

Gym Construction To Begin Monday

NFCCS Delegates Gain New Ideas For Campus Unit

Week-End Sessions Conducted At Regis

Plans for broadening the scope of N.F.C.C.S. activities here on campus were formulated at the Federation's Fall Council Meeting held last weekend at Regis College in Weston, Mass.

The formation of a special N.F.C.C.S. committee consisting of representatives from all campus organizations that can be served by the Federation is the highspot of the new plans. This committee will distribute that material it receives from regional and national sources which might be of help to a particular participating club.

It will also have the reciprocal function of collecting material here at P.C. which might be of use in other Federation colleges. It will forward such material to the regional headquarters in Boston.

Representing this college at the meeting were John J. Salesses, '54, regional treasurer; Robert J. Murphy, '54, chairman of the regional Radio Committee; James W. Dillon, '54, college senior delegate; Richard L. Fogarty, '56, junior delegate; and Charles M. Tangney, '54, alternate delegate.

Presented at this meeting were reports by the senior delegates from all New England Catholic colleges. A meeting of these gentlemen with the regional president, and a meeting of all the junior delegates with the regional vice president were also held.

Jerry Kirby of St. Anselm's College was approved as regional president at this meeting. When former president Ted Wedemeyer of Holy Cross College was elected one of six national vice presidents at the Federation's national congress last August, regional vice president Patricia McLaughlin of St. Joseph's College in Hartford automatically assumed the presidency of the New England Region.

Miss McLaughlin soon quit the presidency, however, and appointed Kirby to take her place. This action was made legal at the Fall meeting.

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Sickness Overtakes Hennigan's Bid For Big Season

Friar track fortunes were dealt a severe blow last Monday when popular Billy Hennigan suffered an attack of appendicitis and was rushed to the hospital just a few hours before the team's meet with Brown. Hennigan was operated on at 4 o'clock Monday afternoon, and is in "good" condition at the present time.

Billy was generally rated the number two Friar runner, and his untimely loss removed the Coatesmen from their dominating role in the impending New England Championships, and even possibly from contention.

Cadets To Parade On Armistice Day

Drill Team Garbed In New Uniforms

The R. O. T. C. unit of Providence College will march in the Armistice Day parade on Nov. 11. Captain John G. Kamaras, officer in charge of drill, announced. Over 600 cadets will participate in the event. The entire Freshman class will march, supervised by all upperclassmen in the second and fourth battalions. The special drill team of the corps together with the band will also take part in the parade.

The special drill team will march in newly issued uniforms. The drill team received these special uniforms but two days ago. It marks the first time that the team will appear in public.

On Monday, November 2, the senior students of the R. O. T. C. received their initial checks from the Government. Approximately eight thousand six hundred and sixty-six dollars was paid to the advanced students; the checks averaged forty dollars per student.

The blood drive sponsored by the Student Congress will receive direct cooperation from the R. O. T. C. Chairmen from each military science class have been appointed and these men will assist the Congress Blood Drive Chairmen in striving to make the drive a success.

Critic Acclaims Alembic Prose; But Poetry Is Disappointment

By GEORGE E. CLIFFORD

The Fall edition of the *Alembic* hit the newsstands this week, complete with sparkling cartoons and a new cover which includes the name of the college. My reason for mentioning the inclusion of the college's name on the magazine's cover is that, strange as it seems, previous editions have omitted it.

The content of this issue presents a strange balance: good prose mixed with poor poetry.

"Cafe Society" presents observations on the manners and morals in the cafeteria. At times, however, author Rene Fortin appears to be straining under the weight of his lengthy sentences. An example of this is: "Totally oblivious to these catclysmic pronouncements, the military clique, a necessary in every civilization, discussed its own problems; I noticed a distinct change in diction, the warriors dropping the formal vernacular of metaphysics for more colorful and emphatic language." "Cafe Society" should not be judged by this, however, as on the whole it was hilarious.

A necessity for freshmen is "Alma Mater" by Joseph Rielly. It answers the questions that have come to the minds of many newcomers; such as, "Why don't we have a song with original music?" "Why should we study?" and as we will have to enter the armed forces sooner or later, "Why should we bother with college, now?" in an inspiring and enlightening manner.

It also may be revealing to upperclassmen.

"Columbus' Accident" Analyzed "The Great Enterprise" is Martin Sandler's analysis behind Columbus' great discovery, or as Sandler describes it, "Columbus' accident." With a great deal of research he manages to unveil the childhood myths that cloud this adventure which changed the complexion of the world.

In "Dear Mike," Phil Griffin appears slightly reminiscent of Ring Lardner's "The Busher"; however, he still maintains sufficient originality to be both humorous and interesting.

On the disappointing side were "The Fog" by Henri Roberge and

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Contract Is Signed For New Building, Announces Fr. Slavin

Should Be Completed Sometime In '55, Say Builders

The vigil is over! The long awaited construction of the gymnasium starts Monday, according to a released statement from the office of the president. The contract for the gym was recently awarded to the Gilbane Building Company with the formal signing occurring at 10:30 a.m. yesterday.

The gym, which will cost over two million dollars, will be a two-story and ground floor structure of concrete block with red brick facing and limestone trim. The seating capacity of the gym will be approximately 4200 people. The building will include such outstanding features as a large student lounge, a cafeteria, various administrative offices, a completely equipped laundry room, and many other facilities.

18-24 Month Estimate

Since the gym will be completed in an estimated one and a half to two years, hope is high that the 1955 basketball season will open in the gym.

Following the formal signing of the contract, the Very Reverend Robert J. Slavin, O.P., S.T.M., issued the following statement:

"It is needless to say that all friends of Providence College rejoice that our gymnasium is now officially in the hands of a contractor. Alumni and students as well as the Administration and faculty have been looking forward to this realization of their hopes. It is however in a spirit of prayer and humility that we undertake this tremendous project. The gymnasium and central heating plant when finally completed and equipped will cost over two million dollars. This is no easy burden for Providence College to bear in these days of rising costs in every aspect of collegiate academic life. A former President of the College frequently said: 'Our College was named Providence because in all that we do we rely upon God's providential guidance.' It is in this spirit that we today begin this work

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Regional Club Backs Glee Club's Return To Waterbury, Conn.

