

After his graduation from St. Dunstan's, Father Croken went to Rome to study Theology at Propaganda College, where he was ordained on June 13th, 1908. On his return he was appointed to the College, where for four years he taught philosophy. He then went as assistant with Monsignor James Phelan to Vernon River. The following year he became pastor of Georgetown and Montague, which pastorate he served for ten years. In 1923 he returned to the College as Rector, and ably discharged this onerous task for three years; owing to ill-health he was relieved of the duties in 1926, and became pastor of Fort Augustus. In 1939 he was appointed to Souris as pastor, and labored there for seven years. Again ill-health forced his removal and he retired to the Sacred Heart Home. A long and trying illness marked the last years of his life.

Father Croken was always held in highest esteem by laymen and clerics throughout the Diocese. He was rigorously conscientious in the fulfilment of all his duties and in all his dealings with his fellowman, and we feel sure he likewise was in his relationship to God. A priest first and last, his interests were ever in the things of eternal worth. Whether teaching, or preaching, or administering sacraments, he did all for the greater honor and glory of God. May his soul rest in peace.

Red and White conveys the sympathy of all the students to Jack O'Brien on the death of his father, and to Fernand Fournier on the death of his grandmother. May they rest in peace.



ATHLETICS

In the Autumn at St. Dunstan's, football is the main athletic attraction. In fact it is noteworthy that football is on a par with hockey as a major sport. This, indeed, at a college in a province where football has degenerated into a minor sport. A football survey revealed that there were approximately 140 students playing the game under supervision this fall. This is a good percentage, especially when the fact is considered that football coach Vic Obeck of McGill University has deplored the fact that only about one fourth of the students there take part in some form of athletics.

If the present total can be maintained at St. Dunstan's there should be few fears about the looked for dearth in senior ranks.

Let it be remembered that football is not the only sport on the campus. Track and Field has a day all its own, which was October 4th this year. This meet is remarkable in that those participating perform creditably with little practice. It could be a much bigger affair if more turned out. And as the football season wanes many minds turn toward basketball, the game which has increased most in popularity in the past five years. Through the fall handball is also a popular game.

It is true that the past few years have added considerable lustre to athletics which naturally had suffered during the war years. Those war veterans which aided the post war comeback will soon be gone from the campus. Certainly they will be missed. There is, however, no need for pessimism, for the athletes of the future know that the traditions and achievements of St. Dunstan's in sport must be upheld.

When the students returned to S. D. U. this fall they were gladdened by the sight of a well laid out cinder track around the football field, and a new grandstand which promises to defy the elements for some time. These additions certainly enhance the appearance of the football field and make that section of the campus an excellent athletic centre. Early in the fall an issue of the St. Dunstan's University Alumni Bulletin featured an artist's conception of what the proposed gymnasium will look like. It is a dream which faculty, students and alumni may now dare hope to be fulfilled. It is possible that work will be started on the gym next year. Even now the probabilities of such a structure can be appreciated.

SENIOR FOOTBALL

It wasn't until the last game of the N.B.—P.E.I. Intercollegiate football league that St. Dunstan's seniors knew they had lost their N.B.—P.E.I. championship. On that day, at Sackville, Mount Allison University played a 2-2 draw with the University of New Brunswick which gave them a total of five points and the championship. St. Dunstan's finished second with four and U.N.B. followed with three. Had U.N.B. won the game the league would have ended in a three way tie for first place. That is the proof that

the home and home series was perhaps the closest in N.B.—P.E.I. intercollegiate football history. In a total of six games only three tries were scored, one by each team. Eight other points were amassed by goals from penalty kicks. Incidentally the Mount A. line wasn't crossed during the series.

THE FOOTBALL TEAM

Now let's have a quick look at this 1949 S.D.U. football team which played some pretty fine football in the St. Dunstan's tradition.

