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## NOMINATIONS FOR COUNCIL RELEASED

### Model Parliament Ends Suddenly

One of the liveliest student parliaments in years was brought to a close at 4:30 p.m., February 27, when Prime Minister Granville Kelly dissolved parliament in the middle of a heated debate on public works.

Only a few minutes previous to the dissolution, Opposition Leader Gordon MacLean had moved a motion of non-confidence, because "the Government has made a mockery of parliament."

Of the bills presented, only one was passed; this was a bill brought forward by the Liberals, asking that the government take immediate action in the setting up of a tax exemption for University students and their parents.

In an interview with Prime Minister Kelly following the dissolution he stated that he was "disgusted" with the proceedings of the house

Members of the Progressive Conservative Party were:

Min. of Labour—O. Fagan  
Min. of Ex. Affairs—M. McGrath  
Min. of Public Works—D. Morgan  
Min. of T. & C.—A. Donahoe  
Assistant Min. of Trade and Transport—M. Tingley  
Min. of Finance—J. Stewart  
Min. of Agriculture—C. MacDonald  
Min. of Nat. Defense—P. Fraser  
Assistant Min. of National Defense—B. Gorman  
Min. of Health, Welfare and Immigration—B. Comerford  
Min. without portfolio—K. Thorne  
Min. without portfolio—A. McNeil

Members of the Opposition Liberals were: Gordon MacLean, Leader of the Opposition; James Trainor, John Nause, John Reyno, Tom Osborne, Terry McGrath, Dan McGrath, Gerard Murphy, Peter O'Brien, Kevin Cleary, Miss Eileen O'Neill.

### Council Changes Constitution

At a special meeting held on Thursday, February 27, the Students' Council adopted the proposal set forth by the constitution committee on student representation for the Council.

These proposals will be subject to student approval. The changes are as follows:

1. That there will be an executive

Nominations for the four executive posts of the student council were released Sunday, March 9. Those selected were:

President—Erald Richards, Ronald Barnes  
Vice-President—Granville Kelly, Don McKinnon  
Secretary—Frank Cronin, Arthur Donahoe  
Treasurer—John Reyno, Ronald Wong

The elections will take place on Friday, March 14th, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Campaigning started on Monday, March 10, and will continue until Thursday.

### The Parliament in Progress



### The Academic Night

On Friday, March 7, the Philosophers Academy sponsored an Academic Program and Panel discussion on the aims of education. Chairman for the evening was Student Council President Dan MacDonald. He was supported by students of the Education class who formed the panel.

Members of the panel were Kevin Cleary, Joe MacDonald, Sharon Meagher and Ed Malley. Following the discussion the one-act play "Casualty South of Manila" was presented, which was directed by Lou Cassie.

Education students from Mount Saint Vincent College and Dalhousie University were in attendance.

of the Council, comprised of the president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer, to be elected by the student body.

2. That the five societies (Arts, Science, Commerce, Engineers, AAA) will be voting members.
3. NFCUS, WUSC, CFCCS, will be voting members.
4. The Journal and the Santamarian will be voting members.

The Boarders' Society and the Sodality, as in previous years, will also be represented, bringing the total number of council members to 16.



PROF. EDMUND BOYD, B.A., BFD.

Professor Edmund Boyd of the French Department, will be leading a group of students in an experiment in international living this summer. The main part of the experiment will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland. This will be Professor Boyd's sixth year in leading these tours, having at various times gone to France, Sweden and various other European countries. Leaving by ship about the middle of June, he will make side trips to Switzerland, France and Sweden before going to Scotland.

### Playshop Curtain Rises April 10

The Saint Mary's University Playshop has announced April 10 as the opening date of a three-night stand in its performance of the rollicking three-act comedy, THREE WISE FOOLS. Playshop President Louis Caissie predicts this production to be the most successful in years.

The play, written by Austin Strong, involves three middle-aged bachelors whose lives are upset by the arrival of a beautiful young lady in their household. The setting is an old house situated in New York in 1915, and the large cast is being elaborately costumed to suit the fashion of the time.

Taking leading parts in the play are: Gordon MacLean as Findley, Kevin Cleary as Dr. Grant, Ron Nash as Judge Trumbull, and Miss No-buury as Sydney Fairchild. Other actors in the production are: Miss Eileen O'Neill, Bill Gorman, Dick Hurley, John Nause, Guy Gallagher, Jim Flagg and Pat Wood.

Louis Caissie will assist Father H. J. LeBelle, S.J., as Director of the play, and John Nause, Playshop Secretary, has been chosen as Producer.



BRIAN FLEMMING

### Scholarship Controversy

The National Union of Students (NFCUS) submitted a brief recently, to the 10 provincial governments appealing for additional government aids towards higher education. This campaign results from a resolution of the national NFCUS conference which was held in Quebec city in October 1957. Requests are being made for \$10,000 and \$550 scholarships which is considered the minimum difference between the average summer earnings and the cost of one session. All political parties have received copies of the resolution; one party has already indicated its full support.

The Queen's NFCUS committee has withdrawn its support from this campaign. The chairman of the committee claimed the national executive's policy was out of line with the resolution of the national conference in Quebec city. The Queen's committee also condemned the national executive for failing to inform the local campaign committees of the \$10,000 scholarship plan and for initiating the campaign without any consultation with member NFCUS committees.

### Flemming To Yugoslavia

The World University Service of Canada announced recently that Brian Flemming, Third Year Science student, has been selected to attend the summer seminar at Yugoslavia.

Brian gained prominence on the campus of being the first president of the Science Society, which he played a major role in organizing last year. At present, he is Chairman of the Saint Mary's NFCUS committee, and is also Recording Secretary of the Students' Council.

During his stay at this University he has also been a member of the Playshop, the Sodality, Glee Club, the Football and track and field teams.

