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Distinguished Patrons to View "Arsenic and Old Lace"

## OXFORD THEATRE DECEMBER THIRTEENTH

In its most ambitious effort in three seasons, Saint Mary's Play Shop will present on Monday, December 13th, the current comedy success, "Arsenic and Old Lace". Art Leahy has announced that the production will be staged at one of the city's finest movie houses. The offering is to be under the distinguished patronage of The Most Reverend John T. McNally, D.D., His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. H. E. Kendall.

Paving the way for the subsequent sale of tickets an advertising campaign will swing open soon.

"Arsenic and Old Lace" is a riotous comedy which packs a humorous whollop in a ridiculous situation. The Misses Brewster are lovable old ladies, who help lonely old men escape from the sadness of life by the simple expedient of a glass of elderberry wine liberally salted with arsenic. Thirteen such "charities" is their final record. They bury them in the cellar. Blusters nephew Jonathan near the play's close, "You can give the house to the church—it should be part of the cemetery anyway." How the Brewsters carry on and even break their thug nephew's record of 13 murders makes the play's preposterous joyful plot.

Upon its production in New York's Fulton Theatre, Mr. Kesselring's opera was a smashing success. "It is a noisy, preposterous, incoherent joy," Richard Lockridge wrote of it in the New York Sun; "You wouldn't believe that homicidal mania could be such great fun." Lockridge's fellow critics were fully as generous in their comments. Indeed, it is difficult to understand how anyone could stand under a plot whose situations are so utterly frank and idiotic.

The boys are wholeheartedly buried in their scripts, with the idea of bringing to "John Public" something new and better in the field of dramatics. With this end in view the following cast has been chosen:

The aunts, "Martha and Abby," are to be vividly portrayed by the experienced Ed Boyd, Jerry Mackey combine.

"Mortimer and Jonathan," none too friendly brothers, are played by Cyril Lynch and Bob Miller. (Watch this fight!)

The remainder of the cast of thirteen is made up of such famous Thespians as:

- "Rev. Dr. Harper"—Joe Penny.
- "Teddy Brewster"—Alex Allen.
- "Officer Klein"—Hugh MacDonaid.
- "Officer Brophy"—Ted Levy.
- "Mr. Gibbs"—Bill Bourke.
- "Dr. Einstein"—Dave Finlay.
- "Officer O'Hara"—Bun Muleahy.
- "Lieutenant Rooney"—Gerald Reardon.
- "Mr. Witherspoon"—Terry Hanrahan.

So there you have it, Mr. Public. Set everything else aside for December 13, and come sit with the talent scouts at the theatre to see St. Mary's greatest presentation, "Arsenic and Old Lace."

### Saint Mary's Lose Close Debate

Saint Mary's suffered defeat in its first debate of the year, when it lost to King's College in a debate held Monday, December 29, at Pine Hill Divinity College. The College team upholding the negative of the resolution "Resolved that in Canada, radio operation, control and ownership should be private," was composed of John Lynch, Science '44 (leader) and Ed. Chisholm, Commerce '46. The successful King's College debaters were Fred Taylor (leader) and Doug Rogers.

Evidence of the closely contested verbal struggle is indicated by the two to one decision of the judges. Chairman for the evening was Professor W. R. Maxwell of the King's College faculty and judges were Rev. Dr. MacKinnon of Pine Hill, Hon. Mr. Justice M. B. Archibald and Professor John Willis, Dean of the Dalhousie Law School.

### Sodalists Plan For December 8

On December 8th, the feast of the Immaculate Conception, the Sodalities of both College and High School will hold a combined reception. In the morning Fr. O'Donnell will celebrate Mass at 9 o'clock, at Holy Heart Seminary. The actual reception will take place there at 4.45 p.m. All candidates for membership will be formally accepted as Sodality members by His Grace, the Archbishop. An appropriate sermon for the occasion will be delivered by Fr. J. Mills, of St. Mary's Cathedral.

Immediately after the reception ceremonies, the Sodality members will return to the College, where a buffet supper will be held. This affair is to be sponsored by both the High School, who will supply sandwiches, and the College, who will provide all other requirements.

Making arrangements for the latter are Alex MacDonald and Mike Weagle, who for the past few weeks have been scanning Dartmouth and vicinity in search of the necessary paper cups, dishes, etc. Directly following the refreshments, there will be entertainment in the form of a movie, in the Assembly Hall.

