

Barkman came after Ritchings as far as November grades were concerned; the former received A, A, B, C, and the latter A, A, A, B, B. Gustav Herzner fell third in the class with 2 A's and 2 B's.



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## EDITORIALS

## WILL THEY WORK?

We are looking forward with the greatest interest to see the outcome of the recent legislation enacted by the Social Committee and the Student Council. Until now, the majority of students who attended the dances felt that conditions were unavoidable and the best that could be expected. They were accepted as a matter of fact. If anything is effective in the improvement of conditions, we feel that this will be the thing; we can think of no amendment to the rules passed at the meeting, unless it were the raising of the admission price to outsiders even more. Certainly they are fair and plainly enough stated; and we emphatically would rather not be in the shoes of the man who commits the first infringement.

## R.O.T.C.—?

We feel that the members of the Forum acted wisely when they decided to continue in a more dignified manner the discussion of R.O.T.C. establishment at St. John's. It was not to be very much regretted, perhaps, that President Woodcock was unable to attend the past week's meeting; only little was said that threw an intelligent light on the subject. When something which closely concerns each member is the topic of controversy, and when informal procedure is made weaker by the permission of the opponent to cross-question, it is obvious that there will be little evidence of prepared, thoughtful, and logical argument. For this reason, we predict that the organized debate between picked teams at the next meeting will make the meeting the most interesting and worthwhile of any so far; and we urge as strongly members of the Faculty as of the Student Body to be present to watch this interlocking of wits; and, if sufficiently enthused or inspired, to join in the open discussion afterwards.

## NO MORE BOXING

The discontinuation of boxing, in spite of the surprised notes of protest that rose from every member of the team and follower of the sport here, is more justified than on the surface of the thing it appears to be. Not only is St. John's too small to put a team in the ring able to compete on equal terms with more experienced teams from larger institutions, but it is extremely dangerous to attempt to train a team for such fights without a competent coach. We don't question the fact that Helden Burns knows his boxing; but past years have shown that when a coach is not very sensitive to the condition of his men, they are likely to overtrain. As a result, they suffer serious physical relapses. Dr. Murphy is able to cite case after case of men who have developed high blood pressure or digestive disorders as a result of too strenuous training or fighting. Two members of the last year's team underwent corrective operations during the summer because of injuries incurred in the ring. It's an ill wind that blows no good; and St. John's being relatively small, it is easy for the boxers to drop into other activities in which they may be quite as successful.

## SPORTSMANSHIP

One of the attributes of a gentlemanly character is sportsmanship, and violations of its rules are painfully evident to any person who has attended a basketball game here this season. Good sportsmanship consists not only in accepting defeat as gracefully as victory, but in offering one's opponent all the consideration which one would demand for one's self. Therefore it is a discredit to St. John's College when many spectators, mostly students, stoop to such ten-year-old tricks as whistling, booing, and trying in various ways to detract from the scoring opportunity of the foul shooter of the opposition. Consider, each one of you, how you would feel if you were in the shoes of the man trying to make the shot good? How much better it is to treat the opposing team as well as you would wish ours to be treated on a floor away from home! And wouldn't it do a great deal toward the promotion of good feeling between our and other colleges if we accepted philosophically a questionable decision by a referee, and gave a hand to the opposing team when it has executed a brilliant piece of play?

## AT LAST

The Chapel service last Tuesday morning was an unexpected and pleasing surprise. The Collegian has felt for a long time that speakers of Rabbi Lazarus's caliber were what is needed to make attendance at Chapel not only an obligation, but a privilege. We have seldom seen an audience held so spellbound for such a period of time as that group of St. John's students who made it a point to get out of bed early enough to attend Chapel. Here was a man who did not hesitate one moment to go straight to the heart of those problems which so vitally concern the youth of any age. He did not moralize on the perfect life, he did not intone familiar passages of Scripture; he sought, successfully, we felt, to shake the audience out of the lethargy of trivialities which are so likely to enshroud a college existence. The Collegian applauds President Woodcock's choice, and wishes him the same good fortune in his selection of the next Chapel speaker!

## TILL NEXT YEAR

And having tumbled on and on beyond our wont, we are pleased to find that we still have breath enough to speak for the staff of the Collegian in wishing you ein sehr fröhliche Weihnachten and ein glückliches New Year!