The seminar will be held from mid-June to mid-August, at Dubrovnik, on the Dalmatian Coast, in southern Yugoslavia. Brian is one of 30 students across Canada selected to attend this seminar. Best wishes go to him from the students of Saint Mary's.



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## The Grandstand Issue

Approximately a week ago the Students' Council pondered a serious question. A question which would have had an effect on each and every student in this University.

The points of the proposal were:

First: that the Students' Council, as the official representative of the students, consider the erection of grandstands, bearing these considerations in mind:

That there would be an increase in fees of the students to supplement the financing of the project.

That the students themselves be the organizers and operators.

That the possibility of senior football teams be invited to play a number of games on the field to increase revenue.

That it would be an opportunity for the students to do something a little extra for their University.

At a special meeting Thursday, February 27th, the Council by a vote of 6-1 voted against the idea of increasing fees to start the financial side of the project.

Many good and valid arguments were set forth in rejection of the proposal, adequate enough, perhaps, to warrant its dismissal as such. It should not, however, be allowed to remain dormant. It does not need a second look to realize the pitiful facilities available to spectators on the field. A few unsuitable stands dot the field, not enough to hold even the small enrollment of our student body.

This paper feels that the Council should investigate improvements. We are not chastising the Council for the dismissal of the original proposal, but we would strongly recommend that an effort be made to relieve this dire need. Perhaps we could, as students, do this for our University.

## Views on the Student Poll

A short time ago Saint Mary's students answered questions put to them by the annual Journal poll of student opinion. The results are published in this issue, but there are some which will never be printed.

The poll indicated clearly the students' choice of future leaders, but indicated even more clearly the serious lack of knowledge that the students of Saint Mary's have of the various organizations on the campus.

The number of students who were not satisfied with the Students Council was most surprising, considering the number who take the interest to attend the weekly meetings. An example of indifference showed in the pitiful display of attendance at the Council Forum held last week. At little over 25 people took the time to hear and comment upon two of the biggest issues that the Council has proposed this year.

Where were the 49% who are dissatisfied?

Before each student filled out this poll he was explained the serious intention behind it. It was rather saddening to see some of the reactions of the various classes, with regard to some answers. Next to the senior class, the Freshmen showed more intelligence than did the second and third year men. Each year in college is supposed to bring more maturity to an aspiring graduate of this venerable institution. But in some cases it seemed to work the other way around.

The last section had to be omitted, too many varied answers were submitted to obtain any appreciable percentage.

Very few had any favorite author but it was interesting to note that Shakespeare had a total of four votes and therefore has the dubious distinction of being the favourite of SMU. Our congratulations go to Professors Sabean and Habib as the favorite professors. Let not the other professors be disheartened however, for nearly every one is the favorite of some student.

Altogether the poll was a success. It gives everybody a chance to compare notes on different organizations throughout the university, and it gave the Journal a guide of student opinion, to form its policies.

## letters to the editor

Dear Mr. Editor:  
 Attention—Mr. Earley???

You are perhaps wondering why I have questions marks after Mr. Earley's name. Well here is my answer: It is the custom to assign to a person the title of "Mr." as showing that this person is one who is "mature," respected by his fellow-man. I am afraid that after reading Earley's article, "In Pace Requisite" he is not deserving of this title.

Though this article has some good points he has no right to write in such crude style regarding religious activities. "Mr." Earley, judge not and you shall not be judged. Your use of words such as "slimy individuals" in referring to those who are not present at a religious function is getting carried away and going to extremes. By the way, Jim, during the noon-day Mass we have on the average of 100 day-students. Let's not panic, or be pessimistic, there are many, many commendable things in this "Catholic" College.

Yours truly,

BASIL CAREW,  
 Arts IV.

Dear Mr. Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank publicly all those whose hard work made successes of the Commerce Ball and Commerce Week. The Commerce Ball had almost 150 couples in attendance and was financially and socially the best ball this year. The Commerce Week was a new idea on this campus, it worked out well and will be continued next year. I would also like to thank those who assisted the NFCUS Conference.

Yours sincerely,

PATRICK MORIARTY  
 President  
 Commerce Society



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## THIS IS IT

By JOHN NAUSE

My friend, to understand my filial love for my Church, you must first of all understand that I became a Catholic because I deliberately chose that faith. I did nothing by constraint, or by chance, or without purpose.

I was not, like you, born into the Church. When I was 13 years of age, I still looked upon the Crucifix as a gory symbol of death and desolation. And the statues which decorated a tyrannous institution were unhidden proof of a sinful and fanatical idolatry. This was nothing like my church; we had a sheer deomocoy, we Baptists. We weren't told what we must believe, or how to interpret the word of an unseen God.

But as time passed and I continued to despise all that was papish, and scoffed at what I knew nothing about, I met up with that unavoidable problem, that state of baffled confusion which was inevitable. For while I knew what I must not believe, I knew not what I must believe.

It was while I was attending a Young Peoples' Convention that my real doubt began. A discussion arose concerning the difference between Baptists and Anglicans, and the minister, at a loss for words which would provide any sort of logical explanation, said in a not too convincing manner that we all believe in the same God, and our differences of belief are merely differences which suit the individual. And then I knew that someone must be wrong. Of two opposing ideas, not more than one can be correct. But which was it? Was it the Anglican, the Baptist, the Presbyterian? Maybe any one of hundreds of sects. Certainly, though, (and the thought never occurred to me) it was not the Catholic. Ideas on divorce, chastity, Holy Communion, the age of Baptism, and countless other things, differed and formed a kaliedoscope of confusion. Above all, there was only one Church which was steadfast and certain in all that it believed. But this Church was out of the question.

What was there that was so repulsive about Catholicism? Well, this was the only Church which would

face the world and say "This is it." Among protestant circles, each sect accepts the other; but here was the one rebel which admitted none other than itself as right. Here was a Church which claimed to have been founded by Christ, which held that its priests could change water and wine into the body and blood of Our Lord, which sanctified confessions, which propagated adoration of the Mother of Christ, and stated firmly that she was also the Mother of God. All nonsense. For me, Catholicism was entirely out of the question.