### Students' Council Holds First Meeting

The newly formed Students' Council has swung into action. At the first meeting held Tuesday the organization, with its eleven members drawn from all corners, showed clearly that it is earmarked for an important role in future college activities. Having in its ranks representatives from every faculty and society it presents a complete cross-section of the student body.

"A Students' Council has long been needed; we have all clearly realized this and now that it is here, it is up to each of us to see that it functions correctly and efficiently." With these words the first president Ray Beck started the council on its way.

The matter of prime interest was the constitution for the council. Realizing the necessity of having it drawn up in the very near future, it was agreed that the executive should proceed immediately to draft a constitution, which will be presented to the council for acceptance at the next meeting, to be held next week.

A number of other matters came up for discussion, but no definite actions will be undertaken until the new organization has had its constitution accepted by the student body.

With the appointment of councillors from the various societies, the executive of the Students' Union now stands complete and ready to swing into action for the year. The complete executive consists of:

- President—Ray Beck.
- Vice-President—Bob Miller.
- Secretary—Jack Thomas.
- Councillors:
  - Arts—Mike Edgar.
  - Commerce—Alex Allen.
  - Engineers—Gerald Moffatt.
  - Debating Society—Roy Power.
  - A.A.A.—Gerry Reardon.

### Ryan To Address Engineers

Plans are going ahead rapidly for what the Engineers claim will be the best banquet in years. Committees have been formed and speakers procured for the big social event.

The outstanding feature will be the talk given by Mr. Ryan, of Canadian General Electric, who will present an illustrated lecture on electronics. Mr. Ryan, who has already spoken in Halifax, is one of the most noted authorities in his particular field, and as a result the Engineers are eagerly awaiting his address.

Vice-President John Lynch is at present guiding the destinies of the Engineering Society. Ray Beck, new President of the Students' Union, resigned his post as Engineers' President, to carry out better his new job, thus necessitating the third presidential election in the present school year.

### Personalities In the News



REV. CHARLES MURPHY  
See page 4, col. 3



MR. H. F. RYAN  
See page 1, col. 4



WING. COMM. E. REYNO  
See page 3, col. 1



CAPT. F. REARDON  
See page 3, col. 2

### THEY STAR



—by Mike Kennedy.

Aunt Martha (Mackey) and Aunt Abby (Boyd), two dear old ladies who resent the charge that they have "murdered" 12 men and buried their bodies in the cellar.

"Murdered! Certainly not, it's one of our charities!" coos Abby.

### Announce Presentation Of Award

It was officially announced today that an award will be given for the best performance in "Arsenic and Old Lace". Just what form this award will take and who the judges will be has not been announced. Mr. George, S.J., when questioned on the point, was unable to give any idea as to whom the prize would go.

### TO OBSERVE TRIDUUM

This year, Saint Mary's Sodality, in conjunction with all others in the country, will unite in the Triduum for the Pope. Last year our Sodality offered up a total of 116 communions and 200 masses for the Holy Father. It is hoped that an even greater response will be given this year by all the student body.

# Winter Gardens To Develop Hockey Talent

## S. M. C. AFTER TITLE

Changing the scene "Jack Frost" puts in his bid and things are starting to shape into what looks like a promising hockey season here at Saint Mary's. Looking over the prospects around the crowded halls, we find that several of the stars of last year's team have left for other fields. Mr. Beazley, in his role as coach, will be at the head of the team again this year, and under his guidance we predict that the Intercollegiate Hockey Championship will return to Saint Mary's. If there is any doubt in your mind, just stick with us while we show you the reason why.

Mr. Beazley, who is at the top of everyone's list in the College, is the number one reason. Under his capable hand the Intercollegiate Championship has come and gone and if he has anything to do with it, back again it will come.

This year we shall be without the services of Wally Foley, and that will no doubt leave a "big" gap at the blue line. With him has gone Jimmy Morisarity, whose services St. F. X. will gain. Butch Gummer and Herbie Ernst, who would be valuable to any team, have passed on to Tech and Henry "Chick" Kline has entered the Seminary.

Jimmy Pineo, considered one of the best netminders around these parts, will again don the pads to give the opposing forwards lots to worry about. All you have to do is watch Jimmy brush aside shots when the pressure is on to know what an asset he is.

Guarding the blue line this year will be reliable Axle Allen, with lots of ability and experience. With him will be Joe McLellan. Joe joined the team last year and with that experience behind him should show them how its done this year.

