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In Roman Times



"THE GOAMIN' IN THE ROMAN", a one-act skit presented by St. Mary's Sodality at the Canadian Catholic Student's Mission Crusade Rally held at St. Patrick's Girls' High School. Shown in the trus Roman garb are left to right: Joe Cashen, Eric Gunn, Roger LeFrank, Spike Hatthews, Don MacIntyre, Ken Butler, Bill Russell and Eric Tobin. The play was written and produced by Crosby, Russell and MacIntyre. (Photo by Arthur Davies)

Graduation Plans Made

By NEV CONNER

At the last meeting of the Students' Council, plans for the Graduation Ball were finalized. The date has been set for May 12th. Reservations have been secured at the Lord Nelson Hotel and the Wild Goose will call to the music of Johnny Comstock and his Orchestra. Tickets will soon go on sale at \$3.00 a couple, so start saving! The stage is set for a big dance and everyone is assured of a fine time.

Acting on the suggestion of Fr. Burke-Gaffney, a meeting was called for all prospective graduates for 1950. A society was formed and Ed Murphy was elected president, with Al Freckleton as vice-president and Arnie Patterson as secretary-treasurer filling out the executive. At the meeting it was decided that all members of the society would cooperate in an effort to publish a year book. Bernie Kline as "production manager" will assign various tasks to the members.

Tentative plans for a smoker, to be held shortly after the exams, were formulated, but decisions were deferred until a later meeting. The meeting under the chairmanship of Nev Connor, was then adjourned due to lack of time.

Stage Presentations Highlight C.C.S.M.C. Mission Crusade Rally

By TOM MOORE

The Canadian Catholic Students' Mission Crusade Sunday, March 15, marked its yearly rally by heartening reports, and exhibition of deeds and spirit. Held at St. Patrick's Girls' High School because of the fact that we of St. Mary's, scheduled hosts, lacked sufficient accommodation, the rally was a wide-awake one, and was indeed honored by the presence of His Excellency Most Rev. A. B. Leverman, Rev. Father Basil Martin and Hector Daly, S.J., our own Sodality Director, and many of the good Sisters of Charity.

Father Joseph Mills, chairman in the absence of the unfortunately hospitalized Crusade Director Monsignor C. F. Curran, echoed the thoughts of the Monsignor, who, even from his sick bed, recorded a message in which was movingly painted a dual picture, one—of the enormity of paganism today, the second—of the irresistible force of youth when their zeal is channelled through such an organization as the C.C.S.M.C. Fr. Mills spoke smartly throughout.

There followed the reports of all constituent groups: Mount St. Vincent Academy, St. Patrick's Boys' High School, St. Patrick's Girls' High School, Mount St. Vincent College, the Halifax Infirmary School of Nursing, St. Patrick's Veterans, the Convent of the Sacred Heart, St. Peter's High School (a welcomed newcomer—from Dartmouth), Saint Mary's College. The concluding report was that of Claire Murphy, the general treasurer, who announced a \$70.00 bank balance. It was a good year for the Missions.

The first of two laudable stage presentations was a round-table discussion by M. S. V. College entitled, "Everything's All Right in Kokomo", whose theme was the Christopher movement and the glory of it, whose anti-theme was the apathy or antipathy of moderns toward a practical, Christian, evangelistic way of life in their own home towns, in their own "Kokomos".

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Murphy Chosen Class President

Edward W. Murphy, a senior Commereceman and an R.C.A.F. veteran of World War II, was last week elected president of this year's graduating class. Alfred Freckleton, a senior Science student, was elected vice president.

The president-elect also heads the Commerce and Debating Societies, and is also an active member of the Sodality. A north ender, Ed attended high school at St. Pat's and entered St. Mary's after serving with

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Commerce Men Tour Bank

Some thirty-five Commerecemen were guests of the management of the Bank of Nova Scotia, main branch, in Halifax last Tuesday afternoon when they were shown how a modern bank actually operates.

After a tour of inspection through the various departments and the vaults in the basement, a talk on Money and Banking was delivered by Mr. Haughan, manager of the Coburg Rd. branch, in the Board Room of the bank.

