



Interfaculty Hockey League To Be Revived

Open Forum Discussions To Be Main Point Of Interest

Always noted for its accent on public speaking and similar modes of expression, St. Mary's has this year added a new and highly successful group to the long list of expressional endeavours. This new body, known as the Junior-Senior Debating Society, will attempt to foster open forum discussion and debates amongst Junior and Senior students as well as sponsoring competitive meets with outside groups.

Present business of the Society is concerned with extensive correspondence in an endeavour to link up all Maritime Catholic Colleges in a debating union to function throughout the year. Secondary purpose of this idea is to develop interest in the Declamation Contest to be held early in the year and thereby secure a representative entry list.

This organization has the strong support of the Reverend Brother President, Brother Lannon, and he has expressed considerable pleasure at the interest shown at the first two sessions. As an added incentive to participation a gold medal has been offered to be awarded to the student proving most valuable to the progress of the group. To date the body has confined itself to informal and open forum discussion, but plans are underway for a mock trial and a series of intra-mural debates scheduled to begin shortly. The group is under the capable direction of the following executive:

Honorary President and Advisor—Rev. Bro. Lannon.
President and Chairman—Brian J. O'Connell.
Manager—Gerald Scallion.
Secretary—Dermot O'Keefe.

Seniors Are Guests of Mount St. Vincent

On Monday, Nov. 7th, the Senior Artsmen were the guests of the Mount St. Vincent Senior Class at a very enjoyable evening held at the Mount. The principle purpose of the evening was to give the Sisters and the student body an opportunity to hear a report on the Canadian Catholic Youth Convention by Dermot O'Keefe, who represented St. Mary's at the Convention.

The Seniors were met by the Dean who introduced the class to the Mount Senior President, Miss Agnes O'Donnell. The Mount Seniors were then introduced all round and without further ado, all proceeded to the College Auditorium where Dermot O'Keefe presented his report.

Following this, refreshments were served in the Social Room and the two classes had a better opportunity to become further acquainted. Then the group proceeded to the Music Hall where a general sing-song took place. Solos were rendered by Miss Marie Davis, who sang the ever popular "I Love You Truly," and by Ed. Coolen, who sang "Far, Far Away." The Senior Arts Quartet held sway for a few brief minutes under the direction of Brian O'Connell.

Before leaving, the two classes paid a visit to the Chapel. Class President, Brian O'Connell, then thanked the Dean and the Mount Seniors for a very pleasant evening, expressing the hope that the function would lead to an opportunity of bettering relations between the two Catholic Colleges of Halifax.

Well Done, Bim



Above is shown Alan "Bim" Coolen who successfully coached the football team to the Provincial Intercollegiate Championship.

Sophs Appoint Class Officers

It was reported in the last issue of the "Journal" that the Sophomore Arts of this year seemed to possess more than the usual portion of class spirit and endeavour. With the present term but little more than half completed these predictions are already coming to fruition, as witnessed by the considerable number of class functions and meetings which this lively little section of the College has engaged in.

Towards the middle of October a lack of organization was noticed and it was thought advisable to elect a group of officers to arrange and conduct the future social activities of the class, and to ensure that the affairs, conducted by methodical management, would be carried out with more complete success. The results of the election were: Tom Power, President; John Theriault, Secretary; Harold McGrath, Treasurer. Already this executive trio have proven themselves to be most capable and wide-awake, and their decisions are anticipated by the class with great eagerness. Since their installation several social events have taken place and further plans for the coming months have been outlined. Included among these is a hockey game for the members of the class to be played at the Forum. Altogether, the future looks very promising and interesting as regards class activities for the Sophs.

Comm. Prepares Annual Initiation

The main event occupying the minds of the members and about to be members of the Delta Lambda Kappa at present is the annual initiation of new members into the Society. Perhaps it is only fitting to remark that the Delta Lambda Kappa boasts of having had more than one very successful initiation and with plans in the making are continuing to uphold the old tradition for the forthcoming one.

The initiation committee consists of last year's Freshmen and are as follows:

Fred Keating, Bill Bishop and Ken Johnston. The time and place of the initiation has not yet been fully arranged, but a meeting is being called in the near future to arrange this.

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THE BATTERY ANGLE

In the last issue of the "Journal" we printed that St. Mary's C. O. T. C. was no longer attached to Nova Scotia Technical College C. O. T. C. We regret that the statement did not adequately cover the situation and we appreciate the fact that the matter was brought to our attention, so that we might have the opportunity of clarifying it. St. Mary's C. O. T. C. is attached to General Headquarters at Nova Scotia Technical College. "Tech" C. O. T. C. is "A" Company and St. Mary's C. O. T. C. is "B" Company of the contingent. What we wished to convey in the last "Journal" was that our C. O. T. C. now has its own administrative staff, which is responsible to General Headquarters at "Tech".

The parades for the Junior Cadets are now well under way. They drill on Friday afternoons and receive instructions in the rudiments of marching and rifle drill from the Officer and N. C. O. in charge. The lectures for the Junior Cadets will begin in the near future. The purpose of these lectures will be to give the cadet a knowledge of gunnery, ammunition, and army organization, so that, when he comes in contact with the practical work during the annual camp, he will have a working knowledge of the necessary routine. These lectures are to be given by the Officers and N. C. O.'s of the Unit.

The annual Armistice Day parade proved to be one of the largest ever held. It was fitting that on the twentieth anniversary of the signing of peace, an occasion of universal appeal, there should be such a fine turnout. Nearly two thousand veterans took part in the parade along with the troops of the permanent and non-permanent forces. As the parade marched past the saluting base, the Hon. Angus L. MacDonald, Premier of Nova Scotia, attended by high officials of the permanent forces, took the salute. The military ceremonies were carried out before the war memorial at the Grand Parade, while the naval men honoured their war heroes before the sailor's memorial at Point Pleasant Park. After the second gun was heard which ended the two minutes silence, came what was perhaps the most impressive part of the ceremonies—the sounding of the "Last Post" by the trumpeters. What memories must have raced through the minds of the veterans on parade! What deep emotion must have seized their hearts as they recalled the words of one of their former buddies, Lieut. Col. John McCrea, a Canadian surgeon, who died in active service:

"If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders Fields."

