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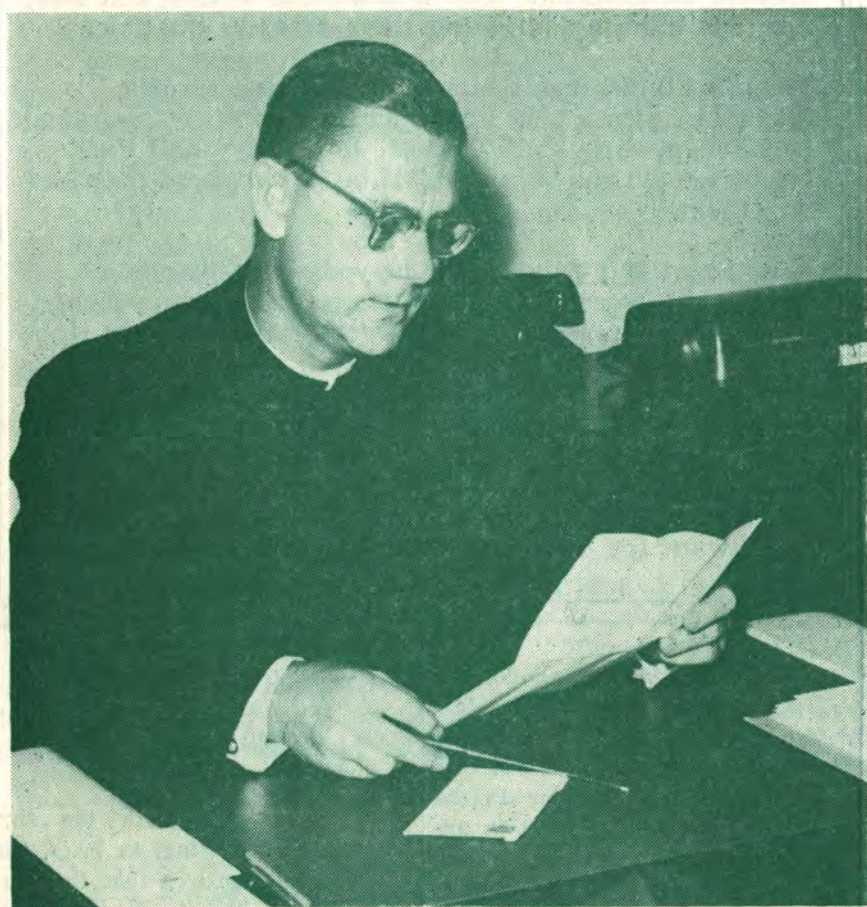
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MacLEAN: MAN of HALF-YEAR



On Thursday and Friday of last week the Boarders Poolroom was turned into a pooling booth for the elections by Saint Mary's students for the "Man-of-the-half-year." The purpose of this campaign was to have the students decide who among them had done the most to help the university and the student body during the first semester. At 4 p.m. on Friday afternoon the votes were counted by Waldo Karkling and Dick Hurley, of the "Journal" staff in the presence of Fr. O'Donnell, S.J., Student Counsellor. The result: Gordon MacLean, Student Council President, was voted "Man of the Half Year" by a large plurality.

Others in the running were John Parliament, Cyril Hannon, Engineering President, and Ron Roach, Sodality Prefect. These names had been nominated by the Student

Council and had been placed on the ballot by the "Journal" staff.

Besides Mr. MacLean's fine administrative job this semester, he has also been called upon to represent the students of Saint Mary's at various functions around Halifax.

In October, Mr. MacLean presided over the 1959 CFCCS Conference in Montreal as outgoing National President of this organization. Also in this month he was head delegate from SMU to the National NFCUS Congress at Saskatoon, Sask.

From The President

Christmas! Probably our first thought is of holidays, a "break." It seems the academic year has just started, and here we are at the half-way mark—except for first semester examinations! The routine has been steady, the work has piled up, and all of us (students and faculty!) are a little tired — tired in spirit, perhaps bored, perhaps discouraged. And so we need this "break."

Christmas is wonderfully appropriate to our need, isn't it? For it is more than just a recess time, a "break"—the heart of this holiday is a feast of re-creation, of new birth, of new courage and hope: "good news of great joy to all the people, for today is born to you a Saviour who is Christ the Lord."

This great joy is the new-born Saviour, this freshness of spirit, is my Christmas wish for you—no mere holiday renewal by a well-deserved "break," but a deep rebirth of spiritual values, prayer and meekness and dutiful devotion to His will and generous sacrifice. May the approachable, lovable Christ Child of Bethlehem be born again in our hearts. May we live His life ever more fully, and with the gracious help of His Holy Mother ever advance "in wisdom and age and grace before God and men."

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Just a little over forty-two years ago, three small children in a small Portugal town called Fatima received a message from the Blessed Virgin Mary, to convey to the world. That message warned the world that unless it offered prayer and penance that the chastisement of heaven would follow. The revelation of the third part of Mary's message is scheduled for the coming year, 1960. In the past four decades, has the world changed its spiritual aspect enough? Have Christians purged themselves of rampant materialism? Has Russia been converted? More specifically have we as Catholics done all we can to attain some practical part of that message? Not likely.

Since these visions of Fatima the world has been embroiled into two world wars, the Korean war, the sweeping spread of communism, rackets, over-indulgences and countless other evils that have glutted our society. Are we prepared to say to the Blessed Virgin, "Yes, we have achieved what you have asked to the best of our ability". Not likely.

There are twenty days remaining in this year with the most important day in the church on the fourteenth day. What can we do in these three short weeks? First of all, let's take the slogan of "Bring Christ Back to Christmas" and cut down, or out the materialistic tone of Xmas. Just this once let's try to make an effort to keep prominently in our minds the true meaning of this feast. And after this feast, with the few remaining days in the year we should pray for the world as Mary has asked us and do penance which will help us as well as others. The facilities are certainly here in the university for boarders as well as dayhops.

FOUR FOR FIVE

Hats are off and plaudits are in order to the hockey and basketball teams of the Saints for their fine showing in their respective league. The hockey team leads the parade by dumping "X" for the first time in five years and then returning home to drub our arch rivals Dal one week later. The junior varsity took their opener in an impressive manner and were followed by the varsity team on that same eve, who also took their first game of the season from Acadia. Within nine days S.M.U. teams have wrapped up an impressive record taking four games out of five.

The success of the "International Night" and the fine turnout at the polls for the "man-of-the-half-year" plus this sports feat are strong indications that 1959-1960 will be this university's greatest. May all the S.M.U.'s enjoy a happy and holy Christmas, and may the New Year be your best.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Editor:

While realizing full well the futility of addressing a body so blissfully complacent toward all that conspires about it, we nevertheless feel obliged to say something about a matter which would have aroused any self-respecting student body to at least some sort of investigation.

As some of you Canadians may or may not have realized, on Thursday, Nov. 26, the United States of America celebrated Thanksgiving Day. On that same day, between the hours of 5:30 and 6:00 p.m. the dining hall of Saint Mary's assumed an atmosphere reminiscent of Times Square following Japan's surrender in 1946.

Never had so much been eaten by so many because of so few. A veteran of three years of residence told us he'd just had his best meal ever in this residence. Even the President of the University turned out to thank the Lord for American crops.

Now, let's look back to October 12 of this term—on our Canadian Thanksgiving Day. If memory serves us, that occasion was graced by copious servings of minced hamburger 'from our spotless kitchen.' Stewed turkey, the boarders' burden every Sunday night, did double duty the following evening, when all were back from the weekend holiday.

We saw no turkey cuts, pumpkin pie, bananas, grapes, oranges, apples, flowers or decorations; no Father Fischer dropping in to pay his respects.

Let it be made clear that this is not motivated by any sort of antagonism toward America or Americans. But we do feel miffed at this flagrant breach of etiquette, especially in a University, where decorum should be a major consideration in any undertaking.

It is hoped that this letter will be taken in the vein for which it is intended.

Sincerely yours,

GORDON LAWS,
St. John's, Nfld.



Dear Sir:

We, the American students of Saint Mary's wish to express our sincere appreciation to the administration of the University for their gracious demonstration of good will through the splendid Thanksgiving Dinner tendered us last week.

Through your efforts we were able to enjoy both the spirit and substance of a holiday which means so much to us. We thank you not only for the dinner but for the consideration it manifested and assure you it transformed an otherwise dreary day into a memorable occasion.

Again our heartfelt thanks.

—The American Students.

Poet's Corner

Dear Santa

By GORDON LAWS

I see by the calendar Christmas is near,
 The time of gift-giving, of gladness and cheer.
 The time when all children, with pencil and pick,
 Are writing their letters to dear old St. Nick.

But this year's requests to that jolly old man,
 Will not be restricted to Johnny and Jan.
 You see, my dear friends, there is that certain few,
 Who stick to their childhood like fingers to glue.

I refer, but of course, to those persons of fame,
 Of whom anecdotes, told and retold, spread their name.
 Messrs. Baldwin and Hayes, and some others, I'm told,
 Are this minute addressing their notes to the pole.

Though I'll not insult him by mentioning girdles,
 Mr. Claus, please help Frank with those St. FX hurdles.
 Notwithstanding Fred Walker, John Riley and Padden,
 He sure could use "big men," if he knew where they had them.

If on Saint Mary's you've kept your surveillance
 You've sure seen our coach's disgraceful conveyance.
 Realizing your reindeer must work hard to carry it,
 Could you possibly bring Mr. Hayes a new chariot?

I'll put old Bill, the janitor, with the elite,
 I know what would make his next Christmas complete.
 For you'll hear him sing softly where 'ere he might
 sweep,
 'All I want for Christmas is my two front teeth!