Starting with the different offices, the students were shown the costly machines which are used for checking calculations, posting amounts and recording transactions. The duties of various clerks and accountants in each department were also outlined.

Of particular interest was the visit to the vaults down under the bank. By means of a number of mirrors strategically placed, the watchman can view at a glance all the doors to the various vaults—even those around the opposite end of the building.

Mr. Haughan told of the early forms of trading goods by barter and how, as time went on, people desired easier means of paying for and buying goods. This led to a medium of exchange called money. When man collected a quantity of this money or a large amount of valuable goods he needed some place to store it or exchange it for other items and thus developed the modern bank.

Halifax Papers Most Popular; Chesterton Still Top Favorite

It was no easy task compiling the results of so many questions but the results proved to be very interesting. In very few things were there any winners with exceptionally large majorities. Most answers were more or less expected, after reviewing results of past polls, but there was a complete reverse in several. The complete list of winners is presented elsewhere on this page.

As expected, the Halifax Mail-Star came up with top honors in the favorite newspaper section, although not with as large a percentage as had been anticipated. It polled 55% of the votes. The nearest rival was the Chronicle-Herald with a small 8% vote. The New York Times, (a winner in past years), The Sydney Post-Record and the Ensign all tied for third place with 7% each.

Not only did the Ensign come third in this category, but it was voted the favorite Catholic publication with a large 76% behind it. Nearest rival with 8% was Our Sunday Visitor.

G. K. Chesterton and Charles Dickens, (the winners in all former

polls), shared first and second honors respectively as the favorite author, the former gaining 15% and the latter 13% of the votes.

In the magazine section, the Saturday Evening Post with 30% gained a considerable majority over Sport, 21%, the nearest opponent. Time, with 13% and Readers' Digest with 10% filled third and fourth place.

As far as hard-cover books are concerned, Seven Story Mountain claimed 7% to win in this category. The Dictionary proved popular also, coming up with 6%, proving that some people must make use of it at times.



Winners in the Public Speaking Contest at St. Mary's last Thursday night are shown above. Neville Conner, left, was winner of the Haliburton award for platform speaking; Don MacIntyre, center, captured the CHNS radio trophy; and Ken Butler, right, came second in both contests.

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Friday For Freshmen



In the above photo Dave Arscott expresses his conception of the subject under discussion at a recent freshman debating class. In the picture are: Jim Maddocks, Dave Arscott, John Lacey (chairman), Jim Powers and Bunny Inglis. (Staff photo by MacGillivray)

On and Off the Campus

Greetings dodos!

And a special salutation to all those Irishmen who, like SOY, KALBEHNN, and MERZETTI, celebrated St. Patrick's day as true Gaels. I wonder how large was the shamrock in the lapels of SANDOVAL? PLEVNIK? and VILLELA?

At a meeting of the prospective class of '50 (What prospects!) it was decided that the body should see what could be done about a year-book. I agree with those august gentlemen; come on KLINE, get 'em organized! (This column, for obvious reasons, will probably be my last.)

The award for the feature production of the month goes to M.R.C., MeRCy, is right!) That is; Lawrence O. MacINTYRE; Orson RUSSELL and Cecil B. CROSBY for their farcical comi-tragedy presented in four, disconnected incidents illustrating the point that in ancient Rome the biggest businesses were the unjust killing of Christians and the sale of mysterious liquids that came in big, white jugs. It is generally agreed something must be done about it. May I suggest boiling in oil?

As usual, you jokers have attempted to penetrate the cloak of secrecy protecting the identity of the most mysterious man on the campus. As usual you are completely at sea in your modest opinions. There are two fellows around here who know and we aren't telling. But here's a hint. Why don't you consult the name given on BERNIE'S poll-sheet?

In case there has been any doubt in your minds about those strains of music (?) we've been hearing around the halls lately, it's just FREDDIE CABLE on his dead-beats. With the stuff they turn out they should go far—on a rail.

Just to find out how far the JOTTER jinx extends I pick ENGINEERS to lick COMMERCE in the INTERFACULTY HOCKEY CLEANUPS. After all, who do Commencemen have besides NICK WALSH? Quit groaning you Labmen.

