

## College Chronicle



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It is difficult, almost impossible, for the reader who has never attended St. Dunstan's, to truly appreciate the depth of feeling behind the terse and impersonal description of events recorded in the College Chronicle. We say that vigorous campaigning preceded the student elections, but can you envision the election rallies, the poster campaigns, the promises (wise and otherwise) made by the candidates and their managers? Can you enjoy the good-humored rivalry between classes on the softball field, or at the Blood Donor clinics? Can you laugh with us at the Battle of the Long Socks, or thrill with us as the Saints win a close game? Can you understand, can we put into words, our glow of happiness for a fellow student who marries, our compassion for a classmate who loses a dear one, our mixed feelings of regret and eager anticipation at graduation? It is difficult for you, our readers, to imagine these things; it is difficult for us to express them. Only we, the Saints, can experience them, for they are part of us—part of St. Dunstan's.

And now again at the College on the Hill another year is almost completed. While the impending examinations indicate the necessity of study, the warm Spring breezes and sunny days render it almost impossible to stay away from the handball alleys and the softball field. During the final few weeks, college life becomes a frenzy of activity for all, with parties, ballgames, meetings, elections and studies, but especially for the Seniors it is a busy time, culminating in a final crescendo on Graduation Day. This day, with its mixture of humility and pride, of timidity and confidence, of sadness and joy, is as old as the College itself, yet is forever new.

A significant reminder of the rapid approach of this important day was the appointment by the members of the Senior class of the following class officers: Valedictorian, Donald MacDougall; President, Michael Swift; Vice-President, Michael Quigley; Secretary-Treasurer, Marion MacDonald; Committee, Marjorie Aker and Cyril McCormick. An even more significant reminder was the announcement that the Baccalaureat Sermon will be preached by Rev. A. A. Francis at a Solemn High Mass celebrated on Sunday, May 11. The Commencement Exercises and the Junior Prom will be held on Tuesday, May 13, in the Alumnus Gymnasium; Dr. Charles de Koninck will address the graduates.

Two well-known gentlemen, with rather dissimilar talents, have visited the Campus since our last issue. The first of these, "Whipper" Billy Watson, World Heavy Weight Wrestling Champion, visited us on Monday, February 17. His main purpose in coming to the College was not to demonstrate his wrestling ability (although he did demonstrate some of the basic wrestling holds), but to speak in support of the Easter Seal Campaign, conducted by the Rotary Clubs, on behalf of crippled children, and adults. The second of these interesting gentlemen was Liason Officer Doctor Kaye of the Department of

Citizenship and Immigration, who spoke on Thursday, April 17, to the Junior and Senior Classes about the major ethnic groups in Canada.

Since our last issue, a new scholarship has been provided by Mr. Charles MacNeill of St. John's, Newfoundland, to be awarded annually in memory of his late brother, Rev. J. Douglas MacNeill, a former pastor of North Rustico. The scholarship, is awarded to the graduate of Stella Maris High School standing highest in the Junior Matriculation examinations, and enrolling in St. Dunstan's. The first recipient of this scholarship, James D. Gallant, is from North Rustico Parish, and enrolled in the Freshman year of the Science course.

Also since our last issue, two staff members here at the College have been awarded scholarships to continue graduate studies. Mr. Clair Callaghan, has been awarded a nine-months assistantship, and will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, to study for his Master's Degree in Electrical Engineering. Mr. Dominic MacDonald, has received from the Canada Council a Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, and will study at Laval University for his degree of Doctor of Philosophy.

To each of these we extend hearty congratulations and best wishes for continued success in the future.

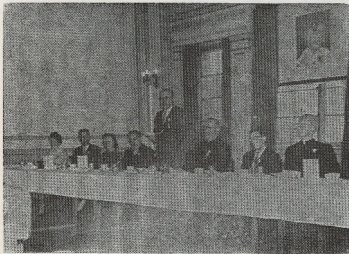
When the constitution of our magazine was revised a few years ago, it was felt that some recognition should be made of students who contribute a great deal to the success of the *Red and White*. The award decided upon was the Literary 'D', which consists of a gold pin accompanied by a certificate of attestation. Members of the staff are eligible for a Literary 'D' upon the accumulation of ten points, at least three of which must be obtained for contributions. All other students are eligible for a 'D' upon the accumulation of seven points. This year Sister Margaret Marie, a member of the graduating class, merits a Literary 'D' for her many contributions to our magazine.