In this confused state, I searched the Bible and found the passage which was soon to make me a Catholic. Starring me in the face, written in that book which was my sole source of faith as a protestant, were the words which had changed the face of a pagan world: Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Martin Luther had founded the first protestant church in the sixteenth century—more than one thousand years after the Incarnate God had uttered those indisputable words.

It was baptized by a big Irish priest in a little backwards chapel one Sunday afternoon in the middle of the July heat. And when my baptism was over, the birds sang more sweetly, and the green of the fields was brighter, and the flowers were more beautiful, because now I could say without a doubt, "This is it!"

## POLL RESULTS

SUBJECT	WINNER AND RUNNER-UP	%
Man-of-the-Year .....	Jean Mercier .....	26%
	Frank Cronin .....	16%
Freshman of the Year.....	Gordon MacLean ....	57%
	Ted O'Leary .....	14%
Athlete of the Year.....	Jean Mercier.....	31%
	Ted O'Leary.....	12%
	Bob Shea .....	12%
Best Basketball Player.....	Harold Pheeny.....	32%
	Brian Ross.....	22%
Best Hockey Player .....	Reg McDougall.....	31%
	Bob Dauphinee.....	24%
Best Football Player.....	Ted O'Leary.....	26%
	Greg McClare.....	25%
Next President of Students' Council....	Brian Flemming....	26%
	Gordon MacLean....	11%
Next V.P. of Students' Council.....	Brian Flemming.....	18%
	Dave Morgan.....	13%
Next A.A.A. President.....	Granville Kelly.....	38%
	Pete O'Brien.....	11%
Next Journal Editor.....	John Nause.....	49%
	Granville Kelly .....	19%
Biggest Rabble-Rouser.....	Kevin Cleary.....	20%
	Frank Gervais .....	16%
Favourite Professor.....	Prof. Sabean.....	22%
	Prof. Habib .....	14%
Most Active Organization.....	Commerce Society....	24%
	Sodality .....	20%
Least Active Society.....	Science Society .....	22%
	Boards' Society ....	17%
	Arts Society.....	17%
Satisfied with Students' Council?.....	Yes .....	50%
	No .....	49%
	Indifferent .....	1%
Best Journal Writer.....	Jim Earley.....	18%
	John Nause.....	16%
	Larry Hayes.....	16%
Who is the Watchdog?.....	Kevin Cleary.....	38%
	Granville Kelly.....	14%
Favorite Journal Column.....	Boards' Bits.....	57%
	Sports .....	15%





By The WATCHDOG

Gentlemen, I must apologize to you most humbly and most sadly; I must beseech you to grant me your forgiveness for having caused so many people to realize the truth! It is very saddening indeed to be forced to the realization that, in this case, truth is not a virtuous enchantress, not a beautiful tool for the carving of happiness, but rather a gilt-edged sword which corrupts even more those minds which are already warped and wanton.

Still, I find it very difficult not to reproach you once again regarding your most predominant fault—a fault which the Freshmen blame the upper-classmen for bringing about, and which the upper-classmen attribute to the Freshmen. My point of many issues in this glorious newspaper, "The Voice of the students," was proven beyond a doubt at the first game of the semi-final basketball series against Dalhousie; or didn't you know there was a series played? Of all the Saint Mary's students at the game, there were only a faithful few who participated in the cheering. The handful of upperclassmen sat in the top row of the bleachers, apparently completely unaware of the fact that Saint Mary's team was playing basketball. The freshmen sat in the other rows of bleachers, and they were obviously more intent on casting aspersions upon the upper-classmen than on cheering their team to victory.

Still, when I urge you to better yourselves, you only complain. One gentleman even ventured so far as to send me a letter (anonymous, of course), a very poorly-written letter, which, because of its lack of literary merit and over-abundant supply of vulgarity could not be published in such as newspaper as this. In this letter, the gentleman of whom I speak condemned me for classing Ontarians as "Upper - Canadian snobs." But then he upset his whole argument by singing it "a proud Upper-Canadian." And yet his pride was not so great as to allow this poor, outraged soul to sign his name to the letter. Oh, well, such a person is better to be nameless.

However, this potent, plundering pen of mine shall not this week emit the usual goring bits of gossip to lash out at your horror-stricken eyes, and for two reasons: firstly, since the last issue you have done nothing worthy of mention in such a select column as this. And secondly, the students' poll proves to me that you really, deep down in those dear little hearts of yours, do like my column. I really am the sentimental type, you know; and so I shall try my utmost to upbraid you no more than is absolutely necessary. I find, however, that I must exhort you.

I think it only charitable of me to inform you that this is the Lenten

## IS PARTY POLITICS NECESSARY?

By LARRY HAYES

In a short time, now, the Canadian people will once again elect their "representatives" to Parliament. This election will take place, only after all the political parties in Canada have put forth sundry promises, hurled various accusations and have generally done their best to give the Canadian people just that portion of the truth which they wish us to know. Then, many thousands of Canada's voters, after being cleverly duped by these half promises and having swallowed the pap served up by the parties, will vote blindly and without sufficient thought.

All these misrepresentations, juggling of facts, and obviously false accusations are put forth in the name of "party politics." The "party" which has been able to dupe the greatest number of voters gets elected and proceeds to patronize a comparatively small number of large contributors to the campaign fund, at the expense of their electors. The unfortunate thing is that this is accepted practise in party politics, yet the losers vigorously criticize the winner for indulging their patrons. Is this lack of principal and excess of hypocrisy the best method free people can devise to choose its leaders?

