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Reading left to right: Colin McGillivray, Tom Moore, David Jannigan Harold Bezanson

Accident Claims Life of S. M. C. Ace

FLIGHT LIEUTENANT LARRY O'CONNELL, D.F.C.

On Tuesday afternoon, January 18th, at 3:50, an airplane crash occurred which claimed the life of Flight Lieutenant Larry O'Connell, D.F.C., a former Santamarian and a member of the Alumnae. The news of his death came as a shock to his family and friends.

After joining the Air Force in July, 1940, Larry was drafted for overseas, duty as a sergeant pilot in 1941. In over thirteen months he made over forty operational flights. He risked his life many times to achieve his objective, and was mentioned in dispatches three times. He received his Pilot Officer's Commission, before returning to Canada.

September 1942:—Soon after returning home he received the Distinguished Flying Cross which he had earned in England "for pressing home attack in face of enemy fire."

Great Sportsman

Larry is probably the greatest sportsman to go through Saint Mary's. He came there from Saint Thomas Aquinas and St. Patrick's High School where he was a member of the famous "Irish Line" consisting of Jerry Mulcahy, O'Connell and George West, under the guidance of the late Gerald Hayes. This trio continued on through College. While still playing for St. Mary's, he played for the Halifax Wolverines and captained both teams. It was his skill and his aggressiveness and particularly his never-say-die spirit which brought him an offer to play for Montreal Canadians of the National Hockey League in 1939.

Noted particularly for his ability in sportsmanship and flight, St. Mary's is proud to say that the late Flight Lieutenant O'Connell died a true Santamarian and member of St. Mary's College Alumnae.

FATHER O'DONNELL TAKES FINAL VOWS

On February 2, 1944, the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady, Father Rev. Michael O'Donnell, popular college professor and Director of the College Sodality, took his final vows in the Society of Jesus. Father O'Donnell entered the Jesuit Order on October 7, 1926, at the Novitiate, Guelph Ontario. After two years novitiate and two years of classical studies, Father O'Donnell was moved to the College of Christ The King at Toronto where he spent three years at Philosophy. Loyola College in Montreal, Father O'Donnell's Alma Mater was the next stopping place and here he taught High School subjects for three years. Four years of Theology and one year of Tertianship (final year of novitiate) at Port Townsend, Washington, U.S.A., completed his formal training.

ORDINATION

At the end of his third year of theology Father O'Donnell was ordained at the Jesu in Montreal, by the late Bishop Deschamps, on

August 13, 1939. Father O'Donnell has been at Saint Mary's for two and a half years.

When asked what part of his long course he liked the best, he answered unhesitatingly: "Naturally the years since I have been ordained a priest."

"And what made you want to be a priest?"

"The work of a priest, preaching and dealing with souls appeared to me the greatest thing I could do with my life."

"What made you first think of the Jesuits, Father?"

"Well, replied Father O'Donnell, 'to tell you the truth I think it was one day in class at Loyola. I was listening to the life of the young Jesuit Novice, St. Stanislaus, and that set me to thinking.'"

"And how have you found the Order after all these years of study?" was our parting shot as we backed out the door of Father O'Donnell's room.

"Great," he boomed and his expansive smile left no doubt but that he meant it, as we sauntered off down the corridor.



Rev. Fr. Michael J. O'Donnell, S.J.

H. S. Library Develops

When asked how the High School Library was getting along, the enthusiastic reply from Mr. Farrell (head librarian) was, "Coming along fine." An interesting fact also discovered was that all new books had been taken out at least once. Special thanks to those few generous students who donated new books.

It is also learned that thirty-five new books are ordered and on their way. For special detail on these, kindly consult B. Ashe, assistant librarian.

A noteworthy fact is that even the heavier books have been taken out by the more precocious students.

It has been suggested that at the end of the year there will be a prize for the best book review of one of the estimated five hundred books. No fines have been handed out as yet because, Mr. Farrell declares, "of my kind heart."

The majority of the books so far are fictional, but as soon as the new books arrive a variety is expected. Great hope is held by the head librarian that in the near future a thoroughly complete library shall be operated by the High School students.

Sodality Plans Laid

It looks as if the Sodality is again moving into high gear. The Central Committee, at a splendid meeting, held on Friday, the 21st, laid plans that should keep all Sodalists moving for the next six months. At that meeting Father Moderator stressed the part each Sodalist should play:—"A Sodalist worthy of the Queen of Heaven works seven days a week, and fifty-two weeks a year for the cause of his Queen." Definite plans laid by the executive are as follows:—

Rosary Crusade

Soon a Rosary Crusade will be under way. The purpose of which is to instill in every Sodalist a love for saying the beads, a love which he will retain not only now but throughout his entire life. In this project Our Lady's Committee aims at getting family Recitation of the Rosary in the home of every Sodalist as well as getting Sodalists to adopt the method of the "Living Rosary." The Living Rosary is the association of fifteen persons, each of which pledges to recite one decade of the Rosary daily, for a given space of time. The fifteen mysteries are distributed among each group of fifteen members so that the entire Rosary is recited every day by the group.