## FRESHMAN'S LETTER HOME

Dear Oscar,

I was very much surprised and happy when I received your first letter which so kindly told me that you, YOE of all mortals, do not trust me. Now, Oscar, does it not weigh heavily upon your guilty conscience that whatever wrong I may ever do, 'twill all be because of you—your bad city slicker? You have driven my trusting, little self far from you with your vile insinuations about Franky Jones. Except for the charming poetry, I found practically everything in your letter. I fear, other inform you Oscar that I am not a shrinking little coiled, forever at your beck and call. If Franky Jones loves me, it is entirely OUR affair, and I resent your interference. As to your rude reference to my weight, I hereby acquaint you with the fact that I have been reducing and now barely tip the scale at a scant 174½. I also thought it was rather vulgar of you to suggest that I push Franky Jones in the sewer, it was not only vulgar it was unnecessary—I have already done so.

To judge by so unworthy a standard as your letter, my dear Oscar, I am forced to believe that your culture is merely a veneer on the surface, hiding your real savage and brutal self beneath. I am now convinced that though Franky Jones is not such a powerful and impulsive creature as you, he has a far nobler and more kindly nature, despite the fact that he has not your intellectual garnishments or your poetic talent. Despite this, you must remember Oscar that he has nearly as much native intelligence as you, since his IQ in an intelligent test came within two points of the brilliant score that put you in the moronic class and he (poor dear) back in the imbecile group. I have been finding out suspicious things about your past life which lead me to believe that you are

As once, we walked through meadowy dew,

To the distant woods you suddenly flew,  
And I stood behind, wondering why, as  
in a trance  
Little knowing there were ants in your pants.

From this, Oscar, you may easily see that my thoughts still follow tenderly behind you, though I shall always believe you a wretched, deceiving, faithless, brutal, heartless, shallow, animal-like, porcupine-like monster.

With manifold contempt,  
SUSIE JANE RASPBERRY,  
(Flaccid to be of Mr. Frank P. Jones).



WE SEE NO EVIL, BUT . . . we did see the following quote in *Christy*, together Billows Rolling Road column in the Evening Sun of Saturday last: "Another piece of information we picked up is that since becoming president of St. John's, Col. The Hon. Amos W. Woodcock has dropped his military title. He is just plain 'Mister' now. If he isn't, then somebody who ought to have known better committed a social blunder." And to think that only two years ago a friend accused us of writing that column. Tak, tak . . . and we did see Vigilante with someone else's gal at the dance Saturday night—when Vigie took the demsel home her mother said darling how much have you had to drink. And the girl said mother I have had four beers. And her mother said darling you had better make it three next time. . . . footnote to last item—and we did see O'Connor at the dance vainly trying to make time with a midshipman's girl that Floriano had dragged—she said he dances like an Old Gold—figure it out boys . . . and re it all, for a few minutes Sunday we saw Elchacker in the midst of a very nonchalant evening . . . and we've been seeing stars after each meal in dining hall for weeks past—all except the football banquet last Saturday—but then the administration was there—that meal had to be good. . . . SMITH'S MEALS HAVE GOTTEN TO THE POINT WHERE I CONSIDER IT SACRILEGIOUS TO SAY HOLY GRACE OVER THEM . . . BUT!

WE HEAR NO EVIL, BUT . . . we hear that one resident of the studio on the third deck of Randall had a sophisticated evening all to himself last week; so bad that when Frankie breathed on a sandwich he pickled it . . . he is also famous for having kicked Tarzan Kairigh in the face . . . and we hear that when Heron didn't show up for a certain English class the other day the prof said, Humph, I see Mr. Heron is absent as usual. And Heron has cut that class only twice this year.

WE SPEAK NO EVIL, BUT . . . if smoking is to be abolished in classrooms it must mean a complete new faculty . . . and the Rev. Charles E. Coughlin's speech, last Sunday, entitled "Merchandisers of Murder" might be read in chapel soon . . . and have you ever stopped to figure out WHAT THE FIRST THREE LETTERS OF R.O.T.C. SPELL???? . . . and it seems that at their Rush party the A.K.P.'s held out on the beer and then couldn't finish it up themselves after midnight—but me and the COLLEGIAN (shut our eyes and helped them . . . and that after the Phi Sig rush party there was a party at the infirmary at which only cathartic pills were served—and to Phi Sigs of course . . . and our special investigation committee has finally determined why the sacred walk was laid out in such manner—so Smith's son can get a job pulling the weeds in the little grass plots next summer . . . does that satisfy you Soman . . . and at the dance Saturday some gay blade told Frenchy he didn't quite have the price—so Frenchy says what've you got, and the gay blade says fifteen cents, so Frenchy says keep it and get a shoe shine and ushered him in . . .