For the third consecutive year the coaching was done by A. J. MacAdam, while Austin Johnson for the second year as manager looked after the executive duties. At fullback for most of the season was George MacRae, who came from P. W. C. and capably filled an unfamiliar position. The wings on the three quarters line were speedsters Allister MacIsaac and Dunstan Murphy both of whom did some exceptional running all year. Centers on the three quarters were veteran field general Mike Hennessey and J. D. McCarville who won his promotion to the senior team shortly after the season opened. At stand off half was rookie George Cameron who improved with every game. The scrum half was another rookie, Peter Dunphy, who holds the distinction of jumping to the seniors from intramural ranks and who in the minds of many was the rookie of the year.

The heeling, one of the most important jobs on an English rugby team, was done most efficiently by Reg Rodgers. Supporting Reg in the front line were stalwarts Lloyd Burke and Cyril Callaghan. Two great performers, Willie MacDonald and captain Hugh McPhee, made up the second line, while the loose forward was rugged Jim Ayers who had also served a turn on the three quarter line. Wilf Driscoll also saw action when he replaced Red Rodgers in a game at Fredericton with U.N.B.

Special mention must be made of the six members of the senior team who will graduate next May. They are: Mike Hennessey, Hugh McPhee, Reg Rodgers, Allister MacIsaac, William MacDonald, and Wilf Driscoll.

Winning athletic D's this year in football were Lloyd Burke and Jim Ayers, to whom **Red and White** extends congratulations.

SYNOPSIS OF SENIOR GAMES

Mount A.—2

S.D.U.—0.

The first Maritime intercollegiate football game of 1949 was played on St. Dunstan's field, where a goal from a penalty kick by Johnny Hill was sufficient to give Mount A. a close 2-0 decision over the home team.

After a shaky start the Saints settled down somewhat to gain control of the ball for the major portion of the final fifty minutes of the game. For these fifty minutes it was a rugged but a somewhat disorganized affair. The second half gave Saint followers a good deal to cheer about as the Red and White men hammered incessantly but futilely at the Mountie goal.

Mount A., as far as territory was concerned, were outplayed but certainly they were not outwitted. The two points for Hill's penalty kick was all they needed.

After this game the Saints were unanimous in agreeing that they would never be that bad again in 1949.

U.N.B.—0

S.D.U.—0.

At Fredericton, N.B., on Saturday, October 8, St. Dunstan's and the University of New Brunswick battled to a 0-0 stalemate in the second game of the N.B.—P.E.I. intercollegiate league.

The first half of the contest was a see-saw battle with play ranging between the two 35 yard lines with U.N.B. probably controlling the play. Two great runs were made in this half, one by Murphy of St. Dunstan's, the other by Keleher of U.N.B., both of which were stopped on the 25 yard lines. Both came as a result of intercepted passes.

The second half featured a spirited offensive by the Fredericton rugbyists as they repeatedly broke through the S.D.U. defense on "play the ball" after tackle. For all of twenty minutes at one stage of this half the boys from Fredericton pounded at the Saints' goal line at distances from one to five yards. And for all that time the Saints with unbelievable fortitude turned back each onslaught. After this, the Saints were on the offensive but each scoring threat fell short, as the game ended with the Saints in U.N.B. territory.

Mike Hennessey and Reg Rodgers were casualties in this game with Reg being replaced in the scrum by Wilf Driscoll. The S.D.U. backfield was much improved over the previous week, when it looked inept against Mount Allison.

S. D. U.—2

Mount A.—0.

A goal from a penalty kick by Mike Hennessey in the second half gave St. Dunstan's its first intercollegiate victory in three starts as the Saints met Mount A. on the latter's field.

The first five minutes of the first half saw the Mounties throw a scare into the Saints as they threatened to score. After that they were put on the defensive and only exceptional kicking kept them from being scored upon. In this half Dunstan Murphy nearly gave the Saints the lead, as he raced to within a few feet of the Mount A. line after a thrilling run. Great backfield plays by the Saints and brilliant kicking by the Mounties were features of the half as the Mountie scrum held a slight edge over the Saints.

