### COLBY HOST TO MAINE COLLEGE MUSICIANS

Colby was host to the student musicians of Bates, Bowdoin and University of Maine at the second annual Intercollegiate Music Festival. This event constituted the Maine colleges' contribution to National Music Week.

Each college offered a twenty minute program, consisting of the cream of the selections which its musical club had been presenting during the winter season. The concert was held in the Alumnæ Building, after which dancing was enjoyed, with the four college dance bands furnishing the music.

The first Intercollegiate Music Festival was held last year, sponsored by the Colby Musical Clubs, and was considered an outstanding success. The idea is believed to be unique in college circles, the student musicians coming together solely to present a musical program, there being no prizes or other competitive features involved.

#### "TOP TEN" LIST OF FRESHMAN MEN

The "Top Ten" list of freshman men at Colby, ranged according to their scholastic rank for the first half year, has been given out by Dean Ernest C. Marriner.

These, together with their secondary schools, are: (1) Robert N. Anthony, Haverhill (Mass.) High School; (2) Frank A. Record, Livermore Falls High School; (3) Alfred W. Beerbaum, Wilby High School, Waterbury, Conn.; (4) Walter B. Rideout, Hartland Academy; (5) J. Marble Thayer, Waterville High School; (6) John S. Pullen, Danforth High School; (7) Eugene V. Williams, Coburn Classical Institute; (8) Frederick B. Oleson, Berlin (N. H.) High School; (9) William C. Carter, Coburn Classical Institute; (10) tie between Frank W. Mellen, Wethersfield (Conn.) High School; and Francis C. Prescott, Guilford High School.

# QUO VADIS, COLBY FRATERNITIES?

By ERNEST C. MARRINER  
Dean of The Men's Division

SOME twenty years ago the world and his wife were reading a popular novel written by a Polish Jew named Sienkiewicz. The novel was called "Quo Vadis," and it took its theme from a legendary story of the early Christian church. The apostle Peter, so said the legend, became disgusted and discouraged because, in Rome itself, he could make no more than a tiny dent in the religious system of the imperial Caesars. So he turned his back on it all and set out on foot along the Appian Way to the coast and his beloved Asia Minor. On the road he met a stranger who accosted him with the question, "Quo vadis, Petros?" "Whither goest thou, Peter?" and Peter, recognizing the voice of Jesus, turned about and returned to Rome, to suffering and execution, but to eternal fame.

The time has come at Colby, as at many an American college, when we must frankly ask the question, "Quo vadis, fraternitas?"—"Where are you going, fraternity?" Frankly, what does the future hold for Colby fraternities?

## Two Poles Of Opinion

There are two poles of opinion about tradition. One holds that it represents strength, continuity, valuable ties of sentiment. The other holds that it is reactionary, out-dated, unpragmatic, a hindrance to sound progress. Whatever may be said of tradition in the abstract, any specific tradition is probably, like arsenic or dynamite, neither good nor bad, both beneficial and detrimental; it all depends upon how it is used. Rightly used, tradition is like a governor to an engine, preventing the world from racing recklessly upon untried ventures to its own destruction.

There is no question that at Colby we have a deep-seated, honorable, beloved fraternity tradition. When in 1920 the college held its great centennial celebration, our oldest fraternity chapter held its diamond jubilee. Only ten years hence, in 1945, that chapter will be 100 years old. Three of our fraternities have been housed in the old bricks since 1906, and the fourth since 1914. All except one of



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our chapters, either as a local or a national unit, has been with us for more than 20 years. There are boys now in college whose fathers lived in the bricks after they became fraternity quarters. Yes, there is strong tradition behind our Colby fraternities.

## The New Danger

There is no intent this morning to deal with the large problem of college fraternities as such. It is sufficient to point out that the new danger they face in all American colleges is not the old danger of fifty years ago. Then there was an active anti-fraternity movement, denouncing the college fraternity as the stronghold of low ideals and evil actions, as the one factor in college that contributed most largely to the demoralizing of maturing manhood. That day is past; the fraternities weathered that storm. The new criticism is less harsh, but for that very reason perhaps more effective. Increasing numbers of college graduates, including many prominent fraternity alumni, believe that fraternities have outlived their usefulness. These critics are not belligerent, but they are thoughtful and sincere. The fruits of their thinking are skepticism and indifference. And their thinking has permeated the undergraduate body. The real danger that fraternities face today is not the opposition of college administrations or of alumni. It is the growing skepticism and indifference of the undergraduate toward the fraternal organizations. He isn't actively opposed to them. He just doesn't care.

How much of this general attitude applies to Colby you undergraduates know better than I. But we must not deceive ourselves by living in the fool's paradise that says all is well with our fraternities.

## The Financial Problem

What problems do our fraternities face? First, of course, the financial problem. More and more men are finding it hard to get the money for fraternity expenses. This creates the serious problem of the uninitiated pledge. Too many of our men feel obliged to deny themselves the benefits of full membership until sophomore, or junior, or even senior year. Too often, this leaves a deplorably small nucleus of men to carry on the efforts of the chapter, and especially its financial burden.

Unwittingly I received some publicity on the floor of the Interfraternity Conference last November in New York when the national president of a very old fraternity—one which has no chapter at Colby—took up and called for discussion of a paragraph in my annual report to the conference. That paragraph dealt with the problem of the uninitiated pledge, and the heated discussion which followed revealed that it is a universal problem, now recognized by every national fraternity, and determinedly faced. I am glad to see concerted effort on our campus this year to initiate upper-class pledges, and I believe our condition in this respect is better than it was a year ago. But it may be this has been accomplished, like some features of the New Deal, only by priming the pump. If skepticism and indifference continue and deepen, if financial conditions fail to improve, what can our fraternities do? How can they survive?

## I Favor Fraternities

I think my personal position is sufficiently well known to need no clarification here. But, for the sake of emphasis, let me repeat that I favor fraternities. I believe their value has not disappeared, that their abandonment would not be desirable. But I

do not propose to live in a fool's paradise. If and when fraternities cease to be significant and valuable at Colby College, they ought to go.

If fraternities are to survive on this campus, what shall they do? The answer has in the past few years become increasingly clear. Five years ago the Interfraternity Conference listened to a great address by Dr. Suzzalo, one of the most progressive and influential educators in America, a man whose untimely death was a severe blow to the whole cause of education. Three years ago the conference heard another inspired speaker, Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, then Secretary of the Interior in President Hoover's cabinet, and for many years President of Leland Stanford University. Both these addresses carried the same theme song. Both Suzzalo and Dr. Wilbur insisted that fraternities are doomed unless they wake up to the necessity of their participation in the educational process of the college, unless they realize that they can no longer be social clubs, disinterested in scholarship and vocational preparation, unless indeed they take an active part in the education of a man for useful, intelligent, cooperative citizenship.

#### A Few Suggestions

Specifically, then, what can fraternities at Colby do to meet these new demands of a new day? Let me, without elaboration or explanation, make a few suggestions:

1. Our houses must cease to be unsanitary, ill-kept Little Scorpion clubs, and become fitting homes of decent human beings who are already men.

2. The business of the college man must be respected and encouraged. He is here primarily for four years of studious development. He must be able to get it in his fraternity house, not be forced to seek a private room in order to secure reasonably quiet conditions of study.

3. We need an inter-fraternity council with power to act on all matters pertaining to fraternity relationships. It is too much to ask of a general student council, concerned with the whole problem of campus life, that it be also a clearing house for fraternity problems.

4. Let us consider the advisabil-

#### INTERFRATERNITY ATHLETIC TROPHY

A trophy for interfraternity athletic competition was presented to Colby in memory of Alden Cecil Sprague, '29, by G. Cecil Goddard, a classmate of Sprague's, at the final Men's Assembly period.

Sprague was an outstanding member of the class of 1929, holding many prominent offices and being a varsity track man. He was captain of the relay team in 1928, and president of the Athletic Council. He died in Bangor about a year after graduation from an infected tooth.

The new trophy consists of a symbolic bas-relief in bronze, mounted on a mahogany plaque, with blank plates for the name of the winning fraternity each year. After ten years, the fraternity with the greatest number of wins will have permanent possession of the trophy. A championship in an intramural sport, such as basketball, soccer, touch football, track, volleyball or soft baseball, will score 100 points, while each member of a fraternity who wins a varsity "C" will obtain 20 points.

In presenting the trophy Mr. Goddard, who is Alumni Secretary, said: "This trophy is given to the college by the class of 1929 in memory of a classmate stricken down in early manhood, who lived an exemplary undergraduate life, was a clean and outstanding athlete, a leader of young men—in the hope that it will stimulate wholesome sport among the fraternities of Colby College."

ity of one or more graduate residents in each fraternity, responsible to both the fraternity and the college for wholesome living conditions. This plan is working admirably in several colleges.

5. Let us consider and debate calmly and intelligently, without passion or prejudice, whether the college can best be served by chapters of national fraternities, or by local clubs.

6. 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.

#### Turn Back To Rome

My final point on this subject may frankly be called one of sentiment. But I am not afraid of that word. With sentiment removed life becomes a dull, dreary thing. I would call you back to the legend that gives title to these remarks. "Quo vadis, Petros?" asked the stranger. And Peter turned back to Rome. Colby fraternities, turn back to Rome, back to the beautiful idealism of your rituals, back to the noble aspirations of your founders, back to the conception of brotherhood and tolerance that gave your fraternity birth. Man does not live by bread alone, nor can a fraternity meet practical problems and discouraging adversity without lofty, cherished, practiced ideals. Quo vadis, fraternitas? (A Chapel Address).

#### SPRING MEETING OF THE BOSTON ALUMNAE

The Boston Colby Alumnae Association held its usual Spring meeting Saturday evening, April 27th, at the Hotel Lenox. The president, Mrs. Alona Nicholson Bean, presided at the meeting, which was to transact business and for social purposes.

Miss Grace Gatchell and her committee reported on their efforts to interest prospective students in Colby. They plan to see that Colby literature is placed on school bulletin boards and in libraries, as well as working in other ways.

Mrs. Bean reported that her committee had been able to raise some money for the Scholarship Fund, and plans were discussed for adding to this before summer.

Miss Rena Mills, vice president, gave an account of the dinner and joint meeting held with the men's association in March. Plans for a luncheon in the early Fall, and a social meeting next Spring were made.

Mrs. Myra Marvel Gatchell was elected secretary for the next year, taking the place of Mrs. Mary Philbrook Dunning, resigned. The meeting adjourned to enjoy refreshments and a social hour.

Mary P. Dunning,  
Secretary.

# Miss Alice Purinton, Alumnae Secretary, Resigns

## "Awakened Alumnae To a New Sense Of Loyalty and Responsibility To Their Alma Mater"

An Appreciation By Rose Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, Member of The Board of Trustees

IT has been said that the most valuable assets of a college are the lives of those graduates that have developed outstanding qualities of character. True it is that great personalities illuminated by the fire of genius or the flame of a noble purpose radiate light wherever they may go and reflect a lasting radiance upon the institutions that have fanned those sparks into flame. Colby has been fortunate, indeed, in having nurtured those who have borne the torch of individual liberty, of civil rights, and of loyalty to the highest ideals of truth and justice. She is also especially rich in the loyalty of those lesser lights that glow with the zeal for service, and by patient effort and unflinching devotion work day in and day out without thought of reward.

The women of Colby may have been slow in showing their loyalty, but at last they have proved their worth and now can be counted as one of the most valuable assets of the college. The most remarkable thing in the development of Colby in recent years has been the awakening of the alumnae to a new sense of loyalty and responsibility to their Alma Mater, and the recognition of this on the part of the alumni. This has brought about a spirit of cooperation which is of inestimable value and is bound to contribute to greater success in the future. No one has been more responsible for this movement than Miss Alice M. Purinton of the class of 1899. Only by her faithful work and persistent interest continued through many years has this spirit been aroused and the women organized for service.

### Well Fitted For Task

Miss Purinton was especially well fitted for this task. After graduation from college she had, for some time, business training in her father's office so that she became skilled in typewriting and bookkeeping. Naturally painstaking and systematic, when she became treasurer of the Alumnae Association, she performed her duties in the most business-like manner. Furthermore, as her home was in Waterville, she had the ad-



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vantage of being centrally located and knowing the college at first hand. Her enthusiasm never had a chance to wane for she was constantly in contact with the college. She knew the faculty and she knew the students; she rejoiced with them in their successes and sympathized with them in their defeats; she watched their sports and smiled at their pranks. In short, she understood the situation, and that sympathetic understanding imparted to others worked like leaven until it permeated the whole alumnae body and aroused to new life the cold and indifferent members, who had well nigh forgotten the old college on the Kennebec and in some cases had begun to think slightly of her. Miss Purinton's cheerful reports and gentle reminders often stirred old memories and revived the old love for Colby.

Moreover, while Miss Purinton's home cares kept her near the college, she had a certain amount of leisure time which she gladly devoted to the promotion of all good causes. Fortunately, Colby was one of the most important and gradually came to occupy practically all her time.

When in 1921 the campaign for the Alumnae Building was started, Miss

Purinton was in the key position. Hers was the task of receiving the money, collecting the pledges, and keeping the receipts, investing the money as she saw fit so that the principal might be secure and some profits might be realized. Others did most of the talking, much of the planning and the securing of the pledges, but Miss Purinton did the work—the real drudgery. When we consider that this campaign lasted seven years and the money, at least a large part of it, came in dribbles from small pledges extending often over a period of three to five annual payments, we can realize what labor was involved. Imagine the letters that had to be written! Even securing the list of correct addresses of alumnae was no small job. All this time Miss Purinton's courage never waned, her patience never failed, and though her hand and her brain may have been weary, her labors never ceased. Perhaps the most significant thing of all is that she never lost a cent entrusted to her care. In fact, the fund steadily grew year by year. In those days when speculation ran high with conservative judgment and rare business ability, Miss Purinton guarded her treasure. This certainly is a tribute to her faithfulness, her honesty, and her wise judgment.

### Freedom From Expense

A distinguishing characteristic of this campaign of the women was its freedom from expense. Most campaigns for raising money are conducted by expert directors with large salaries and expensive advertising which consume a large part of the funds. Not so this campaign; it was purely a labor of love. The committee in charge received no salaries or compensation of any kind. All those years Miss Purinton gave her services—expert services which were beyond price. Thus she became a living example of the loyalty of Colby women.

It may seem that her services were purely of a business-like nature, but it is impossible to tell just how much the college and the alumnae owe to Miss Purinton. She was a member of the Alumnae Council and a member

of the Building Committee and was always present at every meeting. Though quiet and unobtrusive in manner, her judgment was excellent and her opinions carried weight. She was the pilot with her hand ever on the tiller, holding us steadily to our course and bringing us at last safely to the goal. When others got excited, she kept calm; when they lost courage, she had faith; and, when they gave up, she kept on working.

At length the Alumnæ Building was completed and turned over to the college. The committee rejoiced over their success, heaved a great sigh of relief, and stopped working. Miss Purinton, however, kept right on just the same. Only a beginning had been made; the great work of permanent organization of the alumnæ remained to be done. The seed had been sown in the hearts of the alumnæ, and now the soil must be cultivated in preparation for a future harvest. This would require more than leisure time work. Who was so well fitted to do this as Miss Purinton? Accordingly, in 1931 she resigned as treasurer of the Alumnæ Association and became the first Alumnæ Secretary.

#### Starting The Alumnæ Fund

As these new duties required more ample facilities, Miss Purinton moved into the office at Chemical Hall and began to carry out the plan of organizing the women on the Dartmouth system as the men were being organized. The object was to get all the women interested in contributing to the Alumnæ Fund instead of paying annual dues. Class Agents were appointed to get into communication with all the members of each class and report to the secretary. Good progress was made and Miss Purinton worked hard to get the system started. She kept in constant communication with Class Agents and through them with all the Colby women. The feeling was growing that each one had a share in maintaining the work of the college as was evident from the steady increase in the amount of contributions. When last Commencement, Miss Purinton displayed a chart yards in length showing the tabulation of results by classes, those present at the meeting were impressed with the amount of work done, the increase in the fund raised, and especially the effort expended in producing such results. As

#### KLING AWARDS CLASS OF 1939

FIVE young men entering Colby next autumn will be the first recipients of the new scholarships established by the will of the late Charles Potter Kling, according to an announcement by the Committee on Scholarships. From more than thirty qualified applicants of proved Revolutionary or Colonial ancestry, the five winners were selected:

**Elmer Winfield Allen**, Lincoln Academy, Damariscotta. Seventh in direct descent from Captain Joseph Dingley, the first settler at Casco, Maine.

**Frederick Harlan Cousins**, George Stevens Academy, Bluchill. Sixth in direct descent from Jonathan Allbee, a native of Wiscasset and a soldier in the Revolution from February, 1777, to December, 1779.

**Arnold Miller Jones**, Cranford High School, Cranford, N. J. Ninth in direct descent from William Bucknam, who was born in Ipswich, England, in 1602, and who settled at Salem, Massachusetts, in 1632. The fifth in line, William Richardson Bucknam, was a soldier in the Revolution.

**Albert Burchard Parsons**, Farmington High School, Farmington, Maine. Tenth in direct descent from Governor William Bradford of the Plymouth Colony. The line descends straight through the Bradford name to the applicant's mother, Mrs. Alice Bradford Parsons. Descent is also traced to Elder William Brewster, whose great-granddaughter married the grandson of Governor Bradford.

**Hallam Turton, Jr.**, Bellows Falls High School, Bellows Falls, Vermont. Seventh in direct descent from Captain Jonathan Knight, who was born at Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1732, resided later at Dummerston, Vermont, and served in the armies of the Revolution, seeing action also in the pre-Revolutionary engagement known as the "Court House Battle" at Westminster, Vermont, March 13, 1775.

always. Miss Purinton was unsparing of herself and persistent in accomplishing her purpose.

She was hurrying on her way to an Alumnæ Council Meeting when she was stricken with the illness which has made it necessary for her to resign her position. All the alumnæ and friends regret that she is unable to carry on the work which she has started so successfully. They rejoice that her health is improving and hope that she may long continue her interest which has enriched the college and endeared her to the hearts of her Colby sisters. Miss Purinton may rest from her labors assured that she has done more than any other woman to bring about the revival of interest among Colby women and to promote the spirit of loyal cooperation between men and women. By her loyalty, her devoted service, and her unflinching courage and faith, Miss Purinton has won the sincere appreciation and esteem not only of the women but also of the men of Colby College.

#### WOMEN'S DIVISION LEADERS FOR 1936

Leaders for 1936 of the Women's Division at Colby have been elected by their classmates. Student Government, Health League and Y. W. C. A. officers assumed their duties after the college spring vacation was over. The highest honor in the Women's Division was awarded to Kathryn Caswell, '36, East Orange, N. J., who was elected president of Student Government. Other Student Government officers are: Marjorie D. Gould, '37, Newton Center, Mass., vice president; secretary, Kathryn Winkler, '37, Wakefield, Mass.; treasurer, Phyllis Carroll, '36, Rumford.

The Health League, Athletic Association of Colby women, has the following officers: B. Arlene Hayes, '36, Winchester, N. H., president; Barbara Hutcheon, '37, Presque Isle, vice president; Natalie Gilley, '36, Wayland, Mass., secretary-treasurer.

