

## Convocation Week Brought to Close

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### 24 Graduate

Convocation week opened on Wednesday, May 16th, with a Day of Recollection for Graduates held at the Holy Heart Seminary under the direction of Rev. A. J. DesLauriers, S. J. On Sunday, May 20th, the annual Communion Breakfast took place at St. Mary's College. Next came the "Graduates' Day," Convocation Day on Monday, May 21st. The day was very appropriately begun with a Pontifical High Mass at Holy Heart Seminary. The Baccalaureate Sermon was delivered by Rt. Rev. W. J. Burns, V.C., Rector of St. Mary's Cathedral.

The Convocation exercises were held in the ballroom of the Lord Nelson Hotel, which was filled with friends and relatives. The Order of Academic procession was as follows: Candidates for Diplomas—Candidates for Degrees—Alumni—Members of the Faculty—Guests—Members of the Senate—President of the College, followed by His Grace the Archbishop.

Immediately after the procession, Michael Carney greeted all those present in his Salutatory message. Michael surprised us all with his burst of oratory. His clear, resonant voice and confident bearing made an excellent impression on the audience.

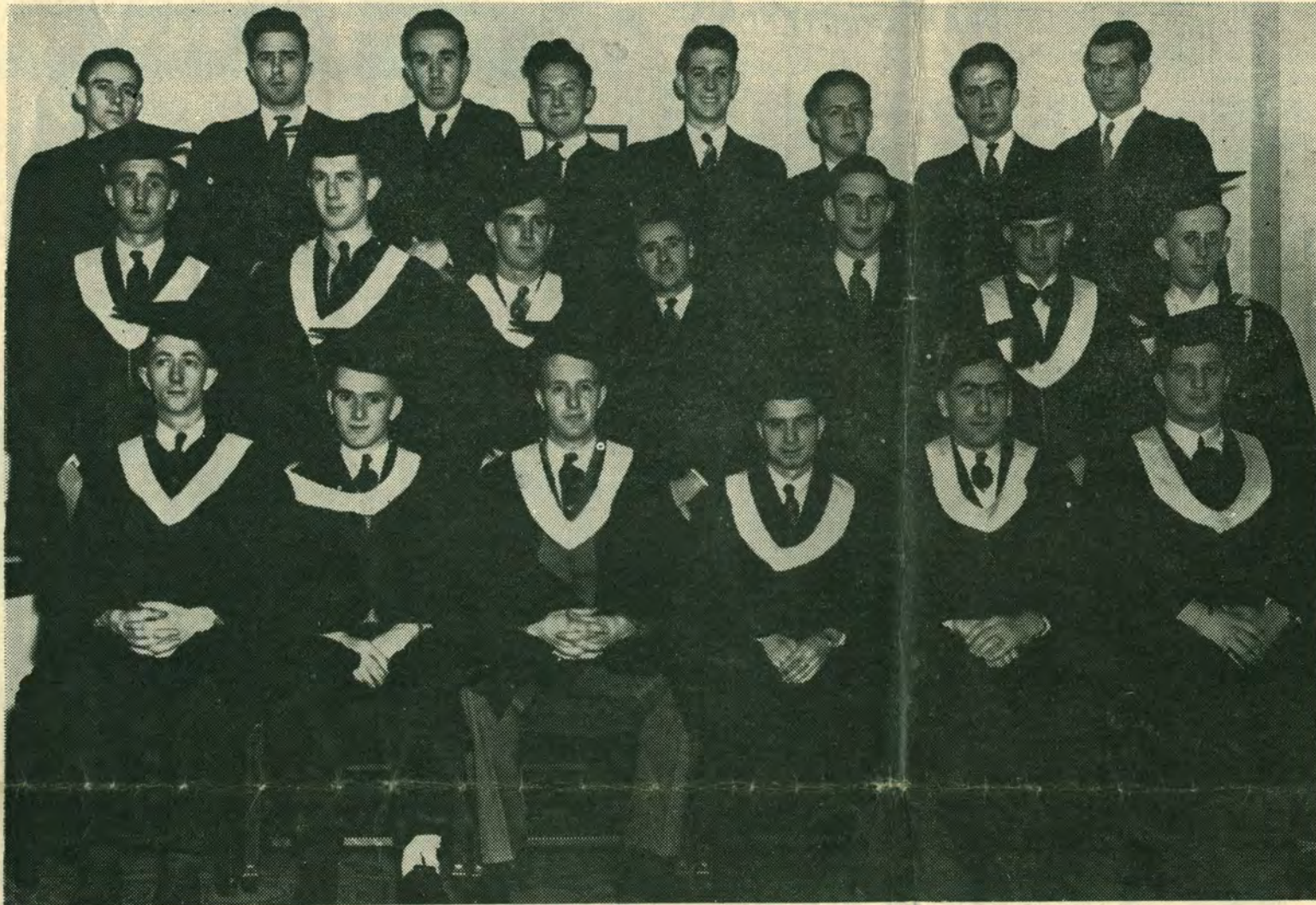
Following him, John Leydon in felicitous phrases delivered the Valedictory address with sound advice to the graduates.

