

'Buttons 'n Bows' Theme Of Seniors Forty-Niners Dance

The "Forty-niners", otherwise known as the seniors, will stage an all student dance one week from Friday night, November 19, in the little mining village of "Harkinsville".

Tommy McMann and his ten golden Rhythmmakers will provide the nuggets of melody for the Forty-Niners musical parade.

The dress will be "buttons and bows for the ladies, and for the gents it will be spotted shirts and slacks".

Only 250 tickets will be sold it was announced at the Senior Assembly yesterday. The proceeds from the dance will go into the Yearbook Fund. Warren Malley and George Hindle, Senior Business Students, were the guest performers at the Assembly. Attired in "Forty-Niners" garb—they made a plea for "Two Dollars in Gold."

"Skip" Thibert of Fitchburg is chief prospector. He told members of the Cowl the other day that this dance will be as informal as possible. However, it is not intended to be a costume dance. "But don't wear nothing fancy-like," he said, "just a pair of faded kakis and a three day old sport shirt will do fine."

"The ladies would look mighty trim in gingham," he continued, "but skirts and cardigans coupled with multi-colored bows would also do the trick. In other words, just don't take no pains about being dressed formal-like."

A west coast caberet, serving nothing but pure cider and hard doughnuts, will be constructed in the dayroom. Attendants have been cautioned not to serve over two drinks to a customer. And anyone becoming unmanageable will be dealt with severely by a certain Theodicy professor who will act as bouncer for the evening.

Tickets are now on sale in the Rolunda. They also can be purchased from any of the following committeemen: Joe Shanley, Ed. Sullivan, Elmo Mazzone, Mark Burns, Frank DiIuglio, Tom Malloy, Earl Parker, Edward Corbett, John Powell, John Carr, Al Carreiro, and the class officers: Tom Newman, George Hindle, Warren Malley and Tom Regan.

Newport Alumni Give Scholarships

Because of the foresight and generosity of the Providence College Alumni of Newport County two young men from that city, both pre-medical students, Josiah A. Sacks, '51, and John C. O'Dwyer, '52, are now studying at the college with the aid of scholarships provided for by that organization.

Only one and a half years old, the club is fast becoming one of the most active of the alumni groups. On a motion by Dr. Louis E. Burns in 1947, the club voted to sponsor a scholarship fund to send worthy boys to Providence College. To build up the fund the members initiated a drive for funds, holding a dinner and dance. A Women's Auxiliary was also organized by the club.

At an executive board meeting during the summer, Joseph L. Byron, the president of the club, selected the scholarship committee with Dr. Burns as chairman, Rev. John T. Shea, O.P., Francis Dwyer, Dr. Arthur Josephson, and Anthony Miller.

Senior Dance Committee



Left to Right, First Row: Al Carreiro, John Carr, G. "Skip" Thibert, chairman; John Powell, Frank Di Iuglio; Second Row: Tom Malloy, Ed Corbett, Earl Parker, Dave Haylon; Third Row: Tom Newman, Tom Regan, Warren Malley, George Hindle, Mark Burns.

P.C. Library Greatly Increases Facilities

The extensive and much needed renovation and expansion of Library facilities here at the College is nearing completion. Additional floor space for storing books and the increase of the seating capacity from one hundred and forty to two hundred and fifty should do much to relieve the present congested conditions.

The wing formerly used as a chemistry laboratory has been made available to double the library area. All of the space previously used by the library will now be devoted to the Reading Room with a reference collection shelved in it. Part of the former laboratory is being furnished as a Periodical Room, with shelving for over two hundred periodicals, and tables and chairs to accommodate sixty persons.

Plans for the reorganization and expansion of the library were begun in January, nineteen hundred and forty-eight. Under the supervision of the Rev. Francis J. Fanning, O. P., Library Head, most of the work has been done and it is expected that it will be completely finished by November fifteenth. It is estimated that the expense entailed in providing improved facilities will amount to approximately twenty five thousand dollars.

The entire book collection has been transferred to the new wing which has been equipped with shelving to (Continued on page 6)

P.C. Students Star In 'Lady Of Fatima' Play

Four Providence College students, had featured roles in "Lady of Fatima", religious play written by Rev. Urban Nagle, O. P., former instructor at the college, during its three-night run in Hope High School recently.

Among the cast of more than 50 were Ed Gnys of Central Falls, Bill Gregory and Harry "Hank" Keenan of Providence, and Tom Holleran of Pawtucket.

The two-act play in 12 scenes tells the story of the apparitions and revelations made by our Blessed Lady to three Portuguese shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917. The play which had a considerable running on Broadway last year, was written by Father Nagle for the Blackfriars Guild (New York Chapter) of which he is co-founder.

Third Order To Hold Meeting Thursday

The Third Order of Saint Dominic meets Thursday afternoon from 2 to 5 in the Lounge of Aquinas Hall. The Rev. John C. Rubba, O.P., moderator, desires that the members bring Third Order Manual and also the Catechismal History of the Dominican Order. The rule of the Third Order will be discussed at this meeting and the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin will be explained and read by the group Fr. Rubba stated in effect that the rule is not too strict, it simply being the code of conduct that would be followed by any good-living Catholic.

At present there are approximately fifty members in the Third Order. It has been requested that those others who are interested in joining but have not yet done so to attend this meeting Thursday afternoon.

ASSIST FOREIGN STUDENTS

Foreign students look to their American friends for support. Contrast your lot with that of foreign students whose countries have been devastated by war. Support foreign students' relief.

Drop your coffee change and odd nickels in the jar next to the cash register in the cafeteria.

"Billy" Super Poppy Salesman



Wilyliam H. Clark ("Billy the Kid") passing poppy to Art Kavanagh, '51. Pin ball pusher is Jim Shevlin, '49. Happy onlooker is unidentified—but he was sold a poppy. "Billy," Cafeteria employee and member of Legion Post 35, sold over 350 poppies on Campus last Saturday.

CAROLAN CLUB TO SPONSOR FIRST DORM DANCE OF YEAR

George Johnson And His Orchestra Will Provide
Music For Autumn Festival
Saturday Night

The Carolan Club will hold its first dance of the year at Aquinas Hall this Saturday. In keeping with the name of the dance, the Autumn Festival, the dormitory social will feature an Autumn theme. Haystacks and cornstalks, pumpkins and Autumn foliage will adorn the facade of Aquinas Hall.

