

## College Chronicle

Sunshine ,softball and final examinations indicate just one thing to us here on the campus, and that is that we will be soon bidding farewell to S. D. U. For many of us, this farewell will only be "au revoir", while for some it will signify the end of a happy and unforgetful career at S.D.U. Some of us may not rest our eyes on our beloved college for a few years, and some few of us may, God forbid, never have the pleasure again of beholding the "College on the hill." But this sentimentality is characteristic of the atmosphere that usually prevails at this time of the year at most alma maters.

Before we get all wrapped up in the sentimentality at the thought of leaving S. D. U., let's take a brief but comprehensive glance at some of the activities which have been bringing to a close this 101st scholastic year in the history of St. Dunstan's.

### STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Dramatic Society, under the experienced direction of Father Adrian Arsenault, has presented many wonderful plays in the past few years, but it had always seemed that the limited financial resources of the society would never permit it to present a Shakespearean play together with all its colorful regalia and extensive scenery. But we have seen it accomplished this year, when the Society presented Shakespeare's romantic tragedy "Romeo and Juliet". Including a total cast of twenty four and featuring Grace Seaman and Billy Cameron in the title roles, the play was highly successful from the point of view of entertainment, and excellent from the viewpoint of acting ability displayed.

With all the scenery and costumes being "home-made", Father Arsenault and his crew cut production costs to a minimum, but due to the fact that other events were being held in Charlottetown simultaneously with the presentation of our play, the proceeds realized were far less than those anticipated. However, the standard attained and established by the Dramatic Society this year is such that it may ever be held up as a goal for our Dramatic Societies in the years to come.

The play was presented in the college auditorium twice, at the Queen Charlotte High School in Charlottetown twice,



and in Summerside once. We appreciate the time and the energy put into the production of the play by each member of the cast, stage crew and finally Father Roche, the make-up director, and Father Arseneault, the Director.

#### PHILOSOPHERS' DAY

The feast of St. Thomas Aquinas is always a memorable day for the philosophers of St. Dunstan's as many former philosophers will now recall with pleasant memories.

This year we celebrated Philosophers' Day on Monday, March 7, 1955. In the morning the philosophers of the Junior class and those of the Senior class played the annual hockey games. The first game was played to a 4-4 tie, while the second game was captured by the Seniors 6-3.

At noon time, sixty-one philosophers congregated at the Charlottetown Hotel for the annual Philosophers' Banquet. Toastmaster for the occasion was Gerald Kilbride. Andrew MacDonald responded to the toast to the Church; R. A. Wedge, the Day We Celebrate; J. H. R. Wedge, Our Country; William Quinn, Our College; and Mary Farmer, The Ladies. The guest-speaker for the occasion was Rt. Rev. Patrick McMahon, Rector of St. Dunstan's Basilica. Present for the first time at the annual affair was our new Bishop, Malcolm A. MacEachern, Bishop of Charlottetown, and chancellor of St. Dunstan's. After having taught philosophy at St. F. X. for twenty years, the Bishop found himself very much at home among a group of philosophers. Other special guests included Rt. Rev. R. V. MacKenzie, Rector, and Revs. J. A. Sullivan and L. W. Landrigan, professors of philosophy at S.D.U.

In his address, our guest speaker, Monsignor McMahon, pointed out the prevailing note of hypocrisy in the world today. Truth, which is the end of the human intellect, has been distorted by a world which is unwilling to face reality. As philosophers, whose aim is the discovery of truth and its re-establishment to its former high position and place of honor in the world, we must champion truth whatever may be the price. This distortion of truth corresponds to a denial of the Author of Truth and Truth Itself, which is God.

On March 21, the members of the Senior Class were the guests of the Rotary Club of Charlottetown at their weekly meeting and dinner at the Charlottetown Hotel. The graduating class of Prince of Wales College was also invited. Each Rotarian was host to a student for the occas-



ion. The purpose of the program was part of a national Rotary program outlined to help college graduates choose their avocations, professions and occupations in life. Five professional men spoke for a few minutes each on their respective professions and explained their requirements, advantages and opportunities. The professions which were spoken on, were medicine, law, engineering, accountancy and teaching.

The Rotary Club also provided the students with forms which if mailed into the Rotary Club president would enable him to arrange an interview for the student interested, with a person in the field to which he aspires.

Senior Class president Alton Craig, thanked the business and professional men on behalf of the senior class for the opportunity of meeting and talking with them, and for the great hospitality which they extended to the students.

### ELECTIONS

In relating the most important and also the most recent event, we note that those students who are to provide the leadership for next year in the most important organization on the campus, the Students' Union, have been elected. On April 18, the students cast their ballots in an effort to elect three men from the eight candidates nominated. The three candidates for the presidency of the Students' Union were Arthur Seaman, Urban MacLellan, and Richard J. H. Wedge. The candidates for the vice-presidency were, George Mullally and Arnold Mullins. Running for Secretary-Treasurer were Henry Gaudet, Louis McCloskey and St. Clair Trainor. The three successful candidates were Dick Wedge, George Mullally and Henry Gaudet. RED AND WHITE extends its sincere congratulations to the executive-elect of the Students' Union, and wish them the best in their future and, we hope, fruitful, term of office. We all realize the importance of the Students' Union and the necessity of electing the best possible candidates to govern it. We believe that we have three such men who will live up to the prestige and honor of their predecessors over the years. RED AND WHITE also thanks those candidates who, in the interests of the students, offered themselves for election.

To the out-going executive of the Students' Union, RED AND WHITE extend its heartiest congratulations on a job well done. Praise is due to President Lloyd Gaudet who took over the reins in January when former president Aquinas Ryan left college. Lloyd did a splendid job in coming to the rescue, and very capably directed the organization. Vice-



president Urban MacLellan also deserves credit for taking over the direction of the Students' Union for that period after Aquinas left and before the new election had been held. Finally concerning Reg. McQuaid, we need only point out the splendid manner in which he carried out his duties with the greatest efficiency. Congratulations to the whole executive.

With this brief account of important events which have occurred since the last publication of RED AND WHITE, the Chronicle of the final edition of the RED AND WHITE for this scholastic year, 1954-55, comes to a conclusion.

In concluding, the Chronicle Editor would like to return to that theme with which he commence the College Chronicle, our graduation.

While most of us are looking back on the year and are amazed at the swiftness with which the time has passed by, the seniors are recalling four years which have elapsed all too quickly. While many of this year's graduates look forward to undecided and uncertain futures, and others to careers in particular professions or stations in life, yet all look back on four of the happiest years of their lives, the memories of which will always be cherished.

In looking forward to the 101st commencement exercise of St. Dunstan's, our graduates realize that they have received a privilege which is denied to so many, and that there are attached to this privilege certain corresponding responsibilities and duties. As graduates of a Catholic College, they will be expected to display certain qualities which should characterize the Catholic College Graduate.

With the aim of living up to the high calibre of the graduating classes of St. Dunstan's over the past hundred years, the Class of '55 will go forth from these walls to undertake careers and Catholic lives which will reflect the prestige, honor and glory which has always been St. Dunstan's.



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