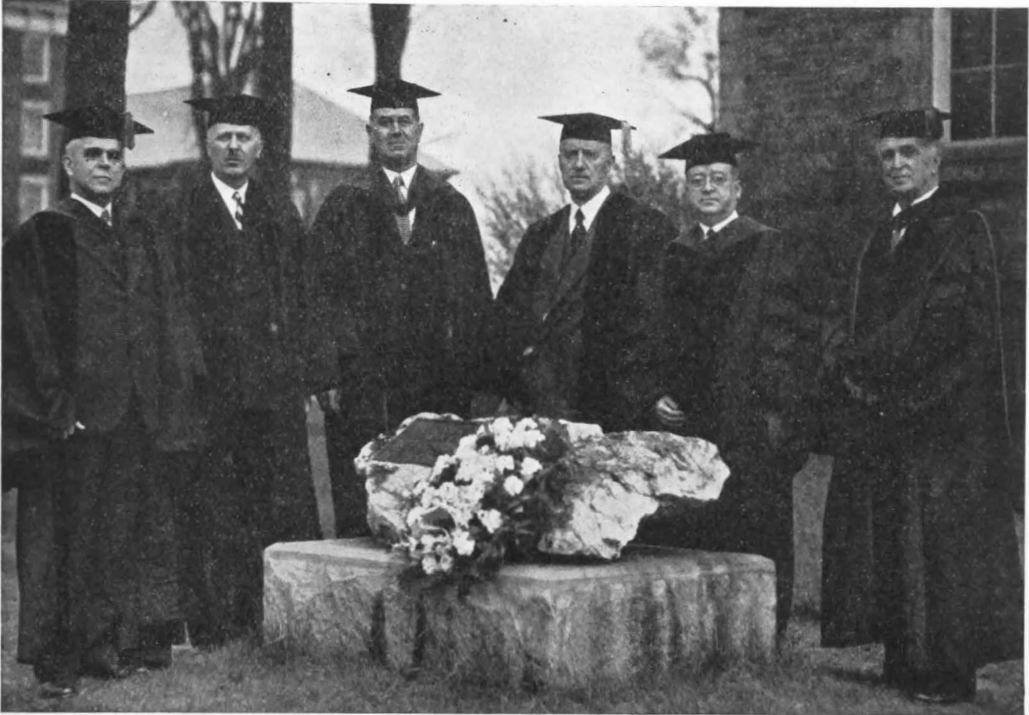
Lucile Jones, '36, Watertown, Mass., was elected president of Y. W. C. A., and the other officers include: vice president, Iola Chase, '37, Mechanic Falls; secretary, Kathryn D. Cobb, '37, Windsor, Conn.; treasurer, Edythe D. Silverman, '36, Portland.

Ruth Millett, '36, Springfield, Vt., was elected editor of the Colby "Bible" for next year.

# Lovejoy Honored: Freedom Of The Press Upheld

Radio Gagged, Colby Convocation Told--Distinguished Figures In Remarkable Newspaper Gathering

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## NOTED PUBLISHERS HONOR MARTYRED EDITOR

To commemorate the death of Elijah Parish Lovejoy, who was killed in 1837 while defending his newspaper plant against a mob incited by those who did not like his editorials, prominent members of newspaper world participated in services at Colby in May:

Left to right—President Franklin W. Johnson; Jerome D. Barnum, Syracuse Post Standard, president, American Newspaper Publishers' Association; Col. Robert R. McCormick, Chicago Tribune; Bainbridge Colby, former Secretary of State; Howard Davis, New York Herald Tribune, past president, American Newspaper Publishers' Association; and George Otis Smith, chairman of the Colby Board of Trustees, former chairman Federal Power Commission.

**L**EADERS of newspaper thought in the state and nation, in assembly at Colby May 19th, hurled a shining gauntlet at the official feet of those who would abridge the freedom of the press.

Editors of great dailies and tiny weeklies, and all degrees of the Fourth Estate between, sitting shoulder-to-shoulder in the most remarkable gathering Maine has known in a decade, filled the historic First Baptist Church with their applause when

former President Howard Davis of the American Newspaper Publishers Association declared:

"As we have all discovered in the past two years, and as our ancestors have discovered repeatedly in the past, the battle is not won when words are written into the constitution. No law is self-executing—least of all such provisions as those which run counter to deep and swift streams of human passion. Free speech as a condition, as a living fact, can be

preserved only by hard and persistent fighting. Without such defenders as the great American whom we honor today, the Constitution is a scrap of paper."

They cheered when tall, gray-haired Col. Robert McCormick of the Chicago Tribune, as the climax of an address that had mounted in dramatic intensity, quoted the words of Sheridan: "Give me but the liberty of the press and I will give the minister a venal House of Peers \* \* \* I will

shake corruption from its height, and bury it beneath the ruins of the abuses it was meant to shelter."

Newspaper men and women, and others prominent in many walks of life, met as the guests of Colby College to honor the memory of Elijah Parish Lovejoy, Colby graduate and apostle of abolition, who died in Alton, Ill., while defending his printing presses against a mob that would have destroyed them—and would have destroyed, also, America's right of free speech.

Against this background, speaker after speaker, led by Howard Davis and Col. McCormick, drew a word picture of modern conditions—the gallant fight American newspapers have just won to preserve a freedom grown priceless with the passing of the years. They declared, in effect, that only the newspaper now stands between Dictatorship and Democracy. Not the least significant feature was an illuminating revelation, by Davis and McCormick, of what the Newspaper Publishers Association actually thinks of the administration's code policies. Scarifying condemnation ran beneath a light veneer of official courtesy—chilled and almost satirical courtesy, oftentimes. There wasn't the remotest question but these publishers believed that only a united front had saved the American newspapers, and through them the American people, from a deadly serious menace. Going further, Davis declared that the present system of radio control at Washington is a travesty—and the battle for a free radio is yet to begin.

The exercises took most of the day. They began in the First Baptist Church, believed to have been built in the year of Lovejoy's graduation from Colby, almost a century ago—a church trim and white and somehow seeming quite modern, despite the memories which cling about it.

Many in the gathering had come in a special Pullman from New York. It was an unusual picture—the quiet church, the parade of Colby faculty and undergraduate representatives, the black-robed judges of the supreme court, the choral background of Colby young women. And, filling all the pews, more editors and special writers than ever had been gathered simultaneously in Maine.

The historical groundwork was established by President Franklin W.

Johnson of Colby, who read a brief paper, at once graceful and vigorous, of the crusading editor whose tragic death—through all the years that followed—pointed the path of newspaper freedom. "We do well," said President Johnson in closing, "to reaffirm our faith in Democracy, and our adherence to the principles and rights so dearly earned."

#### Fight For Free Press

The first modern note—an amazingly frank discussion of the fight against provisions in the newspaper publishers' code, which he regarded as an opening wedge to outright censorship—was brought into the program by Howard Davis, business manager of the New York Herald Tribune and former president of the A. N. P. A. He said in part:

"The challenge came to us (members of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association) out of a clear sky. When the problem of a newspaper code under the National Industrial Recovery Act arose neither I nor any other newspaper executive had the slightest reason to expect any difficulty over the issue of a free press \* \* \* The one request we made, the one exception to the general rule of codes we asked, was the obvious and simple one that the special rights reserved to the American people in the name of the press by the First Amendment to the Constitution, should be clearly safeguarded against impairment by the Recovery Act itself, or the administration of its provisions.

"The opposition we suddenly faced seemed incredible. You are all familiar with the extraordinary powers granted to the Administration by that Act, including the right to license, and the right to enforce by injunction. A press overhung by such threats obviously could not be really free. The mere threat of these provisions would have tempered criticism and silenced the weak. True, it was our conviction, as it was the opinion of our counsel, that the courts could be relied upon to denounce any interference with the press which transgressed the First Amendment; but it seemed equally clear that by the time such judicial determinations were reached, the battle would almost certainly have been fought and lost. An Administration has little difficulty in postponing judicial determination of the constitutionality of an act, as the

last two years have abundantly demonstrated. Meantime, the peril would overhang the press and fear itself might do untold and irremediable damage.

"The publishers' attitude involved no attack or charges against any individual. I make none now. Members of the administration, including the President, stated they had no intention whatever of abridging the freedom of the press. I am glad to believe they spoke sincerely. But the issue was unmistakably one far larger than any question of the personalities which temporarily occupied the seats of power at Washington. At one stage of the protracted struggle the suggestion was made by General Johnson, speaking for the President, that the administration would engage not to apply the licensing power to any newspaper and urged the acceptance of the code without reservation on the strength of this promise. The reply was obvious. No President could bind himself, let alone his successors, in such an informal manner. The newspapers of America could not and would not put in jeopardy a basic right of the American people in any such easy fashion.

"As a result of standing for this principle, there ensued six months of what proved to be the hardest fought issue of that extraordinary period, when Washington was a bedlam and the business leaders of America forsook their regular duties in what perhaps was the most stupendous, if not the most futile of governmental efforts ever undertaken.

"Finally, on February 24, 1934, the President approved the Daily Newspaper Code, containing the 'freedom of the press' clause over which there had been so much discussion between the Newspaper Publishers' Committee and the N. R. A. officials. It reads:

"Those submitting this Code recognize that Pursuant to Section 10 (b) of the Act the President may, from time to time, cancel or modify any order approving this Code, but in submitting or subscribing to this Code the publishers do not thereby consent to any modification thereof, except as each may thereto subsequently agree, nor do they thereby waive any constitutional rights, or consent to the imposition of any requirements that might restrict or in-

terfere with the constitutional guarantee of the freedom of the press.'

#### **Believes Radio Servile**

"We had not gone very far in our struggle when we discovered an extraordinary example and warning. I refer to the radio and the manner in which it was silently but surely brought under the control of the administration. It is under such control today thanks to the precise mechanism with which the National Industrial Recovery Act threatened the press—the licensing power.

"There is, unfortunately a necessity for a national licensing of radio based on the physical facts of transmission. But that regulation can be conducted either judicially and fairly, or craftily and toward partisan ends. Here is an issue to which I hope all the liberal forces of the country will devote an increasing attention. The present system of regulation at Washington is a travesty on the impartial control that should prevail.

"Licenses are granted for only six months; the axe of execution overhangs the head of every station. The body in control is not judicial in concept, background or tenure of office. It is composed of political appointees, removable without cause. In effect, the party in power by invisible pressure and unspoken threat obtains a maximum service on the air and holds opposition to a minimum.

"We saw this condition developing while our own battle was going on. Speech magnified a thousand fold, clothed with a new persuasiveness and unprecedented power through the marvel of the machine, was being curbed for political ends while we watched. In this new field, lacking the traditions which newspapers have inherited from generations of brave editors and publishers, the political process of restriction which I described at the outset of my remarks, operated instinctively and infallibly.

"I suspect that any other Administration would have functioned in much the same way. If I have made myself clear, you will understand that I am not accusing anyone. I am simply reciting facts and endeavoring to make clear to you the very human motives, the instinctive resentment of criticism, which would make a mockery of free speech and a free press unless stalwart individuals stood

up and fought. The battle for a free press has been won, at least temporarily; the battle for a free radio has yet to begin. It will not come from the radio companies. It must not end until the regulatory body in Washington has been established on a high plane, composed of men of the calibre of United States judges, holding office for life or for long terms of years, and functioning in such fashion as to free the air from political restraints and open it to every legitimate voice.

"We have lived through two strange years. While in the thick of the fray in the newspaper contest, it seemed to me that nothing could be stranger than the hesitancy of an American administration to accept and uphold the cause of a free press. But I do not wish to exaggerate the mystery of the episode. It now seems to me explicable, as I suggested at the outset, by those natural forces of human prejudice to which all men are subjects."

#### **Only The Newspapers Firm**

"In the great contest which has been going on in this country for three years, and which is not yet ended, to decide whether the principles of arbitrary government reestablished in Europe after a century of democratic advance shall be allowed to cross the ocean and crush all that the Revolution gained, the Constitution organized, and the Bill of Rights guaranteed, practically every right of freemen was swept away in the first rush of absolutism," declared Col. Robert McCormick.

"Our Congress was as servile as the parliaments of George III, of Mussolini and of Hitler. Our courts, threatened with impeachment and the appointment of partisan judges, wavered. Only the newspaper publishers stood firm.

"Clearly they saw, as Hamilton saw in his later years when, chastened and out of power, he was prosecuting an appeal for a friend wrongfully convicted under a statute unconstitutional because in violation of the freedom of the press that:

"'Never can tyranny be introduced into this country by arms; these can never get rid of a popular spirit of inquiry \* \* \* It is only by abuse of the forms of justice that we can be enslaved. An army can never do it \* \* \* It is not thus that the liberty of this country is to be destroyed. It is to be subverted only by a pretense

of adhering to all the forms of law, and yet by breaking down the substance of our liberties.'

"From the beginning they divined the purpose back of a code which abandoned the liberties wrung from preponderant political power one hundred and fifty years ago. Courageously they resisted the dragoonade of organized propaganda. Heroically the leaders stood firm in the panic of terrified men who sought individual safety in surrender of all that makes men free.

"It was in their isolation in Washington that John Stewart Bryan, Amon G. Carter and Howard Davis, with Bainbridge Colby, volunteering for service like another Andrew Hamilton, showed the qualities which raised our forefathers to the ranks of free men. Among a crowd of captives and of courtiers they stood fearless before the threatening gestures of the perpetrators of a seemingly successful coup d'etat.

"To celebrate this noble and so far successful battle to preserve the Freedom of the Press we are here today, for still we may cry with Sheridan:

"'Give me but the liberty of the press and I will give the minister a venal house of peers. I will give him a corrupt and servile House of Commons. I will give him the full swing of the patronage of office. I will give him the whole host of ministerial influence. I will give him all the power that place can confer upon him, to purchase up submission and overawe resistance; and yet, armed with the liberty of the press, I will go forth to meet him undismayed. I will attack the mighty fabric of that mightier engine. I will shake down from its height corruption and bury it beneath the ruins of the abuses it was meant to shelter.'"

The forenoon program ended impressively when Colby, through President Johnson, conferred its Doctor of Laws degree upon Mr. Davis and Col. McCormick.

Then the company streamed across town to the Elmwood Hotel, in whose lobby newspaper men and women from many communities mingled for a half hour.

#### **The Banquet**

Technically a luncheon, but a banquet in the sheer brilliancy of its company and setting, was the next feature of this surprising day. Maine

banquets are often graced by the presence of one or two visiting celebrities; at Colby they seemed to be there in battalions. A complete list of all present would read like a cross-section of Newspaperland's Blue Book.

At the head table, which ran diagonally down the long room, were Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state in the Wilson administration and Colby trustee, who presided; Governor Louis J. Brann, who arrived late thereby winning an additional round of recognition and applause; Mrs. Colby; President Franklin W. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson; Howard Davis and Col. Robert McCormick, the forenoon speakers; Mrs. Davis; Mrs. J. Warren Merrill, Manchester-by-the-Sea; Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Raymond, Milton; Arthur G. Staples, Lewiston Evening Journal; Jerome D. Barnum of the Syracuse Post-Standard, who is president of the American Newspaper Publishers Association; Henry F. Hilton, Chicago; W. R. Pattangall, chief justice of the Maine Supreme court, and Mrs. Pattangall; John D. McAdams, of the Evening Telegram in Alton, Ill., where Elijah Parish Lovejoy met his death; Clarence E. Lovejoy, Mrs. Florence Lovejoy Sloper, Madelyn D. Dunphy, New York City. Among the distinguished guests in other parts of the room were Justices Dunn, Thaxter and Hudson of the Supreme court.

#### Wealth of Oratory

The speech-making flowed on and on, Bainbridge Colby presiding with the grace of a Chesterfield and diplomacy of a Disraeli. The way in which he picked out shining phrases from the address of each speaker as it ended, weaving them into an adroit little pattern of his own and thus making the afternoon more agreeable, was an object lesson in the art of after-dinner presentation.

"One of the most impressive academic functions it has ever been my good fortune to attend," was his description of the forenoon meeting. He said, obviously referring to Colby, that a college may be rich in traditions—a spiritual value to be as jealously cherished as any material endowment.

"It was natural," he declared, "that when Colby celebrated the memory of Elijah Lovejoy, the American press—the freest in all the world, thank

God!—should have evinced an interest."

Then he read communications from those unable to attend—communications anything but perfunctory. Some of them were distinguished little essays, into which the writers must have put a good deal of time and thought. Arthur D. DeWart, president of the New York Sun, described that newspaper's century-old fight for freedom. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, president of the New York Times, wrote among other things: "Liberty is not a heritage, but a conquest for each generation."

"These letters," said Mr. Colby, after reading or mentioning a score of others, "show this occasion to have been received with significant interest throughout the newspaper world."

#### Governor Brann

Governor Louis J. Brann extended official greetings to "these distinguished men and women who represent the best there is in the field of journalism in America."

He declared: "They honor by their presence, not only Colby College and Waterville, but the entire State of Maine."

Of Bainbridge Colby he said: "There is no man in America so apt in the use of expressive and virile language. I hope he will come often to Maine. I have just this admonition"—humorously—"and I make it in all kindness that he will refrain from coming about election time."

Terming Colby among the outstanding small educational institutions in America, Governor Brann quoted with approval a remark by the late Chief Justice John A. Peters: "When a boy goes to a small college, he doesn't go through as much college, but more college goes through him."

"I do want these leaders of American journalism to feel at home in Maine," Governor Brann concluded.

Jerome D. Barnum of Syracuse, who recently became president of the A. N. P. A., said in part: "Some years ago, a great justice said it was impossible to conceive of a liberty that did not have a free press. But, since the war, we have seen this free press destroyed in all save the English-speaking countries. And, with its destruction, has come the death of free speech."

"It was fortunate indeed, in the crisis with which we were confronted,

that the publishers had an organization whose attention was directed as much to the preservation of our liberties as to the problems of the business office \* \* \* The freedom of the press is not a right granted publishers alone. It is the right of all the people, guaranteed by the constitution—and with the publishers as its trustees."

Clarence E. Lovejoy, alumni secretary of Columbia University, who spoke for Elijah Lovejoy's army of descendants, has a nimbleness of wit that many an after-dinner orator might envy. He didn't exactly make heroes of certain old-time members of the Lovejoy family. His description of a remote Hezekiah, who, in accordance with an agreeable social custom of that day, made a concoction from molasses yet on occasion didn't waver from his fealty to the church, had the big room in a storm of merriment. Yet there was always underlying sentiment of loyalty and tribute.

#### The Greetings Of Alton

One of the speakers had driven 1996 miles to be present, yet counted it worth while. He was John D. McAdams of the Evening Telegraph in Alton—now a city of 32,000, which honors Elijah Lovejoy as a hero and has perpetuated his memory in a \$60,000 monument.

The Telegraph, Mr. McAdams said, will be a century old in 1936, and he believed its first editor, Lawson A. Parks, must have known Lovejoy well. "I have been asked," he said, "why our paper didn't take the name of Lovejoy's ill-fated venture, 'The Observer.' I do not know, but I think perhaps it was because the editor was afraid." Later, Bainbridge Colby caught up this phrase and commented upon it as one of the most striking tributes he had heard to Elijah Lovejoy—who hadn't been afraid.

Mr. McAdams told interestingly of the modern Alton; of the quite recent recovery from the Mississippi of a part of the Lovejoy press, where it had been hurled by the mob on that century-ago night of tragedy; and of how streams of visitors visit the memorial in Grand View cemetery.

Henry H. Hilton, of the publishing house of Ginn & Co., Chicago, injected a different touch into the afternoon's speech-making by his description of various complexities confronting

ing the big text-book publishers. He believed that what goes into the daily papers, important though it may be, is no more so than what goes into books in the schools—which the country's boys and girls accept as gospel truth, and which therefore do much toward moulding the characters of tomorrow's citizens.

He made the point that, although the Civil War ended 70 years ago, its old enmities still smoulder. The day has not yet come when the same history-books are accepted by the schools of both North and South.

Carl Dreyfus, of the Boston American, spoke of the mighty influence of the modern newspaper.

#### A Maine Editor Speaks

Many in the room felt a touch of local pride in the fact that the day's one address by a Maine newspaper man—Arthur G. Staples, editor of the Lewiston Journal—compared so favorably with those of the nationally distinguished newspaper figures that had preceded him. So favorably? Say, rather, so brilliantly. It was filled with the adroit phrasing and whimsical, kindly humor long agreeably familiar to Maine gatherings.

Mr. Staples had brought with him an impression of the first newspaper published in Maine. The place was Falmouth Neck, now part of Portland, and the time was January 1, 1785. Yet this modest ancestor of all Maine journalism has a sturdy independence, an appreciation of its mission and the people's rights, that even today's majestic newspapers of New York and Chicago may well acclaim. Mr. Staples elaborated upon this thought interestingly and at length.

#### Resolutions

Paying tribute to the dailies of Maine, which have stood as staunchly for the freedom of the press as have their big-town contemporaries, he ended by offering the following resolutions, previously adopted:

The Maine Daily Newspaper Publishers hereby affirm their high appreciation of the service of Mr. Howard Davis, while President of the American Newspaper Publishers Association; for his allegiance to the cause of a free press, free speech and free assemblage and for his perseverance in a successful battle against censorship or any other restrictive provisions of the

newspaper code.

