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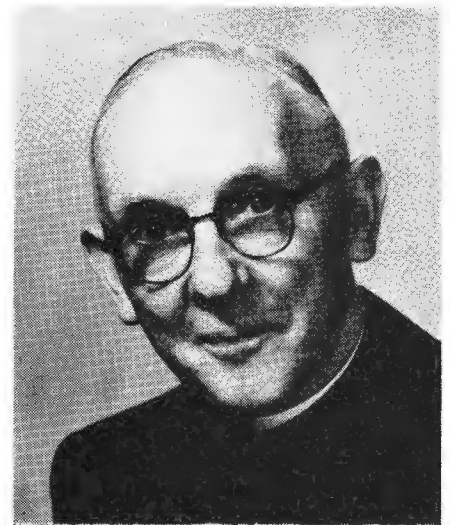
The appointment of Saint Mary's University Alumni Association Branch Chairmen for St. John and Moncton, N. B. was

announced recently by Edward T. Cosgrove, Association President.

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(L to R. — John Whalen, Paul McGuire, Ed Cosgrove)



Rev. M. W. Burke-Gaffney, S.J.

### To Attend Away Reunions

Alumni in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal will be pleased to learn that Father Burke-Gaffney will attend the annual gatherings of Saint Mary's alumni in those three cities this year.

Appearing again "on tour" will be Father O'Donnell, Alumni President Ed Cosgrove and from the Alumni Office, Paul McGuire.

#### TORONTO

Annual Gathering of  
ST. MARY'S ALUMNI

Wednesday, February 20, 1963

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Royal York Hotel  
6:30 P.M.

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Your Committee Chairman:  
PAUL CORMIER,  
44 Beacham Cres.  
Agincourt, Ontario

#### OTTAWA

Annual Gathering  
SAINT MARY'S ALUMNI

Thursday, February 21, 1963

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Officers' Mess  
H.M.C.S. Bytown  
8:00 P.M.

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Your Committee Chairman:  
JAMES BRITTEN,  
632 Rideau St.,  
Ottawa 2, Ontario

#### MONTREAL

Annual Gathering of  
SAINT MARY'S ALUMNI

Friday, February 22, 1963

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Foyer Loyola College Church  
8:30 P.M.

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Your Committee Chairman:  
BRUCE HYLAND,  
223 Laval Blvd.  
St. Rose de Laval  
Montreal, P. Q.

## Saint Mary's University Alumni Association

### EXECUTIVE

Patron	Archbishop J. G. Berry, D.D.
Hon. President	Very Rev. C. J. Fischer, S.J.
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Rev. Gerard Bates	Margaret McKiggan
Malachi Jones	Kevin Cleary
Paul Napier	Lawrence Murphy
William Dalton	James Ternan
David Hope	Arthur Donahoe
Rev. Kevin MacPherson	

The Alumni Association  
wishes to extend  
sincere congratulations  
and prayerful best wishes  
to  
Right Reverend J. Leo Day  
'22  
and  
Right Reverend  
John M. McCarthy,  
St. Dunstan's 1936,  
both having been named  
domestic prelates  
of the  
Archdiocese  
of Halifax

## Religious Vocations from Saint Mary's

The Archdiocese of Halifax has been kept conscious of religious vocations for the past several weeks. His Grace the Archbishop established on September 26, 1962, the Halifax Archdiocesan Society for Priestly Vocations and appointed Father Jeremiah Mackay its Director. Consequent interest has prompted us to review the number of vocations from Saint Mary's. Fortunately, Alumni Moderator, Father O'Donnell has kept records over the past twenty years. Since 1942 a grand total of 101 Saint Mary's alumni have entered seminaries or religious communities.

Thirty-eight have been ordained priests for the Archdiocese of Halifax.

Four are presently studying at Holy Heart Seminary.

Eleven have been ordained priests in the Society of Jesus.

Among the present Jesuit Scholastics are nineteen Saint Mary's alumni.

Six have been ordained priests for other dioceses and two are now in seminaries of other dioceses.

There have been eight Saint Mary's men ordained priests and seven studying for ordination in orders other than the Society of Jesus.

Six Santamarians have entered communities of Brothers.