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Forensic Fury in Grade Nine

By TOMMY ORR

On the thirteenth day of January in the year nineteen hundred and forty-four, the experienced veterans of many grade nine orations had earaches after the first debate staged this year in that venerable old classroom. The chairman presiding over this . . . "thing" was the mighty "Busted Leg" Janigan of "rope in the Rorum" fame. The leader for the affirmative side was Tom "Diogenes" Orr and leader of the negative side John "Aristotle" Currie. The teams were, respectively John Napier (mind you pronounce it nape-yer) and Varrily (Var-ley) White and on the other side Harold Bezanson, the great, and Ray 'Plato' Keating, Sydney, N. S. This great milestone in the art of speech-making started off on the right track as "Mister" Orr informed the ceiling that when a sailor g-goes to sea he leaves behind him the pleasures and entertainments of civilization—um-m er "Oh Yes" and et cetra. Of course, everyone that has ever listened to an amateur debate knows how the facts are dragged through various stages of exaggeration by struggling participants. The second

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Still She Stands

By CHISHOLM LYONS

On almost any of these frosty winter days you can hear the roar and the din of the "Rorum". For years now Santamarian heirloom, number one, the Rorum, dear to its devotees of the elements from without and from within. Pummelled on the outside by storm and wind and hail, and bearing within the scars of many a bitter hockey war, the Rorum still stands defiant in the face of time. Her tired beams and paining planks have creaked and groaned with the advancing years but her heart of oak has neither creaked nor cracked.

RORUM, 1910

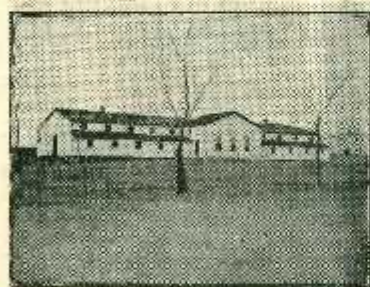


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RORUM, 1944

No, it was not Adam and Eve who built the Rorum for little Cain and Able. It was as late as 1906 A.D. that the Rorum idea was conceived and grew in the minds of Saint Mary's students. It is not mere years that have made the Rorum old; it is the intensity of her life that has put the wrinkles in her sides and the waves in her roof.

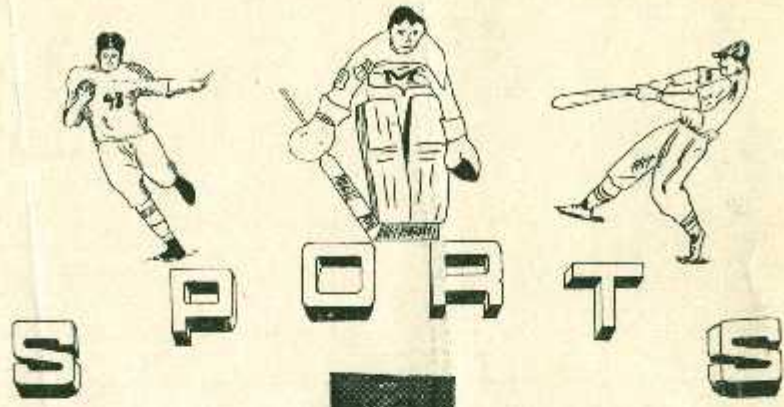
As the Rorum took shape, there was one professional carpenter (whose name has unhappily been lost to history, operating under the active supervision of the late Monsignor McManus then President of Saint Mary's. Old timers can still see Monsignor McManus in his overalls nailing shingles on the roof—a roof thus destined from the outset to be holy.

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President's Message

The French have a proverb to the effect that it is only the first step that counts. Like all proverbs it is misleading. The first step can be sometimes the easiest of all. To start out at the word of command is not hard, but to keep on marching when one is fagged out requires something more than an initial enthusiasm. Still, it remains true that for a new enterprise the first results are important; for by them the future success of the venture is in great measure to be gauged. This edition of JOURNAL JR. is a departure from the ordinary, a step in the right direction, I believe. While the College men are busy with examinations, the High School takes over the direction of the JOURNAL, or—to be more correct—puts out its own edition of JOURNAL JR. Care and thought have gone into the making of it, and my wish for its success includes the hope that the custom now started will be continued in later years and will lead eventually, though not perhaps in the immediate future, to the founding of a paper run entirely by the students of Saint Mary's College High School.