There's the click of the door opening; a red face, a soft command, a shambling exit and another loquacious library-frequenter has been bounced for a week. You'll learn children, you'll learn. Even the poor man's Angus MacASKILL, BRIAN AHERN, has learned.

O fireman save my chee-ild!! Its hard to restrain from the refrain when you know that TOM NICKERSON, slightly weary-eyed has been out the night before defending property, along with other stalwart members of the department. I wonder if he knows about the fellow who asked about the buckets with "for Fire Only" written on them, and if that was so, why were they filled with water? But nevertheless, Nick, the C.N.R., H.F.D. and S.M.C. are proud of you.

News of a snooker tournament keeps wafting this way on every breeze. Now that should provide riotous and hilarious entertainment! Since we already have bowling I think snooker ought to be followed by a Poker Marathon perhaps; or even Ye Olde Cockroache Tourney for a change. Does anybody want a gold M for croquet, canasta, or cock-fighting? For myself I'm training a turtle for the 100 yd. dash.

That tape-recorder is getting to be known as the "Debater's Conscience" the way it keeps throwing the blunders back on the ears of the speakers. Okay, MURPH! we know it's a far from mute witness to the murder of the King's English!

I wonder which place won the majority for the question, "What restaurant do you prefer?" There should have been a distinction made I think; "Which restaurant do you prefer for eating? Which for loafing?"

Before I leave, I must say I don't believe that volume of Anderson's Fairy Tales is under the same arm.

Auf weidersehn, louts,
THE JOTTER

THE EDITOR'S DILEMMA

"Getting out a newspaper is fun,
But it's no picnic.

If we print jokes people say we are silly.
If we don't, they say we are too serious.

If we clip things from other newspapers,
We are too lazy to write them ourselves.

If we don't, we are too fond of our own stuff.
If we don't print contributions,

We don't appreciate true genius.
If we do print them, the page is filled with junk.

Now, like as not, someone will say
We swiped this from some other paper—
We did!"

After compiling the results of the recent poll, and especially of the question "How would you improve the Journal?", the above quotation immediately came to mind. For the items mentioned in the article are identical with many of the answers received.

The greatest majority of students called for a larger paper, issued more often and containing more news. That is a good answer, worthy of thought and consideration—BUT—where is one going to GET more news to publish a "larger paper more often?" There is not enough news to gather to fill the paper as it is. It all boils down to a lack of activities and spirit on the part of the students. There was a time when NUMEROUS activities were patronized by almost ALL the students.

One student, in answering the question "What does Halifax need most?" gave us the solution to this question in one word—"Initiative". We need an active school spirit filled with life and activity. Then there would be something to REPORT in the Journal, enabling it to appear more often and be more interesting. But there we go—off on that hackneyed, time-worn topic of school spirit which we are all so tired of hearing about and which we want to avoid, for the present at least.

There is an old saying that "you can't please all the people all of the time . . ." etc. We found out that this statement holds true when we scanned the poll results. It was said we should carry a greater amount of sport items, that one page is insufficient. Another suggested we cut the sports items in half. One reply asked for more polls. Someone else said we are having too many.

There was a suggestion that we carry more world affairs. But if we did, we would be told we are running a COLLEGE paper and not a general newspaper. Others would tell us to "cut the junk" and stick to college affairs.

Some want more humor, others more poetry. Some want less essays and more news. But when there's no news, you have to fill in with something. And then, there are those who LIKE to read a little story now and again.

It was suggested we compel each student to contribute something to the Journal sometime during the year; but try and enforce it. You can't even get a reporter from each faculty to hand in a report each month. Mainly, because there is nothing taking place in the faculties to report.

However, we asked for suggestions and we got them. Let's hope the Journal will benefit from them and the students themselves as well.

THE PERFECT EXCUSE

The next time a teacher asks the why and wherefore of your absence, don't get excited. Just take out your hankie and sobbingly say, "I had to attend the funeral of my school spirit . . . it died."

