



## EXCHANGES

Some years ago, the exchange section played a most important role in a college magazine. In this department, the different publications were reviewed, their merits extolled, their faults criticized. Editors eagerly scanned the pages devoted to this work, and profited greatly by the criticisms and recommendations therein. In those days, however, most editions were monthly's or quarterly's and were of a learned and literary tone. They were filled with essays, short stories and poems, and readily lent themselves to criticism and review.

Today the situation is somewhat different. Most College editions are now published weekly instead of monthly and are of lighter, freer composition. They no longer pretend to be learned or literary, but are rather college newspapers which report and discuss the activities of their respective campuses.

Under this system, an exchange department seems obsolete and out of place. It has nothing to comment on in the accounts of hockey games, dances, and debates, and the more weighty articles seldom appear. If occasionally, something of outstanding merit is printed in one magazine, it can be repeated in any part of another and does not require a special department.

Most colleges have realized the doubtful value of such a section, and have abolished it from their publications. In view of these considerations, we are convinced that Exchanges has outlived its usefulness, it no longer performs any helpful function, and we should recommend that the example of the other colleges be followed and that this department be discontinued in the future issues of the Red and White.

## EVENING SCENE

*I love the misty dusk of eventide  
When hills grow soft against the sunset sky,  
And throw their shadows over colored pools  
Of paddies when the rice is young and low;  
And yonder in the valley's shelter lies  
A group of thatch-roofed huts whose pungent smoke  
Is mingled with the spicy tang of pine.*

(The Argosy Weekly)

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It seems hard for us to believe, who are so close to the movement that we look past it, but the day is coming when the St. Francis Xavier Extension Movement will be as well known to the world as it is to the farmers and fishermen of the Maritimes.

(The Xaverian)