The combined units of Nova Scotia Technical College and St. Mary's C. O. T. C.'s entertained at their annual "War Dance" in the spacious auditorium at the Technical College on the evening of November 11. The room was realistically decorated, with sandbags piled high as barricades. A machine-gun nest was built in the far corner of the room and a guard-house in the other. Miniature cannons were placed at either side of the orchestra stand. A military atmosphere prevailed everywhere. The gymnasium was used as the "officers mess-room"

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THE TRANSIT MEN

Once again the spotlight is on that hard-working group of fellows who form the most active department society in the College—the Engineers. At the first annual meeting of this society it was planned to hold a social function in the near future. Then, at a recent impromptu meeting the President, Wes Theakston, announced a plan which met with the unanimous approval of those present. The idea was to hold the second monthly meeting at the Knights of Columbus Hall and this to be followed by an Engineers "At Home" to which the Senior and Junior College classes of Mount St. Mary's would be invited. A committee was appointed to finalize matters and through the co-operation of the authorities of the Mount and the College this novel idea was made possible.

The meeting was held Saturday, Nov. 19, at 8 p.m., and that all-important matter of money was discussed. Various ways and means of obtaining funds were proposed but neither of them were accepted as final. At 9 p.m. a most enjoyable social began when the President of the Mount Senior class and our own President publicly introduced the individuals of both Colleges. The function concluded at a very reasonable hour. The fellows that attended all say that they had a swell time. The Engineers express the wish that their Mount St. Vincent guests spent an enjoyable evening and we look forward to another similar party in the not-too-distant future.

The Engineers also hold prominence around the College in the matter of sporting activity. Last week fifteen men were being sought to play the college team in football practice. The Engineers, under the very capable direction of their manager, Mr. Mader, draw up a team and marched forward to the fray (or slaughter?) At the opening of the game we gave the Engineers yell, recently coined by the fruitful mind of Al Cohn. The game (I think the word is a little misapplied) was won by the College team by a score of 15-3 or something. The highlight of the battle, from the Engineers point of view, was when our fleet-footed captain Al Cohn snakehipped his way through three or four would-be tacklers and pranced over for a try. What a man!

Some time ago the third year men journeyed down to Prospect to survey a piece of land for Wes Theakston. We worked all afternoon and under the direction of our professor, Mr. Thomas, the lot was traversed and cross-sectioned. However it wasn't an all work and no play affair because when the Engineers get together both those are indulged in full measure. It was fun to see Buck Brenton and Lew Demone go native and hear Frank Reardon woo Theakston with HIS version of "The Indian Love Call". When the work was completed a very nice spread was prepared by some of the fellows. Joe Dyer distinctly proved to us that he is a master at the skillful art of pouring coffee. If he could only cook! Taking everything into consideration the afternoon was spent in a most enjoyable manner and quite a bit of work was done. A return was made to the city about 7 p.m., with the boys feeling that they gained some really useful experience.

All Departments Represented In League Beginning Dec. 2nd

Hockey Coach



Former Santamarian hockey star, Charlie Nelson has been appointed coach of the High School Hockey team. Good luck, Charlie.

After an absence of two years, the popular Interfaculty hockey loop will again swing into action. This announcement was made by the Athletic Association over the week-end and will be greeted with much pleasure by the hockey-minded of the College. The League will be comprised of teams representing the departments of Commerce, Arts and Science, Engineers, and Business Training.

In forming the league, the Athletic Association has two points in view, namely, mainly to give the hockey enthusiasts an opportunity of enjoying their favorite sport, and to survey the material that will be out for the Intercollegiate team.

The league will open at the Arena on December 2nd, when Arts cross-sticks with Business Training, and Commerce takes on the Engineers. As yet a league referee has not been announced, but the Association intends to appoint one who has no connection with the players and who is entirely capable of handling the job.

The league will have a full schedule and will not be a sudden death affair. Each team will meet the others at least once and at the completion of the schedule, the second place and third place teams will play off for the right to enter the finals against the first place team. The league promises to be one of great interest and keen competition. Engineers plan to ice a powerful team in defence of the title they won two years ago, but they will be faced with stiff opposition from Business Training and Commerce. Arts appear to be the underdogs, but they will bear watching from the other teams.

President Reports On Convention

At the monthly gathering of the Crusaders, held in the college auditorium, on Monday, October 31, Society president Dermot O'Keefe, fresh from the Catholic Youth Convention held at Ottawa, delivered a comprehensive report to the members, of his various activities whilst in the capital city.

Before commencing his address, Mr. O'Keefe in no uncertain terms vehemently denied that the Convention broke up in discord, as was the report printed in our local press. He admitted that there had some little contention, when the question was unwisely raised as to whether or not there should be conscription in Canada in the event of an extra-territorial war, but that both factions had agreed to drop the issue in the interest of the Assembly, and had parted the best of friends. This point having been rectified, he proceeded, in an extremely felicitous report, to outline the various activities that had occurred during the three days. He told of the parades, religious services, and num-

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Junior Arts Outline Social Functions

At the initial meeting of the newly-formed Junior Arts Class Society, the President for this year, Norman Whalpley, occupied the Chair, and under his capable supervision the meeting progressed in an informal but orderly and well-organized fashion.

Mr. John MacDonald, the Secretary-Treasurer, announced that it was the intention of the executive to sponsor various athletic and social functions throughout the year. These would include, among other activities, theatre and skating parties, house parties and regular term banquets.

Included in the agenda of the meeting was the all-important question of class dues which entailed the problem of fixing a definite sum to be paid at regular intervals. Various other matters of importance only to the members of the Society were discussed and settled. It was decided that the first class activity would be a skating session and Messrs. Nunn, Duggan and Brackett were appointed by the Social Committee to make all the necessary arrangements.

Debating Society Holds Meeting

A remarkably interesting and well-attended meeting of the Junior-Senior Debating Society was held on Wednesday, the sixteenth, at the College. This, the first meeting of the newly re-organized association, featured speedy transaction of business, and lively discussions, in which practically all those present participated. The "open forum" showed a knowledge of current events, and evoked well-substantiated opinions, exceptional in a spontaneous discussion.

A letter was read, notifying the College of the Maritime Conference of University Students to be held in February at St. Francis Xavier University. Also read were the letters sent to the other Catholic colleges of the Maritimes, regarding the formation of a Maritime debating union, and the reply received from St. Francis Xavier.