#### Conferring of Degrees

After the presentation of medals, Father Smith read his report on College activities during the year. Then came the moment awaited by all. Following Father Smith's report the Most Rev. John T. McNally, D.D., Chancellor of St. Mary's College, conferred the Degrees on the Graduates. Those receiving degrees were:

Bachelor of Arts—Robert James Butler, Michael William Carney, Francis Joseph Laba and Michael Norman Weagle.

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ST. MARY'S CONVOCATION HELD—In the above picture are shown those who received degrees and diplomas at the Convocation exercises of Saint Mary's College, held Monday night at the Lord Nelson Hotel. They are, left to right: Front row—Alexander Allen, Halifax; Thomas McDonald, Halifax; Edwin Godwin, Bedford; Robert Burns, Halifax; Robert Butler, Halifax; Francis Laba, Halifax. Second row—Arthur Fletcher, Halifax; David Allen, Halifax; Michael Weagle, Dartmouth; William Myatt; William Duggan, Halifax; John Leydon, Halifax; Michael Carney, Halifax. Third Row—Earl Burke, Halifax; Russell Webber, Halifax; Harold Rounsefell, Halifax; Arthur Dean, Halifax; Donald DeVan, Dartmouth; Charles Miller, Halifax; Keven Penny, Halifax, and Patrick Purcell, Halifax. Missing from the picture are Owen McCarthy and Malcolm Jannigan, both of Halifax.

### Rector's Message To The Graduates

Though the war in Europe is over, the effects of that terrible catastrophe will be felt for a long time to come. You who are graduating this year are stepping into a world which must still adjust itself to the conditions of peace. You will have your place in that adjustment, and may you acquit yourselves worthily of the task. Without proposing any specific ideal of life to you, I would like to remind you of Carlyle's words, "Love not pleasure; love God. This is the everlasting; yea, wherein all contradiction is solved; wherein whose walks and works, it is well with him."

To the graduates of 1945 I say "Good luck, and God bless you!"

### Commerce Election

During repetitions President Tom McDonald called a meeting of the Commerce Society. The purpose of the meeting was to elect officers for next year. As a result of the voting the following slate of officers was chosen:

President: Joe McLellan.  
Vice-President: Joe Wade.  
Treasurer: Frank Graves.

The secretary will be from next year's Freshman class in accordance with the rules of the Society.

### To Them I Say...

Father Burke-Gaffney, S.J.

Graduates of 1945, the apron strings which bound you to your Alma Mater are cut. As we see you toddle off, our sorrow is tempered with high hopes and the sharing of your joy. Your joy is the joy of victory. You have achieved your objective—an education. The letters which you now bear after your names, or the diplomas which you carry in your hands, bear testimony that you are fitted, in the words of Milton, "to perform justly, skilfully, and magnanimously, all the offices, both public and private, of peace and war." You are fitted for the work appointed you in this world. What this work is, God knows, and it matters little:

"Honour and shame from no condition rise;  
Act well your part: therein all honour lies."  
And where true honour lies, there lies eternal life.

Rev. M. J. O'Donnell, S.J.: The class of '45 leaves a record of remarkable application to academic tasks. When life is over may angelic hands write in more enduring ink the same record of remarkable application to more important tasks.

Mr. H. G. Beazley

Yours has been the privilege of a Catholic Education—complete development of the personality under the guiding principles of Christian Truths.

Go forth then remembering your heritage, your duty and responsibility. The State has the unquestionable right to expect you to be good citizens. And you have the unquestionable obligation to be good citizens.

Keep before you the important things—common politeness, gentlemanly conduct, loyalty and diligence in your profession and Christian ambition. Weld these virtues to your life's undertaking and the noble traditions of Saint Mary's will be enriched by your contribution.

My final thought is for you to remember the Santamarians who gave their lives that you might have the opportunity to serve, free and unfettered, your country and your God.

### Wallace Is Debaters' President

At the final meeting of the Debating Society held shortly before the repetitions, the executive for next year was elected. An enthusiastic assembly of debaters elected Frank Wallace to the position of president, by a majority vote. Dan MacLean was elected vice-president with George Moffatt as secretary. Judg-

ing from the standards set by these men during the past year the activities of next year's Debating Society will surely be crowned with success if leadership and talent mean anything at all.

Paul Cormier, past president, took his departure after a year of much activity. Father O'Donnell, moderator of the Society, congratulated the new executive and expressed his thanks for the co-operation extended by all throughout the year.

