

# College Chronicle

## Bishop's Visit

On January 18, His Excellency, Bishop O'Sullivan, paid his annual visit to St. Dunstan's and celebrated a Votive Mass in the College Chapel. After the Mass, His Excellency delivered an interesting talk in which he exhorted us as followers of Christ and members of the Catholic Church to do our utmost in an attempt to overcome the false principles prevalent in modern society. This, His Excellency stressed, can be brought about only by individual effort, each doing his own part.

## Retreat

The Annual Retreat which began on March 1 and ended March 4 was preached by Rev. A. A. Murray, C.S.P., of New York. During those important days classes were dispensed with in order that we might enter whole-heartedly into the spirit of retreat. The Reverend Father in his various conferences portrayed the many difficulties which have to be encountered especially in the modern day when the code of morality has been warped to suit the modernistic trend of thought. These can easily be overcome by adhering to the unchanging principles of the Church, the chief of which are love of God and of our neighbour. We take this opportunity to congratulate the Reverend Father on his thoughtful discourses and we hope to be true to the good resolutions they evoked.

## St. Dunstan's Dramatic Society

On Tuesday evening, February 13, the dramatic society, under the capable direction of Rev. M. E. Francis, presented "The Bat," a three-act mystery drama, in the College Hall. The plot centers around a double murder and a bank robbery. The mystery surrounding the plot and the characters involved make the play one of outstanding interest. We congratulate all those who helped



to make the play a success. The specialties included a solo by Clarence Pineau and a comedy sketch by John Kenny and Thomas Butler which the audience enjoyed immensely.

The following is the cast of characters:

Miss Cornelia Van Gorder, a refined spinister.....	J. J. MacDonald
Lizzie Allen, the Spinister's maid.....	J. O'Hanley
Miss Dale Ogden, Miss Van Gorder's niece.....	J. Ranahan
Brooks, a Bank Clerk, Dale's friend.....	A. MacDonald
Doctor Wells.....	P. Callaghan
Anderson.....	M. McQuaid
Billy, a Japanese Butler.....	J. McCarthy
Richard Fleming.....	V. MacGillivray
Reginald Beresford.....	G. MacKinnon
Unknown Man.....	J. O'Connor

After the performance the Rector, Rev. Dr. Murphy, congratulated the members of the cast, and expressed the opinion that in view of the many difficulties which the presentation of so complicated a play entailed, the entertainment had been quite successful.

#### Philosophers' Day

On Mach 7 the Philosophers celebrated the feast of their patron, St. Thomas Aquinas. High Mass was celebrated at seven a.m. by Rev. John A. Sullivan in the College Chapel. The choir was composed entirely of Philosophers.

In accordance with a custom of long standing a game of hockey was played between the Seniors and Juniors. Although the ice was in poor condition, the enthusiastic fans were treated to a fine exhibition of hockey. The referee endeavoured to handle the game in an impartial manner, but due to the many disputes which arose, the encounter was declared a draw without taking into consideration the number of goals scored.

#### St. Thomas' Literary and Debating Society

We regret that space does not permit us to give a detailed account of the various debates, the majority of which were quite successful. Many of the speakers have



acquired the practise of basing their arguments on philosophical principles, resulting in clear and decisive conclusions.

The Senior Society held debates as follows:

January 17. "Resolved that Germany is justified in accepting Hitlerism."

J. O'Connor and F. MacNeill of the Con side treated their side of the question quite thoroughly by condemning the essence of Hitlerism and were awarded the decision. A short speech by Clarence Pineau gave us an insight into the proposed Canadian Central Bank. Mr. Paul Gallant acted in the capacity of critic and performed his duties in a capable manner.

January 27. "Resolved that Canada should not have entered Confederation."

Pro: Gerard MacKinnon and L. O'Donnell.

Con: P. J. Gallant and T. Peters.

Mr. MacKinnon produced some very forceful arguments which won for him the decision of the judges. A five minute speech by L. Levesque on early Canadian History was greatly enjoyed. Gerald MacKinnon criticised the speakers in an impartial manner.

January 31. "Resolved that, to relieve unemployment, governments should inaugurate programs of public works rather than distribute dole."

Pro: B. Cote and N. Trites.

Con: J. Lemay and A. Hughes.

This was one of the best debates of the season. The speakers brought to light the many abuses which would inevitably follow such programs. The judges were divided in their decisions. Mr. Alban MacDonald very capably performed the duties of critic.

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

These societies have been progressing favorably during the term. The success attained is due largely to the co-operation on the part of Moderators and members.

In the junior society many interesting subjects have been discussed at length and a keen interest has been noticeable at all meetings.

#### Necrology

*Red and White* extends its heartfelt sympathy to Vincent McKenna on the death of his father.