Huzza! Huzza! The Hollyfrolics held in the Gym last Saturday evening was without doubt one of the most successful dances that it has been our pleasure to attend. Everything was as close to perfect as could be desired. The decorations, while not lavish, were very appropriate, and quite beautiful. The crowd seemed a little meier and livelier than usual. AND, the band was in rare form. We have danced many a time to the Townsmen, but never have they been quite so smooth, and clockworkish!! A delightful occasion, it was—and a chord for Chairman Farone!

More Changes— at Carvel Hall, and this time a trumpet player bit the dust. We have been given to understand that another is on the way, however, so keep your seats. Meanwhile, Acosta is back behind his instrument, and you can imagine the results. The rhythm section keeps improving, and the drummer (much as we hate to admit) is actually developing into something. The sax section is as good as possible, what with the limitation of a pool-pole lead alto! The way things have been going, with this change and that change, we would like to hazard a guess that everything will be hunky-dory in the spring.

Fate Nodded— and Dr. McCarthy, our good friend at Carvel, passed from the picture. Death is not unusual, but the circumstances surrounding this are particularly strange. It was only a few weeks before that we were speaking to the Doctor, and he confided that although he had been suffering from heart trouble, he had been successful in curing himself. "No, sir, none of this medicine stuff for me. I'll get well without it, or any physician's advice." And he really believed that he had—but, he's dead today. . . . and, heart trouble was the cause. Fate nodded.

"Waal, My Frans,"— quoth Henry Burleigh from the Hammerstein Theatre of the Air last Sunday afternoon, and was he funny? He told the story—(his "version") of William Tell, "with his bow-bow end barrow," and managed to keep the audience in stitches for his allotted three minutes. He was very popular a few years back, and at last he is beginning to regain his lost following. He reminds us of Benny Rubin, who in turn reminds us of Mill Gross, who in turn reminds us of nothing we've ever heard before. But, "stuff and molasses, Mirandy, their shore air funny."

We Still Consider— that "Put Your Little Head On My Shoulder" is one of the sweetest chunes that is in the limelight today. (Acosta, pull-sax note!). And, may we recommend a triple pool-pole to "P.S., I Love You," and "Stars Fell On Alabama." They'd be fitting rivals for that awful thing, "And the Big Bad Wolf Was Dead." There is another chune that is very lovely, and lingers long—"What a Difference a Day Makes"—with one of the clearest bits of lyricism, namely: "It's Heaven when you—Find romance on your men!" etcetera. The Townsmen's arrangement of "Judy" is la-de-da, and it's strange that the chune is not more popular. However, take the majority of the popular songs, and place them end to end, and what have you got? The result is decidedly "Magnolonic," and we don't mean putt-etter. (Franch).

## STAGE

The week before Christmas is usually conceded by theater managers to be the worst of the theatrical season, so it is not surprising that we find the stage barren this week, both in Baltimore and Washington. Next week will also be without any plays, but on New Year's Eve activity will recommence with the presentation at the Maryland Theater of Judith Anderson and Helen Menken in "The Old Maid," while at the National in Washington Gilbert Miller and Lee Shubert will offer "Tabernum Grove," an English play that enjoyed considerable success last season in London. Edmund Gwenn and other members of the London company are coming to play in the piece here.

"The Old Maid" is an adaptation by Zoe Akins of the short novel of the same name by Edith Wharton. Harry Moses is the producer and the play will open in New York after its Baltimore engagement. Miss Anderson has not played in Baltimore since she appeared as Nina Leeds in Eugene O'Neill's "Strange Interlude" three years ago at the Maryland. Miss Menken was seen here last season at Ford's as Queen Elizabeth with Helen Hayes and Philip Merivale in Maxwell Anderson's "Mary of Scotland."

The Play-Arts Guild of Baltimore, of which Vernon J. Norwick is one of the directors and Louise Platt one of the players, is contemplating the production of another old-time melodrama, this time "Ten Nights in a Bar Room." It will be presented at Lehmann's Hall in Baltimore on Wednesday evening, January 9, with subsequent performances to be announced later. The audience will be seated at tables and will be served beer and pretzels during the performance.

## MENU CONTEST

Here is a chance for any dietetically-minded St. John's student to make a name for himself. Following you will note a blank list for a suggested "perfect day's menu." Each student is allowed one contribution. Although the suggested meals should be balanced according to starches, proteins, carbohydrates, and the like, the main aim to achieve success is to merely list the day's menu that you, yourself, would like. These lists must be returned as quickly as possible so that the winner may be announced in the

January 11th issue, the first issue after the holidays.