Dear Mr. Henderson:

Thank you, thank you, and again we thank you . . . — for nothing! Your judgment of "Nothing is rather . . . need we say more?"

Please reread our letter in the November 6th edition with an unprejudiced opinion and refrain from comment 'til due meditation.

Your friendly Canadians,
 Alan K. Connors
 and
 Louis A. Langlois.

Gentlemen:

May I add my congratulations to the ones you have already received, on your excellent work in your renovated Journal.

The sparkling spirit, the fine humor, the reporting, in brief, the whole set up proves that the students of St. Mary's are very dynamic.

Crescendo . . .
 Prof. J. Vorstermans.



"MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM THE DEAN"

T. LEUNG

- SOCIETY NEWS -

Arts

The Arts Society held its annual stag at the Flamingo Restaurant, December 4. This was held in co-operation with the Science Society and was a great success. Mr. Habib gave a very interesting talk on "A Review of 1959, The End of an Era," which was well received by all present. Mr. Carroll Parker accompanied the sing-song on the piano. The executive would like to thank all who made this stag a success.

On Wednesday, December 9, the Society sponsored the Blood Drive for the Red Cross. This was another Tau Gamma Sigma success.

Any one who hasn't received his Arts pin may do so by contacting Claude McLean or Greg McClare.

The Executive would like to wish all its members a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Commerce

Commerce Society pins are now in, and any members who have paid for and not received their pins should see Pat Oldfield.

The Society will be holding its stag sometime after the Christmas exams. No date has been set as yet.

At the last meeting a committee was formed to look after the informal dance to be held tonight. Ted Hoganson will be the chairman. Wally Shaw, Louis Langlois and Mike Carter are working on the committee.

Plans are being formed within the society for the organization of discussion groups and guest speakers will be invited to address the students after Christmas.

A committee has been formed under the chairmanship of Steve O'Brien to sit up a design for a Commerce Society crest.

Mr. Jackson, of the firm of Clarkson and Gordon, Chartered Accountants, spoke to those interested in that profession on Tuesday. His talk centered on the educational requirements of the C.A. students. Mr. Jackson was introduced by Dean Beazley and thanked by the Society President, Pat Oldfield.



Liberal Officers

Last Friday the Liberal Club, under the chairmanship of past president Jim Kemp, held their annual elections. Robert Martin was elected President by acclamation. Gil Frechette was elected first vice-president with Dave Connolly as second vice-president. Ron Cox will assume the duties of secretary-treasurer and David Hope will act as public relations officer.

W.U.S.C.

The planning of the programme for this year's W.U.S.C. committee is well underway and some aspects of this plan have already been initiated. It was decided that one important instrument which should be utilized to give W.U.S.C. a practical application on the campus was a panel discussion. Too often organizations such as W.U.S.C. have been criticized, and justly so, because they are too remote from the student body. This criticism is especially so of W.U.S.C. because of the fact that the majority of its work is on an international level. However by sponsoring panel discussions the committee hopes to bring the organization closer to the students.

Having mentioned the most important aspect of this year's program we might proceed to list other undertakings of this organization. Already we have had a panel discussion on Foreign Affairs and International Relations. Early in November, as some of you know, the Treasure Van visited Dalhousie. The Treasure Van sells products of foreign lands. The Van was held at Dalhousie in conjunction with the W.U.S.C. organization at St. Mary's.

W.U.S.C. has a very ambitious program planned for the rest of the year. A campaign among the service clubs of Halifax to publicize the organization is in operation. Attempts are being made to raise money for the Summer delegate from Saint Mary's.

Planning is already underway for regional conference at Mount Allison University and lastly, a very worthwhile project to procure a scholarship for an overseas student.



C.C.S.M.C.

The total of collections taken up in the Theology classes so far this year is \$92.63. This is somewhat less than in previous years, yet it does indicate some spirit of sacrifice on the part of the students.

Seventy dollars has been used thus far in mission activities; \$20 was spent to cover half the cost of mailing books donated by the library, and which were sent to a mission in India; \$50 was sent to Sister Anne Ward in Assam, Northern India. This is just a beginning of the work we hope to accomplish during the year and with the continued support of the students, bigger undertakings will be accomplished after Christmas.

Also the annual CCSMC mass was celebrated by Archbishop J. G. Berry, with a large representation of Saint Mary's University students in attendance.

The Archbishop stressed the need for missionaries especially in South America. In Halifax there is one priest for every 900 Catholics, while in South America there is one priest for every 7000 Catholics. Due to the

terrain of the country it is almost impossible to visit them.

From East Africa — Furaha Ya Siku Knu Na Mwaka Mpya (Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.)



Science

The Student Directory is now available to the students. All those interested can pick one up at the registrar's office. Bob Sumarah and all who made the directory possible, should be congratulated for a job well done.

The Science-Arts Smoker held at the Flamingo Restaurant was from all reports successful. A large attendance of faculty members as well as students indicated that a good time was had by all.

At this time a word of congratulation is due to the students who made up the Science inter-fac football team. The boys put up a good showing against the other faculties and by next year shouldn't have any trouble picking up the championship.

As a member of the executive I extend seasons greetings to all members and to the student body and wish them the best of luck in their coming exams.

I would also like to thank the editor and staff of the "Journal" for making it possible in publishing the bi-monthly news of the society.



NFCUS

Despite advanced publicity, the response to the NFCUS Photography contest was very poor. Only entries from two students were submitted to the Committee by the deadline. These have been forwarded to contest headquarters.

As a result of much discussion the NFCUS Committee has taken upon itself two more projects for the academic year. The first is the setting up of a coat-checking concession for all future dances held on campus. The charge will be ten cents per coat and the proceeds will be used to finance NFCUS projects and thus lessen financial burden on the Student Council.

The second project is the establishment of a mascot for the University. Plans for this are still in the formative stage but definite plans will be announced in the next issue of the "Journal."

The committee would welcome any suggestions the students might have.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Sodality

The Sodality's second Day of Recollection took place on Sunday, Dec. 7. Father G. Topp, S.J., was the guest speaker.

The first Sodality dance was a huge success last Monday. It was a fine example that a dance can be spiritual as well as social. With the dance proceeds the Welfare Committee is currently busy supplying Christmas dinners to less fortunate families in the city.

The Sodality would like at this time to extend to each member of the student body, its best wishes for a happy and holy Christmas. It is hoped that the season's festivities will not cause anyone to lose sight of the true significance of the event we are commemorating—the Birthday of Christ.

Engineering

As everyone knows the Country Dance was a huge success socially and financially. The hard working crew of Allan Connors, Wayne Hill and Gary Baker are to be congratulated on their splendid job of decorating. Without the efforts of this trio the dance would not have been the success it was. We would also like to thank all the engineers who gave their time to help in the preparations.

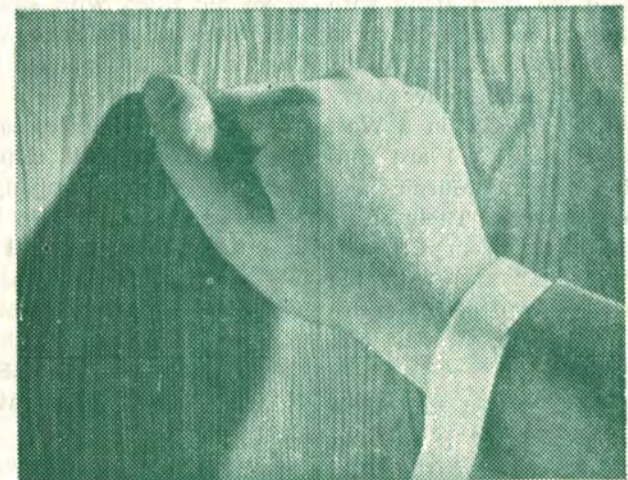
While everyone is taking bows, Billy Spruin should take one for the magnificent job he did in designing and making our new flag.

On a somewhat soggy field, Nov. 29, the Engineers trounced a combined Arts-Science team by a score of 18-0 to emerge once again inter-fac football champions.

Happy Christmas

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SELLOUT CROWD THRILLS TO INTERNATIONAL SHOW

By FRED BRIGGS

The third international show, under the very capable direction of Audrey Boone and Mary Dee Girroir, came off with all the precision timing and magnificence of even the most renowned Broadway production. The show, following along the same lines as Frank Sinatra's "Come Fly With Me," started off in England and buzzed around the world in about two hours to end in a holiday mood at a country fair.

At 8:30 p.m. the curtain went up and the huge audience was thrilled at the Armdale Chorus and St. Mary's Glee Club's rendition of "Come to the Fair."

From there we flew along with Raphael Njoroge as he took us to East Africa via the folk song route.

Continuing on along our merry way we paused briefly on a West Indian Island where we are confronted with Edmund Murphy and his "Calypso Clowns." Their offering of "Man Smart, Women Smarter," and "Matilda" met with the wholehearted approval of the entire audience. Bellafonte, watch out, here comes Murphy!

Climbing back aboard our magic carpet, we headed for Israel and the delightful songs of the Ann Pride Trio.

Up, up and off to Hawaii with Dick Scheehan and Harley Day with their interpretation of "Sleep Walk."

Some people will say that Brigitte Bardot made France famous but after seeing and listening to the girls from Mount Saint Vincent run through a few French numbers these same people will ask you, Brigitte who? Oh, incidentally, the Mount group was accompanied by the boys from SMU but they were a lot better sounding than they were looking.

Hold everything, Murphy and his boys are back. This time Ivy league style. It's the American sector of the show, and the unfortunate fellows are spending it in the "Tiajuana Jail." From there, they swing into the MTA bit, and then amidst the thunderous applause they have the nerve to walk out and leave us

in an air filled with suspense. To this day we don't know if poor Charlie ever did manage to get off the sub-way.

