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## FRIAR'S FORMAL NEXT FRIDAY

### GLEE CLUB DRAWS CAPACITY CROWD AT NEWTON COLLEGE JOINT CONCERT

The Providence College Glee Club sang to a capacity audience last Sunday afternoon at Newton College of the Sacred Heart.

In its first joint concert of the year the Glee Club did a very creditable job of representing the college and gave promise of what should be a most successful season.

The concert was held in the Newton College auditorium, a hall of remarkable acoustical qualities and included a wide variety of numbers ranging from the religious *Veni Jesu* to the very popular "Some Enchanted Evening" from *South Pacific*.

As the audience left the hall many were overheard remarking on the talented offerings of Lucien Olivier, P. C.'s freshman baritone soloist who received an ovation after singing Gounod's "Aria" from *Faust*.

Everett Morrison, '51, was the soloist of the second half of the program and was, as usual, very well received. He sang the difficult "Aria" from *Pagliacci* by Leoncavallo with great effect and stage presence.

Mortimer Sullivan, '51, another recent addition to the college's completely renovated Glee Club, was outstanding in his rendition of Bach's Chorale, *Jesus Joy*, at the concert grand.

The Reverend Leo S. Cannon, O.P., directed the P. C. Glee Club and afterwards received the congratulations of many of those present, including representatives of the Monsanto Chemical

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### Fall River Club In Donation To O.S.P.

The Fall River Club held its monthly meeting last Wednesday and plans were made for the club's annual Christmas formal. The members also voted to donate \$5.00 to the O.S.P., thus setting an example with the Friar Club, which also donated five dollars, that other campus organizations may well imitate if Providence College is to attain an equal standing in respect to other colleges and universities.

### Junior Class Hears Address On Ireland By Dr. Richard Hayes

The Junior Class of Providence College was privileged to hear an address by Richard J. Hayes, librarian of the National Library of Dublin on Friday, Dec. 1. Dr. Hayes is in this country at the present time in search of documents, either public or private, which relate to the history of Ireland, of the emigration of Irish people from Ireland to the United States, and of the history of Irish-Americans, which links the latterday history of the two countries.

Dr. Hayes told of how he conceived the idea of collecting all possible data pertaining to Irish History, by micro-filming existing documents, in August of 1939, when the outbreak of hostilities threatened the destruction of Irish records in England and Europe. Fortunately all the records, with the exception of some valuable newspapers in London, came through the war undamaged. But their survival was due to mere chance. "I am not satisfied and I am sure you are not satisfied that we should take the risk again," Dr. Hayes told his audience.

The earlier records of Irish Civilization are vellum manuscripts, usually in Latin. Those of the 14th to 16th centuries are either Gaelic or Hiberno-Norman, the latter written in Latin or in Norman French. Nearly all the Gaelic records have been microfilmed. Most of the 16th century on most of the records are printed and therefore easier to come upon. Manuscripts which are personal and detailed, and therefore of great importance, are difficult to come upon.

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### Assembly Speaker



RICHARD J. HAYES  
Librarian of the National Library of Dublin.

### Barristers Defeat B.C., John Marshall

Last week the Barristers won two important debates over Boston College and John Marshall, after gaining a win percentage of .500 on their last road trip which included the Vermont Tournament.

John F. O'Donnell, '52, and Vincent F. Callahan, '52, of the Barristers debated the negative on the following topic: Resolve: That the Communist Party Should be Outlawed in the United States. Kenneth Sleyman, '50, and James McDonough, '50, represented the affirmative team for Boston College. The judges were: William E. Powers, Attorney General for the State of Rhode Island; Hon. Guillaume Myette 11th District Court and William Lynch, State Secretary for the Knights of Columbus. The debate was held before the St. Thomas Council of the Knights of Columbus at Valley Falls.

In respect to the debate against John Marshall the Barristers gained an important decision, considering that John Marshall as a law school. The Barristers represented by Joseph Quinton, '52 and Edward Fitz Simmons, '51, debated the affirmative on the national topic—Resolve That the

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### Mr. Rocha To Speak To Ship And Scales

Mr. Gregory F. Rocha, Jr., '44, of the College Faculty, will speak to Ship and Scales club members and alumni at Antonius Hall on Tuesday, December 6, at 8:30 p. m., according to an announcement by Vincent T. Aniello, president of the club.

Mr. Rocha, who will speak on "Some Economic Characteristics of Puerto Rico", has become well acquainted with this U. S. territory . . . academically by studies in the Roman Language Department in the Graduate Faculty of Columbia University from which he received his Master's and practically by several visits to the island. During these visits, due to his large number of friends there, Mr. Rocha has had the pleasure of obtaining an insight into the customs and the mind of the population which insight would be impossible to the average visitor.

At the meeting, refreshments will be served.

### ON-CAMPUS DANCE FEATURES STAN MOORE AND ORCHESTRA

Students were making last minute preparation this week for the Friars Club Holiday Formal Dance set for Friday evening in Harkins Hall. The dance, the last before the Christmas holidays and the only on-campus formal during the school year, will be held from eight-thirty to twelve.

### Married Students To Attend Family Hour Given By Fr. Clark

In perpetuating the Annual Family Hour gathering, the married students of Providence College and their wives will meet on January 8, 1950 for an informal discussion on married life, to be conducted by the Rev. William Clark, O.P.

This is the third such gathering since the advent of married students to this institution. It is held on the Feast of the Holy Family, a proper and fitting occasion for such a gathering. This invitation is cordially extended by the college to all its married men—Catholics and non-Catholics.

The program will consist of three, forty-five minute discussions on married life by Father Clark, beginning at 4:00 p. m. in the auditorium of Albertus Magnus Hall. At the conclusion of these talks, the gathering will assemble in the chapel of Aquinas Hall for the renewal of the marriage vows and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Following the chapel services, a buffet supper will be served in the dining room of Aquinas Hall. The day's activities will close with entertainment in the lounge of Aquinas Hall.