J. C. Smith, Jr.



By RON DOWNEY

The team to beat in the Juvenile League is our own Saint Mary's lineup. In every encounter up to date they have proven themselves to be second to none. And, why shouldn't they be? Sparked up front by Doug McNeil and Bruce Hyland, and with the type of defence only Stan Kemp and Frank Graves can provide, the team gives great support to Stan Selig who guards the all important goal. With this setup the results are pleasing.

In the past few games Stan Kemp has been playing particularly nice hockey. Stan has had a lot of practice in defensive hockey, for he has been playing on the blue line quite a while. Bruce Hyland is the fellow to choose to pick the corners. When Bruce gets in there and lets go the light usually flashes. Although Stan Selig has a remarkable record in goal, there are some pessimistic gentlemen who will not give him credit because he has a fine defense in front of him. Stan does his own share of work and puts in some very neat performances. And if he is fortunate enough to have a good team in front of him, then all the more credit to him. Our oft-mentioned friend, Joe McLellan is another man who can turn in a finished game of hockey.

In a really snappy game of puck chasing S.M.C. Juvenile team ousted the Winter Gardens from the first place in the league standing. This match was something to see for it featured very fast play. A word of congratulations to the "Winter Garden" forward Bert Hirschfeld would not be misplaced. Bert plays a fast, clean game, worthy of admiration.

It is firmly hoped by this reporter that our Juvenile team will go places in Provincial playdowns. And, if their brand of play increases with their number of games they will make their presence felt.

One step below the Juveniles are our struggling midgets. To say that the midgets are operating under difficulties would be putting it mildly. This team was not picked until some of the more experienced players were drawn off from the College for other teams with the result that we have a somewhat green team. But they're fighting.

An example of this fighting spirit is illustrated in Mike Sullivan. He really gets in there and plugs. In the first game the midgets played Mike proved his worth, but the team was outplayed and outshot and they bowed under. The midgets hope to overcome their inexperience with fight and good luck.

We were all very sorry to hear of the injury Paul Lee sustained while playing for the Winter Gardens. He is progressing satisfactorily and should be up and about in the near future.

The Junior High team appears to have an interesting aggressiveness. It is the desire of the team, and of not a few others, to put the "skids" to the highly tooted Oxford School team. Our team this year is on the whole very young but they have their up and coming players. We hope that "aggressiveness" will accomplish things.

Why is it the Rorum League is destined to have "hit and miss" referees? During the first game of the league the tweet of the referees' whistle was a missing factor; the second game it was all whistle. We have been told that reforms along this line are in the making, so we may expect well-balanced games in the future.

The game between Saint Mary's and Acadia on February 11, will be a classic—ice permitting.

BOXING TO BOOM

Upon asking Father McCarthy if boxing shall continue in the High School, the straight-forward answer was, "Definitely yes."

Father McCarthy stated that the reasons for the hold-up was the lack of proper coaching. However, two or three coaches are now being considered. He also declared that he has ten or twelve very good prospects in the art of boxing in the High School and next week intends to clean out an old class-room and begin training again.

It is also learned that next fall the High School will be represented in the Maritime Amateur Boxing Association, and if a few do exceptionally well a chance will be given to them to perform in inter-collegiate boxing.

The weights of our young pugilists will range from 125 to 135 pounds, and if they live up to Father McCarthy's expectations we should have in years to come an excellent collegiate boxing team.

HIGH SCHOOL PLAYDOWNS REVIVED



REV. FRANCIS FARRELL, S.J.
Coach, Midget Team

CHAMPS FETED

Reaping their just rewards the hard-hitting High School football team was given a banquet on the evening of January 20th. The players are the 1943 City Champions. members of the faculty and Gerald Reardon, President of AAA, were also in attendance.

Regarding the banquet, Charlie Connors, spoke for the squad, expressing his enjoyment as "Oh, great!"

The Birk's Trophy, emblem of the championship, was presented to Frank Graves, by Rev. F. Smith. Frank was the dynamic captain of this year's team.

Gerald Reardon, president of the A.A.A., heartily congratulated the men for their splendid record and loyal school spirit. He also expressed his appreciation to Bun Mulcahy, who was the energetic coach during the past season.

Before the banquet eligible members of the team were presented with their High School letters. These letters represent to all a great deal of hard work and stiff games for those proud owners who display them on their chests.

"I would be willing to place our High School football team against any Canadian High School, and expect them to give a splendid account of themselves." These were the closing words of F. McCarthy when he was speaking before the assembled students. Fr. McCarthy was and still is profoundly interested in the football team.

Needless to say, the fellows had a splendid evening.

N.S. TITLE AT STAKE

Provincial playdowns in hockey, basketball, baseball and rugby will again be arranged and directed by the N. S. Headmasters. At the end of the second year of the war it was decided to suspend the provincial playdowns and attempt to increase the inter-class sports in the individual schools.