Flying Club Acquires Plane, Elects Leader, Plans Flight Slate

Purchase of a 1946 Aeronca "Chief", equipped for night flying and with a two-way radio was announced by Dr. Vincent Oddo, newly-elected flight leader at a meeting of the Flying Club last Monday afternoon. Outlining an ambitious educational program for this year's Club, Doctor Oddo mentioned courses in navigation, theory of flight and principles of flying as subjects of instruction. A Civil Air Authority examiner, two flight instructors and five private pilots are among those who will train and teach the prospective airmen.

Also elected at the meeting were Frank Maguire, assistant flight leader and George Leach, secretary.

Characteristic of Dr. Oddo's leadership and confidence in the worth of the Club were his remarks to new members. "We guarantee," he said, "that you will pass your written examination for your private pilot's license because our CAA examiner is an honorary member of the Club."

The Rev. Walter A. Murtaugh, O.P., moderator, announced that a meeting will be held this Friday at 12:30 p. m. in Room 300 of Harkin's Hall. New members will be welcome until the roster is complete.

Father Murtaugh stressed the importance of Friday's meeting, emphasizing that any member excusably absent must send in his name. Otherwise, it may be presumed that he has left the Flying Club.

Providence College is situated on the second highest hill in R. I.

The rarified atmosphere gives its students an advantage in work and study over those of other colleges.

Dancing will be held in the lounge to the accompaniment of George Johnson's Orchestra. For those who like their music on the torrid side there will be a four piece combination band playing in the Penguin Room. There will also be a vocalist in the lounge. These "two band" dances have been popular at Aquinas Hall since the advent of the first Dorm Weekend, three years ago. Refreshments will be served in the Penguin Room which will be specially decorated for the occasion.

Following tradition, this first dance of the year will be semi-formal.

John Connolly, the president-elect of the Carolan Club, has stated that the Autumn Festival will be the beginning of a big social year for the Carolan Club and a large attendance is expected at this function.

The details of the dance are being handled by the Dance Committee which includes: Joe Goss, '49; Dave Haylon, '49; Al Carreiro, '49; Jim Coughlin, '50; Jerry Welch, '50; and Wales Henry, '50, chairman.

Fr. Dore Explains Marking System

The Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O. P., Dean of Studies has amplified his previous remarks concerning the new letter marking system.

In explaining the reasons for the change from numerical to letter marking, Father Dore said: "The vast majority of schools use the letter system." There is no doubt that the letter system has been found more workable than the numerical system, reason enough for its almost universal use.

According to Father Dore, one of the many disadvantages of the numerical grading lies in its "normal curve" aspect. The "normal curve" rule purports to classify the students taking a course on a basis of percentage. According to this rule, a certain number of students should pass the course, another percentage should fail. Like the Gallup poll, to which it is similar, the "normal curve" rule is not entirely accurate. It involves a tendency to a more or less arbitrary grading.

The letter system attempts to give a truer picture of a student's ability and application. In place of the rigidity and mathematical complications of the numerical system, the letter system (Continued on page 6)

New Bedford Club Plans For Glee Club Appearance

A Christmas dance and a recital by the College Glee Club were tentatively scheduled for the near future by the Greater New Bedford Club at a meeting held in that city, October 31.

The Rev. Leo W. Duprey, O. P., is moderator of the club, newly reorganized after being inactive for a year.

New officers are: Louis J. Robitaille, President; Neal J. Connors, Vice-President; Paul A. Duchaine, Treasurer and Richard Sparrow, Secretary.

P. C. VARSITY

Every year at this season the Campus quakes with perennial controversy over the failure of the College to field a Varsity Eleven. Last year's undergraduates will recall the vigorous campaign which was inaugurated through the columns of your paper in order to precipitate some definite stand by the Administration in regard to the question of football at Providence College.

It is superfluous to state here the multitude of pros and cons elicited by the discussion; they are constantly echoed at every student conclave. The obvious fact remains that for the present the entire issue has been relegated to the files for 'future reference'.

That does not mean, however, that the horde of zealous supporters of our 'Phantom Eleven' should abandon the fight in sight of the goal line. The final whistle has not been blown yet on the project, so lets all remain in the game for the old 'College Try' which will shove the issue over the line from potentiality to reality when the auspicious moment occurs. Some fine day the Student Council, in conjunction with the Alumni, will revive the glory of the Black and White on the gridiron.

In the meantime we should feel justifiably proud to cheer and support our other Varsity teams. While not intending to usurp the prerogatives of the Sports Editor, we might also mention that our Intra-mural and Intra-club athletic competition deserves plenty of encouragement and development. It not only provides maximum student participation in sports activities, but as some of our biggest schools have discovered, the intra-mural program is a vital source of the raw material from which successful varsity teams are fashioned.

At times it seems that we are prone to emphasize a specific activity such as football out of all due proportion to its relative status in the curriculum. While both the Students and the 'Old Grads', with justifiable enthusiasm, long to cheer the old Alma Mater on to victory on a brisk Autumn afternoon, yet there are many intellectual and cultural aspects of collegiate life which fail to receive similar support.

But just to keep the old 'school spirit' at the boiling point despite the disgraceful lack of a Varsity Football Squad, your Editor has decided to do a little scouting among the hallowed precincts of Dominican tradition, to see if he can field a team representative of our standards here at Providence, deserving of universal support.

At quarterback, calling the plays, we have a Spanish gentleman and master strategist, 'Dom' Guzman, unanimous choice as captain of this great aggregation. They call the man at 'Left half', 'Albert the Great', because of his versatility on the offensive; less spectacular, but equally effective in diagnosing opposition maneuvers is Right halfback Mike Chisliari (Pius V); at Fullback, ground-gainer and missionary par excellence, Louis Bertrand.

At the Center of our forward wall stands a peerless protagonist in any contest, Thomas 'The Ox' Aquinas. Flanking him in the Guard positions are those two stalwarts, Raymond Pennafort and Peter, effective shock absorbers on the defensive. Left tackle Vincent Ferrer might well be feared for his aggressiveness while his partner on the opposite side, 'Polak' Odrowatz, fleetfooted and shifty, is down under every punt and in on every play. On the wings Tony Pierozzi sparks the line play at Left end, with John of Cologne, a flawless receiver and martyr, covering the right extremity.