### Placement Office In Request To Seniors

Seniors unable to attend the first two Placement Office conferences are urged to be present at the next one to be held Wednesday, December 7th, in room 300 at 3 p. m. As attendance is limited to 20 persons, seniors who plan to attend are requested to fill out cards, now available in the Bursars office, room 207.

Response to the first two conferences was very good. About forty seniors attended the discussions conducted by Mr. Maurice Timlin, college placement director.

The purpose of the conference is to start the seniors thinking about the future and thereby reduce the possibility of unemployment after graduation.

At the meetings the seniors are asked to fill out a personal data sheet to give the placement office ready information relative to future employment.

Another conference is scheduled for December 13 and several will be held after Christmas vacation.

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Overseas Service Program acknowledges the services of the P. C. Glee Club under the direction of the Rev. Leo S. Cannon, O.P., for the benefit concert given last night for the O. S. P.

Stan Moore and his orchestra, a Friars Club favorite for the past several years, has been selected to provide the music for the occasion. Moore features a rhythm styling similar to that of the late Glenn Miller.

Although the final word has yet to be said on the decorative scheme for the affair, Decorations Chairman Gerard McGuirk and his committee will offer something novel, yet in keeping with the spirit of the Yuletide season. A distinctive centerpiece and colorful wall trimmings will add to the overall cheerfulness of the affair.

Although a majority of the bids offered for sale have been taken, there still remain some for those students who have not already purchased theirs. Bids which are three dollars, can be obtained from any Friar Club member or at the rotunda. Co-chairman Roger Jackson urges an early purchase by those who have not already done so.

Following the customary rule at Providence College dances, corsages will be omitted.

"Setting a precedent for other clubs to follow, the Fall River Club has contributed five dollars to the Overseas Service Program of the N. F. C. C. S.," chairman of the program at the college John Connolly announced yesterday.

In addition, Chairman Connolly reminded those students who for some reason did not make a contribution at last week's assembly, that they may do so at any time.

Students are again reminded of the jar in the cafeteria wherein they may make their contributions.

### Pres. Slavin Made Unit Vice-Chairman

The Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., President of Providence College, was elected Vice-Chairman of the New England Unit of the National Catholic Educational Association at a meeting of the unit at the Statler Hotel last Saturday, Dec. 3. The Rev. William L. Kelleher, President of Boston College, was elected chairman, Sister Helen Madeline, S.N.D., Dean of Emmanuel College, was elected secretary and Sister Mary Ignatius, S.S.J., President of Regis College, was elected for a three year term in the executive committee of the National Catholic Educational Association, College and University Department. The Rev. Daniel M. Galliher, O.P., registrar, proposed the new By-Laws for the New England Unit and they were unanimously adopted.

The conference, in addition, held reports on group meetings at Providence College and other Catholic colleges in Massachusetts. Here Rev. Pierre Conway, O.P., gave a philosophy report and Rev. David A. O'Connell gave a report on theology.

A report on the workings of programs for Institutions of Higher Learning, a standing committee of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, was given by Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P.

### Cemetery Blessing



BLESSING: The Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., is shown reciting prayers for the blessing of the on-campus cemetery located near St. Thomas Hall. The ceremony was witnessed by the community of Dominican Fathers who chanted the Litany to the Saints, and the Antonio F. Rotelli family who donated the monument. Inscription on the monument reads, "In prayerful remembrance of our brethren awaiting the resurrection." Fr. Slavin, in a short address later, expressed the gratitude of the Dominican Community to the Rotelli family and to all the benefactors of the College who aided in making the cemetery an actuality.

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## THE CHRISTIAN IDEAL

A popular weekly magazine recently headlined one of its editorials with the statement that "the new liberal arts college ideal is the 'rounded man'." It went on to comment that the student must first delve into the fields of history, philosophy, science, and literature before narrowing himself to a specialized field of endeavor.

Such a movement is gratifying to note in this day and age where the proponents of naturalism, modernism, or what have you have attempted to supercede the supernatural values with the natural, thereby practically sanctioning the elimination of a Supreme Good from our lives.

Our Catholic schools and colleges, it is also gratifying to note, have always maintained that specialization is necessarily the secondary object of education, and that the prime consideration must be accorded to the education of the "whole man". For, as our administrators here say, "Catholic education, which considers human existence in relation to eternity, goes beyond the natural order and teaches the student to live according to the higher principles of supernatural grace, so that his present life may bring him to the enjoyment of everlasting happiness, wherein alone is found human perfection."

This consideration of the ultimate end of man was flagrantly lacking in the aforementioned editorial on the "rounded man." So long as this omission exists, the man will not be completely whole, for, as Pius XI so clearly points out in his encyclical on education, "... since education consists essentially in preparing man for what he must be and for what he must do here below, in order to attain the sublime end for which he was created, it is clear that there can be no true education which is not wholly directed to man's last end ... there can be no ideally perfect education which is not Christian education."

## AS I SEE IT

By MARTIN HAGOPIAN, '50

In my last column, I stressed that Communism should not be outlawed in the United States. I maintained then, and I still insist, that Communism should be fought in the open. It seems that some of my readers (critics) do not agree with me. During a recent speaking engagement at the Statler Hotel in Boston, the number one man of the Justice Department, Attorney General J. Howard McGrath, gave some advice on how to meet the threat of Communism: "Here is something everyone can do. You can devote yourself to knowing the enemy, this cunning, scheming type of godless force taking over. Every living American here, and now, can help this country in this hour of conflicting ideologies by devoting himself to knowing the enemy."

"... by devoting himself to knowing the enemy. ..." The Communist

party operates underground, in part, and if we outlaw them, they will go completely underground. This would be tragic because we would be fighting an invisible foe. As Mr. McGrath said ... "You can devote yourself to knowing our enemy. ..." The best way to accomplish this is by constant public exposition of the Communist ideology and its atheistic (would be) principles. Each American should be told which organization is Communist and also of those organizations who are sympathetic to the Communist cause.

