An enthusiastic crowd of approximately 200 students and faculty members greeted the Friars Club's annual formal event, which was held on Friday evening, February 6, at the Officers' Club at Providence College. The event was sponsored by the Student Congress and was attended by students, faculty, and alumni.

The theme of the evening was "A Night to Remember," and the program included music, dancing, and socializing. The music was provided by the Lester Lamin Orchestra, which has gained a reputation for its high-quality performances. The orchestra's repertoire includes a wide range of music, from classical to contemporary, and they are known for their ability to keep the audience engaged and entertained.

The dance floor was packed with people enjoying the music and each other's company. The atmosphere was lively and festive, with everyone dressed in their finest attire. The Swingers' Ball was held at the same location as the annual formal event, and it was a popular choice among the attendees.

The evening concluded with a closing speech by Judge McCabe, who discussed the importance of marriage and the challenges facing couples today. He encouraged the audience to value the institution of marriage and to work together to build strong, healthy relationships.

In conclusion, the Friars Club's annual formal event was a resounding success. The atmosphere was festive, the music was fantastic, and the audience was thrilled with the evening's events. It was a night to remember, and everyone left with a smile on their face and a sense of joy and companionship.
Voila Tout . . .

With this issue, all of the senior members of the COWL will leave the staff. We are indeed thankful for the opportunity of being members of the Written Word of Providence College. By endeavoring to present an unbiassed survey of campus activities, and to be the outlet for faculty and student expression, we benefited not only in experience and knowledge, but also in satisfaction and accomplishment. To the Administration and student body, we express our gratitude and appreciation.

To those filling the vacated posts of the COWL, and to all new members, we wish a most successful year, and we sincerely hope that their experiences are as beneficial as ours.

Student Exemplar . . .

A fine example is being set daily by the group of students who assemble in Harkins Hall every day at 10:20 to participate in the holy sacrifice of the Mass. This Mass is indeed a wonderful opportunity for those who are willing and strong enough to avail themselves.

All of us have had at one time or another the desire to attend daily Mass, but because of some time obstacle or other impediment, we were prevented from doing so. Today, this excuse is not too strong. This Mass is especially put to them. Each of us have arrived at the stage where they rebel whenever fusion that overshadows the world than Mass, Communion, and prayer? What better way is there to offer these interrogations are put to them. Each of us tends to regard himself as the "average man," doing his propriety ask for the necessities which we need?" average" does not fittingly describe "all." share is not sufficient to distinguish the Catholic man. But today it can be said that the average man's to himself as the "average man," doing his

INQUIRING REPORTER

By Dave Heaney

Question: Do you think all campus organizations should have an active part in the Student Congress?

Walk Her gan, '59: I definitely believe that all organizations should have an active part in Congress functions, since many of their own activities are directly influenced by rules passed by the Congress. These clubs oftentimes may suffer for a right to bring their ideas to life, due to this lack of being given the right of open argument in such matters.

Jack Griff in, '59: In my opinion it is the proper duty of the student body to represent the student body in all school affairs. This can only be adequately fulfilled by equal representation. True, many will say that the chaos that now prevails in the Student Congress would only be increased, but why not have an executive board of six members, each representing certain divisions of the school's population and organizations?

G e n e M c Carthy, '60: For me the principle idea of Congress is for the minority, a few selected individuals, to represent the majority, the student body. If all that the were given an active vote, the Congress could turn into a chaotic, non-producing farce. Our Student Congress as it now stands is perhaps the representation of the Congress in the past. I believe that Congress if, for nothing else, to maintain unity in our own campus government. I don't mean to infer that the clubs will be completely subservient to the Congress, but I do believe that the student government should have the right word in legislation and the running of activities.

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The U. S. Must Take the Lead

The Middle East can and must be saved. The ever widening Russian encirclement plan is slowly working its way into the Middle East. In the past the United States has always taken the lead in such situations. We must now follow this same course of action again. If the Middle East is lost, it will be due to the same complacent attitudes that the United States has adopted in the field of science.

An after-thought presents itself, and it seems to be a somber one. If Russia accomplished her aims in the Arab dominated Middle East, our influence in North Africa might well be in jeopardy. Hence, success for American politics in this area is absolutely necessary.
Ayn Rand's Work Controversial

By Dick De Noia

When the Pyramid Players present "Night of January 16th" next month, the student body at P.C. will have an opportunity to view a very unusual play. Not only is it unique in technique (twelve people picked at random from the audience will play an integral part in the final outcome), but it is also somewhat peculiar in theme.