Within the political parties themselves, how many of these men honestly use their own God-given ability (even though in some cases it is very slight)? How many conscientiously represent the people and fulfill the trust placed in them? We all know very well that there is a handful of men in each party who decide that such and such a measure will be supported by the party and the rank and file members just follow blindly like sheep. Oh, no doubt, the policy is decided in such a way that the decision seems to be the wish of the majority, but in the final analysis a few men crack the whip. You fall in line or are squeezed out. All this manipulation is justified by the need of party unity but I ask you if party strength justifies a man compromising his own ideas and forsaking his constituents? Surely not.

Another example of the weakness of the party system can be seen in the matter of Senate appointments.

Season. Surprised? You shouldn't be, really; because Lent started on February 19—quite a few days ago.

However pessimistic I may seem, however overly sarcastic I may appear to you poor disgruntled individuals, I do see the good things too—that is, when there are any to be seen. It was a gladdening sight to find so many Boarders out for Mass every morning since the beginning of Lent. A more heart-warming scene is the large percentage who may be found kneeling in the corridors of the second and fourth floors every evening, praying the Rosary. It is only too bad that our third floor occupants do not display this same fervor of spirit. But maybe this floor, too, will improve with age.

And now, my beloved imbeciles, I bid you fair adieu until next issue. In the meantime I shall continue to pray that your minds will not persist always in being as dark as these moonless nights.

Any party which is in power over a great many years may create a Senate in which there is virtually no opposition; thus making it a farce. Such a situation is certainly deplorable.

Such flagrant violations of honesty and justice as those mentioned above take place continually and will continue to take place under a party system of government.

Of course, when anything is said against party politics people reply that there is no alternative, that no matter how bad party politics may be, we can devise no other system. I do not believe this is true. Surely, if we elect men on their merits as men without regard to party, we will get the best men available into politics, and I am certain that a workable government can result. The members elected would choose the Prime Minister and his cabinet and only those bills which are approved by the majority of Canadians (not any party) would be passed.

The argument will not doubt come forth that a chaotic state of affairs will result from this arrangement. Without doubt you will give France as the terrible example. Consider, however, that in France there are many parties not independent members. Now each of these parties is ambitious and greedy. Each wants to rule and as a result they may be good because of a desire to overthrow the government. In short, they are primarily interested in their small party, not France. Organizations, even larger than Parliament can decide on policies they wish enacted, e.g., national associations and I have no doubt that a majority vote could be obtained on any bill which is for the good of Canada. This could be accomplished provided we elect capable and intelligent men to represent us but we will get such men only when we disregard the party and vote for the man.



Shown above during a "break" at the recent Commerce Ball are, left to right: Barbara Roberts, Robert Kell, Shella Beck, Bill Fraser, Maureen Mullane, Pat Moriarty, Barbara Cunningham and Joan O'Regan.

## Poets' Corner

### Reverie

By JOHN NAUSE

Lest sombre souls should shun me ere they see  
 One shall not scorn a dreamer scoffingly  
 Ere knowing what such man's musings should be,  
 Bide with the greatest of all dreamers: me;  
 And I shall show thee why in reverie  
 My thoughts are of Dame Nature's finery;  
 Why lambent lunar light, night's harmony,  
 Are all a fabulous, fine fantasy.  
 Songs soft as sighs are sung in silence sweet  
 To sandy sea-shores bathed by bright moon-beams  
 While a star skips o'er the sea in bare feet,  
 Lightly, lest it should rouse from drawsy dreams  
 The water, breathing deeply, evenly,  
 And licking the soft shore-sands lovingly;  
 While balmy breezes blow so sleepily  
 To lull the tall palm trees to slumber's death.

### Soujourn

- (1) In younger days when life was grand,  
 He romped and played; no time to discern.  
 And then by rule of societys man,  
 He went to school to know and learn.
- (2) The first few years were passed as none,  
 While a boy grew into a troubled world.  
 Scarcely he thought of the years to come,  
 The misfortunes ahead with troubles unfurled.
- (3) A few short years brought schools termination,  
 And upon the sea of life he embarked,  
 His learning, striving, and long determination,  
 Gave to his fellows, a life not unmarked.
- (4) Down through the years came worry and pain  
 Misfortunes and trials: still, conquered they died.  
 Each in a world of earthly gain,  
 Everything met and nothing untried.
- (5) Every new day brought like the last,  
 Tasks and syrains, great and unplanned,  
 And too like the last, cast to the past,  
 As his life to its end he charted and manned.
- (6) On to the end, the game now won,  
 The journey completed; he had clashed with fate,  
 Short, with the rise of the new day sun,  
 He stood and waited at the Eternal Gate.
- (7) It opened to him, as he passed from the earth  
 Into the realm of the truly deservant,  
 A trumpet sounds in the land of his birth,  
 Well done, my good and faithful servant.

Frank Kelley

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By DALE SINCLAIR

**BILLIARDS**

Louis XIV of France was an ardent fan and billiard player nearly 200 years before the leather tipped cue was brought into use by Captain Mingaud, one of Napoleon's officers, while he served a prison sentence in Paris. "English" at this time was unheard of, and this "screw twisting" stroke was perfected by Jack Carr.

Henrique Devigne, a French artist during the reign of Charles IX, has been credited with giving the game its first definite form and set of rules.

At first the shovel-shaped "mace" was used to set the ball in motion. When this game was first originated is not known; but universally it is known that no other game whether indoors or out requires so much skill.

As in other sports, death has taken its toll so in this mild form of recreation, it has left its footprints. In 1865 Louis Fox who misused, due to a fly lighting on the cue ball, was defeated, and was so upset that he ran to a nearby river, jumped in and was drowned.

M. DeChamillart according to historical accounts was the only man who could beat Louis XIV, consequently he was made Minister of France.

Thus in closing, I don't know whether this game will warrant the possibility of reward and promotion, but in years to come they may pass our scholarships and as an after-thought I am sure it will kill you academically, if you spend too much time at it.