**The 38 Santamarians who have been ordained priests for the Halifax Archdiocese from 1946 to 1962:**

### Ordained 1946:

Donald Campbell      John Campbell

### 1947:

Albert O'Driscoll      Richard Murphy  
James Hayes              Robert Walsh  
Henry Kline

### 1948:

Robert Lauder              Thomas Leblanc  
Thomas Purcell

### 1950:

John Cudihee              Daniel MacLean  
Jeremiah Mackey

### 1951:

John DeLouchry

### 1952:

Gregory Heenan              Lloyd Robertson  
Terence O'Toole              Donald Campbell

### 1955:

Gerard Bates              Robert Ryan

## Alumni Branches

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Donald Merzetti '52 has assumed the responsibility of forming a committee which will undertake to organize an Alumni Branch in St. John. Harold McGrath '41 has accepted the chairmanship of a similar committee in Moncton.

It is planned that permanent Branch Chairmen will also be appointed for Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto during the visit of the Association President to these areas this month. The feasibility of Branches in other areas, where we have a concentration of alumni, is also being investigated.

The photo shown on page 1 was taken during a recent organizational visit to St. John and Moncton. John Whalen '62, is to be congratulated for his effort in arranging what turned out to be a very successful meeting in St. John. We are also indebted to Lawrence Davies of Moncton for his effort in connection with the Moncton gathering of Alumni.

## 50th Anniversary

Reverend Edward Leo Burns, S.J. of Saint Mary's was honored by friends and relatives at the University on Saturday, February 2nd, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary of his entering the Society of Jesus.

### 1956:

Colin Campbell              James Casey  
William Slaney

### 1957:

Eric Theriault

### 1958:

Joseph Pottie              Gerald David  
Kenneth Robertson

### 1959:

Brian Herson              John Hayes  
Albert Roach

### 1960:

John Buckley              Gordon Hayes

### 1961:

Vernon Driscoll              Kevin MacPherson

### 1962:

Louis Caissie              Charles Burke  
Robert Hallett              Basil Carew

## Brother Birmingham Voices Need of Co-Operative Effort



The respect and deep feeling of loyalty retained over the years by Santamarians of the 1911 to 1940 period for the Irish Christian Brothers was very much in evidence at the Lord Nelson Hotel on December 8th, when the introduction of Special Guest Reverend Brother J. V. Birmingham to the Alumni Association 1962 Annual Dinner was greeted by a standing ovation from some 160 dinner guests.

Brother Birmingham, shown here at the Head Table with (r. to l.) Richard A. Donahoe, Alumni President Ed Cosgrove, Archbishop J. Gerald Berry, and Dinner Chairman Gordon Mader, spoke briefly to the gathering and referred to his stay at Saint Mary's as a most memorable period in his long career. Despite his seventy years, Brother Birmingham spoke in a clear and steady voice and appeared to be in excellent health. He brought to mind some favorite memories of his years in Halifax and spoke of his now deceased colleagues who were with him here during the early part of the century.

Brother Birmingham, who not only renewed many old friendships but also made many new friends among the younger alumni who had the privilege of meeting him for the first time, urged that "all alumni should join forces in support of the university." He said that although Saint Mary's has been under three different administrations in the past sixty years, it has always been and always will be the same Saint Mary's.

Rev. P. J. McCarthy, S.J., one of the most popular of former Saint Mary's faculty members, also attended the 1962 Annual Dinner as Special Guest of the Association.

Father McCarthy is shown here with Alumni Moderator, Rev. M. J. O'Donnell, S.J. (left), and Annual Dinner Attendance Chairman, Larry Murphy (right).

Father McCarthy first came to Saint Mary's in 1940 and remained for about 14 years. During that time he not only endeared himself to many as a teacher but also became admired and respected as a university administrative official. The return of Fr. McCarthy to Saint Mary's was also welcomed by a standing ovation at the Annual Dinner.



## Annual Dinner



## Public Good . . .

Elsewhere in this issue (The Catholic Graduate and Adult Education) the question is raised whether there is, or should be, a specific public good produced by the Catholic University Graduate — as public health, for instance, is produced by the graduate in medicine. The Maroon & White would welcome discussion on this question.



## Remember?

### CHRISTIAN BROTHERS 1914-1915

(Standing) Rev. Br. W. B. Cornelius, Rev. Br. T. G. Grangel, Rev. Br. J. V. Birmingham.  
(Seated) Rev. Br. P. J. Culhane, Rev. Br. P. J. Hennesy, Rev. Br. C. C. Sterling.

## Student's Want Snow

The planning committee of the senior weekend at Saint Mary's February 14-16 are keeping a watchful eye on the weather which will have a direct bearing on the success of the festivities.