Journal Poll Results

Favorite newspaper.....	Halifax Mail-Star.....	55%
Favorite magazine.....	Saturday Evening Post.....	30%
Favorite author.....	G. K. Chesterton.....	15%
Favorite columnist.....	Ace Foley.....	20%
Favorite comic strip.....	L'il Abner.....	42%
Favorite radio program.....	Bob Hope.....	17%
Favorite commentator.....	John Fisher.....	20%
	Walter Winchell.....	20%
Favorite announcer.....	Jack Lynch.....	13%
Favorite comedian.....	Bob Hope.....	70%
Favorite sportscaster.....	Danny Gullivan.....	56%
Favorite sportsman.....	Bert Hirschfeld.....	24%
Favorite winter sport.....	Hockey.....	73%
Favorite summer sport.....	Baseball.....	43%
Favorite Catholic publication.....	The Ensign.....	76%
Favorite Catholic radio program.....	Ave Maria Hour.....	21%
Favorite statesman.....	Winston Churchill.....	50%
Favorite popular song.....	Stardust.....	14%
Favorite classical song.....	Ave Maria.....	8%
	Polanaise.....	8%
Favorite singer (popular).....	Bing Crosby.....	50%
Favorite singer (classical).....	Lauritz Melchoir.....	19%
Favorite orchestra.....	Guy Lombardo.....	17%
Favorite type of movie.....	Musical.....	34%
Favorite movie actor.....	John Wayne.....	20%
Favorite movie actress.....	June Allyson.....	15%
Favorite movie director.....	C. B. DeMille.....	38%
Favorite school subject.....	Philosophy.....	17%
	English.....	17%
	Accounting.....	17%
Favorite professor.....	Fr. LaBelle.....	23%
Favorite restaurant.....	Willow Inn.....	27%
Favorite brand cigarette.....	Players.....	32%
Favorite hobby.....	Stamp collecting.....	13%
Favorite automobile.....	Chevrolet.....	16%
Favorite candy bar.....	Crispy Crunch.....	15%
Favorite book.....	Seven Story Mountain.....	7%
Favorite radio station.....	C J C H.....	67%
Favorite poem.....	Trees.....	15%
Favorite extra-curricular activity.....	Sport.....	32%
Do you read editorials?.....	Yes.....	40%
American Football or Canadian Rugby?.....	Can. Rugby.....	50%
How would you improve the Journal?.....	More issues.....	43%
Who is the Campus Jotter?.....	Ken Butler.....	30%
Do you like opera?.....	No.....	51%
Do you prefer popular or classical music?.....	Popular.....	66%
Do you prefer hot or sweet music?.....	Sweet.....	65%
Do you like martial music?.....	Yes.....	70%
Plain or colored motion pictures?.....	Colored.....	80%
Who is the most popular student?.....	Ed Murphy.....	27%
What faculty do you like best?.....	Arts.....	40%
What other faculty would you like at SMC?.....	Law.....	32%
Satisfied with mid-term exams?.....	Yes.....	70%
Do you prefer pipe or cigarettes?.....	Cigarette.....	69%
Live in Halifax, Dartmouth, or elsewhere?.....	Halifax.....	62%
What does Halifax need most?.....	Industries.....	15%
What will you remember from 1949?.....	Bicentennial.....	25%
Are you a war veteran?.....	No.....	95%



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HOCKEY FINALS ON



St. Mary's Intermediate Pucksters who lost out to Horton Academy in the N. S. Quarter Finals. Left to right, back row: Flynn (coach), Martell, Hemphill, Fleming, Fenton, MacMullin, Powers, Scott (manager). Front row: MacDonald, Beck, MacDougall, Houlihan, Worsely, Hallet. (Staff Photo by MacGillivray)

Residents Out ...

Two opposing teams should never use the same dressing room after the game. Commerce and Boarders did that last Saturday when the former squeezed out a 2-1 win with two last period goals to send themselves into the Interfaculty Hockey League finals against Engineers.

As they changed their attires, the teams tonsiled their views: "They were fluky goals", and, "So were yours". The fluky ones were caged by Commecemen Laurie Davies and Napier on shots from the blueline. Dave Arscott, Boarders third rear-guard, was screened on the shots.