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**SHORT SPORT SHAFTS**

The Inter-Fac all-stars played a hockey series with King's and SMU came off second best, but the experiment proved popular . . . The Science hockey team has been dropped from the league for the second year running . . . The badminton team is showing great potential and possibility, as a winner . . . Congratulations to Ted Moore, pool champion of the day students and also to Henry Legere, undisputed snooker champ of the Boarders . . . A penny for your thoughts! Tales of hockey wars coming out of Newfoundland were witnessed, as Kevin Cleary fought for 15 seconds in the King's series . . . Remember, when you sign your name to a piece of paper saying you'll support an activity, you are obliged to do so . . . One for the records, Glace Bay and Sydney played for 137 minutes on Saturday, Feb. 22, 1958, only to end in a draw due to a 12 o'clock curfew . . . Did you know that the term "scratch" has two opposite meanings in billiards? It means to make a point by accident or a lucky kiss; in pocket billiards it means the loss of one or two points by having the cue ball go into a pocket . . . "Support the Sport."

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**INTER-FACULTY HOCKEY**

With the season drawing to a close, the race to the wire is on. Unfortunately the Science faculty were unable to ice a team and were dropped from the league; thus causing cancellation of any statistics dealing with them and their opponents.

At present Arts and Engineers are tied at the top of the league with three points each. Since playoffs are approaching the first place team will draw a bye; second and third place teams playing off, the winner meeting the first place team. The standings at present look like this:

	W	T	L	P
ARTS	1	1	1	3
ENGINEERS	1	1	1	3
COMMERCE	1	0	1	2

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**INTER-FACULTY BASKETBALL**

The inter-fac basketball league has been rolling along on Sunday evenings with a double header each night. All teams see action every week. Numbers, spirits, and feelings are running high and the playoffs promise to be something to witness. The quality of the basketball is rare and varies in range as does the saying from "a needle to an anchor." The teams have plenty of material to work with, and with the odd practice continued results could be shown on all fronts.



By TOM OSBORNE

With only one week left in the SMU Bowling League, team standings and individual average will undergo very little change. The Slide Rules and Revenuizers play the last regular league game this coming Saturday, March 8. The quarter-finals also begin this Saturday with the Chiselers attempting to suppress the pesky Gutter-Rats and the Hoodlums chasing the Nuclear Flingers for the right to enter the semi-finals. The following week will see the Slide Rules squaring off against the Holy Rollers and the Revenuizers trying to skin the Alley Cats, completing the semi-finals.

On March 25 the semi-finals will bowl to determine who has the right to "shoot for the works" on the following week.

The league-winning team will be presented with pins graciously donated by the Commerce Society. Don McKinnon, President of the league, and an able committee are now busy securing trophies for high average, high single and members of the winning team.

The following are the standings as of last Saturday:

Chiselers	16
Nuclear Flingers	15
Holy Rollers	14
Revenuizers	10
Gutter Rats	8
Slide Rules	7
Hoodlums	7
Alley Cats	4

The top 10 averages are as follows:

	%	S
T. Osborne	96.9	12
R. Slaunwhite	91.9	14
J. Whelley	91.1	12
D. Morgan	89.0	6
D. McKinnon	87.1	14
M. Tingley	87.1	14
R. Godbout	85.9	12
A. Donahoe	84.6	9
B. Ross	84.5	6
C. Burke	84.2	11

**HOCKEY REVIEW**

By GERRY POWER

The 1957-58 hockey season for the Santamarians has drawn to a close and the overall picture doesn't appear to have been wasted. In fact, taking into consideration, the inexperience and youthfulness of the club they have made an impressive showing.

The Saints participated in eight league games during the regular season and have two wins and a tie to their credit. They showed the fighting spirit that is characteristic of Saint Mary's teams. In their last three contests, the "Robie Street squad" put up stiff competition and lost a close decision to Acadia by a score of 9-6. The third and final game was lost by a score of 6-3 to the Xaverians. A run-down of these games will perhaps give a better picture to those who did not see them.

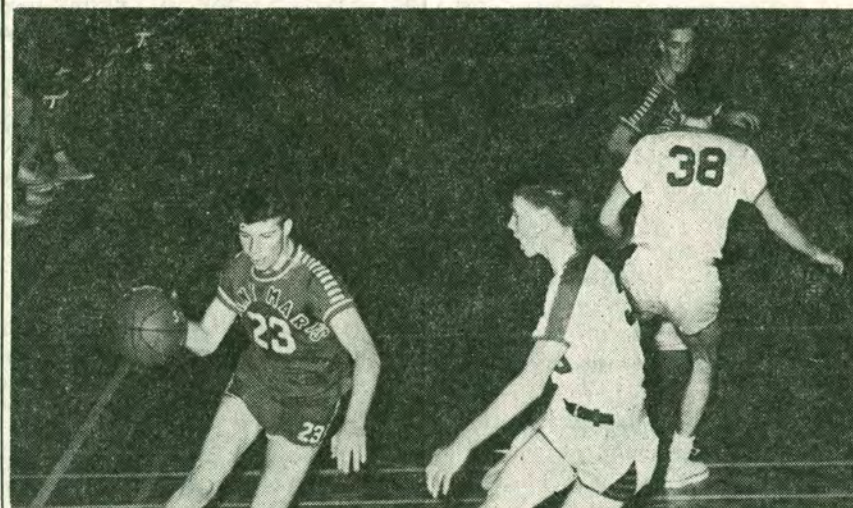
The first of these games saw the Santamarians lost a close decision against Acadia. Dependable Dunc Jewell flashed the redlight at the 8:49 mark of the third period to give the Axemen the deciding goal. It was a wild and woolly affair with 20 penalties being handed out, including five majors. Wayne Keddy was high man for the Saints as he collected a brace. "Peanut men" Flynn and Hammond each struck for a singleton.