The winner will receive as a prize for his suggestion a banquet in his honor, sponsored by the COLLEGIAN, a sumptuous occasion, with all the trimmings. The next ten best suggestions will be printed in following issues of the COLLEGIAN.

Each suggestion must be signed with the person's name, class, and box number.

## BREAKFAST

(1) ..... (4) .....  
(2) ..... (5) .....  
(3) ..... (6) .....

## LUNCH

(1) ..... (4) .....  
(2) ..... (5) .....  
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## DINNER

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## Basketball Quint Scores Second Victory of Season

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The St. John's basketball team registered their second victory of current campaign when they defeated the Hampden-Sydney outfit in the time of 37-32 on the Johnnie court before a crowd of 200 spectators last Saturday.

### Flying Start

The home club got off to a quick start, through the team work of Ed DeLisio and Jack Evans and scored eight points before the visiting aggregation could tally. Bill Fornwalt, forward on the visitors, broke the tie for his team and tallied the first basket. The Johnnies continued to dominate the play and the score stood 11-2 at the half-way mark of the first period. Handling the ball at a swift pace and making all passes cleanly, the Johnnies proceeded to pile up points and at half time led, 23-10. The visitors could not find the basket and their floor game was not of college caliber.

### Virginians Rally

The second session found a new quint on the court for the Virginians and they completely outplayed the home five. Led by Bill Thomas, Elbel and Fornwalt, they came within seven markers of the leaders and threatened to overtake them. The score was 22-22 with but five minutes to play. Goals by Ed and Len DeLisio and Jack Evans again increased the Johnnie advantage which they held the remainder of the contest.

### DeLisio, Evans Star

The finale featured the brilliant play of Evans around the foul line and the good marksmanship of Ed DeLisio. These cagers and Billy Ross set the pace in scoring, with nine, fourteen and seven points respectively. John Donahue was the shining light on the defense and was ably assisted by Len DeLisio. Bill Thomas starred for the visitors with nine markers.

### Last Before Holiday

The tilt was the final one before the Christmas Holiday. When the basketballers return from the Yuletide celebration they will depart on a trip to Lexington, Virginia, to combat the Virginia Military Institute cadets and the Washington and Lee Generals on January 5 and 7 respectively. The lineup:

### HAMPDEN-SYDNEY

	G.	F.	T.
Thomas, f.	2	5	9
Owen, f.	1	0	2
Fornwalt, f.	4	0	8
Elbel, c.	1	2	3
Rice, g.	2	2	3
Kincaid, g.	0	2	2
Bernier, g.	0	1	2
Totals	10	12	32

### ST. JOHN'S

	G.	F.	T.
Somerville, f.	0	0	0
Ross, f.	3	1	7
E. DeLisio, f.	4	4	14
Evans, c.	4	1	9
Donahue, g.	0	1	2
Rossert, g.	0	1	2
L. DeLisio, g.	2	1	5
Totals	14	9	37

Score by halves:  
Hampden-Sydney 30 22-32  
St. John's 23 14-37

### Non-Scoring Subs

Hampden-Sydney — Baylor, Blackman, McGallion.  
St. John's — Towers, Kougley, Pike.

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## SPORTS MUSE

Hampden-Sydney came to Hampden-Sydney saw plenty. During the first half of the game played last Saturday, the Johnnies looked like last year's championship team, and the way in which they whipped the ball around was very pleasing to the eyes. If the team keeps up this style of play and does not revert to the farcical style played in the second half we will not do half-bad in the Mary and league in spite of the opinion of the experts who consider us the weakest team in the league.

### A BOXER AIRS HIS VIEWS—

At a meeting of the representatives of the St. John's Athletic Association on Saturday, December 15, it was decided in abolishing boxing as a varsity sport. Two reasons were given:

1. There was no coach.  
2. The student body of St. John's is too small to successfully maintain its share of boxing in Maryland.

Boxing was not given a fair trial at St. John's. There were fine fighters on the squad who, last year, in inter-collegiate competition lost only four of twenty-eight bouts. These men were Burns, Snibbe, Lotz, Farone, and Levin. These, with several others, gave promise of a successful season, at least the best that St. John's has ever had. The need of a coach was met with the veterans instructing the novices. Practicing with "Spikes" Webb's Naval Academy boxers were also anticipated.

