

# College Chronicle



"Have you started the Chronicle yet, my procrastinating friend?"—so said the Editor to your correspondent the other day. An apologetic "No" on my part elicited from him the grim reminder that "The exams start in a couple of weeks, so you had better get going, bud."

Yes, the college year is just about over, and, when we pause to review it, we conclude that it has been a good year for us. It has been a happy time, but a tinge of sadness is added to the picture when we think of the future. For those of us who will return in the fall will soon be saying "Goodbye" to our fellows who will not return in September. For them it will be "Goodbye" to us, to their college, and to each other. It has been said that college days and college friends are the best ones. All of us have yet to learn this for ourselves, but to our fellow students, our college friends, who leave us, not to return, we say: "So long, all the best, and remember us as we shall you."

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And now for a brief review of activities around the campus since our last report to you.

Early in April nominations were called for the executive positions of the incoming Students' Union. Wilfred Driscoll was elected president by acclamation. The other two offices were contested and the results of the balloting were close. When the votes were finally counted, it was found that the successful candidates were Frank Ledwell, for vice-president, and Rupert MacLellan for secretary-treasurer.

**Red and White** takes this opportunity of extending heartiest congratulations and sincere best wishes to Wilf, Frank, and Rupert.

While on the subject of the Students' Union, we think it is in order to mention the present officers. These three men, John S. MacDonald, Wilfred Driscoll, and Russell Arbing, have ably and efficiently discharged the duties of their positions. The sincere and grateful appreciation of the entire student body is extended to them.



Recent amendments to the constitutions of the Students' Union and A.A.A. now permit the election of the incoming president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer of the latter organization to be held during April of the last term of the previous college year. These amendments now make it possible to revert to the practice of selecting the incoming executive in the spring, thus facilitating the work of early organization of athletics in the fall.

Next year's officers of the A.A.A. are as follows:

President.....	Hugh MacPhee '50
Vice-president.....	William O'Hanley '52
Secretary-treasurer.....	Ernest MacDonald '51

Congratulations and best wishes are also extended to these men.

In the last issue we mentioned that the Glee Club and Dramatic Society were working on a program which was still in the "top secret" bracket. On Wednesday night, April 6th., the curtain was raised for the presentation of this program.

For its part the Dramatic Society presented a one-act comedy entitled **THE STOTINKA**. It is the story of the inhabitants of a tourist home of one Mrs. Murphy (Irene Burge), whose firm hand seems always to be held over her boarders, and whose enquiring nose is forever poking into their business. The plot centers around two travelling salesmen, Holly and Leel (Paul Landrigan and Vincent MacDonald), and their quest for a rare Romanian coin, a "stotinka", which is desired as a keepsake by two of the permanent boarders, Mr. and Mrs. Stulski (Mr. J. E. Jolie and Kitty Keefe). The trouble is that neither salesman knows what a "stotinka" is. Meanwhile, Mrs. Murphy's son, Jack (Jerome Condon), and the Stulski's daughter, June (Alice McCloskey), have fallen in love and want to get married. Unfortunately Jack, an actor, is in no position to support June. Another character to enter the scene is Mr. Mellings (Jim Trainor), who unknown to the others, is a wealthy movie producer. He solves all their problems, for he not only gets a "stotinka" but proves to be Cupid in a mustache when he offers Jack a movie contract, thus enabling the lovers to get married.

At the conclusion of the play it was announced by Mr. Jolie, who directed it, that **The Stotinka** had been written by one of those who had taken part in it, Jim Trainor. Since coming to St. Dunstan's, Jim has played an active part in college dramatics, and he is to be congratulated on this achievement.



The play was followed by a piano solo by Bethany MacDonald, who then joined forces with Tony Magnon for a violin and piano duet. They played "Among My Souvenirs" and "Barcarolle", from Tales of "Hoffman."

Next came the Glee Club portion of the evening's entertainment. The curtain was raised to reveal the quarterdeck of H.M.S. Pinafore, on which the Captain and crew, the Admiral and visitors, presented a most enjoyable program, which was as follows:

Chantey.....	What Shall We Do With A Drunken Sailor?
Chantey.....	Blow The Man Down
Song.....	Captain of the Pinafore
Dance.....	Sailor's Hornpipe (The Captain)
Song.....	Monarch of The Sea
Song.....	Buttercup
Song.....	The Capital Ship
The Juggler.....	(Vincent MacDonald)
Song.....	The Student's Letter
Song.....	My Girl's an Irish Girl
Song.....	Galway Bay
Al Jolson in Person.....	(Mike Hennessey)
Song.....	The Friendly Mountains
Finale.....	College Song

The cast included:

Admiral of the Fleet, Joe Mahar; Captain of the Pinafore, Derrill MacGuigan; Waves, Ethel Trainor, Alice McCloskey, Jerry Robertson, Anne Campbell, Kay Roche; Crew, P.O. Cart MacDonald, Abs. Leo Albert, Everett Beagan, Adelard Gallant, Tony Magnon, Mike Hennessey, Ernie MacDonald, Vince MacDonald, Wilbert McInnis, Wendall MacIntyre, Jim Saunders, Tom Pendergast.