Without intending to be facetious and with all due respect to the memory of the revered gentlemen mentioned above we feel that our selection of Varsity material represents a combination of brains, courage and performance which the centuries have proven difficult to equal. Of cosmopolitan nationality, these men represent a spiritual and cultural heritage which will always be a source of pride to every Providence College man long after the transient glories of the gridiron have been forgotten. You may not find some of those familiar names in Walter Camp's All American selections but you can find all of them listed in the illustrious calendar of Dominican Saints.

Ten Minute Break

By J. V. S.

Things to Come. Autumn Festival this Saturday night at Aquinas Hall. Resident response is slow at first but usually picks up momentum as dance day approaches.

A week from Friday night over in Harkins Hall the seniors will stage the "Forty Niners" dance. More about this event later.

Next Tuesday, Judge Francis T. McCabe of the R. I. Juvenile Court will address the combined junior and senior class assemblies.

The College Glee Club will make its first public appearance at the Freshman-Sophomore Assembly.

Arnold Lund, noted British author, critic, and essayist, will address assemblies December 14 (tentative).

The Harkins Hall lounge will become a reading room, in part at least, in the not too distant future. College and city newspapers will be available. A rack is scheduled to be built in the right hand corner of the room. And perhaps a few other library facilities.

Great Event. A girl born to Mrs. Francis X. Conlon, wife of our Business Manager in New Haven last Saturday. Mother and baby doing nicely, but father all out of cigars.

An Election Afterthought. Pollsters, political experts, and plenty of people were amazed at the outcome of last week's election. In an attempt to analyze a cross section of humanity, they were double-crossed. Free will, respect for a fighter, and outright "orneriness" on the part of the voting public exerted itself. Those free factors defy statistical interpretation.

Newspapers and magazine publishers across this nation of ours tried to elect a president. But they failed miserably. The fact that they were unsuccessful, however, does not cause them any consternation. They dismiss their predictions with a few lines of type.

Surely this prodigious display of independent thinking, though tempered with pronounced partiality, must indelibly stamp on the minds of the public, regardless of their political leanings, the real meaning of the thought free and independent.

Long may it last.

Recommended. Had the pleasure of hearing Father Kennedy, S.J., associate editor of Catholic Transcript and literary critic of the Sign, discuss the Heart of the Matter last Sunday at Albertus Magnus College.

He said it is "truly a great and inspired Catholic novel." He went on to say that aside from being thoughtfully entertaining and intricately conceived in regards to form and continuity, The Heart of the Matter brings to the fore the efficacy and true understanding of the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Eucharist.

This reporter enjoyed the book, having read it a couple of months ago, but didn't realize the overall significance nor dwell long and thoughtfully enough on the real heart of the matter.

Red River. An almost great western epic. Story of men who drove cattle through historic Chisholm trail. The actors succeed in portraying pioneer westerners with vivid realism. The film is real, moving and natural.

But one thing mars an otherwise great picture. The sobbing, semi-hysterical intrusion of the feminine lead in the final scene adds a touch of uncalled for comedy and serves to break the prevailing tension that was so fastidiously maintained.

Armistice Day. Tomorrow, Masses will be celebrated in the Grotto and student chapel at eleven o'clock. Providence College lost sixty-five men in the last encounter. Your attendance at Mass and fervent prayers is a true way of expressing gratitude and ap-

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Veterans' Corner

By Anthony Jarzombek

Another Army Reserve organization has been brought to our attention this past week, and from here it looks, as the old saying used to go, like "good duty." So forewith we will bring it to your attention for we feel as though it can fit right into the scheme of a veteran who is attending Providence College.

The outfit is the 385th Infantry Regiment, 76th Infantry Division of the organized reserve corps. The Providence College Unit of the regiment is the anti-tank company. At present, the 385th has vacancies available for veteran First Sergeants, Platoon Sergeants, Tank Mechanics, Auto Mechanics, Cooks, Clerks, Armorers, Supply Sergeants, and many others.

Veterans of the Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard may enlist also in the Army grade which corresponds with the grade they held at the time of discharge. As mentioned above, it should fit right into the scheme of a student-veteran, because although two paid drill periods are held each month, one need not attend them if those in-

terfere with studies. (Most reserve organizations are quite finicky regarding consistent attendance.)

Many other advantages are offered by the 385th. Through service with that organization you can increase longevity; you qualify for promotion; you get paid for two drill periods a month; you become eligible for commission as 2nd Lieutenant in the branch corresponding with your major subject; you qualify for retirement from the ORC; you earn the pay of your grade during summer vacations by attending service schools or by participating in temporary periods of active duty, usually fifteen to ninety days; and, finally, you prepare yourself for something that from all indications is as inevitable as Vishinsky's veto.

For further information, veterans may contact either Major John R. Grindell daily from nine to four, Blue Cross Building, fifth floor, 31 Canal Street, Providence, phone: Union 4903; or 1st Lt. Benjamin P. Hague, anti-tank Company Commander and member of the Sophomore Class, any evening from five to eight at Union 5643.

In The Cowl Mail Box

November 9, 1948.

To the Editor of the Cowl,
Providence College,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Dear Sir:

On October 16, 1948, the Saturday Evening Post carried an article entitled, "Too Many People," by one Martin Ebon. This article, to many Catholics and non-Catholics alike, was one which clearly indicated that even the dignified Post is carrying articles by authors who are bordering on the fringes of insanity. The seriousness of the problem, indicated by the appearance of such trash, cannot be overemphasized.

The undersigned is enclosing a letter which was circulated by the students of St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, Maryland, who are soliciting the aid in the form of protest letters to the editors of the Post, and which I think should be re-printed in our College publication, the Cowl.

This infamous doctrine of planned parenthood cannot go unchallenged especially by the students of this Catholic institution.

With best regards,
ANTHONY E. WILLIAMS,
Providence College, '50.

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APOLOGIA PRO SENIORIBUS

The seniors are a stupid bunch (That's a fact and not a hunch) With heads aloft and noses high, They preach the gospel "do or die."

And never practice what they preach, Their grasp equivalent to their reach, They griped for years in every class, And look for praise in VERITAS.