"So was yours", was chalked up by Boarders Pat MacLean after Al Kalhbenn had slapped two shots at the prostrate form of Nick Walsh, Commerce last hope between the pipes. The three goal judges took a vote after an argument arose over the losers marker. It was unanimous.

"Did you see him flying through the air", brought a laugh from both teams. Gerry Blackburn, Commerce right-winger, says he's going to learn to skate away from the boards. He bounced twice after a cross-check sent him spilling out his ambitions for future sideline excursions.

As the post-game tension wore off, Boarders were around to admit they "didn't mean" the six penalties given them by Referee Art Flynn. Two stretches each were served by George Steele, Don Merzetti and Jack Hallisey. Commerce were without a misdemeanor.

Engineers In ...

Engineers moved into the Interfac Hockey finals with a 6-1 victory over a lagging Arts sextet Saturday, March 11.

Engineers had little trouble overpowering the Latin Scholars in a free wheeling contest. They took a 5-0 lead before Arts replied early in the third period.

Burpee Hallet and Dave Fenton led the victors with two goals apiece. Hallet also drew an assist on Fenton's first tally. Bernie Kirk scored a goal and an assist and Jack Napier counted a goal for Labmen's other markers.

Pete Mahoney scored Arts single goal on a pass from Jim Houlihan.

Ken Scott, Engineers goalie, highlighted the game as he turned aside many Arts scoring opportunities.

Arts' Jack MacKinnon was given the only penalty by Referee John Houghton.

Hoop Loop Tussle

Boarders 'B'—Villela 8, Pereira 4, Tobin 4, MacPhee, Streeter 12, Houghton 4, Merzetti 14, MacCormack 1—Total 43.

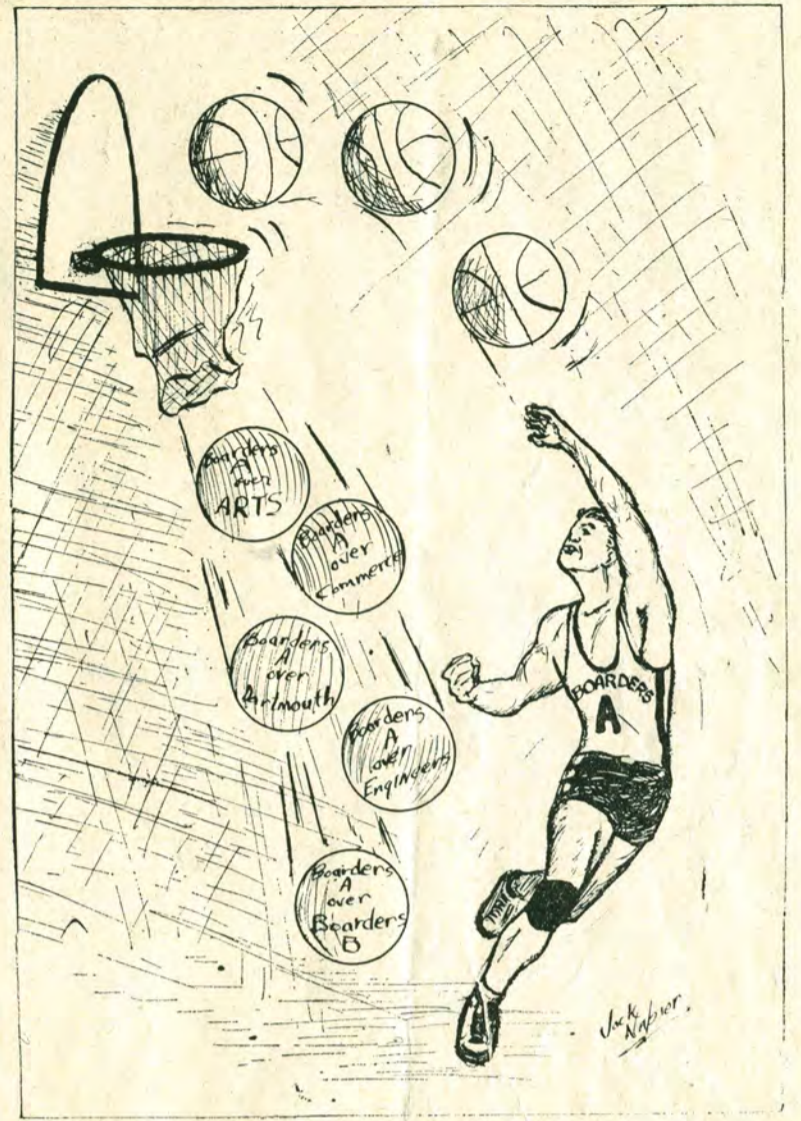
Dartmouth—Theriault 10, Matthews, Freckleton, MacInnis, L. Patterson 4, A. Patterson 16, Richards—Total 30.