The Waterbury Club of Providence College will present the Providence College Glee Club in an informal concert at Waterbury on November 14. The concert will mark the second appearance of the club in Connecticut in recent years, and will be presented at the Wilby High School Auditorium at 8:15 p.m.

The club, under the direction of Rev. Leo S. Cannon, O.P., has just completed a series of broadcasts for the Catholic Hour, heard over the National Broadcasting Company.

Included in the Waterbury program will be melodies of semi-classic, light operatic, and popular vein. Soloists will include tenor, Thomas Haxton and pianist, Sheldon Balinou. As an added feature, the Providence College Septones will be heard in several selections of the lighter variety. Co-chairmen for the concert are: George L. Regan and Thomas McNellis. Tickets for the affair may be purchased at the door.

U. Conn. Meet Sat. To Test Barristers

The Barristers, P. C. debating society, will meet its first competition of the year this Saturday in the annual University of Connecticut non-decision debate tournament which will be held at Storrs, Conn. The main purpose of the tournament will be to provide early season practice competition for the debaters.

Attending the sessions will be Eugene T. Voll and Richard L. Fogarty on the affirmative and William F. Broderick, Jr., and Martin J. Butler on the negative teams.

The topic under debate will be: "Resolved: That the United States Should Adopt a Free Trade Policy."

Additional debates during November will be held with Holy Cross College, Fairfield University and Albertus Magnus College.

Name Committee Chairmen For Coming Senior Festival

Co-chairmen of the Farmers' Festival dance committee, Jim Dillon and Andy Sullivan, recently announced the following committee heads: Decorations, Jules Paolino; publicity, Paul Lareau; invitation, George Hyland; tickets, Fred Lawrence; refreshments, Paul Nelson.

It is to be noted that tickets to the dance are now on sale. The Farmers' Festival will take place on Saturday, November 21, in Harkins' Hall auditorium. Barnyard attire is the formal dress for the occasion. It is urged by the co-chairman that tickets be purchased early by those planning to attend.

No Cause For Alarm:

'Newsweek's' Survey Indicates P. C. Men Are Typical Group

Give and take a little, Providence College men are much the same as students throughout the nation. They dress the same, eat the same, think the same and speak virtually the same.

In its current issue, *Newsweek* reports its findings of a seven-college poll covering some 33,400-odd undergraduates from coast-to-coast. Taking what is considered a cross-section of American institutions of higher learning, the magazine interviewed students at U.C.L.A., Northwestern, Georgia Tech, Georgetown, Howard University, Princeton and Vassar. Covered in the inquiry were such subjects as fears, beliefs, habits and hobbies.

An analysis of this report plus a first hand investigation of the local

situation indicates that little difference in belief and behavior exists between students at Providence College and the rest of the country.

Security a Keynote

The memory of a past war, the threat of a future conflict have left their mark on today's collegians. Students here and elsewhere have joined the ROTC and other reserve military components with a thought for the present and an eye for the future. "Complete your education and be prepared for tomorrow," has been the by-word of many prospective draftees.

The presence of numerous veterans on the campuses has also been a stabilizing factor on famous "rah-rah" collegians of pre-war days. With the veteran came, too, many lasting in-

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"COMMUNISM IS THE MOST EVIL CREED ON EARTH TODAY," said former Communist news editor of the *London Daily Worker*, Douglas Hyde. The Catholic convert spoke to approximately 450 students at the Albertus Magnus Science Hall last Wednesday. COWL photo by Don Stubbs

What's Your Answer?

Oh sure, everyone who attended agreed that we should have more lectures by prominent personalities like Hyde or DeKonick, but few students are aware of the fact that it takes money, often times considerable sums, to obtain these speakers.

"The Administration's got it," claim a few lamebrains who fail to realize that the Administration is trying to build a greater and bigger school. However, since it is the students personally who tend to benefit the most from lectures and discussions of the type forementioned, why don't the students themselves take matters in their own hands and do something for the college rather than sit back and wait for the college to do something.

There are some thirty-plus clubs of one kind or another on campus whose purpose, according to their constitutions, is "to foster the academic cultural and religious spirit of the membership," through the various means at their disposal. There are dances, parties, socials—some throw in a communion breakfast to make it look good. There are fund raising events to fatten the coffers, but the events made possible through these funds more often than not merely inconsequential, with the effects being ephemeral at best.

Why, then, do not these clubs and organizations take upon themselves collectively, the responsibility of providing the students of this college with an opportunity to grow in education and culture. If these clubs would add to their constitutions a clause to the effect that "It shall also be the responsibility of this organization to provide for the establishment and maintenance of a lecture endowment as shall be prescribed by the Administration of this College."

This being done, the various club presidents could work out a system whereby, for instance, each club would contribute fifteen dollars annually from its treasury for the establishment of such a fund. This would result in a levy of approximately four hundred and fifty dollars with which to obtain prominent lecturers from various fields. The Cowl is confident that if the Administration were presented with this pledge it would be most willing to aid in the establishment of such a program.

Is there any club on campus which cannot afford a fifteen dollar assessment or contribution each year? Certainly, any club which sponsors but one social event would have enough money to support the fund for three years.

Although the Cowl can suggest the adoption of such a program, it remains to the various club executives to act on the suggestion. They who have charge of their organizations know better than we what their respective clubs can do. However, the Cowl cannot over emphasize the value of such an endowment if it were accepted. It has been tried at numerous colleges and universities throughout the country where it has proven successful. It can work here too. Why not give it a try?

Gentlemen, the answer lies with you.

Keep It Gay

Once again the "perennially crazy college-boy" and the so-called "narrow minded policemen" have come into a head-on clash. This time, as in the past, it was because of "a display of school-spirit" as the college boys describe it, or "the creation of a public disturbance" as the law enforcers picture it.