### THANKS

Before we, the editors, finish our work on the Journal, we must take time to thank those people whose co-operation and help made the publishing of this paper possible. Aid was received from many quarters, but the names of the helpers were never mentioned.

First we would like to thank Father Stanford, the Faculty Advisor to the Journal. His willingness to help was always a source of inspiration to us. The suggestions he offered, which we were not obliged to accept, were aimed at the improvement of the Journal. He always insisted that the Journal was our paper.

Secondly we would like to thank the staff of McCurdy's, particularly Mr. Lou Smith. The paper would never have been out on time if Lou had not helped. When we finished the "dummy" we were dubious about the appearance of the paper. However, the proof was always satisfactory. Lou made sure that it was satisfactory.

Finally we would like to thank Miss Murphy of the Halifax Herald and Mail. She gave us the "cuts" we wanted whenever we wanted them. A majority of the "cuts" that appeared in the Journal during the past year, were given to us by Miss Murphy. We had only to ask.

Now with our work almost completed, we leave the job of editing future Journals to our successors with the hope that they will receive the generous help and cooperation we received during the past year.

## Public Speaking Contest Held

### Levy, Delaney Winners

The annual Public Speaking Contest, open to all college students, was held in the College auditorium on April. The competition, this year, was divided into two parts, each offering a prize; one prize was offered for the best speaker over the public address system and the other was reserved for the best speaker from the stage.

The judges for the evening were Rev. J. L. Quinan, Major W. C. Borrett and Mr. M. Keating. There were five entrants in the finals for the public speaking and six for the radio as a result of an elimination contest held some days previously.

The winner of the stage address was E. Levy who delivered a speech asking for the lowering of the voting age to enable the eighteen year olds to vote. He was closely followed in the decision by E. Chisholm, speaking on the 'Life of Mozart.'

The winner of the radio presentation was D. Delaney, presenting a dramatic recollection of our fallen fighting men, called 'Who Died.' The runner-up in this section of the contest was D. Boyd who talked on 'Don Bosco, Journalist.' The chairman for both the radio and stage addresses was P. Cormier.

Mr. Levy received the Haliburton Shield and Mr. Delaney, the Major Borrett Trophy for their successful efforts.

Other contestants, besides those mentioned, were: for the stage—W. Bourke, D. Boyd and D. Casey; for the Radio—D. Allen, W. Bourke, R. Butler and J. Leydon.

## Latin Students Highly Successful

Approximately one month ago the Latin students of St. Mary's College were examined through a standardized test conducted by the Association for the Promotion of the Study of Latin. This is an international organization directed by A. E. Warsley of Elizabeth, New Jersey. Ten thousand students from Canada, the United States and Alaska participated.

The test is an examination designed to bring out neatly and concisely the general knowledge of Latin possessed by each student. There is no immediate preparation; the time limit is a half hour and the questions are graded in relation to the number of months during which each man has studied Latin. The mean average is 45% for college students and 41% for High School students.

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## More About CONVOCATION

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**Bachelors of Science**—David Allen, Henry Arthur Fletcher, John Joseph Leydon and Owen Terrence McCarthy (in absentia).

**Bachelors of Commerce**—Alexander George Allen, Robert Lionel Burns, Edwin Cyril Godwin and Thomas Francis McDonald.

Engineering Diplomas were presented to:

Patrick Earl Burke, Matthew Joseph Coady, Arthur Thomas Dean, Donald James DeVan, William Patrick Duggan, Henry Arthur Fletcher, Malcolm Peter Janigan, Charles Henry Miller, William Joseph Myatt, George Kevin Penny, Patrick Nelson Purcell, Harold Guy Rounsefell and Russell Bruce Webber.

A. J. Haliburton made a free and easy address to the Graduates which sparkled with wit and wisdom.

The last speaker of the evening was His Grace the Archbishop who gave advice and exhortation freely from his rich store of experience and knowledge.

The Recessional was played by Dr. Cyril O'Brien, the programme ending with all singing "God Save the King."

It is with pride that we are able to report the following results: in the College 22 out of 29 men were well above average; those failing to surmount the average work were freshmen. The highest possible total was 120. Frank Laba (105) and Dan MacLean (101) passed "Magna Cum Laude." Frank has also been awarded a certificate by the Association for having obtained more than 90% in Latin exams throughout the year at St. Mary's. Three other students passed "Cum Laude," they were Mike Carney (98), Bob Butler (90) and John Martin (95). John is a Commerce student taking Latin as a special subject.

High School results were also very satisfactory, five out of six students participating topped the average mark. They are Bob McNeil, W. Brown, D. Flinn, P. J. Chisholm (freshman) and D. MacDonald.

Father O'Donnell was highly pleased with the outcome and it is hoped that even greater heights will be scaled next year. Congratulations to all Latin students! You have been a credit to the college.