Moving up to the forwards we find lots of everything. One man who has everything is Bunny Mulcahy. He combines speed with his playmaking and that is something we can't do without. Hughie MacDonald, another fast and smooth skating forward, is a player who can dish it out as well as take it. Ed Godwin, a smooth stickhandler, is expected to turn in a lot of three-star games. Dinty Moore is a player worthy of praise. He gives his best always. Terry Hanrahan, who is a second Pineo, will be in there to

## Kids To Receive Expert Coaching

Well it looks as though Junior hockey around Halifax is finally going to get the boost it has so badly needed for a number of years. Under the capable direction of Father Carroll and Jim MacDonald plans are underway for the building of a regulation size rink with all facilities at the old Gorsebrook property—now known as St. Mary's Winter Gardens.

The Club plans to operate a house league comprised of the members of the club. The reason for this new rink is the development of young hockey talent. From the house league the best players are to be selected and teams are to be entered in the Midget, Bantam and Juvenile city leagues. The league will operate as a sort of "Farm system." The players will train under the same coach and by the time they are old enough for junior hockey Halifax will have a team worthy of the time that has been spent on them.

This club will also afford a great opportunity to the hockey players of S.M.C. and from this club a Maritime Intercollegiate Championship team may well develop. This "Farm system" whose purpose it is to develop the young hockey players into polished seniors is a cracker-jack idea and all our best wishes go to Father Carroll and Jim MacDonald, the originators of the plan.

## Appoint Managers, Mascots

A. A. President Reardon has just released the names of those who will look after the managerial reins of the College's hockey entries for 1942-43. Also appointed were the mascots of the three outfits.

Senior Artsman Mike Edgar will boss the college team, while Don Boyd will carry the sticks and pads.

Emmett Campbell will guide the powerful juvenile aggregation, which has Steve (T-formation) Haggarty as mascot.

Matric Rugby star Doug MacDonnell and Gordon Bradley are the executives in charge of the Junior High Sextette.

look after the net minding job with Jimmy.

Jimmie McManus and Bruce Hyland, former Senior High players, will be out doing their best for a berth on the team.



By BUN MULCAHY

Bringing back memories of the hectic gridiron battles which featured such stars as Vin Vaughan, Geo. Janigan, Leo McDonald, "Chose" Theriault, Dick Murphy, "Mole" Bishop etc., the Engineers and Boarders have been for the past two weeks throwing their bodies at each other in a hard fought Interclass playoff. The Engineers came out on top, winning two games in a best two out of three series to bring to a close another football year at Saint Mary's.

As far as football is concerned the season wasn't as successful as in former years. I guess you can chalk it up to lack of enthusiasm on the part of the players which was shown in the frequent appearance of eight or nine players instead of the conventional twelve. However, this lack of enthusiasm was partially offset by a hectic playoff and a surprisingly fine performance on the part of a few rookie footballers. While we're on this "rookie" subject let's take time out to select the most improved player in the league. I'll go out on a limb and name young Joe Penny as the most improved pigskin performer of this season. Joe came a long way since his debut into the game last year.

Playing outside for the luckless Arts squad Joe played the best part of the game in his opponents backfield, smashing up play after play before it got started. Yes sir, if the Arts have a team next season they'll merely have to find half a line to help out Penny and a couple of backfield aces to support Dannie McLean and they'll be a plenty tough team to beat.

Well, all in all, it wasn't a bad season. The A.A.A., I think, accomplished what had been planned. Emphasis was placed on building future stars, and the high school kids handled this very capably, and while these stars were being built the college football enthusiasts kept themselves contented by battling it out in the interclass league.

With football just about off the agenda lets see what the King of Winter Sports, Mr. Hockey, has in store for us. Before going too deep into this coming year's hockey let's review the past few seasons. The past three years have proven to be memorable ones for the Maroon and White squads. Out of three tries we have clicked for one Nova Scotia Championship and have been finalists in the other two. I think everybody will agree with me when I say that this is a first class showing in any man's league. During these past few years a good many exciting and hard fought games have taken place which will be played over time and again by players and supporters alike. Remember that tough upset in Antigonish in '40-'41; those last five minutes in Halifax against St. F. X. in the following year, and again in the same season the hectic battle with Acadia that gave us the title? Those were the games and who knows but that the coming year might be full to the brim with games like those of the past few years. Well anyway, there's one thing certain and that is we're going to send a team out this year to get back that old mug which St. F. X. BORROWED from us last season.

Looking around, we find that a few of the old stand-ins are back to add a few more bruises to their battle-scarred bodies. Along with these veterans of the ice wars a number of promising high school warriors are on hand which should give Coach Beazley plenty of material from which to pick a championship team.