The time and the place are insignificant. The same problem has presented itself in one form or another on various occasions in recent years. Last season several escapades, notably "panty-raids," attracted nation-wide attention. Everyone from horrified mothers to indignant GI's in Korea raised their voices in protest. A renowned doctor deemed them so important that he included them in his research reports.

Now we have the problem of pep rallies, so fervently desired by the collegians and equally disdainful to the law.

In the past weeks the newspapers have carried stories of mass demonstrations in public squares in which entire police forces had to squelch the spirits of the participants by using force. Hospital bills and law suits are the aftermath of these affairs.

Where does the answer lie? Should it be settled by club-swinging head-splitters and nights in the city jail, or is there another solution? The Cowl feels that an amicable decision can be reached by the sponsors of rallies and the local police departments.

That such a settlement can be reached was clearly indicated at PC's first pep-rally last year. Provisions were made for certain streets to be marked off between Providence College and the Mount Pleasant gym. Then the cavalcade of cheerleaders, band, and hundreds of rooters on foot and in cars proceeded to march, sing, yell, wave banners, etc., in an organized manner.

We feel that the good name of the college is worth more than a few moments of uncontrolled display of spirit.



"REAL TALL WHEN HE STANDS"

The Common Glory:

A 'Find' On New York's E. 54th St. Adds Top-Notch Actors To Menu

By James Wille

While tip-toeing around the side streets of New York this past Saturday, I happened into a little place called, the "Embers." This quiet cafe is situated at 161 E. 54th St., in the heart of Manhattan, and features some of the most outstanding small Jazz combos of the day. Holding forth this particular evening was the new Artie Shaw "Gramercy Five," with Tal Farlow, Hank Jones, Denzil Best, Tommy Potter, and Joe Roland.

It seems that Mr. Shaw, a disciple of many cults and possessor of unusual ideas, has come home to roost a much changed individual. The playing of the group was indicative of the mood of the leader; tightly constructed patterns, and restraint placed upon too much self expression. When they did open up the ideas put out were easily understood by those in attendance.

Ralph Sharron, a young English pianist and his trio provided relaxing interludes during the breaks. If I had been fortunate enough to be there on a Sunday, I would have head the quiet sounds of the Barbara Carroll trio. Miss Carroll takes a night off from "Me and Juliet" to please the customers with her ultra-modern piano, aided by Joe Shulman and Herb Wasserman. For the past few years there has been a considerable bit of good entertainment provided by the managers of the club. It seems that they appreciate the type of music that assists in the digesting of good food which is also provided, so they couple both, and offer it to the public at moderate prices.

Rambling Around

With Lou Costello sick, the other half of the comedy team carried the ball for last Sunday's show. Bud had fine support from young Gene Nelson, Peggy Lee, and Martin and Lewis. 'Sir' Abbott recalled some of the pair's favorite sketches by use of film. All hope that Lou gets well quickly and is up and doing. There was a big "Telethon" on all major networks Saturday night to raise money for the Arthritis and Rheumatism Fund. At the close of the show more than \$150,000 was pledged. Let's hope that all of these are made good. Wonder if humble Arthur Godfrey, could find a more humble announcer, than the humble Tony Marvin, Godfrey's humble right hand man, when it comes to humbly helping humble the humble sponsors.

Orchids of the Month

This month they go to the Providence College Glee Club under the direction of the Rev. Leo Cannon, O.P. The club completed, on the 25th of October, a series of four broadcasts on the Sunday afternoon Catholic Hour. The program was carried coast to coast by the NBC network, and featured many selections from the Club's vast repertoire. This certainly was a big step in the right direction toward gaining national recognition. The Club which numbers fifty or more voices, is beginning its concert season on the 14th of this month in Waterbury. This year their engage-

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Wille

In Passing:

Summer Excursion

America's Navy, like Caesar's Gaul, is divided into three parts—the Regular Navy, the Naval Reserve, and the Lake Champlain Navy.

The last of these, consisting of a landing ship, exists to take Naval Reservists on annual two-week cruises. Its domain is ninety-odd miles long and up to eight miles wide.

Upon my joining the Lake Champlain Navy for last summer's reserve cruise, a rather unpleasant looking person promptly greeted me with "Hi, minuteman." Trying to stare him into silent shame with cold hauteur made him take such a liking to me that he immediately appointed me his chief and only assistant. Thus did I become the Lake Champlain Navy's Chief of Culinary Cleaning, also known as mess boy. When they bought the food, it was good.

Seventy-five working hours or three days later the cook told me that the entire fleet was to engage in salvage operations at sea tomorrow. It seems that an airplane had crashed into the lake the previous winter and we were to see if they were salvageable.

Next morn 'twas "anchors aweigh" as the long gray line of a ship ran at full speed towards its date with destiny. Our central figure was the Chief Engineer, a certified diver, clothed in a complete diving rig adorned with a myriad of appurtenances. He was perched on the prow full of pomp and circumstance.

My inquiry, "Hey, what's that guy doing in a space suit?" reminded some of a tumbling throne.

Our destination gained, we lowered anchor—smack on top of the sunken plane, I later learned. The underwater ace, an airpump operator and his pump, and a heap of hose were deposited in a rowboat (they have a more nautical name for it).

All that was now needed was someone to row the boat. My reluctance to leave the cheery climate of the galleys did not prevent my volunteering for oarsman.

My natural talents brought us somewhere near the plane's appropriate location. The diver descended and I removed the oars from their sockets to relax a while. In doing so the right oar slipped from my grasp and fell into the water.

Frantically trying to retrieve it, I dropped the left one—directly on top of the airpump operator's dome. Not knowing this, I continued poking around in the drink for the lost oar.

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The Kaleidoscope:

Former Commie's Talk Proves Enlightening

By Hank Griffin

Last Wednesday's lecture by Mr. Douglas Hyde on the nature of world Communism appears to have provoked a not inconsiderable amount of eyebrow-raising around the campus. Many of the students who attended the talk came away from it with puzzled looks — not so much because of the lecturer's subject (it is nothing new for an ex-Communist to discourse on that subject), but rather because of the manner with which Mr. Hyde treated his subject. This reaction of some students is, I think, worthy of mention and examination, since it is probably a typical American reaction.