I do not maintain that the outlawing of the Communist party would be totally ineffective. As I see it, such a law would be very unwise and would probably be held unconstitutional. In Moscow, the government tells the people how to think. The passage of this law would be nothing

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## — Book Review —

REVIEWED BY G. M.

When we say that something is significant we mean that its function is to point beyond itself to what should be known.

Paul Blanchard, in his book *American Freedom and Catholic Power*, is concerned with signs and their interpretations. Mr. Blanchard would perhaps like to think of him as a psychiatrist who has the unpleasant task of convincing the children of a strong-minded woman that her actions are such as to indicate, in the public interest, a curtailment of their civil liberties. The incongruity of the medical metaphor would be apparent; no professional services were sought, the doctor's vision has been seriously impaired by the consumption of his own potent medicine, and what he witnessed was one of Aunt Minnie's attacks of indigestion.

In addition to its entertainment value, the book does signify something: the severe anxiety neurosis of contemporary liberalism. One should be more moved to pity than amused by the spectacle of some one suggesting a program of commitment, electro-narcosis, and re-education by an 'adjusted' psycho-therapist to the end that the Mystical Being of Christ might 'adjust' to the normalcy of its secular environment. This, indeed, is a sign, an epiphany. A mystical exaltation of secular society is involved; it is the sacrosanct absolute by which the relative 'sickness' of any group is to be measured. A further indication of the preternatural quality of Blanchardism is its courageous disdain for any rationally substructure for the new mythology. It would be difficult to conceive of a less terrible premise than the belief that only absolutely egalitarian and libertarian organizations are desirable and practicable. Several dispassionate reviews expressed dismay at such obvious naivete. Mr. George Potter, in an exemplary critique in the Providence Journal of April 24th, pointed out that all enduring instructions are necessarily authoritarian and hierarchic in structure.

Curiously enough, the political nominalism which is a hallowed tenet of the liberal faiths derives, insofar as it has a rational referent, from another misreading, this time of an important sign, the scientific method. Liberalism's theoretic account of a valid method reminds one of the late mystagogue, Madame Blavassky, of whom it was said that her knowledge was encyclopedic, and all of it was wrong.

On the rational level, a radical reply to this unitarianism would entail a demonstration that an hierarchy is in the very constitution of things, and that to ignore this primal reality is to be disastrously unscientific. Unfortunately, it is another sign of our times that the rigor of such a demonstration would not come through to the devout liberal. Some of our energetic brethren to the north have dogmatized and the regrettably, haveomatized, that the lack of receptivity to the suave persuasion of truth can only be due to the damnable nature of the receptors, arguing, possibly, from the Thomistic dictum that everything is received by the recipient according to the mode of the recipient. The theory proposed here would seem to give greater credence to man's natural and irreversible desire for truth and beatitude; it could then account for a seeming obtuseness on the part of the secularist. Poetically stated, the appearances would be 'saved' by the explanation that the secularist will have none of our idols of natural; his eyes are fixed in adoration upon a great god of many masks and many names: Demos, L. Liberty, Unity, Tolerance, et al. A penetration of the disguises would reveal a dazzling escutcheon with an antique motto, "Non Serviam."

For us, the relative sophistication of this theory is insufficient. It is not enough to discover that the underlying issue involves divergent ways of love, and that the liberal mystique, to emend Santayana, being a mental grimace of passion refutes what it says by what it is. The condition of incommunication between ourselves and those outside the visible Church exists primarily because in the past the

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## LEST WE FORGET...

AW, JOE DOESN'T MEAN ANY HARM!

DEC. 7, 1941

PEARL HARBOR

WHO WANTS WAR, SAM? HA! HA!

## ARE WE CERTAIN?

The 8th anniversary of the Japanese sneak attack on Pearl Harbor is being observed today. On that fateful Sunday in 1941, we in this country were shocked to hear the news that bombs were dropping on our Pacific island bastion. The news rocketed this country into all-out war with a complete turn-about from isolationism to intervention. Unprepared as we were, with most of our Pacific fleet destroyed, we rose slowly in might and power until, ultimately, we gained a smashing victory over all three of the Axis powers. The attack on Pearl Harbor had shaken us considerably. Yet we triumphed in the end.

Can we be certain today that another attack is not in the offing? There is a real and present danger that history will repeat Pearl Harbor. Today the world is a much smaller place. Airpower is making great strides in shortening the world's distances. It is taken for granted that one certain country has "the Bomb." Our defenses are not impregnable to air attack. Alaska is one notable example of weakness. These are facts which must be faced realistically in appraising our position in a hostile world.

We can be certain of one thing. If the leaders of this certain country believed that they could win a war against us, they would not hesitate. We are their enemy and the bar to their plans for world domination. They will hesitate only in the face of equal or superior strength. They understand that they must exploit weakness and respect strength.

The fact is that we must be as strong as is possible without undermining our economic well-being. Our military strength, important as it is, must, however, be consistent with what our economy can bear. There lies a delicate balance and one difficult to maintain. The balancing calls for clear and resolute decisions as to the relationship between our military and economic strength.

On this anniversary of Pearl Harbor, we should bear in mind that wishful thinking cannot prevent aggression. We must be awake to reality. While we hope and pray fervently for peace, we should take the measures that are necessary for our defense.

## PRAYERS - FOR - PEACE MOVEMENT

The Student Congress of Providence College requests the student body to join in prayer with the prayers-for-peace movement which more than 630 organizations of every creed and description have adopted.