From the opening note of the first chantey to the closing bars of the stirring finale, the Glee Club demonstrated what good direction and rehearsal can do. Father Landrigan and the entire cast are to be congratulated on a fine performance.

The finale, our College Song, deserves special mention. The words of it were composed by Somerled Trainor '39 and Charles McQuaid '39, and set to the music of "The Vagabond Song." For a while it was known and sung about the campus, but somehow it seemed to join the list of have been popular songs, and for more



than six years it has not been heard. We sincerely hope that its revival will prove to be permanent.

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On Sunday evening, April 3rd., four members of our unit of the M.I.D.L. participated in a model debate in the Holy Name Hall, Charlottetown. The subject, "Resolved that in view of the present international situation compulsory military training should be adopted in Canada, immediately.", was previously debated by two of our teams in the intercollegiate circuit. Speakers for the affirmative were George Keefe and Jerryldine Robertson, and for the negative, Arthur McInnis and Katherine Roche. The decision was in favour of the negative, by a few points. Cyril Sinnott acted as chairman for the debate.

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This debate was the concluding one in a series held during Lent and sponsored by the Charlottetown Council of the Knights of Columbus. At the conclusion of the speeches Grand Knight Leo F. MacDonald congratulated and thanked both Father Cass and the speakers for their fine showing and for the contribution which they had made towards the success of this activity of the Council.

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Several years ago a revision of the constitution of **Red and White** provided for the awarding of a Gold Pin to any student having to his credit twenty points for contributions to the magazine. When we consider that the Literary D requirement for staff members is ten points, it is easily seen that anyone who is awarded the Gold Pin is certainly an outstanding contributor to the magazine. Such is the case of our Editor-in-Chief, Cyril Sinnott, who has by his staff work and literary contributions gathered to his credit twenty four points. Congratulations, Cyril.

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Continuing their efforts to bring a DP to St. Dunstan's next fall, our I.S.S. Committee arranged for an exhibition game of hockey between St. Francis Xavier University team and our senior squad on Monday night, March 14th. Those who witnessed this game, which was held at the Charlottetown Forum, and which ended in an 8-8 draw, agreed that it was one of the fastest and most thrilling games held there this season.



In connection with the game, the committee held a one-day whirlwind canvass of the Charlottetown business firms for ads in a program published for the game. Through the generosity of these firms it was possible to print a twenty four page program, which netted over \$160.

On behalf of the I.S.S. Committee, we take this opportunity of expressing sincere thanks to the business firms of Charlottetown, the two hockey teams, the management of the Forum, and all others who helped make this game possible.

Our unit of the C.F.C.C.S. is presently holding a drawing in aid of the I.S.S. fund raising project. Tickets were given to the students prior to the Easter holidays, and reports from the executive are very encouraging. With the support of all students this drawing will be a success.

We have said much in the Chronicle about the I.S.S. and what our committee is doing to participate in the DP Scholarship Plan. This we have done because of the importance of the scheme, both to the students of those universities who are making it possible and to those who will benefit directly from it. And to our committee, who, at a great sacrifice of time and despite many difficulties, have made it possible for one of these unfortunate students to come to St. Dunstan's to live and learn with us next fall, we offer a word of praise for a job well done.

In the last issue it was mentioned that St. Dunstan's hoped to send a student to participate in the second annual European Summer Seminar sponsored by I.S.S. This meeting, which will last about six weeks, will be held in Holland. To it will go students from many countries of Europe as well as from Canada. Our representative has recently been selected, and he is Wilfred Driscoll. Wilf. is well qualified to represent us at this seminar, and we feel that he will be able to both contribute to and profit from it. Congratulations, Wilfred. Your fellow students look forward to your report on the seminar in the fall.

This year our annual closed retreat, which was held March 24-27, was preached by Rev. Paul Fisher, of the Redemptorist Fathers, Charlottetown. Under his capable direction the students entered wholeheartedly into the spirit of the retreat and made a success of it.



A welcome visitor to the college during March was Rev. Bernard Quinn, O.M.I., who last year preached the Lenten Sermons at St. Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown, and who also preached our retreat. While here Father Quinn showed a movie of the work of his order in the mission fields of the far north.

Father Quinn also showed us lantern slides which included pictures of the nine "Saints" who left us last fall to enter the Oblate Novitiate in Arnprior, Ontario. He reported that the boys are all happy, and doing well in their new work.