Griffin

Wrong Impressions

The first statement that seemed to disconcert some portions of the audience was Mr. Hyde's assertion that, contrary to popular superstition, the majority of those who enter the Communist Party do so from good intentions, granted they are misguided. Too many Americans are infected with a type of Walt Disney imagination when the topic of Communists come up. They appear to have the notion that a Communist is some outlandish creature with three heads and yellow fangs, who carries stilettos and hand grenades around him, and who, when he isn't blowing up embassies, spends his time puncturing little tots' balloons.

Rhetorical Arguments Misleading

This sort of thinking is largely the result, I believe, of the propaganda dished out over our radio and television. Instead of making what Aristotle called a logical appeal, these moguls bombard us with all kinds of rhetorical arguments that are little more than variations on a bogey man theme. It is little wonder then that our people have only the haziest conception of the things for which Communism stands. They are told that the Russian Communists are horribly oppressing the Russian people and would do the same to us if they had the chance. This, of course, is true, but it is only part of the story. The underlying truth is that even if the Russian Communists were the grandest bunch of fellows you'd ever want to meet, even if they were to give every man, woman, and child in the Soviet Union a forty room mansion and enough food for the next twenty years, Communism would still be detestable to Christians because it denies to men their supernatural life. This is a basic doctrine of Marxism, and the main reason that we are opposed to it. All the rest—oppression, seizure of private property, control of the means of production, etc.—though important, are secondary by comparison.

No Public Exhibition

The second point which threw some elements of his audience into a state of perplexity was Mr. Hyde's complete lack of rancour, personal bitterness, and hysterical name calling that we have almost come to associate with former Reds. Unlike some others, he made no attempt to dramatize himself into the role of "a marked man," or otherwise make a public exhibition of himself. He did not even bear any malice towards his former associates within the Party, something which would have been quite understandable under the circumstances. To my way of thinking Hyde gave us a better insight into the real nature of our common enemy than any other man I have ever heard. And he did this by addressing his statements to the intellect, not the emotions.

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Srs. Urged To Make Photo Appointments

Activities Sheets Must Also Be Compiled

The list of dates and times for senior photo appointments has been posted above the Cowl table, and seniors are urged to indicate their preferred times at their first opportunity. It cannot be urged too strongly that all seniors must be prompt in this, for failure in scheduling photos will mean a delay for the yearbook or possibly a complete omission from the book itself.

The procedure is very simple. Seniors merely have to write their name legibly next to the time and on the date they desire to be photographed. Only one student is allowed at each specified time; that being a fifteen minute allotment per student. The photos will be taken in the parlor next to the chaplain's office in Harkins Hall. Pictures will be taken on November 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, and 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

While the student is being photographed he will fill out his senior activity sheet in the usual manner. All are urged to fill them honestly and completely to assist in the final stringent check before acceptance for publication.

The club presidents are also urged to watch the bulletin boards carefully for any pertinent information which will be forthcoming concerning pictures of club presidents. A careful scrutiny of these notices when they appear will prevent many delays and inconveniences. "With good cooperation," the editor stated, "without a doubt the 1954 edition of the Veritas will be the best ever here at Providence College."

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DATE: NOVEMBER 5, 1953
TIME: 12:30

"No Rain?": Cadets "No Rain!": PMS & T

What is this mystic spell the Military Science Department has over the weather?

Yesterday was number seven—the seventh Tuesday when the boys had to trot out to the drill field for their weekly practice session. To the disappointment of many (students) there have been no rainouts to date. Last year, old man weather had curtailed many a Tuesday afternoon session in the good old outdoors.

Not that there have been no close calls this year, either. A week ago yesterday, a few clouds passed leaving pellets of moisture, but the future officers were not fazed—"On with the show, boys," the training officer cried.

"There's always next semester, though," the boys exclaim philosophically. Who can tell, who can tell?

Junior Class To Hold Pre-Prom Dance

The Junior class will sponsor a pre-prom dance on January 15, it was announced yesterday by Daniel Lynch, class president.

The purpose of this affair is to raise funds for the Junior Prom. All classes have been invited to the dance, which will be informal and non-floral. Students may come either in couples or stag.

The following committees were released by class vice president Edward Scanlon: Paul Patrick and Thomas Callahan, general co-chairmen; Gene Russo and William Murphy, ticket co-chairmen; Edward Hicks and James Connors, advertising co-chairmen; John M. Bowab, decorations chairman; Francis Barone, band chairman; and Charles W. Gnys, theme chairman.

Bowab will be assisted by Robert Michaud, Francis Trainor, Paul Ascicciola, and Bernard Fortin; Barone by Robert Melucci, William Fleck, George R. Martins, Edward Benison, and Bernard Dandley; and Gnys by Paul Ascicciola, Robert Melucci and John Bowab.

Newsweek . . .

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stitutions, "Hell Week" instead of "Hell Week" being one of the more notable. Khakis or "suntans" as standard class attire also owe their inception to economy-minded vets who had to wear out their surplus army issue. Today, the khaki trouser is neck in neck in popularity with the grey flannel.

Of Surprise to Many

When queried on the subject of drink, Dr. Harold W. Dodds, president of Princeton, estimated that three to four gallons of milk are consumed for every beer in Princeton's seventeen refectories and dining halls. The only thing this would seem to prove is the fact that Princeton men dislike beer as a mealtime beverage. Certainly, the stately gentleman's figures did not include evening and week-end beer consumption. If they did, someone's been tampering with the milk sales records.

Generally, however, drinking was not considered a problem. As at Providence, week-ends are the best nights out when a student could forget temporarily academic crises and devote a little more attention to social problems.

A Great Weakness

"In the midst of their studies, collegians gave little thought to politics or international troubles," the Newsweek poll disclosed. Long considered a weakness by educators, this lack of perspective on the foreign scene leaves the college students at a great loss upon graduation. A limited knowledge of the domestic issues was also revealed, although most had some sort of views on the McCarthy investigation—some pro, some con.

