

## COLLEGE CHRONICLE

### THE EXTENSION DEPARTMENT

The Extension Department of St. Dunstan's College, under the direction of Rev. M.E. Francis has conducted the following extension courses during the past year:

Short Courses for Fishermen & Farmers were held at Miscouche, St. Louis, and Corran Bann.

Short Courses for Fishermen were held at Mont Carmel, Egmont Bay, and Ebbsfleet.

A very successful short course for the Fishermen's Co-operative Association Bookkeepers was held at Saint Dunstan's.

In connection with the Credit Unions and the Co-operative Movement, meetings were held during the past year at Tignish, Bloomfield, Lot 11, Ellerslie, Lot 16, Grand River, Wellington, Summerside, Kinkora, Kensington, Summerfield, Tryon, North Rustico, Charlottetown, Fort Augustus, Vernon River, Pinette, Victoria Cross, Sturgeon, Cardigan, St. George's, De Gros Marsh, St. Peter's, St. Margaret's, Rollo Bay, and Souris.

Father Francis assisted in the organization of the Central Fishermen's Co-operative Association and the Co-operative Union of P.E.I. He also took part in the work of the Credit Union League.

There are now fifty Credit Unions in P.E.I. with the probability that two more will be organized this spring—one at Ellerslie and one at Kinkora.

The Extension Department of Saint Dunstan's supplied large amounts of Credit Union and Co-operative Literature to the various Study Groups of the province throughout the winter.

Our rector, the Very Rev. R. V. MacKenzie, Litt. D. sometime ago made arrangements for a series of lectures to be given to the College students for the purpose of fostering an interest in the Co-operative Movement and Adult Education.

On March 1, His Excellency Most Rev. J. A. Boyle, D.D., outlined the historical background of Co-operative enterprise.



On March 8, J. T. Croteau, Ph. D., gave an interesting discussion on the initiation of the movement in Quebec, United States and the Maritimes.

On March 17, Rev. M. E. Francis spoke to the students, explaining the difference between Cooperative and Private enterprise and the spirit underlying cooperative movement.

As a result of these lectures plans have been laid for the organization of study clubs at the beginning of next college term.

The Committee of Studies has been approached by the students on the possibility of the addition to the curriculum of a course in cooperative enterprise.

On April 17, the faculty and students were privileged to hear an address by the Rev. Dr. Coady of the Extension Department of Saint Francis Xavier University, Antigonish, N. S.

Dr. Coady explained, among other things, how security could be the possession of all members of society and not only of the wealthy, professional, and highly educated classes.

The students are very grateful to Dr. Coady for his inspirational address on the strength and scope of the Co-operative Movement.

Because of pressure of studies, C.O.T.C., and many other activities, the Dramatic Society at Saint Dunstan's has been dormant for the past several years. This year, however, a number of students, thinking that one phase of their training was being neglected, decided to revive this worthy society. Accordingly, at a meeting of the student body, held in September, the following officers were installed:

President—Thomas MacLellan.

Vice-President—Joseph McKenna.

Secretary—George Smith.

Councilors—Charles Holland, John Eldon Green.

The executive then secured the services of Rev. M. E. Francis as moderator of the society, and due to his untiring efforts and great experience the society had a very successful year.

During the first term three one-act plays were presented. The casts of these are as follows:



## WHO'S CRAZY NOW?

## CUPID AND THE COP.

Eldon Green  
 Michael Hennessey  
 Jos. J. MacDonald  
 James Smith  
 Cletus Murphy

Francis Burge  
 James Kelly  
 Reginald Phelan.

## WHO STOLE THE MINCE PIE?

Vincent Murnaghan  
 Harold Dunphy  
 Elmer O'Hanley  
 Charles Holland  
 Edward Gillis  
 Bruce MacCormack  
 Leo Griffin

Francis Bolger  
 Elmer Smith  
 Edward Laughlin  
 Howard Shea  
 Claude Shea  
 Austin MacKenna  
 Peter Beaton

From the casts of these plays was picked the cast of the three-act play which was presented during the second term. By special arrangement with Longmans, Green and Company, the Dramatic Society presented *Owen Dudley's* "The Masterful Monk" on February 11th in the college auditorium.

The following comprised the cast:

Julian Verrers .....	Vincent Murnaghan
Beauty Dethier .....	Clement Throne
Eric .....	Frank Bolger
Basil .....	Reginald Phelan
Lady Esterton .....	Peter Beaton
Lord Esterton ..	Charles Holland
Mrs. Sands Woodford .....	Brighton MacDougall
Mr. Sands Woodford .....	Harold Dunphy
The Maid .....	James Kelly
Major Brandreth .....	Joseph J. MacDonald
Brother Anselm .....	Thomas MacLellan.

On February 14th "The Masterful Monk" was again presented before a large audience in Kinkora Hall. The cast received several other invitations to present their play in the country but they were unable to accept them.

*Red and White* unites with the students in expressing congratulations and thanks to Father Francis for his great interest in this society.



## CHOIR AND GLEE CLUB ACTIVITIES

During Holy Week the boys of St. Dunstan's University tenebrae choir sang at the services in Saint Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown. These boys wish to take this opportunity to thank His Excellency, Bishop Boyle for his kind generosity.

Much of the boys' free time has been given to the hard work of preparing for the different occasions upon which they were called and we wish to thank them for the untiring effort and sacrifice that they have made during the past year.