One of the main reasons for again introducing the playdowns is the fact that school spirit was said to be suffering because of the stoppage of the games. That the spirit of S.M.C. is wavering is very doubtful. Inter-class hockey and especially football have been greatly increased in S.M.C., but there has been no slackening of spirit. On the contrary it has increased.

However, the Santamarians are only too happy to add their teams to those attempting for honours. The games will be arranged with as much foresight as possible, because of the transportation difficulties.

S.M.C. High School will be powerful contenders for a berth in the playdowns. With experienced players to add assurance and fast newcomers the High School aggregation has high hopes. Q.E.H. are preparing a team, and interesting games between the rival schools are anticipated.

To be eligible for playdowns a player must be a regular student of the school for which he plays at the time of the game and must have an attendance record of at least eighty percent, from September 15th until the time of the game.

Winter Gardens Popular

Well, they've done it again. That enterprising trio, Father Carroll, Jim MacDonald and Doug Spruin, have come up with their biggest venture yet. They have constructed an outdoor skating rink and have started a hockey club to develop hockey talent in Halifax. Father Carroll says, "It's the biggest idea we've had in a long time." And with the right support they should really go places.

Jim MacDonald, president of the club, says, "We have plenty of talent around here but the fellows never get a chance to play. That's why the best hockey players come from Upper Canada and from out West! The young fellows get plenty of hockey and they have good coaches. If the boys around here get a chance to play hockey more often plus good coaching, in a few years' time teams will be coming out of the Maritimes that can compete with teams from any other part of Canada."

At the club they have enough material for twenty teams. They have a good Bantam team, although there is no league as yet. Their Midget team is undefeated so far and the fellows really have the will to win.

In the Juvenile League they were defeated once and that was a hard one to lose for they went out and really fought all the way. They have a lovely Junior team just waiting for the league to open so they can get into action. It is not certain whether there will be an Intermediate League yet or not but they have a team that will make a good showing for themselves no matter who they play.

SAINTS BOW TO KING'S

The first game of the newly formed Service League ended in victory for H.M.C.S. Kings. The league is composed of C.O.T.C. teams from Saint Mary's and Dalhousie, and a team from King's and Tech.

On the 25th of January Saint Mary's was overcome by strong representatives from Kings. The first period was controlled by the "Jeeps" who finally succeeded in catching the corner of the net. The second period found Saint Mary's holding the reins but they could not tally. Early in the last period King's again scored but the College came back strongly and Hughie MacDonald made it good. With another quick one the score was made 3-1 and the bell ended the game.

The league was recently formed by representatives of the three institutions. Each team will play four games and the two leading teams will play a best of three series for the Service Shield put up by Saint Mary's. This shield was won by a College team a few years ago. After the opening game it was announced that N. S. Technical College was seeking admission to the League.

JUVENILE VICTORY

In the most exciting game of the season St. Mary's College Juvenile team took over the league leadership when they edged out St. Mary's Winter Gardens 4-2. Bruce Hyland scored twice for the College with Dugger MacNeil and Joe MacClellan notching one each. For the Winter Gardens Bert Hirschfeld and Bob MacDonald made the green light flicker.

A terrific pace was maintained throughout the game, despite heavy ice. The first period was scoreless and around the half-way mark of the second canto Doug MacNeil scored the first goal on a pass from Frank Flynn.

As soon as the third period opened Bob MacClellan tied it up for the Gardens with Bert Hirschfeld assisting. Shortly after Joe MacClellan passed to Bruce Hyland, who beat Gummie Gilfoxy on a nice play in front of the net. After some hard fighting Bert Hirschfeld again tied it up for the Gardens, only to have Joe MacClellan score the winning marker on a lovely shot from the blue-line.

Then Doug MacNeil provided a couple of thrills for the fans. He managed to break away twice, only to overskate the puck and have Gilfoxy beat him. Bruce Hyland rushed in the second time, however, and poked in the rebound a second before the bell rang.

After the game Father Carroll, coach of the College team, was so happy that he was speechless, which is something unusual. Jim MacDonald, coach of the Winter Gardens, came up with an old, old story, "We'll be better next time."

Besides these teams in organized leagues they are going to have a house league of their own to develop the players of tomorrow. Just keep an eye on those boys at the Winter Gardens. In a few years they will be making names for themselves.

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90% and over: William Browne.
80% and over: Robert McNeil, Douglas Flinn, Donald Cummings.

Grade Ten B

Class Standing: Stanley Kemp, Roger LeFrank, Daniel Kline.

Grade Nine

Class Standing: John Campbell, Thomas Moore, Thomas Orr.
90% and over: John Campbell, Thomas Moore
80% and over: Thomas Orr, Henry Nunn, Frederick Cable, Jeffrey Flinn, James Hemon, Richard Demers, Rex Burke.