On the Lighter Side

Favorites throughout the country include "dirty white shoes" (bucks), Dragnet's "Dum, ta, dum, dum," "Pogo" and "Lil' Abner" (Providence men prefer "Dennis the Menace" and "Nancy"); music preferences ran the gamut—from classical, to show tunes, to Dixieland.

One thing conspicuously absent from the Providence scene but quite popular in other regions is the use of peculiar college lingo. U.C.L.A. students find many occasions for the use of "nervous" and "Zorch" while the girls at Vassar label many things "divine." Of the numerous other terms used to signify various and sundry ideas, the only ones popular here have been "George" which was in vogue some two years ago, and the current, though waning, "Crazy."

A Place for Religion

Religion was found to have many new and enthusiastic followers in numerous quarters. Some thirty years ago, college students in many "Liberal" institutions prided themselves in their Agnosticism, claiming for themselves a non-conformist attitude based on independence. However, the latest poll seemed to indicate an upsurge in religious devotees among college undergraduates. "Religion courses on most campuses were well subscribed, and religious-emphasis weeks were a big hit with the students," reports Newsweek.

What do most of today's collegians want or expect from the world? A Princeton senior remarked, "The world doesn't owe me a living—but it owes me a job." That is just about typical of the other replies received, also. Few are those who seek great wealth or great adventure as did many grads of years past. Though some may still achieve either or both, they will be in the minority. What most college men and women seek is contentment—a happy and fruitful life with those basic elements of a happy home and family.



UNDER THE PARIS SKY danced this group of sophomores at the annual Hop held in Harkins Hall on last Saturday evening. Some 150 couples attended the event which featured a bevy of original decorating designs. Visible in the foreground is the Arc de Triomphe and in the background can be seen the Eiffel Tower which was used as a centerpiece.

COWL photo by Ben Fleck

Parisian Effects At Soph Hop Enchant Crowd Of 150 Couples

Over 150 couples danced to Ralph Stuart's music at last Saturday's Sophomore Hop. It was reported to be the most successful Hop, in many respects, in Friar history, according to Al Schaefer, general co-chairman of the affair.

The decorations committee was well pleased with the audience reaction to its efforts. Those attending the dance entered the hall through a highly decorated replica of the Arc de Triomphe and then were faced with an Eiffel Tower which reached from the floor to the ceiling.

Streaming from the summit of the tower to all parts of the hall were waving strips of blue crepe paper. Hanging from these streamers were glistening five-pointed stars of silver. These were attached in such a manner that, when several dancers attempted to remove them for souvenirs, the stars were torn from their grasp and wound around the streamers. This several times resulted in a gale of laughter at the expense of some ambitious sophomore during the course of the evening.

Other decorations at the first class-sponsored dance of this year were over-five-foot-high murals extending the entire length of both walls. Both east entrances to the hall were also decorated with murals. The entrance to the cafeteria was decorated with a vine-covered archway, palms, and several tables representing those

found on the sidewalks in front of Parisian cafes.

Jim Renzi and Roland Hicks were co-chairmen of the decorations committee, and Dick Rice was chief designer and artist.

Some unexpected entertainment arose at the beginning of intermission. As some of the dancers were filing out of the hall through the main entrance leading to the rotunda, an amber spotlight was focused upon the back of the Arc de Triomphe. The words "No Trucking" suddenly shone brilliantly upon the back of the Arch. A gale of laughter from approximately thirty couples greeted this unanticipated attraction.

Shortly before this, the eight man Glee Club Septones entertained the dancers with a variety of musical selections from "You, You, You" down to "Down by the Old Mill Stream." Their audience greeted them so enthusiastically they were invited back for another performance later in the evening.

In summing up the Hop, class president Marc DeNegre remarked, "Although final tabulations will not be available until later in the week, we are positive of realizing a profit of almost three hundred dollars. We believe this to be the largest profit ever achieved at a sophomore dance. The many compliments awarded the committee for its labors also make us feel certain that all who attended our Hop thoroughly enjoyed themselves."

JR. MANAGEMENT EXAM

All business administration and political science majors who are interested in taking the Junior Management Assistants exam to be given by the Civil Service, are urged by Maurice J. Timlin, Placement Director, to mail in their applications as soon as possible. All applications must be received by the Civil Service Commission before November 12.

The purpose of the examination, to be held on December 5, will be to recruit outstanding young people who show promise of developing into future government administrators.

In Passing . . .

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egged on by the words, "Air, A-i-i-r, AIR" emitted by the intercom. I thought my lost oar was crying, "here, here."

For no apparent reason, the left side of the boat was pulled down to the level of the water, and the monster of Loch Lomond or my diver friend—I know not which—heaved himself aboard the boat.

It was an invigorating swim to shore. —W. F. B.



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Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir,

The Providence College Swimming Club publicly wishes to thank the Very Reverend Robert J. Slavin, O.P., President of Providence College, for his very generous contribution to the club so that we might have a swim team. Thank you Father Slavin and may God bless you in your work.

(Signed)

The Swimming Club

To the Editor:

It warms the hearts of these veterans to know that there is a sensible adult faction here at the college.

B.V. Club's Informal Set For Saturday

The Blackstone Valley Club, one of the sponsors of the recent Tri-Club dance, will sponsor their first "lone" dance of the year this Saturday night. Chairman Bob Melucci announced that the dance will be the fifth annual harvest dance, and, as is the custom, will be strictly informal.

The dance is being held at the Oak Hill Grange in Attleboro, scene of many previous successful social affairs. Jerry Fahey, ticket chairman, disclosed that the price of tickets is the standard \$1.50 a couple, and that tickets may be procured from various members of the club. In charge of publicity for the dance are Roland Hicks and Jack Keough. The music will be supplied by P.C.'s own "Collegian Friars."

Frank Conforti, coach of the club's football team, reminds all players to bring their own equipment to the game with Prospect Heights this Saturday at Daggett Field. Game time is 1 o'clock. He also announced that plans are being formulated for a game between the Blackstone Valley and the Fall River clubs. Time and place for the event have not been decided, but will be disclosed as soon as they are.