The roaring twenties came on to the stage with Bill Roper, Peter Amyoony and company. After watching it, I can't help but think that the Charleston will be back into swing soon. This was followed by Connie Arban's very blue rendition of "Stormy Weather." The chorus ended up the U.S. portion of the show with, "The Battle Hymn of the Republic."

From the U.S., we traveled to Ireland to hear from the Glee Club "Piping Time of Galway", followed by "Ballynure Ballad," sung by The Armdale Chorus. Donna Dodge sang "Danny Boy," to the accompaniment of Mary Dee Girroir on the harp.

Through Doris Isaac we got a look at Arabia's interpretation of our Rock and Roll.

The Italian portion of the show was composed of, "Come Back to Sorrento," sung by Ron Dodge. The Armdale Chorus sang "Santaturie" which was followed by "Pace, Pace Mio Dio," sung by Norma Marriott. The Armdale Chorus and SMU Glee Club ended the sector with "Cosi, Cosa."

"Mountain High, Valley Low" was sung by Peggy Redmond proceeded by the Glee Club's offering of "Voir-Me-O."

The final song of the evening was "Come to the Fair" with the entire chorus joining in.

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'Winslow Boy' Mar 10-12

After two hectic weeks of tryouts for parts in the SMU Dramatic Society production of "The Winslow Boy," seven male and four female thespians have been chosen to fill out the cast.

These actors will enact the play based on the famous Archer-Shee case which created much popular and political interest in the England of that time.

In 1908 Martin Archer-Shee, a retired Liverpool bank manager, received a letter from the commanding officer of the Royal Naval College at Osborne, stating that his young son George, a cadet of the

college, had been expelled for the theft of a five shilling postal note, belonging to a friend which was afterwards cashed at the post-office with a forged signature. George told his father that he had not done this and trusting to his son's word, Archer-Shee engaged one of the most brilliant lawyers in Britain, Sir Edward Carson, to try to secure a judicial hearing to clear his name. Sir Edward after two years of opposition from the Naval authorities, finally brought the case to trial by resorting to the ancient device of "Petition of Right."

Mr. Donald Wetmore, well known Halifax Director, and Father Francis Devine, S.J., producer, met with the players on Thursday, Nov. 26, for their first complete reading.

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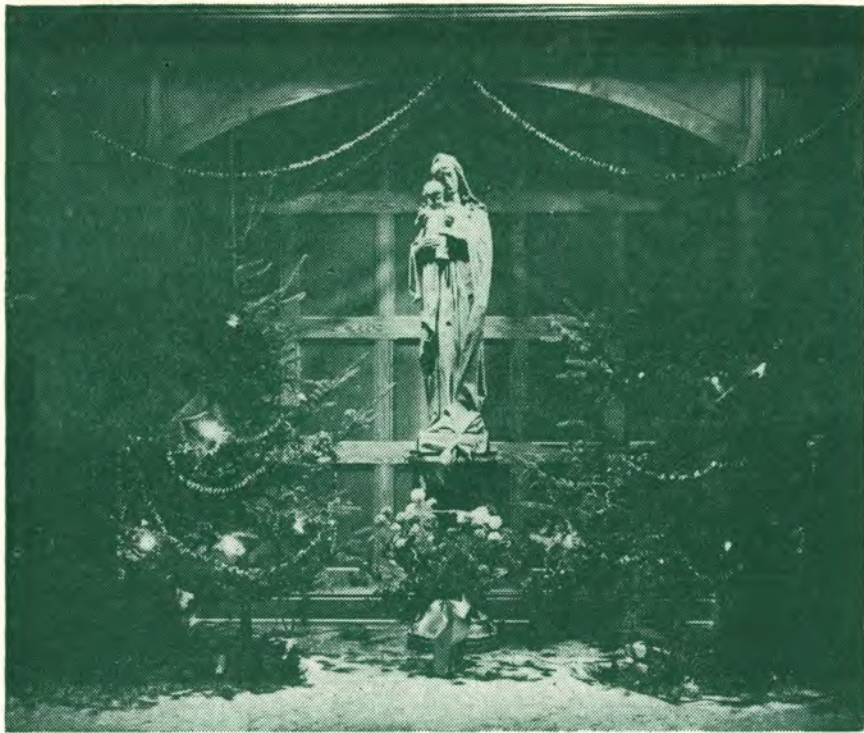
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The Finale



"FATIMA, 1960"

This is part of a conversation Fr. Augustin Fuentes, Postulator for the cause of the beatification of Francisco and Jacinta, had with Sister Lucy of Fatima, the third witness of the vision of Fatima, (who is still living), on December 26, 1957:

"Father, the Blessed Virgin is very sad because not many respect her Fatima message, neither the good nor the bad. The good do not, because they go along their way of goodness, of apostolate, of virtue, but without paying attention to this message.

"But believe me, Father, God is going to chastise the world, and in a tremendous way. The chastisement of Heaven is imminent. Father, 1960 is not far off, and what will happen then will be a very sad thing, for all, and not at all a happy thing, if before then the world does not offer prayer and penance. I cannot go into greater detail, since it is still a secret, one that through the will of the Blessed Virgin, may only be known to the Holy Father and the Bishop of Fatima; and neither one wishes to know it, in order not to be influenced by it. It is the third part of Our Lady's message, which is to remain a secret until 1960.

"Tell them, Father, that the Blessed Virgin, many times, to my cousins Francisco and Jacinta, as well as to me, said that many nations would disappear from the face of the earth, and that Russia would be the instrument of the chastisement of Heaven for all, if before then we did not bring about the conversion of that unhappy nation."

—Scarboro Mission, Nov. 1959.

Has Russia been converted yet? Has her zeal to conquer the world been hindered in any way? Who dares stop Russia with the aid of arms? What did the free world do when the people of Hungary and Tibet were purged by the ruthless hand of the Communists? Of course, we must not forget the fact that the United Nations, the Free World, denounced Russia's action in a very forceful speech, to which the USSR representatives laughingly made their exit. We will not stop Russia with force, and neither will we stop her with vehement speeches. What then? Have we not the message of Fatima? "God is going to chastise the world, and in a tremendous way . . . if the world does not offer prayer and penance"

REMEMBER, 1960 is not far off!



Your First Christmas

By MIKE McGRATH

The world as a composite group of humanity, including past, present and future generations, had its first Christmas many years ago. When, in a small tiny Bethlehem stable, a small boy entered the world who was to earn eternal happiness for mankind, we experienced our first Christmas.

This great event in the annals of history, had in its material aspect a very modest setting, in comparison with its significance. Thus on the material level we should continue this note of conservatism in respect to Christmas. What place should Christmas then play and where should it rate in respect to other important events?

Christmas should be the most important day in the year for all of us and should be celebrated accordingly. However we should de-emphasize any pre-occupation with purely material aspects. The way was shown to us by the first Christmas and who are we to ignore God's wishes.

In place of this commercial celebration we should initiate an intense spiritual celebration. By doing this we make the celebration fit, not only the wishes of God, but the nature of the event we celebrate. The benefits gathered by the human race from the birth of Christ are of a spiritual nature and thus the rejoicing should also be on the spiritual and supernatural level.

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A Fantasy

One Christmas Eve, I had a most fantastic dream. The scene of my dream was hell; the time—that is, on earth, for hell is timeless, was late on Christmas Eve. For the delectation of his dupes, Satan had set up a truly infernal contraption. It was something like a PA system and the loud-speakers broadcast through all the vastness of the inferno, the first line of "I'm dreaming of a white Christmas." The high reedy voice kept more or less to the opening notes, but for the last three or four it broke into the most soul-shattering cacophony that could be imagined. At the same time a great wail went up from the lost, which rose in a crescendo to a final shriek of despair. The one line was repeated endlessly, and over and over it met with the same lament.

Satan's minions were not idle during all this, but seemed to be rushing to and fro thrusting souls deeper into the pit and emitting sounds, at first unintelligible to me, but which if they could resemble human speech, sounded like "écrasez L' Infame" and it dawned on me that many theologians hold Beelzebub's fall to have been the consequence of his refusal to adore the World Made Flesh.

My dream changed and I found myself on a green hillside near the midnight hour. There was deep calm everywhere. The heavens were a panoply of twinkling stars and by their light I could make out dark figures huddled on the ground, their long cloaks covering them from head to foot, so that they seemed to merge into the terrain. Near them were clustered greyish forms which I dimly discerned must be sheep. Suddenly as if a million flash-bulbs had gone off in an instant, the whole firmament was lighted up with noon-day brightness and to my startled gaze, I beheld a bright luminous creature descending majestically to earth, the pinions of its wings radiating a soft effulgence. I fell to the earth in awe and somehow knew that the shepherds were cowering down in fear and terror. Then I heard a most melodious voice speaking: "Fear not" said the angel, "for behold I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to you and to all people for this day is born to you, in the city of David, a Saviour who is Christ the Lord; and this shall be a sign to you—You will find the Infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

I lifted my gaze, to see the angel rise heaven-ward, and was slowly regaining calm when all at once the whole vault of heaven was filled with bright spirits and my soul was enraptured by celestial music as this heavenly choir sang "Glory to God in the highest, on earth, peace to men of good will."

How long the music lasted I cannot say, but I awake from my dream to the sound of church bells ringing out merrily and remembered suddenly that it was another Birthday of the Christ, the Son of God become Man for us.

—A. Non.