In addition to the 'D', there is a gold ring which is awarded, in recognition of outstanding effort, to students who have twenty points. Two such rings have been merited this year; one by Doreen Cusack, the other by Richard St. John, who deserves special praise for having won this award in only two years.

This year for the first time a summer school will be conducted on the Campus. Courses will be offered in eight subjects . . . English 1 and 2, Philosophy 1 and 2, French 1, Mathematics 1, Education 4, and Gregorian Chant—and classes will be held from June 30 to August 8. This new venture has two purposes: to provide teachers with an opportunity to do academic work and improve their professional qualifications during the summer months; to provide regular and part-time students at St. Dunstan's with an opportunity to do academic work on the University level during the summer months.

Traditionally, March 7 is an important day on the Campus; it is the feast day of St. Thomas Aquinas, the patron of Catholic universities, colleges and schools, and the great doctor of the Church, whose philosophy we study. On this day, according to tradition here all students of philosophy are exempted from all classes. This holiday

began this year with High Mass celebrated by Rev. T. M. MacLellan; it was followed by the usual hockey "game" between the Junior and Senior members of the Philosophy classes. At noon the scene switched from the Campus to the Charlottetown Hotel where the annual dinner was held, with Michael Quigley as toastmaster for the occasion. Toasts were proposed to The Queen, The Church, The Day We Celebrate, Our Country our College and the Ladies; responses were given by Patrick McWade, Charles Campbell, Louis Reddy, Faber MacDonald, and Mary Elaine Trainor.



Guests at the head table included His Excellency, Most Rev. Malcolm A. MacEachern, Very Rev. J. A. Sullivan, Rector, Rev. Lawrence Landrigan and Rev. Thomas MacLellan, of the Philosophy Department, and Miss Frances MacMillan, Librarian. Also at the head table was the guest of honor, Lt-Col. Leo F. MacDonald, an alumnus of the University, and Principal of Queen Square School, who spoke about the teaching profession, and urged the students to consider this profession when planning their future careers.

In the evening, to complete the day, the "philosophers", with Father MacLellan, repaired to the Knights of Columbus Home for "some piano banging and a little picking and singing."

Our annual closed retreat, one of the most significant events of our year, was held from March 11 to 16. During these few days, we put aside studies sports and other activities in order to take time out for a spiritual check-up. Rev. Joseph Driscoll S.J. of Regiopolis College, Kingston, preached the boys' retreat, while the girls' retreat, was preached by Rev. C. H. Moreau C.Ss.R., Rector of Holy Redeemer Parish. Under these capable directors, both boys and girls entered whole heartedly into the retreat which, according to all reports, was very profitable.

It took much planning and a great deal of preparation, but our Model Parliament finally opened. Because of the forthcoming Federal Election, there was on the Campus more than the usual interest in national and provincial affairs. Political parties were organized, rallies were attended, table-thumping replaced hand-clapping, and Hansard entered every discussion; parliamentary reports were perused and procedure was studied.

Four parties participated in the Parliament: the National Reform Party under Charles Campbell; the C.C.F. led by Brian Noonan; the Liberals with Faber MacDonald as leader of the Opposition, and the Government, the Progressive Conservatives, with Donald MacDougall as Prime Minister. The Governor-General for the Parliament was Judge J. S. DesRoches, and Speaker of the House was Judge C. St. Clair Trainor, while Arthur McInnis was Clerk of the House and Gerald Tingley was Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod. Senior Members participating in the Parliament were Messrs. R. R. Bell, Alban Farmer, Leo Rossiter, Heath MacQuarrie, W. R. Shaw, Thomas Cullen, Morley Bell, J. O. C. Campbell, E. C. Reid, Dr. George Dewar, Dr. J. A. MacMillan, and the Honorable Dougald MacKinnon and the Honourable Eugene Cullen.