But fiction without photos Isn't very grand; So Father Clark has asked the boys To lend a helping hand.

"Sign up to have your photograph," He said, "We start next week." And then he looked astonished When he heard no senior speak.

Take heart, dear moderator, Things will be all right; Perhaps the class was sleeping Or perhaps they cannot write.

But here's a deal of wisdom That I've learned the past four years— Make your plan compulsory —There's damn few volunteers!

*"A man's reach should exceed his grasp— Or what's a Heaven for?"

—Browning.

I. KONO. KLAST, '49.

Philosophy Prof. Former Grid Star



The Rev. Joseph Jerome Jurasko O. P., S.T.L.R.

In support of that gentle smile and soft voice are strong, broad shoulders that led the football team to victory when he was a student at St. Francis College, Loretto, Pa.; for Father Jurasko was the star tackle before he went to the Dominican Novitiate in 1933. It would seem to run in the family for his brother, Steve (now Father) Jurasko, was the mainstay of the Guzman Hall basketball team up to his graduation in 1941.

Father J. J. J. is one of the new Philosophy Professors and brings to the College a background of graduate study at Laval University, Quebec and at Catholic University, Washington.

He was ordained in 1940 by the late Archbishop Curley in Washington, D. C. Prior to his assignment to the College he taught philosophy at the Dominican House of Studies in Somerset, Ohio, with several Summer Sessions at the Sacred Heart College in Louisville, Ky.

1948 VERITAS

As was announced a couple of weeks ago, the extra copies of VERITAS '48 are now on sale in the Bookstore. The price is \$2.00. The books are available to all who care to purchase them. There are still copies available to those who have a claim on them in the Office in Donnelly Hall.

Cowl Mail Box . . .

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St. Mary's Seminary,
North Paca Street,
Baltimore 1, Maryland.

Dear Friend:

We would like to call your attention to an article which appeared in the *Saturday Evening Post* for October 16, entitled "Too Many People," by Martin Ebon. In effect, the article seems to be an attempt to support, with what the author thinks cogent facts, planned parenthood groups and their campaign for Governmental control of the birth rate. The principles of such groups are basically at variance with Catholic moral standards.

We are amazed to find such an article appearing in a national publication with the dignity and prestige of the *Post*, especially since it advocates procedure offensive and obnoxious not only to Christians, but to any decent American. We as Catholics object most vehemently to this article because it is based upon error, supposition, and unwarranted generalization. In a word, it is vicious and dangerous to the common welfare of mankind.

It is our hope that you will not permit this situation to pass unnoticed. There is definitely another side to the problem—other solutions, less radical and more in keeping with the dignity of man—and there are many competent Catholic authorities who could present our side.

We ask your help. Write to the editors of the *Saturday Evening Post*, stating:

1. that the article was objectionable, and
2. that it is very desirable that some prominent Catholic be permitted to defend the Christian viewpoint.

The letter need not be long. Give this letter to a Catholic friend, and pray that Almighty God may bless the very foundation of national life—the family. Wishing you every blessing, we are

Sincerely yours in Christ,

THE STUDENTS OF ST. MARY'S.

ADDRESS:
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Independence Square,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Senior Class Officers



Recently elected senior class officers who are serving ex-officio on the Senior Dance Committee are, left to right: Warren Malley, secretary; Thomas Newman, president; George Hindle, vice-president, and Thomas Regan, treasurer.

Cowl Reporter Gives Version Of Excursion To Girls' College

By TOM MALLOY

Reaching Ochre Point Drive (after a two hours ride with a compass in one hand and map in the other) we witnessed a sparkling array of lights that reminded one of a beacon leading a stranger to his point of destination. As we drove up to the driveway we realized one thing — we were late. Two huge Greyhound Buses loomed up before us in the "keyhole" driveway of this spacious estate but we slyly maneuvered our way around these two monstrosities of vehicular motion and brought our car to a stop before the beautifully sculptured archway.

We climbed the four or five cement steps to the massive doors with their extra large decorated "door-knobs," twisted them vainly and came to another realization — the doors of the palatial college were locked. The first thought that ran through our minds was, "They must have known we were coming."

Then, as if the doorman received an inspirational message of our arrival, the door was silently opened and the sight before us stunned our imaginations. The tune "Night and Day" accompanied our entrance and assisted our ascent of the spotless marble stairs (as I clumsily tripped over one of them) and prepared us for the radiant sight of many P. C. men dancing the light fantastic with the young ladies from Salve Regina.

Our wonder and amazement was similar to that of a group of strangers entering the sky-scraper city of New York. All seemed impressed with the surroundings, such as the artistically designed marble staircase, its spotless stairs covered with a thick, soft, maroon carpet, leading to the upper floors. The pictures that adorned the walls were priceless and magnificent. Three of them were identified for your "art minded" reporter, those of Bishop Keough, Bishop McVinney and Mr. Goulet.

I would like to have explored the upper rooms but it was blocked off by a cord at the bottom of the stairs. (The girls must have heard of the roaming instincts of the P. C. men.)

Before entering the Ballroom, a great and unexpected sight, there to our left was a library and it was

overcrowded with P. C. dorm students. (Probably their first time in one this year and they wanted to know what it was like, or probably they were there because most of the chairs were there, or possibly they were doing some Theodicy homework. The last reason was given to me by the seniors. I found something interesting in "The Life of Martha".

Two noticeable portions of the Ballroom were the distant corners, where in one Paul Francis, seemed engaged in a conversation that would determine the outcome of the Shmoo problem in Dogpatch, and in the other, Carmine Lombardi was trying to talk his way out of a problem of metaphysics.

Halfway through the evening the girls gave the boys a chance to taste their cooking (and punch making) by

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250 Couples Attend Hallowe'en Dance In Colorful Setting

The campus social season got off to a prodigious start a couple of weeks ago with approximately 250 couples attending the "Soph Hop" in the auditorium of Harkins Hall. Fern Mandeville and his thirteen rhythm-makers held sway for the evening amid a background of gay Hallowe'en and harvest trappings.

Class dances for the past several years at the college have been distinctive for their novel centerpieces and foyer decorations. This year proved to be no exception. Moreover, it was the general consensus of opinion that this year's sophomore scheme was the best ever.