Negotiations are underway to form a City College Service league composed of Saint Mary's, Dal (who are definitely interested in hockey this year), Tech, and King's Naval Training College. If this league materializes it should be just what the doctor ordered for the necessary competition the Irish need for outside College playoffs. There is, along with this proposal, another bright light shining on the hockey front and this is that St. F. X. has already shown its willingness for a home and home pre-season series with Saint Mary's. If the A.A.A. ignores this offer it will without a doubt be defeating its own cause.

While we're still on the hockey angle I see that two of our Alumni, Rev. Father F. Carroll and Jim McDonald, have hit upon a real idea which will undoubtedly boost junior hockey in the city to a new high. Their proposed Winter Gardens will affect hundreds of kids in the city and ultimately SMC will reap the benefits of their Farm System as in all probability most of their finished products will end up at the College.

## Transitmen Take Title

Sparked by a strong line and hard tackling the Engineers whipped the Boarders 11-1 to win the interfaculty football league. The Engineers lost the first game of a two out of three series, but came back strongly to take the next two games.

The Boarders started off with a bang in the first quarter and twice they pushed their opponents back to the edge of the goal stripe, but the stonewall line of the Engineers held and the Boarders were forced to kick for a rouge. The second quarter went much the same as the first with the Engineers having the edge in play and just before half-time O'Neil kicked a rouge to tie up the score at 1-1.

In the second half the Engineers settled down and showed a decided improvement over the first half and O'Neil again booted a rouge to put the T square men in the lead by a slim margin. Up until the last quarter the play seesawed back and forth with the kickers holding the limelight. Neither team seemed to have that final drive that would carry them into playoff territory.

With the score 2-1 in favor of the Engineers the teams went into the last quarter of what looked to be anybody's game. The turning point of the match came when the Boarders attempted a pass which was intercepted by Jack Campbell (Emmett's cousin) who romped thirty yards for a touchdown. The convert which was good brought the score up to 3-1. The T square men kept up their attack and O'Neil, who was outstanding in his kicking, made the final score of the game by kicking a field goal which brought the total to 11-1 for the Engineers.

The tackling of Sullivan and Murphy of the Engineers was a constant threat to the Boarders while Hanrahan handled the quarterback job in good style. The kicking of Amiraault for the Boarders was surprisingly good while Leahey was outstanding with his ball carrying.

## ENGINEERS 16-BOARDERS 0

In the second game of a two out of three series for the Inter-Faculty football championship the Engineers decisively trounced the Boarders by a 16-0 score. Hanrahan and Murphy each accounted for a touchdown while Tusker O'Neil picked up the remaining six points with his educated toe. Doc Veniot turned in a smart game for the losers.

## QUARTERBACK SNEAK!



—Photo by Ryan

The above is a shot of Sunday's game when the Engineers trounced Boarders 11-1.

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## LIBRARY READY

Bob Ashe, Tom Murphy, Al Bates of Matric, under the direction of Mr. Farrell, S. J., spent several week-ends spreading paint in former Orderly Room A, long since cleared of its sand-table, blackboard, pictures and dust. Terry Hanrahan was busy a few days with hammer and saw and a High School Library, walls fresh and bright with S. M. C. colours, shelves tight with books is now ready for its opening next Tuesday noon.

The shelves of the Assembly Hall and the libraries of Matric, Ten A, Ten B, have provided most of the books. But many new books are either already on the shelves or will be shortly. Here are some of them: "Chesterton Omnibus," "Microbe Hunters," "Seven-League Boots," "Raiders of the Deep," "Queens Die Proudly," "Men Against Death." There are more. Before long a pamphlet rack will be added.

Library hours will be 1:00-1:30 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays. Wednesday too may become a library day if the regulars days are not enough.

## SPOTLIGHT ON TEN B

Our last week's debate was very interesting. The topic, "Resolved that the inventor holds a higher place in the history of the world than the statesman or general." Arguing for the negative were F. Randall and G. Ibsen. For the affirmative were L. Fleming and D. Kline. The negative were awarded the decision. Presiding was Chairman Diehard Dauphinee.

In the next issue I shall let you in on some more news and scandal. So long for now.

## Jotter Junior

With each tick of the clock, each beat of the heart we draw nearer and nearer to exam. time—those inevitable days in which we lose all contact with the outside world and begin to realize that we are simple ignorant children.

But let us flee from such encouraging thoughts and turn to subjects much more interesting—more confidential.