WHAT VALUE CHRISTMAS?

by GUY GALLAGHER

In the long years that preceded the First Christmas, the Jews of the Old Testament were continuously renewed in spirit by their hope in the coming of Christ. Prophets and Kings were raised up to comfort and console, encourage and exhort the people to direct their lives in accordance with the Covenant made by God with Moses. And in all this time they were fortified and united by this one desire to see the Messiah, who would free them, so they thought, from their bondage, and establish them as lords over the whole world. Shadowed by their clouded intellects, they were children of darkness, and when the light came into the world they received Him not.



A Cool Yule To You

by Paul Niedermayer

Man this is probably the craziest story you've ever set your eyeballs on, but this was the way my hearing aid dug it.

I was walking down this here street you know, and I mean like I was away out. So I dropped into this cool place where me and gang hang out for a breather. Well these two squares were really spreading the words around the table, so I got a real close to diagnose their lingo. So here was what they were spilling.

It seems this guy who was really hip was taking forty one night in his pad, he and his family. Apparently there was a big do the next day or something. Well anyway he wakes up from a noise he hears and being a curious cat gets up to see what's living. He looks out of the window, so he says, and sees this little "fat cat" sitting in a T-bird and in front of the barn, all harnessed and ready to shoot, are eight big hot rods. A Buick, Lincoln, Dodge, Imperial, Caddy, DeSota, Olds and Chrysler were all in this fabulous string. So "Fat Cat" steps on the treadmill and the thirty four carbs along with 2700 H.P. lets loose and man they go skyward! Well "fat cat" is whistling and shouting and he steers right on course for the barn. So he lands this travelling auto show on the lid and slides down the chimney.

Now let me tell you this man is a character he is real sharp like. He's got this fur lined red suit on that's really hot but here's the gasser he has this wild white beard on. Well "fat cat" seems to be off the cancer sticks since he's stoking this hick corn-cob pipe. But this guy is really for the cats in the white coats 'cause he filling all the diamond socks that were on the clothesline. Real weird you know? Well "fat cat", who must be worth a cool million starts making like a hyena, you know, and laughs, like I said real crazy.

Well man "fat cat" latches on to a sky hook and zooms up the stove pipe again. Then all of a sudden

This failure of the Jews to recognize the "Christ", the Son of the living God has its counterpart in the world of today. Truth is at a premium, and man has but to assert that he is seeking it to arrest the attention of his fellow mortals. But such is the confusion that the Tower of Babel could not emulate the chorus of voices which are heard, proclaiming their so-called truths, many of which, though contradictory, are nonetheless popular. Perhaps this intellectual chaos is the natural result of the overwhelming presumption of men. For to deny the existence of one's parents is less absurd than to deny our First cause. And yet such is the sorry state of the mind of man, that Atheists and Agnostics are at home in our society.

The simplicity of truth itself has been ignored because of the intricacy of its manifestations and helpless man cannot see the woods because of so many trees.

The annual recurrence of the feast of Christmas should not fail to renew in us the basic conviction that truth comes plainly wrapped and that the external happenings have been graciously provided by the finite minds of men. It should be the constant desire of those who earnestly seek the truth that one day the ivory tower will yield to the stable of Bethlehem, methodical doubt will give away to faith, and the great minds will seek inspiration in that ageless book wherein it is written, "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Light".



after catching one of the parked rods on the skylight he hits it to the floor and takes off like he was leading the Inianapolis.

Well like the story KO'ed me. But we don't make a finale here since this cat starts conversing in this cool voice by casting this alphabet, which is imbedded in my gearbox and I'll now convey it on to you. TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH what he said

"A Cool Yule and a Frantic First to all you cats"



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The Commerce Society's Annual Ball under the theme of "Carnival in Rio" held on November 23rd at the Nova Scotian Hotel was a great success.

The guests were received by Mr. Sean Lombard and Miss Judy Sarsfield, Mr. Pat Oldfield and Miss Barbara Young, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Downey and Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Vorstermans.

The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the Queen, Miss Rosalie Johnson, by last year's queen, Nancy Finn. The queen was presented with a bouquet of roses by Mr. Caterina who together with Professor Sultan and Rory Chau selected the queen.

The ball committee was under the chairmanship of Sean Lombard with Andy Gazo, decorations; Erwin Doak, tickets; Mike Carter, programs; and Bill Murphy, publicity. Thanks are due to these people and a special vote of thanks to Mr. Zarand who was of such great assistance on the decorations.

Reg Quinn's music was well appreciated by the large crowd in attendance.

Although all the bills are not yet in, the treasurer Dave Hope, informs us that proceeds from the ticket sale and the portion of dues set aside for the purpose, will adequately cover the ball expenses.



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EDITOR'S NOTE

(Continued from last issue)

SMU Prof Heads Group In Halifax

Of course one of the basic questions contained in this problem is concerned with the maximum permissible amount of radiation under various circumstances to which people can be safely exposed. According to Schweitzer, the maximum permissible dose suggested by an international committee was reduced from 0.5 roentgens per week in 1937 to 0.1 roentgens per week in 1957. Many think that the reductions should be still greater.

Meanwhile it has been found that the level of radioactivity in milk is rising sporadically in different areas. In Vancouver and Moncton in June, for instance, the values had reached 25 units; the maximum permissible level for lifetime exposure is presently regarded as 80 units.

Many charges have been made against such groups as this one and when asked about some of them Dr. Simpson showed genuine concern. There have been charges that are Communist ordered or inspired. Dr. Simpson stated that he knows quite a few of the various members across the nation personally or else by reputation. Of this group, only one, Professor Frank Scott of McGill, is known to have any leftist leanings (C.C.F.). Actually these groups are backed by several leading (Anglican, Roman Catholic) Churchmen. In Edmonton, backers are the Anglican, Roman Catholic and Ukrainian catholic Bishops of that city. Of course they act only as individuals and not as representatives of their churches.

To quote Professor Simpson, "It is believed that the best protection against Communist infiltration of the organization is the careful selection of broadly representative persons, well known in their communities, for the local and national committees.

Vigilance within each committee and within each community are the other necessities. But the danger of Communist opportunists taking political advantage is a real one facing those who are concerned with showing a genuine social problem which is also within the scope of the Communist tactic, of agitation and subversion."

The final question asked, concerned the political implications of nuclear bans and what Canada could do in an effort to reach such a goal.

The powers at present in possession of atomic weapons will have little moral power to dissuade other powers who wish to test in due course if they themselves have not



renounced testing. And we of the West, have a community of interest with the Russians in seeing that testing does not become more widespread, especially since recent studies show that the maximum fall-out occurs in humid temperate latitudes i.e. between 35° and 50° N.

Nobody likes to cause alarm but a democracy keeps its freedom only so long as real dangers are squarely faced. This lesson Germany learned the hard way in 1933. Einstein repeatedly emphasized that the minimum demand must be international control of the nuclear danger. Only an informed world-public-opinion will achieve that.

The recent proposal by the Hon. Howard Green that Canada set up research into the fall-out problem under U.N. sponsorship suggests that Canada can perhaps take a lead in forming world opinion on this. We must also be vigilant for any opportunity to reinforce similar opinion behind the Iron Curtain, if such an opportunity presents itself, so that control will be uniformly enforced throughout the world.

The Halifax committee restricts its attention to the radiation question at present as a matter of procedure, recognizing that the question is, however, one with great ramifications in human society. It is for that reason that they hope to keep the representation wide. The Canadian Committee will, it is hoped, draw from a reservoir of actively interested citizens, new ideas to bring new light to the problem of establishing workable schemes of inspection and control.

These new problems are exceedingly complex and interrelated. We tend to forget there was a U.N., League of Nations, World Court, or World Health Organization 60 years ago. We must not evade the attempt now to found new organizations for the extension of justice as technological advances make them necessary.



By WATCH DOG

Well, here it is, almost Christmas Eve and I'm gawking around for scraps of dirt. Mind you I don't have to go very far around here to find it either, I just have to look at my slovenly room-mate to see the picture of utter dejection. We've had lots of events from which to select these choice gems, three formal dances and the ODD informal one. Glad you know which side of your bread the butter's on; that was a nice gesture on the part of the Americans to toast Father Brown and the Chef as well. Gordon MacLean gets a nomination for Booboo of the Week for his part in leading a number of wholesome young men into such a trap. He picked supposedly lucious dolls for the men of SMU and they turned out on the tainted side. Actually they were awful! And he just laughed. There was one consolation though, Mike Gaudet won a prize for his. If I had my way you martyrs would all have received \$100.00. . .Charleston Roper will end up in the Infirmary with the same trouble as some of the other boys . . . Of all the low and stupid tricks to play on a girl, it was done the night of the successful International Show. He was supposed to pick up his girl for the show but fell asleep and woke up at half time. And did he ever become mad!

Name???, ha, ha, ha . . . Big (225 lbs.) Ben Hogan had a good time watching the girls at the Mission Mass . . . Maggot McCourty still hopes his is waiting at Xmas time . . . O'Neil still sings the praises of the Lighthouse . . . I don't know what to do with the O'Sullivan's: they BOTH got haircuts. That's a record for them . . . Rafferty is the only N. H. representative to behave himself to date . . . John J. Richard is also setting a good example for the first floor . . . Tom Lerikos toasted his "Bride", of all things, at the Mount Prom . . . Awfully glad to have two fighting men of the team in our midst, one for scoring, one for penalties . . . Sammy and Jose have given up TV 2 for a short time . . . Wild Waldy's woman is writing regularly. Glad we cleaned up that spat . . . Hector Magoo or commonly known as John Whalen has a great big "to-do" planned for himself during the holiday . . . Hannon is in love again for the sixth or seventh time . . . Firecracker Tumilty has promised to settle down for a while . . . Polygamus Paul is still at it . . . Special guest at the talk on alcohol was our own Jim Kemp . . . Pinky Flagg is out of the Infirmary and back to tripping to Acadia . . .