The Maine Daily Newspaper Publishers Association unites with the A. N. P. A. and all other orderly friends of liberty, in condemnation of any legislation or any dictation that shall appear to be an organized or wide-spread effort to induce Congress or any of the several states to pass laws, designed further to restrict the ancient rights of a free people. To do so would bring ruin to the very foundations of our republic.

In appreciation of the distinguished services of Mr. Howard Davis these resolutions are to be incorporated in its minutes, for all time.

It was growing late—very late—when Chief Justice Pattangall was called upon.

"The press of Maine has always exercised a reasonable degree of freedom," he said in his brief opening. "At least," he added with typical Pattangall humor, "it so impressed me when the Maine papers were nearly all Republican, and were commenting upon my conduct in various Democratic campaigns."

There was another touch of humor when he told of having met Howard Davis in Washington, and having tried to say that the price of newsprint was so low that Maine mills squarely faced bankruptcy. "Then," said he, "I found out that Mr. Davis not only believed in a free press, but in free newsprint as well." The significance of the reference wasn't lost upon the Maine members of the assembly, and a wave of laughter swept the hall.

"The country's publishers," said Mr. Pattangall, in fully serious vein, "did a splendid work in preserving the freedom of the press. Perhaps their battle for liberty was made less difficult than are the battles of other citizens, because they control a great medium of expression. Therefore, their views were listened to with respectful attention, and they were granted a larger measure of liberty than would have been possible, perhaps, in a fight led by other interests.

"We want you, gentlemen of the press, to go still further in your battle for freedom. We want you to fight for the freedom of business, and for the right of the people of the United States to conduct their lives some-

what in accordance with their own judgment—not always under the tutelage of inexperienced men who, by accident, have found themselves in places of high authority."

The long and varied afternoon had a genuinely unexpected ending. John Pullen of Amity, Colby '35, representing the Colby College Press Club, was called upon to respond to the wealth of oratory.

If there were those who had expected him to be briefly perfunctory, they were quickly disabused. In vigor, freshness and wit—above all, in the originality of its viewpoint—his talk was tremendously distinctive, even in comparison with those which had gone before. Its theme was the latent student idealism—an idealism that, in these curiously shifting times, clings to the principle; Elijah Lovejoy personified.

#### IMPORTANT ADDITIONS TO LOVEJOY COLLECTION

The Colby collection of historic documents pertaining to Elijah Parish Lovejoy received important additions from several parties on the eve of the Commemorative exercises.

Elijah Parish Lovejoy of Detroit, namesake and grand-nephew of the famous abolitionist, presented the college with a number of old papers and manuscripts, including an interesting letter to Lovejoy from his mother, written from Albion, Maine, on June 27, 1829, begging her son to return home from "St. Louis on the Mississippi River."

Miss Kate L. Gregg of Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., sent transcripts of correspondence between Lovejoy and one Major Sibley, who had cancelled his subscription to Lovejoy's paper.

Gaius Paddock of St. Louis, aged ninety-nine, sent President Johnson a copy of an address on Lovejoy by Thomas Dimmock in 1888.

Major Clarence E. Lovejoy of Columbia University presented the college with a copy of the Lovejoy Genealogy which he compiled, and of which only a limited edition was printed.

An exhibition of Lovejoy historical material was arranged in Memorial Hall for the benefit of those who visited the college. Among the most valuable mementos was a bookcase made of wood taken from Lovejoy's home in Alton, Ill.

# CHARACTERISTICS OF SINCLAIR LEWIS' WORKS

JOHN G. Rideout, of Hartland, Colby junior, was awarded the Gallert English Prize for this year, Professor Carl J. Weber, head of the Department of English, announced.

The winning essay was on "The Characteristics of Sinclair Lewis' Works," and consisted of a thorough examination of the literary style and the personal background of the Nobel Prize winner.

The Gallert Prize is donated by Mrs. Joseph L. B. Meyer of New York City, in memory of Solomon Gallert, a Colby graduate in the class of 1888, who was an attorney and prominent figure in the state legislature of North Carolina.

Lack of space makes it impossible to print the essay in its entirety, but the abridgment which follows illustrates the style and summarizes the thought of the original twenty-six pages:

More than a decade has passed since Red Lewis released his first verbal torpedo at the smug side of the American Ship of State. In the intervening years a buzz of comments has arisen all over "God's Country" and most of Europe. His books have been translated into nearly every foreign language. The slang of Zenith has girded the globe. He has been hailed as a brilliant satirist, as a clever satirist, as just a satirist. A few have graciously accorded him immortality. Many have reviled him as a cheap phonograph-record realist. Country librarians have assiduously banned (and read) his heretical orange topped books. College students have clamored for his works, and worn out copy after copy. Atheists have praised their prophet's name. Rotarians, Kiwanians, and Lions have launched rhetorical defense attacks, and belched Babbittian contempt. H. L. Mencken has offered the author a seat on his right hand; and William Jennings Bryan has turned an eloquently wrathful somersault in his hallowed grave.

And now my voice cries out on the top of question, for after three years of intermittent, thorough study of his books, I have come to appreciate, be disgusted at, smile at, doubt, and love Sinclair Lewis.

Born in alliterative Sauk Center, Minnesota, the son of a country doc-

tor, educated at Yale, erstwhile inmate of Upton Sinclair's Helicon Hall, and of Greenwich Village, indefatigable traveler and observer, Lewis has spent his life in painting in awe inspiring detail his great, throbbing picture of America the Material. That which usually first strikes the eye of the reader is Lewis' marvelous gift of expression. It is characterized by clarity, aptness, beauty, whimsicality, and a variety that is astounding. But words alone, no matter how musically arranged, profit a novelist scarce more than mere plot with which Mr. Lewis is hardly concerned. Natural sequence of impressions he deems more effectual, more convincing than the artificial unreality of a scrupulously hammered out plot, which savors far too much, he would say of farcical human dignity. Throw plot to the mediocre. He'll none of it. His forte is character, as it has been with all eternally great writers.

The Righteous have wailed that Sinclair Lewis is but a crass iconoclast trotting noisily about with sharp satirical tweezers twitching the fig leaves from beloved gods and goddesses. Such is not the case. Sinclair Lewis has a faith. He believes in the test-tube of questing Science. The "prayer" of Martin Arrowsmith is that of Sinclair Lewis: "God give me unclouded eyes and freedom from haste. God give me a quiet and relentless anger against all pretense and all pretentious work and all work left slack and unfinished. God give me a restlessness whereby I may neither sleep nor accept praise till my observed results equal my calculated results or in pious glee I discover and assault my error. God give me strength not to trust to God!" The religion of Science is garnished with no incense sweet to the nostrils. Its holy font is the man-made water faucet; its communion glass, the test-

tube; its cathedral, the laboratory. Yet through these humble tools in the hands of a brave, strong priest may man have life and have it more abundantly.

To his critics Lewis seems shamefully wanting not only in the slightest vestige of idealism, but also in the least sense of beauty. To them he is the dirty fellow who sniffs at the manure pile behind the barn, while ramblers roses twine about the fan light of the front door. Nothing could be further from the truth. It is the very lack of sense of beauty in the American populace against which he is protesting. His quickness to perceive the foul does not spring from delight in it, but a loathing which forces him to protest. Hence it is that we find in Lewis a frequent note of futility. Desires are definite, but as difficult of attainment in worldly reality as Pantisocracy. Thus Babbitt vainly searches for happiness in the love of Tanis; Arrowsmith devotes the rest of his life to wearing research, expecting to fail; Elmer Gantry swears to practice the purity he preaches, and invariably ends in the arms of a female parishoner; Myron Weagle climbs painfully to national leadership in the hotel business to fall back to running a tourist camp; and Ann Vickers' astounding revelations in regard to hideous prison conditions "made as much noise as a bladder hurled into the ocean [and] had as much effect as a tract left in a speak-easy."

It is fortunate that Lewis masks his deep despair with riotous humor. With a devilish wink and sly thumbing of the nose the awkward satyr in the man cavorts and tumbles through his pages. Surprise endings, droll quips, grin-forcing dialog, amusing coinings, whole pages of compelled laughter—all are Lewis'. There's a chuckle in every other line, and a hearty guffaw in every other paragraph.

How much of Sinclair Lewis is enduring writing? I know no more than any other man. But in arriving at an arbitrary evaluation, I see "immortality," for a considerable period of time at least, for Babbitt and for Arrowsmith. The characters of George Babbitt and Martin Arrowsmith are thorough, accurate and

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positively brilliant studies. They should last a long time. **Main Street**, clever and powerful as is its expression and delineation of the main character, is yet too immaturely superficial to endure. The faults of **Elmer Gantry** are obvious. Since 1927 (the date of publication of **Elmer Gantry**) Lewis has written little worth reading. For this astounding descent there is a pathetic reason. It lies, I am almost sure, in the author's physical condition.

Grace Hegger Lewis, Sinclair Lewis' first wife, has written one of the most entertaining biographies I have ever read. She writes in fiction form a true account of their married life. As divorce was finally deemed necessary, she has cleverly entitled her book **Half a Loaf**. As one critic has said: "The book has truth without fatiguing introspections, gaiety without wisecracks, honesty without bitterness." Her underlying theme is that she has had the better portion of the loaf; for she proves conclusively that her husband has made an increasingly rapid slump from high idealism, verile power, and self respect to maudlin habitual drunkenness that is cruelly paralyzing his splendid ability. Typing . . . drinking . . . cracked ice: these are the key words to the chronicle.

In his little sketch of Sinclair Lewis in **An Hour of the American Novel** (1929) Grant Overton wrote: "Mr. Lewis is only forty-three and presumably has his best years immediately ahead of him." Today the author is fifty. He has produced nothing worthy of him in the seven intervening years. His masterpiece will never be written.

#### ANNUAL COBURN PRIZE SPEAKING CONTEST

First prize in the annual Coburn Prize Speaking Contest for women students of Colby was awarded to Muriel S. Scribner, '37, Newport. Other prizes were given out as follows: second, Bertha A. Whittaker, '35, Queens Village, N. Y.; third, Amy H. Thompson, '37, Waterville; fourth, Agnes C. Carlyle, '36, West Roxbury, Mass.

The theme of all the addresses was "Social Problems Facing the American People," and each girl delivered a ten minute address on some phase of that topic.

#### FOOTBALL: 1935

##### Varsity

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

##### Junior Varsity

Sept. 27 Bridgton Academy,  
Waterville  
Oct. 4 Coburn Institute,  
Waterville (Colby Field)  
Oct. 25 Maine School of Commerce, Waterville  
Nov. 8 Freshmen, Colby

##### Freshmen

Oct. 11 Hebron, Waterville  
Oct. 18 Fryeburg, Waterville  
Oct. 25 Kents Hill, Kents Hill  
Nov. 1 Ricker, Houlton  
Nov. 8 Junior Varsity,  
Waterville

#### "HAD A GENIUS FOR FRIENDSHIP"

##### Trustee Resolution On The Death Of Rev. Woodman Bradbury, D. D.

THE Board of Trustees of Colby College has learned with great regret of the death on February 26th of Reverend Woodman Bradbury, D. D. A member of a family long associated with this college, he entered the student body in 1883 and was graduated with honors in the Class of 1887. He has thus completed fifty-two years of association with the college. He entered the Newton Theological Institution in 1888 and graduated in 1891 and immediately began a series of three pastorates in New Hampshire and Massachusetts which lasted for twenty-seven years. In 1918 he became a professor in his alma mater, the Newton Theological Institution, in which position he remained until his sudden and lamented death.

In 1907 Dr. Bradbury was elected to the Board of Trustees of Colby College in which relationship he remained for twenty-eight years and discharged his duties with unusual interest, devotion and wisdom. He was a loyal son of the college and counted any service which he could render, a

privilege and a joy. His was one of the familiar faces at all Colby gatherings. He had a sincere appreciation of what the college had done for him and counted it an honor if he might repay his obligation.

Dr. Bradbury was a man of unusual character. A true and cultured gentleman, he always lived above the petty things of life. He always thought generously of other men and seldom did words of criticism ever pass his lips. He had a genius for friendship and hosts of men and women in all walks of life delighted to call him a friend. Of bright and joyful spirit he radiated cheer and goodwill everywhere. He was every inch a man and true Christian. His associates on this Board of Trustees lament his death and respectfully pay this tribute of love to their friend.

Charles E. Gurney,  
Frank W. Padelford,  
Wilford G. Chapman.

#### ADDITIONS TO COLBY HARDY COLLECTION

The addition of more than 200 new items relating to Thomas Hardy, the great English novelist, has been made to the Colby Hardy Collection since last February, according to a list of accessions published in the Colby Mercury.

These items have been donated by a number of people, including Greenville H. Norcross, Boston; Dr. Stanley J. Keyes, New York City; and Paul Lemperey, Cleveland, and consist of unpublished letters, both in manuscript and transcript form, criticisms, clippings, photographs and other material relating to Hardy.

The most valuable item is from a donor who insisted upon remaining anonymous and consists of a transcript of almost the entire correspondence between Hardy and his friend Sir Edmund Gosse, covering a period of forty-two years. In these letters, which have never been published, are comments on the novelist's works, his thoughts, methods, reaction, and the like, which provide rich material for the study of Hardy.

The most extensive donation consisted of 137 different items relating to Hardy which Mr. Lemperey has given to Colby. It represents a lifetime accumulation of material by this Hardy enthusiast, who thus recognizes the importance of the Colby collection of Hardiana.

# THE APRIL MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES

A stated meeting of the President and Trustees was held at the Eastland Hotel, Portland, Saturday, April 13.

President Johnson made an oral report, explaining briefly the important events that had occurred since the last meeting.

Treasurer Ralph A. Macdonald made a verbal report and the report of the Finance Committee was presented. It was voted that a special appropriation of \$750 for the purpose of meeting expenditures in connection with the college library be made.

It was voted that a registration fee of \$10 be charged to each student and that special fees or contributions previously made by students to various departments be discontinued.

Carroll N. Perkins reported verbally for the Investment Committee and especially mentioned receipts from the estate of Colonel Kling and made general reference to sales and purchases of securities for the College.

The Committee on Instruction made its report through President Johnson who nominated the following persons to the teaching staff for 1935-36: Miss Junia L. Morse, Instructor in Education; Miss Mary H. Marshall, Instructor in English; Howland H. Sargeant, Instructor in English. The President stated that the duties of these three instructors will begin Sept. 1.

## Approve Library Survey

It was voted that a special committee of the trustees be appointed by the Chairman to make a survey of the Library and recommendations for its future development. The Chairman appointed Dr. Edward F. Stevens, Dr. Florence E. Dunn and Dr. George Otis Smith.

The Committee on Academies made its report verbally through Dr. Frank W. Padelford, who reported that he had visited all the academies.

The following degrees were voted to be granted at the commemoration of the Lovejoy anniversary on May 18:

Howard Davis: A business manager in the field of journalism; connected with the Scranton Republican, New York American, New York Tribune and

since 1924 vice president and business manager of the New York Herald-Tribune and of the New York-Herald of Paris. President of the American Newspaper Publishers Association. Doctor of Laws.

Robert Rutherford McCormick: A graduate of Yale University in 1903 and a student of the Northwestern University Law School; a member of the Chicago City Council 1904-1906; a member of the Chicago Planning Commission; a member of the Bar since 1907; editor and publisher of the Chicago Tribune, one of the most influential newspapers in America. Doctor of Laws.

No reports were made by the Committee on Nominations nor the Committee on Financial Aid, and the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, while making no formal report, through Dr. George G. Averill reported informally that progress was being made in the solution of the problem of a students' cafeteria and that the committee is still working toward this end.

It was suggested that there be referred to this committee the feasibility of an administration building for the use of the College in its present location and this was so referred for report at the June Meeting.

The special committee concerning retirements and sabbatical leaves for members of the faculty reported through Neil Leonard under two headings:

## I. Retirement Age In College:

The retirement age for all members of the teaching staff of Colby College shall be sixty-five years excepting such teachers as had the rank of professor on June 1st, 1935. The Board of Trustees, however, in the interests of the College, may reappoint any member of its Faculty as a teacher after the age of sixty-five. The conditions of such an appointment, including the salary, shall be determined each year and no such appointment shall be for a term of more than one year.

## II. Retiring Allowances in Colby College:

Participation in the scheme shall be required of each teacher of the rank of assistant professor or higher excepting teachers who had the rank of professor on June 1, 1935, and excepting teachers who in the future

may be appointed for a term of one year or less.

Each participant shall take out a Deferred Annuity Policy with the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America to provide a monthly income for life, payable to the teacher or his wife after his death, subject to the various options offered under this type of policy. The income payments under this annuity shall not begin before the age of sixty-five excepting in those cases where the connection of the teacher with the college has been terminated.

This annuity shall be purchased by a yearly payment to the Association of an amount equal to ten per cent of the salary voted to the teacher. Of this amount five per cent shall be deducted from the salary voted to the teacher and an additional five per cent shall be added by the College.

These matters were discussed at length by various members of the Corporation present, and it was finally voted that the report of the committee be approved in principle but that this expression shall in no way preclude later determination of its feasibility. It was voted that Professor Newman be granted leave for next year on one half salary. The Committee on Sabbatical Leave reported:

On recommendation of the President, the Board of Trustees will from time to time grant such leaves of absence to members of the teaching staff of Colby College as are in the interest of the College. Such grants will be for the purpose of study, writing or research on the part of the teacher. Leaves of absence shall ordinarily be for a half year at full pay, or for a year at half pay. Leaves of absence with pay shall not be granted before the teacher has served the College at least seven years with the rank of assistant professor or higher and shall not be renewed oftener than once every seven years.

It was voted that the matter be laid upon the table.

The following members of the Corporation were present: President Franklin W. Johnson, Judge James H. Hudson, Dr. George Otis Smith, Rex W. Dodge, Dr. Marston Morse, Dr. Frank W. Padelford, Dr. William C. Crawford, Carroll N. Perkins, Judge Wilford G. Chapman, Rose Adelle Gilpatrick, Dr. George G. Averill, Ralph A. Macdonald, Herbert E. Wadsworth, Judge Hugh D. McLellan, Dr. Sarah B. Young, Dr. Florence E. Dunn, Charles F. T. Seaverns, Neil Leonard, Dr. Frederic A. Pottle, and Charles E. Gurney.

# COLBY CANNOT LIVE THE HERMIT'S LIFE

(Class Day Address)

By PROFESSOR LESLIE F. MURCH, '15, OF DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

**W**HEN faced with the task of selecting their class-day speaker, your committee selected a member of a college faculty. With their eyes dazzled by the then undimmed glare of the New Deal rockets and their ears throbbing with the beat of the professorial tom-toms at Washington, they might be excused for supposing that such a choice would lead to an address, studded with gems of economic wisdom, which would chart the path to future success.

At this point I must confess that this not unnatural assumption is doomed to disappointment. Leaving that task to guides more capable than myself I propose to you as a suitable topic for this occasion: the old and familiar one of the opportunity, soon to be yours, to make your contributions as alumni to the plans and future success of Colby.

In these days of rapid change and new developments the liberal arts college cannot live the hermit's life nor be content to follow placidly along the paths of past tradition and custom. The task assigned it is a difficult one and to formulate a definition of that task is, perhaps, even more difficult. In many attempts at this formulation I have been able to arrive at no clear and clean-cut slogan by which the College can advertise its purpose. For want of a better, I fall back on that familiar and inclusive concept of the objective of the liberal arts college, namely the preparation for a life which will be happier and more successful than it could have been without the stimulus and background of the training which the College affords.

Like all such broad and sweeping generalization, this statement of purpose could mean many things to many men. Permit me to discuss for a moment my own conception of its implications. If by a more successful life we intend to apply the yardstick of financial success, joined with professional or business prestige, as our sole measure we have reduced the task of the College to that of a vocational school. If we do this we have set a worthy goal and immeasurably



PROF. LESLIE F. MURCH, '15

simplified our task. But it cannot be so simplified, for if the College is to justify its claim it must undertake a larger task than this—the task of providing for success and happiness in living rather than mere achievement in doing. It must provide a background which will drive home the necessity for social cooperation and develop a sense of social duty. It must turn out men with a keen realization of the fact that their every act has a reaction on others, that continual mutual adjustments must be made, and that an ability to appreciate the point of view of others must be developed. In brief, that we are in a world in constant need of, and constantly demanding, cooperation.