A skeleton that was really picked bone clean was laid out in the Rotunda. Its "bier" was simple but effective. The anatomical anachronism, reposed on a bed of hay, brought out the grimness in him or her. (the skeleton that is.)

A witch poised for a quick take-off on top of a bale of hay made up the centerpiece that occupied the middle of the dance floor. A flotilla of balloons also hung overhead ready to pop the warning if the Salem sorcerer took to the air.

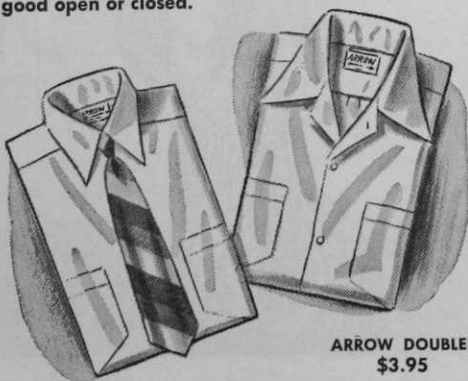
The Hallowe'en atmosphere was kept percolating right through the evening by a couple of dorm dandies, Dobson and Plunkett, who were attired in "Witchville" formal wear.

And, oh yes, Friar Foto himself, the Rev. William R. Clark, O. P., and the Cowl photographers, Elmo Mazzone and Earl Parker "flashed" in and out during the course of the evening.

The man responsible for this social success was chairman Joe Hanley who says, "The committee did all the work." Members of the dance committee were: Norman Grant, Bernard Healey, Robert Gentile, Robert Tougas, James Costello, Francis Conley, William Curley, John Bresnahan, Joseph Carbon, John Vickers, and Robert Flaherty.

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by Dave Connors, Jr.

A BASKETBALL LEGEND

A few colleges in the country have had athletes that have so far overshadowed all other participants in various sports that legends have grown about them, never to be crushed or blotted from the memory.

Notre Dame had George Gipp, Army, Cris Cagle, Illinois, Red Grange, to mention a few, all immortals at their colleges, men that never will be forgotten. These men are the subjects of conversation in drawing rooms, on trains, and even on the playing field when coaches need some psychological lift to drive a team forward.

All of which brings us to Providence College. Here on this campus just twenty years ago, Providence College had a basketball team that rated with the best in the United States. Providence College had on that team more good basketball players than Houdini has tricks. But even then, there was one lad, who was head and shoulders above the rest, the class of the group, the boy who was to the Friars what Gipp was to Notre Dame, what Cagle was to the Army, and Grange to Illinois, he was the greatest basketball player in the history of Providence College.

In the 1928-29 season this youngster from Salem, Massachusetts scored 278 points a remarkable total when it is remembered that 35 points a game was considered a tremendous score for an entire quintet. In one of the Holy Cross games that year the Friars scored 35 points, he accounted for 15 of them. Against St. John's it was 32 points for the Friars, 15 for him, against Northeastern Providence won the game with 42 points, he clicked for 24, against Army, P. C. scored 32 points the Salem boy registering 12, and so it went on through that memorable campaign.

Memorable because at the conclusion of that campaign when the All-American selectors got together and chose the five greatest players in the country one of the guard positions on that team went to the lad from little Providence College up in Rhode Island. The other four positions went to Charles Hyatt, from the great University of Pittsburgh, Thomas Pickell sensational guard of the Arkansas University Razorbacks, Charles Murphy mighty Purdue's mighty center, and Joe Schaff colossal forward on Pennsylvania's tremendous team.

Providence College was on the basketball map of America. The students of the college gathered nightly to talk of the feats their team accomplished in winning 17 of twenty games that season, but most of all they gathered to talk of the feats one man on that team had accomplished with a basketball.

In the immediate years following the 28' season, P. C.'s All American guard was always mentioned when groups gathered to talk, but somehow down through the years he seems to have faded into the dim past, sentenced to oblivion in the files and records of Friar basketball. That's not right because his name should never be forgotten in the annals of Providence College basketball. He was the greatest we ever had. His is a basketball legend that should be revived—the legend of Eddie Wineapple.

COATES PRAISES FRIAR HARRIERS

By VIN CLARK

Last Wednesday afternoon, the Providence College Harriers journeyed across town to meet the cross country runners of Brown University and came out on the long end of a 17-42 score. The time was 21:34, and this is a record for the Brown course.

The long end of a cross country score, like in golf and hearts, is the losing end; but much praise should be heaped on the Friar runners who had never before traversed a four mile course. The Providence College track coach, Harry Coates, told us that his men have never run more than one and one half miles in a meet; and he emphasized the fact that they ran the four miles on nerve alone. Coates was not giving excuses, but was saying that they had plenty of guts.

Coates gave praise to all, and especially singled out Frank Hanaway, who placed fourth. It seems that Frank should have finished third behind the Tobey boys, who tied for first place; but being unfamiliar with the course, Frank ran around an open gate instead of through it, thereby overrunning the course and finished fourth instead of third.

On the same day, the Friar Freshmen were licked by the Brown Freshmen, who won by a perfect score. Brown took the first five places to run up a score of 45-15.

Cross country is considered by Coach Coates to be a great conditioner, so he has his one and two mile relay teams running it to get in shape for the Knights of Columbus Meet on January 22, 1949. On that night the spiked shoe following at Providence College will be able to see or hear their team in a big time meet at the Boston Garden. This meet is broadcast all over New England and New York, so all should get a chance to at least listen to it.

It won't be long before the track squad gets its outdoor, wooden track; and upon erection of same in short left field on the baseball diamond, we predict a much larger audience for the track practices. The track, which is to be of Canadian Spruce, will be 160 yards in length; and it will be constructed in such a way that it can be dis-

Drew Puts Varsity Basketeers Through Strenuous Program

By BOB FLANAGAN

If and when the Friar basketeers come out second best in a ball game this season, the blame will surely not fall on the pre-season conditioning program. Coach Larry Drew has been putting his charges through a rigorous schedule of physical fitness.

Each afternoon the hoopsters run the cross-country course, which encircles the campus. Then, the actual practice of basketball begins. Shooting, both of the lay-up and the long shot variety, are accentuated. Fast-breaking is practiced along with foul shooting.

