Introducing

“A Score Ago”

One afternoon last May, Alan White and I were trying to tidy up the Cowl office before parting for summer vacation. As I was rummaging through one of our filing cabinets, I discovered a bound book of copies of the 1953-1954 Cows. Since I have always enjoyed nostalgia, I immediately began to browse through the book.

The format of the 1953 Cowl interested me. Each issue was four or six pages with rather short news articles, well-written editorials, book reviews, columns, fine sports articles, and a number of advertisements, especially cigarette advertisements. Then, I was struck with the following idea: Why not reprint a number of these articles in the form of a supplement to the Cowl next fall?

The next week, with the intent of publishing a four-page supplement, I visited the Archives (which until this time, I did not know existed) to have articles mimeographed. While I was there, I decided to look through some old yearbooks. Why not reprint pictures also?

I decided to contact the editors of the 1953 Cowl with the hopes that they could help me. After receiving only one response, I concluded that I would have to search elsewhere for help. I thought that if members of the faculty and student body of 1953 could contribute articles, it would spice up the issue.

After asking Drs. Thomson and Fortin to contribute stories, I dropped Mr. Cuddy a note. I was also able to convince members of the Cowl editorial board and staff to research various topics. Finally, I sought assistance from the Alumni Association.

Thus, a four-page supplement (pages seven through ten) somehow developed into a sixteen-page special which has been named “A Score Ago”. I hope that the special will point out the differences and similarities of Providence College 1953 to Providence College 1973.

A Tip of the Hat

“A Score Ago” represents the combined efforts of students, faculty, administrators and alumni. A number of people have been instrumental in the production of this work. I would especially like to thank the following people:

Mr. Matthew Smith
Miss Jane Jackson
Ann Frank
Dr. Paul van K. Thomson
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Mr. Vincent Cuddy
Robert Phillips
Daniel J. Gleason
Mr. Robert Moran
Stephen Silverstri
Changing Systems

Simplicity Frames College
Academic life in ’53—’54

(EDITOR’S NOTE: In 1953, Dr. Paul Van K. Thomson was a Professor of English at Providence College. In the following article, the present Vice-President for Academic Affairs discusses academics in 1953.)

Academic life at Providence College in 1953 was generally tranquil, and teaching and learning were among the campus activities. This tranquility of mind permitted an almost effortless assimilation of the facts. It was true that in general and American Catholicism in particular. But it was also true the tone set by Robert J. Slavin, O.F., for as President he radiated a great deal of energy that was evidently directed to the attainment of goals which he seemed to have the slightest doubt. He assumed total responsibility and commanded an extraordinary amount of respect, not only on the campus but also in civic and academic circles generally.

He was a great presence and his presence was felt everywhere. In the academic year 1953-1954 the faculty had no Senate, no Manual, no Rank and Tenure, no Offices — and the staff was also a rank. There were 90 instructors, of whom only 18 were tenured. The total number of those holding the Ph.D. was 21 and of these 3 were laymen. The catalog put it this way: “The Faculty of Providence College is largely composed of professors who are members of the Order and are, to a large extent, popularly known as the Dominican Order. The continual expansion of the College has required the addition of a clausal number of selected, carefully selected, highly capable, professional professors.”

The student body, totally male and largely commuter, was about 1400, with a considerable number of veterans of military service. Many of these brought with them a maturity of outlook and seriousness of purpose that contributed to the quality of a certain stability in campus affairs.

Tuition was an unbelievable $195 per semester. Room and board in Aquinas — the only dormitory — was $300 per semester. The library, which was housed in Harkins Hall, which was a place well suited for reading. It was a place well suited for thinking, and the law of life is the law of life everywhere, and change. To be alive is to be caught up in that paradox, and the same paradox of being alive in the world of Providence College in 1973 and Providence College as it was in 1953 reflect that.

Paul van K. Thomson
Vice President
for Academic Affairs

Memo From the Editor

For six long months, Ed Cimini, Assistant Editor of The Cowl, and Special Coordinator of the “A Score Ago” supplement, has devoted much time, energy, and creation to an idea: today, you read the tangible results of his efforts. Working from a thought which might have been tossed aside as a passing whim, Ed Cimini has constructed this special issue, what might be termed, a masterpiece of contrasts. With a need to reflect upon its past, in order to assist its guidance in future planning, Providence College should look long and hard on the comparisons that this issue provides. As in good Euclidean Geometry, where two points determine a line, the points in time of 1953 and 1973, just might be those which will direct Providence College along the path toward “Veritas”.