The highlight of the week was the lively bout staged for the benefit of indigent Grade Eleveners by Father Murphy and Colin Boyd. Colin went into the ring against his own will and "went out" still against his own will. C. F. remains undaunted and the fans believe that if things continue the way they are going, another encounter will be in order.

If you happen to see a figure float by with a huge contented smile on his face, leave him alone, will you; it's only Frank Graves in ecstasy. Friend Frank is a mysterious figure, not to be pitied but to be envied, for after all he is the older bracket. "Nuff said."

From the roof of St. Mary's to the basement of Russell's the fellows are whispering stories about the gatherings of a select group of which Ken Reardon and Pat Crosby are staunch supporters. These boys—and certain others, disappear full of enthusiasm early Friday night and reappear late Saturday morning, tired, some happy—some unhappy. You don't have to be a Claude Bienvenue to figure out where they've been or what they've done.

Art Casey has waved a fond farewell to his native Dartmouth and become one of those gaunt, wild boys called boarders. In comparison with Dartmouth, boarding would be like heaven. But you don't have to believe me, ask Pat Gray or Terry O'Toole or even Ed Pittard, for they've been "over there" not so long ago.

But if I have to talk about Dartmouth to fill in space, its time to quit.

## Sportscope

(By Ron Downie)

By defeating 10B in the third game of a best of five series the Matric football team became the 1943 Interclass Champs. The game was played Nov. 18th. It was a closely contested match and the hardest of the season for both teams. Compared with other games the scoring was quite low—5 to 0. An attractive feature of the game was the tackling of Doug MacDonell for Matric. Frank Flynn carried the ball for 10B but had difficulty in gaining yards.

The Matric team has a rather enviable record. Out of a total of ten games the squad has taken nine wins. Stop us if we are wrong, but it seems that during the season the ball has been carried only once across the Matric line. The Champs have played seven games in which no points have been scored against them. Nice going!

Yessir, it was a great season. We can only ask as much of the coming hockey season.

Speaking of hockey, plans have been made to have a rink constructed on the Gorsebrook Golf Club property for games and skating sessions. The idea is to give the fellows, who otherwise would not play in organized hockey, a chance to get the most out of this fine winter sport. Your scribe also notes with interest that our unlucky Senior High Squad have taken up the tar paper and nails and are deep in the task of repairing the Rorum. Just another indication that everything possible is being done to get everyone into active sport.

There is to be an increased number of hockey teams wearing the maroon and white this year. Players will be iced for Senior High, Juvenile and Junior teams as well as representatives for the Midget and Cadet leagues. It is expected that the Rorum League Inc. will be as strong as ever, and we have great hopes of seeing Rawley Hunter and Dan Kirk battling it out (literally, of course) to the last breath as in former years.

## Through Grade Eleven's Keyhole

Well, here we are again and just as nosy as ever; so much so that we're warming up on Frank "Duranty" Barton. Poor "Bart"! Ever since those weekly exams have been coming up, he's been kept mighty busy running about in search of much needed information, which he should have but hasn't got.

So far, three debates have taken place within Matric's portals. The first one was on November 4th, when Tom Murphy and Ken Reardon fought it out with Ken Napier and Harold Kilroy on the negative. The topic was "Resolved that Dictatorship is a better form of government in wartime." The judges, Casey, Lee and Connors proved themselves to be "Fifth Columnists" by awarding the decision to the affirmative.

Then on November 10th, the affirmative, consisting of Paul Lee and "Wolsey" Fenton (or Bambi to his intimates) told off the negative members, Bob Ashe and Larry Donovan concerning the question of Manual Training at S. M. C. Again the affirmative team took the honours following the decisions of Judges Hagarty, Bates and Smith.

Then on the 17th, the affirmative led by Ron Downie and supported by Leo Belair and Ken Barnaby, outfought Frank Graves, Allan Belair and Doug MacDonnell on the negative. The topic was "Resolved that Winter Sports develop a man better than Summer Sports," and the judges were Courtney, Ashe and Kilroy. His Lyons presided at all three debates and Frank "Mr. Dithers" Barton collected the judges' decisions. Mr. Murphy sees a very decided improvement in the speakers' deliveries.

Now, as a way of deviation, did you know that Fred Kent has a very interesting wallet which is not ruled by money?