Boxing as an intramural sport here, will be a dud. The participants will be out of training, without proper supervision or instruction, and without incentive. Those who fight will be inexperienced and likely to seriously harm one another.

The disappointment at the cessation of hostilities was keen on the squad. It can only wish the basketball team luck, and turn attention to other activities. Snibbe and Farone will give the Social Committee added time: Levin will return to the band, and Cal Lotz to his cribbage.

## Intramurals

### Delta Psi vs. Theta Psi

The undefeated Theta Psi nine again scored a victory after a hard-fought game with the Delta Psi group. Theta Psi received their first break when Harkness scored a point on a penalty kick. During the first half of the game the odds were pretty much even with both displaying plenty of fighting spirit. In the third quarter the Delta Psi rivals rallied beautifully and Sadler placed the leather-oval through the lower corner of the D.P.O. uprights. He scored again in the last quarter. Englar and Moss starred in the backfield while Leslie and Gray stood out as forwards for Delta Psi. Lotz, Sadler and Harkness played best for the Theta Psi's. The contest ended with a score of 5 to 0.

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The thing that irked us most during the game was the whistling that went on when foul shots were being tried. We can't imagine anything more unsportsmanlike and we would like to register our vote against such a procedure. We hardly think that any of the Johnnies would do that and the other people who come to see the game should respect St. John's enough not to do that sort of stuff. . . . It creates a very bad impression on the visiting team and detracts from St. John's reputation as a clean, sportsmanlike college.

And we don't see why boxing was dropped at St. John's. . . . It may be true that we would have to fight teams out of our class, but with the material that we have this year we could give a good account of ourselves in any man's league.

And why not give Doc Ridgely a monogram? . . .

The Johns Hopkins News Letter picked an All-Maryland football team and put Hennie Weeks at one tackle position. . . . The paper tells us too that Johnny Donohue just missed the center position.

## DOWN'S

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Vallanova has just concluded its most disastrous football season in the ten years that Stuhldreher has coached there. . . . Their team won only three out of nine games.

A crowd of nine hundred attended the formal opening of Johns Hopkins' new gym.

The Hampden-Sydney sports reporter said that the Saint John's game would be a toss-up. . . . a very hard game to predict with anyone the winner.

Thus Thornton, the Stanford coach, named seven men from Stanford on his All-Pacific Coast team. . . . It was wise of him to leave four positions open for the other teams.

Here is what Notre Dame has done with the football receipts which the Handlers have garnered. They have built a new College of Law, of Commerce, and of Engineering. . . . There is a collegiate model stadium. . . . There are two new dormitories on the campus. . . .

What has become of the faculty teams which used to play the undergraduate winners in the various intramural sports? . . . It seems to us that those games created a better sport between the faculty and students, and we don't know why they have been discontinued. . . . The only sport that the faculty engages in now is handball.

And the intramural department should be congratulated on its choice of plaques for the intramural winners. . . . those plaques are really smooth.

The Gold Bug, Western Maryland College. . . . At last Western Maryland is defeated, but not in football. The Terror's soccer team lost its game of the season to Towson State Normal, last year's State champions, by a score of 4 to 2.

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### FOR ADULTS ONLY—

This Saar affair is one of those little things that might turn out to be concentrated TNT. Of course, some chemistry student will find some criticism of that statement, like the impolite student who does not laugh at the professor's jokes because he has heard them before. For hundreds of years the inhabitants of this region have been in a position similar to that of Gloria Vanderbilt today. The ownership of the land has passed back and forth from France to Germany many times. The question of whether it SHOULD be really French or German is something like the question of "What was Charlemagne—French or German?" Anyhow here is the poor little RICH Saar Basin situated right between the devil and the gay Paris (cheers from Levinsky and Goldberg; boos from Schmaltz and Krupp). The people are going to be allowed to choose who they want for papa—France, Germany, or the mild, affectionate League. It reminds me of a certain case before a justice of the peace: . . . Two parties were claiming a dog. The magistrate, having read (or seen pictures) of the story of Solomon and the disputed baby, decided to leave the dog in a room and let the rival claimants come in and call it. Of course, the one to whom the dog responded would be the rightful owner. So, it was done. Mr. It got the dog. It later developed that Mr. B had been carrying a piece of raw beef in his coat pocket. In the case of the Saar, I suspect that the two parties would use stronger persuasion than that, if they thought they could do so safely. . . . It's a good thing Japan doesn't have any claim on the territory!