Requirements are simple but effective as can be seen in the resolution adopted by the Kansas State Council, Knights of Columbus, at Manhattan, Kansas:

We, the Knights of Columbus, aware of the power of prayer, urge all men to turn to God, our Father almighty, in prayer for 1 minute daily at 12 noon, each in his own faith, each in his own way, imploring God to so inspire the thoughts and direct the actions of men that charity and justice and peace may reign among the rulers and peoples of the world.



## Shutter-Bugs View Color Exhibit

The Camera Club held its most successful meeting of the semester last Thursday night in room twenty-two of the Science Building. Highlight of the meeting was an interesting color demonstration given by James O'Donnell, '50.

In his demonstration Jim went through the entire process of coloring a picture in the new Kodak Flashchrome method. Besides his demonstration, Jim, who does professional work, gave a short talk about color photography in general. In gratitude for his very interesting demonstration, Jim was voted a full paid-up membership in the Camera Club.

Preceding the demonstration a short business meeting was held. Tentative plans were formulated for a social meeting on Dec. 15, and a mid-year photography exhibit.

## Tertiaries To Hold Meeting On Sunday

The regular monthly meeting of the Third Order of St. Dominic will be held at Aquinas Chapel, Sunday afternoon, Dec. 11, 1949, at 2:30 p. m. A short discussion on the rule and a question period will follow in the lounge. The plans of the year will also be formulated at this meeting. The officers wish to extend a cordial invitation to the freshmen to attend this meeting.

### DONATE TO O. S. P.

The Friars Club and the Fall River Club each voted recently to donate five dollars to the O. S. P. (Overseas Service Program) thereby setting the pace and example for the other college organizations on and off the campus. All other groups, it is expected by the Student Congress, will vote similar donations for the fund.

## "P.C. Looks Forward To Athletic Future"

At a recent meeting of the Providence Gridiron Club, Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., President of Providence College, made the statement that Providence College "is looking forward to an athletic future, beginning with the construction of a new gymnasium. I hope to announce soon that its start is an actual thing."

In the same vein is the following announcement from the Chaplain's office: According to Father McKenna, the building of the new gymnasium can be hastened if the student body will co-operate by selling the chance books which were recently distributed. Those who have been with us for the past few years know how financially successful this endeavor has been, especially in the last two years. There is no reason why it should not be possible to surpass all previous efforts this year. Providence College needs a gymnasium. Everyone here appreciates that need. If all do their best we can have a gymnasium in the near future.

## WDOM Selects Operational Staff

After a gratifying turnout of applicants, the Executive Board of WDOM, Campus Broadcasting Service, has selected its operational staff for the year. The Board did so only after careful scrutiny and personal interviews, for it was their aim to appoint those who seemed best suited for the positions available.

Those named were: Engineering Staff, William Cole Jr., '53, Sanford Goredesky, '52, Frank Scholan, '51 and David Smith, '51. Those comprising the Sports Staff are: Thomas Rieley, '50, Thomas Shola, '52. Handling Administrative work is Pat Joyce, '52. The Writing Staff is: William Regan, '50, Roger Nani, '53 and Paul de Tournancour, '52. Staff announcers: Jay Rolison, '51, Paul Stein, '51, Philip Sheridan, '52, George Markham, '50, and Bertrand Cullen, '53. Publicity is by William Donnelly, '51.

The Executive Board is composed of John Morrissette, '51, and Edward Mollicelli, '51, Co-managers; Production Manager, Harold Pace, '51, and Frank R. Iacono, '52, the Program Director. The Reverend Father Murtaugh, head of the College Physics Department, is moderator of the group.

Minor difficulties have prevented the station from immediately going on the air. One of these being the procurement of records for a musical library, as it is the policy of the Campus Broadcasting Service to bring the best in recorded music and other means of entertainment. As soon as this and a few technical difficulties are overcome, WDOM, Campus Broadcasting Service, will be beaming its programs of entertainment and service for the benefit of Providence College's Faculty and resident students.

## WDOM Executive Board



THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF STATION WDOM: (Reading left to right) Production Manager, Harold Pace, '51; Co-Managers, John Morrissette, '51, and Edward Mollicelli, '51; Program Director, Frank R. Iacono, '52.

## Santa's Frolic Is Howling Success

"Nor sleet, nor sorm, now howling gale" stops the Junior Veridames of Providence College. Last Friday night's inclement weather did not stop some 180 dancers from attending that group's third informal dance in the Student's Lounge of Harkins Hall. The Leonard Brothers provided their usual brand of good dance music. Crepe streamers, and silvered letters proclaiming "Santa's Frolic", constituted the interior decorations; while the icy night added further to the seasonal theme. Again, sorry to say, the young ladies outnumbered the gentlemen in attendance.

Weather considered, the dance was

a success. A new feature was added to the familiar routine, with the presentation of door prizes: ear rings for the winning lady, and cuff links for the lucky gentleman.

Serving as chaperones were Mrs. Anthony Lucas and Mrs. Augusta Leoffler. Junior Veridames who deserve credit for the affair are the Misses Barbara Sullivan, chairman, Margaret Mulvey, Anna McDougal, Mary Dolan, Mary Carrol, and Marie Clark. The Rev. Edward A. McDermott was on hand to observe and cheer on the proceedings.

## Newport County Club Holds Dance, Supper

The Newport County Club held a dance and a buffet supper in Middletown town hall Nov. 26. Also at the affair the club's raffle was run off. Winner of first prize, a portable radio, was Miss Holly Hartung of Halidon Hill, Newport, R. I.

General chairman of the affair was Walter E. McAlpine, '52; he was assisted ably by Thomas J. Hydec, '50, club president, and other officers. Decorations in the dance hall and the dining room were arranged by Mortimer A. Sullivan, '51, Hank Jones, '51, Frank Dwyer, '51, Walter McAlpine, '52, Stanley Hootes, '53, Del Herbert, '53, Andrew B. Conheeny, '53, Harry Sullivan, '53, Jay Lynch, '51, and Austin Nagle, '51. The music committee was Joseph Lalli, '51, Ray Garcia, '51, Roger Aubin, '53, and Daniel Hughes, '53.