Tommy Tsoumas says it's only 35 days until we come back . . . Charlie Leonard should be shot for opening the curtain on the dance of the fairies around the Maypole. Fairy leader Gazso was put out . . . Len Kuni-ski makes many trips to King's, it must be the other side of the fence . . . Gordie Laws lost his kitten. Now he'll have to shave like the rest of us . . . So with this little offering I'll leave you while this year passes on to oblivion

HERE and THERE

"Thou shall not drive fast"

TORONTO—Attorney General Roberts of Ontario welcomed the inclusion of driving offences among sins Roman Catholics must confess before priests.

"Saint Elizabeth"?

ROME—Steps are being taken to bring the name of Elizabeth Ann Seton, American foundress of the "Sisters of Charity" to beatification, the initial step towards Sainthood. Born in New York in 1774, Mother Seton was a convert from protestantism. She died in 1821.

"Arson at U. of T"

TORONTO—Two prefabricated buildings of war time origin, housing the Physical and Occupational Therapy Building were gutted recently, in what is believed to be a "set" fire on the University of Toronto campus.

The demonstration was watched by a large and appreciative audience of students from nearby residence building. Damage was not sufficient to warrant the rebuilding of the eyesore.

S-s-s-t-o-o-p

TORONTO—One of the regular courses offered at the University of Toronto are lessons in various types of stuttering.

The course is part of post-graduate studies for a diploma in speech pathology and audiology. This enables the therapists to demonstrate to their patients how to overcome their speech impediments.

These graduates, seven in number, are earmarked for Toronto hospitals where there are nine qualified therapists filling 26 required posts.

"Car couldn't beer it"

LOUVAIN, BELGIUM—With recent increase in gasoline taxes, students of Louvain University became determined to find another way of running their automobiles. They hit upon the idea of filling the gas tank full of beer. The car swallowed the beer alright but refused to move. The students acknowledged defeat, and hailed a passing laundry-van—drawn by two horses.

What Next? . . .

Pretty girls are taking over as Santa Clauses in Copenhagen because some Danish children are frightened of old men with beards.

Parents traditionally hire male students as stand-ins for Santa Claus, but there have been reports in recent years of children bursting into tears at the sudden appearance of the bearded gentleman on Christmas Eve.

As a result, attractive female students have been lined up by a baby-sitting association to take over Santa's job in these homes.

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Nova Scotia Legislature famed "Red Room" scene of Model Parliament, January 29-30th

Model Parliament on Jan. 29-30th

PLANS NEAR COMPLETION

During the past weeks plans for the third Maritime Universities Student Parliament, to be held at Saint Mary's, have begun to formulate. This parliament hosted first by Acadia University in 1954 and Saint Francis Xavier in 1958 has proven to be a resounding success on both occasions. It provides university students with a practical exercise in parliamentary procedure and its purpose is to stimulate interest in and knowledge of Canadian government.

This year's parliament will be held at the Nova Scotia Legislative Assembly on the 29th and 30th of January. Five delegates from each of the following universities have been invited to participate; Acadia, Dalhousie, Dalhousie Law, Mount Allison, Mount Saint Vincent, Saint Dunstons, Saint Francis Xavier, Saint Thomas, UNB, UNB Law, Xavier Junior College and Kings College. Participating for the first time will be Memorial University of St. John's, Newfoundland.

Invitation have been extended to the various Federal and Provincial political leaders and thus far we have received encouraging letters from both the office of the Prime Minister and Hazen Argue, leader of the CCF party. During his recent visit to Halifax, the leader of the Liberal party Lester B. Pearson assured us of his support.

In addition to the Junior Participants we expect the attendance of

Members of Parliament and possibly a cabinet minister. The Hon. W. S. K. Jones, speaker of the Nova Scotia Assembly has indicated his willingness to act as the student parliament speaker. Mr. Douglas MacDonald, assistant clerk of the Nova Scotia Legislature has accepted our invitation to act in his professional capacity.

It is anticipated that the parliament will receive extensive TV radio and press coverage both locally and nationally. Therefore, we of Saint Mary's should strive to make this year's parliament a success and in so doing will merit the University. This will be possible only with the whole hearted support of the student body. Thus, if you feel you could be of assistance in the organization of this project contact one of the members of the parliament executive committee, Paul McGuire, Jim Kemp or Dan Welter.

PROFS. PROFILES



Last but by no means least on the Journal's list of new professors here at Saint Mary's is Professor Merdsoy.

Professor Merdsoy was born in Turkey and received his primary and high school education there. For his college education, Mr. Merdsoy went to a naval school in Turkey until 1935. He studied Physics in Germany and received his B.Sc. in Physics in this country. Because of the war, he had to continue his education in the United States. Professor Merdsoy went to the University of Rochester, New York, and obtained his B.Sc., majoring in Optics and a M.Sc. in Physics, working in nuclear physics. One year later he worked for Bausch and Lomb Optical Company in Rochester and received his engineering experience in Optics.

After completing his education Mr. Merdsoy returned to Turkey and worked in the naval shipyards as an ordinance engineer for 14 years. When he resigned from the Turkish navy he held the rank of captain.

After leaving Turkey, Professor Merdsoy worked for one year in the radiation laboratory at McGill University at Montreal.

Currently, Mr. Merdsoy is a Professor in the Physics Department at Saint Mary's. He lives with his wife and two children in Dartmouth.

Professor Merdsoy says he likes Saint Mary's very much. We can only hope that as the days go by he will have no reason to alter his opinion.

Impressions

by Douglas Lahey

The following letter was delivered to the paper staff room during a recent meeting. It was such a heart warming letter that we thought that all should read it. We hope that it and the following letters will reassure all those who have similar fears.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Some children are claiming that Rudolph has a cold. Daddy says that if you see it in the Saint Mary's Journal it is so.

If Rudolph has a cold how will Santa Claus avoid hitting the Ballistic Missiles. Oh! how sad it would be if a missile connected and landed Santa on the moon.

Please, Mrs. Editor, say that Rudolph hasn't a cold.

signed

Virginia

P.S.—If you send me Rudolph's address, I would gladly send him pop's flashlight or perhaps even the big floor lamp in the living room.

Dear Virginia:

Has Rudolph got a cold? Why you might as well believe that fairies catch colds. Have you ever heard a goblin sneeze? Of course not.

I was talking to Ruddy, just two days back and his nose still seemed shiny (I couldn't tell for sure because the TV cameras were shining on him).

His address is the same as Santa's but I don't think the flashlight will be required.

signed

The Editor.

The ever vigilant paper staff was on the alert and I was requested to investigate. I sent the following letter:

Dear Virginia's Parents:

Your daughter has obtained some very disturbing rumors concerning Mr. Rudolph's nose. I believe, personally, that it is a communistic plot to destroy a childhood joy.

Notwithstanding, if Mr. Claus does land on the moon, what a wonderful scoop for the "Journal" it would be. (He would be such a perfect ambassador of good will, to send to the moon.)

If you could scout Virginia's source of information we and the entire "Journal" world would be deeply in your debt. We haven't been able to interview Santa personally because a recent article concerning a Beatnik's beard scared him away.

Yours respectively

Douglas Lahey.

N.B.—The members of the "Journal" staff all sincerely trust that nothing has happened to Ruddy. We hope that he and Old Santa will be able to make this Christmas a happy one.

YOUR FIRST CHRISTMAS

(Continued from Page 5)

We come now to the title of this article and we examine the meaning of Christmas, our approach to Christmas, and then make a judgment. Following the judgment a resolution would be in order. The meaning of Christmas has lately been distorted by commercial enterprises capitalizing on a natural tendency among humans to celebrate. The sad thing which makes this exploitation possible is a misconception of what they are celebrating and hence how to celebrate.

The key of what the nature of event is, can be found in the word Christmas itself. The word "Christ" points clearly to the proper place and realm of the event. It is spiritual and supernatural and hence involves a worship of the Son of God as well as a rejoicing at the birth of our Saviour.

Today's flagrant disregard of the real meaning is typified by the substitution of "X" for Christ in Christmas yielding Xmas. We must support the campaign to "Bring Back Christ to Christmas," and must then take advice which we are freely giving to others. Now, since we have established the true

meaning and essence of Christmas we can look into our lives and evaluate the extent of our participation in Christmas. Anything short of a wondrous spiritual celebration fails to fulfill the picture painted by God. This failure involves a shortcoming in regard to our own celebration, and hence we are guilty of replacing the proper, with the expedient.

Have you each had your first Christmas? I think the answer in every case is yes, but to what extent have you continued to experience the right attitude in regards to Christmas? This question remains for each of you to answer in your heart but regardless of a reply a resolution is demanded. If your answer is yes, make a resolution to continue acting in accordance with what you know is right.

If your answer is no, realize the folly and support the "Bring Back Christ to Christmas" campaign verbally and actively as well. Remember God's purpose and also what Christmas means to your supernatural life and act accordingly to give Christmas its proper place.

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Journal News Editors, Louis Cassivi and Gil Frechette chat with Lester Pearson

SMU STUDENTS ATTEND PRESS CONFERENCE

On Friday, Nov. 20, the Nova Scotia School of Journalism was treated to a press conference with Opposition Leader, Nobel Prize winner, Lester B. Pearson.

Robert McCleave, the Journalism school's director, and honorable opponent, introduced Mr. Pearson, and turned the meeting over to the students, who immediately erupted with questions.

In answer to the question of free education in the near future, he replied that university education should not be free, but it is only a time element before the government will come forth with more university grants. Any student who can qualify for university education, will get the financial aid.