This background which the College must furnish cannot come from the intensive study of some one field of human knowledge. If we are to be prepared to understand, and cooperate with, others we must have some understanding of life's developments in their many forms—social, economic, and scientific. To acquire the foundations of this understanding of these diverse forms of human activity, and of their interrelations with one another, is the challenge which

the liberal arts college should hold for its students. They must be given an appreciation of the fact that every development in one field of human activity has its influence and effect in others and carries with it the need for constant readjustment of ideas and beliefs. A college which is to maintain its place in the modern world of education must provide for this background and be ever ready to change or modify its procedures with this end in view.

From this very general and imperfect statement of the goal toward which the College may strive to progress, let us turn for a moment to the consideration of the organization which is to make this attempt effective. I like to think of this organization as consisting of three parts, the student body, the faculty and administration, and the alumni. Each is an essential part and each has its task if the project is to function with its maximum efficiency.

The undergraduate is that all important ingredient the raw material with which the College is to work and, as in all production, the finished product will be largely dependent on the quality of the material which is to be molded. To the administration and faculty is allotted the task of the formulation of methods and the execution of the design. This is not the place, nor am I qualified, to enter into a discussion of the difficult and vexing questions of educational policy and proper curricula. To the place of the alumni body in the prosecution of our design I would, however, like to give a brief consideration.

We all, as average human beings with the prejudices and ingrained beliefs to which human flesh is subject, are apt to feel that the College as we knew it and the procedure as we underwent it was after all a pretty satisfactory arrangement. Radical changes in method and the setting of new aims and ideals are disturbing to our conception of what the College is. We begin to wonder if something ought not to be done to save the institution before these startling innovations result in a complete smash-up of all the

things for which we feel the institution should stand. At times we are apt to feel like the individual who, before closing the deal for a saddle horse, desired to see the horse in action. When the wild dash which ensued was abruptly ended after the first hundred yards by a resounding collision with a telegraph pole, the prospective buyer exclaimed, "The horse is blind!" "No suh!" was the response of the colored stable boy, "Dat horse aint blind. He jus doan give a damn!"

Before we pass either of these judgments on those who are guiding the destinies of the College, let us make sure that we have a clear understanding of the purpose motivating them and an equally clear picture of the procedure adopted to carry out this purpose. Often we will find that the bare statement of an idea strikes us as alarming and unnecessary in its violent departure from custom and tradition. On more thorough investigation and consideration we will find its merit and concede its usefulness. Let me make sure that I am not conveying a false impression. I am not advancing the thesis that the alumnus should accept all that is done in a spirit of all-abiding faith in the wisdom and foresight of those in authority with never a thought of critical review and appraisal of those actions. I am suggesting that we first make certain that we have the picture in its correct proportions and that our objections and criticism have a firm and valid foundation beyond that of mere objection to change or the introduction of some method foreign to our previous experience.

If we grant that our criticism, to be effective, must be based on correct information we have incurred the responsibility of keeping in touch with the developments of college policy. For the individual to attempt this alone and unaided is an almost hopeless task, one doomed to failure from the outset. In this fact lies the justification for the organization of our alumni into a body which can attempt to evaluate the implications of new proposals and render effective aid in their execution. To be of value, such organization must not be left to a few particularly interested individuals but must embrace the majority of the graduates of the College. For this reason I appeal to you, about to join this group, to see to it that our alumni

groups are strengthened by your immediate allegiance and cooperation. Make sure that in the busy days of the transition from college to future activities you do not defer this important service to the College either from a feeling of inexperience in such matters or of leaving the task to others who have more leisure or interest. Only as your alumni associations and the Alumni Council can feel and show that they are speaking for the many, rather than the few, can their opinions and criticism carry weight in the shaping of the destiny of the College.

#### Missionaries, Advocates

There is one important way in which you can as individuals render your service to the College. The day when the maker of the best mousetrap could expect the world to wear a path to his door is no longer with us. Amidst the blare and fanfare of the advertiser's trumpets the modest individuals or organizations who are reluctant to point out their own particular virtues and claims to recognition will soon be left stranded. It is to you that the College must look to act as its missionaries and advocates in placing its claims, as an institution worthy of support, before those to whom we may look for that support. In particular it is on you that the College must depend for the constant recruiting of a student body which will form suitable material for the working out of its program. Let no opportunity escape you of interesting the type of boy you feel would benefit from the training which the institution provides.

Too often we feel that if we have demonstrated our approval, or more often perhaps our disapproval, of the results of the athletic program of the College and have made our modest contribution to its financial resources we have fulfilled our duties and obligations as members of the alumni body. Valuable and necessary as these particular manifestations are, if we restrict our participation to them alone we have left untouched a vast area of activity in which our interest and response may be of great service to the College and in the development of which we may play an important part. An impartial and detached point of view on some educational innovation, when such innovation is thoroughly understood, will never be disregarded. But it is only as you

give the College the opportunity to furnish you with the basis for such understanding that you have placed yourself in the position to render the service.

The expression of your opinion and point of view can be most effective when put forward as a part of a coherent and organized expression of alumni opinion. It is on this basis that I make my appeal to you for your support of class and local alumni organizations and for your interest and cooperation in the work of the Alumni Council.

May I leave with you this thought: have faith in the future of the College, express this faith by a continuing interest and active support of its many sided program, and above all remember that the right of criticism should carry with it the obligation of cooperation.

#### FRANKLIN COUNTY ALUMNI ORGANIZE

At the organization meeting of the Franklin County Colby Alumni group which was held at Strong there were about forty graduates, friends and prospective students present.

Elihu B. Tilton, '07, principal of Rangeley high school, was chosen president of the organization which plans to make this Colby reunion an annual affair. Mrs. Eva Kyes of Jay was elected vice president, and Lawrence Peakes, principal of Strong high school, was made secretary-treasurer.

Theodore Hodgkins of Farmington, who entertained the group with a turkey dinner, was selected to act as the district representative to the Alumni Council of the College.

President Franklin W. Johnson was the principal speaker.

G. Cecil Goddard, alumni secretary, Ernest C. Marriner, Dean of the Men's Division, and Miss Ninetta M. Runnals, Dean of the Women's Division, also spoke concerning the present day activities and the organization of both men and women graduates.

#### MARY L. CARVER POETRY PRIZE NOT AWARDED

After a careful study of the dozen or so poems submitted in competition for the 1935 Carver Prize, the judges came to the reluctant conclusion that no one poem was clearly of sufficient merit to deserve the award.

## CITATIONS FOR HONORARY DEGREES



JOHN A. PARTRIDGE

**John Austin Partridge****Master of Arts**

A graduate of Colby College in the Class of 1904. For thirty-one years teacher and principal in the public schools of Maine. Since 1922, principal of the Caribou High School. An outstanding member of that large group of men and women who have brought distinction to the College through their service as teachers in the schools of our State.

**Kenneth Lewis Roberts****Doctor of Letters**

Graduate of Cornell University in the Class of 1908. Member of the editorial staffs of several newspapers and periodicals. Captain in the Intelligence Section of the Siberian Expeditionary Force. Author of numerous books. Son of old Arundel, keen observer of human interests in other countries, and faithful recorder of forgotten incidents at home, by clothing history with romance and breathing life into the sturdy characters of early days, he has brought honor to our state and pleasure to a world of readers.

**Vaughan Dabney Doctor of Divinity**

A graduate of Bethany College in the Class of 1909 and of the Chicago Theological Seminary in 1912. Pastor of churches in West Virginia,



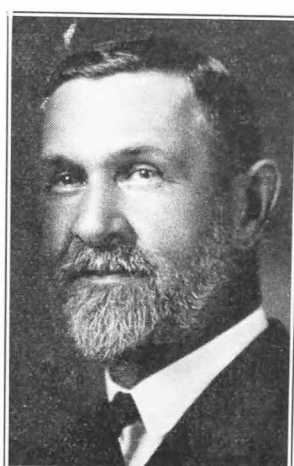
MARSTON MORSE

California, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. Dean of Andover-Newton Theological School. Inspiring teacher, a builder of friendship and high cooperation, who, in association with a sister seminary, is writing a new chapter in the story of an old and honored school, connected by many ties with Colby College.

**Marston Morse Doctor of Science**

A graduate of Colby College in the Class of 1914. Master of Arts and Doctor of Philosophy of Harvard University. He served with distinction in the World War as a member of the Harvard Ambulance Unit and a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army. Awarded the *croix de guerre* for exhibition of bravery in battle.

Member of the mathematics department at Cornell, Brown, and Harvard Universities. Professor of Mathematics at Harvard since 1930. Recently appointed to the faculty of the Institute of Advanced Study at Princeton University. Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of the National Academy of Sciences; Member of the National Research Council; Vice President of the American Mathematical Society. Author of many articles and books. A mathematician of international repute. One of Colby's most distinguished scholars.



GEORGE H. PARKER

**George Howard Parker****Doctor of Science**

A graduate of Harvard College in the Class of 1887, whose achievements as a student at Harvard and at the universities of Leipzig, Berlin, Freiberg and Naples won for him early recognition as a scientist. Called to the instructional staff of his Alma Mater soon after graduation, he has served with distinction as an inspiring teacher and stimulator of research, unique in his method of rigorously circumscribing a definite field of investigation and fully exploring it. Professor of Zoology at Harvard University since 1906. Director of the Harvard Zoological Laboratory since 1921. Member of many scientific societies in this country and abroad.

A magnetic personality. An authoritative interpreter of nature. An original contributor to human knowledge, especially in the study of nervous responses of animal life. One of the world's most distinguished zoologists.

Relieved of active duty after nearly fifty years of continuous service to his Alma Mater, possessed of the ripe wisdom of the veteran and the enthusiasm of undying youth, his genius will continue to lay the world under tribute to him as Master Investigator.



CLARENCE COOK LITTLE



VAUGHAN DABNEY



KENNETH L. ROBERTS

#### Clarence Cook Little Doctor of Laws

A graduate of Harvard in the Class of 1910. For seven years a member of the staff of his Alma Mater, engaged in research. President of the University of Maine from 1922 to 1925, and of the University of Michi-

gan from 1925 until 1929. Since 1929, head of the Roscoe B. Jackson Memorial Laboratory and managing director of the American Society for the Control of Cancer. Member of many learned societies and author of numerous scientific articles. Original

and tireless investigator. Vigorous administrator. One of the few men who has chosen to renounce the glamorous life of a college president and devote himself to research for the amelioration of the suffering of mankind.

## Commencement Breakfast of the Phi Beta Kappa

The breakfast and annual meeting of the Colby chapter of Phi Beta Kappa was held at the Elmwood Hotel on Saturday morning, June 15th. There were forty-eight members present, eleven of whom represented colleges and universities other than Colby. The four new members admitted to the society were: Avis E. Merritt, '35; Kathryn A. Herrick, '35; Grace H. Wheeler, '35; Bertha A. Whittaker, '35. Members of the society who had been admitted in the Spring were also introduced. Seniors who had won this honor were: Milton P. Kleinholz, Roger H. Rhoades, Dorothy E. Washburn, Dana W. Jaquith and Norman R. Brown.

The report of the secretary, Professor Carl J. Weber, included a brief account of the annual dinner and initiation held in April, at which Robert Tristram Coffin of Bowdoin had spoken on "The Art of Writing Poetry," and had read selections from his verse. Professor Weber also told of the visit of the National Secretary

of Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. William A. Shimer. Dr. Shimer's visit stimulated the interest which had already been aroused in the problem of changing the requirements for admission into the Colby Chapter. As part of the annual business meeting, the secretary presented certain revisions and amendments to the by-laws which changed the basis of admission from numerical grades to a more searching analysis of the candidates. The new method had been carefully planned and hypothetically tried out on test cases by the executive committee. There was a lively discussion of the proposed plan and a large majority voted in favor of its adoption. The provisions of the amendments include the election of a faculty committee of five members, one from each major department, who will make a careful study of the qualifications of the top twenty per cent. of the senior class and of students whom heads of departments deem worthy of election to Phi Beta Kappa. The members of this

committee will carefully examine the student's records, noting not only his average for the three and a half years of college work, but also other items of importance such as the character of the courses and their distribution. The heads of departments, the deans, and members of the faculty will be consulted so that all information available will be obtained in regard to the student's character, ability, work, interest, and general desirability. A written report of each student under consideration will be prepared and read at a general meeting of the membership committee. At this meeting each candidate will be carefully discussed, and the committee will vote to recommend or not to recommend each of the students under consideration. This report of the membership committee will then be presented at a meeting of all the faculty members of the chapter. Those students receiving a majority vote at this meeting will be considered elected to membership in

the society. It is hoped and believed that by thus broadening the basis for election in Phi Beta Kappa, membership will come to be looked upon as having more significance than a mere numerical grade in the Registrar's records.

The chapter was glad to congratulate Professor Webster Chester, who was elected president for the ensuing year, upon the honorary degree of Doctor of Science which he had recently received from his Alma Mater, Colgate University.

Members of Phi Beta Kappa present who represented membership in other chapters were as follows: Professor Carl J. Weber and Professor Thomas B. Ashcraft, Johns Hopkins; Professor and Mrs. Sharon L. Finch, Depauw; Professor H. C. Thory, Illinois; Professor Webster Chester, Colgate; Professor Clarence White, Amherst; Professor William J. Wilkinson, William and Mary; Professor W. H. Stanley, Maine; Professor Walter Breckenridge, Tufts; Gordon W. Smith, Boston University.

Members of the Colby chapter present were: Professor Harry L. Koopman, '80; Charles H. Pepper, '89; George Otis Smith, '93; Dr. and Mrs. W. M. Donovan, '92; Annie Harthorn Wheeler, '08; Ninetta Runnals, '09; Ernest Marriner, '13; Caselena Perry Hitchcock, '10; Dr. Marston Morse, '13; Lester Weeks, '15; Harold Campbell, '15; John Brush, '20; Clara Weber, '20; Grace Foster, '20; Galen Eustis, '23; Joseph C. Smith, '24; Alfred K. Chapman, '25; Doris Putnam, '25; Marjorie Everingham, '25; Grace Macdonald, '25; Elizabeth Kingsley Chapman, '25; Hilda Fife, '26; Mollie Seltzer Yett, '26; Norman Palmer, '30; Philip Bither, '30; and the members of the class of 1935 cited above.

Grace Foster, '21.

#### FIVE RANKING SENIORS AWARDED GOLD KEYS

The five highest ranking seniors in Colby received the gold keys of Phi Beta Kappa at the annual initiation and banquet of the Colby chapter of this honorary scholastic society.

At the induction ceremony the following were taken into membership: Milton P. Kleinholz, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Roger H. Rhoades, Belfast; Dana W. Jaquith, Peaks Island; Norman R. Brown, Portsmouth, N. H.; Dorothy E. Washburn, Westbrook.

## THE CLASS REUNIONS

### 1880'S FIFTY-FIFTH

In reply to the question as to how many children he had, a certain man said: "Twelve—eight boys and the rest are girls." Similarly to the question as to how many graduated in the class of 1880 the answer would be: "Nineteen—eighteen boys and the rest was a girl." In those early days when coeducation was just being introduced into the college, the admission of women to the classroom was not looked upon with great favor by the sterner sex, but our Minnie Mathews was highly esteemed by her classmates, both for her physical and mental ability. Living at home, before the days of trolleys and busses, she had a long walk to the campus, but, in spite of weather conditions, summer or winter, she was rarely if ever absent or tardy at recitation and was among the leaders in scholarship.

Seven only of the graduates are living. Why so few are left may be explained by the common saying that "the good die young." Owing to conflicting conditions of business and health only three, Hugh Chaplin, Harry Koopman and Arthur Thomas, were able to attend this Commencement. When men of our "tender years" (to whom the number eighty will soon have a new meaning) meet for a reunion, it can hardly be expected that the event will be celebrated by a great deal of hilarity. Something less exciting is suited to their taste. Interest and pleasure is found in visiting the campus to discover some familiar spots amid the changes in buildings, and in attending the different functions of Commencement week. Our only departure from this program was when, by the invitation of Chaplin, we sat together at a dinner in the Elmwood and heard from the absent ones. All had sent words of greeting and a special expression of goodwill was received from the class of '82 through its agent, Robie Frye. Doubtless they have a lasting feeling of gratitude to us for the protection which we, as Juniors, gave to them when they were Freshmen.

Five of the graduates and one non-graduate are to be in the list of contributors to the Alumni Fund and it is needless to say that all rejoice in the present prosperity of the College. We take pride in the fact that one of

our number has made a substantial contribution to the Mayflower Hill project, which has already been spent in the pioneer work of preparing the grounds for buildings.

Arthur M. Thomas.

### 1895'S FORTIETH

At the Elmwood Hotel the girls of '95 met for their fortieth reunion. Those present: Clio Chilcott, Emmeline A. Fountain, Linda Graves, Madge Wilson Gray, Lila Harden Hersey, Blanche Lane, Lily S. Bray, Carrie M. True, Annie M. Waite. The favors were Old World sketches and also colorful pieces of Mallorcan pottery.

Each member of the class gave all news concerning herself. A telegram was read from Gertrude Ilsley Padel-ford, for two years a member of '95. An "adapted" reunion poem was read by the class agent.

The '95 men had their "men's dinner" by themselves, but when it was over they came to the Elmwood in a body to extend greetings to the women.

Clio M. Chilcott.

### 1900'S THIRTY-FIFTH

1900 had its most enjoyable reunion since graduation. The girls had luncheon together at the Alumnae Building. Nella Merrick, dressed as in her college days, represented the class in the pageant and Ethel Russell spoke for the class. After this the girls went to the home of Miss Merrick, where they were so often entertained in college days, and to the College Play. At six o'clock the men and women met at the Hollyhock House, Elm Street, (formerly the Dr. Hanson home) where a bountiful dinner was served. The table decorations were in the class colors, brown and yellow, yellow flowers and the candles in brown holders. The place cards bore the Colby seal and were tied with brown and yellow ribbon. On them appeared 1900-1935 and the old class yell which was yelled with as much vigor as in 1900.

There were thirteen present. Some of the men and women called on Ernest Herrick, who is living near the Hollyhock House, but who was unable to meet with the class on account of ill health.

Mrs. Simon P. Hedman was the

guest of the class and greetings were read from Stella Jones Hill, Grace B. Holden, Mary Philbrook Dunning and Carrie M. Tozier.

Nella M. Merrick and William B. Jack.

### 1905'S THIRTIETH

Can the thoughts and emotions of those of us who were back for the thirtieth reunion of our class be put down on paper? Ernestine Davis and Cecil Clark have both agreed that they cannot, so we are just going to jot down here what happened and leave it to you who were not able to be with us to read between our lines the many thoughts, feelings, and good wishes we had for you all. Of the whole Commencement week-end, Saturday stands out as our day. It was easy to spot a 1905 man for one member of the class had brought along some snappy walking sticks to add to the fun. We all agreed to have the sticks there for our sixtieth reunion when they may be needed as canes. "Sam" Bean and John "Pug" have offered to furnish ear trumpets for this event. One outstanding event happened at the Alumnae Luncheon when "Neely" Jones came rushing in just at the close of the lunch. He was given a royal welcome and looked as natural as life. The only thing he lacked was the rubber boots he used to wear around the campus. Small group get-togethers filled the afternoon.

Six-thirty found us all down at the Messalonskee Inn on Silver Street where Hersey Keene had arranged for a chicken dinner. Twenty of us sat down and here they are: "Gramp" and Mrs. Arey, "Sam" and Alona Bean, Cecil and Mrs. Clark, Ernestine Davis, Clarence and Mrs. Flood, Sara Gray Gifford, Ethel Howard, "Neely" Jones, Hersey Keene, Miss Lang, Mary Moor Lord, Marian Webber Hayden, John Pugsley, Glenn and Mrs. Starkey, and Grace Allen Wood.

A lot of old class pictures created both interest and discussion. Then we went through the whole class. Letters were read from Axel Uppvall, Ezra Maxfield, "Bill" Cook, and Alton Lockhart for the men and from Addie Lakin, Rose Richardson Clark, Ida Keene, Alice Buzzell, Elizabeth Blaisdell, and May Harvey for the ladies.