It was decided that future meetings shall be held on alternate Monday evenings, seven-thirty to nine o'clock. Rev. Bro. Lannon said a few words to the members, commending them on their interest and enthusiasm, and suggested that a mock-trial would be an enjoyable feature on the Society's program.

The first of the scheduled topics for discussion, "Scholarships should be awarded for athletics," was extensively debated and when the discussion terminated, a majority favored their awarding.

The second topic, "Germany should be given back her colonies," brought forth such a profusion of divergent opinion that it was decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting, to be held Monday, November twenty-eighth.

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THE DEBATING SOCIETY

The formation of the Junior-Senior Debating Society in the College is one of the most significant of recent developments. It marks a further step along the road of progress, as outlined by our very able President, Brother Lannon, in that it provides an opportunity for its members to derive an inestimable benefit. The formation of this society can be attributed to the progressive spirit of Brother Lannon, who is extending himself to the utmost to improve the educational facilities of our College.

Debating is as much a part of our education as are the various faculties we pursue because it carries out the primary aim of education—namely, training the student how to think and speak correctly. College graduates are looked up to as leaders. They are expected to be intelligent, clear-minded men who know and understand present-day history and problems. They are supposed to be the leaders in public life and opinion, possessing correct view-points and capable of standing on their feet and giving them clear expression.

The Debating Society bids fair to become a very important factor in thus rounding out the education of its members. Open Forum discussions on topics of timely interest necessitate that the participant be thoroughly conversant with current world affairs and competent to air his views in a convincing and acceptable manner. Such impromptu and open debates are very advantageous for the listener and much more so for those who take an active part.

That this new venture into the field of debating will be a success, no one doubts. It is fast becoming a source of great interest to the Juniors and Seniors and already the meetings are characterized by rabid enthusiasm and interesting argument. It is to be hoped that the members of the Society will show their appreciation of Brother Lannon's efforts by sincerely and wholeheartedly co-operating with the Executive in making the Society the success it should be.

ST. MARY'S DAY

(Reprinted by request)

In a short time the whole Catholic world celebrates the Feast of the Immaculate Conception and this day students of St. Mary's will as usual observe as the College Feast Day. Since the beginning of its short history St. Mary's has been under the patronage of the Blessed Mother, and this devotion has been reflected in every activity that students of St. Mary's have undertaken. During each school day, as the clock strikes the hour, students throughout the building reaffirm their confidence in their Patroness. Before the face-off in hockey, the kick-off in football, the last act of Santamarian color bearers has always been that last-minute Hail Mary, without which no captain would permit his team to take the field.

There are those, unfortunately, to whom these things would be but a gesture, but it is a significant fact that during all these years the students who prayed at the sound of the clock have enjoyed a fair share of worldly success, and those gladiators who have taken the field for St. Mary's have won more often than their opponents and, what is more significant, they have never emerged with what one might term a really serious or life-long injury.

Ours has been a profitable term in the service of the Mother Mary, and next week, while the corridors of this institution are silent in Her honor, we avail ourselves of the opportunity of again placing ourselves under the patronage of Her guiding hand and expressing the hope that all things Santamarian will forever be done — *"sub Sanctae Mariae Virginis tutela praesidioque."*

A GREAT TEAM

Football, that classic of the autumnal season, has come to an end, and with it comes to an end one of the greatest teams ever to bear the famed Maroon and White into any phase of athletic activity. Undoubtedly, this was the greatest rigger team ever to represent St. Mary's on the gridiron, as its success so readily testifies. Never conceded even an outside chance at the start of the season, these "Fighting Irish", as they have been so deservedly called, swept through powerful opposition to win for the first time in the sporting annals of Santamarian history the Intercollegiate Championship of the Province.

The great success of the team lies wholly in the spirit of the players themselves and in the interest of their coach. The Irish had to fight every inch of the way to attain victory, and their fight was a determined one that refused to be awed by the greatness of their rivals. More than once their courageous hearts and undaunted spirit, refusing to taste defeat, turned a losing battle into a glorious victory.

Small, young, but mighty, these warriors of the gridiron have brought to St. Mary's a fame that will not be equalled in many a year. To their coach we extend our heartiest congratulations on his brilliant achievement of piloting his team to a Provincial Championship. St. Mary's is proud of her new champions and salutes them as Conquering Heroes of the Gridiron.

OUR ADVERTISERS

With the arrival of December the Christmas shopping rush will soon be on, and the *Journal* wishes to urge students of St. Mary's when shopping for gifts to patronize our advertisers. It is only through their co-operation that this little paper is possible, and it is only right that we show our appreciation of their efforts by patronizing them. Remember our advertisers when Christmas shopping.

« OBSERVER »

Sir John Simon said recently that he was convinced Hitler was sincere when he said he wanted peace. Premier Chamberlain also has expressed his belief in the sincerity of the Reichsfuhrer's aims, and received much criticism for it. The technique of these Englishmen may be better understood in the light of a statement by Warden Lawes of Sing Sing. "If you must deal with a crook, there is only one possible way of getting the better of him—treat him as if he were an honorable gentleman. Take it for granted he is on the level. He will be so flattered by such treatment that he may answer to it, and be proud that someone trusts him." Which may explain a lot. We think Mr. Chamberlain is neither a fool nor Hitler's puppet, but just a practical diplomat, who deserves the respect and loyalty of all lovers of peace.

When the Bluenose won the Trophy again this year, the Thebaud's acting-skipper, Capt. Moulton, complained that the Bluenose won in light weather, while the Thebaud won in heavier wind. Probably he may have been right, yet his charge in the light of history is ridiculous. Everyone knows that the Bluenose always beat American challengers by a greater margin when the wind was heavy. Now when she is old and water-logged she cannot take the necessary ballast for a heavy wind and still meet water-line requirements. Even so, that Capt. Moulton is still afraid of the Bluenose in a real race, despite his blustering, is shown by the fact he declined the challenge to race to Bermuda and back to Halifax.

It is a curious thing that many people who pride themselves on their intelligence and logic, often start off advocating a cause by taking essential points for granted—and think they are quite reasonable. Advocates of mercy-killing all start off with the false assumption that the State has or should have the right to take human life when the proposed victim is not guilty of any crime or offence. From this they argue that the State should delegate this right (which it hasn't got) to members of the medical profession. They forget they have no power but that which comes to them from on High.