The second game saw a better conditioned team turn back Nova Scotia

Tech, 9-6. The "Red team" carried the play throughout the game and at one time led by a score of 6-1. Keddy, O'Regan and "Busher" Dauphinee scored 7 goals between them with Keddy picking up a hat trick and Bob and Jim dividing the remainder. Dale Sinclair and Ken Kelly each had a single tally to the cause with Clary Flemming picking up two assists.

The final game saw the Saints at Antigonish where they were defeated by the X-Men, who capitalized on every break. Cage cop Reggie MacDougall was a standout and proved to be a thorn in the side of the St. J.X. pucksters. Reg kicked aside 52 shots. The score at the end of the first period was 3-2; the second ended 4-3 in favour of the X-Men. The final score being 6-3. Bob Dauphinee, Clary Flemming and Pat Flynn triggering goals for the Santamarians.

To the future and next year when we hope to secure three hours of ice time and product a winning team.



Shown above is Harold Pheny driving in toward the basket in one of our recent basketball games.

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# IN REPLY

by  
**RON BARNES**

Situated on one of Eastern Canada's most impressive campi Saint Mary's University stands forth as a proud promise to the uncertain educational future of the nation.

Behind a clean, dignified, marble facing throbs the pulse of a confident new university determined to serve God and His children. From the wide front lawns to the vast peaceful campus and the building itself, one is conscious of an aura of scholarship and self assurance so typical of Jesuit institutions.

Although Saint Mary's has been recognized as a University by the Nova Scotia Government since 1952, it has attained a status enjoyed by few universities of comparable size in the world today and her prestige is continually growing. She has been blessed with many excellent professors, a few of whom are recognized as international figures in their field.

Last month the University had the singular distinction of conferring honorary degrees on three prominent Canadians including the Prime Minister.

Her academic progress has been outstanding, and ambitious steps are anticipated in the near future. This year the Arts course especially has been re-shuffled and entrance requirements have become stricter. A new system of major studies has been adopted and honour courses initiated while adult study course are flourishing.

A magnificent new gymnasium was completed last year to help the college provide for the development of the whole man.

These achievements are all founded on capable, solid, and unrestricted religious instruction. Saint Mary's is a Catholic University devoted to development of young men capable of intelligent and Christian leadership. The highlight of the present year is thus the celebration of Mass in the Chapel at noon. This enables the student to properly orientate his studies and endeavours at the University to the Supreme end. This is what characterizes a Catholic University and is the very opposite of indifferentism. With such lofty purposes constantly before them the students of Saint Mary's have indeed a great responsibility, and one they appear to be meeting quite well.

On an ordinary day one can count 70 communicants at the noon Mass alone and since Lent began the number has increased to about 98. The Sodality is quite active and the Catechetics society is carrying out a valuable service to the area by teaching religion in the common schools and even aiding in the work of a parish.

The participation of Saint Mary's students in international and national student affairs has been highly successful. The Atlantic Regional Conference of NFCUS was held here this year. Campus societies are active, balls, stags and informal dances

being held along with the International night and Talent Night shows.

In sports the University has twice carried the proud title of Maritime Football Champions.

It may be perhaps evident by now that this article is not written from a disinterested point of view. It has in fact specific reference to an unfortunate article of the last "Journal" entitled "In Pace Requiescat." I felt that this article was entirely destructive, and while it was undoubtedly written with noble intent, in fact it failed to obtain its desired effect. I object that it is destructive because of the generality of the terms used which can be seen in no other light but as damaging to the very basis of the University. This is especially so with regard to any reader from outside who could hardly misinterpretating the whole sentiment.

In my opinion it is blatant insolence for one inexperienced undergraduate to turn upon his fellows the charge that they are hypocrites and indifferent Catholics. I would far rather allow God to be my judge in such a matter.

And who says our societies are stagnated, that we "ghoulish" individuals are living on others laurels? Such a statement is unwarranted and absolutely false.

But above all what is all this wild talk of reprobation, criticism, gossip seeds which will destroy us? These are all abstract unsubstantiated and viciously destructive terms. How are we to correct them if we don't know what the writer is specifically referring to? They simply leave one with the uneasy feeling that something terrible is being inflicted upon us, but we are not sure what. This is far from the art of constructive criticism.

However I hope that the author will not misunderstand my criticism because I can clearly see a noble purpose behind his work that will stir us to greater things, but I think he could have used a little more discretion in so doing.

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# BASKETBALL

Weakened by injuries the hustling varsity basketball team lost the semi-final playoffs to Dalhousie by a 2-1 margin last weekend. The series was the best 2 out of 3 for the right to advance against St. F.X., the winner of the other semi-final round. Playing the first game on their home court the red and white opened up a lead in the early stages and held it all the way to take the contest and lead the series one game to none. Termined an upset by some, the victory was sweet after two regular season losses to Dal.

For the second and third games the scene shifted to the Dal gymnasium because Dal had finished second to St. F.X. during the regular season. The second contest brought a complete reversal of form as Dal was hitting from all angles and the Saints could not get started. The victory went to Dal by a wide margin and forced the crucial third and deciding match. Played Monday, Feb. 25th at 6:00 p.m. a fine crowd of Saint Mary's supporters was on hand to witness the finale. Spurred on by the fans, the Saints gained new spirit and forced the play for the first half, leading much of the way. However, they were unable to keep up the drive and Dal outscored them by 12 points in the last half to take the game and the series.

**First Game—SMU 49—Dal 43**

Led by Harold Pheeny who was hitting from all angles, the Santamarians went one up in the series by virtue of their 49-43 victory. Pheeny dropped 24 points through the loop to pick up half the Saint Mary's total, while Baz Carew played a stand out game in the back court and hit for 8 points.

The Santamarians held a 26-16 lead at half time and though Dal closed the gap in the second half, they finished strongly to take the win.