Carrie Allen Wood travelled the longest distance to the reunion, from Charlotte, N. C., one thousand miles. Among other statistics which we

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Contributors	663
Total	\$4,798

worked out was the fact that Sara Gray was the first married, 1904, with "Walt" Hammond a close second, 1905. We were able to count up forty class children with "Tidy" Hall and Perley Whitaker yet to be heard from. Arthur Field holds the long distance job, having been teaching at Hebron since 1908.

Ernestine Davis and Cecil W. Clark.

### 1910'S TWENTY-FIFTH

The class of 1910 held its twenty-fifth reunion at the Pine Tree Tavern, Elmwood Hotel. There were in all twenty-seven at the dinner. This number included husbands, wives and children of the class. There were seventeen members of the class and we were honored by "Uncle Billy" Crawford, '82. We did have a delightful time and I, for one, am going to begin now to plan for our thirtieth. Those present were John M. Maxwell, Leona Achorn Gillis, Grace Whittier Green, Mary Donald Deans, Helen V. Robinson, Ruth Wood Hebnor, Alton D. Blake, T. Pauline Herring, Eleanor Creech Marriner, Caro Chapman Robinson, Ralph Good, John A. Tidd, Frederick T. Hill, Merle Crowell, Elwood Howe, Cassilena Perry Hitchcock, Henry O. Harriman and Henry B. Moor.

Henry B. Moor.

### 1915'S TWENTIETH

1915 held its twentieth reunion at Clement's Camps, Oakland, where thirty-five members and wives enjoyed supper together, after which "Tommy" Crossman, Needham, Mass., 1915 men's president, called for personal confessions. Lena Blanchard Rickel, 1915 women's president, had survived the dust storms in Cozad, Neb., to travel 2000 miles to Maine with her husband and daughter, Ruth. Lena is a successful club and newspaper woman. Mary Washburn, who keeps house for her father in China, Maine, entertained the Rickels during Commencement, also Hazel Ross Pomeroy, who left three boys at home in Bangor.

Three other women members attended the reunion: Helen Hanson, Calais and Augusta, a lawyer, ap-

pointed two years ago by Governor Brann to the Maine Industrial Accident Commission; Ina McCausland, who teaches her own unique course in practical economics at South Portland High and who is acquiring a Master's Degree; Dorothy Webb Houston, M. A., Boston University, 1926, who now lives in Beverly, Mass., and her two girls.

Doctors, lawyers, Indian Chief! All present. Dr. and Mrs. Kent Royal, North Brookfield, Mass., Dr. Chester Mills, Children's Hospital, Boston, with offices on Commonwealth Avenue, and in Needham; Lawyers Arthur J. Cratty, Waterville, and "Candy" LaFleur, Portland, and their wives; and Florian Arey, who practices law in Boston, and lives in Wollaston, Mass. Indian Chief? why, Leslie Murch, chairman of the Department of Physics at Dartmouth.

The teaching profession was further represented by Professor Lester Weeks of Colby (and Ethel Merriam Weeks, '14), Leonard Grant, Superintendent of Schools in Norwood, Mass., who brought Mrs. Grant with him, and Roland Hutchins, assistant headmaster of Lynn Classical High, not forgetting Cora Patterson Hutchins, '14.

Harold Campbell represented the clergy. He is pastor of the Baptist Church in Roslindale, Mass. Banking interests have claimed Ralph Bramhall of Portland and "Pad" Drummond in Waterville. Each brought along his wife. Fred and Vivian Wright Dunn came up from Damariscotta where Fred is a successful clothier.

"Dan" Ashley sent greetings and regrets that his busy life with the Crowell Publishing Co., prevented his attending. Word was also had of Ethel Chamberlain, wife of Judge Philip Roberts of Fort Fairfield, "Ginger" Fraser and his six children in Westbrook. "Joe" Prendergast who directs athletics at Dorchester High and "Simmy" Yeaton who does the same for Milton High.

To Marion Steward, the busy wife of Headmaster Elroy LeCase of Fryeburg Academy, goes the orchid for the youngest child, her fifth having arrived last January. The single sad note of the reunion was the tribute paid to members who have "gone West."

1915 accepts, with tearful pride, the distinction of claiming Murray

Morgan who left college to join Canadian troops and was the first Colby boy to give his life in the World War. The roll also includes "Joe" Dacey and Leon Guptill.

Dorothy Webb Houston.

### 1920'S FIFTEENTH

The class of 1920 had an exceptionally enjoyable reunion at which ten members were present, namely: Bob Wilkins, Phin Barnes, Peanut Greene, Thad Tilton, John Brush, Ben Eddy, Skillins, Osgood, Rockwood and myself. The President's reception, the Alumni Luncheon and the Class Dinner were all very successful affairs. The Class Dinner was attended by returning members of the class of 1920 and several graduates of other classes. Those of us who returned had a very enjoyable time and I hope that it will not be five years before we will all be back to Commencement again.

H. Thomas Urie.

### 1925'S TENTH

The tenth reunion of 1925 did not start and end, as may be supposed, with the dinner Friday at Sandy Beach Camps, East Pond. All day, Friday and Saturday, the roads leading to Waterville were dotted with '25 cars. Although the class gathering, with at least fifty-five members, including a few adopted wives and husbands, was a good opportunity for renewing acquaintanceships, it was not the high-light of the reunion. Through the leadership of "Ted" Hodgkins, next year's class agent, the men took advantage of the occasion to further their work for one hundred per cent contribution to the Alumni Fund and, with the aid of "Turk" Moynahan's salesmanship, to start a football scholarship. Ethel Childs Storer, class president for the women in 1925, welcomed the eighteen alumnæ present.

The reunion broke up early, after informal conversation. Various members reunited at the Pine Tree Tavern.

To those who had been away from Colby since graduation, the thrills of tenth reunion came from various sources: observation of improvements in physical equipment and grounds and noting with delight that which was familiar and unchanged; an op-

portunity to visit Mayflower Hill; talking intimately with old friends in other classes and among the faculty; looking over the present student body with a comparative eye.

Class agent letters, which will be written as soon as possible, will furnish classmates with those delightful bits of gossip about class members which space in *The Alumnus* does not permit.

Marjorie A. Everingham.

## JOHN PROFESSOR

—By Cecil A. Rollins, '17—

THE address at the initiation banquet of the Colby Phi Beta Kappa chapter last year was different from any other in several particulars. For one thing, it was delivered by the retiring president, Professor Clarence H. White, instead of by an outside special speaker as usual. Moreover, it was delivered by Professor White in his seventieth year, and near the close of his forty-ninth year of teaching—for the most part, teaching of the classics. Appropriately, the speech was entitled "The Credo of a Classicist."

On March 25 of this year, Professor White gave this address again, at the initiation banquet of the Bates chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. "The Credo of a Classicist" develops the idea that the soundest and newest theory of education (newest because it is being promulgated by the speaker at the moment) is the ancient practice of the Greeks. "Level-headedness" was their great virtue, and that virtue held them firm in the development of a civilization that for sanity, art, and genuine progress has never been equalled. It moulded their education, as their life, into a satisfactory harmony of convention and invention, tradition and innovation, making it both a ritual and an adventure. And that is the theory of education that forty-nine (now fifty) years of teaching in the higher schools of America has confirmed as sound in Professor White's mind—that is the Credo of this classicist.

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At the Commencement exercises of Colgate University, Professor Webster Chester received the honorary degree of Doctor of Science. His col-

leagues and many other friends were greatly pleased to hear of this honor to him and to Colby.

Dr. Chester is an alumnus of Colgate, having been graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1900. After his graduation, he taught at Colby Academy, in New London, Connecticut, for two years. At Harvard University, while studying for his master's degree, he served as an instructor, in 1902-1903.

In the autumn of 1903 he came to Colby College as instructor in biology, and continued in that capacity for four years. He then became associated with the Marine Biological Laboratory. In 1908, he returned to Colby as assistant professor; and in 1910, became a full professor. During many of the twenty-five years of his busy teaching at Colby since then, he has also combined with it service as special Lecturer on Evolution at the Bangor Theological Institution.

Dr. Chester is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and of the Beta Pi fraternity.

So now we must all mind our tongues in giving the new title to an old friend; but to many of us, the affectionate college nickname of "Buggsy" Chester will still come easiest.

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Dr. Edward H. Perkins, head of the department of Geology, attended, on April 27 and 28, the field conference of glacialists of New England. The conference was in charge of Professor Richard Foster Flint of Yale University. The first day was spent in a study of the glacial deposits about New Haven and in the lower Connecticut valley, with an indoor meeting at the Yale Department of Geology in the evening. The second day was spent in a study of the glacial features of the central Connecticut valley northward from New Haven to Hartford.

On April 22, Dr. George F. Parmenter, head of the department of Chemistry, attended the meeting of the American Chemical Society in New York City. This year marks the three hundredth anniversary of the creation of the chemical industry in America, which was a fact lending some special significance to this meeting.

On Saturday, May 25, Professors Parmenter and Weeks attended the meeting of the Maine Section of the American Chemical Society, held this year at Bates College. Professor Marston T. Bogart, professor of Chemistry at Columbia University, spoke to the professors and their wives on the fragrant subject—"Around the World in Search of Perfumes."

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Professor Hans Thorp, of the department of Classics, has just been elected president of the Lions Club of Waterville. A number of puns come to mind in contemplating this juxtaposition of Latin and Lions, but we will leave them all for the new head Lion, who has a very pretty wit of his own.

Dean Ernest C. Marriner delivered the Baccalaureate Sermon at the Eastern Maine Normal School at Castine, June 13. The Dean also made a flying trip to Middlebury College, Vermont, leaving Waterville on June 6. He spoke at Middlebury on the subject "Between Scylla and Charybdis." (It occurs to me that this column has a strong classical tone, this month; and of course all readers will readily trace the allusions in Dean Marriner's title). If we need a pointer to his meaning, he supplied it by saying that he was making some observations on radical and conservative tendencies of the present age.

#### COLBY EXHIBITION OF PICTORIAL PHOTOGRAPHS

The first annual exhibition of pictorial photographs by the members of the Colby Camera Club was on view in the library, late in the year.

Outstanding in the group were a portrait of an aged Eskimo woman, taken by George H. Crosby, '36, Worcester, Mass., and published in the November *Alumnus*; a view of a ruined chateau in Luxemburg, by Arthur W. Feldman, '35, Dorchester, Mass., and a group of striking moonlight and silhouette effects by George D. Hill, '38, Waterville.

Other members whose work was selected for exhibition were: Charles W. Jacoby, '37, Wareham, Mass.; Virginia M. Swallow, '35, New York City; A. William Bartel, 2nd, '36, Waterville; Sheldon R. Rudnick, '36, Allston, Mass.; Edward F. Buyniski, '35, Worcester, Mass.; Llewellyn Wortman, Greenville Junction; and Joseph C. Smith, faculty adviser.

## THE FOSS HALL SIDE

By Ervena Goodale Smith, '24

THE last meeting of the year of the Colby Alumnae Council was held in the Alumnae Building, Saturday morning of the Commencement week-end. The following were present: Miss Mira L. Dolley, president; Miss R. Adelle Gilpatrick, Mrs. Ethel H. Weston, Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, Miss Meroe Morse, Mrs. Mabel Dunn Libby, Mrs. Clara Carter Weber, Mrs. Helen Springfield Strong, Mrs. Olive Soule Parmenter, Miss Sylvia Brazzell, Mrs. Helen Thomas Foster, Mrs. Ervena Goodale Smith and Miss Mary E. Warren.

The length of term of the Alumnae Trustee was discussed and it was voted to table the matter until further action by the joint Councils. Mrs. Emily Heath Hall will act as local resident member of the alumnae editorial board for *The Alumnus*. The Council appropriated \$208.34 as its part of the expense of the first issue of the new *Alumnus*.

The Council expressed regret at the illness of Mrs. Grace Wells Thompson and voted to send her flowers. A committee was appointed to draw up a statement of alumnae responsibility and relation to *The Alumnus* and to confer with the Alumni Council in the formation of policies for next year. The Council voted to give to the College \$500 as a gift from the Alumnae Association.

#### Class Agent Dinner

The Alumnae Class Agent dinner was held at the Hollyhock House (formerly the Hanson House) on Elm Street, Friday evening. Fourteen class agents and eleven members of the Alumnae Council and Board of Trustees were present. Agents were: 1893, Mrs. Nelly Bakeman Donovan; 1894, Miss Clara Morrill; 1895, Miss Clio Chilcott; 1900, Miss Nella Merrick; 1903, Mrs. Grace Warren Atchley; 1910, Mrs. Mary Donald Deans; 1914, Mrs. Ethel Merriam Weeks; 1915, Miss Ina McCausland; 1916, Mrs. Antoinette Putnam; 1917, Mrs. Lucy Taylor Pratt; 1919, Mrs. Phyllis Sturdivant Sweetser; 1925, Miss Marjorie Everingham; 1926, Mrs. Emily Heath Hall; 1935, Miss Virginia Moor. From the Board of Trustees, Miss R. Adelle Gilpatrick; from the Alumnae Council, Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, Mrs. Mabel Dunn Libby,

Miss Meroe F. Morse, Miss Sylvia Brazzell, Mrs. Helen Thomas Foster, Mrs. Helen Springfield Strong, Miss Mira Dolley, Mrs. Clara Carter Weber, Miss Mary E. Warren, Mrs. Ervena G. Smith.

After dinner the agents discussed plans for next year. A vote of thanks was extended to Mrs. Ervena G. Smith for filling out the year in Miss Alice Purinton's place. The suggestion of a definite report from class agents, to be returned to the Alumnae office for the last meeting of the Alumnae Council in June, was adopted by the agents.

A discussion of the results of this year's campaign brought out a general opinion that a longer period for the campaign would be wiser, and that the idea that any size gift is acceptable might be stressed.

#### Alumnae Luncheon

The Alumnae Luncheon and the annual business meeting of the Alumnae Association was held in the Alumnae Building, Saturday noon. One hundred and ninety-seven were present. Those at the head table were: President and Mrs. Franklin W. Johnson, Dean Ninetta M. Runnals, Miss Mira Dolley, president of the Alumnae Association; Miss R. Adelle Gilpatrick, Miss Louise H. Coburn, Mrs. A. J. Roberts, Mrs. Mills, Miss Alice Purinton, Miss Meroe Morse, Miss Mary Warren, Miss Grace Foster, Miss Jane Belcher, Mrs. Ervena G. Smith, and Mrs. Winslow, who is the mother of three Colby graduates.

The five year reunioning classes gathered at tables designated for them by placards. There were ten reunioning classes but only eight were represented, as Miss Bertha L. Soule, '85, and Mrs. Adelaide True Ellery, '90, were unable to be present. The classes from 1895 to 1930 were well represented.

The luncheon was in charge of an executive committee composed of Miss Mary Cadwallader, chairman, Miss Mary Whitcomb and Miss Barbara Johnson. This committee arranged the flowers, decorated the tables in pastel shades and made corsages for those at the head table. Miss Sarah Partrick, assisted by Colby girls, served the luncheon.

When the guests had about finished

luncheon, Miss Mira L. Dolley, '19, introduced President Johnson as "a college president who has boundless energy and a multiple personality, a man who is both scholarly and a good executive."

President Johnson complimented the women on the splendid manner in which they had responded to the Alumnae Fund and said that he believed that the percentage of women who had given to the fund was greater, according to the number of graduates, than the percentage of men who have given to the Alumni Fund.

President Dolley continued the program after President Johnson had withdrawn to keep a luncheon engagement with the Alumni. Miss Harriet Parmenter read the necrologist's report: Jennie M. Smith, '81; Sarah Pennell Reed, '13; Eleanor Bridges, '34; Miriam Thomas Bonde, '29; Margaret Cram Whiting, 'n03; Frances Mann Hall, '77; Anna S. Cummings, '90; Edith Morris Cook, '98.

Miss Dolley reported the result of the balloting for Alumnae Trustee. Miss Helen D. Cole, '17, was elected for a term of three years. Several minor constitutional amendments were voted into the constitution of the Alumnae Association.

Miss Dolley next introduced Miss Louise H. Coburn, '77. The entire group rose in tribute to Miss Coburn, one of Colby's first women graduates.

Miss Alice M. Purinton, the retiring Alumnae Secretary, was presented by the Association with a booklet of appreciation. Miss Dolley said: "Miss Purinton has those qualities which we like to see in ourselves and I am presenting Miss Purinton with this book in recognition of her loyal service to us and to Colby and as a token of our esteem. Its pages bear personal messages from many and it is the symbol of the well wishes of all." Miss Purinton responded: "I wish I knew how to say 'thank you' in a new way. You are always doing something to show your love and appreciation. I do thank you."

The next part of the program was eagerly awaited by all—a message from Dean Runnals whom Miss Dolley introduced. Dean Runnals welcomed the women and expressed her joy at knowing thirteen classes of women, from 1921 to 1934, as well as the many friends with whom she has come in contact in her work as Dean.

She stated that she felt that the

alumnae had done very well in their efforts to meet their Fund goal. Two bits of unpublished news are: that credit will be given next year for work in chorus and orchestra under John White Thomas and that "we are returning to the number of women on the faculty which we have had until recently, five. We regret the resignation of Miss Grace Foster, whose high scholarship and rare personality will be missed by all of us. Miss Junia Morse, A. B. and A. M. and almost a Ph. D.; and Mrs. Mary Marshall, A. B., Vassar, Ph. D., Yale, will come to Colby as members of the faculty next year."

The treasurer's report was in the form of a dramatic production with the following cast: Narrator, Ervena G. Smith, '24; Class Agent of 1935, Virginia Moor; Treasurer of the Alumnae Association, Merce Morse, '13; The Alumnae Fund Goal of 1935, Grace Foster, '21; The Class Agent Goal of 1935, Emily Heath Hall, '26; The Special Gifts Goal of 1935, Tina Thompson, '32; Reunioning class agents: 1885, Bertha L. Soule; 1890, Adelaide True Elery; 1895, Clio M. Chilcott; 1900, Nella M. Merrick; 1905, Mary Moor Lord; 1910, Mary Donald Deans; 1915, Ina M. McCausland; 1920, Pauline Higginbotham Blair (for S. Ernestine Davis); 1925, Marjorie Everingham; 1930, Mary Rollins Millett (for Lucile Whitcomb); Speakers for the five year classes: 1895, Carrie M. True; 1900, Ethel Russell; 1905, Alona S. Bean; 1910, Cassilena Perry Hitchcock; 1915, Dorothy Webb Houston; 1920, Harriet Sweetser Greene; 1925, Marion Merriam Hooper; 1930, Gene Macdonald Turner; Representative of all the other Class Agents, Phyllis Sturdevant Sweetser, '19; Christmas Fund, Jane Belcher, '32; Special Gifts Representative, Ellen Pillsbury, '11; Scholarship Fund, Harriet M. Parmenter, '89.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers:

President, Mira L. Dolley, '19, Raymond, Me.; First Vice President, Grace R. Foster, '21, Waterville, Me.; Second Vice President, Cornelia Adair Cole, '28, Winslow, Me.; Recording Secretary, Jane Belcher, '32, Waterville, Me.; Treasurer, Merce F. Morse, '13, Waterville, Me.; Necrologist, Vivian Wright Dunn, '16, Damariscotta, Me.; Executive Secretary, Ervena G. Smith, '24, Waterville, Me.; Scholarship Aid Committee: Harriet M. Parmenter, '89, Lucia H. Morrill, '93, Ninetta M. Runnals, '08; Executive Committee: Chairman, Theora Doe, '30, Waterville, Me., Dorothy

Blanchard, '31, Waterville, Me., Methyl Page, '31, Waterville, Me.; Alumnae Council: Class 1: Ex-Officio Members, Mira L. Dolley, '19, President; Jane Belcher, '32, Waterville, Me. Recording Secretary; Merce F. Morse, '13, Treasurer; Ervena G. Smith, '24, Alumnae Secretary; Adelle Gilpatrick, '92, Trustee; Sarah B. Young, '09, Trustee; Florence E. Dunn, '96, Trustee; Helen D. Cole, '17; Class 2: Members at large: Alice M. Purinton, '99 (Term expires in 1938), Doris Hardy, '25, (Term expires in 1938), Mabel Dunn Libby, '03 (Term expires in 1936), Mary Warren, '23 (Term expires in 1936), Olive Soule Parmenter, '26 (Term expires in 1937), Helen S. Strong, '24 (Term expires in 1937); Class 3: Delegates from Local Alumnae Associations: Western Maine, Sylvia V. Brazzell, '27, (Term expires in 1935), Boston, Florence Gould, '08 (Term expires in 1935), Connecticut Valley, Helen T. Foster, '14 (Term expires in 1936), New York (Term expires in 1936), Waterville, Grace Wells Thompson (Term expires in 1937), Aroostook (Term expires in 1937).