## T-Square Elections

Winding up a year of successful activities, the Engineering Society held their annual election of officers:

Bill Phillips, the residing President, was unanimously elected for a second term as the "Boss" of the T-square men, due to his splendid work in the past year.

Jim Burke, with his experience on the A.A.A. executive is the new vice-president while genial Mel Beck has been chosen as the new treasurer. Frank "Tusker" O'Neil and Frank Wallace, two able men, are secretary and Students Council representative respectively. With such an efficient executive the society should have an even more enjoyable coming year.

## ATHLETIC "M" IS STANDARDIZED

The annual A. A. A. meeting was held last week. During the meeting it was decided that the regulation College M given for athletics would also be given for Intercollegiate Debating and to members of the Students Council. A motion was passed to the effect that two points could be gained for a win in College Boxing and one point for a loss. Next year it is planned to have Interfaculty boxing for the purpose of forming a college boxing team.

The annual election of officers took place with B. Hyland being the new President, and Joe Fultz the secretary-treasurer.

## Our Teams

This year, although we didn't win all the championships, has been a banner one at the college, in that we have participated in the various football, hockey and boxing events.

The Senior City English Rugby team from St. Mary's with two wins and two losses during the season, lost out in the final round for the title against Dalhousie.

A strong Commerce aggregation captured the Interfaculty American Sixes League by putting down the efforts of the pressing Engineers' and Arts' teams.

For the third consecutive year the High School Canadian Football Title has brightened the portals of St. Mary's. The well balanced squad defeated St. Pats, the new entry into the league, and Queen Elizabeth to bring back the coveted trophy.

## CONTEST WINNER



—Photo by Monies

For a great many years the Provincial Intercollegiate Semi-Finals or Finals had a St. Mary's team entered but this year after battling through the City League, Tech came out on top and entered the playoffs minus a St. Mary's entry.

Winding up a great season in Interfaculty sports the Commerce men took all honors and also the hockey title with their football title. The Artsmen and the Engineers made a strong bid for the title but fell on the way, under the pressure of the "Millionaires."

The High School Hockey League had three evenly balanced teams, St. Mary's, St. Pats and Queen Elizabeth, however in the playoffs the maroon and white squad were defeated by the Brunswick Street squad for the title.

All honors that are due a winning team go double to our juvenile team. Surpassing all opposition, they failed to have a mark against

## Camera Club News

As a result of a recent contest held by the Camera Club, Robin Mories won first prize for the best photo. This marks the second year that Robin came out on top.

Charlie Miller, President of the Club since its beginning two years ago, will be leaving for Tech this year. An election to determine a new president will probably be held next year. We wish Charlie the best of luck.

them in the losing column and won the Juvenile title.

The great display of our boxing team has brought this sport into the limelight; it is now a major sport at S. M. C.

At U. N. B. St. Mary's were listed second when the points were counted, and at Dalhousie, although last, they were without three of their fighters due to a few pounds of excess—call it what you want.

## MEDALLISTS

### ARTS

Highest Aggregate in Senior Year.	LEVY	Francis Laba
Highest Aggregate in Junior Year.		Edward Levy
Highest Aggregate in Freshman Year.		Ronald Downie

### ENGINEERING

Highest Aggregate in Senior Year.		Charles Miller
Highest Aggregate in Junior Year.		Frank Wallace
Highest Aggregate in Freshman Year.		Harold Merlin

### COMMERCE

Highest Aggregate in Senior Year.		Thomas McDonald
Highest Aggregate in Junior Year.		Paul Cormier
Highest Aggregate in Freshman Year.		Gerald Hubley

### SCIENCÉ

Highest Aggregate in Fourth Year.		John Leydon
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## SPECIAL DISTINCTIONS

Religion in Senior Year	MARTIN	Francis Laba
Philosophy in Senior Year	LEVY	Michael Carney
English in Senior Year	MARTIN	Francis Laba
Latin in Senior Year	MARLEAU	Francis Laba
Mathematics in Engineering		Charles Miller
Mathematics in Senior Science		John Leydon
Economics Essay		Ronald Downie
Sociology	MARTIN	Thomas McDonald
French in Senior Year	MARTIN	Francis Laba
Accountancy: Highest Four Year Aggregate		Thomas McDonald
Draughting and Surveying		Charles Miller
English in Commerce		Thomas McDonald
The Rector's Medal for Dramatics	MARTIN	Edwin Chisholm
The Edmund Ignatius Rice Award	MARTIN	Alexander Allen
The W. A. Haliburton Award for Public Speaking		Edward Levy
The CHNS Award	MARTIN	Donald Delaney

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- Glen Hilchie, B. Sc., B.E.
- Gordon Mader, B. Sc., B.E.
- Harold Purdy, B. Sc., B.E.
- Guy Trudeau, B. Sc., B.E.
- Kevin Ahern, B.E.
- Keith Bishop, B.E.
- Bob Dempsey, B.E.
- Herbert Ernest, B.E.
- MacLeod Woodroffe, B.E.
- Michael Merrigan, B. A., Education.

