



CHRONICLE

Winter. Winter edition of **Red and White**. In so far as the weather is concerned it might as well be spring. To quote Mark Twain on weather and Easterners, "The trouble with the people in the east is that everybody complains about the weather but nobody does anything about it." There is not much we could do about it if we wanted to. Furthermore, who is complaining?

Since the last edition there has been a fair amount of activity on the campus, although the late opening of college in the fall, and the resulting rearrangement of class work and examination periods, has effected most of the schedules.

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The Athletic Association was the least effected of any of the societies, as is evidenced in the reports appearing in the sports section of this issue.

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Postponing exams until after the Christmas holidays enabled the Dramatic Society to embark on a major production during the latter part of 1946. The Society's version of "Arsenic and Old Lace" was presented on four occasions and each time was very well received. The first performance was at Kinkora on November 21st, the following week the cast played before an audience in Kensington, then two consecutive performances, on December 12th and 13th, at Queen Square Hall in Charlottetown rounded out the pre-Christmas activities of the Dramatic Society.

The cast for the play was as follows: Abbie Brewster—Marjorie Powers; Teddy Brewster—A. Bragoli; Rev. Dr. Harper—Derril MacGuigan; Officer Brophy—B. MacDougall; Officer Klien—Gene MacDonald; Martha Brewster—Patricia Pendergast. Elaine Harper—Ethel Trainor; Mortimer Brewster—E. Hemphill; Jonathan Brewster—George Cameron; Dr. Einstien—Mike Dunphy; Officer O'Hara—A. Noonan; Lt. Rooney—C. Kelly; Mr. Gibbs—Joe McKenna; Mr. Witherspoon—Reg Phelan. It is rumoured that the part of the corpse was played by one of the Sophomores, but the report has not been confirmed.

The production was under the direction of Rev. T. P. Butler and was M. C'd. by Frank Bolger, president of the Dramatic Society. Properties were handled by Adolphus MacAulay, Clifford Murphy, and Preston Hammill.

Presenting "Arsenic and Old Lace" entailed many difficulties for an amateur group the size of St. Dunstan's Dramatic Society. The cast, director, executive, and prop men are to be congratulated for their fine work.

Plans for future activities in dramatics are very tentative but there will most certainly be at least one production during this term.

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The St. Dunstan's branch of the M. I. D. L. has been holding regular meetings and debates since Christmas. Membership in the Society has been confined to those students who are actually interested in participating in intercollegiate debates. Although this has had the effect of lessening the number of students in the society, it is felt by the executive that the present system is much more satisfactory in grooming teams for intercollegiate competition.

At present elimination debates are being held within the Society. On the basis of these debates members will be picked for the intelcollegiate teams. Judges for the debates are Rev. Dr. R. V. MacKenzie, Rev. Dr. R. Ellsworth, and Rev. F. L. Cass.

Saints have two debates away and one at home this year. The schedule is as follows: Pine Hill at Pine Hill, Mount Allison at Mount Allison, and Acadia at St. Dunstan's. No dates have been set, but according to the constitution of the M. I. D. L. all debates must be held before March 10th.

There has been one change in the executive of the St. Dunstan's Debating. Mr. Cyril Sinnott has replaced Mr. E. Hemphill as secretary-treasurer

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The Students' Council has continued sponsoring the popular Thursday afternoon socials at the Holy Name Hall. The Council also held several Saturday night dances for the students before Christmas, but when the hockey league opened in town the dances were discontinued.

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The Financial Committee has been carrying on very satisfactorily in its particular field and the new system has been found to be very advantageous for the smaller organizations on the campus, which had hitherto been forced to operate on a very limited scale due to financial insecurity.

The constitution of the proposed Students' Union is still in the drafting stage; but it is expected that the Union will be operating early in the spring, when the Financial Committee, having fulfilled its temporary need, will be dissolved.

The Committee has gone to considerable expense in furnishing and refinishing a new Students' Office on first corridor in Dalton Hall. The office is now practically completed. Members of the Committee, and particularly the president, John Eldon Green, are to be complimented for the fine work they have done. The office will be used for executive meetings of all societies. Equipment includes a filing cabinet, where all documents and data on the various organizations are to be kept.

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Frank MacAulay, president of the St. Dunstan's Student Veterans Society, represented that organization at the national conference of student veterans held at McGill on December 27th - 28th of last year. The conference set forth a number of recommendations concerning the affairs of student veterans in Canada, which will be presented to the government within the next few months.