On the same lines as mercy-killing is the current demand for birth-control. In a recent issue of a leading women's magazine, the Editor makes an open plea for birth control, on the grounds that the world will soon become overpopulated, and will not be able to support all the people on it. A rather stupid line of thought. The Creator of the Universe said "Increase and multiply." He didn't worry about excess population. Yet the far-seeing Editor, like Nadir the Nameless looking into the future, sees the need. Such people might leave something to God. But they don't even think of Him at all. The aforesaid Editor speaking of the physician said, "... It is his right and duty to prevent birth where birth would be harmful." Apparently then, an unborn child has no rights, but the physician now has the right formerly belonging only to God. We wonder how these advocates of murder would have felt if their own parents had followed their advice, and deprived them of their right to live as well as to see God.

Lately some Canadian news papers have found fault with American papers over their ignorant, unjust, and rash criticism of Prime Minister Chamberlain and his foreign policy, and then proceed to congratulate themselves and their fellow Canadian journals for their fair treatment of the Premier of England. That many sections of the press in the United States are guilty of the accusation of their Canadian brethren, is all too true. Nevertheless, it may be noted that these sections of the press are more Red than they are American, and are certainly not representative of the best mind of the American people. It seems to "Observer" that newspapers and magazines highly critical of Mr. Chamberlain are also very active in support of activities controlled by Bolsheviks.

In America the tendency has sprung up in recent years to expect an authority in one field to be an authority in all fields, and the silly utterances of a successful business man about everything under the sun are printed in the papers and accepted by a gullible public as gospel truth. College professors also fall victim to this temptation, and we find that Einstein, the world's premier mathematician, made some statements about moral conduct that were far from the truth. Many secular professors feel that they are authorities on religion and morals, and make statements and reflections about religion and clergymen that show them to be plainly anti-clerical. We feel that it would be better for everyone concerned if they would devote their extra time and energy to their own chosen profession and leave other fields to their proper custodians.

"The Cliveden Set" — Who has not read in papers and magazines about an alleged "circle" of British Fascists who meet at Cliveden, the residence of Lord and Lady Astor? This influential group, according to these conscientious and patriotic writers, secretly controls the foreign policy of England. Hitler and Mussolini send instructions to Lady Astor, who has Premier Chamberlain do their will. To make the scheme more complete, the Astors are supposed to control numerous newspapers, in which they try to prepare the public for these events. How awful of them. This elaborate and mythical piece of Communist propaganda has been exploded more than once—Beverly Baxter made a complete exposé a few months ago. The Astors are anti-Communist—as they should be.

No one can be a Communist and a true Englishman, Canadian, or American at the same time. But to Communists anyone who opposes them is "Fascist", hence the undeserved appellation of the Astors. It is useless to try and refute these writers, who would probably call Mr. Baxter a Fascist, because as William G. McAadoo said, "It is impossible to defeat an ignorant man by argument." If these "journalists" disclaim ignorance, then they are forced to admit they are deliberately disseminating Bolshevik propaganda and are poisoning the public mind against innocent people, both of which are criminal acts which should be dealt with accordingly.

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where supper was served. Then Mr. P. A. Lovett, B. F. E., an alumnus of the Technical College, made the presentation of "A" certificates to the N. C. O.'s and cadets who were successful in their examinations held last spring. Dancing was then resumed in the auditorium. The guard was on hand and arrested several of the men on fictitious charges, the "punishment" being that the offender and his partner should sit out one dance in the guard-house. It was the unanimous opinion that the affair was the best ever and on behalf of the officers, N. C. O.'s, and cadets of our unit, we congratulate those on the various committees on the splendid fulfillment of their duties. We should like to particularly thank the chaperones, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. S. Ball and Major and Mrs. S. J. Montgomery, who did all in their power to make the evening the grand success that it was.

Military Headquarters has announced that the following ranks have qualified for their "A" certificates: J. J. Burke, H. J. Dyer, J. O. Foohey, D. Jannigan, J. D. Kline, D. J. Mackey, H. T. Mulcahie, E. C. McGrath, P. J. O'Hearn, G. F. Phelan, E. Ball, A. D. Brennan, A. B. Boutilier, J. E. Cochrane, D. S. Esterbrooks, F. Grover, R. B. Harrison, C. W. Hayes, J. F. MacClean, W. Pike, E. F. Porter, J. E. Kingston, L. F. Kirkpatrick, F. Rees, J. R. Reynolds, C. H. Rosier, G. E. Thomas, V. T. B. Williams, H. C. Zwickor, and R. G. Colville.

We offer our heartiest congratulations to these men and express the hope that they will now continue on their "B" certificates. Special "congrats" are due to Sergt. D. Jannigan of the "B" Company, as the results of the examinations showed that he was top man.

High School Set For Hockey Season

St. Mary's Collegiate will this year be represented in both the Senior and the Intermediate High School League. The new arrangements, call for the playing off of the three teams in the Senior League who have been unsuccessful in winning the Senior League for the Intermediate Title, using of course only the men who are eligible under the age clause. In this way no school can win both the Senior and the Intermediate league, and the subsequent costs of Provincial play-offs will be cut in half, providing both teams of the same school win both leagues. The Intermediate league will function during the Senior playoffs and will probably take place following the Senior Friday night games. Four teams will comprise the Senior circuit, Halifax Academy, Bloomfield, St. Patrick's and St. Mary's Collegiate. It is to be hoped that the Friday night games will be up to the standard of the past years.

Of last year's Bloomfield High

School team just three men remain and five from last year's Academy team. St. Patrick's, who enter the league minus their beloved leader and Coach have not as yet shown their wares to the public, but it goes without saying that the spirit and the fight which the late Gerald A. Hayes has imbedded in their system will serve them well in whatever league they enter. Remaining from last year's team from the Collegiate school are Jack Wallace, Wally Foley, Hughie MacDonald, Tug Wilson, Joe Evans and many more. Newcomers to St. Mary's this year include Barnaby of Kentville and White (brother of Norbie White) of Amherst. Also trying out for the team we find Ed. Butler of Chester, who played two years ago for the Collegiate team. Putting all together it looks like a good team on paper.

Charlie Nelson, a former pupil of the College will be in charge of the team. Charlie played for a number of years under the colors of the College and for the Windsor Junction Pirates when the Suburban League was in its prime. He also played for the Halifax 'Haligonians' last year and made a creditable showing for himself.

