

COLBY COLLEGE

WATERVILLE, MAINE

Colby To Host Cross Country

Teams from 10 colleges converge here Saturday as Colby is host to the sixth annual New England Small College Athletic Conference cross-country championships.

Dr. Charles Towne, a 1928 Colby graduate and captain of the cross-country team his senior year, is honorary referee. He is the grandfather of Karen Sondergeld, co-captain of the Colby women's team.

Jill Quigley of Wesleyan, second in 1979, is the favorite for the women's 3.25 mile race, scheduled to begin at 11:00 a.m.

The field of 77 runners is strong, with eight of last year's top 10 women competing, including Colby sophomore Ann Cullenberg of Farmington, who finished eighth. The men start at noon.

Bo Parker, top runner for Williams, is the pre-meet favorite. He finished second in 1979. Six of last season's top 10 are entrants, including Colby's Todd Coffin of Bath, who placed seventh.

Williams and Bates appear to have the strongest teams for the five-mile competition. Middlebury is the favored women's team.

A new trail cut during the past sum-

mer by Colby team members, starts and finishes on Seaverns Field. Awards will be presented following each event.

NESCAC colleges include Amherst, Bates, Bowdoin, Colby, Hamilton, Middlebury, Trinity, Tufts, Wesleyan and Williams.

See following picture:



Photo by Jim Cook

Charles Towne, M.D. (left) will be keeping a special eye on his granddaughter Karen Sondergeld, co-captain of the women's cross country at Colby, when she competes in the sixth annual NESCAC championships Saturday.