**Congrats to . . .**

- Ed. Boyd, B.A., Education.
- William Duggan, B.A., Education.

**REMEMBER THE ROSARY CRUSADE**

*Journal Jr.*

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SYL U. WETT

It is indeed with great sorrow that I announce Bennie Fahie's Profile a casualty of war.

Now the story can be told! Several days ago our hairless friend reported to the clearing station at the corner of Windsor and Quinpool Road. I won't say that he looked battered, but it would have been slightly difficult to recognize him if he hadn't stuck his nose back on with a piece of gum . . . And I never realized how beautiful black eyes could be, till I saw Ben's. But anyway the happy warrior hands in the following communique to the High Command: "I am walking down the road, see—minding my own business, when suddenly up in front of me (in fact right in front of my nose) pops a cute little kid, dressed up like a sailor. As soon as the kid appears my friend Gundar disappears in a cloud of dust shouting something about a ladder. So there I am, looking at the lil' feller as he wipes tears from his cheeks, and between sobs asks me: 'Get my hat, will ya mister . . . it's up that tree.'"

"That did it! As soon as he says that 'mister', right respectful like, I starts up the beanstalk to fetch his chapeau. I guess I loses my balance or sumpin' 'cus look at me now."

Well, I must admit that's more original Bennie, but wouldn't it be much easier to walk into a door? People have been doing it for years.

*Editorial*

Life looks pretty rosy from where we students sit, doesn't it? Some of us will be leaving school for good at the end of June but we plan to have a good time. We'll easily get a job with all the war-time openings and get nice pay at that. Yes, for the first time many of us will not only have the time but the necessary jingle to take in all the shows and sundaes we would like.

Even if we're the group who plan to continue on to College; or to stare appreciatively at the sign in Matric—"So much to do—so little done"; or to smell the acrid fumes arising from an experiment in one of the Grade Tens; or perhaps once more to converse with our desk "podner" in little old Grade Nine, we still hope to make heroes of ourselves. For soon all this will be over and we will be the "greats" in the business world, with the dollars stacked beside us. Our names and faces will make the newspaper as surely as do the advertisements.

But wait . . . let's hear the oldsters a minute. It takes but that long to find out their accomplished dreams. For they too had the same hopes as we: to get out of school, but fast, and then make headlines. It was then of course they learned that most everyone turns out to be "an average citizen." Yes, as life went on they found that it was not the big things, but the little ones that count. They remembered, not their shrewd deals, but the times they forgot to break the kindlings for the morning fire—forcing their dear mothers to do it. They thought of when they sneaked out so they wouldn't have to get some tobacco for 'pop.' And of the days they told their brother or sister "Do it yourself" after being asked such a very small favour.

Yes, most older men and women wish they could undo these things for they are the ones that hurt in later years. Which brings us back to us again. Do we keep in mind that a simple little smile or carrying a parcel or opening a door for someone will give him a new outlook on the day? Especially is this true of our parents who have given so unselfishly that we might be happy, and who expect only this consideration.

Let's not turn into a grumble-grouch as soon as we hit the threshold. We won't ask grumpily why supper isn't ready. Let's give mother a few moments to sit down; we'll get her supper. I presume we remembered her at Communion on Mother's Day, and we'll give father a break on his day, coming up in June. And we won't even stop there for every day is father's and mother's day; and it's the little things that count. Isn't it true?

*The Fighting Irish*

D. BOYD



REV. WILLIAM F. NEALY

Rev. William F. Nealy, Catholic Chaplain with the U. S. Ninth Army, has been awarded the Bronze Star for "meritorious achievements in evacuating wounded under enemy fire." Father Nealy is a graduate of St. Mary's College and was a member of the Dominican Order at Columbus, O., when he entered the army a year ago.



F/LT. HARRY BURNS

Lieut. Ed Cosgrove has announced that he will soon be married to Miss Doris Petrie. The ceremony will take place on June 1, with Father Burke-Gaffney officiating. Ed is a graduate of St. Mary's and Technical College holding Science and Engineering degrees. He is serving with the R.C.E.M.E. Congratulations!



Lieut. Felix Quinn has recently arrived home after being wounded in action.

Leading Steward Doug. Richards, R.C.N.V.R., was home on furlough last week. He has been stationed on the Pacific Coast during the last year.

Pte. Frank Leahey, who has been stationed at Camp Borden for the last year and a half, is now home on his annual furlough.

Art Fletcher, who graduates in Science this year, will soon leave for the Army. He will take a course that will eventually lead to a commission.

Lieut. Charles Dwyer, who graduated in Business Training in '39, was recently married Overseas.

W. O. Ambrose Comeau was recently freed by Allied troops after spending four years in German prison camps. He is now in England.