FORENSIC FURY
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speaker, (Who else could it be than John Currie) instructed the bulletin board that in many ways a soldier's life is harder than sailor's. Then, it came to pass that Varrily, the justly notorious White, spoke on the dangers encountered in actual battle at sea. Whenever this wonderful character forgot a point, he would toss his sandy curls and as his memory recalled the fact, his sunny face would light up all over. Oh, what a spectacle to the reality hardened gentleman of Grade Nine. After all this quibble and fuss, a world-renowned speaker comes to the fore, none other than Raymond Keating Esq. P.H.D., M.A. This great man spoke on the dangers of a soldier's training and spoke with such clearness and truthfulness that no one would miss his point, well, er, almost no one. Then another of the group of geni came to the platform. He needs no introduction. John Napier, the second Socrates. This highly respected gentleman proceeded to "give" with the "stuff", in simple language, explain the discomforts and dangers of a "follower of the seas" life while on convoy duty on the Atlantic. All this time the "cream of society", the "Pepi Lamoco" of the Kasbah, the Harold Bezanson of S.M.C. has waited in the sidelines. Now he steps out to speak. Gasps of ecstasy are uttered by the "gentlemen". He is even more poised than the King of Siam was when he went out with his forty wives. He put the finishing touches on for the negative side. This was followed by one-minute reprisals by the two leaders. . . . The momentous moment is at hand. The ballots have been passed in and are being counted. Tense anxiety reigns supreme. Suddenly, out of the stillness comes the verdict. Affirmative—twenty-three, Negative—twenty-one. If one person had changed his mind. . . but all is over now. The debate has ended.

JOHNSTON'S BARBER SHOP
Coburg Road

MORE ABOUT RORUM
(from page one)

The financing of so large a project could not be left to chance. The students of those days took the responsibility on themselves. They held a "drive" and their drive was a success.

The year 1909 was one of the most important milestones in the colorful history of the Rorum. The rink grew from its original 70 feet to its present size. Electric lights were installed. In 1909 mind you! On the marvels of science! It is interesting to note that the "SANTAMARIAN" (Journal) then a tri-yearly newspaper, played a leading role in this venture; for, through some secret manipulation, some journalistic wizardry it pulled a \$35.00 profit out of the hat to meet the expenses of this added luxury.

At a Banquet to commemorate this important achievement it was announced that the Saint Mary's colors at that time Blue and Gold, would be changed to the now familiar Maroon and White.

In those days water was supplied from a well on the Orphanage side of the Rorum. Water was pumped up and then sloshed onto the rink with buckets. The "pump house" opened onto the rink and was usually covered with ice. An expert defenceman could send an unwary opponent sprawling into its slippery interior with the greatest of ease. At least once it happened that a brash forward was sent careening down the well itself.

Last summer the Rorum got a new coat of paint. Chocolate Brown, with cream trimmings! The profane hands of the High School Football Squad tinkered around on the roof that had known the fervor of President McManus' hammer. Some thought that the new dress was undertaker's finery. But they don't know the Rorum. Go out and listen some crisp afternoon and hear the shouts and whistles blending with the creaks and groans.

But don't be deceived. You're only as old as you feel, you know, and the Rorum will never grow old. You see, it's more than a building with an oaken heart, it's a spirit and a tradition that the wind and the rain and the years cannot touch.

QUIZ QUOTES

Here's the question we put to some of the prominent High School students, the other day:—

Who in your opinion is the Jotter Junior and on what brain wave do you base your character-breaking claim?

Duke Downie:—"Who else but Tom Murphy could write about Tom Murphy with such sheer wisdom?"



Tom Murphy:—"It's Ron Downie beyond a doubt because both Duke and the "Jotter" are geniuses."

John Beck:—"Who enjoys about writing about Tom Murphy more than himself."

Doug. MacDonnell:—"I think it's Charlie Connors. He leads a social life."

Mike Murphy:—

"I think it's that graceful little nymph "Wolsey" Fenton. He's so delicate with the pen."



Claude Bienvenue:—"Il est M'sieur Ron Downie, non?" (Translation in Dondo).

Bob Ashe—"That column has Charlie Connors written all over it."



Gerald Parsons—"Well! Well it could be either Chris Lyons or I, but as far as I know, it isn't me, Besides what I write is funny."

Doug. MacNeil:—"Definitely Chris Lyons. Notice how he noses into every conversation."

Harold Kilroy—"Either Tom Murphy or Steve Haggarty. Murph has a sly way of getting around."

Exam Viewpoints

- Mr. Crowe—Grade Nine
"Very satisfactory, indeed."
- Father Kehoe—Grade Ten-A
"Sickness shows influence."
- Mr. Farrell—Grade Ten-B
"Surprisingly well."
- Mr. Murphy—Grade Eleven
"Results were precisely what were expected."

