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## NEW CONSTITUTION A REALITY

### Rosemay New Vice-Pres.

A native of British Guiana, and a Junior Arts student, Vibert Rosemay defeated both Ray McLean and Bob Quigley in an election for the office of Vice-president of St. Dunstan's Students' Union. Mr. Rosemay received a convincing second ballot victory over his opponent Ray McLean, who had led the field of three on the first ballot. Receiving a 58 vote majority, Rosemay defeated McLean 205 to 147.

necessary because neither of the candidates received the required fifty per cent majority on the initial ballot. Bob Quigley's 85 votes in the first ballot overshadowed McLean's 15 vote edge over Rosemay to make the second ballot necessary.

This election was necessitated by the resignation of the vice-president who was elected during the regular Student Union elections held last spring.

### French Educators On Campus

Our university was the site of the recent convention of L'Association Canadienne des Educateurs de langue française held in mid-August. Over 700 delegates from French-speaking educational institutions across Canada sat down to discuss the problems and future of French language education in this country.

versity conferred an honorary degree upon Mr. Roland Vincet, retiring President of the Association and noted Quebec educator.

The delegates, interviewed by the news department following the convention, stated they were impressed with the S.D.U. hospitality as well as with its understanding of the complex question of education in our bilingual country.

### Freshman Week A Success

On September 18, St. Dunstan's University opened its doors to begin the registration of the largest Freshman class in the history of the University. In the days that followed, nearly two hundred students registered in the Freshman year.

members of the Faculty. There followed a series of short speeches on the functions and purposes of the various campus organizations. Speakers for the different organizations were: Dan O'Hanley, Students' Union; Bill Dolan, Red and White; Jim McAulay, Athletic Association; Pauline Macdonald, Glee Club; Marilyn Sutherland, CFCCS; Jack Noonan, NFCUS; Patsy Leightizer, WUSC; and Gene Quinn, M.I.D.L. Following the speeches, the members of the Freshman Class nominated five candidates for Freshman King and five candidates for Queen. Candidates for King were: Art Bridges, Maine; Joe Murphy, Charlottetown; Martin Kelly, Newton Cross; Tom Vincent, Nfld.; and Ed Breen, Charlottetown. Candidates for Queen were: Brenda Hollat, Nfld.; Mary Donovan, St. John, N.B.; Muriel St. John, Charlottetown; Ruth Saunders, O'Leary; and Cheryl Anne Connors, Charlottetown. The various events of the evening were interspersed with songs by Miss Virginia MacDougall, Miss Eileen Grant, Miss Peggy MacIntyre, and a jovial group of students who called themselves the St. Dunstan's Simpletons.

The week was climaxed on

who did not wear them.

On Tuesday evening, the students gathered in the gymnasium where they were introduced to each other and given a run-down on the events of the week. After a lunch of soft drinks, and donuts, all hands gathered around the piano for a sing-song. Pianist for the sing-song was Gerry Gauthier.

A weiner-fry was on the agenda for Wednesday evening. The students met in the rink and danced to the latest records. Weiners and soft drinks were served throughout the evening.

The following evening, the Freshman class again assembled in the gymnasium. Here, they were introduced to the various



Front row (left to right): Marcia Arsenault, secretary; Mary Donovan; Joan Batchilder; Barbara Roche; Pauline Macdonald.  
Back row (left to right): Mike Harris; Eugene Quinn, chairman; Albert Fogarty; Gerard Giddings; Donald MacMillan; Bert McWade; David Ellsworth; Gerald Gauthier.

### Social Committee Reactivated

Recently, a group, aged in name but new in purpose and construction, was organized on the campus. The group, known as the Social Committee, this year takes on one of the biggest tasks on the S.D.U. campus.

The plan and purpose of the committee is to organize and supervise various types of decent wholesome entertainment throughout the year. The committee also hopes to foster bet-

ter relations among members of the different student bodies in their vicinity.

Since the committee was formed, it has sponsored one Social at the Community Centre in Charlottetown and one dance in the S.D.U. Gym. Both events turned out to be very successful.

Plans have been made to continue the Socials each week, and a program of Saturday night dances is in the process of being drawn up.

In conjunction with the socials, the committee is sponsoring a contest — The "Miss Social of 1961" contest.