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Dear Alumnus:

More sporting honors came to your Alma Mater this fall, brought by a team of fighting Irish rugby-ists. St. Mary's College had the most-talked-of team in Nova Scotia this season, and they are now Provincial Intercollegiate rugby champions.

The Alumni will make a presentation to them on the night of November 30th, at 8.15 p.m. "Come and give a little team three cheers."

The annual meeting will be held; a motion picture shown on the College's up-to-the-minute talkie projector; a collection will be taken up to help defray expenses.

The boys deserve a big hand. . . . Old boys, you and I, will give it on Nov. 30th, at 8.15, at St. Mary's College.

Yours till then,

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE
ALUMNI.

J. J. Powell, President.
L. F. O'Brien, Secretary.

ALUMNI NOTES

The above is a reproduction of a letter to the members of the Alumni. At last! An executive which takes an active interest in the internal activities of the College. This year's College rugby team has done more to advertise St. Mary's to the members of the Alumni than any team has ever done in the past. Wouldn't it have gladdened the hearts of Brothers Garvey, O'Ryan, O'Donnell, Conners, Loftus and all the others, to have seen the crowds of Old Boys at the football games this year, adding their voices to the triumphant shouts of jubilant St. Mary's students cheering their great "little team" on to victory after victory. Let's hope the spirit holds during the hockey season.

One face and one voice was missing at the games this year. There was no "Come o-o-o-n-t-e-a-m. Yes, sir, Brother Roth was not there. We had a very enthusiastic letter from him after the St. F. X. game, congratulating everyone in any way connected with the victory and even those not connected. Telegrams and letters also came from George Foley, Bro. Garvey and Chris Grant.

Imagine Bro. Garvey's feelings after the win over St. F. X. That College was always a thorn in his side in hockey. Only once in many tries was his team able to defeat the Xaverians. That was way back in the days of the Foleys, Carrol, Findlay, Parrott and the rest. How many, we wonder, recall the gallant stand of St. Mary's "Seven Survivors" against the superior manpower of St. F. X. a year after their victory. Listen to the names: Lou Norris, Frank Findlay, Chris Grant, Frank Carroll, Jim Egan, Cad Flemming and Lou Nelson. Remember?

Many who attended the game in Truro recall another day when St. Mary's were victorious in their quest of provincial honors on that same field, by virtue of a field goal from the educated toe of Eddie Girroir. That was the day that Joe Kennedy, groggy from a terrific physical pounding, tackled one of the better dressed spectators standing on the sidelines and ruined the beautiful clothes of said spectator in the mud.

Strange as it may seem, the captain of that team was "Bim" Coolen, the coach of this year's team. The coach of that team was Ted Coffee, who was really instrumental in starting football at St. Mary's, and the Manager was Bro. Loftus of baseball fame. Here is the line-up. Think back, Old Boys, think back—Coolen, Lovett, Egan, Aliotis, Clancy, Purtil, Doyle, Kane, Hogan, Murray, Girroir, Wallace, Young, Smith, Grant, Montague, Kennedy, Carroll, Aucoin.

It merely rests for us to repeat on the part of the Alumni. Congratulations to Coach Coolen and his "best little team in the Maritimes." Thanks from the Editor in person for stirring fond memories of glorious days in St. Mary's past.

Now for some random shots: Sandy McLellan, after serving his apprenticeship in rugby at St. Mary's played forward for St. F. X. this year. You picked the wrong year, Sandy.

Basil Coudy has joined the Benedicts. The Freshmen of '32 had a get-together at the home of Art Meagher before the big event. The only members who were in town and able to be present were, Art Meagher, Bas Coady, Frank Hanrahan, Dave Redmond, Jim Ryan and Barney Thomas. The boys certainly scatter.

Remember the old Smoking Room with its broken window, missing boards, and ragged floor? That, my friends is all changed. The old order has given place to the new and on cold days the boys enjoy their between class smoke in a renovated room, heated by a coal stove. Class!

Art Morris, a grad in engineering has returned from Regina where he had been working. He is at present interested in another position which should develop soon.

Terry Ahern, for a long time a close student of Church music, has been appointed organist of St. Joseph's Church. The only trouble they will have with Terry is getting him away from the organ.

Rev. Fr. Granville, who has been in Rome for some time was confined to bed recently with an inflamed cartilage in the knee. His friends will be pleased to learn that he is improving steadily and hopes to be about soon.

Memories of a bloodthirsty band, which once roamed the halls of St. Mary's, were stirred recently. Vince Mancini paid us a visit. The band? Don't you remember? "The Terrible Hawks." For long this group was the terror of the students of St. Mary's. Their motto was, "Act first, ask questions afterwards." Their names? Burns, Bonnet, James, Hardigan, Hearn, Mancini and many others we can't remember. Many and dark were their initiation deeds, outstanding among them being the occasion in which Burns, later a ringleader, was chased around the campus, minus much essential clothing.

"Jigger O'Neill says definitely that his baseball days are over. That bad knee from which he has been suffering for some time has laid him up in hospital. St. Mary's "Home Run King" is through according to his own statement, but don't be surprised to see him out there at the Wanderer's Grounds batting them high, wide and handsome again next summer.

Clary Grant of English and American rugby fame is working at Simpson's. We wonder if he is the bouncer.

Well, I guess we have rambled enough to suit the taste of all, so so-long until the next issue.

Freshmen Active in Athletic Fields

The Freshmen of this year have had good reason to be proud of their representation on the football field. They boast of the outstanding work done by Harold Lawrence and Johnny Meagher on the College team, and on the High School aggregation they point to such sturdies as Red McGinn, Clary Coolen, Harris Miller, Terry Martin, Tom Martin, Ed. Cosgrove and Russ Lownds.

There have been several class activities of late. The Freshmen Engineers showed up en masse at the Engineers "At Home" on Saturday night and all reported a most enjoyable evening. The class has already hired the Forum once and the old battle ground was the scene of a hockey game which was as milderous as the most fastidious could wish.

The class Thespian, Joe Grandy, will again prove his acting ability on the play to be held on the feast of St. Francis Xavier at St. Patrick's Girls School.

Messrs. Ward, Holloway, Smith, Coolen, and Cosgrove are turning out for hockey this year and are determined to make a place. The considerable athletic prowess of the Freshmen is again in evidence.