Dennis M. Lynch, president of the club, expressed his appreciation to all members who supported the Tri-Club dance. He announced that future plans for the club include a mystery ride and several other social functions.

Treasurer Melucci disclosed that several previous members of the club have neglected to pay their dues. He asks any member who has not been able to pay his dues as yet to see him as soon as possible so that the club roster may be completed.

It can never be expressed too strongly that this is a college for men and not for frustrated teen-agers who still think that they are the golden-haired boys of their high school days. It seems that a few of the students become impressed with what they read in the magazines about the "college crazes". Perhaps it seems to be the thing to do for many and yet they do not realize the impressions which they give to mature outsiders. The main one referred to is usually that of being effeminate.

Why do so many men from P.C. believe that they are such lady-killers? Are they endowed with special gifts which men from other institutions have been deprived? And this item has been mentioned from one end of the state to the other. So if boys from other schools want to be "he men" why imitate their habits? Let's grow up and use a little reason. If by now you are confused, this letter is in reference to the wearing of decent apparel at our social functions here at the college. So why not make the big sacrifice of putting on a coat and tie and maybe taking a bath. And while we're at it, why not be genial hosts instead of assuming an attitude of utterly bored aloofness to the opposite sex.

In closing let it be understood that it is a consoling thought to the concerned that the words of this message apply only to a very small minority here at P.C. And a cheer for the Cowl editorial, "No Bums Wanted."

Three Rooters of Right Reason.
(Name withheld from publication upon request of the authors. Ed.)

Prov. Club Draws 110 At First Meeting

One hundred and ten men attended the Providence Club's initial meeting of the year at Bouffard Council, Knights of Columbus Hall recently. The club president, Robert Farrelly, introduced the other club officers—Francis Trainor, vice-president; Thomas Gilligan, secretary; and Raymond Johnson, treasurer—to the new members. The large gathering then settled down to decide on the coming year's calendar of events. A semi-formal dance sponsored by the club will be held during the Christmas vacation at the Wayland Manor. This dance will be the highlight of the club's social season for the year.

Books of tickets were distributed among the members for the annual club raffle. The proceeds of the raffle will be used to buy food baskets for needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas. Returns are due at the club's November meeting.

Membership in the club this year will be closely checked, President Farrelly said. Anyone not paying his dues in full by the November meeting will be barred from all future meetings until his dues are paid up, Farrelly added. The dues are three dollars a year.

Freshman Basketball

All freshman candidates for the frosh basketball squad will report to Coach Cuddy today at 3:30 p.m. All candidates must supply their own equipment for practice.

New Gym . . .

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and we ask the prayers of all our friends to the end that Almighty God will bless our beginnings, guide our progress and bring the building to a successful conclusion."

Present at the signing were the Reverend Aloysius B. Begley, O. P., Athletic Director of the College, the Reverend Charles H. McKenna, O. P., Administrative Assistant to the President, the Reverend John D. Brackett, O. P., Bursar of Providence College, Mr. Robert W. Thatcher, Fr. Slavin, and Mr. Thomas Gilbane of the Gilbane Building Company.

Tickets Now On Sale For Pre-Legals' Dance

The St. Thomas More Club of Providence College will sponsor an informal dance on next Tuesday, November 10. This dance will feature the music of Frank Barone and his trio. It will be held at the Oak Hill Tennis Club, Pawtucket; dancing will be from eight until midnight. Refreshments will be served.

Donald A. Champaney, club president, has announced that the sale of tickets is limited because of the heavy demand. He advised all students interested in attending the dance to purchase their tickets as early as possible. The price of the tickets is \$1.50 per couple.

This dance will mark the beginning of the newly formed club's social calendar. It is the first dance which they have sponsored in its two years history.

NFCCS . . .

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when the entire region approved Kirby by a voice vote.

The meeting opened with registration on last Friday afternoon, and concluded with a social gathering on Sunday. Speakers at the various sessions included the Rt. Rev. Edward G. Murray, newly appointed regional chaplain; John Keane from Iona College in New Rochelle, N. Y., national vice president in charge of international affairs; and William Rust, former president of this region.

Regis College was also host to a Catholic Action workshop on Saturday, thus making it an active day for the Federation at Regis.

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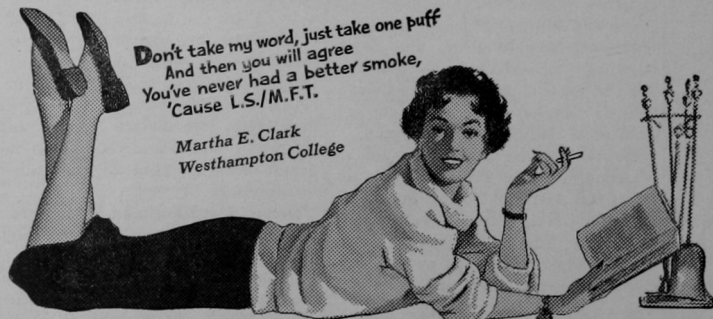
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Friars Whip Bruins For Stricken Billy, But Connie Carries Hope For Future

PHIL GRIFFIN

Blackstone Boulevard was beautiful in the fall dusk last Monday afternoon; beautiful as only a fall afternoon can be. And Chris Lohner came jogging up the road all alone and far away from the rest of the boys he had left the finish line with. Then Pete Wallack loomed into view, followed in turn by Bernie Dandley and Joe Madden. Finally Reid of Brown, a veteran and competent runner, hove into sight and broke the spell. What more could you ask? Well, we would have been well pleased to see Billy Hennigan come trotting through the leaves past the beautiful homes, and along the old stone wall that borders the finish line. But, Willie wasn't there.



Griffin

Old Man Gloom Enjoys Predicament

It would seem impossible that gloom should rear its ugly head in such an atmosphere, but there was no mistaking its presence. You could see it in the face of Harry Coates, in the face of his veteran ace, Chris Lohner, in the faces of Madden, Wallack and Connie Sullivan. You could feel it, although there wasn't any real doubt as to the outcome of the race, with or without Hennigan. Then the freshmen romped home, although an ex-La Salle star by the name of Corrigan took the blue ribbon back to the Bruin campus. The frosh waltzed, 20-46, but still old man Gloom stood around and rubbed his hands. He wasn't to be denied. He had taken Hennigan's place on the squad. Willie wasn't there.