Few fans realize the utmost importance of netting those one-pointers. More than one contest was lost by the Friars because of inadequate foul shooting. A difference of ten to twenty-five points a game can be realized through expert use of this phase of point-getting. This branch of the court game is considered as seriously as the point after touchdown is in football. The coaching staff perceives this fact and as a result P. C. fans won't be able to say that "we lost that one on account of foul shots".

A long scrimmage follows the preliminary workouts. This scrimmage usually lasts from one to two hours. Different teams and combinations are used by Drew so that he can determine more accurately the balance of the club. When the squad is cut down to the desired size of fifteen men, Drew will have a group of good ball-players who are going to win ball games for Providence College.

Captain Charley Bresnahan seems to be headed for a successful season as he just can't miss that net from anywhere. Tom Orr and Alex Becker, the two tall men of the team, are shaping up nicely, too. Orr is rounding into condition gradually and is showing much promise around that bucket. Last year's regulars, the nuclei of this season's aggregation, are demonstrating that form that Friar basketball fans have been hoping for. Walt Lozski, Art Weinstock, Rae Edwards, and Joe Dowd are really coming through with a fine brand of basketball. Freshmen performers of last year's outstanding team are giving the regulars a fight for positions. The makings of a top-notch team is seen for the 1948-49 edition of P. C. basketball.

sembled and stored in the spring. For the student who has trouble in mathematics, a miler will have to run eleven laps on the spruce track to cover one mile.

This winter the track will be used for a home and home arrangement of meets with Brown University.

NEW SYSTEM FOR AWARDS PASSED; LETTERS FORBIDDEN ON CAMPUS

By JACK SHEA

Holding its first formal meeting of the year, the Monogram Club, composed of men who have been awarded a varsity sport's letter, elected Charlie Bresnahan, popular captain-elect of this season's Friar basketball squad, to the office of President. Also chosen for office at the meeting were: Tom Keenan, Vice-President, Wait Modliszewski, Secre-

Several other measures were passed upon at the meeting in addition to the election of officers.

Up until this time it has been the custom of the College to award the letter-winning varsity athletes their sweater and letter at the beginning of the individual's senior year. However, the ruling has now been changed to read that the athlete will be awarded his monogrammed sweater upon the completion of the season in which he earned his award.

It was also ruled that only those who actively participate in the Monogram Club will be awarded a sweater with their letter. The sweaters are paid for out of the funds of the Monogram Club, so it is unfair for any member who doesn't contribute to the activities to expect a sweater. Non-active members will receive the letter awarded by the College and nothing more.

It was brought to the attention of the club that the freshmen, and some of the upperclassmen, have not observed the rule forbidding the wearing of any high school or prep school letters on the campus. Therefore, the students are again reminded that wearing any letter other than that of Providence College is forbidden. Action will be taken against any offenders of this rule.

HARTFORD BOWLING

The Hartford Club went into action again this week at one of the downtown bowling alleys. Four teams were represented and three strings apiece were thrown down the polished boards.

This is the third week of team competition and the boys were loosened up — as the scores showed. Jim Sinatro turned in the best average performance with scores of 104, 110 and 108. Hot on his heels were Joe Magro with 109, 93 and 111 and Bill Finn with 100, 104 and 97. Bill Huffman also hit the century bracket with a 101 in his second string. Jim Rafferty started off slow but copped the individual scoring honors of the night with a high score of 116 in his third string.

Now that the averages have been computed over a three week period, permanent teams are to be formed and it is expected that the competition will wax hot and furious.

FROSH BASKETBALL

Coaches Larry Drew and Hal Martin are putting their Freshmen basketball candidates through practice paces along with the Varsity squad each afternoon in the Gym. Although the squad has been considerably diminished by cuts, the Frosh will feel the coach's axe once again before the season gets underway.

The Frosh candidates have engaged the Varsity a few times in practice scrimmages to date and they have looked pretty good for a first year group of men. A better line on the team will be available in a few weeks when the final cut has been made and the individuals start lining up as a unit.

A very formidable Frosh schedule is being completed by the Athletic Department with only a few changes yet to be made before release.

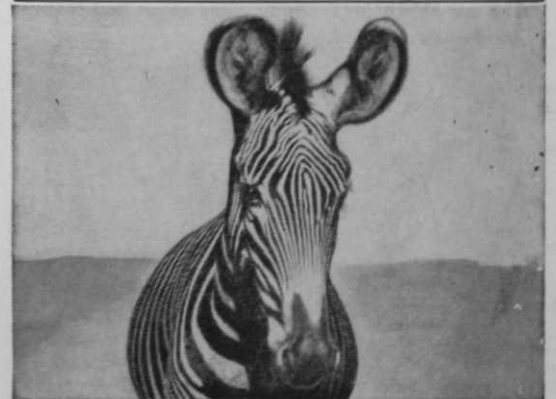
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DOONAN LEADS FLYERS TO 19-13 VICTORY

WINNERS SEEK DIVISION TITLE; TAUNTON CLUB DEFEATS HARTFORD

DICK BOULET

Action during the past two weeks was very light. Rain and high winds caused postponement of all but two tilts. The Flyers-Atoms and the Taunton Club - Hartford games were the only ones which Mother Nature allowed to be played. At present, the Flyers seem to be the best bet to cop the Division I title, as they have won all three of their games. New Haven, winner of both its games, is still in contention and cannot be counted out of the running. In Division II, the Dalmatians appear to have the best club, having scored 30 or more points in winning their first three tilts. The Fordham Club, defending champions, has, due to postponement, won but one game, a forfeit victory. It is about the only team which can still nose out the Dalmatians for the division title. Results in the two games played are:

FLYERS 19 - ATOMS 13

Continuing their drive for the divisional title, the Flyers took a hard fought game from the Atoms, 19 - 13. Doonan led the victory march as he scored two touchdowns. Cunningham garnered the other Flyer six-pointer. Dolan, in addition to scoring the Flyers' P.T.A., sparked their attack as he consistently threw accurate passes. The star of the Atoms' last minute rush, Newbold, registered the first touchdown for his team. Penza scored the other six-pointer for the Atoms, while Iacono garnered the extra point. This loss just about eliminated the Atoms from the title race, and put the Flyers in the driver's seat, depending on the outcome of their game with the New Haven Club.