The Rev. Paul M. James, O.P., moderator of the club, assisted the committees.

Pictures of the meeting were taken by Edward Strack, '50, Friar Photo President, for use in the Veritas, the school Yearbook.

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# FRIARS WIN OPENER, PLAY FAIRFIELD TONIGHT

## ♦ ♦ ♦ SPORTS PANORAMA ♦ ♦ ♦

By Dave Connors, Jr.

### ONE WON . . .

Although Providence College played and won the opener on the 22 game schedule the Friars looked far from impressive against Assumption College last Saturday night. The Friars gave the impression that they were struggling for every point. Against Assumption this should not have been the case because the Worcester boys were not in the same class with P.C. However that was the way the game unfolded.

It was very definite to observers that the players were very tight. There was little freedom and looseness to their motions and when those two essentials are missing a team is in for a rough night. And that was the case Saturday. Perhaps the nervousness evidently displayed was a result of opening game 'jitters.' There is no other good reason. The players had the shots, the fast break was working, and on many occasions the play patterns unfolded to perfection. However the players would get under the hoop and then the ball would go every place but through the nets.

The Friars, especially after seeing them in some of their earlier practice scrimmages, are a much better club than they showed Saturday and it wouldn't surprise me a bit to see them come into their own tonight. And, against a better club too.

One of the amazing things about Saturday's game was the tremendous crowd in attendance. I don't have any figures but I would say that it was perhaps the largest opening game attendance in P.C. basketball history, at least for a home opener.

The Friars after tonight's contest with Fairfield have a road game Saturday night with American International College at Springfield and then

next Thursday night the big one with Rhode Island State.

This will be one of the earliest dates in history for the two teams to meet and their is a good possibility that both quintets will enter the contest undefeated, which should make for a big night next Thursday at the Rhode Island Auditorium. Of course A.I.C. and Boston College could spoil that possibility. State plays B.C. in the Boston Garden and St. John's in Madison Square Garden. State and the Friars will have to be at their best against these teams to insure that meeting of the undefeated next week.

### THRILLER . . .

The game between Southern Methodist and Notre Dame last Saturday, ringing down the curtain on the 1949 season, was a thriller that compares favorably with all the great contests of the past. In fact the 1935 Ohio State-Notre Dame game which is generally accepted as the greatest gridiron thriller in the last twenty years, had nothing on last Saturday's contest. Although the Notre Dame 18-13, if memory serves me correctly, win over State in 1935 ruined an undefeated season for State and a National Championship. Saturday's contest, if Southern Methodist had prevailed, would not only have taken the mythical National Championship away from Notre Dame but it would have also brought to an end an undefeated string that has run through four years.

intramural ping-pong tournament to be played on the new tables set up in the students' lounge. These matches will be played during the course of the week. Second round play will start next Monday.

The lineups for the three basketball loops has been announced by Director of Intramurals Larry Drew. They are as follows: 11:30 league, Soph Arts, Froshmore, Dixie Dugans, Senior Science, Cranston Green, and possibly the Physicists; 12:30 circuit, Woonsocket, Fall River, New Bedford, Senior Arts, Soph Science I, Pawtucket, Soph Science II, La Salle I, Blackstone Valley, La Salle II, Ramblers, Cranston Club, and the Shmoos; the 1:30 loop will be composed of eight teams from the business section.

## Intramural Hoop League Starts Play

The current intramural basketball season opened last week with the Pawtucket Club outclassing the New Bedford Club, 49-33. The victors, all former St. Raphael's players, led all the way in winning the opener. Kaveny of the winners was the leading scorer, garnering 22 points. His play-making teammate, McKnight, registered 12. Duchaine and Bunting were the top point makers for the losers, scoring 13 and 11, respectively.

Eighteen singles and six doubles matches have been scheduled in the

## 1949 Intramural Football Champions



First row, left to right: Ray O'Rourke, Mike Moise, Pat Saccoccia, Tom DePetro, Jim O'Dea.  
Second row, left to right: Ed Poier, Ken MacDonald, Jerry Alexander, Tom Gleason.

## Pete Louthis Calls Boxing Candidates For Opening Drills

By Dick Boulet

Coach Pete Louthis has put out a call for all fellows interested in boxing, or interested in learning to box. All they have to do is go down to the equipment room and sign up. Coach Louthis stresses the point that no experience is necessary for candidates will be matched. He will start from scratch, according to weight and experience, and teach the fellows good, sound boxing, consisting of a good defense and accurate punching.

As has been noted, no experience is necessary, but it is essential that the fellows sign up as soon as possible. Coach Louthis has plans for staging two or three boxing nights such as were held last year. When the winners have been decided, he hopes to arrange a meet with the intramural boxing team from another college.

But, he cannot follow these plans through unless you fellows display interest by signing up at the equipment room as soon as possible.

## Frosh Lose Opener Bowing to Newman

By John Saleses

Last Saturday night the freshman basketball team was defeated, 68-55, in its inaugural of the 1949-1950 campaign by a fast moving Newman Prep team from Boston at the Mount Pleasant High gym.

Bill Reidy led the Martinmen in scoring 12. His hustle up and down court contributed to the cause. Beaver Powers did well as a play-maker in helping to set up several scoring plays. Bob Prendergast helped in clearing the backboards and in scoring he was tied with Powers at 11. Jim Kirby scored 9 and Andy Bell scored 6. Bell turned in a good job by clearing the backboards against Harrington.

Cronin, Harrington, and Barry led the Newman Prep team to victory. Harrington, who is 6'6", was one of the outstanding factors for his team's win. He is surprisingly fast and agile for a big man.

The next freshman game will be part of a double-header with Marianapolis tonight at Mount Pleasant gym. The varsity will play Fairfield.