To understand this statement, and, in fact, to fully appreciate the play, it is necessary to delve into the life and philosophy of the author, Ayn Rand.

Miss Rand, a native of Russia, but an American citizen since the thirties, is a firm believer in individualism. This philosophy is such an obsession with her that all her works strongly reflect this view.

She is absolutely against the ideas and theories of "collectivism," the "common good." There is a firm conviction that all her works strongly reflect this view. In "Anthem," published in 1946 in America, her central character says:

"My happiness is not the means to an end. It is its own goal. It its own purpose."

And again:

"And now I see the face of God, and I raise this God over my head and adore it. It is the greatest goal. It is its own purpose."

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Death, Taxes And Exams—Unavoidable

Like "death and taxes" nothing is surer for the college student than final examinations. Irresolvable as they may be, few students there are who face them with equanimity, and this regardless of oft-repeated experience with taking them. This may be because they are approached with the wrong attitude. For some students the final exam is thought to be a refined instrument of academic torture devised by sadistic professors with one purpose in view: to make life miserable by flunking as many students as possible. With an outlook like this, little wonder that a bad case of jitters develops, little wonder that a feeling of dread bordering on panic arises when exam time draws near.

Still, I appreciate the sentiment underlying that point of view. Final examinations are, and should be, an ordeal. No man is worth his salt until he has been tested. A true man is quite willing to be tried out, and may actually enjoy the process.

Indeed, if the College should abolish examinations, the students would not be weaned from them. Students already have their entrance examinations for every student activity and impose requirements as rigorous as those of the strictest professor. No man can join the Pyramid Players or the Glee Club until he has been tested. To "make" the varsity team in debating or athletics means that one has been through many a contest which has weeded out the lesser men. To become editor of the "Cowl" or "Veritas" demands, I am sure, the hardest kind of competitive struggle.

So also in his studies the student is pitched in battle—not against his fellow-student or against the leacher, but against the question, the problem, the subject to be mastered. If prepared for with the same spirit as any other contest, exam-taking can be a more exhilarating experience than any student activity.

Moreover, examinations serve many useful purposes. They are the means by which the College determines whether a student meets the standards that have been established for advancement to a higher level. They help a professor estimate the quality and effectiveness of his teaching. They tell a student where he stands; point up his level of his achievement; and reveal to him his strengths and his weaknesses.

Best of all, they provide an opportunity for the student to obtain a "bird's-eye view" of the whole subject at the end of the term. During the daily grind of lectures and recitations, the student has been engrossed in the parts of the course and may be overwhelmed with facts. During this period the objective type test was frequently used by the professor to assess the student's grasp of data and detail. Now at the end of the term, if size of class permits, the student will be required to write an essay outlining the theme underlying that point of view. The student is encouraged to organize in logical fashion the material he has learned. He will be called upon to demonstrate his knowledge of the subject as a whole. He will be asked to justify his conclusions, to state his solutions clearly and to discern an understanding of the interrelation of ideas.

Skill in conveying shades of meaning, ability in contradicting opposing views, aptness in his handling of facts and ideas into a coherent whole—all these qualities become more evident in the final examination. Only in these tests of achievement are attempts not to find out what a student does not know, but rather to estimate how thorough and accurate is his grasp of the things he knows best.

There are two classes of students who make a poor showing in any examination. The first class is composed of the high-strung, hard-working nervy students, and the other class includes the lazy, nonchalant and over-confident. The former student sometimes "freezes" and is never at his best under strain. To him I can only say that the anticipation is much worse than the reality. The latter type of student, however, is cheating himself and failing in his duty. Capable of spurts of furious activity, he may be able to cram the night before examination and retain material long enough to regurgitate it the next day, but at best his output is of the lowest passing quality. He refuses to take examinations as a necessary test of his learning. He asks himself, "What does this have to do with me?" And is only a small portion of his potential energy and fails to compare favorably with any student who is always working up to the last minute. The quality and effectiveness of the talents is forgotten. He fails to achieve according to his capacity.