Sergeant Wm. P. Delaney, a graduate of St. Mary's College, joined the British Army in 1939 and saw action at Dunkirk. Transferring to the Canadian Army he took part in the Dieppe expedition, D-Day, the battles of Caen and Falaise and during all the campaign across Normandy, Belgium and Holland without receiving a scratch.

Pilot Officer Bernard Currie is convalescing in Britain after undergoing an appendectomy.

Flight Sergeant Jack Cochrane is recovering after a serious attack of pneumonia. He is stationed overseas.

Sergeant Austie Floyd is now overseas after four years in the Army.

The rumour concerning A. B. Doug Moriarty, that he was Missing in Action, is entirely false.

Flight-Lieut. Harry Burns was recently freed from a German prison camp where he spent over five years. He is now in England.

Pilot Officer Bob MacDougall, reported missing over Norway three weeks ago, got back to England May 13, according to official word received by his parents.

Lt.-Col. W. H. Soper, former pupil of St. Mary's College, is retiring from the army after five years of active service. After leaving the Army Col. Soper will take an important post at St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto.

Privates Leo Duggan and Carl Mills are now stationed at Aldershot after completing their Basic training at Yarmouth.

O. Smn. Gerald Reardon was home last week-end on a short leave. He left for his training base on Tuesday.

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**Library News**

Figures tell this story about reading in High School:

The H. S. Library now has 675 books. During the year only 320 of these books were taken out by students. 76 of the 320 were taken out only once; 60 were taken out five times or more. It seems that students read only highly-recommended books. Adventure stories were read most frequently though there was a constant demand for quieter books: GOODBYE, MR. CHIPS and FIVE MINUTE BIOGRAPHIES.

- The ten most-read books were:
- "CAPTAIN OF THE ELEVEN": Frank Sherman
  - "NOMADS OF THE NORTH"
  - "LONE COWBOY": Will James.
  - "WHITE FANG": Jack London.
  - "DANGER IS MY BUSINESS": John Craig.
  - "HOLD THAT LINE": Frank Sherman
  - "THE SINISTER SHADOW": Holt
  - "BUCKANEERS AND PIRATES OF OUR COASTS": Frank Stocton.
  - "GOODBYE, MR. CHIPS": James Hilton
  - "THIRTY SECONDS OVER TOBYO": Ted Lawson.

How many students used the Library? Student enrollment at the end of the year was 181. About 51 students made no use of the Library. Half of the student body, 90, read five or more books during the year averaging 10 books each.

Of course students also read books from the Public Library and from home libraries. Frequently too, three or four students would read a book while it was out in one man's name. Certainly, a lot of reading was done during this school year. Without a doubt students' abilities in English have improved greatly as a result.

**Sodality Election**

1945 - 1946

- Prefect: Elmer MacGillivray.
- 1st Assist.—Alex Chisholm.
- 2nd Assist: Sam Campbell.
- Secretary: Hugh Campbell.
- Treasurer: Robert Reardon.
- Councillor: Thomas Orr.

**SODALITY**

The final meeting of the H. S. Sodality will take place on Friday, May 25th. There will be a Council Vigil Hour and a Mental Prayer meeting on Sunday night, May 27th at 8:00 in the College Chapel.

**REMEMBER THE ROSARY CRUSADE**

*This Will Stand You On Your Head*

It's grand to see a campaign Our Lady's promises at Fatima. College would still put her faith in mire as it chose but Saint Mary's side. The world could scoff or admire as it families backed the Rosary Crusade. The world could see how we and short of inspiring to see how we and stand us on our heads: bring Christ into the family circle by sharing our Daily Gospel Readings with Joan, Pat, Mother and Dad! Read them together after the Rosary is said. Unheard of? To a degree, but are we afraid to make the start? Fan-tastic? Not at all—Christ himself said: "Follow me, I am the way"; said: "I am the truth"; work with Me, "I am the light and the life." The world no longer needs good Catholics. It needs Apostolic Catholics!

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### GOOD LUCK

Another college year is fast approaching its end, and soon a number of students will leave us to begin their life's work. For many the training period is over; now they must enter the period of practical experience. It is here especially, that they will make their mark on the world. Others will continue their training in the realm of higher education, but eventually they too will come to close quarters with the more complex problems of living. They need have no fear for they are well equipped to meet the test. With God's help they can come out on top.

The day of Convocation is one of pride and sorrow for St. Mary's. She is proud to put her mark of approval on those she will send forth to the world. She regrets to see leave her those whom she trained for so many years. Yet this must be, and although they depart in body, they can remain with her in heart and mind.

The need for principled college men is great and the opportunity which accompanies the need, unlimited. Never before has a college graduate been better able to show his capabilities. Never has the demand been more urgent. The men who are leaving this year can help meet that demand. The way lies open for them.