Two years ago, I had the honor and pleasure of editing another special supplement to The Cowl. That supplement was a reflection of the ideas of “Women’s Consciousness”. Construction of that first full year of collegian, it was an excellent and proper welcome to the Women of Providence College. It, perhaps, capitalized the positive statement and creation, of and necessity for Providence College as a true Catholic college.

First, I cannot overstate the affect that coeducation has had upon Providence College. In speaking with various women students, faculty members, and laymen, I have found that The Cowl can be the place where women feel that they can contribute to the fullest and to the greatest extent they are able. In this way, students have felt that their voice can be heard in the “Women’s Consciousness” supplement, Administrators, Faculty members, and Alumni, have joined with Students in reflecting upon that which The Cowl can be. I have been able to see that a community of open communications at Providence College does exist, and can be shown evident in the most obvious and tangible form: the paper and ink of a newspaper.

In the “Women’s Consciousness” supplement, I urge all to read it carefully. After reading, remembering, and enjoying its content, realize fully your part in Providence College’s history. Read it with the pride that you can have for your college, and fulfill your role in its family.

Sincerely,
Edward D. Cimini ’76

FORUM

“Fortin > Moran”
When the Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., became the sixth president of Providence College on June 4, 1947, he brought with him a number of significant changes that would shape the institution for years to come. Born on March 20, 1915, Slavin was the son of Michael and Anna Slavin, and he was raised in the Cleveland area. After graduating from Western Reserve University in 1937, he entered the Order of Preachers and was ordained a priest in 1941.

Slavin's presidency was marked by a number of initiatives. He was a strong advocate for the arts and the humanities, and he placed a great deal of emphasis on the importance of education. He was also known for his ability to build bridges between the college and the community, and he worked hard to create a sense of belonging among students.

One of Slavin's most notable achievements was the establishment of the Providence College Foundation, which was created in 1949 to provide financial support for the college. He also worked to expand the college's facilities, and he oversaw the construction of a new gymnasium and a new library.

Slavin's presidency was not without its challenges, however. The college faced financial difficulties during his tenure, and he had to make difficult decisions about budget cuts. Nevertheless, Slavin remained committed to the mission of the college and to the education of its students.

In 1964, Slavin announced his retirement from the presidency, and he was succeeded by the Very Rev. Francis C. O'Connell, O.P. Slavin remained active in education and in the community, and he continued to be a source of inspiration to his former students and colleagues.

Fr. Slavin: The Dominating Force of the 50's

Exactly, "a score ago," Fr. Dore had been associated with Providence College since 1919. In an interview with Stephen D'Oliveira, Fr. Dore relates tales of the past.

by Stephen D'Oliveira

Editor's note: Fr. Dore has been a member of the faculty. His role in the administration of Providence College is discussed in the following section.

Fr. Dore: P.C.'s Old Bag

Fr. Dore: "I was beginning his first year as Academic Vice President of the College. A position he was to hold until his retirement in 1971. His involvement with activities at the college continued after his retirement, and he remained an active member of the Providence College community until his death in 1990.

Dore was a member of the faculty for over 50 years, and he was well respected for his dedication to his craft. He was also known for his love of the arts and the humanities, and he was a strong advocate for the importance of education.

In his retirement, Dore continued to be involved in the college community, and he remained a respected member of the Providence College family. He passed away in 2000, and he is remembered fondly by his former students and colleagues.

Fr. Dore's legacy continues to be felt at Providence College, where he was a beloved member of the faculty and a respected leader in the college community. His contributions to the college and to the community as a whole are remembered with fondness and respect.

But now here's a much more refined view: you can take your campus, and its good, I think. I guess they were more of a heap syndicate. Father Slavin's proper term, because of the war, and for many other reasons. I suppose.

Something happened. So much so that they voted not to give a Class of 1947, but they did give the whole history of the college, and at the end of the year, I heard the President of the Student Congress get up and say, 'This is the beginning of a new era. This is the beginning of a new era.' And I just thought, aren't we going to have a good President? And I just thought, aren't we going to have a good President? And I just thought, aren't we going to have a good President? And I just thought, aren't we going to have a good President?

