

# Charley Elected President



## MODEL PARLIAMENT A SUCCESS

St. Dunstan's University has had its first model-parliament in six years. Whether or not it can be considered an unqualified success is a matter of opinion. Nevertheless, it is generally agreed that the three day election campaign and one-and-a-half day parliamentary session were of tremendous experience to active participants and passive observers alike.

The eighteen member Liberal Government for the model-parliament was led by Prime Minister Weston MacAleer from Shewood. As well as Leader of the Government, the Senior Arts Student served as Minister of Defense. Leader of Her Majesty's Loyal Opposition was Junior Arts Student from Kensington and President of the SDU Progressive Conservative Club Philip Macdonald.

Though the Throne Speech contained much proposed legislation, and there was considerable debate on the part of both government and opposition members, the highlight of Friday evening's sitting involved the exclusion of one of the government members from the House by the opposition. Rising to his feet and addressing the Speaker, Robert Grindly, Opposition Leader Macdonald observed that there were thirty-one sitting members in the thirty seat legislature; and since the Speaker of the House considered a voting member of the Government, the Government would have to restore the parliamentary equilibrium by removing one of its mem-

bers. After a moment of stunned silence and a five minute adjournment upon the request of the Government, the Speaker upheld Mr. Macdonald's position and demanded that one Liberal remove himself from the Legislature.

Highlights in the Speech from the Throne, read by Governor General Alban Farmer, included the adoption of a policy of non-military aid to Viet Nam, diplomatic recognition of Red China, the establishment of a Minister of Culture, free tuition to be financed from the proceeds of government lotteries, and expansion of the Canadian Development Board.

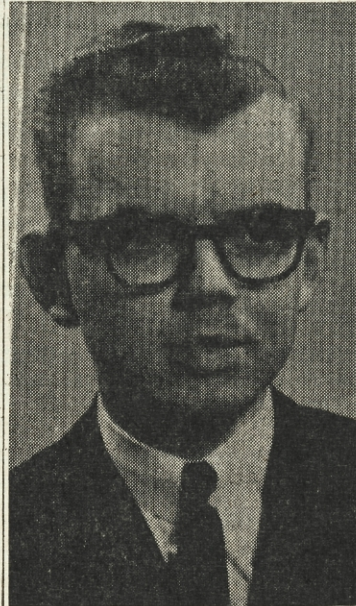
In moving an amendment to the Throne Speech, and consequently a vote of non-confidence in the Government, Opposition Leader Philip Macdonald referred to the document as a series of ambiguous generalities and meaningless platitudes. Opposition member Tom McMillan called the Throne Speech "a powerhouse of mediocrity." Other spokesmen for the opposition included Paul Gray and Robert Chornenki. Mr. MacAleer defended the Government's proposed legislation by referring to the "tremendous mandate" the electorate had given the Government to implement its policies. Other speakers for the Government in the debate of the Throne Speech were Minister of Finance Dave Campbell, Minister of Trade and Commerce Mike O'Brien, and Minister Without Portfolio Mary Cullen. The debate on

the Speech from the Throne continued Saturday morning when a vote was called, and the House voted in favor of the Speech along party lines.

Saturday morning's sitting began with a question period at which time various members of the Government, particularly Postmaster General John Rowe and Citizenship and Immigration Minister Leo Broderick, were questioned on Government business.

Possibly the most important and by far the most controversial, piece of legislation presented to the House by the Government was a bill to reform the Canadian Senate. The bill provided for a 72 member senate, the establishment of twelve senate committees, ten year senate appointments and appointment of senators by the provinces. After considerable debate on the provision for 72 senate members and the establishment of twelve senate committees, the bill was passed without too much difficulty.

Other business in the model-parliament included a free vote on lowering the voting age from 21 to 18, an open debate on penal reform, and a bill to extend diplomatic recognition to Red China. Since both Government and Opposition were in general agreement on the former three bills, and since the Government was forced by the Opposition to withdraw the latter bill, Prime Minister MacAleer requested an adjournment.



CHARLEY McMILLAN  
PRESIDENT



ROSEMARY HUGHES  
SECRETARY

## St. Dunstan's A. A. A.

Due to the revisions in the S.D.U.S.U. Constitution (Article 8 Sec. 6) the A.A.A. executive elections are held in council each year between March sixteenth and the thirtieth. In the A.A.A. Constitution it is stated that every registered student of St. Dunstan's shall be a member of the A.A.A.

Therefore for purposes of a better informed election-in-council and to give each student their privilege to some say in the choice of candidates who will serve as the Executive of the A.A.A. there was primary election held in conjunction with the S.D.U.S.U. elections. It was the desire of the present council to insure for the students next year a qualified and capable executive to provide the best program of athletics and activities.

The results of the election were in no way binding on the A.A.A. council but they constitute a considerable factor in determining the final choice.

### (EDITORS NOTE)

As a result of Tuesday's elections, the A.A.A. nominee's are:

John Rogers, President  
Gene Murphy, Vice-President  
John Rowe, Sec.-Treasurer

## Prought Ruins Gallup

Tuesday, March 15 — President David Morton of the S.D.U.S.U. announced Tues. that eightyfour percent of the student body at Saint Dunstan's University had gone to the polls (That's a farce, only one poll.) to decide on their Student Union Executive for the 1966-1967 school year. After a fierce campaign, during which the entire student body was bombarded with propaganda from different campaign teams, the students voted in Charles McMillan as President, Phillip MacDougall as Vice-President, and Gerald Prought as Treasurer.