### SPECIAL ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN

The winners of the Colby Special Entrance Scholarship, totaling \$2000, were announced by Dean Ernest C. Marriner, chairman of the Scholarship Committee. The candidates were restricted to secondary school students in Maine who stood in the top tenth of their classes scholastically.

Awards of \$200, representing the tuition at Colby for the freshman year, were made to six students: Jean Burr, Winthrop High School; Nathanael Guptill, Bar Harbor High School; Cleon Hatch, Lincoln Academy, Newcasttle; Richard Hopkins, Southwest Harbor High School; Wilson Piper, Caribou High School; Pauline Pratt, Deering High School.

Eight students received \$100 awards: James Chase, Mechanic Falls High School; Fred Clough, Jr., Edward Little High School, Auburn; Arno Day, Brooklin High School; Elizabeth Darling, George Stevens Academy, Bluehill; Marjorie Hewes, Hallowell High School; Alice Rowe, Wilton Academy; Shirley Thayer, Crosby High School, Belfast; Wendall Tarr, Hebron Academy.

### MAY DAY FESTIVAL OF WOMEN STUDENTS

The annual May Day Festival of the women students was held in the Alumnae Building, with the traditional ceremony of crowning the May Queen, Ann C. Trimble, '35, Calais. This was followed by presentation of the operetta, "The Dragon of Wu Foo."

## STRICKEN FROM COLBY'S ALUMNI ROLL

### ALTHEA HARVEY PUTNAM, '17

**M**RS. Althea Harvey Putnam, wife of Thorndyke Putnam, died April 4, at Dr. Benson's Hospital, Haverhill, Mass., where she had undergone an operation for gall bladder infection.

Mrs. Putnam, born in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1896, was the daughter of Robert and Minona (Lews) Blauvelt. She was legally adopted and was given the name of Harvey when her mother married Roscoe Harvey in 1909.

Educated in the public schools of Hallowell, Me., Mrs. Putnam continued her studies at Colby, entering in the class of 1917, and was made a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

In 1918 she married Henry Dole of Malden, Mass., and until his death in 1922, made her home in Greenwich, Conn. She entered Stevens Institute, Ithaca, N. Y., and there became a member of Alpha Sigma Chi sorority.

Trained in various types of medical work, Mrs. Putnam became identified with the Near East Relief, with which she was associated for 10 years.

In 1933 she married Thorndyke Putnam, tax collector and member of the school board of Hampstead for a number of years, and had since made her home in Hampstead.

She was a charter member of the Woman's Business Association of New York City; and a member of the Women's City Club of Haverhill; of Hampstead Grange, West Rockingham Pomona, New Hampshire State, and the National Granges, as well as a member of Cheering Circle of the Hampstead branch of King's Daughters.

Mrs. Putnam was survived by her husband, Thorndyke Putnam; her mother, Mrs. Minona Harvey; and a sister, of New York City.

Funeral services were held at the Hampstead Congregational church. Burial was at Lakeview Cemetery, Hampstead.

### HORACE W. PARMENTER, '95

**H**ORACE Wellington Parmenter of 65 Walton Park, Melrose Highlands, Mass., died suddenly of heart disease May 1, while a passenger on the S. S. Chattanooqua, en route to Boston from Savannah.

He was born in Lincoln, Mass., September 16, 1868, the son of Horace W. Parmenter and Mary Elizabeth Hoar Parmenter. When he was eleven years old the family moved to Waterville. There he received his education at the Waterville High School, at Colburn Classical Institute, from which he was graduated in 1886, and at Colby College. On November 8, 1899, he was married to Cornelia Frances Sessions of Penacook, N. H. For the past thirty-five years he has been engaged in the dental supply business.

Besides his widow, he leaves a sister, Harriet May Parmenter, and an aunt, Mrs. George Bassett Howard, both of Waterville.

Funeral services were held at his late home on Sunday, May 5. Interment was in Wyoming Cemetery, Melrose.

Mr. Parmenter possessed a rare personality. His unselfishness and spirit of service, his ready sympathy and friendliness, his cheerfulness and fortitude, his sincerity and integrity endeared him to all who knew him. He is one of "Those immortal dead who live again in minds made better by their presence."

### ANNA S. CUMMINGS, '90

**T**HE death of Miss Anna S. Cummings, '90, on February 27, was a great shock to her many friends. Apparently making a good recovery from the effects of a fall, she was gone in a moment.

She was born April 17, 1860, in Fairfax, Vermont, into a home which embodied the best New England ideals and traditions. Both father and mother had been teachers, and the father, a preacher and pastor. From her earliest years the teacher's calling drew her. As a girl she showed a dignity of purpose and earnestness of endeavor which have always characterized her.

Battling at times with ill health, she made her way through Colby Academy, New London, N. H., and then Colby, where she took her A. B. and later A. M. She was a member of Alpha chapter, Sigma Kappa.

After teaching Greek and Latin she turned her attention to psychology and pedagogy. She served as lady principal at Vermont Academy, Sax-

ton's River, ably filling for six years (1893-'99) a position which called for maturer years than hers. Like her father, she was never satisfied with her own equipment, which was strengthened, first, as graduate student at Stanford University, California, and later at the University of Grenoble, France, and at the Sorbonne, Paris.

Pioneer work always attracted her. In 1901 she became head of the teacher's training department at Marshall College, Huntington, West Virginia, establishing the first model school in the state. With an interim for study and travel she served until 1918, acting also as State Institute Instructor for several years.

From 1918 to 1921 she served first as field director for the Potomac Division of the American Red Cross, with headquarters at Washington, D. C. For many months she was a part-time volunteer. Since then she and her sister, Grace, Colby, '92, had made their home in Washington, where she died.

Thus were the interests of her life the things of highest value. Of quiet voice and dignified mien, she bore well that charming and now outmoded name, "lady Principal," her title as a young teacher at Vermont Academy. Womanly in her leadership, she ever sought character first in her students. She met life bravely when dark days came, and lived unselfishly, whether days were dark or bright. She has left to those who knew and loved her the dear memory of one who kept unfaltering to the end her faith in the God of whom she learned from earliest days in that true home of her childhood.

### CHARLES A. TRUE, '82

**F**UNERAL services for Charles Augustus True, 74, a native of Portland and county attorney there two terms, were held Sunday, May 26, in New York City, where he died Thursday, May 23. Prayers and interment were at the True lot in Evergreen Cemetery, Monday, May 27. Mr. True had been ill since January and was suddenly stricken with spinal paralysis while recuperating in Florida.

He was born in Portland, Nov. 24,

1860, of Colonial ancestry, the son of Samuel A. True, old Maine merchant, and Ellen Hart True, daughter of Hanson M. Hart, wool manufacturer. His grandfather was Samuel True, one of the founders of the Woodman, True Company.

After graduating from Portland High School in 1878, a Brown Medal scholar, he entered Colby, graduating in 1882. He was a member of Delta Kappa Epsilon and Phi Beta Kappa at Colby. He studied law with the late Judge Clarence Hale, with Symonds & Libby, and at the Harvard Law School and was admitted to the Cumberland County Bar in 1885.

He married Gertrude Akers Paine, daughter of Henry L. Paine, in Portland in 1888 and the same year was elected councilman from Ward Four. A year later Mr. True was appointed assistant county attorney and afterwards served two terms as county attorney. While practicing his profession in Portland he established a reputation as a jury lawyer, a reputation he continued to enjoy after moving to New York City twenty years ago.

Mr. True was a member of the Baptist Church, of Ancient Landmark Lodge, F. & A. M., Longfellow Lodge, K. of P., and of Harmony Lodge, I. O. O. F., all of Portland.

Two children, Gertrude and Samuel Nelson True, were born in Portland and Mrs. True died there. Several years later he married Mrs. Laura Hatton Smith of New York City, who survives him, as does his daughter, now residing in San Diego, and a sister, Mrs. Edward C. Robinson, of Brookline, Mass.

#### EDITH M. COOK, '98

**F**UNERAL services for Edith Morris Cook, '98, were held at her summer home on the Middle Road, Falmouth, May 3, and interment was in the Nichols Cemetery in Vassalboro. The Rev. Edward Kelsey of Amesbury, Mass., officiated at the services, and Samuel H. Brown of Westtown Friends School, Pennsylvania, spoke of her life and work as a teacher.

Miss Cook was born in Vassalboro, Nov. 3, 1876. She prepared for college at Oak Grove Seminary and was graduated from Colby in 1898. She received high scholastic honors and was chosen to membership in the Colby Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. In

1929 she received the degree of Master of Arts in Latin for graduate work at University of Pennsylvania. She spent the following summer, of 1930, in European travel, devoting a large part of the time to Italy in order to study and gain intimate knowledge of that country in which she was intensely interested because of her life work as a teacher of the Latin classics.

Miss Cook began her teaching career in the high school at Maynard, Mass., and subsequently taught in the Latin department of the high schools in Southbridge, Mass., and Brockton, Mass. She then went to teach in the Friends' School at Westtown, Pa., and later in the Shipley School at Bryn Mawr, Pa., where she remained until some eight months ago when she was forced by illness to give up her work.

She served for two years as chairman of the Private School Teachers' Association of Philadelphia and was always active in all organizations concerned with the teaching of the classics. Her thorough knowledge of her subject and her outstanding ability as a teacher are attested by many of her former associates. For many years Miss Cook had been a member of the Friends' Church.

#### CONNECTICUT VALLEY COLBY CLUB MEETS

The annual meeting of the Connecticut Valley Alumni was held at Hartford, Friday, April 26. President Johnson was present and gave the alumni a picture of the affairs on the campus. Three fathers of Colby boys were present at the invitation of Charles F. T. Seaverns, president of the club. It was an evening full of college songs and cheers, and the renewal of old friendships. About forty were present.

President Johnson drew a verbal picture of the affairs on the campus. He emphasized that the students are being given better opportunities each year and are taking advantage of this for their own good. The Alumni Secretary, G. Cecil Goddard, gave an interesting account of the activities of the alumni associations throughout the country. Professor Frederick Pottle of Yale, a trustee of the college, spoke briefly for the board.

Dr. John Foster of Waterbury explained the object of a meeting of the alumni and alumnae of Naugatuck Valley, held at Waterbury in March.

He stated that a fund had been started at the meeting, a fund to be administered by the treasurer of the college, for some deserving student in the Naugatuck Valley area.

The fathers of Colby boys present were: Dr. Henry Russ and Mr. George Young of Hartford and Mr. Frank Mellen of Rocky Hill. Dr. Russ spoke of the great satisfaction he had had concerning the relations and progress of his son at Colby this year.

The old songs and cheers were led by the secretary, Royden K. Greely, and the toastmaster was the president of the club, Mr. Seaverns.

A short business meeting was held at which Mr. Seaverns was re-elected president and Royden K. Greely of Middletown, secretary and member of the Alumni Council. The meeting was held at the Hotel Bond and was preceded by a dinner and accompanied throughout by an orchestra. Hartford is one of the few Colby groups that still continue to have a stag party.

The method of calling together the men for these meetings is somewhat unique. For a number of years it has been the custom for the secretary to edit a list of the alumni in the Connecticut Valley within easy riding distance of Hartford. This list is mailed to all the men, enclosing a return post card and an announcement of the meeting. Occasionally this is followed up by a second notice on a post card. The members are urged to refer to the list and to make a contact with any Colby men in their vicinity. This method has doubled the attendance at the Hartford meetings.

Royden K. Greely.

#### GERTRUDE B. LANE SPEAKS AT COLLEGE

"The city world is getting homesick for the country, and the tide has turned back to the small town," said Gertrude B. Lane, Editor of the Woman's Home Companion, speaking to the women of the College, of which she is an honorary graduate.

Miss Lane, who has to be acutely conscious of trends in public opinion, pointed to the number of novels of rural life, especially about Maine, which have been recent best sellers.

The prominent editor also gave the Colby girls advice on vocational opportunities in the magazine publishing field.

# CLASS NOTES: Personal Items Covering the Classes Which Have Gone Out From Colby

Edited by Joseph Coburn Smith, '24

## 1882

Correspondents:

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

Every one of the thirteen graduates and the three non-graduates of the class of eighty-two, now living, has contributed to the Colby Alumni Fund.

Windsor H. Wyman has returned to his home in North Abington from his winter home in Florida, a little improved in health.

Bill Crawford has gone to Maine for the summer, making his headquarters at his camp on Lake Messalonskee.

Charles A. True passed away in New York on May 23. He is survived by his wife and by his daughter Gertrude whose home is in San Diego, Calif. For the last twenty years he has been practicing law in New York. For many years he practiced in Portland, at one time being District Attorney. Probably some further notice in regard to him will appear in the Alumnus.

Fred N. Fletcher of Reno, Nevada, has been connected with the work of taxation in Nevada since 1914. He is Secretary of the Nevada Tax Payers Association. When the Legislature is in session he is extremely busy, being constantly called on for information and to address service clubs, chambers of commerce and other groups. He is accused of knowing more about the state's financial affairs than any man in Nevada.

The wife of Edward H. Phillips passed away very suddenly at their home in Westbrook on April thirteenth. Mr. Phillips expects to close his house in Westbrook and go to live in Melrose, Mass., with his son Stanley, who is on the engineering staff of the Boston and Maine Railroad.

Herbert Weaver and Mrs. Weaver have gone to their summer home at Martin's Point, Friendship, Maine.

## 1883

Correspondents:

Oliver L. Hall, Hampden, Me.  
Mrs. Edgar P. Neal (Lora Cummings)  
West Boylston, Mass.

Mr. Harry Thomas Jordan and Mrs. Sarah Marjorie Irvine announce their marriage on Wednesday, June 12, in Philadelphia. After the first of October they will be at home at 4616 Osage Avenue, Philadelphia.

## 1884

Correspondents:

Brew T. Harthorn  
21 Elm St., Machias, Me.  
Mrs. Charles P. Barnes (Annie Richardson)  
Houlton, Me.

During this year I have had letters from Lynch. He has been attorney for Home Owners' Loan Corporation

since its operation. He has also been recently appointed Police Court Judge for the city of Olympia, Wash.

Verne Whitman is still principal of the High School at Laconia, N. H.

Frank Ames writes that he lives in Norridgewock, Maine. Is interested as always in law and agriculture.

Tuthill writes from his home in Hartford, Conn., that those who did not attend the reunion last June missed a great time.

Frank Padelford is busy, as he has been for many years, directing the work of the Board of Education of the Northern Baptist Conventions. He is continuing his valuable service as a trustee of Colby.

## 1895

Correspondents:

Archer Jordan, 53 Court St., Auburn, Me.  
Clio M. Chilcott  
530 Fifth Ave., New York City  
Ellsworth, Maine

Clio M. Chilcott retired in 1931 from Washington Irving High School, New York City, where she had been a teacher of French for 18 years. Since then she has lived abroad, studying, doing research work, and traveling. Her address from now on will be: 530 Fifth Ave., New York City, and Ellsworth, Maine.

Emma Knauff Dilworth (Mrs. Oscar) is at her home in Madison, Maine.

Linda Graves, Head of English Department, Westfield (Mass.) High School. Prominent in church and educational activities in the community. In summer she demonstrates her skill in culinary art at her sister's home in Skowhegan.

Madge Wilson Gray (Mrs. Walter L.). Her garden is her hobby at which she is an expert. She is a recognized authority in gardening and has spoken before various Garden Clubs. South Paris, Maine.

Lila Harden Hersey, (Mrs. W. O.). Interested in many activities for social betterment. She is now a grandmother. Little Constance Randolph Hersey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hersey. '95 welcomes this granddaughter and hopes she is in line for Colby. 395 Stevens Ave., Woodford, Maine.

Blanche Lane is secretary to a physician in Wakefield, Mass. The physician's wife is our classmate's intimate friend, and Blanche has her own private apartment under their family roof-tree, where she lives quite independently. The arrangement is an up-to-date example, from the standpoint of economics, of "division." Blanche has her church activities, goes often to the Symphony concerts, and is very active in a club for the cultivation of art appreciation, and in a literature club. 31 Avon St.,

Wakefield, Mass.

Clara Tozier Miller (Mrs. David C.) is at her home in Farmington, N. H.

Lily S. Pray has for years held a responsible position in the Bath Post Office. 154 Centre St., Bath, Maine.

Carrie M. True for many years was teacher of English at Lasell Seminary, Auburndale, Mass. She has recently retired and is enjoying her leisure. She and her sister, Mrs.

Francis King, make their home together in Auburndale. The three "True" sisters spent Christmas together at the home of Mrs. Addie True Ellery 1890, in Schenectady, N. Y. Carrie is a member of the Boston College Club and of the Lasell Club. 99 Hancock St., Auburndale, Mass.

Annie M. Waite, a graduate of the Boston Normal Art School, is interested in everything artistic. She is musical and has sung for many years in a church choir. Library work is her vocation. She has charge of the West Boylston (Mass.) Library, which she keeps on a high plane. She is a live wire in various West Boylston Clubs. P. O. Box No. 135, West Boylston, Mass.

## 1896

Correspondents:

Everett L. Getchell  
51 Everett St., Natick, Mass.  
Caro L. Hoxie  
102 Pleasant Ave., Woodford, Me.

Flora, the beloved wife of Haven Metcalf, passed away on April 26 at the Metcalf home, 1223 Vermont Ave., Washington, D. C. She will be remembered by many members of '96 for her lovable qualities and her unflinching good humor. In June she and Haven were to have celebrated the thirty-fifth anniversary of their wedding.

Frederick M. Padelford, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of Washington writes:

"The only bit of worthwhile news that I can think of is that the Huntington Library has invited me to be its guest next year as a visiting research professor, and the University has given me permission to be away from September to March inclusive. I shall be working on early 17th century Spenseriana as the Library apparently has a good deal of unique material on that subject. If the Variorum Spenser progresses to the tenth and final volume on 'The Life and Influence of Spenser,' the results will be embodied there. As my oldest son Morgan lives in Pasadena, I am looking forward to a very interesting winter."

Prof. Levi P. Wyman is Professor of Chemistry at Penn. Military College at Chester, Penn. In addition to his teaching he is Vice President and

Dean of the college, having supervision of all the scholastic work, which includes courses in Civil Engineering, Business Administration and Industrial Engineering. In his spare time he is Financial Secretary of his church. Not exactly the theoretical scholastic ease of which the story-books tell us.

## 1899

Correspondents:  
William O. Stevens

Cranbrook School, Bloomfield Hills, Mich.  
Mrs. James E. Dolliver (Josephine Ward)  
16 Glenwood Ave., Newton Centre, Mass.

From the Detroit Evening News,  
May 11, 1935:

Public announcement of the resignation of Dr. William O. Stevens as headmaster of Cranbrook School was made at the school assembly Friday. It had been made privately at the meeting of the board of directors Thursday night.

The resignation becomes effective immediately because of Dr. Stevens' ill health. Dr. S. S. Marquis will function as acting head of the school until the appointment of a successor to Dr. Stevens. Dr. Charles G. Kephel will be in direct charge.

Dr. Stevens has been headmaster at Cranbrook since the school was opened in 1927. He has been in poor health for some time.

Dr. Stevens is 56 years old. He was born in Rangoon, Burma, where his father and grandfather had been missionaries. He was graduated from Colby College, Waterville, Me., in 1899 and took the degree of doctor of philosophy at Yale University in 1903. From that year until 1924, he was a member of the faculty of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, most of the time as senior professor of English and head of the English department.

Leaving Annapolis, he became headmaster of the Roger Ascham School, progressive day school at White Plains, N. Y., and left that post to come to Cranbrook.

Dr. Stevens was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters by Colby College in 1923. He is the author of a number of books for boys and on naval subjects.

## 1902

Correspondents:  
Linwood L. Workman

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

If my mathematics is correct, Noah V. Barker has been located at Lawrence Academy, Groton, Massachusetts, for nine years. Driving through the village one day last year, I observed the very beautiful environment and the attractive buildings. Don't blame Noah a bit for liking the place—and from a chance conversation with two or three of the boys I judge that he has some fine young fellows to work with.