In addition to Socials and dances, the committee hopes to obtain and show some good movies. Work will commence on this project soon. Also, a variety concert, consisting of talent from several student bodies will be staged in the S.D.U. Gym some time during this semester.

Other possibilities for social activity are being investigated but no definite plans have been made yet concerning these.

The committee looks forward to a very successful social year; but only with the full support of the student body will this be possible. We urge your support, fellow students, and we sincerely hope that each and every one of you will have a successful and an enjoyable year at S.D.U.

### Independence For High School

In a recent interview with the news department, Rev. A. F. Cameron, Principal of the 125 student institution stated that his charges were preparing to secede from the St. Dunstan's Student Union and that the actual secession will be history by the time Red and White went to press.

In outlining the motives for this action, Father Cameron stated that the interest of the two high school grades in the functioning of the present student government system has been at a very low ebb for the past several years. Secondly, responsibility and initiative, the principal pointed out, would

### Little Resistance Encountered

Saint Dunstan's University students have now won their battle in ousting the former "Mythical Constitution" by adopting a new one. This new constitution was put into effect at the first general meeting of the Students' Union for 1961-1962, held on September 27, 1961.

The first business in the meeting, presided over by Dan O'Hanley, concerned the adoption of this constitution. As may be recalled, the former constitution, drawn up in 1947, had been a cause for grave dissension among the general student body owing to the clauses and articles that were inconsistent with modern day trends.

The chairman of the constitution committee, Mr. Jack Noonan, speaking on its behalf, gave an outline of its main objectives and explained to the students its relevant advantages. He explained that it would, however, require many amendments before it achieved its peak efficiency. Prominent among the new recommendations were the sections dealing with the awarding of administrative letters to students who had taken an active part in non-athletic, extra-curricular activities, the formation of the new executive committee, com-

prising a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, class presidents, engineering society representative, and a faculty advisor, and the honor society. Admission to this society will be reserved to students in the second term of their graduating year, who, maintaining a satisfactory academic standing during their undergraduate course, have rendered valuable service to the University in non-athletic, extra-curricular activities, namely the major offices of student government, journalistic work, debating, dramatics, etc. Admission to this society shall be granted by a special committee.

The only article in the new constitution which seemed to contain any irrelevance was article thirteen, which had stated that any amendment of the new constitution would require a two-thirds vote at a general meeting. After a motion the amending of this article, proposed by Eugene Quinn and seconded by Tom Barry, had been passed, the section now reads: "Any amendment to the new constitution shall require a majority vote at any general meeting."

Without further exceptions, the constitution as a whole was unanimously accepted by the assembly.

### New Constitution Realization Of Three Years Work

At the first Student Body Meeting of this year the long awaited and much talked-of revised constitution became law.

Three years ago students began to discuss seriously the necessity of a more modern constitution. Thus, in the following year a committee, headed by Vince MacIntyre, '60, launched a program of revision. After a year's work of addition and deletion, Mr. MacIntyre and his committee handed over their results to John Noonan, who, as vice-president of the Students' Union for 60-61, formed a new committee to further the work already begun.

At the end of last year, most of the ground work had been completed. It was now a matter of putting the constitution into presentation form. With further effort this summer on the part of Mr. Noonan, Mr. O'Hanley, and Fr. Kelly, past moderator of the Students' Council, it was made available.

The Students, who, with the understanding that amendments may be made as time goes on, voted unanimously to make it a legal constitution.

Much work remains to be accomplished by way of making this constitution a really live one. However, with the generosity of the Students of today and tomorrow united with the sacrifices of the students of yesterday, we can succeed in bringing about a meaningful and workable body of student government laws.

### Day Of Recollection

Many of the co-eds feel that this was one of the nicest things about the opening of the new year. This is a good chance to say thank you to Father Gerald Steele and the Sisters for making it the success it was.

### Miss Social 1961

Who will it be? Could it be a co-ed? A Nurse? A working girl? Will she be from Notre Dame? Prince of Wales? Birchwood High School? These are some of the questions in the minds of hundreds of students since the "Miss Social of 1961" contest was begun.

But who can answer them? The only answer will be when the judges make the final decision at the last Social of this semester. But who will be the judges? Will they be from S.D.U.? Certainly not! P.W.C.? No! The fact is that they will not be connected with any of the student bodies.

So let's see all you girls out there. They say that a girl is prettier when she's angry, so let's see a real fighting spirit.