Dyer Ditties

Congratulations are in order to Coach Allan "Bim" Coolen, who was responsible for our first victories over Acadia and St. F. X. His job was one of the hardest type—filling the coaching shoes of such famous football tutors as the late Gerald A. Hayes and Tom Sullivan. Bim has led his little team to a Provincial Championship and to the position of runner-up for the Maritime title. The loss against Mount Allison at Truro was no disgrace, but a brilliant example of spirit, fight and the will to win which was only surpassed by a better dribbling team who accepted the breaks of the game.

College spirit was out in full this year and especially was it noticed at the St. F. X. and Mount A. games. The lay-teachers of the College got misplaced in the St. F. X. game or else—the Xaverian stands probably welcomed them anyway.

Congratulations are in order to the Mount A. players and their Coach. They are a fine team and deserve to go far. Financially speaking the 'mounties' are good guys to do business with.

The police of Truro come in for a few fine words of praise—the policing during the game and the directing of traffic before and after the game would be a worthwhile thing for our local "flat-foot-floggies" to observe.

Headlines for the Journal should read, "Alumni turn out in body"—former students turned out in a group of at least five hundred strong.

The Mount A. Band, with but one week of practice, showed up well and didn't sound too badly on that piece they played. I wonder if the playing of 'God Save the King' at the start of the game was due to the inability to play 'O Canada', but what can one expect in one week—12 Benny Goodmans and a Sousa? College spirit was shown by the Mount A. fellows when a few of the Capitalists got together and put up \$50.00 as a Loan Fund from which the students could borrow to attend the game at Truro.

It was with regret that we learned of the loss of the Wanderers club house. It is to be hoped that President "Toot" Thompson will go about the erecting of a new building. All of you fellows who are in a position to join the club should do so now and in this way show the President that you wish him well.

Well, in the last few weeks many things have come to "pass"—Acadia has fallen to the local Saints—St. F. X. trounced on a local field—the re-union of all the old-boys for the game at Truro—the War Dance has let out its last whoop—Leo has been found and Hal Lawrence has not forgotten that he would like to stay in Truro and so do the Engineers.

A train comes in to the railway station—colors a-glow—two hundred and fifty students of the strong and able type alight, and amidst all this excitement one fellow walks up and down the station platform wearing his maroon and white colors, and let me tell you my friends, my heart was in my mouth, for to think that if that mob had taken a dislike to the maroon and white—HELP.

Telegrams of good wishes were received in abundance before our 'out-of-town' games. The expected one for the Mount A. game failed to materialize but we feel sure we had his good wishes.

Are the Freshmen dead this year? No society, no officers, no nothing. Many years have passed since the formation of the first Freshmen society better known as the Phi Phi Sigma (or the Fi-Fi's). Come on you Freshmen, show some life and run Bill Dalton for the President-ship!

What about that basketball team for the College. Since there is to be no City League this year get after Gerald R. to go about the formation of an Intercollegiate League. A great deal of good basketball talent is going to waste around the College and I feel sure that we could induce Professor Ed. "Barney" Thomas to take over the Coaching duties.

Matricsters Enjoy Class Functions

This class which apparently has the monopoly on School spirit was notably well represented at the intercollegiate games played at Wolfville and Truro. In fact, to travel to the latter contest Matric hired a special class bus. It's the usual procedure to have at least one big class outing during the Autumn semester, and Matriculation decided to take advantage of the Maritime Championship game at Truro as the occasion, and make a really big day of it. Their loyal support of the College team and their class spirit received much deserved praise.

Four Matriculation boys, Donald Fogarty, Michael Carroll, Patrick Murphy and Arthur Fletcher are to be congratulated on their splendid talks given at the last High School Mission Crusade meeting. The main theme of these talks was the value of reading Catholic pamphlets, and the audience showed appreciation of their efforts and ability.

Plans are now well underway for Matric's second class event of the season, and the fellows are looking forward eagerly to a skating session of two hours at the Arena. The funds for this affair will not be drawn from the Class Treasury, but a collection will be taken up instead. The date of the event is the 8th of December.

The class orchestra, while not yet advanced to the stage of making a public appearance, is a source of much private enjoyment.

Grade Ten Hold Skating Session

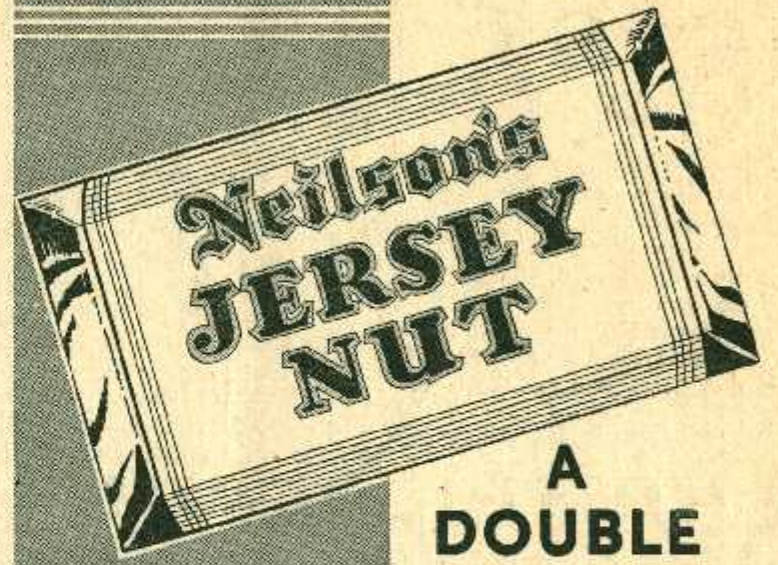
This extra large class put in an excellent showing at the intercollegiate games both in Truro and Wolfville, and as a testimony of their vocal support the fellows could hardly talk above a whisper for a week afterwards. School spirit is a big factor in Grade 10.

Grade 10A and Grade 10B, the two divisions necessitated by the size of the class, co-operated in hiring the Forum on Saturday afternoon. Judging by reports the affair was a complete success and a good time was had by all. Grade 10B came out on top in the hockey game with a score of four to three.

The fun, enthusiasm and friendly rivalry evident in the Rugby League organized by Brother Regan was reminiscent of Brother Flannery's intermural Soccer League. Hughie MacDonald's Grade 10B team won, but their opponents stated the fact that the winners included some Grade 10A players as the reason of the victory.