## Editorial

It was Latin period and ye editor was sitting quietly in his customary seat at the back of the room gazing out the window at the people making their way along snow-covered sidewalks and icy streets. Suddenly the thought struck him like a bolt from the blue that winter had come at last! Then the bell rudely interrupted his thoughts and he was pushed headlong through the door by the howling mass of Matric humanity, seeking the outdoor life. Outside, he paused to watch the Senior High Football team climbing around on the roof of the Rorum like experienced steeplejacks. Under Fr. McCarthy's expert guidance the roof was undergoing a remarkable change. (i.e. no more leaks). Then his thoughts turned to the Rorum League.

As usual, it is expected that the Rorum League will operate, but in order to be a success there must be co-operation. First of all, a slate of officers must be chosen to draw up a schedule of games and line up the team. Secondly, referees must be appointed and rules strictly enforced. Last year there wasn't much co-operation; many players "hogged" the ice while others hardly ever got a chance to enjoy a little skating. This year there are even more students so co-operation is necessary to give everyone a chance. Of course, if we needed another rink we could always flood the tennis courts or a corner of the campus.

However, the main idea is this: we have the facilities, let's co-operate and get the most out of them. Here's wishing everybody success in the Christmas exams.

## SODALITY NOTES

(By P. Chisholm)

On November 3rd the first issue of "In Battle Array" made its appearance. It was appreciated by the Sodality, but at the first meeting of the Sodality after its appearance, some improvements were suggested. Some students thought "Believe it or not" should be done away with entirely, while many more said they would like to see more Sodality names mentioned in it. Personally, I would like to see in it, fewer jokes like the ones Mike Kennedy tells.

The editor, Gerard Parsons, and his staff are to be congratulated on their good work, but let's see more members join the staff and keep it up.

It seems to me that the only active committee in the Sodality is the now "widely known" Publicity Committee. Its members have contributed many fine posters. With these, Mr. Parsons has kept the Bulletin Board alive and brilliant. Of late, the most outstanding poster to appear was one done by that clever artist, Mike Kennedy, whose latest contribution won praise from everybody who saw it.

Enough said about the most active committee—now let us review the work of others—if they've done any.

A branch of the Mission Committee did some wonderful work recently to obtain for the Missions a goodly amount of money. The committee, under the leadership of Promoter "Mike Jacobs" Murphy, sold tickets on a raffle which was in aid of the Missions.

"M. J." from his raffle realized the sum of \$23.00. The winner of the \$5.00 prize was M. Murphy.

At a recent Friday afternoon meeting the question of Sodality dues was hotly disputed. Paul Lee and his "Lee Poll" were in the midst of the fray but he failed to impress the House. The matter was put before the Central Committee at a special meeting last Tuesday and they decided that the dues would be 10 cents a month.

## The Fighting Irish

by O. T. McCARTHY

**George Somers**—George left for Upper Canada last week where he is to train for a short while before he is commissioned in the navy.

**Charlie Dwyer**—Word has reached us from overseas that Charlie is taking an officer's course in the army.

**Jack Coombes**—Stationed in Halifax for a short time, Jack is taking a telegraphy course in the navy.

**Dan Janigan**—Congrats to Dan, who, being home on leave, is to be married in Halifax shortly.

**Johnny Ward**—Johnny enjoyed a leave at home with his parents a short while ago. At present he is stationed at Moncton.

**Edwin Reyno**—Edwin and his wife arrived in Halifax last week, and they are enjoying a short leave at his parents home.

**George Foley**—George, who has spent a period on overseas action was home recently, where he spent a leave with his parents.

**Bob MacDougall**—Bob was home on leave a short while back and now we are told he has arrived overseas safely.

**Jim MacDonnell**—"Mac" arrived here last week to spend a week's leave. He has just graduated from Brockville, an officer in the Artillery. He is returning to Petawawa for advanced training.

**Laurie Hoganson**—"Hogie" left the civilian ranks about two weeks ago to go in the army. He is at present stationed at No. 6 Depot at Halifax.

**Frank Reardon**—From overseas comes word that Frank has received a promotion and is now a Captain in the Signal Corps.

## QUIZ QUOTES

by DON BOYD, '46

What, in your opinion, should be the first things done by the Students' Council?

student which may be beneficial to the college as a whole.

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**Ed. Godwin, Commerce '45:**

I think they should have some sort of drawing or activity to make money and then have a gathering to get everyone together and get all the students to know each other.



**Murray Blanchard, Engineering, '44**—I believe they should draw up a good constitution and then decide on the social activities (formals, etc.) for the year.

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**Carl Moore, Commerce, '46**—In my opinion, first, a social; second, the organization of hockey.

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**Mike Weagle, Arts '45**—I think the Students' Council should try to abolish C. O. T. C. parades during repetition and exams. Dal has this privilege—why not Saint Mary's?