Collegians Win Two

St. Mary's Intercollegiate Hockey squad scored two close wins over King's and Dalhousie Law School in recent games. King's went down 3-2 and the Law School bowed 5-4.

Doane Hallet, Henry Nunn and Stan MacPhee potted St. Mary's goals as the winners humbled Kings in the second scheduled game of the Halifax Intercollegiate Hockey League. The win puts the Santamarians in first place with a decision and a draw.

Anse MacDonald and Don Fultz each scored a brace and Art Flynn tallied the fifth marker for St. Mary's as they nosed out Dal Law School. Flynn picked up two assists and MacDonald one to share scoring honors. Doane Hallet and Frank Mulrooney also got marks in the assist column.



Mathews Bowls High

Teams End Play

Arts nipped Boarders 5-3 and Commerce outscored Engineers 5-2 on subsequent Saturdays to conclude activity in the Interfac Hockey League schedule.

Tied for Lead

Arts Jim Houlihan and Boarders Stan MacKenzie finished the Interfac Hockey League schedule in a first place tie for scoring honors. Houlihan also led the goalgetters with seven.

The leaders:

Players	G	A	T
Houlihan, Com.	7	2	9
MacKenzie, Board.	6	3	9
MacLean, Boarders	2	6	8
Houghton, Board.	3	4	7
Kirk, Engineers	1	6	7
Baxter, Commerce	0	5	5
Mahoney, Arts	3	2	5
Riordan, Commerce	5	0	5
Fenton, Engineers	3	2	5
Blackburn, Comm.	3	2	5
B. Hallet, Eng.	3	1	4
Dempsey, Eng.	1	2	3
Davies, Commerce	1	2	3
MacKinnon, Arts	1	2	3

Goalkeepers:

	G.F.	G.A.	A.
Nick Walsh, .. Com.	24	16	2.4
Ken Scott, Engineers.	23	18	3.0
Doug Sullivan, Arts	21	25	4.2
Dave Arscott, Board.	18	27	4.5

N.B.—Intercollegiate players are not listed.

Leads Averages

'Spike' Mathews, Braves captain, averaged 102 to finish first in the College Bowling League which is now in the playoff stage. The Braves, favored to win the league title, were upset last week by Cardinals, Joe Streeter, captain of the Cards, ended second in the list ahead of Len Martell and Chuck Jones of the Dodgers and Stan MacKenzie of the Red Sox.

BULLETIN — Red Sox bowled over Yankees 1078-932 Saturday to go 146 pins ahead in the first of a two-game, total-pinfal, semi-finals of the College League. The winners meet Dodgers in the finals. Soxman Bob Richard was high man with 121 single and 296 three.

Name	Strings	Average
Mathews	15	102 4/15
Streeter	15	96 7/15
Martell	15	96 4/5
Jones	19	93 3/5
Mackenzie	12	91 4/5
D. Cable	6	89 1/2
Merzetti	9	89 1/3
McGinn	17	88 7/10
Burke	15	88 4/15
F. Cable	6	86
R. MacDonald	12	85 5/12
Tobin	18	85
Davies	9	84 1/3
J. Mathews	9	84
D. Hallet	9	83 7/9
Blackburn	6	83
Duggan	15	82 13/15
B. Hernon	15	81
Riordan	9	80 2/5

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BRIDGEWATER



by DON MERZETTI

A hard-packed path of ice now joins the 'old rec-hall' with the college.