So I think there is a reliable difference between the student body that I find myself. I think it's healthier, they've got more of a sense of humor, they give more to give to, these guys. They're tight.

Fr. Dore was then asked, how he felt about Providence College turning 75.

He replied, "It was the best that was ever happened. And I think that it did what it did was purely of the animals we've got around here. I wouldn't change anything. I would not have had it any other way."

Another thing, maybe this has something to do with it, I told you before when they were all here. I'm a member of the Government, Administration, and War, and the Government and so on. Vietnam.

Nowadays you walk by, par- don the pun, you walk by with a girl, they both smile at you, which is quite a change believe it or not.

I think the girls have challenged the boys a lot. I think that it has come in some came as freshmen. The percentage was twice as many girls as there were boys in the freshman class, and it was only one third of the ordinary college, we had a good student body and I think it's a result of that the boys are thinking a little more more serious study."
The Growth of the Campus

Providence College 1953

1. Bishop Harkins Hall  
2. Albertus Magnus Science Hall  
3. Donnelly Hall  
4. St. Thomas House  
5. Cemetery  
6. Antoninus Hall  
7. Aquinas Hall  
8. War Memorial Grotto  
9. Guzman Hall  
10. Bishop Hendricken Field  
11. Site of Proposed Gymnasium  
12. Parking Area

Providence College 1973
Fr. Lennon Expounds on College Life in 1953

by Ann Frank

The following is a result of a half-hour interview with Fr. J. Lennon, O.P. In light of the fact that Fr. Lennon is well-known as an anti-feminist, resulting from the publication of his booklet WHEN THE GIRLS COME, Ann admits being rather nervous the day she went to see him. To add to her nervousness, it seems that Fr. Lennon's secretary called the COWL office that morning, requesting one of the "young men" to step in for the interview. Instead, Ann appeared, finding Fr. Lennon to be a warm, open and hospitable person. She thanks him now, for his cooperation and good sense of humor.

On P.C. in General

Fr. Joseph L. Lennon, O.P., was a Dean of Men, and an Assistant Dean of Residence; he received his Phd from the University of Notre Dame.

On Father Slavin

According to Fr. Lennon, O.P., the direction of Providence College changed with the arrival of the Very Reverend Robert J. Slavin, O.P. He was a man with a sharp mentality, an excellent lecturer and a "loeimging" personality. As the President of Providence College, Fr. Slavin "demanded a great deal of others, but at the same time he gave a lot of himself," says Fr. Lennon. In a 1963 speech, Fr. Slavin was quoted as saying, "a good liberal arts education rests on these four pillars: Philosophy, Theology, History, and Literature. To reach this goal, Fr. Slavin set up a rigid intellectual discipline of courses and eighteen hours requirement of philosophy. (This same time he said, "I am proud to say, in the history of Providence College, there has never been a question for any minority group," says Fr. Lennon. The ranks of the P.C. alumni are filled with many prominent Rhode Islanders — judges, lawyers, doctors, and business people.

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Can You Remember?

You're not a member of the Pepsii generation if you can remember when... you had lunch at stand-up tables in the cafeteria which is now the bookstore. You would eat, be late for class required a punch, and the "Pinkie" would fight you for your place in line. Today, these memories are a thing of the past. Providence College is no longer the same institution it was in 1953, but the memories of those days remain.

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Class of '53 Faculty Members Reminisce

Professor Delasanta felt that the most likely improvement was counting program is registered with the Development Program. The department is a middle of the road".

Business Dept. Offers "Real World Perspective"

Whether we are "better off" today as compared with today's building and ideas concerning Providence College from 1953 to 1973. Professors Flanagan, Charles McEntee of the COWL staff files this report.

Dr. Delasanta today

Dr. Deasy today

Dr. Deasy, the student.

Dr. Flanagan, the student.

Dr. Delasanta, the student.

(Professor Deasy today) In 1953, Dr. Rene Coote, Professor of English, was a Junior at Providence College. During his senior year, he edited both the YERITAS and the ALEMBIC. In the following article, Dr. Deasy offers his views of the DWC Program.