From the beginning of the second half the Saints forced the play, and at the eight minute mark Mike Hennessey's penalty kick taken on the Mount A. 25 yard line from a difficult angle gave the Saints two points and the ball game. St. Dunstan's continued to dominate play for the remainder of the half but every S.D.U. thrust at Mount Allison's line was repulsed. In the latter part of this half the Mounties nearly completed some fine runs as the Saints concentrated on protecting their lead.

The hospitality of Mount A. together with the St. Dunstan's victory made this trip most pleasurable.

S. D. U.—3

U. N. B.—3.

Coming suddenly to life in the dying minutes of the second half the red and black jerseyed rugbyists from the University of New Brunswick completed a stunning half line run which gave them a 3-3 draw with St. Dunstan's to turn the N.B.—P.E.I. Rugby League into one of the closest struggles in its history.

Early in the first half the home team brought its fans to thier feet as a great run by "Kiker" McIsaac carried the ball deep into U. N. B. territory; then two plays later Dunstan Murphy raced over

with the first try of the game to put the Saints in the lead. From then until the end of the half the Saints made thrust after thrust at the U.N.B. line only to have scoring attempts fall short. Features of the half were the slick heeling by the S.D.U. scrum and expert ball handling by the Saint's backfield. U.N.B. excursions into S.D.U. territory in the first half were infrequent as that team's half line seemed disorganized.

The second half showed a more determined U.N.B. squad, but one, until late in the half, that failed to show a scoring punch. Play shifted between the two 25 yard lines for the first part of the half with the U.N.B. scrum having an edge in heel outs. About the middle of the half the Saints began to press U.N.B. back. Two fine runs, one by Hughie McPhee and the other by Jim Ayers, almost took the ball over the U.N.B. line. Shortly after, Pete Dunphy tried a sneak that took him over the line but the try was disallowed by the referee. From then until a few minutes before the final whistle it seemed as if the Saints were going to win the ball game, but then Glass, on the end of a smart half line run, tied it up to disappoint a highly partisan St. Dunstan's crowd.

SECOND TEAM

For the third straight year the Saint Dunstan's intermediate football team won the Island Championship. They did it by beating Prince of Wales College in a three game series. In the three games which made up the series P. W. C. did not once get across the S. D. U. line and scored only two points, by way of a penalty kick in the last game. The second Saints were handled by assistant football coach John Eldon Green who did a splendid job in his first year at coaching. This is noteworthy because next year the seniors will have to draw on a good many of the intermediates. The **Red and White** is proud of the seconds for giving S.D.U. yet another football championship.

HERE IS THE SECOND TEAM LINEUP

Fullback: J. Malette.

Three Quarters: J. Cash, J. Shreenan, C. Cheverie, G. Kelly.

Halves: S. Deighan and M. Martin, captain.

Scrum: E. Devine, R. McQuaid, J. Coyle, T. Pendergast, C. Callaghan, and R. Delory.

Also seeing action with second team were W. Driscoll, W. McAdam, J. Rossiter, J. Larkin, J. Weir, and K. MacDonald.

THE VICTORY TRAIL

The first game between P. W. C. and second Saints was an exhibition affair which was won by the Saints 5-0. It was evident from then on that the Saints were the favourites to retain their intermediate championship.

Here are the games which decided intermediate honors:

S. D. U.—17

P. W. C.—0.

Making an auspicious start in defense of their Provincial Intermediate Championship, the S.D.U. intermediates trimmed Prince of Wales in a football game distinguished by the brilliant half line play of the Saints.

The game was seven minutes old when J. D. McCarville scooted over the P.W.C. line for the first try of the game. From then on the Red and White added to the total as Johnny Cash and George Kelly scored to make it read 9-0 when the first half ended.