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**Tom MacDonald, Commerce '45**—I think they should give the college an interclass hockey league. Last year the college did not use the Rorum at all.



**Alex MacDonald, Science '44:**

Their first activity should be to bring a closer union between the various societies. This would tend to raise the college spirit.

**Dan MacLean, Arts '46**—To promote a greater friendliness between the societies within the college and put into practice any ideas of any

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## THE STUDENTS' UNION

Saint Mary's has seen many innovations this year; the coming of a new President, the promise of a new campus at the conclusion of the war, the retirement from the Senior Rugby field and now the formation of a Students' Union. This latter event is unique in the history of Saint Mary's College. Never before, although the need has long been felt, has there been a central organization, superior to but not replacing the various faculty societies, which could look after the interests of the student body as a whole. Never before has there been an official intermediary between the student body and the faculty, which lack has often resulted in misunderstandings and unsatisfactory decisions.

The newly elected officers are to be congratulated, but even more so is the student body to be congratulated on the manner in which the elections were held. Faculty affiliations were apparently forgotten (although an Engineer sits in the President's seat!) and the best men were chosen.

One of the main purposes behind the formation of the Students' Union was to overcome the prevalent tendency in the school to form faculty "cliques". The atmosphere in which an Artsman, a Commerceman or an Engineer is first of all an Artsman, a Commerceman or Engineer and only secondly a Santamarian, is destructive to School Spirit. An example of the correct attitude has been shown by Ray Beck, new President of the Students' Union, who has resigned as President of the Engineering Society in order that he might more capably fulfill his new duties.

The meetings of the Union will give the representatives of the various classes a chance to express their views. It will be not only of practical value as a means of organizing the more important school functions and settling disputes, but it will also contribute to that training in leadership that is being stressed more and more at Saint Mary's.

Father Rector and the members of the faculty are to be thanked and congratulated on their generosity and broadmindedness in this matter. The powers of the Students' Union are to be very great and only that complete trust in the ability and commonsense of the students, which is so much appreciated, could make such an organization possible. Even the constitution is to be composed and codified by the Council itself, and then submitted to the faculty for approval.

The foundations have well been laid. The erection of a strong and permanent structure depends now upon the co-operation of every Saint Mary's student. Make use of the Students' Union! Make it an important and vital part of College life! An opportunity has been given us, not enjoyed by former Saint Mary's boys to have some influence in the direction of the College.

Let us prove ourselves worthy of it.

There will be difficulties and disagreements to overcome. Already criticism has raised its sinister head. This is but natural at the beginning for jealousy is a powerful instigator and everyone cannot be a member of the Council. But the majority of Saint Mary's students are above such pettiness and they will give the officers the support that they so earnestly desire.

May this reflection of the Democratic spirit in the halls of Saint Mary's instill in her sons a greater understanding of that spirit. May this miniature Parliament be a training ground in co-operation, toleration and appreciation of the views of others.

## from Cover to Cover

by JIM HANRAHAN '46

### Autobiography of Oliver Goldsmith

This book is important to Canadians not only as a valuable addition to Canada's meagre number of original autobiographies but especially because it is the first complete story and the first printing of the autobiography of Canada's first native poet.

Oliver Goldsmith, grand nephew of the author of "The Deserted Village" and "The Vicar of Wakefield" was born in 1794 in the little village of St. Andrews in New Brunswick. In 1825 he published his poem "The Rising Village" which placed him among Canada's greatest English speaking poets. In "The Rising Village" he depicted the struggle of the loyalists of the American Revolution to carve a home for themselves out of the Canadian wilderness.

The new book is short, comprising 78 pages of which only 24 are taken up with the autobiography while the remaining pages are filled with voluminous notes. The book should have a special interest to Halifaxians because it is edited and noted by Rev. Wilfred E. Myatt, C.J.M., M.A. of Church Point who was born in Dartmouth. Father Myatt rediscovered the autobiography in the possession of Mrs. E. Goldsmith Tufts of Kentville and, after a great deal of research, used it as a thesis for his Master's Degree.

The story of Goldsmith's life and works is one which, up to the publication of Father Myatt's scholarly work, has been fragmentary and incomplete. Canadians generally have paid scant attention to this milestone in the history of our literature. It is to be hoped that the autobiography will help promote a reawakening of interest in the development of Canadian letters.

This book will be an important addition to the library of any one honestly interested in Canada and its literature. It should provide an interesting sidelight for all on Canadian life and customs in the early part of the 19th century.