At the beginning of the 1993 academic year, Father Slavin, the President of the College, offered the Program, is the core of the Program which has had a tradition which also highlighted history, philosophy, literature and religious studies. It is based upon precisely the same assumptions for an academic structure responsive to the needs of today's students. It was conceived by what was widely identified as a "predominantly liberal" Faculty Senate. And yet, what resulted was a Program that is, in the rich sense of the term, conservative.

Dr. Fortin's View of D.W.C.

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Dr. Fortin, the student.
Frosh Don Beanies; Orientation Concluded

A picnic at Lincoln Woods on Saturday, with approximately 250 attending, brought the week to a close.

Freshmen from as far away as Puerto Rico, Florida, Washington, Pennsylvania, New York and Maine have helped to fill Aquinas Hall to capacity, with applications in years old, 123 being resident students.

New Haven, Connecticut, with 17 students has the greatest representation in the form.

Overall dormitory enrollment has increased ten percent over last year.

The efforts of P.C. alumni in steering prospective college men and women to acquaintanceship with this college has been reported responsible for the increased enrollment.

Atole, the School of Arts, with 456 freshmen is the most popular. About half the class, 96, chose biology and forty chemistry majors. There are nineteen future physicians.

The wearing of Beanies during registration, physical exams and various assemblies marked this year's Freshman Week, which began on campus two weeks ago.

Beanies, an old P.C. tradition, were revived this year by the student Council of the Freshmen. The year's allocation of Beanies, according to enthusiasm, wearing them in bed, the dining hall and even class rooms. They were promptly discontinued at the latter place.

Short talks by several members of the Administration and faculty highlighted the early part of the week. The official welcome to the college was extended by the Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., president.

A program of spiritual exercise saw the majority of the class receive Holy Communion on the second day of the week. This Rosary and Benediction were held in Aquinas Hall.

Opening activities behind it, the class of 1963 was introduced to P.C. social life in an informal dance held for them by the Student Council officers on Friday evening. Well over half the class attended, as did student nurses from five local hospitals.

Enrollment Declines

Recent figures released by the office of the registrar indicate a slight decline in the enrollment for this academic year. With the release made daily, the official register of students indicates that in the school as a whole, the enrollment is 1836.

Although the Registrar's office would refuse to give theories concerning the drop in upper-class rosters, it is believed that this is the end of the Korean conflict brought about an increase in enlistments in the Armed Services.

With the decrease in enrollment, the already favorable student-teacher ratio took on greater appeal. This year's figures show the ratio to be close to 13 to 1. With a standard of 20 to 25 students per instructor considered most desirable, Providence College is thus among the best in the country.

The vigil is over: The long awaited construction of the new gymnasium starts Monday, according to a released statement from the office of the president.

The contract for the gym was recently awarded to Gilbane Building Company with the formal signing occurring at 10:30 a.m.

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 2500. The building will include such outstanding features as a large dance hall, many classrooms and various administrative offices.

In order to complete the building to a successful conclusion, the formal signing of the contract were the Reverend Aloysius B. Begley, O.P., Athletic Director of the college, and Mrs. Mary Slavin, daughter of the Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., President of the college.

The appointment of the Very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., to his third three-year term as president followed the third three-year term has been announced by the Very Rev. Terence S. McDermott, O.F. M., Provincial of St. Joseph's Province.

As canon law limits religious superior terms, special permission from the Sacred Congregation of Religious in Rome was necessary to effect Father Slavin's third appointment. This is the first time Father Slavin has exercised his present post after serving as professor of philosophy at Boston University in Washington, D.C., for eleven years.

The degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology was conferred this year. The Dominican Order can bestow, was given to Father Slavin early in April.

The Cowl Receives All-American Status

For the first time in its 16 year history, the Cowl has received an Americanism award from the Associated Collegiate Press, a patriotic organization. This award, the highest conferred by the ACP, is for the first three years of the 1962-63 academic year. Cowl editors during this period included James J. Marshall and Robert F. Finnemar of the class of 1962, Donald C. Gibelate, of the class of 1964, who took over the reins midway through the year.

On several previous occasions, the Cowl had received First Class honor ratings.

In a letter received Monday by the editors of the Cowl, the very Rev. Robert J. Slavin, O.P., president, said that the All-American rating is reserved for truly outstanding newspapers. "Only seven newspapers in the Cowl category were awarded the coveted rating." The All-American newspapers will be on display at the Morrison Hotel in Chicago and the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles during certain periods in October and November.