Noah has a fine professional record to his credit—Principal, Presque Isle

High School, Maine, two years; Instructor, Ricker Classical Institute, Houlton, Maine, ten years; Sub-Master, five years each at Goddard Seminary, Barre, Vermont, and Westbrook Seminary, Portland, Maine; then two years as Principal of Goddard Seminary. Add nine years as Instructor in Latin and Coach of plays and public speaking at Lawrence Academy and we have his chronology to date.

As you remember, Noah was a member of Phi Delta Theta in college and by virtue of scholarship is enrolled in the Cum Laude Society. He is a Mason—has something of a flair for looking the world over inasmuch as he has made four trips abroad, spending some time studying at the American Academy at Rome. Says that travel, theatres, and autoing are his hobbies—is partial to the Pontiac—well, it's a classy boat, Noah! and we shall be watching for you at our Thirty-fifth.

You will all remember that the November issue of the Alumnus said that Edith Williams' doctor husband had been elected to the Governor's Council and that they expected considerable pleasure from a sojourn in Augusta for the winter term of the legislature. We regret to record that the month of April found Dr. Small in the hospital at Belfast, Maine, with "a terrific attack of angina." We are sorry, Edith, that you both have had anxiety thus forced upon you—and now we rejoice with you that the danger has passed with your husband "safely on the way to recovery." Mind that you don't let him get into that danger again!

## 1906

Correspondents:  
Karl R. Kennison

20 Somerset St., Boston, Mass.  
Anna M. Boynton  
17 Union St., Camden, Me.

V. Merle Jones writes from 9 Edgebrook Place, Cranford, N. J., as follows:

"I occasionally get out my Memorabilia of Colby days and get out of the inglorious present into the golden past. I see, more and more, the value of those years. There is a charm that makes me want to send my two boys back to Colby—and when next September sends my older boy there, I shall in memory travel with him, living over my days there. Then, two years later, I hope to send our second son there.

"For the past fifteen years I've been privileged to be a teacher at the Emerson High School, Union City, just on the Palisades at New Jersey directly across from 33rd St., New York City. Our school numbers over 1700 students with about 70 teachers. I'm in charge of the French department, three other modern languages being taught, German, Spanish and Italian. It is a little city in itself, there being one other high school of the same size in the city.

"Bill Dodge, so far as I know the only one of our class to pass on, lies buried in a beautiful spot in our Cranford cemetery. He and I were together, a short time before he died, at the Colby Alumni Reunion at New York. We represented the class there and I'm sure we both were back in spirit in the old college days."

A letter from E. Parker Craig contains the following information about himself and family: "I would have sent my daughters to Colby to be educated but I just couldn't send them so far. I have one daughter, a graduate of Texas State College for Women, here in Denton (where I live). My second daughter has a B. A. from the University of Texas and a B. S. from Columbia (N. Y.) Library School. My baby Virginia will be a junior at the University of Texas next year.

"My two graduates are teaching and are planning a trip to Europe this summer—and they are planning to send me to my 'thirtieth' next June at Colby. So we will all save our dimes so that I can make the trip if I am not too feeble. I drive a car about 30,000 miles each year so I may be able to make it. Here's hoping."

A recent letter from Ella Maxcey brings the news that her holidays were saddened by the loss of her father the day before Christmas. Ella teaches French in the Taunton, Mass., High School. The latter half of the year the head of the French department went abroad to study and Ella became acting head.

Your class agent is expecting to leave the middle of May for a six weeks trip to Fillmore, California, to visit her father and several brothers who have settled there. The trip will also include the exposition at San Diego, which will be on the order of the one at Chicago.

## 1908

Correspondents:  
I. Ross McCombe

591 Summit Ave., Jersey City, N. J.  
Mrs. B. T. Weston (Ethel Hayward)  
Madison, Me.

The following new address for 1908 has been received at the College:

Major John E. Hatch, 2403 Rodman St., N. W., Washington, D. C.

## 1909

Correspondents:  
Nathaniel E. Wheeler

17 Boutelle Ave., Waterville, Me.  
Clara Eastman  
Lyndon Institute, Lyndon Center, Vt.

Gene Allen has been teaching Physics in the Senior High School, Atlantic City since 1919. Brigantine, where he has his home is about four miles away from Atlantic City. He writes: "Before starting on our vacation, a portion of which usually includes Maine, we rent our house which is about August first. Also, since our school does not close until June 21st it will be impossible for me to attend Commencement.

The following new address for 1909 has been received at the College:

Nelson I. Mixer, 50 St. Theresa Ave., West Roxbury, Mass.

## 1910

Correspondents:

Henry B. Moor  
147 Angell St., Providence, R. I.  
Mrs. C. J. Deans (Mary Donald)  
1108 So. Gaffey St., San Pedro, Calif.

From the San Pedro (Calif.) Pilot, May 27, 1935:

Mrs. Mary Donald Deans will find a busy year ahead when she returns in the fall from Spain, where she and her son, Billy, are summering. For she has just been elected as one of the directors of the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs for the state of California. This is the first time that a similar honor has been given to a member of the local club. Mrs. Deans is active in many civic and social affairs of the city. She is a member of the faculty at San Pedro High school.

## 1911

Correspondents:

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

A fine letter from Mary Quinn in Salt Lake City is given herewith:

Since Rose Carver Tilley is so persistent and so personal, I'll send my greetings from the "wild and woolly" dust stricken west. As a matter of fact, you who have been here, know Salt Lake is a modern, progressive and beautiful city, with a fine university and many other attractions, otherwise we wouldn't be spending our twentieth year here, instead of one, as we intended.

Our two girls, one in High School and one a freshman and Delta Gamma at the U. of U. are Utah born and true westerners, but my husband and I are still New Englanders at heart and love the beauty spots and historical background of our childhood days.

We were in Maine last summer, after staying a week in Chicago, but didn't get a glimpse of Colby or a classmate. We also had a wonderful trip down on Cape Cod, to Woods Hole and Provincetown, where I spent several happy summers before my marriage, and hadn't visited for twenty years.

The gastric juices are still gurgling at the thought of those New England blueberries and wonderful pies, which only New Englanders can make and the delicious fried clams, which never taste exactly right except on the Maine coast, not to mention Cape Cod lobsters and other delicious sea foods, found only in New England—also maple syrup, a gallon of which just arrived from a good friend in New Hampshire.

But I was going to tell you of the west and here I am raving about the things with which you are already familiar. That is because I always have a homesick feeling in the spring and long for a glimpse of the New England woods, the trailing arbutus,

violets, lady slippers, anenomes and laurel, as well as the beautiful birds I used to love.

It would take far too long to tell about all the places I've seen since my canoeing days on the Messalonskee, but come out and take a look for yourselves—it's really worth the trip. The roads are fine, tourist camps and hotels are excellent and the west welcomes you.

The following is all the news the Class Agent is able to submit to the editor of the Alumnus due to a condition which seems to exist in most classes—classmates do not send news to their class agents. Is it not well to remark that thereby is missed a splendid opportunity for classmates to keep in touch with each other through the medium of one of the best Alumni magazines.

Ray Cecil Carter is doing exceptional work as head of the English Department of Albany (N. Y.) High School.

Reverend Isaac Higginbotham who holds an important executive position with the Baptist denomination in Boston was invited to deliver the Boardman sermon this Commencement, "Hig" was also a nominee for Trustee of the College.

Thomas P. Packard is First Selectman of his home town, Houlton, Maine. "Tom" recently made the front page of the Eastern Maine papers, his picture appearing along with other officials in the reporting of the laying of the cornerstone of the new Houlton postoffice. We thought he was looking entirely fit and dignified although somewhat more portly than we last saw him.

Harlan R. Mackenzie is General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. at Franklin, Mass. In spite of the dignity of added years and of being the father of a grown up family of two daughters and a son, "Mac" seems to possess the same old spirit of banter and good humor.

The Class Agent has contributed all the news available which was not contained in the Class Letters of 1932. It is hoped that all classmates will assist in making the next issue considerably larger and more nearly complete.

## 1913

Correspondents:

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

A dispatch from a Detroit paper on May 6 is of interest:

Dr. Charles J. Keppel, assistant headmaster of Cranbrook School, will become director of the Tome School at Port Deposit, Md., in June, it was announced today.

Dr. Keppel received a Bachelor of Science degree from Colby College, Waterville, Me., in 1913, and a Master's and Doctor of Philosophy degree from New York University. He taught in the public schools of Camden, N. J., and New London, Conn., and in

the Bulkely School, New London, and St. Paul's School, Garden City, L. I.

He went to Cranbrook School on its organization in 1927 to become dean of students and assistant headmaster. He also teaches science and mathematics. He is a member of several fraternities and clubs, and the author of a number of publications on education.

To continue our narrative of those from whom we have not heard for a long time, John Perley Kennedy appears to be located in Waterville with the operating department of the Central Maine Power Company. His family consists of three daughters, the oldest of whom should be nearly ready for Colby.

Had a fine call from Claire Benson not long ago. For several years he was on the faculty of Biddeford, Me. High School. At present he is eligible for another teaching position.

The news of 1913 seems to be at a standstill. Only one item beside some very "personal" ones are available.

Eva Macomber Kyes was nominated for School Committee member. Her opponent was a former scholar. From five years membership on such a board we can say that the interesting and pleasant experiences greatly outnumber the unpleasant. And that we are glad to have the chance for this service.

As a representative of the York County Farm Bureau, Marion Hague attended Farm and Home Week at the University of Maine, March 25-28. The programs were interesting and helpful. Margaret Slattery of Boston gave two lectures, "This Thing Called Living" and "Peculiar Paths to Prosperity." The ability and personality of the speaker was as interesting as the thought-provoking messages she gave her audience. Three members of the Hague family graduate from high school last June. One of the trio receiving the first honor part.

The following new address for 1913 has been received at the College:

Mrs. Samuel L. Allen (Mattie Windell), Curtis Hotel, Minneapolis, Minn.

The sympathy of the class is extended to Dora Libby Bishop on the death of her mother, Mrs. E. P. Libby, of Winthrop.

Pauline Hanson says: "I can't think of a thing I do that would be of interest to anyone." And then goes on to say that she "attended the Colby dinner in Waterbury a few weeks ago when President Johnson visited us. It was a very pleasant affair and of course excellently managed" by John Foster, '13.

Thursday, May 16, Margaret Adams Austin spent in Portland, and Marian Hague enjoyed a particularly pleasant day with her.

Iva B. Willis was recently elected president of the Maine Women's Club of New York. After graduation from Colby she obtained a degree of

M. A. from Columbia. Formerly a successful teacher of languages in high schools, she is now an executive in travel bureau work.

## 1916

### Correspondents:

Arthur F. Bickford, 53 State St., Boston, Mass.  
Mrs. Carlos L. Hill (Vivian Skinner)  
87 Pillsbury St., So. Portland, Me.

Yvette Claire Barnard wrote me from Paris and was planning to fly to Monte Carlo, Florence, and London. She has two sons (9 and 11) and a business in New York conducted as "Yvette Barnard, Gifts and Decorations."

After Robert Bowen died in 1929, Elizabeth Hodgkins Bowen returned to Maine with her young son who is now nine. She teaches Math. in the High School in Auburn.

Marion Miller Chase has a husband who is busy with politics and investment securities. His sister is the Mary Ellen Chase who wrote "The Goodly Heritage" and "Mary Peters." Marion's children are 7, 11, and 15.

Effie Hannan Fraser probably did not receive my letter for she and Anne (her 7 year old daughter) were leaving their home in the Philippines early in the spring for a visit to Italy enroute to the United States where her husband will join them for a summer in Maine. His business is hemp.

Katherine Singer Hahn is living this year in San Pedro, Calif., where her husband is in the coast guard. Her letter also went astray.

Louise McCurdy McKinnon lives in a big apartment hotel of which her husband is manager in Detroit. Their daughter and son fourteen. Marion Harmon is teaching Latin in Thornton Academy, Saco, and Alice Clarkin is teaching in Waterville High where she must be in close touch with college affairs. Edith Robinson is teaching in Brockton, Mass., while Ella Robinson is for her tenth year at the Albany Academy for girls, teaching College Preparatory, English and Dramatics. Last year she was exchange teacher in Leicester, England. What an opportunity!

Marion Towne Hopkins and Lucille Foster Wilson both live in Lexington, Mass. Marion has three daughters (Betty fifteen, Marion thirteen, and Charlotte ten). Lucille's husband is a construction engineer and they have two girls in junior high and a boy in kindergarten.

Lucy Montgomery is lost. Her mail has been returned unclaimed.

Marion Harrington Peterson lives in Greenwich, Conn., and her husband is in the life insurance business in New York. Her older son is a freshman at Yale and she has another son and three daughters. Almost our prize family! The mother of that family didn't answer my letter so she won't have her honors this time.

Tony and Donald Putnam live in Waterville, but her reply to my letter about our old fashioned, three day blizzard came from St. Peters-

burg, Florida, where they were spending the winter.

Esther French Spaulding's husband has charge of a 260,000 acre tract of timberland at Princeton, Maine, while she manages Mary Olive, twelve; Margaret, ten; and David, five.

Ruth Brackett Spear was an invalid for many years but is full of pluck and courage and in spite of her lameness is teaching at Rockland, Maine.

Ethel Weeks Stephen who was with us only one semester now lives in far away Saskatchewan on a 640 acre wheat farm.

Carolyn and Paul Thompson of Cranbrook School, Michigan, have one son and three daughters. Carolyn still comes to Maine summers, while Paul and his son go to a deep woods camp in Canada three hundred miles north of Toronto.

Mint Titus lives the busiest sort of life in Madison, Maine. She has written several poems and won a \$75.00 prize for a prose article in a world-wide magazine contest.

Eleanor Bradlee Mitchell and Percy (who is an accountant) have one son. Bradlee, nearly fifteen. They live in Portland so we see each other frequently.

I have one husband who works in a savings bank and one son, a healthy and happy youngster now in the second grade.

The New Rochelle Star has the following to say about a member of this class:

Duties of grand exalted ruler today have been vested in Peter J. Mayers who for the ensuing year will guide New Rochelle Lodge, No. 756, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Born in this city, Mr. Mayers was educated in the public schools here and attended Cathedral High School, New York City and Colby College, from which he graduated in 1916 with an A. B.

He received an M. A. degree at Catholic University in 1917 and studied at Annapolis during the World War, emerging as a graduate ensign later serving in the navy.

Following the war Mr. Mayers returned to New Rochelle and taught in Mount Vernon High School. He has run twice for City Council as an independent candidate, polling 1130 votes in 1931, the largest vote an independent had recorded up to that time.

The following new address for 1916 has been received at the College:

Donald S. Knowlton, 1805 Hoban Rd., N. W., Washington, D. C.

## 1917

### Correspondents:

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

The following new addresses for 1917 have been received at the College:

Donald B. Flood, 154 Longhill St.,

Springfield, Mass.

Capt. Thomas F. Joyce, 9th Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, Tex.

## 1918

### Correspondents:

Richard L. Sprague  
Masonic Bldg., Portland, Me.  
Helene B. Buker  
250 W. 99th St., New York, N. Y.

Rev. Harold Scott, '18, received the degree of Master of Theology, June 7, from Iliff Graduate School of Theology, Denver, Colorado. After September 1, Mr. Scott's address will be Fort Collins, Colorado, where he will be pastor of the Congregational-Unitarian church. Fort Collins is the site of Colorado State University.

Andrew C. Little, Harriet Ave., Burlington, Mass.

The following new address for 1918 has been received at the College:

Paul E. Alden, 807 Fourth St., Champaign, Ill.

## 1919

### Correspondents:

Burton E. Small, 97 Milk St., Boston, Mass.  
Mrs. Neil Leonard (Hildegard Drummond)  
31 Kenmore St., Newton Centre, Mass.  
Mrs. Herman P. Sweetser (Phyllis Sturdivant)  
Cumberland Center, Me.

Gordon E. Gates, '19, and Helen Baldwin Gates, '19, returned to Judson College, Rangoon, Burma, on May 1st where Gordon is head of the Department of Biology.

The address of Dr. James L. Wilson, '20, is 300 Longwood Ave., Boston. Jimmy has been in the Children's Hospital for the past eight years. He is not married, and possibly because of this, he has been able to acquire a new car and a farm in New Hampshire.

The following new addresses for 1919 have been received at the College:

Charles V. Anderson, Central Bank Note Co., 233 Spring St., New York City.

James A. Knox, Benham St., Medford, Mass.

Lieut. Paul Miller, U. S. Naval Hospital, Annapolis, Md.

## 1920

### Correspondents:

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

A clipping from the Orange, N. J., Courier concerns Rev. C. Gordon Brownville who was a member of the class of 1920 during the years 1916-1917. He is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Asbury Park and was preacher at a series of Lenten services in Maplewood. The clipping contained the following information:

Rev. Mr. Brownville practiced law in Massachusetts for seven years before starting his theological studies. His first pastorate was in Philadelphia, and for the last four years he has occupied the Asbury Park pulpit, broadcasting his sermons, and preaching to large congregations particu-

larly during the summer months.

Following his education at Mercersburg Academy and Colby College, he enlisted and was sent overseas during the World War. The French government cited him twice for the Croix de Guerre and the United States government decorated him with the Distinguished Service Cross.

After the war, Mr. Brownville studied law at Boston University Law School, and for the last three years of his practice was assistant register of probate for the County of Norfolk, Mass., under former Governor Alvin T. Fuller.

Mr. Brownville studied for the ministry at the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, and was later pastor of the Spruce Street Baptist Church in that city.

## 1921

### Correspondents:

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

Harold M. Sachs obtained a degree of M. Sc. from Middlebury in 1922, and M. D. from Temple University in 1927. He is specializing in X-ray work and his address is 1648 Madison St., Brooklyn.

A letter from Dorothy Mitchell Grant contains much of interest to our class:

"Last summer Lib took Margaret Wilkins and me up to Fort Fairfield for luncheon at Kathleen's, and one day last summer Al Clark Anderson breezed in with her infant son; they were visiting Al's sister-in-law at a camp near Island Falls.

"My two children run me fairly ragged. Peter has been attending First Grade this year, although he will not be six until the end of this month. Margaret is one and a half now, and has blue eyes just like Pa's. She is dainty and sweet, and already enjoys powdering her nose and dusting—two virtues she didn't get from watching Mummy.

"We left India last March and went to Trinidad for ten weeks before coming North. In September Cliff went to Halifax, took his old quarters at Pine Hill, and has been busy all winter around at the various Maritime Colleges as Secretary of the Student Christian Movement. He was going to be away from Halifax so much that he was quite willing that we should stay here in a comfortable apartment, where Dad, Mother and Helen could get to know the children during furlough. We are taking a cottage out to the Lake for the summer, but have a lot of travelling to do before we return to India September 21st.

"And here's news about a '21er. Bunny Esters has been elected President of the Houlton Country Club. (Marcia is a very charming woman)."

At a recent meeting of the Lower Cape Methodist Social Union, of which Percy F. Williams, '97 is President, Charles A. Mitchell, '21, gave

an address on Japan and the Japanese people. Mitchell is Superintendent of Schools for the Provincetown District.

Frederick J. Pope's address now is: 8 Chestnut Road, Reading, Mass.

"Lib" Pulsifer writes that he saw Phin Barnes and Ransie Pratt recently in Albany. "Let's plan on a big turnout for next year," he asks. Begin saving funds now for our Fifteenth.

Stanley Black is now located in Worcester, at 40 Monadnock Road.

"Bunny" Esters recently attended the National Editorial Association convention at New Orleans. He was there to invite the group to meet in Maine in 1936, and was successful.

Roland Ware's secretary wrote that he is in Germany for two months.

## 1922

### Correspondents:

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

Chester L. Robinson, has been named principal of the Franklin School, the lower high school of Manchester, N. H. He has been teaching 13 years in this city.

"Chick" Gale is director of publicity for the Fairchild Aviation Corporation at Woodside, L. I. Any readers of aviation journals will be aware of the number of articles and photographs of Fairchild planes, cameras and other products, which have been appearing the last few months in these magazines. On the side, "Chick" does free lance writing on aviation subjects and has recently had two articles appear in Liberty and one in the June number of Esquire.