The second half was a repetition of the first with the P.W.C. team advancing into S.D.U. territory on occasion. The Saints added eight points this half. Stan Deighan opened the scoring as he received the ball from a scrum near the P. W. C. line and sneaked over at the ten minute mark. Then, with Joe Shreenan the hero of many thrilling half line runs which took the Saints near the Welshman line, big Tom Pendergast snagged the ball about 15 yards in front of the posts and ripped over to make the figures 15-0. Melvin Martin, shifty Saint stand off half converted to leave the final score 17-0.

This game was remarkable in that it was the first time within the memory of many football fans that this series, which is always closely contested, produced such a lop-sided score.

S. D. U.—0

P. W. C.—0.

Complete reversals of forms by both the S.D.U. intermediates and P. W. C. Welshmen changed the struggle for the ISLAND title most considerably as the Saints were forced to the limit in holding the Welshmen to a scoreless draw in the second game of the intermediate series, after they had won the series opener 17-0.

At the opening of the first half the Saints went on the offensive and came within a few feet of crossing the P.W.C. line. The threat was relieved by a penalty kick to P.W.C. Then the Welshmen were awarded an abnormal succession of penalty kicks which enabled them to bottle up the Saints until the last few minutes of the half when the play shifted between the 40 yard lines.

The second half was a slightly different story as the Welshmen began an offensive which had the Saints off balance for nearly all of the thirty minutes. More than one dangerous P.W.C. attack was thrown back by the wearers of the Red and White as the city footballers came close to crossing the Saint line. With dusk settling ominously over the field the Saints suddenly came to life but saw their one good chance fail by a few feet. Time ran out almost simultaneously with daylight, without either side scoring.

S. D. U.—3

P. W. C.—2.

Striking suddenly for an unconverted try by Charlie Cheverie midway through the first half the S.D.U. intermediate rugbyists retained their Island title by edging Prince of Wales College 3-2 in the third game of the series. Prince of Wales scored their two points on a penalty kick by Harold Howatt, also in the first half.

P. W. C. controlled play in the first half until the mid-point when the Saints took control of the ball and after advancing into P. W. C. territory sprang a fine half line run which ended when Cheverie raced across the goal line to give the Saints the try which eventually meant the championship. Scarcely minutes later, Howatt's goal from a penalty kick put P. W. C. back in the game. But that was all the scoring as play shunted between the 25 yard lines for the remainder of the half.

The second half was all S.D.U. as the scrum supplied ball after ball to a determined three quarters line which kept pressing P.W.C. for most of the thirty minutes. In this half Saints had many good scoring chances while P. W. C. had virtually none, but the champions had to be content with the margin gained in the first half.

INTRAMURAL FOOTBALL

When intramural football was reorganized three seasons ago under the leadership of Father Richard Ellsworth, much success

was anticipated. The past year testifies to this as nearly 120 players played on eight teams in three different leagues under the directions of Father Ellsworth and his assistant Raymond McCarville. A three team league of college years, a three team senior high school league, and a two team junior high school league made up intramural football.

Exclusive of playoffs, more than 24 games were played in the three leagues. In the senior high school league the Bombers and Wildcats met in the finals for the Ellsworth Trophy emblematic of the intramural high school championship. In a rugged series the Bombers came out on top by winning the final game of the series 3-0.

In the college intramural league the Freshmen rolled to the league championship. It was intended that the Juniors and a high school all star team would play off for the right to play the Freshmen for the Veterans Trophy awarded annually to the intramural champion, but weather conditions forced an indefinite postponement of this series.

The following are the intramural teams and captains:

College League:

Freshmen—Rockets, C. MacDonald, captain.

Sophomores and Seniors—Meteors, C. Kelly, captain.

Juniors—Argos, F. Ledwell, captain.

Senior High School League:

Bombers—K. MacDonald, captain.

Tigers—W. McAdam, captain.

Wildcats—M. Callaghan, captain.

Junior High School League:

Army—J. Reardon, captain.

Navy—J. Gallant, captain.