This year has been a banner one for the Glee Club. During the year the students were entertained by sing-songs and the members of the Glee Club have assisted in putting on many fine entertainments in the College. A quartet from the Glee Club sang at the Easter Monday Play held at the Prince Edward Theatre, Charlottetown.

We regret at this time to announce that Sister Cecelia Joseph, C.S.M., Director of Music at Saint Dunstan's has been very ill for some time. Her zeal and interest in music has been a big factor in the success of the Choir and Glee Club activities. *Red and White* wishes her a speedy recovery.

At a general meeting of the Student Council held last fall an Executive was formed to look after all Music activities. The following are the members appointed by the student body:

President—Cletus Murphy.

Vice-President—Charles MacIvor.

Treasurer—Joseph J. MacDonald.

Councilors—Clark MacAulay, Raymond Gallant.

The faculty appointed Rev. R.G. Ellsworth, M. Sc., as faculty advisor and Sister Cecelia Joseph, C.S.M., as Music Director.

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ROVER SCOUT CREW  
AT SAINT DUNSTAN'S

A Rover Scout Crew was organized at St. Dunstan's in October, 1944. It is a senior branch of the Boy Scout Movement organized here last year for boys under 17 years. There are twenty students in this troop with Reverend Wilfred Pineau as their chaplain.



The primary object of this organization is to train the students so that they will leave here fully prepared to organize other troops in their home districts.

The following were elected officers of the crew:

Rover Instructor — Roméo Vézina.

Ass't. Rover Instructor — Howard Shea.

First Mate — Ronald Blacquiere.

Second Mate — Gavin Doyle.

Third Mate — Ralph Bernard.

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#### PHILOSOPHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

On Wednesday, March 7th., the feast of St. Thomas Aquinas was observed in the traditional manner by the students of philosophy. High Mass was offered in the morning by Rev. J.A. Sullivan, M.A., assisted in the sanctuary by students of philosophy, Everett Cameron, Thomas MacLellan, James Kelly, and Charles Holland. The choir was also made up of philosophy students.

Following breakfast the annual philosophers' hockey game was played in the college rink. The contest proved a rather interesting one.

In the afternoon a most enjoyable banquet was held at the Charlottetown Hotel. The Rector, Very Rev. R. V. MacKenzie, Litt. D., and the professors of philosophy, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, M.A. and Mr. H.L. Johnston, Ph. D., were guests of the students.

The following is the program of the banquet:

Toastmaster—Cletus Murphy.

Toasts:

The King—Proposed by Cletus Murphy.

The Church and the Pope—Proposed by Rev. J. A. Sullivan, M.A., responded by Very Rev. R.V. MacKenzie, Litt. D.

The Day We Celebrate—Proposed by A.J. MacAdam, responded by Walter Murray.

Our Country—Proposed by Austin McKenna, responded by Andre Bissonette.

Our College—Proposed by Vincent Murnaghan, responded by Francis Burge.



Saints in Arms—Proposed by James Kelly, responded by Raymond Gallant.

The Ladies—Proposed by Francis Bolger, responded by Howard Shea.

The guest speaker for the occasion was Dr. J. A. MacMillan, M.D., C.M.

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The students' Annual Retreat began on Thursday evening, March 8 and ended Sunday afternoon, March 11. It was conducted by Rev. Father MacKay, C. S. S. R.

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The College Socials, which were started a few years ago, were continued this year with even greater success. We take this opportunity to thank Father MacMillan for his kind permission to use the Holy Name Hall. We also wish to thank the Ladies' Committee whose untiring efforts kept the socials working smoothly.

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A rumour has seeped through to *Red and White* that D. J. Sullivan, former professor of English, now serving with the American Forces overseas, was recently decorated with the Purple Heart. We rejoice at this news and feel sure the honour was well deserved.

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The students learned with regret of the serious accident which befell Lieutenant James L. MacDonald. "Fiddler", one of Saint Dunstan's outstanding athletes, was seriously wounded in Germany on March 26th. *Red and White* wishes him a speedy recovery.

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To have made the supreme sacrifice is the honour that has befallen to one more of our alumni. Flying Officer John Coyle, one of the great athletes of Saint Dunstan's, was reported killed in action.

To his parents, sisters and brothers *Red and White* extends heartfelt sympathy.

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On Thursday, May 24, the students of Saint Dunstan's were given the sad tidings that Lieut. Thomas Holland was reported missing. Tom, a graduate of 1940 was a member



of the teaching staff of the High School during 1940-41. Since receiving his commission in the spring of 1941, Tom has had thirty-one months sea time to his credit, including service aboard a minesweeper during D-Day operations. He had recently graduated from a Navigation course at an Eastern Canadian port.

The students unite their prayers with those of his family in the hope that all of us will soon hear of his safety.

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On February 19, 1945, at his home in West Roxbury, Dr. J. C. Vincent Fisher, after a brief illness, passed to his eternal reward. Dr. Fisher was a graduate of 1912, and graduated from Boston University Medical School in 1917. He was singularly successful in his chosen profession and was held in the highest repute as a doctor and as a christian gentleman. He was always interested in Saint Dunstan's, and rarely came to the Province without visiting the College. To his wife and family *Red and White* extends sympathy. May he rest in peace.

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*Red and White* extend sincere sympathy to Raymond Sark on the death of his father.