Concerning the Hungarian students executions, Mr. Pearson answered that the United Nations has set up a committee to investigate, what at present, is only rumors, and will not act until facts are produced.

When confronted with the question of the position of the Maritimes, he very "professionally" side-stepped the issue.

The Liberal Leader's comment on Canadian Defence was "Canadian Defence weapons are obsolete against missile attack. They give only a 17-minute warning." He added jokingly, "You'll be safe, if you are lucky."

On the Civil Service pay issue, he replied that the pay should be equal to that paid to those outside civil service, and who are employed in the same type of work. He did not wish to make any announcement on the present situation because Mr. Fleming has not made the report public, perhaps it will be another "hidden report" unless he does table it in the House of Commons.

In his final remarks, he commented that he was very pleased to be here, although some rather difficult questions were put before him.

This conference was held as part of the School's practical training and follows a plan to have students meet with public figures, preferably nationally known personalities.

Rogues Rendezvous

By NICK FRASER and DAN WELTER

Everybody's doing it — study, study, study (?) or at least you should since there's only two weeks left before the gala holiday season. However, if you do find a minute to spare, the following is a resume of the goings on about town.

Curtain Call

CAPITAL: making its debut today, "For the First Time" (the pun is intended) starring the great Mario Lanza. Well worth your while. Next '30" (no, not a misprint, the title of the movie). In this suspense Jack Webb is his usual glib self. On the 22nd we have the ever popular, "Rose Marie," paired with the equally durable "Student Prince," featuring Ann Blyth.

HYLAND—"Carry on Nurse," continues to carry on by popular demand. If our pill pusher ever leaves permanent residence at the Hyland, "Brigadoon" and "The Swan," will make their appearance together.

SCOREBOARD: Since our tremendous triple win, everyone will certainly be interested in the up-coming games. Dec. 12th, St. F.X. at SMU for hockey and basketball—a really big day! We again play Acadia in basketball at SMU on the 15th. For a repeat of "The Weekend" the full support of the teams by all of us is necessary. See you there!

ROMP ROSTER: Just one dance left! The Commerce Society will hold the finale of '59 on the Dec. 11th, Drag and Stag.

HANGOVER SPECIAL—For those who will be in the city to usher the New Year in. The Student Council will sponsor the annual New Year's Eve Ball.

Well, that just about finishes it for this issue and this year cats. Now you and I both know that as far as dances are concerned—there won't be too much to do since all the colleges are closed down for the season. The thing to do is date that favorite chick, get invited to as many parties as possible, and try to dig up enough quid to cover all your expenses. Don't celebrate too much, we want someone to attend all the functions we will be previewing during the new year—which are sure to be really, really good. By the way, there is a really big celebration coming up around January 7th—THE EXAMS—try to get "some" studying done between parties.

In conclusion we take this opportunity to wish you a Cool Yule and Frantic First.

Arts & Science Hold Stag

I roll in around 7:45. All is well. A lot of guys sitting around, talking, that sort of stuff.

9:10—Things are picking up a little, most of the profs have arrived. I got a Boarder sitting broad side bugging me.

9:15—The formal end of the evening has just begun. Science skipper Lou Cuccia introduces the guest speaker, Professor Habib.

Part of the text of his speech:

"We started 1959 with an ultimatum on our heads, submitted by Krushchev. On May 27, Berlin was a quiet city. But something happened, maybe a coincidence but it was on that same day that John Foster Dulles passed away, and also the termination of the ultimatum. It brought about a change in diplomacy. Krushchev made his debut in the United States in September.

"1959 is the culmination of the 50's. 1960 brings a new look in diplomacy.

"The most important event of 1959, was the action of Pope John when he called for the Ecumenical Council, the theme being Christian Unity. He asked us to pray for its success.

"It is in the 60's that we are to make our contributions. If there are to be more conscientious leaders like Dulles, Cardinal Mindszenti, and Adenaur, they have to be formed in this decade. It is up to you."

After receiving thanks from Greg McClare, Mr. Habib was given a standing ovation.

9:45—Like all the parties are really swinging. Someone let loose with a record player, and the place is hoppin'. Head waiter McLean is seeing to it that everyone is getting a fair share of the goodies.

10:00 — Official photographer St. Jean is lining up some of the "stonies" for mug shots. Carrol Parker is swinging out a mean Charleston, and when he swings, the place wings — know what I mean?

10:20—This guy comes up to me yelling "My kingdom for a beer, My kingdom for a beer."

10:30—The "Barrell" comes up with "You indulging Guzz?" Man, like I'm ready to flake out already.

10:40—Suddenly found myself surrounded by more unsavoury fluids. Made a move to protest, but quickly realized that I would be waisting my time. One bad actor



Ha-ha, I'm back again with more news. Here's some lunch room talk:

Paul Cable says that Ken Bende-lier cheats at "Rummy." Greg McClare predicts that Bob Cameron will take nursing at the Infirmary next year. Bob Dauphinee has moved, he's now living on Inglis Street. Wally Shaw says that Dave Cashen couldn't catch a snowball. Dave says that Wally stole his girlfriend. Jim (Coade's) bowling average is lower than Eddie Barretts. Dick Connolly says that Clary Flemming plays hockey like he plays records and that's not too good. Ron Cox says that Erin Dockrill is awful timid. Don Feron says that Roy Findlay's sister is a beatnik. Ken Kelly says that Peter Butler is a "socialite." Bill Gorman says that he's going to steal Jim Gow's woman.

The Commerce Ball provided lots of gossip. I wish I had gone to the Mount Ball, I would have had a field day.

Cyril Burke had a terrible tragedy happen to him at the Commerce Ball. Dave Connolly got into trouble at the Infirmary Ball with his woman. At the C.B. Mike Carter wasn't satisfied with his girl so he had to steal "Nervous" McGrath's. By the way, I heard "Nervous" say "Thank you for the date to the Infirmary Ball, Gordon MacLean, you've got 'nothin'."

Dennis Sullivan is taking up curling for the first time this year. Peter Landry is passing out 25c IOU's that he doesn't redeem. I also know how he got in debt! I'm going to save the rest for after Christmas.

MERRY CHRISTMAS FELLOWS
—Who Am I?

insisted on giving a malt shampoo to someone who blocked his path to the exist.

10:50—Everyone is in unusually high spirits. The beer machines run dry. Guys starting to cut out.

11:00—Join the other Walking Hangovers in an attempt to get home. Some participants climbed zombie-like onto a bus, anxious to enjoy sobering experiences on the way home.

2:00 a.m.—Wake up. Glad to find myself home in bed.

Although you may have your doubts, the stag was a success—thanks to McClare and Cuccia.

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DON'T READ THIS IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE IN CHRISTMAS

By BILL GORMAN

Merry Christmas Everyone! This is the season of joy and happiness. The time of year when families have united again and relive old memories and create new ones; the season of holidays and merriment, when you speak to strangers and help people you know without expecting a return favor; the time when all wear a smile and a sad face is a strange thing.

On November 11, each year, we remember our war dead; those who gave up their life, liberty, sweethearts and loved ones that we might live in peace. Lest We Forget; there was One before these who fought and in the fighting, died a bloody, heroic death, that we might enjoy everlasting peace. It is His birthday we celebrate soon.

Ed Sullivan Accuses U of M of Bad "Shew"

TV showman, Ed Sullivan, told student newspaper editor Dave Humphreys of the University of Manitoba that "my charge that 150 Hungarian students will be executed is not a reckless one."

"They are guilty as hell. Tell that to your university" he said in a telephone interview initiated by Humphreys after Sullivan's weekly show on TV.

The student paper at U of M had questioned Sullivan with regards to the authenticity of his report that these students would be executed.

"That's just incredible, just incredible", he replied. "I wouldn't go on the air to 50,000,000 people and spread reckless charges". He named his source of information as Dr. Bela Varga, head of former Hungarian political prisoners.

The famous emcee told Humphreys that the response to his plea on that night had been terrific from Canada and the United States. He mentioned several Eastern Canadian Universities that have indicated their support.

The Manitoban had assumed that the story was a hoax when it was discovered that the Canadian Government had said it had no information to back up the charge. And also a spokesman at the American Embassy at Ottawa said that there had been no word from official sources as to the reliability of the sources.

Amidst our parties and outings, among our gifts and decorations, let us remember Him; He will remember us, for it is His day, the birthday of Christ, the day that split time in two. Let Him be the unseen guest at your table; let Him have the seat of honor. This Christmas let's show Him that we love Him.

We are not a pagan country, but if you ask young children whom they think of when you mention Christmas, many reply Santa Claus. Their Advent is spent reminding their parents what they hope Santa will bring them, with little or no thought of what they will offer the Christ Child on His day. This is one of the points we are trying to stress in our "Bring Back Christ to Christmas" campaign this year, namely to instruct the younger set in the Christian Christmas spirit. You can help us by talking to your younger brothers and sisters about the true meaning of Christmas.

We ask your support in this campaign and we can get no greater support than your celebration of this Joyful Mystery in the proper spirit, thus by your zeal and example leading others back to Christ through Christmas.

Mr. Sullivan in the telephone interview concluded that since he had made the plea, he has obtained more information on the 150 students. "We now have all their names, know what they eat, when they feed them, and we even have the name of their hangman."

SUMMIT 1960: SUCCESS OR FAILURE?

By BOB BROOKS

This month the leaders of the U.S., the U.K., France and West Germany will meet and confer in Paris. In these sessions, they will work out the approach President Eisenhower, Prime Minister MacMillan and President DeGaulle will follow in their later meeting with Premier Khrushchev.