St. Mary's does not ask that all of you, the graduates, become "great" as the world understands the term. But she does ask that you fulfill your duty to the best of your capabilities. That she has a right to demand, and that is what is expected of you, not only by St. Mary's, but by the whole nation.

The faculty and student body of St. Mary's College wish you all the best of luck in your chosen fields.

### GOD AT THE PEACE TABLE

The magnitude of the task before the San Francisco Conference cannot be exaggerated. Its failure might mean that the world has lost its chance of avoiding another universal war, which could entail the end of civilization. Its success depends on the conformity to the moral law by the represented nations. This will not be attained without a plea for divine light and guidance. It is significant that, possibly in deference to atheistic communistic Russia, such a plea was not made when the Conference opened. When the awesome responsibility of the conference is considered, it should be understood that no human power or powers could, alone, assure the world of the everlasting peace which is planned. God must be present at the peace table.

One of the first tasks of the meeting was to make amendments to the Dumbarton Oaks proposals, proposals which neglected the fundamental concept of justice. Peace can never be attained without justice and there can be no justice where there is neglect of the moral law. The fate of the smaller nations rests on the fairness and honesty of the larger and more powerful ones, and a country that acknowledges no superior to its own physical might is not apt to be much bothered with such notions. The iniquitous Russian-dictated solution of the Polish question is good example of what might happen to other small nations if the help of God is not asked. Poland, which stood against the Nazi aggressor all through the war and suffered more than any other nation, has been forced by her allies to surrender a very large part of her territory.

San Francisco can only begin the work of organization for world peace, the work will take years to complete. But if this foundation to our peace is unstable, then we can never be assured of the peace it promises. Just as the League of Nations failed to attain its end, so will the San Francisco conference fail if God and the moral law are not prominent in its work.



BASIL NUNN

The members and Alumni of St. Mary's learned with regret of the death of Lieut. Basil Nunn who was killed overseas on May 1st. He went overseas with the R. C. E. but was later attached to the West Nova Scotia Regiment. During his last year at Tech "Bas" was an officer in St. Mary's C.O.T.C. While at the college he took part in all student activities and was especially proficient in football and hockey, being a member of the intercollegiate teams. "Bas" will live in the memory of Santamarians.

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### On the Record

By CHUCK FAHIE

Off the Record's favourite licorice stick man, Artie Shaw, has, I believe, at last made a poor recording. He teams up with his famous "Gramercy Five" and produces a bit of musical whatnot which is far below his musical standard, in "Grabtown Grapple" and "Sad Sack Blues." A record that will indeed make up for this misdemeanor is his "Cross Your Heart" which is a No. 1 mate for "Begin the Beguine." It contains everything, including a magnificent bit of boogie, dished out principally by clarinet and harpsichord. The reverse side comes almost to the level and above, as far as the clarinet playing itself is concerned. On this side, entitled "Summit Ridge Drive," there is some excellent guitar playing.

### The Four Clefs

A group of four coloured lads are back, that is "The Four Clefs." This time it's with "V-Day Stomp". However, it cannot surpass their flawless arrangement of "Take It and Git," which is a novelty arrangement and also has a unique bit of drumming. Incidentally they are a rhythm combination, made up of piano, bass, drums and guitar. Another fine record by these gentlemen is "I Like Pie, I Like Cake."

Slowing down a bit, Tommy Dorsey has almost entered the classical world with his handling of "Amor". Here the strings which have been suppressed by Elman's trumpet, Dorsey's trombone and Rich's or Laugh's drumming, come into prominence.

About No. 1 in the upper brackets this month is Arthur Fiedler's arrangement of "Fingal's Cave" by Mendelssohn. This concert piece has always been popular, and it is quite certain that the Boston Pops Orchestra under Fiedler will not take away any of its popularity.

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## Reincarnation On and Off the Campus

By R. MONIES

The big car sped along the highway with apparent disregard for the thin coating of ice left on the paving by a recent storm. In it were two people, the driver, Mike Slugge, a rather tough-looking character, and his companion, Giovanni, a gentleman of the underworld.

As the car roared along the two men were busy discussing their last hold-up, which had taken place about two hours earlier. "Seems as if we got clear away that time" said Mike "and even after drilling that teller too." "Yes you dumb cluck!" replied Giovanni. "You know on my jobs I don't like having people bumped off, it gives one a bad name in society." "Ah, what's the difference, he's better off dead, anyway, Boss." "I wonder," answered Giovanni, "I was reading a book the other night all about what happens when you die. The fellow writing the book said that when a person dies he goes into a new born person or maybe an animal, like a snake or a frog." "Boss that's crazy."