### FRESHMAN BASKETBALL

#### SCHEDULE 1949 - 1950

- Dec. 3—Newman Prey—Providence
- Dec. 7—Marianapolis Academy—Providence
- Dec. 15—Rhode Island State—R. I. Auditorium
- Dec. 17—R. I. C. E.—Providence
- Jan. 11—Bryant College—Providence
- Jan. 12—Nichols College—Massachusetts
- Jan. 14—Springfield College—Providence
- Jan. 17—Holy Cross College—Worcester
- Jan. 21—Bryant College—Bryant
- Jan. 24—Boston College—Boston
- Jan. 28—Edgewood Junior College—Providence
- Feb. 10—Attleboro High School—Attleboro
- Feb. 11—Brown University—Providence
- Feb. 15—Nichols College—Providence
- Feb. 18—Springfield College—Springfield
- Feb. 22—Naval Academy and Prep School—Newport
- Feb. 25—R. I. C. E.—R. I. C. E.
- Feb. 28—Marianapolis—Marianapolis
- March 3—Rhode Island State—Kingston
- March 4—Boston College—Providence
- March 8—Clark University—Worcester

## RED STAGS HOPE TO UPSET P. C. CUDDYMEN MEET A.I.C. SATURDAY

FRANCIS S. KANE

Tonight at 8:30 P.M., Providence College will square off against the basketball forces of Fairfield University at the Mount Pleasant High School Gymnasium. In the preliminary at 7:00 P.M. the Friar Frosh will meet Marianapolis.

This will mark the second start of the season for the Friar

## Ticket Sale Starts For R.I. State Game

Tickets for the Providence College vs. Rhode Island State game on Dec. 15, at the Rhode Island Auditorium, are now on sale at the Athletic Office in Harkins Hall, according to an announcement made by the Rev. Aloysius B. Begley O.P., P. C.'s Athletic Director, yesterday.

Students will sit on the floor and tickets for admission to these seats will be 60 cents. These tickets will be sold to students only upon presentation of the student athletic book.

Father Begley also announced that students who wish to take a guest will be allowed to buy a reserved seat ticket priced at \$2.50 for \$1.25. Only one of these tickets will be allowed to a student. Other reserved seat tickets are priced at \$1.80.

Students are advised to get floor seat tickets as early as possible as the supply is limited.

## Coates Schedules Winter Track Dates

By Jack Shea

The Providence College track squad will embark on a very ambitious indoor schedule shortly after the Christmas holidays. Coach Harry Coates has entered the team in most of the leading meets to be held in the East. The season gets underway at the Knights of Columbus meet at Brooklyn on January 7.

The mile relay team perhaps holds the brightest prospects for the coming season. Presently, Captain Gerry McGuirk, Dan Walsh, Jack Cassidy, Jim Penler, Bob Aldrich and Jerry Kallman are battling for the four positions on this team.

Coach Coates also has high hopes for half-miler Bill Sherry. The New Jersey flash developed rapidly last year and by the end of the season was covering the 880-yard run in the excellent time of 1:57. Good performances are also expected from Keenan, Shanley, Alexander, McMullen, Barra, and other members of the squad. Walsh and Penler are expected to do well in the dash events on top of their work on the relay team.

Coach Coates also feels that he has material present for the development of a fairly good two-mile relay team.

The caliber of the competition that the Friars will encounter in these meets is such that P. C. perhaps will not garner too many firsts, but nevertheless, they should be able to give a good account of themselves at all times. The schedule as released by the athletic office is as follows:

- Jan. 7—Brooklyn, K. of C. Meet.
- Jan. 14—Boston Y.M.C.A. Meet.
- Jan. 21—Boston, K. of C. Meet.
- Jan. 28—Milrose A. A. Games, New York.
- Feb. 4—Boston, A. A. Games.
- Feb. 11—N. Y. A. C. Meet.
- Feb. 18—National A. A. U. Championships, New York.
- Feb. 25—Intercollegiate Championships, New York.
- March 4—New York, K. of C. Meet.
- March 25—Providence College Outdoor Board Track Meet.

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hoopsters and the first of two contests scheduled for this week. The other contest being against the American International College in Springfield on Saturday.

In tonight's game, P.C. will be facing a veteran Fairfield aggregation that gave them considerable trouble in their second meeting of last year's campaign. So it is expected that the Cuddymen will have to play a hustling brand of basketball if they desire to continue the winning ways inaugurated against Assumption on last Saturday evening.

The starting lineup for tonight's game has not been definitely set in its entirety as of this writing, but Coach Cuddy will undoubtedly rely on the following for a major share of the heavy duty: Co-Captains Walter Lososki and Art Wienstock, Ray Garcia, Sam Nissel, Frank Pellegrino, Ray Kortuski and Jim Schlimm. All of these men played important roles in the 53-44 conquest of Assumption.

As is so often the case in opening games, the contest against Assumption was one that left a great deal to be desired from the point of view of championship basketball. Particularly during the first ten minutes of action, the Friars put on a performance that was mainly highlighted by its lack of performance. Constant fumbling and miscuing by the squad individually and collectively reminded one of games seen in high school days.

During this stage, Coach Cuddy substituted freely in an effort to steady the game down. Apparently this was the answer to the problem as the team's play picked up from this point on. Eventually the men, who were substituted for, were returned to action and they proceeded to exhibit the caliber of play originally expected of them.

Leaving the floor at half time with only a slight margin of 21-18 points in their favor, the squad returned to action in the second half as an entirely different ball club.

The same Assumption team, that had furnished such adequate opposition during the first canto, now appeared as a totally impotent entity in comparison to the highflying Friars. Playing the best basketball of the evening at this stage of the game, they romped quickly to a 31-22 lead and were never again overtaken.

