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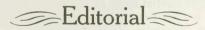
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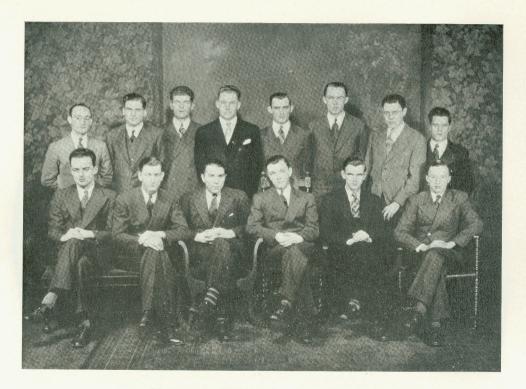
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# Hockey on Sunday

In the latest issue of *The College Times* there appeared, under the heading, "Hockey on Sunday," a letter which, while ostensibly a reproof to certain Prince of Wales College students, was in reality an attack on St. Dunstan's. In the Athletics Department of this issue of *Red and White* will be found a refutation of the insinuation that the Sunday game was forced on P. W. C.

Since the question has been raised, we should like to ask what is wrong with playing hockey on Sunday. The Christian Sunday is not the old Jewish Sabbath. Not only



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is the day different, but the very idea is different. The Sabbath was, even as the very word signifies, essentially a day of rest. The Christian Sunday is essentially a day of worship. It was a day of worship before it was a day of rest, and it was made a day of rest so that it might be made more exclusively a day of worship. In addition to the sanctification required for every day of the week, which consists in keeping the Commandments, the sanctification of the Sunday requires, first of all, assistance at the religious exercises proper to the day, and secondly, abstention from all unnecessary, servile work, and from whatever tends to hinder the due observance of the Lord's Day. The observance of Sunday as a day of rest does not require the refraining from legitimate relaxation and recreation. Innocent amusements in moderation, provided they do not interfere with making the day essentially a day of worship are not wrong. For students and others who, during six days of the week are engaged in mental and sedentary work, the best form of relaxation and rest is physical exercise. If the wholly gratuitous assumption, that participation in innocent sport on Sunday is sinful and wrong, and therefore forbidden by the Divine Law, were true, then one must logically conclude that all forms of recreation on that day are also sinful. If young people do wrong by engaging on Sunday in the forms of recreation that are suitable to their age and needs, then older people must also forego the forms of recreation suitable to their needs, such as walking, driving by car or by horse and buggy, singing, playing musical instruments, etc. We wonder whether G.E.L. listens to the Charley McCarthy program on Sunday evening.

Furthermore, those young people who, having fulfilled their positive religious duties, engage for a time in physical exercise on Sunday, are in much less danger of desecrating the sacredness of the day than are those who sit around with long faces, afraid even to smile for fear of being irreverent, with their own idle thoughts and imagina-

tions as their company.

Finally, if the playing of games on Sunday were wrong, the students of St. Dunstan's would not engage in it, nor, we feel sure, would those students of Prince of Wales who took part in this game as players or spectators. Neither would the students have been permitted to use the rink.

If G.E.L. feels that he (or she) has a mission to reform

the morals of others, we advise him to direct his misplaced zeal towards things that really matter. It will pay him better spiritual dividends than will his puritanical attack on those who, trained from their infancy in the observance of the moral law and in reverence for the Lord's Day, engage, with a clear conscience, in the innocent pastime of hockey, or in other innocent forms of recreation beneficial alike to soul and body.

### The Science Building

Realizing the need of separate accommodations for science students due to the additional courses in science now being offered at St. Dunstan's, college officials have decided to have a science building erected this summer. The building, which will be situated opposite the Administration Building and South-West of Dalton Hall, is to be completed by the middle of next September.

According to plans the building will be a fireproof structure, three stories in height with a length of 87 feet and a width of 37 feet. It will contain separate laboratories for physics, organic and inorganic chemistry, and biology, each furnished with all the necessary equipment of a modern scientific laboratory. In addition, it will contain two lecture rooms, cloak rooms, supply rooms, lavatories etc.

The erection of the science building signifies an important progressive step taken by St. Dunstan's in the scientific field. Its added facilities will enable St. Dunstan's to give a more complete course in the sciences resulting in a wider choice of subjects for students of the future.

# Literary "D"s

In common with most editors of *Red and White* in the past, we have experienced difficulty in persuading students to write for their magazine this year. This difficulty is caused not by any inability to write nor by a scarcity of time, but by what seems to be in most cases a lack of the proper attitude towards *Red and White*.

A great many of our students accept *Red and White* simply as a matter of fact; a magazine written by a select few who are supposed to represent the student body. When asked to write for the magazine they either put the matter off until it is too late, or they make a feeble attempt

at writing something which they do not seriously intend to have published. Their general attitude seems to be a misinterpretation of the words of Milton:

"They also serve who only stand and wait."

Fortunately there are a few outside the staff who have shown an active interest in their magazine. To them we extend our appreciation for their support.

In addition to the awards granted to the graduating members of the staff this year, Literary "D's" will be awarded to the following: For short stories — F.A. Brennan. 43 For poems — Gerald Mallett '44

Believing that the above awards were well merited we congratulate the winners.

## Before We Leave

On Prince Edward Island the month of May betokens Spring, the season of growth, sunshine, and merriment, when "a young man's fancy ———" etc. But for us as students, there is another less cheery aspect of May. It is the month in which we try to review the half year's work for the final examinations, a period in which our ordinarily peaceful equilibrium is rudely disturbed by so much work and worry. May is also a month of hurried farewells. At this stage of our college career we are like a chap, who, in the last minute must say good-bye to someone, and yet cannot afford to miss his train. And so, before joining the ranks of the "Old Boys" who once fashioned Red and White, we turn "species impressa" face downwards on the bed, and collect our confused thoughts for a parting word.

In our work on *Red and White* we always had before us an ideal. That we did not attain our ideal is but natural, for "a man's reach should exceed his grasp." At any rate, we enjoyed trying, and although there were occasions on which we may have complained of the work, we always cherished with inward pride our responsibilities as members of the staff. Criticism has come our way, and that is but natural. We received it willingly, for thus we were enabled to see our weaknesses as others saw them. We believe that having charge of our college magazine has been educational; it certainly has been a pleasure.

Before turning "species impressa" right side up, a word of gratitude. We wish to express sincere thanks to the staff, to our contributors, and to our advertisers. The printer is waiting; we thank him for his patience. — Farewell!