A letter from Virginia Bean Curtiss, Thomaston, Conn., has the following news:

"Belle Longley Strickland, '19, lost her father recently. She and her family have made their home with her parents in Portland."

Emma Moulton Leonard, '22, North Hampton, N. H., writes about her family. She seems very happy, and life is very pleasant for her, except that her father's health is none too good.

At last a letter from Olive Stone Lermond, North Haven, Me., the first since she left school her freshman year. She has been married 12 years to John Lermond, a nephew of Grace Lermond Wyllie, '19. Her husband is a contractor, in business with his father. She lives in a seven room house built for her by her husband the year before they married. She does a little substitute work in school.

A note from Edith Harvey Norwood, Western Maine Sanatorium, Greenwood Mt., Me., dated May 6:

"I'm enjoying a potted baby ramblar with its thirty some blossoms that my daughter gave me for Easter. Spring is still around that corner. If you'd get that snow off your White Mountains we'd be more comfortable

over here.

"Virginia (Bean Curtiss) has owed me a letter, but she sent me an Easter greeting in the form of a beautiful lily.

"I hear from Ruby (Dyer) but not so often as in the winter. She's very busy and I guess those that work for a living consider a busy office most encouraging in these times.

"Marian and Howard, (Edith's daughter and husband) are fine."

The Colby Alumni Association of Berlin, N. H., helped to sponsor a concert in Berlin on May 2, by the combined men's and women's Glee Clubs of Colby under the direction of Mr. John White Thomas. Rev. H. C. Stallard, minister of the Congregational church, arranged for the concert. Mr. Stallard is particularly interested in the work of the Glee Clubs, because his son, Bernard, '37, sings first tenor, and appeared as soloist at the Berlin concert. Followed the program music for dancing was furnished by the White Mule orchestra. The undergraduates, about 50, were entertained over night in the homes of alumni and friends.

Hazel Dyer Towne, attending the annual meeting of the New Hampshire Division, A. A. U. W., in Hanover, met Lucinda B. Smith, '01, who has been connected with the University of New Hampshire the past 20 years.

## 1923

### Correspondents:

Albert G. Snow, Biddeford High School  
Biddeford, Me.  
Doris E. Wyman  
31 Lawrence Road, Medford, Mass.

Lib Larrabee writes that she and her sister Catherine, '22, drove West last summer. They took in Denver, Estes Park, Salt Lake City, Yellowstone, Glacier Park, and various other points east and west. These Larrabees' do gad about. They spent the week-end of February 22 in New York on a theatre orgy.

There is quite a Colby group in Hartford—Thelma Powers Walker, Daphne Fish Wight, '22, Al Clark Anderson, '21, Marion Drisko, '24, Kathleen Goodhue, '21, and the Larrabee sisters.

Ida Jones Smith's son Edwin is nearly a year old now.

Pearl Rice Larry is living in Scarborough, Maine. Her son, Ralph Leon Jr., will be a year old on May 13.

Leslie and Edythe Porter Dunstan of Honolulu, entertained Miriam Hardy, '21, last summer.

Melva and Spike Farnum are back in Japan, with a wild-looking address: Shigei-Mura, Mitsugi-gun, Hiroshima-Ken, Japan! They took back with them a new daughter, Rosemary Lorraine, born while they were at Newton Center, Mass., last spring.

S. O. S. If anyone knows the address of Marguerite Starbird Lunt or Eleanor Wilkins Mack, please send it.

I got so much pleasure from seeing my name in print last month that I am right back for more. "Skeets"

Eustis has handed me this job for keeps. He is going to concentrate on collecting class funds from the willing and recalcitrant alike. More luck to you "Skeets." A few more like "Nemo" Foran, who is now with the John Hancock Life Insurance Company in Cleveland, and your job would be much pleasanter. "Nemo" sent one contribution in reply to a general appeal, a personal letter netted a second donation.

Occasionally I have a chance to see some of my old Colby friends. One evening last week "Jock" and Hildegarde Leonard stopped in for an all too brief visit on their way to the Lovejoy exercises at Colby. "Dick" Sprague, '18, was in my office last week. You youngsters should have known "Cooing Dick the Cuddler" in his youth. The endearing name was the late Charley Miller's, not mine.

I have been driving a taxi between Biddeford and Colby lately. I have taken boys to the Speaking Contests and Competitive entrance exams. How the college has changed? The changes, however, seem to be superficial. The spirit is excellent and the student body are certainly fine, enthusiastic hosts.

Leslie Dunstan wrote from Honolulu. He is enthusiastic about the island and evidenced no desire for a return to the states. I must answer "Dunnie's" letter and tell him that "Hi" Moody has a son and heir. I shall write to "Hi" and suggest that if he does not name the boy Hiram, Jr., he has my permission to call him Albert. I know that "Dunnie" would like to have word from "Hank" Frude and "Hoof" Brown, but how can I send it, if I do not receive it.

I hope all the good friends of '23 realize the reason for not mentioning Harland Ratcliffe. You all know where he is anyway, if you are in doubt turn to the contents page and peruse it carefully.

Sorry that I will not be seeing all of you at Commencement but unfortunately my graduation comes at the same time. I do hope that all Colby people at Harvard this summer will look me up. There were nearly enough there last summer to start a Colby Club.

"Del" Bishop writes that he is the Advertising Manager of the Boston and Maine and the Maine Central Railroads and that he is unmarried. From another source I learn that he is very much in love and about to become married. I almost pulled one of Walter Winchell's cracks and that would have been a "crack." His address is 1018 Forest Avenue, Portland, Maine.

I received a corking good letter from "Nemo" Foran from way out in Cleveland. That is the first word that I had had from Nemo in over a dozen years. Nemo tells me that he got married out in California in 1926—he makes no mention of progeny so I am assuming there are no little curly-headed Forans. Nemo says that

he sees "Art" Sullivan '22, and "Bob" Wilkins, '20, every few weeks. You ought to see my boys "Nemo."

Last but by no means least a letter came to me from San Angelo, Texas, and the sender no less than Dr. Floyd T. McIntyre. Sure seems like a long, long hike from Aroostook County. "Mac" has been married to Evelyn Flanders, remember she used to sing in the Congregational Church choir, since 1924 and they have a seven year old daughter. He informs me that Texas is a fine place to live in.

In closing, I have made my 1935 contribution to the Alumni Fund. Have you? Is that team work Galen?

## 1927

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

The engagement of Frances Nason to Joseph R. Knight of West Scarborough has been announced. Mr. Knight received his education in the schools of Scarborough and Gray's Business College. He is vice president of the Thompson Hall Company and proprietor of The Atlantic House of Scarborough Beach. No date is announced for the wedding.

From a newspaper clipping:

Willis E. Herbert, recently appointed postmaster at Franconia, has received official confirmation of his appointment from Postmaster General James A. Farley. As soon as Mr. Herbert's bond is accepted at Washington his commission will be issued and he will go into office. It is expected that this will take place in the near future. Mr. Herbert has not yet announced who is to assist him in the postoffice.

Mr. Herbert is a Franconia boy, a graduate of Dow Academy and also of Colby College, Waterville, Maine, where he was a member of Kappa Delta Rho. Since his graduation from college, Mr. Herbert has taught for two years and has been engaged in the poultry business for five years. He was married in July, 1932 to Mrs. Martha Masslich of Chicago, Ill., who has one child by her former marriage. The Herberts live at Wilmar farm, Ridge road, Franconia, where Mrs. Herbert expects to continue with the chicken business on a smaller scale.

## 1928

Correspondents:  
George C. West  
172 Main St., Waterville, Me.  
Edna E. Turkington  
22 Sprague St., Malden, Mass.

Don Cobb is principal of Somerset Academy at Athens, Maine. Last August he married Miss Edith Lillian Anderson of Gardiner to become one of our youngest benedicts. Let's hear from you again, Don.

F. H. "Zeke" Jones is still living in South China, Maine. Zeke is now working in the composing room of the Northeastern Press in Augusta.

Doc Hammond, our dentist, is now in Laconia, N. H., at 664 Main Street. Doc moved there last fall. Doc is also a benedict with a son just past the one year mark. Thanks for the letter. Doc, do it again.

Doc tells me that Jim Tufts is still in Westboro, Mass., where he is married and the pappy of a son who will be a year old in May. What are you doing, Jim, Doc forgot to tell me.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chandler announced the arrival of Richard Merrick Chandler on February 23, 1935. Hail to the new king.

Your correspondent is now City Solicitor for the fair city of Waterville.

John "Tubby" O'Brien is teaching in one of the High Schools in Lynn. Tubby is going great guns. He dropped in to see me during the Christmas holidays.

How about a little help on some news items. They are getting pretty scarce now and we can use some of them right now. Let me hear from you all.

## 1929

Correspondents:  
Charles W. Jordan  
33 Hillcrest St., Auburn, Me.  
Elsie H. Lewis, Colebrook, N. H.

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Miss Margurite Lucille Wood to Donald H. Fraser on April 8 in Manila, Philippine Islands. The bride is an English girl, a teacher in one of the schools there. Donald has an important position as an assistant to the Governor General.

## 1931

Correspondents:  
Thomas J. Kenney  
4 Burns Court, Cambridge, Mass.  
Mrs. Lucius Lobdell (Muriel MacDougall)  
Sharon, Conn.  
Hope R. Pullen

Ricker Classical Inst., Houlton, Me.

Spring—How about a return visit to Colby for a week-end? This time of year is always the most pleasant to be back in Waterville. It is still the same old Messalonskee that winds its way to the sea. Its name, even, suggests the lazy, meandering fashion it takes. Imagine Wordsworth writing of the Messalonskee, who could remark of a stream like the Yarrow as follows:

"Flow on forever Yarrow Stream!

Fulfill thy pensive duty  
Well pleased that future Bards  
should chant

For simple hearts thy beauty."

(Yarrow Revisited).

There are many ways that one may spend an enjoyable stay at Colby and get a change of scenery as well as a variation from every-day routine. Coach Roundy's squad will be battling hard for a State championship (if you like baseball, a warm Saturday afternoon in the bleachers is a treat). Then there are the possibilities of a track meet, a tennis match, or with

a few friends a quiet round of golf at the Waterville course. The college library awaits your interest as well. You can live with Chaucer or Shakespeare, Wordsworth or Shelley, Scott or Tennyson which is more remarkable perhaps than all. But this is the time of year when one rejoices that winter is over and that everything is in bud. In fact, the Kennebec Valley is beautiful this time of year, its you and I who are dead, if we heed it not.

Word reaches us that Tommy Trewoy has deserted the sea for the life of a land lubber; he is no more "of Yankee captains and tall wooden ships." Only a Down Easter can appreciate the momentous occasion of such a decision in Tom's life. Trewoy not at sea this winter, with the American Thread at Milo. Halstead Jenkins is teaching in Littleton, Me. Ken Mansfield is the teacher-coach at Washburn High School.

Carleton Dorman, who was formerly of the class of '31, but left school to return and graduate with a subsequent class, is contemplating a plunge into the sea of matrimony. Announcement has reached us that he is betrothed to Miss Sarah Elizabeth Emery of Melrose, Mass. Jasper Foster, George Sprague kindly informed me, is principal of a school in New Vineyard, Me. George Stern is associated with his father's business in Waterville. Richard (Red) Williamson is sub-master of Woodstock Academy, South Woodstock, Conn. George Sprague is promotion manager for the Curtis Publishing Company in Maine.

As for certain members of the Women's Division of the class of 1931 I am able to give the following notes: During the Spring vacation I saw Mrs. Stanley Allen (Aggie Ginn) in Bangor. She is still teaching in Strong High School. Recently I have had letters from several others. Frances Page instructs the youth of Albion, Maine, in many academic subjects. Mrs. L. Henri Tailleux (Frances Hart) is living in Danbury, Conn. "Dutch" Linscott Roberts spends a great deal of her time keeping her young son David out of mischief. Mrs. Deane Quinton (Ev Haycock) lives in Woonsocket, R. I., likes her home, has a wide range of activities, and has been busy in church work.

This is Betty Walker's third year at Sedgwick High School, Maine, where she teaches English, Latin, and French, coaches plays, and has charge of music and the school publication. Mrs. Sterling Ryder (Polly Gay) of Astoria, N. Y., has her time occupied with the care of her three children. Margaret McGann has been enjoying herself in St. Petersburg, Fla., since the first of December and will be back home by May. This summer she plans to be a councillor in a girls' camp.

Florence Ventres, who is now teaching English and Latin in Rockport (Mass.) High School, plans to

be married this summer. Myrtle Paine has had a promotion to the French Department in the high school in Manchester, Conn. For outside activities at the school she has social guidance and vocational guidance conferences.

Gertie Snowden is making a name for herself up in Franklin County, Maine. She has just put on her seventeenth play, has had winners in the county speaking contest each year, and spoke on dramatics at the last county teachers' convention there.

Mrs. James Watson (Bea Ladd) is the proud mother of two girls—Charlene, whose age is six months, and Jeanne Ann, two and a half years. They live in Rahway, N. J.

Of interest to Colby and Yale Alumni is the engagement of Miss Doris Spencer, daughter of Mrs. Paul Bertram Spencer of New Haven, and John Wallis, son of Mrs. Hamilton Wallis of Mt. Vernon, N. Y. Miss Spencer is a graduate of Colby College and of the Yale School of Nursing. Mr. Wallis attended Wilbraham Academy and is a graduate of Yale University, class of '28, and of Yale Law School, 1930.

The following new addresses for 1931 have been received at the College:

Thomas J. Kenney, 4 Burns Ct., Cambridge, Mass.

Mary Cadwallader, c/o Mrs. Jean C. Hickox, Southbury, Conn.

## 1932

Correspondents:

Richard Dana Hall

24 Gilman St., Waterville, Me.

Justina M. Harding, Stonington, Me.

"Dick" Cummings has been called to the pastorate of the First Baptist Church of Cambridge, Mass. This is a large and important church for one who is just graduating from Theological School this spring.

Harold Frank Lemoine was ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons by the Right Reverend William T. Manning, D. D., Bishop of New York, at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on June 16th.

## 1933

Correspondents:

Carleton D. Brown

50 Main St., Waterville, Me.

Marguerite deRochemont

106 Pleasant St., Rockland, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren S. Christie announce the engagement of their daughter, Edna Mae Christie, to Emery S. Dunfee, son of Mrs. August Anderson of Monson.

Miss Christie was graduated from Milo High School in the class of 1933 and is at present employed in Limerick.

Mr. Dunfee was graduated from Monson Academy in 1929 and from Colby College in 1933. He is now principal of the high school at Flagstaff.

Dean and Mrs. Gleason L. Archer are announcing the engagement of

their daughter, Marion Glenn Archer to Paul A. MacDonald of Jefferson, a graduate of Cony High School, Augusta, and librarian at Suffolk Law School, Boston. Miss Archer holds the position of student counselor for women at Suffolk College of Liberal Arts and for the past two years has been attending Suffolk Law School, the only woman ever to study law at that institution.

## 1934

Correspondents:

Harold M. Plotkin

45 Lanark Rd., Brighton, Mass.  
Ella C. Gray, East Helden, Me.

The class of 1934 has been battered about by the cold world for nearly a year now and as far as one may observe it still has its head up. It will take quite a lot to throw '34 for a loss as a glance at the record will surely demonstrate.

Jim Peabody has successfully weathered a very serious operation at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. Jim, as you have no doubt heard, fell from a tree last Fall and barely escaped with his life. This operation has corrected the injury to his back and he has returned to Houlton to recuperate.

Hal Plotkin is connected with Plotkin Brothers of Boston and making good, of course. Some few weeks ago "Mac" MacGregor, "Put" Putnam, "Win" Clement and I met in South Station. For several minutes we exchanged remarks and then departed to catch trains or what have you. "Mac" looked as ruddy as ever. He reports that he is in hot pursuit of a good position. "Put" is at Tech and naturally working plenty hard as all Tech men do. "Win" Clement was running a concession in the middle of South Station. Not an old army game or anything like that, but a bona fide combination news stand and candy bazaar.

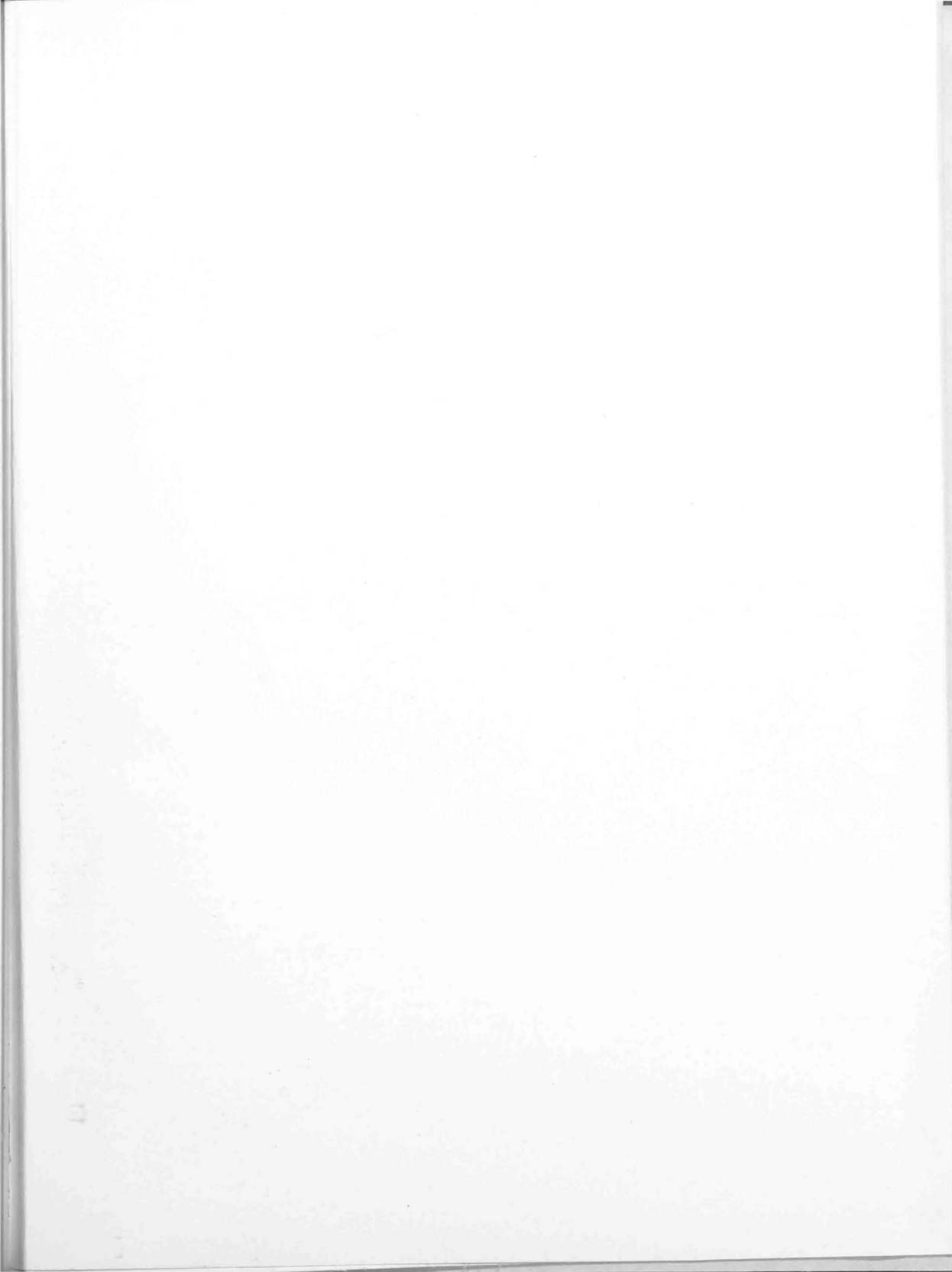
George Pugsley has a position at Filene's. Chet Clark is a Parts Manager in a Boston garage. Art Stetson recently underwent an appendectomy and came through the affair with but one scratch.

Ken Raymond is steadily rising from the ranks of the Liberty Mutual Life Insurance Company. Ken is located in the Boston office of that company.

## "MORNING AT SEVEN" JUNIOR WEEK-END

Junior Week-End opened at Colby with a presentation of the original play "Morning at Seven," written and directed by John J. Pullen, '35, Amity, and performed by a cast of students.

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