The long hours of research and organization by members of the faculty and student body, and by other interested and generous residents of the Charlottetown area, were well rewarded when the Parliament opened on Wednesday evening, March 19. Much of the pomp and ceremony that traditionally surrounds the opening of Canada's Parliament was carried out that evening. The Guard of Honor was inspected by the Governor-General accompanied by his aides, Lieutenants Clair Callaghan and A. J. McAdam, and his private secretary, William Costain. The Speech from the Throne was read in the Senate Chamber; its acceptance was moved by Robert King and seconded by Anthony Spenceley. Among the members who spoke in the debate were the four Senior Participants. During the first session, the debate on the Speech from the Throne was concluded and a number of bills were read for the first time. Several of these bills were given second readings and some were passed, at the sessions on Thursday. During the various sessions, there was more than the usual amount of parliamentary oratory, combined at times with a generous dash of humor, and a good deal of heated argument, but on no occasion did Speaker Judge Trainor permit the proceedings to get out of control.

On Thursday evening, March 20, Prime Minister Donald MacDougall dissolved Parliament to call an election, in order that the people might return his government with a greater working majority.

And thus ended our Model Parliament. Without a doubt, all those who in any way participated in it, or who formed part of the audience, learned a great deal about parliamentary procedure. The Model Parliament is a very worthy endeavour, and can add a great deal to St. Dunstan's. It is to be hoped that it may become a permanent part of our annual extra-curricular activity.



Because Easter was early this year, we were able to resume our Thursday afternoon socials at the Rollaway. Despite the fact that the students in College years and especially those in the upper classes, have classes on Thursday afternoons, still the socials have been very well attended all year. Credit for this success goes to the committee in charge—Brendon McGinn, Peter McGonnell, and Margaret Hagen—who quite capably and efficiently organized the socials.



The final College dance of the season, sponsored by the A.A.A. in aid of the Hockey Team, was held at the Rollaway on April 15. Music for the evening was provided by two orchestras—the Downtowners and Lowell Heustis. A large crowd of students was in attendance, and according to all reports, the evening was quite successful, both socially and financially.

For several weeks this winter, the National Film Board sponsored a course of instructions in the proper operation of film projectors. Although intended primarily for the teacher training students, this course attracted many other interested participants. The fact that every member of the group passed the final examination with flying colors is a tribute to the teaching techniques of the instructor, Reginald McKenna, a Sophomore student.

All steps were directed to the Alumni Auditorium on Sunday, April 13, when the Dramatic Society made its final presentation of the year. The first play—rather a difficult one—was Tennessee William's *The Glass Menagerie*, and the cast—Frances Doiron, Anna McAdam, Hubert McKenna and Vincent MacIntyre—deserves much credit for the performance. The final presentation of the evening was *The Voice of Deference*, a one-act play directed by Olga Dowling and Terrence Nellis. Members of the cast were Marie McGuigan, Rhoda Longaphie, Patrick Hengan and Gerald Tingley. *The Voice of Deference* was written by Richard St. John, who merits praise for this, his first attempt in the difficult field of drama.

On Tuesday, April 1, while Canada was still reverberating from the results of the Federal Elections, another election was in progress on the Campus; this was the election of the Students' Union Executive for next year. As a result of vigorous pre-election campaigning, the final scores were so close that the students had to go to the polls three times before any one candidate had a clear majority. Nominated for the Presidency were Faber MacDonald, Alfred "Chick" Morrison, and Robert Doyle, who later withdrew from the contest. Nominated for Vice-President were Louis Doucette, Robert Lingear, Vincent MacIntyre, Terrence Nellis, and Gerald Tingley; and those competing for the position of Secretary-Treasurer were Wilfred Barlow, Robert MacDonald, William MacNeill, and Brendon McGinn. When the ballots were counted after the third election, it was seen that Chick Morrison, Louis Doucette and Brendon McGinn will head the Students' Union next year.

