

College Chronicle

St. Dunstan's Dramatic Society

On Monday evening, February 27, our dramatic society, under the capable direction of Rev. M. E. Francis, presented their four-act drama, "The Attorney for the Defense," in the University Hall. The plot centers around a feud of many years standing between two families prominent in society. Its strong dramatic scenes relieved by a proportionate amount of humour, and its intense human appeal make "The Attorney for the Defense" a play of outstanding merit. We congratulate all who contributed in any way to the success of the evening's entertainment, and wish them continued success in future productions. The specialties included solos by Francis MacMillan and Clarence Pineau, and two dialogues: one by Roger Moffatt and Germain Caron, the other by Eusebius Doucette and Wilfred Arsenault, all of which the audience enjoyed immensely.

The following is the cast of characters:

Jimmy Carlyle, <i>The Attorney for the Defense</i>	R. Wadup
Judge Carlyle, <i>his father</i>	R. Cain
Joseph Hampden, <i>prosecuting attorney</i>	M. McQuaid
Jackson Multen, <i>of malted milk fame</i>	J. Doyle
Mark Nelson, <i>friend of Beth</i>	C. Murphy
Freddie Warren, <i>clerk in the office of the Carlyles</i>	A. McGuigan
Dorothy Chandler, <i>stenographer</i>	P. Callaghan
Beth Winters, <i>the defendant</i>	T. Butler
Allie Traynor, <i>who lives next door</i>	J. O'Hanley
Elsie, <i>maid in Carlyle home</i>	J. MacAulay

After the play Mr. D. MacDonald, President of the Society, clearly outlined the progress of the Dramatic Society during the last few years and thanked all who had in any way helped in its success. His Excellency, Right Reverend J. A. O'Sullivan, our guest for the evening, congratulated the members of the society on their

success in the past and expressed the hope that they would continue to carry on their good work.

Philosopher's Day

The Philosophers celebrated the feast of their patron, St. Thomas Aquinas, on Tuesday, March 7. High Mass, followed by Benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament, was celebrated by the Reverend J. A. Sullivan, Professor of Philosophy. The choir was composed wholly of Philosophers.

At nine o'clock the Seniors met the Juniors in a friendly game of hockey. The Juniors, although slightly out-classed by the superior speed of their opponents, fought with a determination that netted them two goals. These, however, were not enough, and the game ended 4-2 for the Seniors.

In the afternoon all repaired to the dining-room of the Queen Hotel to partake of the annual banquet given on this occasion. After all had partaken of the sumptuous repast, the following toasts were proposed by Toastmaster Douglas MacDonald, and responded to as follows: The Pope and the King

The Church.....	Rev. John A. Sullivan
The Day We Celebrate.....	Edward Baldwin
Our Country.....	Stephen Connolly
Our University.....	Joseph N. Trainor
Our French Brethren.....	Germain Caron
The Ladies.....	Gerard MacLellan

Vocal solos by Francis MacMillan, Pius Callaghan, and Eusebius Doucette, and a piano solo by Marcel Lamoureux were given between toasts.

Our Reverend Rector, Dr. J. A. Murphy, the guest of honor, then addressed the assembly in his usual pleasing and jovial manner. The celebration was brought to a close by the singing of Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King.

St. Thomas' Literary and Debating Society

The fifth debate of the society was held on Saturday evening, Jan. 28. The subject was: "Resolved that Canada has a brighter future than the United States."

The speakers were, Pro: F. MacMillan and G. Bellemare; Con: G. Sullivan and H. Beaudet. Each side based its arguments on the natural resources of the country it was supporting, and many points were brought forth concerning the countries' present wealth, which will play so important a part in future years. The judges awarded the decision to the Con side by a small majority. L. Duffy, in an ably delivered five minute speech, sketched the life and accomplishments of John McCormack, the noted Irish tenor.

The sixth regular meeting was held on Wednesday, Feb. 1. The committee had, after due consideration, deemed it advisable that the program be altered considerably; as a result an open debate was held to relieve the strain of routine. Every member of the society was given an opportunity to express his views on the different topics of the day, and many salient points were brought before the meeting.

The seventh debate was held on the evening of Feb. 18. The question under discussion was: "Resolved that United States is justified in her refusal to renew the war debt moratorium." The speakers were, Pro: J. Coyle and J. O'Connor; Con: J. N. Trainor and G. MacLellan. This was perhaps the best debate of the society up to the time of writing. Numerous arguments were brought forth by the two leaders who had an extensive knowledge of the subject in question. By virtue of slightly superior arguments, however, the Con side gained the decision of the judges by a small majority. A five minute speech by W. Handrahan, and a declamation by Gerald MacKinnon were greatly enjoyed.

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 22, the eighth regular debate was held. The question under discussion was: "Resolved that a solution of the present day economic ills can be found in Technocracy." The following were the speakers: Pro: H. Buote and G. Caron; Con: R. Ramsay and J. Cote. The Pro side developed the ideas set forth by the Technocrats, while the Con side, by proving that this theory tended but towards communism, won the decision of the judges. A very interesting five minute speech delivered by J. Lemay and a declamation by F. Gagnon, brought the meeting to a close.

St. John's and St. Augustine's Societies

On account of the great number of debates held by these societies we are unable to report them at length. However, we would be scarcely justified in classing St. John's Literary and Debating Society as a junior society, considering the standard of the speeches delivered. The success attained in this society is due largely to the efforts of the Moderator, Rev. J. J. Farrell, under whose direction the society is carrying on its work.

To St. Augustine's Society great praise is also due, because it is in this society that the younger students acquire the primary principles of public speaking which are so necessary for success in later life. The Moderator, Rev. George A. MacDonald, is to be congratulated on the interest he has taken in this society.

Canadian Catholic Students' Mission Crusade

The second meeting of the Canadian Catholic Students' Mission Crusade Society was held on Sunday, January 29, in the Assembly Hall. After the discussion of several business questions, Mr. Kenneth MacMillan, the President of the society, gave a short but instructive talk on the "White Fathers in Africa." He made us acquainted with conditions in this dark continent, the customs of the natives, and the difficult tasks these fathers have in spreading Christianity. A vote of thanks, moved by Mr. Clarence Murphy and seconded by Mr. Edward Baldwin, was unanimously tendered Mr. MacMillan for his instructive and pleasant talk on this very interesting subject.

The third meeting of this society was held on Saturday, March 11. The meeting held this time took the form of a debate. The purpose of this was to create some interest in the foreign missions. The subject was: "Resolved that the natives of India can be more easily converted to Christianity than the natives of China." The speakers were, Pro: J. Coyle, V. McGillivray, and J. Kenny; Con: E. Baldwin, J. O'Connor, and E. Murphy. Many arguments were brought forth by the individual speakers, and from their speeches the audience could easily learn many things about these strange countries far to the East. The judges awarded a victory to the

pro side by a small majority. After the debate the Moderator, Rev. R. V. MacKenzie, congratulated the speakers on their treatment of the subject and reminded all members of their duties in this society.

Necrology

To Roger Moffatt, on the death of his sister; to Thomas Peters, on the death of his father; and to Hector Buote, on the death of his father, *Red and White* extends its sincere and heartfelt sympathy.

Unless above himself he can
Erect himself, how poor a thing is man.

—Samuel Daniel.

Sublime tobacco ! which from east to west
Cheers the tar's labor or the Turkman's rest.

—Byron

Art is long, and Time is fleeting,
And our hearts, though stout and brave,
Still, like muffled drums, are beating
Funeral marches to the grave.

—Longfellow.