High hope for the future should be obtained from the performance during these minutes. It found a team that could do no wrong. A team that made up for every miscue of the first half by a successful play in the second half. The latter part of the contest found both sides tired and not playing up to par. To Assumption's credit is the fact that they never gave up until the final whistle.

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Dear Editor:

In reply to the person who signed his name as "Baggy-briches" in the last edition of the COWL, I would wager that this person would spend quite a bit of time and effort in dressing himself, were he attending any one of the numerous dances that take place either at the college or in various sections of the city. Yes, I am quite sure that he'd have his best suit on, cleaned and pressed; a dazzling cravat, shining shoes, hair slicked down and the rest.

I am also certain that our "Seventy-five dollar a month" friend was regulation dressed when he stood inspection in the service. Yet, when asked to wear a tie and coat to class, (nothing was said about neatly-creased pants), he feels insulted and thinks himself burdened with a great injustice.

Incidentally, nobody has ever asserted that clothes make the gentleman, but they might possibly make a person look like a gentleman—even if he

isn't. So if for no other reason, wear the prescribed coat and tie to respect the gentleman who is teaching you, and trying to make the same out of you.

(Signed) Just as baggy as yours.

To the Editor:

The stupid, ungentlemanly, inconsiderable conduct of some of our counterfeit college students should no longer be suffered by the school authorities. You can witness these caricatures of men of the college level by simply stepping into the library. The only thing that isn't done there is smoking. You will become more strikingly convinced of what I mean if you can but hear these ??? addressed in harsh tones by one of the librarians. I did not think it necessary to tell college students to "shut up". But I am convinced that here, very unfortunately, it is quite necessary. It is time that something be done for the bonafide college man.

—An irate sophomore

## Barristers . . .

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Federal Government Should Nationalize all Basic Non-Agricultural Industries. Robert Edge, '51 and John Corbin, '51, debated the negative for John Marshall. The judge was Rev. John J. Mallory, O.P., of the P. C. faculty. The debate was held at Albertus Magnus Auditorium.

The attendance at both of these debates numbered over one hundred people. Because of the wonderful reception given the debate at Valley Falls and the good attendance, the Barristers will schedule more of their debates before the Knights of Columbus meetings. These debates are open to the public, so that students from the school may attend.

## Book Review . . .

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generality of Catholics have not been sufficiently motivated by charity to bridge the ever widening chasm. Things may very well have come to the state where people will no longer be convinced by Christian propositions but only by Christian actions. This book may be a sign that our choices will soon be narrowed down to this: "We must love one another, or die."

—G. M.

Editors note: The American Press has published a reply to Paul Blanshard's *American Freedom and Catholic Power*, by George H. Dunne, S.J. It would be worthwhile for every student to possess this excellent refutation of Blanshard's scurrilous attack on the Church in America. The reply, published in the form of a twenty-five cent pamphlet, may be had at the bookstore.

## Glee Club . . .

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## New Information On Foreign Study Given By Fr. Dore

On Friday, December 2, David B. Wodlinger, Director of the Fulbright Program, addressed the Institutions of Higher Learning at the New England Association of Colleges meeting in Boston. He reviewed the history and purposes of the Fulbright Act. The Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P., has digested what he considered new and pertinent information in Mr. Wodlinger's address.

### General Requirements:

1. American citizenship.
2. Bachelor's degree or equivalent.
3. Language competence.

### Basic of Selection:

1. Personal qualifications — Applicants must be scholars and capable of favorably representing American culture abroad.
2. Academic record and future promise. A faculty report on the interest of the applicant must be filed. The faculty should be concerned with the quality of selection, and should reflect the professors' unbiased opinion. This information should be supplied to the Fulbright Advisor at the school. Barnard College, Columbia University invited a prominent French lecturer to lecture in French to students applying for France. They were told to write a digest immediately upon the conclusion of the lecture, to show that they could take notes in lectures delivered in French.
3. Project or study plan of applicant. This statement of purpose is very important for the appraisal of the National Committee. A special appraisal should accompany the application. This notation or statement should include a summary of the opinions of the faculty and the Fulbright Advisor on recommendations of the applicant.

### Other Items of Information:

1. The Fulbright Scholarships are reciprocal and operate two ways; that is, students from Foreign Countries to the United States and American students to Fulbright-approved Countries.
2. The G.I. Bill of Rights and the Fulbright Scholarships are entirely independent. A student may use the full benefits of each.

## Civil Service Lists Available Positions

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for Physical Science Aid to fill positions paying from \$2,200 to \$3,100 in various Federal agencies in Washington D. C. and vicinity. The optional branches covered by this examination are chemistry, physics, metallurgy, geology, mathematics, and other branches of physical science except meteorology.

To qualify for these positions, all applicants will be required to take a written test. In addition, for positions paying \$2,450 and above, they must have had from 1 to 4 years of appropriate experience in the physical sciences. For the higher grades, part of this experience must have been in a specific branch of physical science, depending upon the position for which application is made. Pertinent education may be substituted for the required experience.

The age limits, 18 to 62 years, will be waived for veterans.

Further information and application forms may be obtained from most first- and second-class post offices, from civil service regional offices, or from the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applications must be received in the Commission's Washington office not later than December 13, 1949.

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3. Applicants—"got to be good." They must be of scholarship character.
4. Students with Bachelor's degrees will be at a disadvantage in applying for the United Kingdom, because many applicants for these scholarships will have M.A. degrees.

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## Yearbook Begins Drive For Patrons

According to Roger Jackson, '50, Business Manager of the Veritas and Vincent Skenyon, '50, Advertising Manager, the Yearbook is beginning their drive for paid ads for the 1950 edition. In an attempt to supplement the usual channels of revenue, the VERITAS plans to solicit the aid of the entire student body in obtaining ads.

Any student of the college who feels that he can obtain ads for the Yearbook is requested to see either Mr. Jackson or Mr. Skenyon and receive from them a contract which they can have completed by the prospective advertiser.