All Departments

The Cowl reported a record and thirty-five points from the ACP in the Comic, Art, and Sports categories. Department pages and special features rated highest with the judges, especially the popular honors for headlines, typography, and makeup.

Cowl承袭 a total 835 points while the 300 remaining points were equally shared by news values and campus and local news with the Cowl receiving four awards.

Editors were particularly impressed with the sports page, rating the coverage, treatment, and sports as the most interesting and most informative maintained throughout the year.

The features in the cowl were rated superior by the judges, who rejected John Martiak's column "From the Tower" as "a poor imitation of your own editorials."

The commenting judge declared that the column was not the most interesting and most informative college activity presented but that the cowl stood the front line for the appearance of heavy weight champion Rocky Marciano.

A plaque, signifying the award, will be on display in Hark's Hall sometime in December.

O.P., Athletic Director of the college, and Mr. McKenna, O.P., Administrative Assistant to the President, the Reverend John Martiak, O.P., Bursar of Providence College, Mr. Robert E. Finneran of the class of 1963, and Mrs. Thomas Gilbane of the Gilbane Building Company.

Contract, Plans Finalized

Gymnasium Construction Begins

The enlargement of the faculty and modernizing of admission and Providence Colleges has been accomplished under Father's leadership.

Annual Student Election

Campagns Bring Serenity

Once again, the cotwolves have been wiped from the sound tracks and the school artists are again exercising their profession as the "big show" goes under way.

Although the need is indicated, the students do not worry too much just yet, perhaps they could take a few tips from Father's cautioning of the same production. The occasions for all the students, of course, the annual elections.

In last year's contests, there was presented one of the greatest spectacles in political exhibition that the television personalities were present to lead their talents to the campaigns. Those rallies, sponsored by the contestants, provided the students with considerable free entertainment.

This year, however, these campaigns have taken on a comparative serenity. There were still the opinion polls, but the rallies were inconspicuously absent. Father is beginning to grow into things interesting.

Evidently, political campaign theory has taken on a new aspect—probably adopted from and practiced in the campaign. What was good enough for Eisenhower is apparently good enough for them.

Perhaps too, this is an indication of better things to come, it is hard to say, but from the students' point of view, the campaign of pries were more appealing.
No Bums Wanted!

After a long week of studying and attending classes, it is understandable that come Friday night one likes to relax the accrued tension somewhat by indulging in a little extra-curricular activity. Some folks enjoy attending a movie, others prefer to attend a dance. It is with this latter group which we shall concern ourselves for the time being.

However, we feel it is most important that attention be given to this matter, and that student officers present the case to the freshman body in a proper manner. Let all students realize that they do not have to wear the Beany;

there are those in sport shirts, sweaters and open-neck dress coats who attend these dances. There were those attired the way they were at this first game which occurred the past Saturday. There were those who are unidentifiable as first year men. If that is your position, you feel that once separated from your black and white "crazy hat" you will be required to wear the Beany from Freshman Week until November 17th. You should know that Providence College students who were not attired the way they were at this first game which occurred the past Saturday will be required to wear the Beany for the rest of the season.

To the Editor:

It warms the hearts of these veterans to know that there is a sensible adult faction here at the college that has no desire to display a lack of internal fortitude — "guts." Indeed, gentlemen, this is much worse than being labeled "freshmen."

We are faced with two possible conclusions at this time. The first is that the public place is insignificant. The same problem has presented itself in one form or another on various occasions in recent years. Last season several escapades, notably "pantry raids," attracted the public's attention. The local mothers to indignant GI's in Korea raised their voices in protest. A renounced doctor deemed them so important that he included them in his very first paper.

Thus the Cowl wishes to publicly commend the Rev Herman M. Godfrey, S. J., who has presented a religious theme in popular music. He has been deprived of his 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 Righteous. Notice when we refer to P.C. students from publication upon request of the authors. Ed.
Give and take a little, Providence College men are much the same as the rest of us when it comes to talking about politics, work, or anything for that matter. They, like their fellow students at other colleges across the nation. They dress the same, eat the same, and speak virtually the same.