Don Halliburton, class treasurer, deserves special mention for his reliability and efficiency in his weekly task of collecting dues. There is an intention of holding several class functions in the near future.

Gossip Along the Corridors
An exhibition, home and home, series of hockey games with Acadia—who is to be President of the A.A. next year—do you want it?—what about that St. Johns Ambulance course in First Aid?—is Frank McNeill and his Bombardiers playing for your dance?—have you been to the Mount lately?—have you read the new book in the library yet?—where were you on the night of Nov. 5th—who said you couldn't get the Alumni together—John Meagher (Burns) my nomination for the Phinney Award for sportsmanship—that the College orchestra be hereafter known as a string orchestra—have you heard this one yet?—sing us another one do—see you at St. Peter's Saturday night.



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SPORT Scripts

Bim Coolen has certainly done a marvellous job, in his first year as coach at St. Mary's. His squad will go down in the annals of the college, as the first team ever to bring the Intercollegiate Championship of the Province to its halls. Congratulations to Coach Bim and the boys.

But the bitter must come with the sweet, and it is far from gratifying to learn that from this year's smooth-working rucker machine, eight cogs will be missing when we line up next fall. For May's graduation will be taking from us, Capt. Herb Mulcahie, Ed. Coolen, Bernie Tolson, Dan Jannigan, Marty MacDonald, Sandy MacKay, Leo Deveau and Jerry Mulcahie. In addition to this manager Bob Faulkner and assistant manager Jack Cary will be leaving us.

That leaves with us, but seven of this year's fighting fifteen, viz, Mooney O'Connell, Red Hoganson, Butch Keating, George West, Harold Lawrence, Johnnie Meagher, and Vinnie Vaughan. It's a pity to see a great bunch of fellows like that together for only one year and then broken up at graduation.

On the St. F. X. team playing against six of his former classmates was the genial Sandy MacLellan, former Santamarian. Sandy was playing his last game for the blue and white, and needed but the victory to win the highly coveted X. Unfortunately for Sandy the maroon and white weren't to be denied that memorable day, and he lost his letter by a mere half-point. Sandy's loss was St. Mary's gain.

Al Cohn, versatile engineer and triple threat man of the transition's rucker squad holds the unique distinction of being the only player in the college to score against the college squad. In the two tilts between the fifteens, Al has scored twice against the team invincible to St. F.X., Kings, and Tech. Incidentally Manager Mader, of the engineers has issued a formal protest against the college squad for using underhand tactics in the last contest.

Way back in '32-'33, Bernie Tolson, Ed Coolen and Herb Mulcahie, played on a maroon and white high school team together. Year by year since that time, through high school and into college, this trio has turned out for football every fall, and each year they have been successful in making their place. It is a fitting climax to three brilliant rugby careers that in their senior year, they should be driving forces on one of the greatest teams that has ever come out of St. Mary's.

Hockey enthusiasts will soon be given their opportunity of satisfying their longing. For on Dec. 2nd, the High School League has its formal opening at the Forum. That night a speedy St. Mary's team tangles with a powerful H.C.A. sextet, while St. Pats cross sticks with their inveterate hockey rivals, Bloomfield.

St. Pats are heavy favorites to win the Senior High League, but after watching our own squad work out, I for one, feel that the team to beat this winter will be our own fast-skating team.

The big question to the college squad is who will fill Cy Bowser's shoes. Cy was probably the best net-minder in the city last year, and it's not going to be easy to replace him. Offensively the team is every bit as strong, if not stronger than it was last year. We still have Jerry Mulcahie, Mooney O'Connell, George West, and others. On the defense we lost Dud Chisholm and Austie Floyd, but we have Ed Coolen, a bulwark to opposing forwards, if there ever was one. If the Saints find a reasonably good goalie, they are heavy favorites to cop the city Intercollegiate Title, and with a break or two will make it very interesting for St. F. X.

Back to football. Honorable mention should be given to those three senior Artsmen, Dan Jannigan, Marty MacDonald and Sandy MacKay. This year was the first that this trio has ever played for St. Mary's, and nobody can deny that they made a lovely job of it. Sandy is the team's longest booter, Marty is the boy that stopped Troke, and Dan is that nifty individual who played sensational football all year with an injured nose.

To those who want to hang that master criminal Shadow—we would have our work cut out for us, finding a limb high enough, if his neck is anything like his conscience. Either the spectators are blind or the Shadow has a big brother who would go beautifully with a coat of tar and feathers.

St. Mary's Down Navy Ruggers 6-3

Despite the fact that they had an off day, St. Mary's, newly crowned Intercollegiate rulers of the Province, making their initial appearance in the Intermediate League, succeeded in overcoming an early lead, and marched to a 6-3 victory over the Navy, on Thursday, Nov. 17, at the Wanderers Grounds.

On the very first play of the afternoon the sailors, clicking perfectly, sped over the line for a beautiful touchdown. This excellent play, coming as it did before the spectators had actually got settled in their seats, caused considerable scepticism in the St. Mary's stands.

This scepticism was quickly removed however, when the powerful maroon and white machine started rolling, and chased the huge navy team time and time again into their safety zone. In spite of the fact that they completely dominated the play throughout the first half, they were unable to score.

In the second half Jerry Mulcahy, flashy flying-quarter, caught up with his own kick and plunged over for a try. The Navy then opened up again and on two speedy broken-field runs, nearly scored again. But the Irish were now completely roused, and led by that fighting scrum, they marched inexorably down the field and carried it across with Red Hoganson scoring.

AS SANTAMARIANS DROVE TO PROVINCIAL TITLE



Above is an action shot as St. Mary's downed St. F. X. to cop the Provincial Intercollegiate title. Vinnie Vaughn, No. 2 starry Santamarian picking-half, is about to tackle Cadegan, who has just received the ball from a line-out. In the background is Bernie Tolson and Johnny Meagher, while Dan Janigan is hoving into view behind his nose-guard.

Collegians Whip St. F. X. 9-0

Not ceded even an outside chance by sport critics and facing apparently an invincible squad, the scrappiest maroon and white fifteen that has come out of St. Mary's in many a year, went on undauntedly and swept a heavier St. Francis Xavier crew from their path, to capture for the first time in Santamarian history, the Provincial Championship.

Incited by the thunderous cheering of a rabid throng of followers the team dug in and upset with a vengeance all the averse predictions of the "Ninety-nine per cent wrong club."