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With the formation of two college basketball leagues, traffic has moved at a steady clip towards the new basketball court where ten games were played in the first three weeks. Only once has a team been forced to postpone a contest due to lack of sufficient players as the squads follow a tight schedule which lists a game a day.

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Some of the matches become a bit superfluous with over-anxiety and roughness at times when the referee becomes lax with the whistle but nobody has emanated from the court wars with any broken ligaments as yet. So, it seems, co-operation now looms as a threat to idleness around St. Mary's. Who doesn't like basketball anyway? Everyone has a good time and they're improving at that.

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Only one team can win the Interfaculty Hockey League playoffs. But which team? This quarter will mention providence as the answer to that one because this season's race has been one of the tightest for a long time. And with sudden-death playoffs, anything can give. Engineers have a potentiality for conquering that could lead them to the championship. Arts found that out last week when the 'fiery' Bunsen-Burners ran away with the semi-finals 6-1. Last season when we pushed Commerce right out of the picture, they won. We shove them back in again this year but they'll have all they can do to win Commerce faculty their second straight title. Their defense and goal minding is strong enough to make up for a weaker scoring punch.

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OBTUARIES — High school curlers have stacked away their stones for the season but, before they lay down to rest a felicitation should be passed on to Brian Hernon, Bob Sullivan, Gerry Hanrahan and Kevin Dunn, skip, of a rink that scored a perfect 'eight-end' two weeks ago against Lunenburg ... Jeff Flinn mourns for the minutes he lost in Arts-Boarders recent hockey fixture ... notice in paper of late: In Memory of the ten-minute misconduct penalty I got—signed, Ken Fultz ... Don MacIntyre found he couldn't bowl in sneakers. He buried them with a big R.I.P. notation ... Jim Keating sends in an 'Obit' for the speed he can't get on his bowling ball ... to Bill Hanrahan: bury that bowling style you can't seem to acquire; at least the foot you never land on ... Giants' Joe McGinn, Bob Napier and Gerry Blackburn grieve over the 241 pins they couldn't get against Yankees ... Denny Mantin is sad about his low bowling scores ... But he's improved ... John Houghton is wearing black these days for the shot he didn't take against Engineers when someone yelled 'WRONG BASKET' ... John Merritt, Brenden Dempsey and Dave Fenton aren't. They didn't know the difference either ... Jack Napier sends remembrance for the days when he couldn't score a basket ... Ed Fitzpatrick and John Matthews sent flowers to the Braves the day these bowlers weren't around to get beaten by Cardinals ... Eric Tobin, Murray Webb and Ted Riordan are out to get the Dodgers for squeezing out that 10-pin win. Hope they send in the obituary ... Paul Leydon says he will issue a Memory for anyone who says Paul can't win the College Snooker Tournament ... 10c to try fellows ... This writer puts an obituary in here for the space he hasn't got to finish this column. Next issue.



Fr. H. Daly, S.J., was guest speaker at a Communion Breakfast held by the C.Y.O. of St. Joseph's parish. From left to right are: Fr. Daly, Miss Kay MacIsaac, Rev. Robert Walsh (a St. Mary's graduate), Miss Gerry Keefe and Miss Helen Rowe. (Photo by Norwood)

AROUND THE COLLEGE

Sport seems to be the favorite extra-curricular activity of St. Mary's students. Poll tabulations reveal that 32% favor this activity over all others. Dancing with 20% and cards with 8% claimed the next highest posts.

Closely associated with this is the question on hobbies. Over 13% make a hobby of collecting stamps and 8% prefer reading. Model-building and art were also given 5% each. One fellow makes studying his hobby and another collects statistics as a pastime.

At least 70% feel they did their best in the mid-term exams. About 6% are not too pleased and 24% are very down-hearted.

English, Accounting and Philosophy are all top favorites recording 17% each in the favorite school subject class. Believe it or not, Latin came in second place with 8% as its total.

Law was picked as the next faculty St. Mary's should add to its courses, as it claimed 32% of the votes. Next in line was medicine with 27% and this was followed by education having 8% to its credit. Another 6% suggested a course in physical education be given at the College. Some called for expansion of present courses such as establishment of a Commerce Graduate school, expanded Engineering course and Master of Journalism degree.