During the season a high school all star team defeated the Freshmen intramural team 2-0 in a challenge game. A second high school team also played exhibition games with Queen Square school of Charlottetown.

The proof that the intramural league is a valuable feeder for future varsity teams is seen in the fact only two men of this year's intermediate team were past Freshmen year. So it is that sixteen men who played at some time with second team were products of the intramural football league.

TRACK AND FIELD

Featured once again by the all round performance of Johnny Cash who garnered a total of 25 points and the Tip Top Tailor's trophy for the best senior showing, the annual S. D. U. track and field meet was successfully completed on October 4th. Cash was followed in the senior events by Dunstan Murphy and Charlie Morrissey.

Cash's senior performance was matched by Stephen Delorey's in the Junior events, as he literally ran away with the Kelly and McInnis trophy rolling up a total of 27 points, 15 more than new comer Mark Delaney who finished second with twelve. B. Fitzpatrick and Paul Jay were tied for third with eight points each.

Track manager John Mullally is deserving of congratulations for the fine job he made in preparing for and in handling the field day, and especially for procuring the services of Major W. A. Smith of Charlottetown as official starter in the track events. Major Smith is an experienced track and field official and the college is grateful for this service.

In connection with field day, it would seem that since the college can boast of a first class track, the affair should become more important from year to year. It is a fact that very few of the students compete seriously in field day. It is a further fact that few of these train seriously for it. The results when these facts is considered are truly amazing. Would it not be worthwhile to publicize this traditional affair around the campus? Would it not be possible to have an entry list and a closing date for entries, so that the meet would seem more organized? It is not difficult to realize that many fine track and field athletes could be trained at St. Dunstan's if this sport were popularized a little more. Now that it is a tradition, let it not be treated with that indifference so characteristic of much of the modern world.

SUMMARY

Senior Events:

100 Yard Dash: 1. J. Cash, 2. D. Murphy, 3. B. Lannan. Time 10 7-10 secs.

220 Yard Dash: 1. J. Cash, 2. D. Murphy, 3. C. Morrissey. Time 54 7-10 secs.

880 Yard Dash: 1. J. Cash, 2. C. Morrissey, 3. G. Kelly. Time, 2 mins. 15 2-5 secs.

One Mile Run: 1. C. Morrissey, 2. J. Shreenan, 3. G. Mercier.
Time, 5 mins. 46 secs.

Shot Putt: 1. H. McPhee, 2. P. Coyle, 3. R. Tremblay, Distance,
26 ft. 4½ ins.

High Jump: 1. J. Steele, 2. T. Pendergast, 3. C. McDonald.
Height, 4 feet, 11½ inches.

Standing Broad Jump: 1. D. Murphy, 2. P. Coyle, 3. B. Lannan and
E. Hamelin, Distance. 8 feet, 11 inches.

Baseball Throw: 1. E. Beagan, 2. P. Coyle, 3. E. Hamelin.
Distance, 277 feet.

Football Kick: 1. P. Coyle, 2. W. McAdam, 3. B. Lannan.
Distance, 140 feet, 6 inches.

Football Pass: 1. K. MacDonald, 2. J. Malette, 3. W. MacDonald.
Distance, 109 feet, 3 inches.

Junior Events:

100 Yard Dash: 1. S. DeLory, 2. B. Fitzpatrick, 3. P. Jay. Time,
11.6 secs.

220 Yard Dash: 1. S. DeLory, 2. P. Jay, 3. E. MacDonald. Time,
27 1-5 secs.

440 Yard Dash: 1. S. DeLory, 2. E. MacDonald, 3. B. Fitzpatrick.
Time, 61 1-5 secs.

Shot Putt: 1. F. Picard, 2. C. Callaghan, 3. S. DeLory. Distance,
32 feet, 2 inches.

High Jump: 1. M. Delaney, 2. P. Jay, 3. B. Fitzpatrick and E.
MacDonald. Height, 4 feet, 5½ inches.