After the ballots were finally counted, it was revealed that President-elect Charles McMillan had received a startling vote of confidence of sixty percent from the students. That is of the possible four hundred fifty-nine votes cast, McMillan received two hundred seventy-two. Of the remaining one hundred eighty-five votes, Tom McMillan received one hundred one and Michael O'Brien cornered eighty-four. Interviews indicate that the President-elect won Campus support on the basis of his record in past activities with particular emphasis on success of the recent Winter Carnival.

In the Vice-presidential race, Phillip MacDougall won the position handily over his sole rival Robert Hickey with a majority of One hundred nine votes. MacDougall, president of the Sophomore Class during the past term, has been given the mandate on the assumption of his capabilities as indicated by his performance in the 1965 1964 season.

The most startling results of the days balloting were those of the candidate for the Exchequer. After a quiet campaign in which neither candidate created much of a stir, Gerald Prought, hitherto an unknown in Campus politics, shaded his opponent, Brian Dornan by a mere four percent. In doing so, Gerry had the laugh on the polsters who had predicted, on the basis of Gallup polls conducted in all S.D.U. residences, that Dornan, treasurer of the Winter Carnival, would win hands down.

The winners election was based on a first ballot victory. Because last minute estimates indicated a very close race for all offices, no one could have predicated the outcome with certainty. Charles McMillan's support was based on a wide following among the resident and day students with no particular emphasis on any one group. However, campaign committee men indicated that success or failure of the election, decided, in their opinion, at the beginning of the campaigns, rested greatly on a quick start and climaxed with the rally in the gym last Mon-

day night. Despite the disappointing attendance, the results were not greatly affected although summaries indicated that Tom McMillan did pick up considerable votes in proportion to the number present.

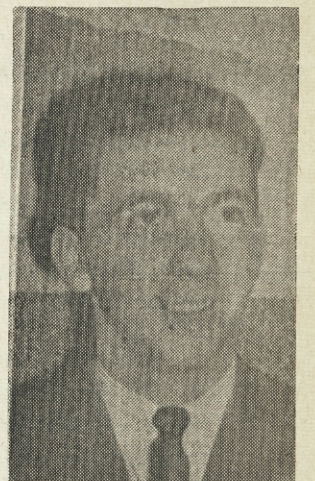
The following is a statement issued by Charles McMillan shortly after his election Tuesday evening.

I would like to express publicly my sincere thanks and deep appreciation for the support shown in the student elections. I feel the duties to be both difficult and challenging.

To the other candidates I offer my congratulations on a formidable campaign. All students are in agreement that there is much to be done for the Student's Union. My only hope now is that the heat of the campaign will die down and the efforts of all students will be combined to meet the task and burdens ahead.

I would like to thank in particular the members of the campaign committee whose tireless efforts and continuous enthusiasm did much to achieve success.

Charles McMillan

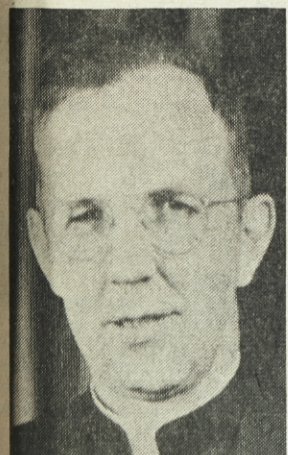


PHILIP MACDOUGALL  
VICE-PRESIDENT



GERALD PROUGHT  
TREASURER

## FATHER ROCHE TO LEAVE ST. DUNSTAN'S



The Canadian Catholic Conference is the organization of the Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops of Canada. As the first Director of this new department of the C.C.C. Father Roche's first concern will be to find staff assistants and work out a program of study and action.

Father Roche said that one of the first moves of his Department will be "to take a survey of the extent of the actual involvement of the Catholic Church in English speaking Canada in higher education". He said that the new Department will "deal initially with higher education". It will "assess the investment of the Church in men, money and facilities in the work of higher education".

Father Roche comes to his new job well qualified, as he has been Director of the Canadian Catholic Education Council since 1962. This organization was established by the Canadian Hierarchy in 1959 to do some organizational and coordinational work on Catholic educational activities in Canada.

Though he has no firm idea of when he will take up residence in Ottawa, Father Roche's leave of absence from the diocese of Charlottetown will become effective at the end of this term. He has been a member of the faculty at Saint Dunstan's for twenty-one years.

Father Roche will be leaving S.D.U. this Friday to attend the International Theological Conference at the University of Notre Dame in Indiana. The Conference runs from March 19th to 26th. Two-hundred and fifty persons have been invited to the Conference.

## TOPSIDERS GREAT

An audience of approximately two hundred persons thoroughly enjoyed a Folk-Concert by the "Topsiders" and the "Sons of Erin" on Saturday March 12. The "Topsiders" making their first appearance on Prince Edward Island, sang various tunes from the popular 'Barbara Ann' to the sentimental 'Marching To Pretoria'. This quartet from Halifax brought with them much experience and competence and received such comments as "great" and "terrific" from the audience. Nor were our "Sons of Erin"

to be denied. Performing what many considered their finest effort yet, the Saint Dunstan's group kept its audience interested throughout the evening with varied numbers, many of them dealing with the Good Old Country.

The crowd was small but the show was good. Those who were there enjoyed it, those who weren't missed something good. The next time a similar concert is presented, students are advised to think twice before ruling it out.