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Journal Sr.



Fr. Burke-Gaffney Student Council Moderator

At the last meeting of the Student's Council it was announced that Rev. Father Burke-Gaffney has been appointed faculty moderator to the new organization.

Father Burke-Gaffney comes to his position well fitted, having been at Saint Mary's for the past three years, as dean of Engineering, he has during that time shown himself most eager and capable of giving sound advice in student's activities. His appointment has been viewed with favour by the Council and the student body. Especially pleased with the choice is the executive which looks to the new moderator as a source of greater efficiency in the Council's undertakings.

Roy Power, Councillor from the Debating Society will head a committee, to make plans for the annual Prom to be held early this month. J. Mackey and Don Campbell are aiding Mr. Power in his work.

HAVE YOU HEARD?

The S.M.C. Student's Union Social will be held on February 15, at

Bill Mingo, last year's Editor of Journal Jr. hit all the high spots in the Mid-Term exams, at Dal. So did Laurie Smith, Editor-in-Chief, Staff B.

Lovely chrysanthemums graced the altar of the College Chapel on Christmas Eve. They were wired all the way from England. Yep, you're right, it couldn't be anybody else but Bill Dalton.

Captain Bernard McLaughlin, O.S.B., Chaplain of an Anti-aircraft Unit in the U. S. Army, and an old St. Pat's boy, visited the College during the holidays. His first question was: "How's the Rorum?"

Doug. Mason has been raised from Sub-Lieutenant to Lieutenant in the R.C.N.V.R.

The Canadian Catholic Student's Mission Crusade will hold a rally at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Spring Garden Road, on February 13th. Only ten delegates from the High School and ten from the College will be allowed to attend. Edward Boyd, Secretary of the C.C.S. M.C., will read the Annual Report. Robert Butler will present a paper on the Catholic Church Extension Society, while Chisholm Lyons, High School representative, will the case for the Rosary Crusade under the title, "The Rosary and Family Life."

The Canadian Federation of Catholic College Students, and affiliate of the International, Pax Romana, will hold its annual convention and council meeting at the Sacred Heart Convent on February 18th. All Catholic Colleges of the Maritimes will be represented. Delegates will be entertained at the Dalhousie Newman Club Dance on the evening of the 18th. . . .

Press Exhibit.

The Annual Press Exhibit, which will be staged at Saint Mary's College, will be a bigger and better affair this year. Three days have been set aside for the exhibit, February 27th, 28th and 29th.

The evening of the 28th will be under the auspices of the C.F. C.C.S., represented by the Dal Newnites, Mount Saint Vincent, Convent of the Sacred Heart and S.M.C. This evening will be reserved for the college students of the city.

The 29th of February will feature the High School Evening with Saint Pat's, Sacred Heart Convent, Mount Saint Vincent and Saint Mary's presenting the program.

MORE ABOUT SODALITY
(from page one)

Save Stamps
Next a "Save Stamps, Save Souls" drive will be pushed, especially by the Mission Committee which is sponsoring this Campaign. The Stamps will be sent to Jesuit Stamp Market, Toronto, where they will be sorted and sold, the money going to the foreign Missions.

Third in line is the High School Press Exhibit which will (unless a change is made) be held separate from the College Sodality's, late this month. February is the month of the Catholic Press and it is well to remember that the Catholic Press is the Vitamin Tablet of the Soul.

A Social Life Committee was recently formed. Its members will be those of the Sodality Executive. The first undertaking of this committee will be to sponsor a "Brown Bread and Beans" skating party, to be held in the Rorum. After the Queen's Commandoes have thoroughly enjoyed themselves on their "steel blades" they will go into the College Building, where they will find plenty of food. Further particulars of this event will be announced later.

Monopoly On Pools

Fifth on the docket is the announcement that the High School Sodality has the full and exclusive right to handle all pools conducted in the College. The Sodalists have Father McCarthy to thank for this. Moreover promoter "Mike Jacob" Murphy of Matric, has announced that another pool will be underway in the near future. Watch for further news of this event.

Do you remember "In Battle Array"?—Yes, I mean the official Sodality Newspaper; well it's rumoured that due to sickness during December, plans for another early issue were ruined. However, Ken Napier has accepted the job of "type setting" and it is expected a more lively issue will make its appearance early in February.