It has also been announced that the Soviet leader will visit Paris for talks with General deGaulle some time in the first three months of 1960. President Eisenhower expects to go to Moscow in the late spring or early summer and it is now believed that the East-West conference will occur between the Paris and Moscow meetings, probably in April or May and almost certainly in Geneva.

More remains unknown than known, of course, about the trip to the lofty heights where only the leaders of powerful governments and their closest advisors will be present. There may be other stopovers of indefinite duration along the way. It would be unwise not to expect some detours and late departures. Nor is it entirely outside the realm of possibility that developments, political or otherwise, between now and spring could become a landslide that would block the path to the summit entirely.

However, this says nothing at all about the summit itself. Diplomats who deal directly with the problem are the first to admit that the heights thus attained may prove in fact to be barren, rocky, and fruitless. In the meantime the preparation and planning absorbs the interest not only of heads of state and diplomats, but also of men and women everywhere. It is a revealing commentary on the times that the mere agreement of the Western Allies on a date on which to meet should be accorded front page space and hailed as a significant step forward.

In part, this is an understandable reaction to reports and speculation which have created the impression that the Western Alliance was tottering. Rumors of splits and feuds and bickering have spread and gained credence by mere repetition. Minor differences become major policy divisions in the process, even in the absence of hard and attributable fact.

Thus, when an agreement becomes known, even so minor a matter as a date for a gathering of Western leaders, it becomes a victory. In fact it is a diplomatic mouse born of elephantine journalistic and political labors.

That there have been differences among the allies on the question of a summit is apparent. Of the four Western powers, the British have most eagerly worked for an early summit meeting, arguing that Mr. Khrushchev was in the mood to negotiate realistically and that action should be taken while that mood prevailed.

The Americans have inclined increasingly towards the British view, particularly since Premier Khrushchev, in his talks with President Eisenhower at Camp David, agreed to withdraw any specific time limit on discussions of Berlin and allied rights there. There were however, more reservations in Washington about the chances of success than there appeared to be in London in spite of this concession.

At the outset the West Germans were the most vigorously opposed to a summit meeting because they feared that the West would only lose out in negotiations on Berlin and that the Russians were not interested in meaningful agreements on any

other question. However, Chancellor Adenauer recently, during his visit to London, modified this stand somewhat by agreeing that the future of West Berlin would have to be on the agenda of a summit conference as long as it was discussed as part of the overall problem of Germany's future.

But France more so has played an effective delaying game. DeGaulle feels a summit session should have some clear prospect of success before it is undertaken. Also the French are at this moment working energetically to produce and explode their own atomic bomb in the face of stiff opposition from the Afro-Asian block in the UN combined with certain sections of France's so-called allies who already possess the atomic potential and are all too ready to cry wolf when France attempts to take her place in the Atomic Block and repudiate her hitherto position of secondary importance. It is an axiom of diplomacy that when one negotiates, the word of a nation is taken much more seriously when it has the power to back it up. It is clear then that DeGaulle in advancing his theory of "la Gloire" for France wishes to enter into any disarmament negotiations as a full member of the "Atomic Club", not as an outsider.

All these differences are real and cannot be ignored. They have caused Western diplomats painful headaches in the last few months and the agony is far from ended. Nevertheless it seems unrealistic to describe these varied attitudes and positions as a real threat to Allied unity. The Western leaders may argue among themselves, their tempers may grow short, and their press agents may work overtime to damn each other as "appeasers" or "obstructionists"; but they are not prepared to commit national or political suicide. When all is said and done, they will work out their differences before confronting Mr. Khrushchev.

When they gather in Paris, the Western heads of government will face first the task of deciding what they want to discuss with Khrushchev. Obviously, in a meeting of leaders of sovereign states, none can insist on a veto over the others in this matter. But a kind of negative veto exists, nevertheless, for there cannot be fruitful talks if one or more of the interested parties refrains from taking part.

The British believe the focus of the summit meeting—and they see it only as the first of a series—should be on Berlin. MacMillan believes the Russians are ready to reach an interim agreement on the status of Berlin. Though the reasons for this belief remain obscure, Eisenhower and Herter apparently share it.

Both the French and Germans argue, and there may be some substance to this position, that what the

Soviet Premier means is that an agreement is possible if the Western powers make concessions with no equivalent concessions forthcoming in return. They believe that the West should avoid that kind of solution and it is generally agreed now in Western circles that such a solution would not be consistent with the West's declared aims and principles. The consequences of such a solution would spell disaster to the prestige and position of the Western Powers.

Diplomats who have faced the Russians over countless conference tables in the past decade doubt that a summit meeting—necessarily of short duration because of the many other responsibilities of the participants—has much chance of producing any broad solutions for such complex issues as disarmament. What could come, they say, is some better understanding of Mr. Khrushchev's views on the all-important matter of controls. If the Soviet leader were willing to accept something close to what Western experts regard as the necessary regulatory machinery, a major logjam in East-West relations would be swept down river. There will be an opportunity to find out just what the Russians are thinking on this matter before the summit since the Ten-Nation Disarmament Committee agreed upon by the powers at Geneva will begin its sessions in January.

The prevailing feeling in the U. S. right now seems to be that at the spring summit little progress can be expected on any issue except the problem of Berlin. While sensitive to German fears and French reservations, the U. S. now agrees with the British that the fate of the former German capital is too explosive an issue to push into the background at any summit meeting.

The two allies are willing to make concessions, on the size of their Berlin garrisons (utterly insignificant compared to opposing Soviet divisions) and intelligence operations in the city, in return for renewed acceptance of their rights in Berlin from the Russians and guarantees of free access from the West and the civilian population of West Berlin. This seems to your commentator to be a sensitive point, for in concluding any agreement on this basis you immediately imply that all Western rights in Berlin depend solely for their validity on Russian recognition. It would seem, therefore, that this a definite retreat from the original declared allied policy that these rights are accorded to them by virtue of force of arms and victory and exist independent of Russian sufferance.

It has been said that the Western leaders have not as yet decided what they would do if Mr. Khrushchev refused the kind of solution they proposed. It is generally accepted, however, that every step short of war would be tried. But the grim realization that hangs over the statesmen of the West is that if they fail in their coming effort to reach an acceptable solution together with the Soviet leader, the world faces devastation. "Exaggerated", you say? by no means, and furthermore Western statesmen believe that Khrushchev understands this as well as they do. And on this belief rests such optimism as now exists in the Western world that the coming summit meeting can register some small, but significant success. Such then is the outlook for the New Year 1960. Which is it to be gentlemen, war or peace?

SAINTS TAKE FOUR OUT OF FIVE



By FRANK POTTIE

From January of 1959 to the present, has been a rather good year for Saint Mary's in sports. Last season, the varsity basketball team finished on top, only to lose to a powerful St. F.X. five in the finals. In hockey, SMU came close to upsetting Dalhousie in the semi-finals, with a late season spurt. The Saints also faired well in such sports as Curling and Badminton. This term, rounding out the final stages of 1959, the football team finished second in the M.I.F.L., while suffering only one loss. This brings us up to the last month of this year. On the final weekend of November, SMU supporters saw their teams come up with a perfect average, playing two basketball games and a hockey game and winning all three, two of these games being curtain raisers, in the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Basketball and Hockey Leagues. If this is any evidence of the coming success for SMU sports, what a glorious and eventful year 1960 will be.

A major upset took place in Antigonish on Saturday, November 28, as Saint Mary's University hockey team pulled out their first victory over St. F.X. players. It took the Saints five years to ice a team to upset the "X" squad. Bob Dauphinee seems to be on his way to another fine season, picking up two goals in leading his team to victory. Noticed in the game was some strong backchecking and a strong defence with big Roy Velemerovich playing heads up hockey.

On the basketball scene, there is one question which brings a lot of varied opinions, that being, is this year's varsity team as strong as that of last year? This is a hard question to answer because the season is so young. It is hard to fill the shoes of Billy Mullane and Brian Ross, but it looks like they could come very close to being filled with such freshmen as Cosmos Morandos, an 18point man against Acadia, and Bob Padden, a consistent player with a lot of drive. The Saints this year have a more powerful bench than last year and could have two equally good teams on hand. If you made every comparison it would most likely balance out. However, this will be seen better as the season rolls along.

Acadia's pre game warmup seemed to be enjoyed by all who saw it. . . Saint Mary's hit for ten of sixteen shots on the foul line against Acadia which shows an improvement . . . Acadia coach uses a tape recorder during a game and tells the mistakes and the player involved to the recorder, he then probably plays the recording back to his team . . . It's good to see Sawchuk back in the lineup . . . Reggie MacDougall has been a very great asset in the SMU wins and is looked to for a great season . . . New York Rangers now have all their farm team goalies wearing face masks similar to the one worn by Plante . . . Montreal streak finally ended at 18 by Toronto.

Happy Christmas

SAINTS SINK DAL

By DAVE CASSIVI

Two goal efforts by Carl Kelly, Jim Sullivan and John Roach sparked the Saints to an 8-5 victory over Dalhousie Tigers, in a close-checking Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Hockey game, last Saturday night at the Dal rink. The win marked the fourth straight for the Saints in as many games. Thus far they have defeated College Militaire Royale and HMCS Shearwater in exhibition games and St. Francis Xavier in their first intercollegiate game.

Goalie Reg MacDougall and defenceman Roy Velemirovitch were the most effective combination on the ice as they foiled numerous Tiger attacks.

Dal opened the scoring early in the first period when Graham grab-beda short pass from Fitzgerald and whipped it past MacDougall. The lead was short lived however, as Carl Kelly evened it in less than two minutes, in a goal-mouth scramble.

Sim was the big star for Dal as he fired a hat-trick while Graham potted the other two markers.

Others marksmen for the Saints were Clary Flemming and Jerry Power.