Elections have also been held for the positions on the executive of the A.A.A. Edward Murphy is the new President, Gerald D. Murphy the Vice-President, and Thomas Barry the Secretary, succeeding Donald MacDougall, John R. MacDonald, and Edward Murphy, the executive for the year just ending.

To the outgoing executive of the Students' Union—Michael Swift, Robert Doyle and Raymond Hickey—as well as to that of the A.A.A., we offer the sincere and grateful appreciation of the entire student body for the work accomplished this year. To the new executives are extended congratulations and best wishes for success in the coming year.

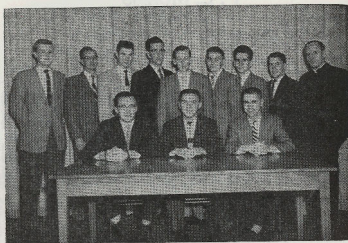
And this brings us to the end of our story. This has been a busy year, a happy year. We have lost sometimes, but we have won also. There have been periods of worry and difficulty, but also many occasions for gaiety and jubilation. Is it any wonder that there is a hint of sadness in the air as we stand hesitantly on the threshold of the uncertain future, gazing swiftly back on our happy days at St. Dunstan's? For soon many of us will leave, not to return to the Campus in September. As we bid farewell to each other, to our fellow students, to our College, we say with heartfelt sincerity, "It has been good to know you".





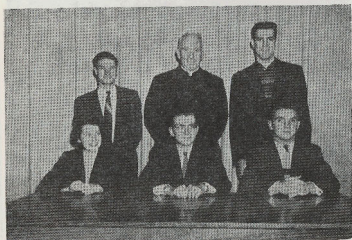
## ST. DUNSTAN'S STUDENTS' UNION

FRONT ROW: OLGA DOWLING, RAY HICKEY, MICHAEL SWIFT, ROBERT DOYLE, MARY ELAINE TRAINOR  
 SECOND ROW: FATHER KELLY, ALPHONSE SMITH, CYRIL BYRNE, EDWARD MURPHY, DOREEN CUSACK, MICHAEL QUIGLEY, BILL KELLY, HERMAN CONNOLLY, FABER MACDONALD



## AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

FRONT ROW: EDWARD MURPHY, DONALD MACDOUGALL, JACK MACDONALD  
 SECOND ROW: LAWRENCE GALLANT, RICHARD FLEMING, BILL CAIN, ADELBERT ROCHE, FRANK MACDONALD, DENNIS CLOUGH, BILL COSTAIN, WILFRED BARLOW, FATHER MACGUIGAN



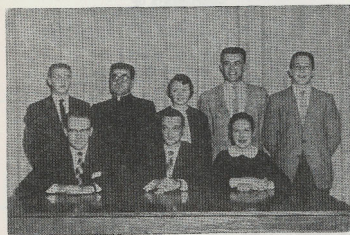
## MARITIME INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATING LEAGUE

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 BACK ROW: CHARLES CAMPBELL, FATHER CASS, LORNE MACGUIGAN



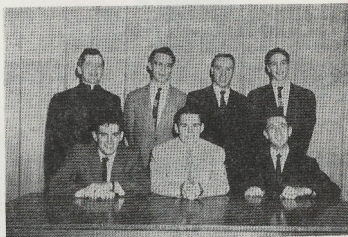
## COLLEGE DRAMATICS SOCIETY

FRONT ROW: PAUL MICHAUD, JAMES MOORE, MOREEN BEAGAN, LAWRENCE GALLANT, FATHER ARSENAULT



## WORLD UNIVERSITY SERVICE OF CANADA

FRONT ROW: FABER MACDONALD, EDMOND LECLAIR, MARJORIE AKER  
 BACK ROW: RONALD BOLGER, FATHER ARSENAULT, CATHERINE BOLGER, EDWARD MORRISON, PAUL BATCHILDER



## COLLEGE GLEE CLUB

FRONT ROW: CYRIL BYRNE, GERARD BURNS, MICHAEL QUIGLEY  
 BACK ROW: FATHER KELLY, ANDREAS TOTI, REGINALD MACKENNA, LOUIS DOUCETTE