Work on the Mass

The last but not the least important subject to be crammed into this column is the subject of the Mass. The Mass is the Centre of Worship and the Soul of the Sodalists life. Because it is the Foundation of the future a mass is celebrated every Friday morning at 8:30 for the benefit of the Sodalists. Let's see more of you attending this Mass. Incidentally in order to keep your Sodality Meeting alive and interesting the Ecclesiastical Committee will get up papers and make out quizzes with the co-operation of

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The Work of a Real Sodalist

The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin offers a splendid opportunity to High School students here at Saint Mary's to honor our Blessed Mother. Truly the work done by the Sodalists is a very profitable achievement. Ever since its inauguration many objectives have been accomplished and devotion to the Blessed Virgin has been encouraged in every way.

Among the undertakings performed by the Sodalists annually are: the Catholic Press Exhibit, the Stamp Drive for the Missions, the drive for Christmas gifts for the poor, the Annual Hobby show and various banquets, raffles etc., held throughout the year. And besides these, the numerous committees carry out their many duties to perfection. The Publicity Committee keeps the Notice Board alive with posters and articles, the Pamphlet Committee circulates pamphlets, the "Queen's Work" and other Catholic magazines while the Missions Committee raises money for the missions through the collection of used stamps. There are many more committees but space will not permit a resume of their work. However, we can truthfully say that the Sodality is a grand organization, in fact, the best organization a Catholic student could join.

We have often thought of the Sodality as a "softy" club for boys who go around with their eyes lifted to Heaven and hands folded but in reality it is just the opposite. It takes a good healthy lad to be a real Sodalist. You've got to have energy and enthusiasm. There's no sense becoming a Sodalist if you don't want to work. It is the duty of every Sodalist, of every "Queen's Commando" to work and to pray "to Jesus through Mary"; to kindle devotion to the Mother and Guardian of both us and our school. After all, this is *Saint Mary's College*.

Long Pants for Journal Jr.

Let the evidence speak for itself! You are surprised? Perhaps we should expect that. Just look how Journal Junior has become a Journal Senior. But wait! What are you going to do? I hope you're not merely going to brush through it, then put it to one side with a casual "Well, not bad! Who would have thought they'd get it over the collegian!" That's not the idea at all. Well, then you'll say, "What is the idea?" Well here's your answer.

The idea is to show you what you've accomplished through the enthusiasm shown in the "late" Journal Junior. A month ago we emphasized the necessity of everybody pitching in and making a go of the Journal, an emphasis which apparently was taken to heart by many. But then let the facts speak for themselves.

There's another point we'd like to say a few words about. The merit for preparing and arranging the data, write-ups, and features, goes not only to the diligent workers of the former staff but to a large number of other students who willingly consented to assist in the publication of this issue. This is a further example of your enthusiasm and interest.

The publication of this new venture has brought expenses upon our financiers. Less intake for them but a wonderful intake for you if you accept it and make it your own. In this edition it is the desire of the Editors and their supporters to form a precedent, or perhaps more truthfully to follow one, in emphasizing the power and the good of Catholic Spirit and the universal outlook. We feel that in the previous issues this could be emphasized to only a minute degree, but again your interest has given us the instruments of accomplishment. Please do not disregard what we've said about backing us. You're just showing a spark of enthusiasm now. What we want is a flame. Keep on striving. We'll get what we're after. Watch our smoke.

It has been learned that the Disney Duplicators Association shall soon be rolling once more. For a time there it sank very low and to those who knew about it, appeared to have completely passed away. However, in the words of its President Steve Hagarty "It shall soon hit its stride" there is found new hope for its success.

To those who know little or nothing about this Club this explanation is dedicated. At the beginning of the school year it was decided that a group should be formed under one head, to take care of all drawing necessities. This way each one in the club should receive a chance to draw a poster or cartoon for the high schools' benefit. However, the members of this Association were to be picked drawers, and only the more finished artists were to be allowed to remain in the Club. But this new-found organization started out on the wrong foot and before the undertaking was on its way to success the Christmas exams had arrived. So it is only fitting now that you be informed of these matters. Any day now you can expect a meeting to be called. Then as soon as all past proceedings are cleared away the D.D.A. will once again strive to come into its own and make a name for itself so that in years to come, such a Club shall still hold a prominent position in the High School.

COMMENTS ON DEBATES

Grade Nine Class-master says—
"We began our debates at the start of the Easter term and I was highly pleased with the results. I expect fairly good debaters to graduate from this class."

Outside competition—"They hold great advantages, and the sooner they are introduced the better."

Grade Ten-A Class-master states:
"Debates should not be in Ten-A; more attention should be paid to parsing and analysis."

Outside competition—"Grade Eleven should prepare an outside debating team and allow the other grades to get their chance later."

Grade Ten-B Class-Master declares—"Debates in our class are no good, however they shall improve and there is a fair chance that we shall build a good team."

Outside competition—"I am all for it, but I think there should be more than just one team."

Grade Eleven Class-Master informs—"Enjoyed our debates immensely; showed they have been working."

Outside competition—"A few a year would be a very good idea."