The blue and white famed three-quarter line were at first difficult targets for the sharpshooting tacklers of St. Mary's, and on one occasion it looked like a sure touchdown, when Butch Mury snaked his way through a maze of maroon and white jerseys and started for town. Fortunately for the moral of the home team however, Captain Herb Mulcahie caught him with a vicious tackle and saved the day. From then on, due to the splendid work of the St. Mary's scrum which steadily fed the ball to Vinnie Vaughan and Jerry Mulcahie ace booters of the collegians, the Antigonish boys were completely bottled up. When they did manage to get their hands on the ball they succeeded in gaining considerable ground, but due to the vicious tackling of the city champs, they were never dangerously close to scoring.

Midway through the first half, Johnnie Meagher, hard working ball quarter fell on a loose ball and gave his mates a lead which they never relinquished.

In the second half Vinnie Vaughan, St. Mary's greatest individual performer scooped up another loose ball and stepped over for the try. With the dying moments of the game came its loveliest play. Vaughan picked up a beautifully heeled ball from the scrum and raced about twenty-five yards for the last touchdown, eluding about five would-be tacklers with a grand exhibition of broken-field running.

ST. MARY'S BOW FROM MARITIME FINALS 8-0

The educated toe of Solly Chernin and a sensational dribbling exhibition by MacWilliam drove St. Mary's fighting fifteen from the Maritime Championship on Saturday, November 5, at Truro.

But the defeat was a glorious one for the St. Mary's boys, and to sincerely use a trite phrase, "the score was definitely no indication of the play." Never did a team go down fighting more bitterly than that luckless Maroon and White aggregation which fell before an equally determined Mount Allison squad.

It was that type of game in which victory is determined by the breaks and Mount Allison capitalized on theirs. When the second half was about five minutes old, a penalty kick was awarded to Mount A. from about thirty yards out and off at an angle. Solly Chernin elected to attempt a field goal, and seconds later justified it when he split the uprights with a magnificent boot. With but a few minutes of playing time left, and St. Mary's desperately storming the garnet and gold citadel, MacWilliam, fleet forward of Mount Allison, suddenly broke away and dribbled the ball about eighty yards for a lovely try. Chernin converted with another nice kick that went squarely between the posts.

The play throughout raged from one end of the field to the other with each side threatening to score minutely. St. Mary's however, had the better of it and on several occasions had the ball on the five-yard line of their opponents, but were unable to cross, due to the hard tackling of the Mount A. boys who played their best when the going was toughest.

COMM. PREPARES

(Continued from Page One) Since there is further news to-date we take pleasure in forwarding our congratulations to the Intercollegiate Rugby team on winning the Provincial Rugby Title and to show them that we are proud to have such small but mighty men fighting for our College.

Wanderers Win Interm. League 3-0

The hand of an adverse Fate hovered over a great St. Mary's team, and despite the fact that they outplayed completely the Halifax Wanderers Club, they emerged, after two overtime periods, on the short end of a 3-0 count, at Redland, on Saturday, Nov. 19.

Time and time again, on the point of scoring, they were thwarted by lung Red punting, and inconsistent linejudging. These two factors successfully united in holding the Collegians scoreless until Jerry Hare booted them from the title by a twenty yard conversion of a penalty kick.

The college scrum, for the most part dominated the play, and more than offset the superior weight of their opponents, by their sheer aggressiveness. Marty MacDonald, hard-hitting three-quarter liner, was the greatest individual star for the Irish, closely followed by Vinnie Vaughan and Jerry Mulcahy. Hare and Boyd shone for the Wanderers.

In numerous instances the scrum, along with Vaughan and Mulcahy drove the ball to the five-yard line. But there everything seemed to go wrong. They just couldn't get it over. Despite their violent protestations, kick after kick was awarded against them.

So it is, that by an ironic twist of Fate, a grand maroon and white team, perhaps the grandest that has ever come out of St. Mary's, completed a very remarkable season of victories with a very remarkable kind of defeat.

PRESIDENT REPORTS--

(Continued from Page One) crous meetings which characterized the Convention. He remarked on the astounding compatibility with which the French-Canadian and English, so manifestly different in temperament, worked side by side for the success of the Congress. He called the attention of the meeting to the prime resolutions adopted by the Convention, which are the return of women to the home and a back to the land movement.

At the conclusion of his address, a vote of thanks was tendered by Mr. Frank Reardon, treasurer of the Society, to Mr. O'Keefe on behalf of the members, for his eloquent and enlightening talk.

College To Ice Strong Team

When the whistle blows in the first game of the Intercollegiate Hockey League, a strong team representing the College will sally forth to make their usual bid for the title which has been in the possession of the College since the inception of the League. Remaining from last year's team and who also played for the Canadians in the Junior League, we find the names of Vinnie Vaughan, star net-minder and aggressive forward, Gerry Mulcahey, Moon O'Connell, George West and E. Coolen. Also remaining from last year's team and who saw service in other leagues in the City are Cy. Myatt, Jack Woods and Marty MacDonald. Aspirants from last year's High School team will be sought to fill in the vacancies, among which the names of Leo Deveau, Charlie Dwyer, Arkie Vaughan, Bill Flemming, figure prominently.

As yet no Coach has been appointed to succeed the late Gerald A. Hayes, last year's successful Coach. The job of replacing such a man as Mr. Hayes will be very hard. Gerald not only taught the game but instilled in each and every player the desire for clean play and win or lose give your best.

College Champs Affect Students

As a conclusive proof of the great interest which the college team has stimulated among the students, not only as cheering collegians, but even as potential stars, an interclass league has been organized, at the request of the high school students, by Rev. Brother Regan.

The boys have obviously benefited from watching the champs in action, and it is interesting to observe them imitating their favorites on the field. Their tackling, punting, and running have all the ear-marks of some of the brilliant plays executed by the college squad throughout the season. The fight and determination so manifest in these encounters is only the reflection of the spirit that carried the college's boast to the Provincial Title.

The games played so far have been really worth while watching, so bitterly have they been contended. Each participant plays as if a fortune were in the balance or as if life itself depended on the outcome.

The formation of this league marks the return of intra-mural football to St. Mary's, a movement that should be strongly encouraged, for it provides an opportunity of playing football, to all those who like the game, who are not fortunate enough to secure a berth on one of the school teams.

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