Standing Broad Jump: 1. S. DeLory, 2. M. Delaney, 3. C. McIsaac.
Distance, 8 feet, 1 inch.

Running Broad Jump: 1. S. DeLory, 2. B. Fitzpatrick, 3. M.
Delaney. Distance, 16 feet, 4 inches.

Open Events:

Wheelbarrow Race: 1. C. McIsaac and A. Smith, 2. J. Rossiter and
W. McAdam, 3. G. McQuaid and M. McQuaid. Time, 11 secs.

Three Legged Race: 1. P. Coyle and E. Beagan, 2. T. Pendergast
and E. Hickey, 3. C. McIsaac and A. Smith. Time, 9 secs.

Shoe Race: 1. G. Beaton, 2. J. Steele, 3. M. Callaghan. Time' 34 9-10 secs.

Backward Race: 1. J. Steele, 2. E. Beagan, 3. J. Fisher. Time 9 4-5 secs.

Green Race (100 yards): 1. E. MacDonald, 2. J. Steele, 3. A. Smith. Time 12 secs.

Mile Walk: 1. G. Beaton, 2. L. Shea, 3. J. Sinnott. Time, 10 mins. 9 secs.

Class Relay ($\frac{1}{2}$ mile): 1. Juniors, 2. Seniors, 3. Sophomores.

Tug-of-War: 1. Freshmen, 2. Grade 12, 3. Seniors.

OFFICIALS

Starter: Major W. A. Smith.

Judges: Rev. G. MacDonald, Rev. E. Roach, and Mike Hennessey.

Timers: Rev. R. Ellsworth and J. E. Green.

Announcers: Hugh McPhee and Chas. Kelly.

Official scorer and Track Manager: John Mullally.

OTHER SPORTS

As the **Red and White** went to press, basketball was the main athletic activity on the campus. At this time only one court was in use, but it was hoped that it would not be long before the usual three would be going. Father McGuigan has had the senior team out for regular practice. It is notable that this, perhaps the youngest senior squad in S. D. U. history, is improving with every practice.

The senior hockey team has also been getting in some early season practices. This year the N.B.—P.E.I. title will be decided in a home and home series between St. Thomas, U. N. B., Mount Allison and St. Dunstan's. This was decided at a meeting at Sackville on Saturday November 5th, attended by faculty manager Father George MacDonald. Incidentally the hockey team has a new coach this year in Alban J. McAdam who gained most of his athletic renown from playing hockey. Just before going to press the **Red and White** learned that the St. Dunstan's senior team had entered the Island Intermediate "A" Hockey League.

During the month of October two most successful handball tournaments were held under the supervision of manager Charles Duffy. Tournaments were held on successive Sundays in mid-October. Father Simpson and Leonard O'Hanley won the first while Jerry McQuaid and Charlie Morrissey won the second. It is safe to say that these tournaments aroused an enthusiasm for handball that is rarely noticed around St. Dunstan's in the Autumn.

NONSENSE AVENUE

A pessimist once said that there are only seven jokes in the world; and five of them can't be printed. However by diligent research, avid listening and soul-searching cogitation, we have at long last come forth with something that is positively not guaranteed to reduce your waist, restore your hair or make your teeth pearly. But, then again, it might. Who knows? Homer used to roll them in the aisles with most of these back about 800 B.C. . . . but he probably snatched them from the Egyptians. You remember that old one about the roof? . . . oh, well it'd probably be over your head.

Don't scorn us if our jokes are corny,
Please don't make a fuss;
Remember that the mighty oaks
Were once just nuts like us.

When we are dead, we hope it may be said:
Their sins were scarlet, but their section read.

Incidents of world-shattering impact have been the key-note of the past few months. . . .

"... Donnelly's shoes cremated! ! . . .

"... Kelly ousted from Intramural basketball! ! . . .

"... MacIntyre doubles for prefect... while prefect hides under bed! ! . . .

"... Art McInnis swears! ! . . .