Fred Briggs, president of the senior class of 1963, said one of the main highlights of the three days of activities will be the snow sculpturing contest between the various societies on campus.

There are events that the weather will not affect too greatly and among them is the appearance of the Four Preps Thursday, February 16 in the University gym. The recording stars will be giving a two-hour concert. Another event that is creat-

ing interest is a hockey game scheduled between the members of the Faculty and the American students. If the weatherman cooperates the game will be played on the football field at the school.

Some other highlights of the three days of activities will be regularly scheduled games in the intercollegiate hockey and basketball leagues. In each case the opponents will be long time rivals of Saint Mary's, Dalhousie Tigers. The hockey contest will take place on Thursday evening at 6 P.M. at the Dal rink. The basketball game will be in the Saint Mary's gym on Friday evening.

Numerous other events taking place include the crowning of a queen, a toboggan party, snow bowl game, a jazz concert, a sock hop, and a ball at the Lord Nelson Hotel on Saturday.

## Snippets

(by M. J. O'Donnell, S.J.)



Recently The Halifax Mail-Star carried a photograph of a very executive-looking young man appointed Port Engineer—successor to our own retired Luke Feetham '18. Behind that desk in the picture he appeared formidable. The last time I saw him behind a desk was in room 14—English 4—Windsor St. — in the Spring of 1943 or 1944, and he looked as if he did not have his home-work done! Even then Raymond Beck, B.Sc. '44, gave promise. He was President of our first Students' Council and a Major in the COTC. Those are the things we remember. I don't remember whether he could write poetry. I think he was suspected of being the Jot-

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## *Epitaph on a Waiter*

*By and by*

## *God Caught His Eye*

(Dave McCord)

## Snippets

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ter. Anybody know for certain? Ray is also Lieutenant-Colonel and Officer Commanding No. 5 Field Engineers Regiment (Militia) and the proud father of four lively youngsters. He has been with National Harbours Board since 1946.

A month ago one of the judges secured for an inter-faculty debate turned out to be none other than Ed. MacCormack, B.A. '51. Up till then I thought he was still out West. A promotion to District Manager of British American Oil for the Maritimes had brought him back to Halifax.

Shortly before Christmas we were proud to read that Charlie Miller, '45 had obtained his doctorate in Mechanical Engineering and is assistant professor at the University of Toronto.

Another promotion that gladdened the hearts of former professors was the appointment of John Fenton, B.Sc. '48, Head of Production Engineering for Commins Engine Co., Columbus, Indiana.

This autumn I felt like the father of many Prodigal Sons. I do not know how prodigal they were but to me they were lost and have been found again.

Tom Chiasson B.A. '56, revealed himself from Germany where he is an instructor in the armed forces. After getting his M.A. in music, he discovered that talent and university degrees did not even open the door to a career in music. He went to the Ontario College of Education to qualify for teaching in a High School. He taught in Coburg, Ont. before going to Germany.

Cameron MacDonald left here four years ago. A year later he was drafted into the American Army. Military authorities found him best suited for an eight months course at Nike Missile Electrical Repairing. Cam. writes "Mr. Cosgrove would probably have a heart attack if he knew." Fifteen months in Korea left unforgettable impressions. "Getting a first

hand view of the living conditions instead of reading about them makes one realize how lucky we are to be living in a society such as ours. Father, after seeing the hardships that these people live under, it's hard to believe that they could go any place but heaven after being persecuted so much on earth, regardless of their religious beliefs. It's a shame that all the foreign aid money that is being spent in such a country is not controlled by somebody who has something other than his own selfish interests in mind." Cameron is applying for admission into Long Beach State College.

Ron O'Keefe '49 is completing his term as Mayor of Rosemere, Que. Any Newfoundland with a name like that who can get himself elected to such a high office in the Province of Quebec shouldn't be overlooked by Joey Smallwood in his choice of a successor. Marcel Chaput and Rene Caouette beware! Your leadership may be threatened.

Dr. Thomas Casey (Brother of Father James) has answered the call to the lay-missions abroad. He is in Eastern Nigeria for a year or so. He does surgery, trains internes. For several years there has been much discussion in the university about

Lay Mission Movements. This is the only Santamarian I know who has attained this goal. If there have been others I would like to hear about them. It may be time to start keeping statistics of lay-missionaries. At the moment I can think of four Santamarians who are priests on the foreign missions, one seminarian and possibly one brother.