MICROBE BUSTERS: Paul DeKruif

Paul DeKruif is an American-born Dutchman, who gave up medicine at the university to do scientific research. He served in the last World War and some time after he returned he was, as he tells us, "kicked out of science." He turned to the writing of popular books on modern medicine. He wanted to bridge the gap between the scientific investigator and the ordinary doctor by making the latest discoveries of medical science common knowledge.

"Microbe Hunters" as the blurb on the jacket rightly says, is "an exhilarating and valuable contribution to one of the noblest chapters in the history of mankind." One of DeKruif's most widely-read books, it is a collection of biographies recording the exciting achievements of such patient and skilled scientists as Leeuwenhoek, the first man actually to see a microbe; Spallanzani, an Italian priest who said of microbes, "They must have parents"; Pasteur; Theobald Smith and others.

"Microbe Hunters" should be useful to those who plan to go into Science or Medicine in future years. But everyone should find the clear, forceful writing interesting. Certainly no one will read it without having his vision broadened and his interest in science stimulated.

Robert Ashe

REAL ADVENTURE

"Real Adventure" is a collection of interesting and most dramatic true experiences. The stories describe everything from the hazards of attaining a mountain peak to the discomforts of a plague of rats. The book is one of a series edited by E. W. Parker.

One of the short stories, "We Escape," concerns itself with the difficulties encountered in escaping from a German prison train, and the still further difficulties overcome in reaching a neutral country. "We Escape" is taken from a book written by Major A. J. Evans, called "The Escaping Club." This extract tells of the beginning and the end of his last and successful attempt to leave Germany.

For those who like a long novel, "Real Adventure" might not measure up to their standards, but for those who prefer occasionally to pick up a book of short stories, I would say that this book will meet with approval.

Ron Downie

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For weeks and months have I dreamt that some day, I knew not when, my narrow-minded large column and my jotting gems would receive full polishing and a more worthy setting. My dream has been more than realized and thus my campaign to lose friends and influence people does not seem to be a lost cause.

The memories of the field day were brought back to mind by the presentation of awards. Outstanding among these were two local lads, Terry O'Toole and Frank Graves, and also Cape Breton's pride, Joe Mombourquette, who seems to come into the limelight when anything is being given away. For those who competed for the sake of the sport, the memory was sweet, but for others who had talked so much and done so little the memory was best forgotten.

The athletic Tom Murphy, who by some stroke of luck missed the event, was not quite sure whether to acknowledge the winners or ask that the races be re-run.

There were others exalted that day, one being Chis Lyons, who appeared to be loaded down with "M's" and Cups — none of which seemed to be his own.

Although Cadet promotions appeared several weeks ago and can hardly be termed "news", their effect has been far-reaching and will provide a topic for some little time to come and thus they deserve at least a little mention

A few that have neither crown, pip nor stripe content themselves by "wanting to be with the boys anyway!"; while others, e.g. Tom Trainor, hope to get stripes by criticizing those who have them. Some promotions came as a complete surprise and received special attention. Paul Granville was upped from a Lieutenant to a Captain and Harold "Tink" Dauphinee rose from the *hoi polloi* to the impressive rank of Sergeant-Major. While the former's secret of success lies in fast friendship, the latter finds it convenient to shop at Isnor's.

It seems like only yesterday that "Mo" Horner was a simple sweet R.S.M. and then promotions came. Just look at him now, a belov'ing brass hat, with three stripes of type-writer ribbon on each shoulder. If this is the result and the fruit of war, then Sherman was right, "War is hell!"

And that completes the military situation for the moment.

A certain incident which occurred in the corridor the other day provided interesting material for thought for a small group who were lucky enough to have ringside seats. Although it is impossible to mention the actor who carried the leading role,—for I too have my standards — I may say that plump, cheerful Alan Ferguson portrayed the villain and was obviously miscast. At least if Fergie doesn't know now whom to admire, he certainly knows whom to respect.

The persevering students of Grade XI have thrown up their hands in despair, because any hope that dapper Fred Kent might at some time ask a sensible question has been exploded by the "Brain's" new resolution to settle down and work. If Fred asked those complicated questions when he wasn't even interested, then what, O ye Heavens, will he ask now that he has become interested?

It is difficult to determine whether Fred amuses Mr. Lynch or Mr. Lynch amuses Fred.

Ever since I have assumed this character-breaking assignment of reporting the follies of man, I have scrutinized every movement of Ron Downie in a faint hope that sometime, somewhere a little flaw might glow against the background of his apparent perfection, and in a flash the world would know that the old saying "You can't have everything", would again be a consoling phrase to fall back upon. But also! No flaw yet! The worst I can say of Duke is that he is a scholar, an athlete, a prince among men... (Boy am I giving myself away ???)