Taunton Club 32 - Hartford Club 24

In one of the best played games of the season the Taunton Club defeated the Hartford Club, 32 - 24. Setting a season's record for total points scored by both teams, the squads put on a brilliant offensive display. Williams, in addition to passing well, led the scoring parade as he registered 3 TD's for the Tauntoners. Others who scored six pointers for the Taunton Club were Walsh and Elias, the latter also garnering a P.T.A. McCormick, scorer of the other extra point for the winners, was a thorn in the side of the Hartfordites, as he tossed numerous successful passes. The Hartford Club also put on a good offensive show with four players dividing the scoring. Keenan, Langdon, Finn, and Sinatro, each scored a six-pointer. The Taunton Club kept their title hopes alive by winning this hard-fought game.

Intramural Hoop Slate Opens Soon

Providence College's intramural sports program will shift from football to basketball at a date to be announced in the near future by the Athletic Department. The program will be divided into two separate leagues, one to play their games at 12 noon, and the other to play at 1 p.m.

Any number of men may comprise the roster of a team, but only 11 awards will be made to the championship team. Once a man has competed for one team he is ineligible to compete for any other team.

A different system of forming teams for the leagues will be used than that in effect last year. The roster of the teams must be selected from one of the following divisions:

DIVISION

- a—La Salle Club.
- b—Providence Club.
- c—Pawtucket Club.
- d—Blackstone Valley Club.
- e—Cranston Club.
- f—Newport Club.
- g—Massachusetts Club.
- h—Connecticut Club.
- i—Guzman Hall.
- j—Donnelly Hall.
- k—Freshman Arts.
- l—Freshman Science.
- m—Sophomore Arts.
- n—Sophomore Science.
- o—Junior Arts.
- p—Junior Science.
- q—Senior Arts.
- r—Senior Science.

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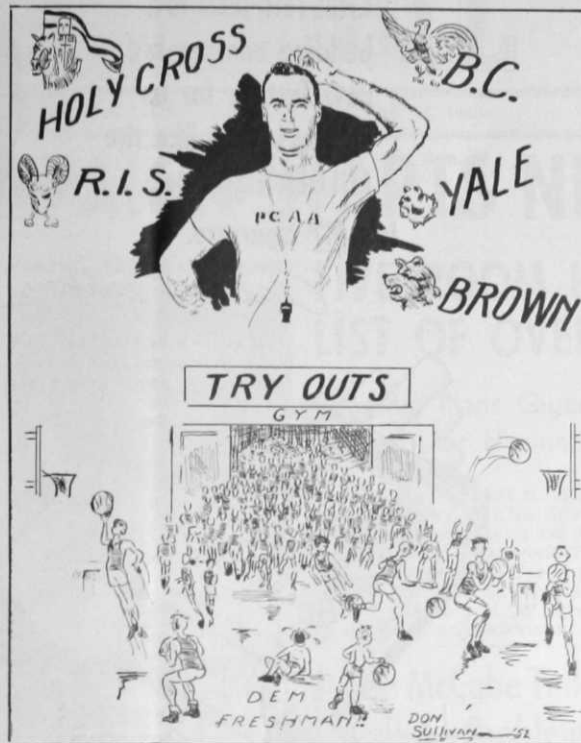
- a—La Salle Academy.
- b—The other high schools in Providence.
- c—St. Raphael's Academy.
- d—Other Pawtucket High Schools, Woonsocket, North Providence, Central Falls, Burrillville High Schools.
- e—High Schools in Cranston, Warwick, West Warwick, Westerly, East Greenwich, Coventry, North Kingston, South Kingston.
- f—High Schools in Newport, East Providence, Barrington, Warren, Bristol.
- g—High Schools in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine.
- h—High Schools in Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, etc.
- i—All students residing in Guzman Hall.
- j—All students residing in Donnelly Hall.
- k—All students who are enrolled in these divisions.

MANAGERS

Thomas Reilly '50 of Providence, R. I., and Steve Marcuccie '51 of Woodbridge, Conn., have been selected as managers of the Providence College Friars 1948-49 basketball team.

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TEBBETTS OUTSTANDING

George "Birdie" Tebbetts of Nashua, New Hampshire, a Providence College graduate and catcher for the Boston Red Sox, was recently honored when he was picked for the catcher's position on the Associated Press Major League All Star team.

Tebbetts enjoyed his greatest season in big league baseball during the 1948 campaign and he was given much of the credit for the great showing made by the Red Sox in the flag chase. Joe McCarthy his manager thinks him the finest catcher in baseball today and this observation is generally agreed upon by all baseball experts.

Blackstone Valley Club Nominates New Officers

Blackstone Valley Club balloting will be held Monday, November 15 from 11:30 to 1:30 next to the Alembic office in Harkins' Hall. The Rev. John J. Kennedy, O.P., and Leo McGeehan, present Vice-President will supervise the voting.

Nominations are as follows: for President: S. Morrisette, F. Rames, L. McGeehan; for Vice-President: J. Kenney, E. Fachada, D. Shea; for Treasurer: J. McIntyre, B. Tougas, N. Grant; for Secretary: F. Harten, R. Grant, I. Gorman.

Any resident of Pawtucket and the Blackstone Valley Area is eligible to cast a ballot.

Newport Club Elects Hyder As President

At the second meeting of the Newport Club held Monday morning at the Italian American club in that city, the following officers were elected: president, Tom Hyder; vice president, Cal Spinney; secretary, Austin Nagle; treasurer, Hector Henry.

Plans for a forthcoming dance were formulated and other business was discussed. The Club is now conducting a raffle for the benefit of the Scholarship Fund.

STEAM ROLLER TICKETS

The supply of student cards for the Providence Steam Roller home basketball games, distributed by the Providence College Athletic Dept. for the past week, has been exhausted. The Rev. Aloysius B. Egle, O. F., Athletic Director announced yesterday.

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BOOK REVIEW

Shannon's Way by A. J. Cronin
Little, Brown: 1948

Reviewed by George Eagle

In this sequel to "The Green Years", A. J. Cronin has carried Robert Shannon through an adult adventure which has all the undercurrents of uncertainty and disillusionment which we glimpsed in Shannon's childhood in the earlier novel. Those tendencies which were incipient in him then have fructified into traits - professional ambition, religious skepticism, affectionateness, impatience. But something of the ingenuousness and open-faced eagerness of the young Shannon lingers in the adult.