Paul Chisholm, B.A. '51 married in October 1962 a little Irish lassie from County Cork—Miss Maura Begley. Paul is teaching High School in Huntsville, Ont.

Here is one to look forward to. Ed. Burke, B.A. '51 will marry Carol Brennan of Tuckahoe, N. Y., June 1st. Miss Brennan is a lawyer with the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. Ed is Executive Director of Downtown Jaycees in the same city.

Blake Wayland '57, Engineer with a Master's Degree in Business Administration is with Ottawa Pulp and Paper at Port Mellon, B.C.

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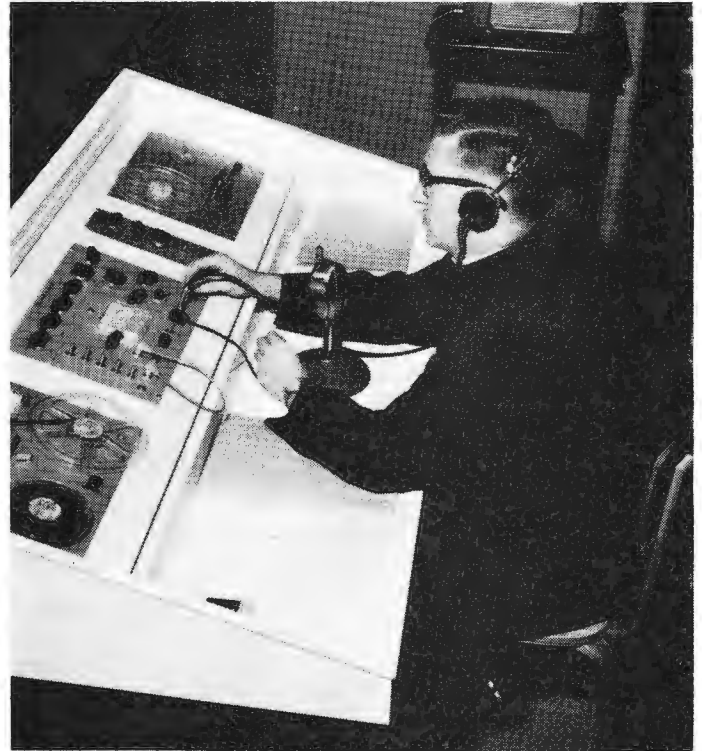
We record with sorrow and regret to report the death of Rev. John Milway Filion and Michael H. McManus.

## ANNUAL DINNER





SMU's Language Laboratory



Language Lab Instructor  
Mr. Desgroseilliers, Jesuit Scholastic

## S M.U.'s Language Laboratory

Shown above (left) is a partial view of Saint Mary's language laboratory — one of the most modern in eastern Canada. The lab is being used by students studying French, German and Spanish. Besides regular lecture periods, students spend three half-hour sessions a week laboring over pronunciation problems.

The laboratory acts as a substitute teacher by giving each student an opportunity to recite and to receive the undivided attention of the teacher. This is all done on recording and auditing machinery. The lab does what is impossible within the limits of classroom time.

Exercise on the tapes involve practice in pronunciation, reading, conversation and dictation. In the practice of conversation, for instance, question and answer tapes present the conversations. Then one side of the dialogue is given by the tape and the other side by the student.

## Alumni Student Loan Program

As many alumni are aware, those engaged in assisting in alumni work at Saint Mary's have as a main task, the building of the mailing list. We are therefore adding almost daily to the list the names and addresses of former students who for one reason or another were not included on the original alumni lists.

Reports then, such as this, on the progress of the Student Loan Program, will not only serve to keep those of you who have been following things all along up to date, but will also familiarize our newly "found" alumni with the program.

The Alumni Association Annual Fund, established in 1959, did not have the necessary funds to begin such a project as the Student Loan Program — the area in which the greatest need was felt. In view of the immediacy of the need, the university agreed to carry the cost of the program against the day when contributions to the Annual Fund and repayments of loans would make the program self-sustaining.

Loans awarded during the first three years were shown as a credit to the stu-

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SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION	
STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM	
APPLICATION FOR LOAN	
Date.....	
Surname.....	Christian Names.....
Address.....	
Home Address.....	
Birth.....	Married..... Single.....
Number of Dependents.....	
Name of Parents.....	
Address.....	
Occupation: Father.....	Employer.....
Mother.....	Employer.....
Occupation.....	AGE.....