### Attention, Mr. Ringling

King Boris of Bulgaria finds it expedient to rid himself of one or two elephants because he can't afford the upkeep of them. He likes them, and they are good for parades and shows; but, to him, their utility is much less than their cost. A London Communist newspaper made similar statements about the British royal family on the occasion of the recent wedding of the Duke of Kent to Princess Marina of Greece. Well, if the English people decide to sell off the royal family, they might send a representative to Hollywood and hang a placard—WANNA BUY A DUKE?

By act of the recent legislature, the Governor of Kentucky is vested with power to discharge any appointive official of the State government.

"There was more college spirit when I was a student at St. John's than there is now," said President Woodcock in a speech after the annual football banquet held in the dining hall last Saturday afternoon. He continued to praise the strength of the men who could overcome themselves in order to play the game well, before he presented the S.J.C. monogram to twenty football men.

### Introduced By Coach Riggs

Coach Riggs spoke briefly of the meeting of the Athletic Council, and introduced President Woodcock as having been selected to award the monogram. "I want to thank the opportunity to make a short speech," said the President. In effect, as he rose to his feet. "There is a great difference between the St. John's of my day and the St. John's of which I returned. Although the College boasted an enrollment of only one hundred students, yet the teams often beat Hopkins and Navy. I remember one game in which we beat Washington College by the score of 125 to 0."

### Asks for More Support

"Lots of intelligent men in this country feel that loyalty and splendid support is beneath them. This should not be the situation here. The football team is infinitely better organized than when I was here."

"I would like to leave you with a few ideas. These monograms mean that the winner of one has won a victory over himself as well as one over other teams. He has had the strength to keep training, to rule his habits, to overcome a great many hardships for an ideal."

### Twenty Men Receive Monograms

Seated with President Woodcock at the head table were: Valentine Lentz, Major Evelyn A. Harrison, Chas. A. Bernier, Reginald Ridgely, Dean Douglas Howard, Robert MacCarlee, and John Donohue, student representative on the Athletic Council. Glickman, manager; Sutton, Lamond, L. DeLisio, E. DeLisio, Snibbe, Weeks, E. W. Smith, Donohue, Lotz, Boucher, Stas-Kiewicz, Bossert, E. McCrea, Townsend, Lee, Eron, Lambros, Wagner, and Crane received monograms.

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## OSLER PRE-MED. CLUB TO MEET THIS EVENING

Lester Wall to Talk On Subject of "Sex Determination and Differentiation in Amphibia."

The Osler Pre-Medical Club will hold its second and final meeting of the year in the Biology building this evening at 8:00 o'clock. Mr. Stoner, '36, President of the Club, and all of the officers of the organization cordially extend an invitation to any and all of those students who are interested in the biological sciences.

### Programs Arranged

At the last meeting, the faculty advisors suggested that when the program committee made their schedule, they should give due consideration to the members of the club itself. Accordingly the committee has arranged some extremely interesting topics and lectures that will be given by the students. In line with this new policy Lester A. Wall, '37, will be the principal speaker at tonight's gathering. His topic will be: "Sex Determination and Differentiation in Amphibia." It has been known ever since the work of an eminent German scientist in 1881, that the sex ratios in young frogs are quite peculiar. At the time of metamorphosis of the tadpole into the frog, the gonads often appear to be indeterminate. The classification of such individuals as males or females has led to much dispute. Many biologists here and abroad have endeavored to show that these peculiar sex ratios have their beginning in the indeterminate reproductive organ. Mr. Wall will try to give the arguments presented by these men and show the respective weight of each.

At the close of Mr. Wall's address Mr. Christoff, '38, will give a brief talk on Osler, after which refreshments will be served.

## FRESHMAN CLASS MEETS TO MAKE FUTURE PLANS

Sam Foster Presides at Discussion of Ways to Develop Into Best Class in St. John's History.

Sam Foster, '38, President of the Freshman Class, presided at the Class meeting Monday evening, December 17, and continued the discussion of plans for the development of the Freshman group into one of the best classes in the history of St. John's. Feeling among the officers and the class as a whole seems to be exceedingly high, and all ideas are centered upon the advancement of an optimistic class spirit.

### Make Plans for Future

The Freshman, under the leadership of Mr. Foster, are forging ahead with numerous plans for the future. All meetings have been open to any suggestions for the betterment of these ideas, and several noteworthy suggestions have been turned in. It is planned that a representative class team will challenge one of the upper classes to an athletic contest to be held after Christmas. The Dance Committee has also been active, and it is definitely decided that the dance will be held in early February. A novel idea has been undertaken by the Freshmen, namely, that of sending Christmas cards. These cards are to be mailed Thursday and are to be sent to all members of the Faculty, Government Nise, and to other friends of the class.