The reader must decide for himself whether Shannon is an attractive personality, a decision likely to be negative if one insists upon consistency; for Robert Shannon is now suave and mature in his outlook, now impetuous and gauche. However, to seek consistency is to pursue the unattainable, a naive enterprise at best, and it may be saner to regard Shannon's inconsistency as a touch of Cronin's realism.

The mention of realism introduces another consideration. Cronin, in writing of real people in real situations, has provided himself with a natural climate for realism, and if he misses his opportunity, it is partly because he has fashioned such rich prose, made the more inappropriate by Shannon's telling of the story in the first person. Cronin asks us to listen to Shannon's narration, but frequently he causes Shannon to mouth such voluptuous paragraphs that spontaneity and immediacy are destroyed.

But if the diction occasionally becomes a trifle euphuistic, the story itself is interesting enough, dealing with Shannon's labors in the research field of medicine. Assigned to one task, he branches out into his own project on company time, a maneuver which understandably piques the supervisor. Thus Shannon leaves that employment to devote his full—and incidentally his own—time to the matter of isolating an epidemic bacillus. His new liberty, while unconfined, precipitates a series of financial crises and a love affair of almost painful tenderness. The girl is Jean Law, a medical student preparing for the mission field, and if she seems neuter to you, she is nevertheless Robert's girl and he loves her. At one point they're in a theatre, beholding a drama so stirring that her tears splash upon his hand clasping hers. If you get by this you're good for the rest of the novel.

It seems a trifle gratuitous to mention the sub-plot, a rather irrelevant inset describing the tragic affair of a war-maimed veteran, his silly wife, and her debonaire lover. Though it is a digression from the main thread of the story, it reveals Shannon's pity, intensifies his anguish, and incidentally lengthens the book.

And a competent, readable book it is for all that. Though sometimes gaudy, saccharine, contrived, and bumptious, it nevertheless displays Cronin's talent for writing scenes of visual sharpness and dialogue which ring with naturalness. You feel the dampness of dismal British days and the warmth of the hearth at tea-time, and sometimes you even wish, with Shannon, that Jean would be a bit more flexible and human. Cronin has resolved his dual conflict with an artifice which will gratify the ladies, vex the critics, and beguile the film people.

A rather interesting sidelight is that "Shannon's Way" has been assailed on the basis of Shannon's religious skepticism. Why, the lament goes, has Cronin invented a character so indifferent to his Catholic faith, so doubtful of its validity, so willing to compromise? Of such carping a case is built, but the case has one defect: Cronin is a novelist, not a moralist, and as such he has the privilege of selection. Why did Maugham write of Sadie Thompson? Because he wanted to.

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Report On Girls' College

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ushering them into a room the size of a basketball court.

Finally everyone began to leave the exquisite mansion and file to the buses that were waiting, but during this movement of men to their vehicles and girls to their formation many hearts fluttered and many requests were made.

Father Dore Explains Marking System

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tem will substitute flexibility and adaptability in so far as possible.

The following are elaborations of Father Dore's remarks concerning the various grades:

A grade F should be used to signify that a student has not the intellectual powers to acquire a minimum preparation at the end of a course, or that, if he possesses such powers, he has not applied himself to his work. Where a course is a prerequisite to another course, the grade F is given to indicate that the student has not given evidence that he is prepared to begin the second course. In a general way, the grade F signifies that a student is not qualified for college work, but the concurrence of two other teachers in this opinion is needed to eliminate him from the student body.

A grade of D signifies that, in the teacher's opinion, the student is a borderline case, or slightly above it. There is an element of doubt about

the student's ability to handle work on the college level, or about his seriousness in applying himself to his work. Where the grade D is given, the doubts mentioned above are resolved in favor of the student.

The grade C signifies that the teacher believes the student has the ability to do college work, and has applied himself to his work. There are no doubts or probabilities involved in the use of this grade. It signifies that the student has given evidence of good, commendable work, but that he is not outstanding.

The grade B signifies that the teacher is very well satisfied with the competence and the industry of the student who receives this grade. Furthermore, students who receive the grade B regularly are in, or close to, that class of students who are permitted to take an extra subject in their Junior and Senior years.

The grade A is used to distinguish the work of an extraordinary student, who combines both intellectual ability and industry. It should be given only where it is merited, but it should not be denied a student who, though ordinarily receiving the grade B, rises occasionally to the level of those who do superior work.

Father Dore emphasized that there are no numerical equivalents for these grades. An A does not mean 90-100, nor does a B mean a grade between 80 and 90. No plus or minus shadings will be used on those quarterly and semester marks which will go on the student's record. These grades are for scholastic work, and have no relationship to class conduct or discipline.

P. C. Library Greatly Increases Facilities

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store almost fifty thousand volumes.

The new circulation desk is centrally located at the stacks, with the reserve books shelved conveniently at hand.

This arrangement is designed to provide a more effective distribution of books. In addition to Father Fanning, the library staff includes the Rev. Ernest A. Hogan, O.P., Assistant Librarian; Mrs. John O'Brien, who is in charge of circulation, and Miss Ellen J. Hunt, who is in charge of the card catalogue.

The policy of the library is to make available all material needed in connection with the various courses of study. Informative and cultural volumes, as well as books and periodicals treating of important current events in the fields of science and letters are available to the student body every day and evening of the scholastic year. At present the library contains approximately thirty thousand volumes with an up to date card index to facilitate circulation.

All students are urged to utilize the library and are requested to observe the customary rules of silence and courtesy necessary to provide a suitable atmosphere for study and research. Father Fanning feels that the recent additions to the library quarters and staff should improve the service and extend the use of the library by students and members of the faculty.

Ten Minute Break

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preciation for their supreme sacrifice. A prayer for peace might well be in order, also.

"Billy The Kid" is quite proud of the students of Providence College. He wants me to express his appreciation for the contributions to the Legion "Poppy Day" last Saturday. Billy, who is starting his fourth year at the College as an employee of the cafeteria, realized approximately forty dollars from the sale of poppies. He sold over three hundred and fifty.

Mr. William H. Clark (Billy) is crowding fifty-three. One would never suspect it considering the way he swishes those coffee cups from unsuspecting sippers.

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