**SMU:** Ross 2, Pheeny 24, Walker 4, Mullane 6, Varhegyi 4, Carew 8, Shea 1, Cooper, Murphy, McGrath, Richard—49.

**Dal:** Wickwire 12, White 8, Nickerson 9, Nicholson 6, Shurman 4, Matheson 4, Weatherston, MacGibbon—43.

**Second Game—Dal 95—SMU 61**

Ted Wickwire racked up 42 points as the Tigers ran roughshod over the Santamarians in a free scoring, wide open game. Dal drove home 53 points in the first half while the Saints collected 29. In the second half the Santamarians showed a much improved attack dropping in 32 points while Dal picked up 42.

Harold Pheeny again led the Saints, firing 27 points in the losing cause. Steve Varhegyi also played well for the losers picking up 10 points.

**SMU:** Pheeny 27, Varhegyi 10, Mullane 8, Walker 7, Carew 4, Shea 4, Murphy 1, Ross, Cooper, McGrath—61.

**Dal:** Wickwire 42, Nicholson 18, White 10, Matheson 9, Nickerson 8, Weatherston 8, Fisher, MacGibbon—95.

**Third Game—Dal 74—SMU 60**

With the teams even in games, Frankie Baldwin's Santamarians played inspired ball in the first half. The Saints, led by Fred Walker controlled the backboards as neither team gained a sizeable lead. At three-quarter time the score read 21 each and the half finished with Dal on top 25-21. Bill White led the Tigers in this half with 16 points.

The second half saw the Saints unable to regain their early drive and Dal steadily pulled away, opening up a 14-point lead which they held to

the end. White collected 23 points to lead Dal to victory while Bill Mullane had 21 points for the Saints. Fred Walker in addition to his fine rebounding picked up 13 points. Harold Pheeny had 11 while Bob Shea, filling in for injured Steve Varhegyi, hooped 10 points and played well on the front line. Brian Ross, playing with a bad cold and an injured ankle sank 6 points. Mike (Meat) McGrath was also on the sidelines with a bad leg.

**Dal:** White 23, Matheson 18, Wickwire 11, Nickerson 9, Weatherston 6, Nicholson 5, Fisher 2—74.

**SMU:** Mullane 21, Walker 13, Pheeny 11, Shea 9, Ross 6, Murphy, Cooper, Carew—60

	W	L	F	A
SMU .....	1	2	170	212
Dalhousie ....	2	1	212	170

Individual scoring semi-final round:

SMU	DAL
Pheeny .....	Wickwire ....
Mullane .....	White .....
Walker .....	Matheson ...
Varhegyi ....	Nicholson ...
Shea .....	Nickerson ...
Carew .....	Weatherston. 14
Ross .....	Shurman ....
Murphy .....	Fisher .....

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# CURLING

Mount Allison University will be the host rink in the Maritime Inter-collegiate Curling Bonspiel on March 7th and 8th in Sackville, New Brunswick.

Saint Mary's University will be represented by skip Bob Hanrahan, mate Ted Lane, second Lou Beaubien, lead Don Gillis and coached by Ken Bell. In the past years the Saints have ben the proverbial bridesmaid and never the bride but this year it is hoped that they can bring home the cup.

On the local scene much has been done to create more interest in the game and to get an inter-faculty competition started. However, because the greater majority of the curlers are either Engineers or Commerce men the idea was dropped and four teams were picked and a round-robin competition was drawn up. The teams skipped by Ken Bell, Ted Lane, Bob Hanrahan and Robert "Puddy" Reardon are in keen competition for individual trophies donated by Mrs. Abbie Lane. After two weeks of "tooth and nail" playing, the Reardon and Lane foursome have two wins and no losses, while the Hanrahan and Lane rinks have failed to win a game. The league is under the direction of Ken Bell and Lou Beaubien.



Shown above is the winner and runner-up of the Pool Tournament held recently. At left is Brian Ross who placed second and the winner Ted Moore.

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# SCIENCE vs HUMANITIES

By DICK HURLEY

The purpose of this article is to show you: (1) how far we lag behind the Russians, and (2) why Canada needs so many more, and better scientists.

Before I begin my first point, let us first look at Russian education in general and the strides it has made. In 1917, when the Bolsheviks took over Russia, 78% of the population was illiterate. By 1941, this figure had been cut down to 5%. Since the end of World War II, with their country devastated and their technology far more primitive than our own, the Russians have achieved a rate of scientific development which is much faster than ours. What they did with Sputnik shows not merely that they have mastered a particular specialty, but that they have generated a tremendous momentum in the physical sciences and their application. Though Explorer is in the sky, there is no reason to think that the comparative rate of development is now back in the balance, much less, that it is in our favor. They are still moving forward at a faster pace.

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The Russians have been able to make these advances because they have been working toward scientific achievement through scientific education.

Now we come to my first point. Nicholas De Witt, Director of the Russian Research Center at Harvard University, in addressing the Ontario Industrial Research Council, asks the question, "How badly does the West lag behind Russian scientific education?"

Mr. De Witt shows in his study that the Russian output of scientists and engineers is greater than twice that of the United States and Canada combined and that the Russian training is almost certainly better. His study embodies the findings of U.S. experts on Russia. It isn't based on what the Russians say; it is based on study by experts of Russian examination papers, syllabi, and textbooks.

To quote Mr. DeWitt, "The Russians are not playing hide-and-peek. They are dead earnest in their ultimate objective that, if not today or tomorrow, then in a decade, or in a generation or two, their absolute technological, economic, and military supremacy will triumph. Anyone who does not recognize this plain hard fact is playing the fool."

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—Russia graduates 80,000 engineers per year, compared with less than 30,000 in the U.S. and 1700 to 2,000 in Canada.

—Russia is taking the lead in the secondary level, long the domain of the U.S. Last year, 1.5 million were graduated from Russian secondary schools, compared with 1.4 million in the U.S. and Canada.