### Now In India . . .

"You know, Mike, a lot of people in India believe that if you die having been a good guy, when you come to the next life you get a better one." "You mean Boss that if I was a good guy and had no money, that when I die I'd be a rich swell and have a good time?" "Yes, that's about it Mike, and it sounds pretty good to me, but I think that we had better keep moving. Aren't those lights way back along the road?" "Yes Boss, I think they are. Might be the cops too; I think I better step on it." The car leapt ahead with greater speed over the shiny black road, but it was not many seconds before Giovanni shouted a warning to his comrade "Look out Mike, that car ahead on the cross roads. He's turning out into the highway! Look out!" The quick application of the brakes by Mike Slugge served only to put the car into a sickening screaming slide which carried it across the road, through the fence and head on into the concrete abutment. There was a shattering crash followed by silence, and a small red flame growing ever larger appeared in the wreck.

In a nearby barn a hen stirred uneasily on her nest, then got up and looked at her eggs. Yes the last two of them had hatched, there were the little chickens, but oh dear! They were both dark black and not yellow like the other little ones!

### REMEMBER THE ROSARY CRUSADE

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The year was 1965, and we were thumbing through the pages of the latest edition of the "Canada Year Book," which gives the "how" and "why" of every phase of Canadian life. We were particularly interested in this Year Book because it had been compiled by two members of our graduating class of 1945, O. T. McCarthy and Tom McDonald. These two industrious young men had started gathering the facts and figures for this current Year Book immediately upon graduation, and the fact that it took them twenty years to finish the job is ample proof that they are just as lazy as ever.

We thought it would be a good idea to call on these world-famous economists and find out if they had met any members of the Class of '45 in their travels in connection with the Year Book. Discovering Tom and O. T. sound asleep in the local bowling alley was no surprise to us, and after exchanging greetings we started to talk of old times. We immediately questioned them as to whether they had met any of the class of '45, and it seems that O. T. and Tom had bumped into quite a few of the boys in their travels, for this is what they revealed.

Bobbie Burns was quartermaster-general of the Egyptian army, which was winning fame as the defender of all the chislin' Egyptians in the Yukon. Frank Laba was Minister with two Portfolios for the constituency of Chalk River, which is four miles east of Peanut Butter, Ontario.

Alex Allen had concessions to all the bottling works in Canada, and was seriously thinking of taking in Ollie Penny as a partner. Ed Godwin, proprietor of the "If You Value Your Dogs, Stay Away From Here" shoe store, was making his fortune selling moccasins to the highly civilized residents of Bedford and surrounding districts. Bob Butler and Jack Cudihoe were co-operators of a bowling and billiard academy at East Bay, Sydney, and Jack, in his spare time, also worked as a barker with Lynch's Fair.

Mike Carney, penniless and weatherbeaten, was wandering about the streets of Toronto, grinding out tunes on a concertina while his monkey stole the show. Mike Weagle was the pompous mayor of Dartmouth, gaining office on the slogan "All the Fish You Can Eat." The engineering firm of Devan and Myatt was engaged in a lawsuit, for it seems that the bridge which they constructed from Dartmouth to Halifax broke down and killed somebody. Dave Allen, after writing a scientific treatise on the beauty of the trombone, toured Europe and played at the court of the Grand Mu of Llama.

Jack Leydon was sports' editor of the "Waverly Jitney," and he also had his own sports program, "Weightliftingly Yours." Art Fletcher, after having garnered fame and fortune from introducing the taxi with the built-in bar, was breeding gold-fish in the Fiji Islands. Mal Janigan, retired heavyweight boxing champion of the world, had turned to poetry, and his epic "Heaven Can't Wait" earned him the title of Poet Laureate. Hank Rounsefell was caddy-master at the Tam O'Shanter Meet in Chicago, and in the off-season he served as the librarian of fiction in the School of Archives at High Point, Missouri.

Dan Scouler went into retirement immediately after graduation, living on the interest which had accrued on his C.O.T.C. pay during the years.

Russ Webber became famous for his defence of the rights of the frog-farmers in Prince Edward Island.

Pat Purcell, having finished a course at the Royal College of Art in Paris, was supervising the reconstruction of the Coliseum in Rome.

Gerald Pottie wrote the sequel to Kipling's "Danny Deever," while Ed Connolly was holding regular classes for the Veterans' Arm of the C.O.T.C., which group was still trying to pass its T.O.E.T.'s.

Stan Kelly was head usher at the Yankee Stadium, and made a little money on the side by selling "doo-dads" to ball fans. Charlie Miller was photography editor for "The Reader's Digest," and Earl Burke was Reforestation Expert at Sable Island. Art Dean and Bill Duggan were members of the Meteorological Bureau of Bessarabia, stationed at Dutch Harbor, and Matt Coady was engaged in repairing the roulette wheels at Monte Carlo.

Well, this finishes the story of the deeds of the Class of '45. For twenty years I thought I was unsuccessful, but after talking to O. T. and Tom about my fellow graduates I have come to the conclusion that my job as soda-jerker at Russell's isn't so bad after all.