All treasures valued at \$2,500,000 were shown at the recent exhibition in the Museum and Art Gallery at Birmingham, England.

Minister of Transport Hoare-Bellaba had reported that in the last year 874 highway riders were in fatal accidents in this and in 485 cases the cyclists were held responsible.

## COLLEGE FARM



Supplies the Commons with Fresh Vegetables Daily and Chicken Twice Weekly.

## FEATURETTE MOVIES SHOWN AT GERMAN CLUB

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through the crushing processes to the final state of wine. This is the time for the natives to don their special holiday costume and celebrate the occasion with their famous old folk dances and carnival festivities. The western edge of the Palatinate, or Pfalz, district borders the Saar territory.

### Basel to Mainz

The third reel "Along the Rhine from Basel to Mainz" another in that delightful Rhine series, included a number of interesting cities visited by the famous railroad train, the Rhinegold Express which runs from Holland to Switzerland along the banks of the Rhine river. Freiburg, the gateway to the southern Black Forest, is famous for wood furniture and gem grinding. Baden-Baden is the scene of the annual beauty contest for automobiles. After a short stop in Heidelberg, and a look at the famous Tun, the audience was taken to Mannheim. Opposite it is Ludwigshafen, the largest port on the left bank of the Rhine. Worms, where Martin Luther appeared before the Imperial Diet to defend his Protestant thesis, and Mainz (Mayence) a beautiful old city now the center of the wine trade, ended the evening's tour.

## DR. WHITE TALKS ON CIVIL SERVICE CAREER

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This was the first discussion meeting of the newly organized Public Affairs Club, but since it was thought that other students and faculty members might be interested, and since Dr. White was probably the foremost authority on this subject, the committee decided to throw this meeting open to the public.

### Appointed By Roosevelt

Dr. White was appointed by President Roosevelt in February of this year in recognition of his distinguished services in the field of public administration. He is said to be the first expert ever to be appointed to the Commission. At the time of his appointment he was professor of political science in the University of Chicago, and a member of the Chicago Civil Service Commission. He is the author of several well-known books on public administration, and an investigator and scholar well-known here and abroad. Since his appointment, his main interest has been the development of a program of bringing college and university men into the government service, and making it a desirable career for highly trained men and women. He has spoken at half-a-dozen colleges and universities this fall on this subject, and St. John's was fortunate in being able to have him here.

A large number of hippopotamuses found dead recently in Lake Albert, South Africa are believed to have been killed by a petroleum explosion under the lake.

A woman who recently gave birth to triplets in Dublin will receive a bounty from the Free State Government to take the place of the King's bounty usually paid by Great Britain.

## HEATHEN CHINEE

The Chinese is discouraged, gentlemen. We have heard from a reliable source that this column . . . uh . . . stinks . . . We think that was the word that the gentleman used. We have also noticed that the editor has been eyeing us rather dubiously when we handed this work of art into him each week . . . and to top it all off . . . last Saturday night, at the Holyfoirle, the Chinese was dancing in his off-hand manner . . . like an Old Ghoul one fair dunsed expressed it . . . with a very lovely member of the opposite sex who, all of a sudden, asked in a bantering tone: "Where do you get such crazy ideas for that column of yours?" Probably we ought to feel complimented that anyone knew that we wrote a column but the fact that people hold it against us when they discover that we wrote it makes us feel very far down in the dumps. We are beginning to go around feeling a "little teched in the head." So, we went up and asked the editor if he wanted the atrocity this week and he said: "Yes, you may as well write it, we may have some space to fill!" Alas! Alackaday!

And there is Sherman Finger who made quite a name for himself in the field of track at Minnesota. His fame spread until finally he heard all about him at Alameda Poly and asked him to become their football coach.

He refused, saying: "I would be dubious about my standing in the South, with my name."

They replied: "Mister, just march through Georgia, that's all we ask—just march through Georgia."