The members of the Senior Class are especially requested to cooperate in this drive for paid space in the Yearbook. The prices are reasonable for a publication of this type. If you have parents or close friends in business you are asked to approach them on this matter. Club Presidents will be solicited in the near future in regard to the placement of their Club Ad. A great many of the clubs in the college have been contacted and the response has been gratifying. The Business Staff of the VERITAS hopes to see every club in the college represented this year.

The appeal is put before the student body as a whole. If you know of anyone who is willing to place an ad or who might be interested in the financial support of the VERITAS you are requested to contact them yourselves with a contract in hand or turn their names over to Roger Jackson and Vincent Skenyon.

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## Carolán Club Holds Two Social Events

The Carolán Club in its series of social activities sponsored on December 1st a double feature movie to its members. Main feature was *Angel on My Shoulder* with Paul Muni, Claude Rains, and Anne Baxter; the co-feature was *Leather Pushers*.

The previous social activity was an interesting lecture by Father John Larnen on "Stage and Screen Censorship." Father Larnen was connected with the Legion of Decency for a number of years, therefore, providing excellent material for his lecture.

Joseph Comerford, chairman of the Carolán Club Social Committee, introduced Father Larnen; and was in charge of the recent movie.

## Hayes . . .

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difficult to collect since they exist in one or two copies only. "When you have collected all these," said Dr. Hayes, "You have refurbished a nation's memory. For fifteen hundred years a thread of interest in the spiritual and intellectual has run through the fabric of Irish History. For the sake of that thread alone the reconstruction of Irish civilization is of interest to Europe and America in this material age."

A special grant is made by the Irish government each year to further the job of collecting these Irish manuscripts and records scattered throughout the world. Thirty thousand documents have been microfilmed in Spain alone, mostly of 16th and 17th century origin recording relations between Spain and Ireland in these centuries and of the flight of Irishmen to Spain after the Elizabethan wars. Similar work is now being done at the Bibliotheque Nationale in Paris.

He told the class that the filming of private documents depends on the goodwill of the owners of such documents but it is an interesting pursuit. Any old house in Ireland which has been inhabited by the same family for several generations is a mine. Many private documents were destroyed in 1918 when they were sold as waste to the makers of paper pulp. And many public documents were destroyed in the burning of the Public Archives in 1922. Dr. Hayes hopes to rebuild the documents in that fire from private papers. As an example of rare finds he showed a copy of a deed given the monks of Mellifont by King John twelve years before the Magna Charta was drawn up. It had been found in a country house, among 19th century papers. He also showed two pages of a Life of St. Patrick, written in the 9th century, which were found in a 19th century book. They proved to be the pages missing from the Bodleian Library manuscript. Another interesting find was a twenty-two volume record of the expenditures of the Edgewood family from 1728-1770. Dr. Hayes advised: "Such are title deeds of Irish Civilization. But I like to think of them as title deeds of a larger civilization which

## Cemetery Monument Kent County Club To Meet Tonight



The Kent County Club will meet tonight at 7:30 at the Show Boat, Tiogue State Road, Lake Tiogue, Coventry, it has been announced by George E. Forcier, Jr., '50, club president, and Raymond Levesque, '50, co-chairman of the social committee. All members are urged to attend. An important business session will highlight the meeting and final preparations will be made for the coming Holiday Frolic. Tickets for the affair will be distributed.

Plans for the informal Christmas dance to be held Tuesday, December 27, at the Valley Ledgemont Country Club, New London Avenue, on the Warwick-West Warwick city line, were formulated at a club meeting held November 23 at Eddie's Cafe, in Warwick. A new member from Warwick, James Daley, 53, joined the club at this time.

President Forcier, commenting on the Holiday Frolic, said: "All Kent County undergraduates and alumni of Providence College are welcome. Music will be by Bob Duchesneau and his Orchestra." Noting that there are at least over one hundred P. C. graduates in Kent County, he added that "many prominent alumni are expected to attend."

I wish I were a kangaroo  
Despite the way he prances,  
For I'd have a paunch to hold the stuff  
My girl friend brings to dances.  
The Tower (St. Anselm's College)

## As I See It . . .

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ing less than thought control and other minorities (non-Communist) would be endangered. Therefore, we would be lowering Americans to the same level as the Communists and Fascists, of late.

Mr. McGrath went on to say, "... we must practice the concepts of American Democracy by voting into office honest men, and voting out of office the dishonest. . . ." We can and we must protect our liberty, freedom, and our great form of government. The establishment of thought control would certainly be a backward step. The only way we can defeat Communism, short of war, is to expose them and punish those who have actually taken steps to overthrow the government by force (Smith Act).

## Fulbright Act . . .

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There will be no disadvantage for A.B. students in other countries.

5. Students will have to accept the University designated by the Board of Scholarships in the foreign countries.

6. Allowances vary with the standard of living of the respective countries; 400 pounds a year for a single student in England, 30,000 francs a month for France.

7. A student may file application for more than one country. Complete forms must be filed in each instance. He should designate his order of choice.

## Father Dore To Head Minimum Wage Board

The Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P., Dean of Studies, was recently named by the Director of Labor, Arthur Devine, to head the Minimum Wage Board for Restaurants and Hotel Restaurants in Rhode Island.

The Minimum Wage Board is a committee set up to revise the wage order for restaurants and hotel restaurants' occupations. Fr. Dore was chairman of the Board which set up the original restaurant board that went into effect in Rhode Island on November 15, 1944.

Fr. Dore will head a committee of nine consisting of three employee representatives, three employer representatives and three representatives selected from the public.

There were these two engineering school grads who were arguing over how to build a house. One said that the roof should be made first, the other wanted to start with the walls.

Things came to an impasse; so finally they went to a contractor and asked him which should be constructed first, the wall or the roof.

The contractor promptly answered, "the walls of course. Now go tear the roof down." (St. Anselm's Tower)

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