Only 5% of those passing in poll sheets recorded themselves as war veterans.

Favorite winter sport of Santamarians is, of course, hockey. With 73% of the votes it far outdistanced the runner up—basketball with a tiny 7% to its credit. For summer they chose baseball giving it 43% of the total. Second choice for summer was swimming with 35% favoring the sport. Canadian football with 50% gained a 10% lead over American football. There was 10% recorded who had no choice between the two games.

Players, 32%, outdistanced Export, 29%, to become the favorite brand of cigarettes with St. Mary's students. About 20% recorded themselves as non-smokers. As far as candy bars go, students don't seem to agree on any one or two kinds as no less than 20 different varieties were listed. However, Crispy Crunch came out on top with a 15% total. Close behind was O'Henry with 13% and Cherry Blossom with 10%.

For eating, the choice of 27% was the Willow Inn. Other favorite spots were the Cameo 13%, Norman's 10%, and the Colonial 10%.

Bicentennial Most Important Event

The Halifax Bicentennial, or events featured in the celebration, will be remembered as an important happening in 1949 by at least 25% of the students. About 7% will never forget those final exams and 7% of the freshmen said the initiation will live long in their memories.

Other memories range from the hydrogen bomb to the world series and from the Chinese war to the opening of taverns. At least one person will hold a spot in his memory for the old birney trams which were replaced last year by trolley coaches.

Some 15% think Halifax could do with more industries and 14% favor the harbor bridge as what Halifax needs most of all. Another suggested more recreational facilities such as a stadium, an opera house and a new rink. About 6% urged slum clearance and better buildings for Halifax with lower tax rates. Others called for better civic administration, better and wider streets, early completion of the new St. Mary's and more initiative. One person must consider Halifax to be Utopia for in answer to the question he replied flatly "nothing".

Debate Mercy Killing

Debating became part of the Sodality activities at a past meeting, when three students became stout-hearted non-Catholics and three others staunchly upheld their Catholicity. Roger LeFrank, Tom Moore and Neville Connor, the Protestants, viciously attacked and criticized the doctrine on mercy killing upheld by Catholics Ed Murphy, Henry Nunn and Fred Cable.

LeFrank brought out many of the popular arguments in favor of mercy killing which are usually advanced by non-Catholics in an attempt to establish and justify the practice. The others answered back by saying that God alone has the right to take a person's life and no human person has this right in such cases.



Journalism Instructor Eric Dennis hands a bulletin hot off the teletype machine recently installed for use of Journalism students, to Mary MacCormack and Don Merzetti, second year students, with instructions to write a suitable headline for the article. (Staff photo by MacGillivray)

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When the girls began with stage prayers, we felt that we too should have been standing . . . participating . . . and this is tribute enough to their sincerity and efficacy.

The contrast must have been little short of unnerving to any unsuspecting onlooker when, minutes later, the S.M.C. Players unleashed their pseudo "Onward Christian Soldiers" epic, "The Gloamin' in the Roman". A one-act "period" play, it dealt with both the degeneracy of Nero and his coterie, and the power of St. Paul who induced his Roman jailer to conversion and martyrdom (the jailer was the hero). Riotous authenticity was attained through strict adherence to the principle: "here a toga, there a toga, everywhere a Roman toga". But it was a success, a big success—realistic enough to be fascinating—at times. Written, directed and produced by Crosby, MacIntyre and Russell, acted by Butler, LeFrank, Russell and MacIntyre (minor characters were Gunn, Tobin, Matthews and Cashen), and narrated by Nunn, "The Gloamin' in the Roman" received accolades as its due.

Then, just preceding the "Crusaders' Pledge", Bishop Leverman told us that whatever we do in the C.C.S.M.C. is everlasting good. "Although you live in Canada, you have a responsibility, and more, to those who live in far-off lands".

Special thanks go to those who were so generous in ushering, handling refreshments during the social hour, and cleaning up afterwards—Mike Murphy, Bill Mahar, Jeff Flinn, Ed Fitzpatrick, Pete Heenan, Jim Keating, Tom Nickerson, Eric Duggan, Ross MacDonald and Joe Cashen.

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