From the University of Wisconsin: absent professors' jokes—their standard ones:

The jokes of one famous lecturer were repeated by him so many times

### MEET MR. SHRDLU

Shrdlu has come to life. Shrdlu is a person—in fact, quite a person. He is a former minister of finance of Yugoslavia, so we are told in a recent dispatch from Belgrade in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Newspaper readers have often been puzzled by the sudden and fantastic appearance, in a column of otherwise rational type, of "SHRDIA SHRDIA SHRDIA SHRDIA," or more commonly, "ETAIN SHRDIA ETAIN SHRDIA," as though some one were being paged or as though the printer had just got the gift of tongues. What happens is that the printer, having made an error, finishes off the line of type by running his finger down a row of keys containing the peculiar sequence of letters, and this bad line has a genius for getting into the paper. Now that a real Shrdlu has appeared, the printers are hoping he will be in the news often. If his first name were only Etain, their happiness would be complete.

### WHISTLER CHASER DIES

The Rev. John Harris, eldest Primitive minister in England, who died recently, aged 88, was also known as a whistler chaser. When traveling a circuit in Scotland he was a keen believer in Scottish folklore and would chase small boys who whistled in the street, because the folklore decrees that to whistle after a man wearing a beard is one of the worst possible forms of insult.

At Morgantown, W. Va., 20 Jurors at \$2.50 a day each to try a suit over a \$11 auto tire was too much for Judge Chas. G. Baker, so he dismissed the case and sent the Jurors home.

When a Madras, India, wine merchant opened his shop and found 50 poisonous snakes placed there by his enemy, he summoned a snake charmer who captured them by playing plaintive music.

Be-gim airman have presented a gift to the new Princess Maria Pia, three airplanes, led by Count de Lons at Capri, carrying it from Belgium to Naples, Italy.

that his library was no longer a private one. During one lecture, however he forgot one of them . . . and did the class wake up!

After the class a committee of students waited upon the offender and presented to him a memorandum which ran like this: "We beg to inform you that you have committed a grave error in omitting one of your prize jokes from your lecture this hour. The class is deeply hurt by your slighting them, and requests an apology."

Ah there, Dr. Brown!

Except for that last little quip we are indebted to the Collegiate Digest for the above remarks.

Hood College had an old-fashioned barn dance a little while ago and we understand that the administration made connection with a mountaineer and employed him to teach the girls the intricacies of the steps . . . AH THERE, WEITY!

We are trying to add Top Sergeant Archie MacCourt to our list of feature writers . . . The Sergeant wrote one article for us and it will probably appear in the January 11th edition. Keep your eyes peeled, my klaw laddies.

There may be hard courses in other universities; but, the Chinese wagers that the professors of those courses are not so considerate as the professor of one of our really hard courses.

After passing two red traffic lights without being arrested a motorist was so conscience-stricken that he sent \$10 to the Willesden (England) court.

## SENIORS MEET TO MAKE COMMENCEMENT PLANS

Henry Weeks, President, Appoints Committee to Draw Up Number of Tentative Programs to Submit at Next Meeting.

This year's Senior Class will be given an opportunity to draw up a Commencement program of its own instead of going through the usual ritual of past years. It was declared at a meeting of that body in the Great Hall after lunch last Tuesday. Henry Weeks, President of the Class, presided at the meeting.

### Committee Appointed

President Weeks regretted that President Woodcock had been unable to be present, but announced in his absence that the President had submitted the idea to him some days before. After some discussion, it was suggested that a committee be appointed which should have as its object the drawing up of several programs to be submitted at the next meeting of the class. The idea met with unanimous approval; President Weeks appointed the committee, dividing the membership as equally as he could among the members of each fraternity.

### An Endowment?

The matter of the Senior Class following the example of previous graduating classes in the presentation of some remembrance to the College was brought up, and after some discussion was tabled until the next meeting—so he held some time after Christmas.

Demand for installation of telephones in growing small towns of interior South Africa is much greater than the supply of instruments.

## Fashion Notes By Collegiate Digest

### NO-BUTTON GLOVES

For several years the gloves that button at the wrist have been receiving less and less attention from those who dress particularly.

This season has seen them practically abandoned in favor of the gauntlet or sac wrist type which

are being presented in every kind of leather. The better gloves of this type are made so that they hug the wrist and come up beneath the sleeve of the overcoat. Incidentally, when looking for a glove for formal wear, choose the one that is made of white chamale or buck.

### LAPEL WATCH GUARD

Those who are particular about the small points of correct dress are favoring the leather watch guard worn through the lapel buttonhole.

It is especially smart and effective when worn on the sport jacket or rough fabric suiting, and it should be made of cordovan or pigskin leather. It is equally effective in flat leather or the small, round, braided leather. The wearing of the watch in the breast pocket is particularly convenient when wearing an overcoat.

## MISSING MEN



People come and people go, but nothing ever happens.

LUNK  
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