The contest was hard fought and exciting all the way, both clubs receiving seven penalties apiece. An unfortunate incident occurred late in the game when "Soupie" Kelly was slammed heavily to the ice incurring an apparent spine injury.

First Period

- 1-DAL—Graham (Fitzgerald) 4:48
- 2-SMU—C. Kelly (Flemming, Velemirovitch) 6:42
- 3-SMU—Power (Driscoll) 10:31
- 4-DAL—Graham (Sim, Fitzgerald) 15:57
- 5-SMU—Sullivan (Roach) 19:59

Second Period

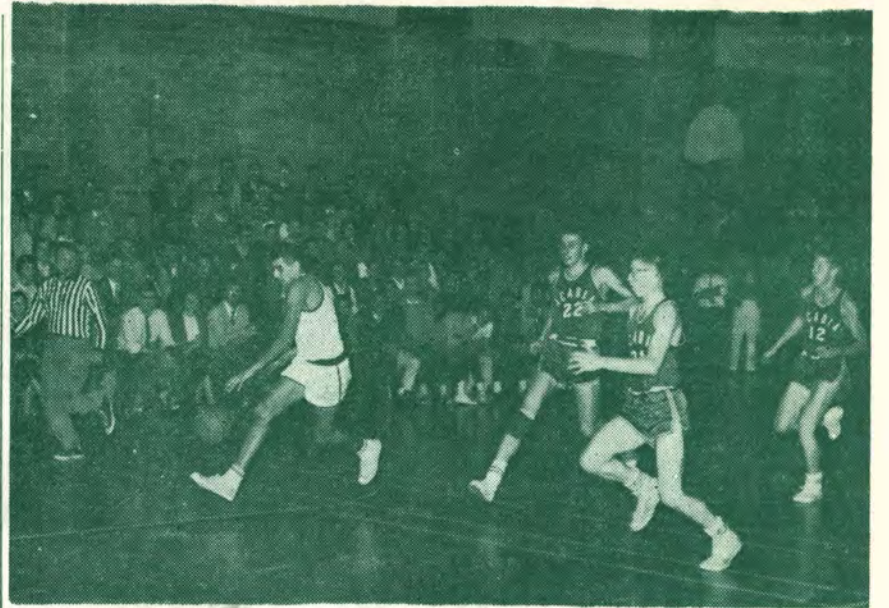
- 6-DAL—Sim (Fitzgerald) 15:05
- 7-SMU—Roach (Sullivan) 17:24
- 8-SMU—Flemming 17:24

Third Period

- 9-SMU—C. Kelly (Flemming, Velemirovitch) 2:49
- 10-DAL—Roach (Dauphinee) 6:42
- 11-DAL—Sim (Graham) 8:15
- 12-DAL—Sim (Fitzgerald) 9:29
- 13-SMU—Sullivan (Roach)

NOTES BY G.J.F.:

"Soupie" Kelly suffered only a bruised shoulder . . . Roach collected four points . . . We lacked the speed . . . Sim had it . . . MacDougall was sensational as his leg-work kept many pucks out of his cage. . . Special congratulations to Roy Velemirovitch for his great work in both Dal and X games.



Morandos on his way

SAINTS WIN OPENER

Saint Mary's opened the Nova Scotia Intercollegiate Basketball League by nipping the Acadia Axemen 46-33. It was a rough, tough battle with the Saints second half splurge killing the Wolfville collegians.

Acadia led at the end of the first half 24-23, but SMU came back to score 23 more in the second half with the Axemen only being able to muster nine. The shooting took a beating on both sides with Saint Mary's only hitting 25% of their shots and the visitors only 14.9%.

Cos Morandas was high man for the Saints, picking up 18 on seven field goals and four foul shots. Sophomore John Riley hit for nine while Bob Healy had eight. Pete Simmonds paced Acadia with 12 while Jim Mosher connected for 7.

Saint Mary's, 46 - Acadia, 33

Saint Mary's

Tsoumis, Rancourt, Cox 2; Riley 9; Healy 8; Morandas 18; Walker 4; Padden 5; Herrick, O'Sullivan, Walsh, Pheeney.

Acadia

Armstrong 2; Chatterton 4; Dixon 3; Haley 5; Lawrence, McCurdy, McGowen, Mosher 7, Simmonds 12.

SMU JUNIOR VARSITY NIPS DAL 51-49

Pouring on the steam in the final minutes, the Saints managed to overtake the high flying Tigers and salvage their second victory in as many starts. For the victors it was Bud Mason and Tom Walsh who paved the way with 12 and 11 points respectively. Walsh put the game on ice when he hit two quick ones from the floor, and one from the charity stripe in the closing seconds. Also instrumental in the SMU victory was the all around play of John Ciaverella.

A.A.A. NEWS

After some delay, due to the weather, the Interfaculty football league playoffs were finally completed. The Engineers are this year's crowned champions.

At the present the A.A.A. have three major jobs ahead. First is to rent ice at Dalhousie rink or the Forum to start the Interfaculty Hockey League. The second is to organize Interfaculty Volleyball League with each faculty to enter two teams. A schedule has been drawn up by Brian Ross and the tilts should be under way by the time you receive this issue of the "Journal".

The final task was started by last year's A.A.A. and is being carried on by the present group. It is to draw up a new method of awarding "M" 's. After studying the methods used by some other universities a point system was finally decided upon. This system has been voted on by the A.A.A. and will be brought up for final approval of the Student Council.



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SAINTS NIPPED BY 'X'

Antigonish. — The Saint Francis Xavier "X" men paced by lanky Paul Davenport managed to sneak by a hustling Saint Mary's quintet 57-50. The Saints lost no time in breaking into the scoring column as John Riley hit on a jump shot before the game was a minute old. From this point on it was nip and tuck all the way, with first year man Bob Healy leading the scoring parade for S.M.U. Healy continually found it possible to come up with the basket that gave the Saints the slim lead which they maintained throughout the first half. Another freshman, Bob Padden, played outstanding defensive ball during the half, holding the high scoring Davenport to 8 points. "X" found themselves at the short end of 26-21, halftime score primarily because of their erratic foul shooting.



Saints pursue Moran

A LATE TEAM DRIVE GIVES SAINTS BIG VICTORY

By GIL FRECHETTE

A great team drive in the third period paved the way for Bob Hayes' pucksters to a big upset over the heavy favored X-men of Antigonish, which marked the opening of the season plus the Saints first victory over St. Francis Xavier in five years.

Led by rookie Tony Manning's great defensive play and tying goal in the second period along with last year's league scoring champ, Bob Dauphinee's two goal show, the Saints outskated and outplayed the home team on a slushy, fog-covered ice before a capacity crowd of local fans.

With the score tied 2-2 entering the final period, the Saints, hungry from their noon-hour practice sessions, went after the X-men like starved tigers and never ceased. This drive set the stage for Dauphinee's dramatic goal at 9:25 and a victory.

Reg MacDougall was a standout in the nets for the Saints as the X-men poured rubber at him especially in the first part of the game.

Veteran Leo Doyle teamed up with Butch Hughes and provided most of the attack for the Xavarians. Rookie Marcel Dube and Doyle were the marksmen for the losers. X's biggest threat was in the last minute of play when Dauphinee drew a penalty and goalie Huck was pulled out giving the hosts' a two-man power buldge, but they couldn't penetrate the Saints' defence.

Dauphinee opened the scoring at 3:20 when he took a pass from Sullivan and sizzled it passed Huck. Dube put X back in the game at 7:15 as he evaded the Saints' defence to part the twines while X was shorthanded. Doyle came back, six minutes later, to put the home team ahead.

The only scoring in the second stanza was Manning's goal at 6:15 to tie the game as he pushed Driscoll's rebound behind Huck.

First Period

1—SMU—Dauphinee (Sullivan) 3:20
2—FX—Dube (Hicks) 7:15
3—FX—Doyle (Hughes) 13:07
Penalties: Page, Kennedy, Dineen, Kelly, Kelleher

Second Period

4—SMU—Manning (Driscoll) 6:15
Penalties: Hicks, MacNeil, Kelleher

Third Period

5—SMU—Dauphinee (Roach) 9:25
Penalties: Dube, Dauphinee
Shots on Goal:
SMU 5 11 9 — 25
FX 11 8 12 — 31

Engineers Winners In Snow Bowl Classic

The mighty Engineers climaxed a highly successful 1959 campaign with a decisive 18-0 victory over the Arts-Science club in the annual Snow Bowl Game.

The winners broke the ice in the first period when John "the arm" Ciaverella dropped back and fired 30 yards to Bob Delvallet. The point attempt after failed, and the half ended with the score 6-0.

Radar set adjusted properly once again, Davenport began to pour on the steam in the last half. He hooked, jumped, set and with him "X" began to move. Healy's shooting kept the Saints in the fast moving ball game. Late in the final period the bottom fell out for S.M.U. when playmaking guard John Riley left the game via the foul route. Two points by Foshay, and a couple more by Davenport made it 48-48. Moran moved "X" into the lead with a hook, but the Saints knotted the score when Marandos hit a pair of free throws. With the time running out, Davenport dropped in two more and "X" went into a freeze. The Saints pressed and fouled. "X" took advantage of the charity tosses to grab a few more points and put the game on ice.

High man of the game was Davenport of "X" with 29. SMU's Healy popped for 17, and seems to have a bright future ahead of him.

Early in the third stanza the Engineer outfit exploded. Halfback Bill Dyer busted loose and raced 25 yds. to paydirt for the first TD of the period. A short time later Dyer again scored, this time plunging over from the 5. This final touchdown was set up by Delvallet who took off like a Texas Gazelle on a romp covering 40 precious yards.



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