Not so far back Hennigan had scored the greatest victory of his rapidly closing career. He had sped home first in the Friar victory over Rhody, beating, in the process, some of the boys that used to top him back when he was running for La Salle. Before that he had gained his first big victory against Coast Guard. It was to be a great year for the little guy. It was to be a great year for the Black and White and their deserving tutor, Harry Coates. But only Lohner, Wallack, Dandley and Madden were in the fore when the race ended last Monday in the rapidly diminishing twilight. Willie wasn't there.

Hennigan's Competitive Nature Suffers

On the way back Harry talked of the meet, of the individual performances of both frosh and varsity runners, but the talk kept coming back to Willie, who didn't run at all. You see, he was, at that moment, in St. Joseph's hospital, an attack of appendicitis having reduced him to the bedridden stage. And at the highpoint of his competitive life. Monday night his condition was "good" according to the desk at the hospital, but if you had asked Billy, he would have told you otherwise. For he had been defeated, and Billy can't stand defeat. He should have been out with his boys, should have been out with Lohner, leading them to a complete sweep over the Bruins. His physical condition was "good," but you can bet the great little competitor was miserable.

Appeal To Connie

This has probably been a buildup to some sort of appeal; an appeal to Connie Sullivan to run his heart out in the New England's next Monday. Harry and the boys had been pointing to this one for a long time. Lohner and Hennigan have been trying for four years, but always something came up. This was the year that Billy and Chris were to almost certainly lead their cohorts to the big victory. Theirs was a great club. But, Billy was stricken, and so were the Friar chances. Only Sullivan can salvage them, and Connie will have to run the race of his life. He will be taking the place of a great little man, and he'll have to improve on last Monday's performance, when he finished ninth, to merit the honor. Hennigan won't be running, but he'll be alongside Connie all the way, urging him toward that cherished championship, the one that Fate dangled in front of the boys, then jerked away.

Eighteen To Contest For Hoop Squad

By Walt Avery

The 1953-54 Friar basketball season was officially ushered in this week here at P.C. as Coach Vin Cuddy welcomed eighteen spirited Friar hoopsters in the Harkins Hall gym. Most of the hour-and-a-half practice session was given to the "medicine ball" and formations in passing.

Such veterans as Moran, McQueeney, Reynolds, Durkin, Quinlan, Aquavia, Kerr, Mullins and O'Connell made the side line spectator a little at ease in his forth-coming predictions for the rugged schedule facing the Cuddymen this year. I couldn't help but notice the new crop of youngsters that are joining the varsity in the person of sophomores Tedesco, Collamore, Moran, Elston, and Westerhuis. The sophomore Moran is Donald, Bobby's brother.

The team this year has two advantages that were lacking a year ago. First of all they have eight senior veterans returning to the courts of Mount Pleasant, with not only three years of playing knowledge behind them, but the awareness that this is their last year to show their wares.

Coach Cuddy announced that the team will concentrate on conditioning work this week, with two intra-squad scrimmages tonight and Friday evening. The Friars will travel to Connecticut next Wednesday night to face the Huskies in their first scrimmage of the year.

Hennigan's Loss Cripples Friars

By Bill Quinlan

The fortunes of the Providence College cross-country team took a decided turn for the worse last Monday when Bill Hennigan, one of the stand-out runners of the harriers, came down with an appendicitis attack.

To be sure the Friars aren't going to cancel their meets for the rest of the year, but the loss of the slim Black and White co-captain will certainly put a crimp in Harry Coates' plans for a New England title.

Bill certainly was a big factor in the Coatesmen's plans next Monday, and his absence will be felt in no uncertain terms when the cream of the New England colleges scramble over the hills of Franklin Park in Boston seeking the New England championship.

With the State title tucked under their belts by virtue of their resounding triumph over Brown, the Friars will travel to Boston deemed as one of the teams to beat next Monday.

The slim co-captain will be among the missing, but maybe his competitive spirit can inspire Chris Lohner, Joe Madden, Bernie Dandley, Connie Sullivan, and Pete Wallack to cop the crown that Harry Coates has wanted for so long.



RALPH "TEDDY" TEDESCO, former pupil of Harry Coates, showed evidence of the track master's tutelage as he scored a convincing victory in last Friday's intramural cross-country race.

Intramural Meet Taken By Tedesco

By Bill Quinlan

One of the big cross-country races of the year took place last Wednesday when the Intramural league sponsored its first annual road race.

Ted Tedesco romped home over the one and three-quarter mile course in the very good time of 8:36. Kenny Kerr staggered home in second place, just nosing out Phil Lynch who was making one of the great bids of the year to end up in the place position.

Tedesco lead all the way in his winning effort and there were many low murmurings from the other competitors that Ted had gained too much experience while running for the Freshman cross-country team last year. Kerr really made a great spurt to finish in second place as he came from tenth place up to second in the last half mile of the race.

Bob Moran nipped Charlie Aquavia for fourth place in one of the closest finishes of the day. Moran was coasting very nicely to the finish line, when Aquavia sneaked up behind Moran and almost succeeded in passing him. Moran grabbed hold of himself, however, and with a final effort threw himself over the finish line to get fourth place.

After Aquavia the field was spread out in fine style. Runners were still coming in well after dark, but Pete Louthis and his staff finally did locate all of the participants.

Allenmen Blast Rhody Shooters

The ROTC Rifle Range was the site of a very convincing Providence College victory Monday night when Sgt. Allen's Daniel Boones blasted their counterparts from Rhode Island University, 1344 to 1282. Janitz led the victors with 277 points out of a possible 300.