In its current issue, Newsweek reported that one college poll covering some 32,000 education and be prepared for the next 20 days. With the veteran came, too, possibilities as we are preparing for the present and an eye to the future. At the onset of the 1920s a man dedicated to the high ideals of the profession and who does not use material compensation as a goal in practicing law, he found that the shaping of public opinion and has large responsible attachment to it. The court's and its members, however, can be simplified a great deal by a self-hating clutch to a suit.

In response to questions from club members about Douglas Hyde's unusual appeal to the foreign scene leaves the nation. They dress the same, eat the same, and speak virtually the same.

In its current issue, Newsweek reported that one college poll covering some 32,000 students at 180 universities and colleges across the nation, they said, "The unexpected result of some of the most virulent Communist writing. Regarding as the Party's foremost anti-Communist writer, he has represented the Carolan and the Poo Chiu clubs respectively. The Providence Club, in a terse sentence, presented a Christmas Pageant, written by their moderator, the Rev. Thomas Fallon, O.P.

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Cuddymen 2-2 After First Week

By Walt Avery

The initial week of the Friars' 1953-54 hoop season is over. Four road games saw the Cuddymen take in wins over Brown and Assumption, while losing a two-point thriller against Rio Grande and a one-pointer to St. Anselm's.

On December 1, P.C. journeyed to R.U. to play their arch rival, Brown University, in the newly-opened Keney Gymnasium. From the opening cheers of some 4,200 fans, the spirited Friars took the situation well in hand and the scoreboard read half-time, 44-28 in favor of the Black and White.

The first two quarters saw Kerr, Mullen and Reynolds hold the Bruins' offense down while controlling the backboards. McQuenery, finding the range in the early minutes, scored ten points in the first half.

In the final twenty minutes of play, the Friars kept their tight defense while opening up the Bruins even more. Brown was firing fast as Moran, Kerr, Mullen and McQuenery and Durkin all hit double figures. Hank led the final tally with 17, while Moran amassed 16. Lou Murgo, Brown captain, got 15.

On Friday evening, Dec. 4, the Cuddymen played Assumption College and won in the New Soeontac High School gym. Again, they played strongly and held both their defensive strength and offensive power by downsing the Worcester men, 46-14. McQuenery again led the Friar attack.

When the whistle blew, their belt, the Friars trekked to Boston to face the fabulous "Bevo" Francis and his mates from Rio Grande on the Garden at Saturday. A near capacity crowd saw a dozen, 1,000 P.C. roosters, saw a nip and tuck battle. P.C. held a 47-45 edge at halftime.

In the second half, Rio Grande took command and in the final minute-and-a-half Francis dropped two free throws to tie the Garden record set by Johnny O'Brien.

Swim Team Holds Tryouts

Providence College's Swimming team has been holding daily practice since Monday at the Wanskuck Boy's Club, 50 Branch Ave., North Providence.

Candidates with talent and experience are still needed to fill out the ranks. All those interested should contact the Rev. John C. Rubba, O.P., practices weekly. Those desiring to join should get in touch as soon as possible.

Letter

To the Editor:

Upon receiving my last issue of the Providence College basketball schedule, I was dismayed to see that it was almost entirely filled with articles on sports. In particular, there were fewer than two stories about cross-country. What cares about cross-country? Why not stress the intelectual aspect a little more, and forget about the so-called "he-men" of the athletic field.

Richard E. Murphy, '57
Gerard O. Korinsky, '57

Ski Club Plans Trip

The annual Ski Club trip to New Hampshire will be held over the Penguin weekend, Dec. 12-13. The trip was decided at the recent meeting of the club.

It was also decided at the same meeting that the annual Christmas Party will be held on December 20, at which time final plans for the coming trip will be made. Movies of ski events and ski championships will also feature the next meeting.

New members are extended a cordial invitation to attend the next meeting.

Sports of 1953

Harriers

There is an old saying that nothing is sweeter than revenge. This was proved true last Saturday night when two of Providence College's tracksters exacted their revenge on a team that had embarrassed them before.

Two members of the Friar cross-country team ousted their country team to West Point for their season's opener against the always strong West Point cadets, but the worst was to come. Last year the Friar harriers had to cancel their trip to West Point due to the war.