## The Catholic Graduate and Adult Education

It usually comes as a surprise to learn that in North America at the present time there are more adults going to school than children. Adult education has become a fact to an extent utterly unprecedented. And obviously it is going to affect the future direction of Canada and the United States as vastly as did the introduction of a public school system and of the universities.

Another surprise is that this burgeoning of continuing learning for adults has not been an engineered growth. It is not the result of a hard sell or a soft. It is the result of a demand by adults on the universities.

It would be difficult to trace out the various forces in different societies that have led to the possibility of continuing adult education. It could be argued that it is only the explicitness of it that is new; that its general tendency is somehow embedded in every world religion, specifically in Judaism and Christianity and that even its formal aspects are clearly present in fifth century Athens; and that with drama, music, literature and scientific investigation, it is a part of the culture of our western civilization. It was a powerful force in England during the past century due to the sponsorship by a series of well-known, widely-respected, farseeing, intellectually oriented scholars and teachers. It is a powerful force today in Canada but it has not yet entered forcefully into Catholic consciousness. To effect that entry is a present responsibility of adult educators.

"Catholic consciousness" may be too vague a term to impinge sharply on individual consciousness but I use it because of its social implications. Anyone whose theological commitment is in any way mature must immediately equate his Catholic consciousness with his responsibility to society. "Anyone who says he loves God and hates his brother is a liar."

But this equation of Catholic consciousness with social responsibility raises the question of Adult Education or continuing learning for the adult Catholic, and especially for the Catholic university graduate. University graduates in medicine, law, engineering are not primarily thought of as of great social advantage because we usually deal with them on a personal basis. But very little reflection displays them as being of immense social advantage. Their professional services guarantee the social health, the law and order,

the technological advance of any given society. And society recognizes this advantage and demands it. These professional services are a patent public good, and therefore they have pride of place in our society.

Can we point with equal ease to the specific public good of the Catholic graduate? Precisely as a Catholic and as a university graduate what is the contribution to our democratic society? What social advantage flows from the professional status of the Catholic graduate?

These are not idle questions because of the moral problem involved. Has a university graduate a moral right to use, and benefit from, the advantages of our social order without making a corresponding contribution, on his own level as a graduate, to that social order? A university graduate is, by definition, a man of learning. Therefore, it would seem to be his duty to contribute to society precisely in that capacity.

But what is a man of learning? Is it a man who hung up his thinking apparatus with his sheepskin? Is it a man whose only aim is to establish himself in an ascending vocation and then settle down as a victim of the system? Is it a man who confines his role as citizen to casting the odd vote, watching the odd panel show, reading Time or Newsweek? Is not, rather, a man of learning one who has learned how to learn and continues to do so? Looked at in the light of social responsibility, is not a man of learning one who contributes to (rather than one who simply batters on) the public good? And is not the public good, at the university level, a question of enlightenment, of learning, of an informed public mind?

Who can enlighten public opinion—or if you don't like the cliché—who can bring the light of Christian faith to the problems of today except the man who has learned, maturely, what these problems are and how our theological position can enlighten them. Christ said he was the light of the world, a public light for society. He also said we were the light of the world, because we are one with Him and that we must not hide our light under a bushel.

This would seem to imply, for the Catholic man of learning, some involvement in continuous learning either as student to secure or advance his intellectual position or as teacher to contribute to the social order he benefits from. For Catholic consciousness in general it would seem to imply a concerted effort to raise Catholic Adult Education to an equal pride of place with other contributors to the social good.

THE DEPARTMENT OF ADULT STUDIES

## Dramatic Society to present "Charley's Aunt"

MARCH 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th

Auditions have been completed and the full cast of ten has been selected for the 1963 presentation of the Saint Mary's Dramatic Society. Written by Brandon Thomas and first introduced in London in December 1892, "Charley's Aunt" has since been translated into every major language and is well known as one of the most humorous of plays.

The production will be directed for Saint Mary's by Halifax actor-director Robert Walsh and will be presented in the university auditorium.



S.M.U. Actor Bill Cunningham

Saint Mary's senior, Bill Cunningham will play Lord Fancourt "Baggs" Babberly, who, of course, impersonates Charley's Aunt and becomes the centre of the hilarity. Mr. Cunningham has had a very successful career on the Saint Mary's stage.

Female roles will be filled by "guest artists" from the Newman Club Guild, Dalhousie and the Convent of the Sacred Heart.