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The co-eds have been taking a very active part in all campus activities, particularly in debating and dramatics, and have added to the local scene that extra bit of "je ne sais quoi", which the presence of the better half adds to any activity. Many students, remembering last year's excursion, are anxiously awaiting the advent of Sadie Hawkins Week.

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After an unavoidable delay, which amounted to a form of physiological torture for some members of the Freshmen Class, the Sophomores finally got around to initiation proceedings late in November. The evening was a pleasant one for almost all those present. (We even venture the opinion that some of the Freshmen enjoyed the event more than the audience — although at one stage a rebellion seemed imminent.)

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The St. Dunstan's contingent of the C. O. T. C. has not been as active during the first term as during war years, but the training program outlined in the last issue is to be put in operation sometime within the next few weeks. Although the size of the contingent is much smaller than hitherto, training will be more specialized, with camps lasting throughout the summer holidays. In charge of the contingent at present is Capt. Redmond.

The Cadet Corps, under the command of Rev. F. L. Cass, has been holding regular drill during recent months.

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On the evening of January 29th the Class of '47 was host to the present Junior Class at a Senior Prom held at the Holy Name Hall in Charlottetown. A Senior Prom is

something new at St. Dunstons and the Class of '47 is to be congratulated for their initiative in inaugurating what we hope will become a custom.

Chaperonnes for the evening were Mrs. W. Lawlor and Mrs. John Connolly.

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Work is proceeding on Memorial Hall. The building is practically completed on the outside and inside things are shaping up quite rapidly. It is impossible to say when work will be entirely finished, what with the various shortages which are still being felt. It is an imposing structure, Memorial Hall, and is a worthy addition to the campus.

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Msgr. James Murphy, former Rector of St. Dunstan's, visited the college in January. Msgr. Murphy is now in charge of the parish in Souris.

Another January visitor to the college was Mr. G. Smith, a representative of the Credit Union League. Mr. Smith addressed the students on the functions of the Credit Union League in the credit union movement.

Rev. Francis F. MacQuaid, formerly Bursar at St. Dunstan's now Parish Priest at Kinkora, was a very welcome visitor to the college on several occasions.

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A few graduates of the past few years visited the college over the Christmas holiday. Among them were: Frank Burge, Hubert O'Hanley, Donald MacDonald, and Philip Steele who are now studying medicine at McGill; A. J. MacAdam now on the staff at Loyola in Montreal; Vincent Murnaghan now at St. Augustine's in Toronto.

Dick Ledwell, ex '49, now attending MacDonald College in Montreal, was another Christmas visitor to the college.

Thomas McLelan, president of the Class of '46, now at St. Augustine's in Toronto, visited his many friends at the college in January.

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The Knights of Columbus held a skate at the college rink the evening of February 2nd. This event, traditional at St. Dunstan's, is eagerly anticipated by all the Saints, as it usually features a hockey (?) game between the Knights and a team representing the faculty. This year however, due to the uncertainty of the power supply, the game was not played.

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Red and White extends warmest congratulations to Rev. Francis C. Kelley, Bishop of Oklahoma and Tulsa, who

has been presented with the Grand Cross of Isabella the Catholic. The presentation was made at the Bishop's residence in Oklahoma by the Spanish Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States. It is indeed fitting that Bishop Kelley, who has done so much to promote international good will, should be thus honored. The Cross is the highest award of its kind bestowed by the Spanish nation. It is presented only to persons who have made an outstanding contribution to society.

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IN MEMORIAM

Faculty and students of St. Dunstan's joined the rest of the Christian world in mourning the passing, in January, of a great Canadian leader, Cardinal Villeneuve. To attempt an eulogy, in view of what has already been published, would be presumptuous indeed. We content ourselves with a simple quotation, "Come ye blessed of My Father . . ."

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All were saddened early in February to learn of the death of Lucy Gertrude Clarkin. Mrs. Clarkin was well known to all Saints through her beautiful poems, many of which have appeared in issues of **Red and White**. We offer our sincerest sympathy to the members of her family on their truly great loss.

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"Requiescant in Pace."

How small, of all that human hearts endure,
That part which laws or kings can cause or cure!"
—Johnson

You may break, you may shatter the vase,
if you will,
But the scent of the roses will hang round it still.
—Moore

The insect youth are on the wing,
Eager to taste the honied spring.
—Gray