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We are sorry to report that Rev. Walter MacGuigan has been a patient in the Charlottetown Hospital for several weeks. Faculty and students join in wishing you a speedy recovery, Father.

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On April 13th., Premier J. Walter Jones announced that Mr. Eugene Gorman, head of the college Extension Department, had been appointed chairman of the new Fisherman's Loan Board for the province. He replaces the Hon. Wilfred Arsenault, and will hold office for three years.

**Red and White** congratulates Mr. Gorman on his latest appointment.

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On Sunday, April 24th. His Excellency Bishop Boyle, who has recently recovered from a serious illness, left Charlottetown for New York, where he boarded the S.S. Saturnia, bound for Europe. His Excellency, in common with other members of the Canadian Hierarchy, has gone to Rome for his first "ad limina" visit to the Pope. In his absence the conferring of degrees of the graduates will be by Rt. Rev. G. J. MacLellan, Vicar General.

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Closing exercises this year will be held on Monday, May 23rd., and the address to the graduates will be delivered by Dr. G. D. Steel, Principal of Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown. The Class of '49 is the largest in the history of St. Dunstan's, and for the first time more than one co-ed will receive her degree. Six young ladies leave us this year, and the honour of being valedictorian has fallen on one of their number, Evelyn Hessian.



The officers of the Graduating Class are as follows: John Dalziel, president; William Ledwell, vice-president; Cyril Sinnott, secretary; John S. MacDonald and Russell Arbing, committee members.

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This year the annual Junior Prom in honour of the graduates will again be held in "The Charlottetown" on the evening of May 23rd. The chaperones for the dance will be: Mrs. Frank Hennessey, Mrs. James G. Hessian, Mrs. Murray G. McNeely, and Mrs. Stephen Trainor.

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During the summer work will be commenced on the second building to be built with the funds raised in the College Drive. It will be a brick structure, and will be erected to the east of the Main Building and the north of Dalton Hall. The main section will house the new chapel and the basement refectory for the student body. At the east end of the building a north wing will be attached, in which will be basement kitchens and refrigeration rooms, an infirmary, the priests' refectory, and the convent for the sisters.

When completed this building will do much to alleviate the present crowded conditions in the chapel and refectory.

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Earlier in the year we congratulated Justin Gavin, who this year is in charge of the Thursday afternoon socials, on the fine way in which they are being conducted. We should like to repeat these congratulations here, and at the same time extend a sincere "Thank You" on behalf of the student body to Rev. P. F. MacDonald, Mr. Dalvay Coyle, and the good ladies of Charlottetown who so kindly acted as chaperones for the socials during the year.

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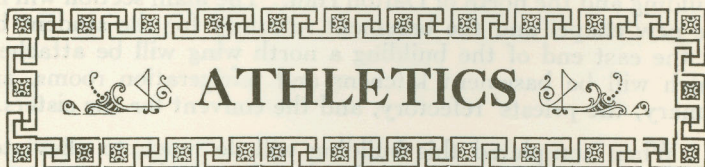
The sincere sympathy of the faculty and students is extended to Gregory and Justin Gavin on the death of their father.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of the late John Creamer, ex '16, who died in Souris on November 5th. last.



## IN MEMORIAM

Rev. A. B. MacDonald, D.D., died in Calgary in early April. Dr. MacDonald graduated from St. Dunstan's in 1899, studied Theology in Rome, and after his ordination in 1903 was appointed to the staff of St. Dunstan's College where he taught for the ensuing ten years. Dr. MacDonald was a student of history and political economy, and the pages of the first four volumes of **Red and White** reflect the wide scope of his ideas. In 1913 he went to Winnipeg where for some time he was editor of the **Northwest Review**. He later went to Calgary Diocese. He was a chaplain with the Canadian Army during the last years of World War I. He returned to Calgary after the war and has laboured there in many capacities since that time. Students who were here during his time remember him as a scholar and a cultured gentleman. *Lux aeterna, luceat ei, Domine!*



## ATHLETICS

Old Mr. Sun is warming things up these days and the campus is beginning to resound to the crack of the bat and the smack of the ball on the glove. Here and there are numerous complaints of sore arms. Yes, Spring is really here and with it the end of the college year draws near. Hockey is over for this year. Basketball activities are just about at a close and all that remains in the line of athletics for the students is a short softball season.

From all appearances most of the athletes who participated in Senior sports this year will be back for at least one more season to carry the colors for St. Dunstan's. However, some will not return and these men will be hard to replace.

Many of the more colorful figures of the intramural league will also be missing. Athletics for the most part at St. Dunstan's are witnessed by the students only and a great deal of enthusiasm is centered around these activities because here as well as in the senior college teams we find sport participated in purely for the love of it and competition is usually at a high level. Students who complete