Once again the pride and joy of Providence College's track was displayed, proving that he is to be rated among the East's top outdoor runners as he won the race handily. Chee saw to it that the Friars handled another opponent, but only this time the Cadets challenged立足点 in the stretch and, while the others failed to survive the toll of the highly West Point course, the well conditioned Friar star opened a lead at the three-quarter mark and won handily with twelve yards to spare.

While not too much can be said about the performances of the distance runners, the latter had a few accomplishments of note. In the three-mile race, Frank Timon, Dick Lovette and L.Brooke.

Injury Riddled Pucksters Show Hustle; Lose First Two

By Bill Bearden

On December 1 the Friar hockey team opened the 1953-54 season against Brown College, one of the better teams in the Northeast. Again this year B.C. has managed to compile a highly experienced lineup around these teams, and took the measure of P.C., 8-5.

The Friars opened their scoring in 2:47 of the first period, but the Brown Bears continued to dominate the game. They evened the score at 3:37 as he flipped a McCrink rebound into the upper right corner. Auger put Providence ahead, 2-1, at 9:16, the going to McAleer and McCrink.

Diminutive Ed Horstman made several brilliant saves trying to preserve the slim lead, while short hand shot netted them some

'53 pucksters fighting in old R.I. Auditorium.
College Archives Office
Proves To Be An Asset

(EDITOR'S NOTE: If any one organization other than the Cowl was instrumental in the production of this supplement, it would be the Archives. What is the Archives? Paul Selvey of the College Staff answers that question.)

In the lower depths of the library, buried beneath the dust of the past, there may be found what is perhaps the most painstaking and underhanded job of the maintenance of the Providence College Archives. The job carries a dual responsibility; firstly, to collect and aggregate materials relating to Providence College History, and secondly, to collect outside manuscripts and documents, such as the Fogarty Papers.

The Archives Office was founded in March of 1967 with the donation of Congressman Fogarty's public and private papers. Owning a fiftieth ceiling thousand dollar grant was obtained from the government to catalogue the initial inventories of the papers. The grant was obtained with the research that new medical research (Congressman Fogarty was a champion of 'human sciences') and enabled the school to form an Archives office.

In September of 1968, Matthew Smith was hired to organize the office. At that time, Mr. Smith was employed at the Central High School, which was then a part of the Providence Central School system and was chairman of the Science Department. Mr. Smith is married to a local girl from Westerly and has four children. He is a graduate of Providence College, has been in the college history to hold an elected office in the college and is a state representative from District 22 in Providence.

Archivist Matthew Smith

Joseph Brum of the Alumni Office

In 1960, a more efficient system was instituted. The Association stopped collecting dues and turned over the Loyalty Fund to the College for administration by its full-time development staff. In turn, the College agreed to allocate an annual sum, based on the number of Alumni, to the Association for operating expenses. This system has worked well for both parties as it is still in use. Accordingly, any Alumni who contributes any amount to the Alumni Loyalty Fund is considered an "active" member of the Alumni Association and receives, among other privileges, the right to vote in elections.

In general, the purpose of the Association is to further the interests and general welfare of Providence College and thereby advance the cause of higher education. We feel that the best way to accomplish this purpose is to foster communication and a spirit of fellowship among Alumni through various activities and services which will involve them with all aspects of the College.

The following is a brief outline of some of the areas of activity that together comprise the program of the Alumni Association. This is a living document, and substantial changes and developments are planned over the coming years.

The Alumni Office: The Alumni Office is headed by the Director of Alumni Affairs. He is a full-time employee of the Association (the Alumni Office is a full-time employee for only 2½ years). The salary of the Director is paid in full by the Alumni Office and a part of the salary of one other secretary is also paid for by the Alumni Association.

The Alumni Office maintains all Association records and individual files and computerized cards in eight different states. This is the largest campus to campus network in the College. The most obvious contribution that Alumni make to Providence College is financial support through charitable giving. Equally important, but not as evident, is the contribution of manpower and ideas. There are approximately 15,000 P.C. Alumni and together they constitute a tremendous resource of wisdom and specialized and professional talent in many areas vital to the College. The Alumni Association endeavors to identify and marshal this talent to make it available to the College on a volunteer basis. Currently, there are over 100 Alumni who are members of many important College committees including the Building Committee, the Computer Center Board, the Committee on Martin Luther King Program, and the College Union Advisory Board—just to name a few.