Some might say that the Russians the producing quantity not quality. It is the opinion of most experts in this field that the Russian science or engineering graduate is superior to his Western counterpart.

—At the secondary level with 9,500 hours of instruction, one half of the Russian curriculum is devoted to science and mathematics.

—A graduate of the Russian secondary school system has, in terms of hours devoted to science subjects, five times the minimum requirements of a U.S. school of the calibre of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

—Examinations for entrance to Russian higher education are so rigorous that 6 out of 7 persons trying them, fail.

—Russian science or engineering courses last 5 1/2 years, (usually 4 in the U.S. and Canada) and includes 5,200 to 5,500 instruction hours (3,700 to 4,000 in the U.S. and Canada).

—In the last two years of the Russian engineering curriculum, programs comparable to our "on the job" programs fill about 25% of instruction time.

My second point is to show you why Canada, in particular, needs the scientists and engineers who will be produced through an emphasis on scientific education.

Indeed this topic itself can be split into two categories: (a) Canada needs these men to build herself, and (b) she must do her part to keep the West free.

Let us look at point (a): We have before us a great country, with a great future. There lies beneath, and on the surface of Canada a veritable treasure in natural resources. But the future is fast upon us and the mineral-rich lands of Canada lie practically untouched. Only about 10% of Canada's potential in natural resources has even been scratched. The great lands of the West and Northwest are lying like ripe fruit waiting to be

picked. Yet they remain untouched! Why? Because Canada does not have the output of engineers and scientists needed to extract these resources from the earth. She has had to bring in foreign investors with their crops of experts and scientists to do a great deal of the work in developing her resources.

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This is not right! It should be Canadians who build Canada and reap the profits, not outsiders. This is one reason why there is a need for a scientific trend and predominance in education.

Now let us look at point (b): Canada must do her part in the fight to keep the West free. While other nations are hurling their rockets and satellites into space and are preparing ICBMs for offense or defense, Canada is lagging behind. For lack of it is unable to do her part as it should be done. The Canadian government has spent over \$200 million dollars in the development of her jet aircraft, the CF-105. This plane will reportedly fly at speeds of around 1500 miles per hour. It might seem from this that Canada is able to do her part. The only difficulty is that this plane will not be ready for two years or more. As yet they do not even have an engine for this plane. Therefore Canada cannot take credit for a plane which will not be ready for sometime and when it is, will probably be obsolete.

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Canada needs scientifically trained men to ensure her economy and defense. She needs them for her progress.

Many thoughtful persons have seriously questioned whether an added emphasis on science and technology and added efforts to channel more students into these fields may not tend towards a mechanistic society

and away from ancient traditions and values.

The question, it seems to me, lacks realism. The growth and strength of Canada's economy and defense rests upon satisfying the growing demands for people of special skills and knowledge. This increase of scientists and engineers will determine our future well-being and strength.

Those who question the wisdom of increasing the number of persons trained in the sciences seem to have one major misconception in their argument. They think that scientists and engineers are necessarily narrow in their training and unaware of their political, economic and intellectual environment.

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But this is equally true in other fields such as, economics, linguistics or political science. Narrow specialization carries the same penalty for the individual and for society whether it be in one field or another.

I do not advocate a course containing science and nothing else. I do advocate a plan which would increase the quantity and quality of the scientists and engineers in the light of the present world crisis.

## ALONE WITH GOD

A closed retreat presents to one an opportunity to withdraw from the distractions of everyday life, and to be alone with God in prayer and silence. It is a time for one to look within himself and meditate on his past, present and future and on God.

You, a student at Saint Mary's, are being presented with that opportunity in the form of a three-day retreat, which will begin on March 30 at 8:00 p.m. and last till 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 2. The retreat will be given by Rev. Joseph Driscoll, S.J., a member of the faculty of Regiopolis College, Kingston, Ontario. Father Driscoll has had a great deal of experience and success in giving retreats, and it is to the advantage of the students here, that he has been chosen as director of this special three-day session.

The retreat is open to you just so long as you are willing to offer three days of your life to God, the All merciful to Whom you owe your very existence. You should not find the terms difficult to meet: complete silence, except with God and your spiritual director or confessor.

## AFRICAN SEMINAR

(CONCLUSION)

The final week of the seminar was spent presenting the findings of the specialized groups to the assembly and evaluating the information.

I learned a great deal about other countries from conversations with other students, some of whom became quite friendly and would talk into the early hours of the morning about their homeland.

On free days we could go to the beach or in to Accra. One weekend three of us hitched to Lackoradi and had enough experiences to write a book. One of my African friends was able to get me into a cargo boat carrying cargo to ships off shore, and they threatened to dump me out half-way out because I wouldn't pay an exorbitant price for the trip.

At the beach we rented surf boards and raced out through the long rolling breakers and rode in, lying on the boards. When we caught a wave right we were carried effortlessly for 300 feet right to the sand. When we got hungry we bought pineapples, bananas, oranges or coconuts for a few pennies and ate them on the warm sand.

The city of Accra contained everything a modern new city would be expected to have: modern new gov-

ernmental buildings, libraries, cars, hotels, department stores larger and newer than the best we have in Halifax.

Nevertheless, right in the center was a native market, that crowded beehive of stalls where the African women sold their bread, food, cloth, and other commodities. Here we spent much of our time, talking to the people as chickens, ducks, sheep, goats and children scampered around our feet and the women kept up a perpetual chatter. My most valuable experiences came from contact with the African people themselves rather than the classroom. From going home with African friends, travelling in their lorries, bargaining with market women, going to African dances and walking among their huts.

This was the way we learned to know and to love the African. His most outstanding characteristic is his joyousness, his cheerful friendliness even in the worst circumstances. Wherever we went whole villages waved excitedly to us, women laughed uproariously at a simple kind of gesture, children's faces broke spontaneously into brilliant smiles when we spoke to them, and men continuously shook our hands.



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