## Recordings

by BILL DUGGAN '44

A tune which is certainly running through everybody's head these days is "Paper Doll" featured by the Mills Brothers, Decca 18318). A really good tune, it is smooth and pleasing to the ear. This tune has an interesting history. Written some twenty-five years ago, recorded in August, 1942, it has only now reached the popularity it deserved. Its great success is due to the "juke box" fan whose nickels put it up on top.

Another tune which owes its current popularity primarily to the "juke - box" is, "Pistol Packin' Mama." Letting you yourselves, be the judges of this tune, we suggest that if you are planning to get a recorded version, you get the Bing Crosby-Andrews Sisters recently released disc (Decca 23277). We admit that the public's musical taste certainly has us baffled. Backing is an up and coming tune, "Victory Polka." Watch it!

In the field of jive, we chanced to hear "Fats" Waller's recording of "Up Jumped You With Love." Waller is good, as usual, at the piano but the vocal by Waller, is only mediocre. It is definitely not up to his usual standard. Backing is "Your Socks Don't Match" which likewise is only fair. (B30-0814).

## Alumnus Repatriated

Rev. Charles Murphy of Sydney, a former student at Saint Mary's, is expected to arrive in New York today aboard the Gripsholm. Father Murphy was carrying out his missionary work in the War Zone when Hong Kong fell, and was immediately placed in a concentration camp by the Japs. Father Murphy studied for the priesthood at Scarborough Bluffs, Ontario.

## Campus Jottings

We are not certain but we suspect that someone waggled a very stern, admonishing finger at us, after our treatment of the military situation around these parts. It hasn't stopped us, however, most likely because it is almost unanimous anyway that this column is worthless. (Almost—Cliff Styan still thinks it to be a "Jolly good show"). Then again we have nothing to fear as regards promotion since we are already in a very lucrative position, which is about halfway between a soldier and a sergeant (acting L/Cpl). As for the finger-waving admonisher we won't say anymore for it behooves us to write on the matter.

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Our failure to vex John Brennan on two previous occasions has caused us to re-group our forces and we shall proceed this time with a flanking movement.

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Handsome Terry Jackman (there it is) has recently been advanced to the rank of sergeant in the Dormitory Guards. It has cost the virile Newfoundlander (wince here Brennan) much, for the rest of the Boarders are treating him like a "dirty duce". (We should take ourselves to more of those spirit rousing pep talks by ———— or the French would say at this point, "Monsieur le Jotter vous dansez sur un volcan".

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It was our sad misfortune to witness the defeat of the Arts team by Leahy's Lupine Legions. With the aid of hands, feet, elbows, teeth, nails (or what have you up your sleeve) the Boarders succeeded in sending the Arts down to a thumping defeat. The whole affair resembled a rugby game in a slightly gruesome sort of way. Friendships and family compacts were kept well off the field even after the fifth Boarder touch down which came on a remarkable run by ————

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Leahy went over for two successful downs after his team-mates had cleared all opposition from the field. In doing so "Stonewall" showed great improvement from the days when he played with the Green Gable Grapplers. He won't soon forget that day, when his team was sorely beset by injuries—the coach and Leahy the only two men left on the bench. Then another injury, the coach turns and shouts, "Quick Leahy! Let me have your uniform.

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Rushing down past the chemistry laboratory the other day our eye was caught by what appeared to be a familiar figure. Upon returning for a second quick glance we found sure enough, it was our old friend Tom Purcell. There he was sitting cool and calm amidst the funny air, a straw stuck in his mouth, the end jammed well down into a bottle of arsenic. A silent but poignant symbol of the breed of men who edit our Journals. We heard Tom was having his troubles, but heavens, we never suspected it had gone this far. As for Edgar he's O.K. as long as his morphine holds out.

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Allen, you couldn't run the double  
Axle, you couldn't dodge the flak  
You won't have any army troubles  
For you'll never tote a pack.

You're:

- (1) Graying with cares
- (2) Faltering on the stairs
- (3) Well up in years
- (4) In need of small repairs.

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Well, promotions have come and gone and as usual there were lots of complaints and lots of surprises. Among the complainers was Joe Fultz who hopes "that some of the sergeants will get kicked out at Christmas so I can show them that I'm really worth three." The most surprised man was Charlie Reardon who, when he saw that McCarthy and Burke were Lance Corporals, turned to the Sergeant-Majors promotions in search of his name.

\* Each boarder may insert his name in the blank. Then send it along to the folks back home.

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