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EASTER

Easter coming at the close of the Lenten season is a time of joy and hope, especially to those who realize the significance of this great feast commemorating Christ's victory over death which came as a final proof of His divinity. Today, however, there are many who would strip Christ of his divinity and who look upon Him, not as the promised Messiah, but as merely another great prophet.

A little reflection on the great mysteries of our Redemption and of Christ's glorious resurrection fills us with hope and confidence that, in the end, in spite of the present

world turmoil, all will be right. Christ, who loved man so much that he gave up his life for him, is still with us on our altars, and is always ready to lend a sympathetic ear to our supplications.

Christ's death and resurrection are the foundation of true happiness even in this life. Life's sorrows and afflictions would be unbearable if we were not heartened by the hope of some day rising to a new and happier life with Christ. We should, then, make this happy season of Easter, besides a season of gladness, also one of thanksgiving.

To all readers of Red and White we wish to extend best wishes for a happy Easter.

WINSTON CHURCHILL

Winston Churchill has for many months been regarded with respect and admiration by millions of people throughout the world. Of all the figures in international circles he is the most outstanding. He and his cabinet have been in the limelight since he took over the post of Prime Minister of Great Britain. Every nation, great or small, conquered or free, knows the power of the man who has laid out for himself the sacrificing road which leads to victory.

Churchill is the one man in England today most fitted to lead his nation in this great conflict. He has had extended experience, having held more cabinet seats than anyone else; he has had vast military experience, being the veteran of not less than five wars; he has the "never-say-die" spirit that is essential in the leader of a country in such trying times.

The most noticeable characteristic in Churchill, with the exception of his bulldog courage, is impatience. He has always wanted to do things as quickly as possible and get to work on something else. He works at express-train speed from early morning to late at night. If he is not at his desk or delivering a speech, he is visiting the bombed areas or military camps. Everywhere he goes he imbues those he meets with his own spirit of courage and confidence. He realizes that upon him depends whether his countrymen will be free or enslaved and he is determined not to fail them. With such a man as Churchill handling the reins of government we look forward with the greatest confidence to allied victory.

C. F. C. C. S. CONVENTION

When students from different colleges and universities meet, they do so, as a rule, for the purpose of taking part in some athletic contest or a debate. These meets are beneficial in so far as they tend to promote a good college-spirit, good sportmanship, and friendly competition among students of the schools concerned. Sometimes, however, such contests engender a rivalry that approximates almost an inter-college feud. Meetings of this kind defeat their own ends.

This year a meeting of a very different kind, and attended by students of several Maritime colleges, was held at St. Dunstan's not for the sake of competition but with a view to the coöperation of students in the solution of their own common problems. At this meeting of the Maritime Regional Branch of the Canadian Federation of Catholic College-Students, the following phases of "Student-Leadership" were considered: Concrete College Catholic Action; Problems of Newman Clubs; Student-Faculty Coöperation; Role of Students in the Coöperative Movement; Vocational Guidance in College; Legion of Decency; Reading; Reintegration of Family Life. The papers read on these topics were followed by lively discussions in which many valuable suggestions and sound recommendations were offered. These discussions, for the most part, were confined to a consideration of practical difficulties with which students are faced during their college days, and of ways and means for developing that leadership expected from them when they leave college.

The Convention was strictly a student-activity in which students took the initiative. Much assistance, however, was given by the Faculty-Advisors of the various colleges, and the students of St. Dunstan's are particularly grateful to their Faculty-Advisor, Rev. J. P. E. O'Hanley, Ph. D., whose advice and direction contributed much to the success of the Convention.

In his introduction of the topic of the Convention, "Student-Leadership", Father O'Hanley said: "The Convention will be a success if it produces the following results: first, the realization in practice of the recommendations made during the deliberations of the Convention; second, the acquirement of such a spirit of fraternal charity among the Catholic College-Students of the Maritime Prov-

inces as will be manifested not merely by acquaintance-ship and a spirit of friendliness, but more especially by that mutual helpfulness that should be the peculiarly Christian characteristic of students who are bound together for the promotion of Catholic Action". The accomplishment of the first of these results will take time, but, if students exhibit the same earnestness in carrying into effect the resolutions made at the conferences that they manifested in the discussions of their problems, there is no doubt that the first of these results soon will be achieved. The second result has been, to a great extent, already accomplished, for the feeling of good fellowship and the spirit of coöperation born at the Convention, will live and continue to grow as other meetings are held from year to year.

Next fall the Convention will be held at St. Francis Xavier University, and all students, no doubt, are entertaining unexpressed but earnest hopes that they may be selected as delegates to it.

To all delegates, faculty-advisers, and visitors from other colleges, we of St. Dunstan's wish to say that we found it a great pleasure to work side by side with you in the solution of our common problems; we sincerely hope that your visit to St. Dunstan's was a pleasant one.

Since the last issue of Red and White we have heard with regret of the death of Mr. Archibald Irwin, who for many years, handled the printing of our magazine.

Former editors of Red and White will remember Mr. Irwin as a man of integrity and of congenial personality with whom it was a pleasure to do business.

To his relatives and many friends Red and White extends sincere sympathy.



Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving us wordy evidence of the fact.

—George Eliot

Error is always talkative.

—Goldsmith