The local's victory was made more pleasant by virtue of the fact that Rhody had edged P.C. in their last meeting by the sum total of nineteen points. Thus, the Friars proved 81 points better on their home range. (Continued on Page 6)

Brown Bow Gives Friars 6th Victory

By Bill Reardon

The freshman and varsity cross-country teams journeyed over to Blackstone Boulevard on last Monday to engage the forces of Brown University. The Friar Hill and Dalers, without the services of Bill Hennigan, went on to win in their usual handy manner, 19-36. Chris Lohner took the lead in the first few feet with Bill Reid of Brown right on his heels. Reid let Lohner set the pace for the first two miles and it was a torrid one. After the two mile mark however the pace began to tell on the veteran Reid and he was passed by Pete Wallack, turning in his best performance of the year. Connie Sullivan tired badly in the last mile and brought up the rear for the Friars by finishing ninth. Reid was the first to finish for the Bruins in spite of the pace he had maintained, but his effort was worth only a fifth. This was the sixth in a row for the Friars, their only loss coming at the hands of Harvard, giving them a seven and one record.

The freshmen also made the trip over to the East Side and they took the measure of the Bruin Cubs 20-46. Corrigan of the Cubs was the first across the finish line but the swarm of Friars coming after him turned the tide for P.C. Boucher, Hewes, Skalko, Farley, Nelson and Harrington broke the tape before another Brown man, Walt Fries, could get home. McDonough, better known for his hockey ability, brought up the rear for the Friars, finishing ninth. This gave the yearlings their sixth victory in seven outings.

Both the freshman and the varsity will be idle until the New England championships at Franklin Field in Boston on next Monday.

Hard Work Prepares Rondeau's Pucksters

By Bill Reardon

Those educated in the ways of hockey wars know the value of conditioning and certainly none around here is more aware of toughness of the hockey wars than one Mr. "Dick" Rondeau. Proof of this is the pace at which he is driving the Friars at this early point in the season. All sorts of gymnastics on ice skates plus plenty of miles around the rink at the Rhode Island Auditorium have been the feature attractions of this week's practice. The moans and groans of the players attest also to the pace that he has been setting for them. He wants them to be the best conditioned group of Friar athletes that ever took to the ice, and if these pre-season workouts are any indication they should easily claim that distinction.

Scrimmage has been held to a minimum until the boys are in shape in order to prevent needless injuries and thus hurt the squad. However, enough of the hockey abilities have been seen to allow Coach Rondeau to cut his squad for the first time, in order to give more individual attention to the boys that he thinks have promise.

The concentration this week besides that of physical conditioning has been on shooting. The boys have been drilling the round rubber discs at the (Continued on Page 6)

A Little Off The Top

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Invitation To Splash Extended To Students

The swimming club is trying something new, Andre LaBrosse, club president, revealed to the *Cowl* Monday.

On Saturday evening, November 14, the Wanskuck Boys' Club will be the scene of a Splash Party with all the accompanying gimmicks. The session, to be held between 8 and 9:30 p.m., will feature contests, demonstrations, music, prizes, and plenty of good old-fashioned splashing.

All students and their dates are invited to attend. Tickets for the event are available from any of the club members.

Critic Acclaims . . .

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more so, "The Net of Life" by Richard Havens. They offered little for comment, as neither seemed to have much depth. "The Net of Life" might have been interesting had the author been less dramatic.

Editor Griffin Praised

Also included was Henry Griffin's "Functions of Fiction." It reflects editor Griffin's displeasure with writers of the modern school, and after reading it, one is inclined to agree. This work clearly manifests the penetrating quality of his scholarly mind, and his firm grasp on the subject. He lends a professional touch and a fine polish to the edition.

Thomas F. Smith's "Essay on Enthusiasm" seems to propose little but the

questions, "Is it true that a scrub-woman's hands are guided and inspired rather than whipped into action?" and does she really "Clean the shavings of another day's work in joyful preparation for a new and better tomorrow?"

Richard Rice deserves applause for his cartoons, which add immeasurably to the pleasure of reading *Friar-dom's* literary gem.

Common Glory . . .

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ments will carry them throughout the Eastern part of the country, and as far South as Washington, D. C., where they will appear in a joint concert with Trinity College. Congratulations to Fr. Cannon and the members of the Club for their splendid performances in the past and good luck as you embark on what looks to be your most successful singing year.

Alembic Editor Explains Magazine's Viewpoint

Some commonly held, but mistaken concepts concerning the *Alembic*, college literary quarterly, were corrected by the editor yesterday. The magazine, unfortunately, does not publish so much the best possible writing, but rather the best material submitted, Editor-in-Chief Henry Griffin remarked.

Griffin also stated that prospective contributors should submit their writings as soon as possible. The earlier the article is turned into him, the greater the chances of its being printed. The editor explained that this was because he has more of an opportunity to edit the earlier material.

Contributors have a wide field of subject-matter from which to choose; short stories, essays, poems, plays, and other articles may be submitted. The publication will also accept suggestions from students concerning lay-

out, makeup and art content.

The positions of business manager and exchange editor are still to be filled, Griffin concluded. Interested underclassmen should contact the editor in the office of the publication in room 11 of Donnelly Hall.

Suggestions and other communications should be addressed to the *Alembic* and deposited in the *Cowl* mailbox in Harkins Hall.

Hard Work . . .

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goalies for hours at a time. The object has been two fold. First the goalies have had a chance to show their stuff and the coach to observe them, and secondly the forwards have had a chance to get some early eye-sharpening practice. At the rate the shots have been taken this past week the boys should be able to thread a needle with the puck, or at least the cords from the cage.

Allenmen . . .

(Continued from Page 5) although the outcome was far from an absolute certainty until the last man had fired.

Following Janitz for Providence in the tension-marked match were LaBrosse, Stapleton, Foley and Podziewski. Rhody's top five performers were Heitham, Goldman, Davison, Schreiner and Wheelock.

Thursday, Sgt. Allen will guide his charges to Worcester, where the shooters will engage Holy Cross. The schedule for league competition during the winter has not arrived yet, but Providence will engage in a series of matches, both here and away during the next few months. The impending slate will be featured by a championship match in Boston, the "World Series" of collegiate rifle competition.

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