The Alumni Association also has representation on the College Board of Trustees. The current example of this type of Alumni involvement is the new Schneider Memorial Arena on campus. Much of the extensive study and financial research that went into the development of the project was initially accomplished by committee of interested Alumni.

Association Relations: Providing service to the College also means providing service to its students. Accordingly, the Association and its Area Clubs sponsor a variety of programs and activities. These include everything from receptions for incoming freshmen to head programs to recognize student achievements.

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From Gorham State to U.C.L.A.

(Edited note: The Cowl Sports Editor, "Cowboy" Bob Murphy, reviewed the 1953 basketball team and season and offers a number of interesting comparisons to our present day teams.)

by Robert Phillips

"The difference is that the more they remain the same." This cliché of Bob Knight's, as it were, appropriately sums up the basketball program at Providence College the past twenty years according to Vincent J. Cuddy, then head coach and Assistant Athletic Director. Providence College played before a packed house of 12,000 frenzied fans! A tall, gawky kid comes off the bench to ignite the Friars in knockouts of nationally ranked Eastern power. A small, but skinny guard leads the team and plays his way into the hearts of New England basketball fans. Somehow vaguely familiar? Well, believe it or not, all of the above incidents are extracted from the 1953-54 basketball season.

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P.C. Hoop Star Renders Memories of Team, Coach

(by Robert Moran '54)

In reminiscing, the best word that describes my initial thought on the subject was "opportunity." Providence College basketball is basically a team sport and any individual accomplishments attained must be shared with some great teammates: Hank McQueeney, Phil Lynch, John Reynolds, Jack Durkin, and Bill Quinlan just to mention a few.

In reflecting my decision to attend Providence College, it may sound trite and corny, but I have never once regretted that choice. It was for wonderful years. In fact, the year 1953 had a special significance to me, because my younger brother, Don, enrolled at the Dominican campus that year so we were fortunate to be able to play together the following year on the hoop squad.

In retrospect, I have some pleasant memories and associations of the early fifties at the Smithfield campus. Thanks to the perserverance by my mother and father who kept a scrapbook for me and with the aid of some terrific yearbooks, my wife Kathleen and the three children as well as myself, still get a big thrill out of reading about P.C. basketball of that era. My wife and I have developed some wonderful friendships over the years and we are always looking ahead to again visiting P.C. and renewing old acquaintances.

Basketball during the last decade at P.C. has really been something to contribute to mine. Cuddy, Mullaneay and Gavitt and Co. have really been put on the map. As an example, I would like to wish the current top-notch players and after that special season last year as they say, "may you have a tough act to follow" — the best of luck.

Again, thank you for allowing me the enjoyment of wandering down the hoop lane. As a father of three, it is my fondest dream that my children will be blessed with the opportunity to enjoy four such wonderful years.

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Alumni (cont.)

A new and very valuable student service soon to be instituted is "Open Door," which is a career counseling service conducted by Alumni volunteers designated as an affinity group to have the chance to get counseling and advice. These volunteers are offered to prominent in the field in which the student is interested.

Alumni Activities 1963. The Association sponsors a variety of events each year designed to appeal to as many interests as possible. Participation in these activities is an important part of being a Providence College student, and alumni often return to campus to participate in their alma mater. Among the events are Homecoming Weekend, the Annual Scholarship Dinner, and the Alumni Awards Dinner and Class Reunion.

The Association also sponsors the Athletic Hall of Fame and works with the various sports boosters, alumni, and friends. The Front Court Friends and Friends of the Arts also sponsor events and programs to promote their activities. This year the fall season included the Providence Alumni Skiing Club to provide a program of recreational skiing for alumni and their families.

Travel Program: One of the most important and popular student activities is the Travel Program. The Association takes advantage of its legal status as an affinity group to have the chance to travel and work in various fields, including in the areas of Catholic Higher Education. The Travel Program includes opportunities for students to travel to a variety of destinations around the world, including trips to the forefront of Catholic Higher Education in the United States and abroad.

President's Message (cont.)

Student life was characterized by a high level of student activity and a strong sense of community. Student organizations were active and provided a variety of extracurricular activities, including sports, clubs, and academic societies. The college also offered a wide range of courses and programs, including ROTC, which was established in 1953.

 ROTC. Enrollment Mandate

(See page for additional information.)
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