The world outside college is full of examinations. Whenever the lawyer takes a new client, for example, he must demonstrate his knowledge of the law and reveal to him his strengths and his weaknesses.

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"WE'RE COMING HOME!": That's the story for four Providence College basketball players, who return to New Haven tonight for the second night of their weekend Down East tour. From left to right, are Al McMahon, Joe Barile, and Bert Ferrie. The fourth returnee is Capt. Lou LaFontaine.

Penalty Killer, Ferrie, Has Birthday Tonight
By Dale Faulkner
Sports Editor

OF THIS 'N THAT: The active Bert Ferrie, who's become Tom Eccleston's top penalty-killer, celebrates his nineteenth birthday tonight in friendly surroundings. Ferrie is one of four P.C. skaters, who will return to the New Haven game with Yale.

Ferrie, who against A.I.C. played with see linermon Lou LaFontaine and Joe Barile on the Wolf of Woonsocket's third line, was a member of Handen High's 1955-56 sextet. Returning with the sophomore opposite defensive partner will be Al McMahon, LaFontaine and Barile - all former Handen performers . . . Even though Boston University's strong basketball team has been dominated by residents of the Greater Boston area, isn't it a fact that Terriers officials spent much time in attempting to land a number of Connecticut school-boy standouts? . . . Despite a poor won-loss record, American International has had a couple of definite hoop star in Richo Cross. Cross tallied three goals in last week's Holy Cross 100-85 triumph over the Springfield quintet of yesterday.

Of course the sports world is ruman-ion-infested sphere, but is there some truth in the rumbling that Friar hoopsters will meet St. John's College's third line in New York's Madison Square Garden a year from now? . . . And hasn't Brother Sid Ward stunned his colleague coaches and fans of the Ivy League with surprise early showing in league games? . . . Last week's away game with A.I.C. inaugurated a lengthy series of road games for the Black and White sextet. After tonight's appearance against Yale, the Friars will return to the weekend to New York State for clashes with St. Lawrence and Elmira. Winning ball players don't have to look far here - last to Joe Mullane's second string. In last week's breeze over Worces- ter Polytechnic Institute at Cambridge, Dick Whelan, and Lionel Jen- kins ran rings around their oppo- nents.

Staged here two years ago, the annual high school hoop tourney could boast a 64-71 win. Providence Alumni Hall late last night. And hasn't movie-shooting of college and school-boy games become quite popular with the current trend of rumbling in the rumor-infested sphere, but is there some truth in the rumbling that Friar hoopsters will meet St. John's College's third line in New York's Madison Square Garden a year from now? . . . And hasn't Brother Sid Ward stunned his colleague coaches and fans of the Ivy League with surprise early showing in league games? . . . Last week's away game with A.I.C. inaugurated a lengthy series of road games for the Black and White sextet. After tonight's appearance against Yale, the Friars will return to the weekend to New York State for clashes with St. Lawrence and Elmira. Winning ball players don't have to look far here - last to Joe Mullane's second string. In last week's breeze over Worces- ter Polytechnic Institute at Cambridge, Dick Whelan, and Lionel Jen- kins ran rings around their oppo- nents.

"We need it for our morale- one win could cure this team and get it on the track again." Those were the words of Coach Murray Murdoch of Yale after a few days before last Saturday's game with Dartmouth. The result was Dartmouth 5, Yale 2.

Thus once again Providence College's hockey team arrives in New Haven to meet a win-starved Eli iced unit. The yearly ritual, a highlight of the Friar schedule, is due to get underway at 8:30 in the New Haven Arena.

Last year Yale had gone almost a month without a win before knocking off Providence, 64-3, behind a fourth goal output in the first period. The situation for the Eli's isn't as critical as it was a year ago, but the Yale wins have been few and far between this season.

P. C., which hasn't been in ac- tion since last Thursday, has had ample time to recover somewhat from a number of injuries and illnesses in addition to grabbing off four practice sessions. In their last outing the locals dropped A.I.C. again 84-2. All present indications only Soph linermon Pete Bezen is definitely classed as doubtful tonight. Berger, who has already missed five appearances, started the season on Coach Tom Eccleston's third line with Lenny Trimine and John Turner.

Yale's most active time of the campaign thus far was in the Christmas tourney sponsored by R.P.I. The Bulldogs were unable to register a win in Troy, but at times showed signs of force. Although they got off to a fast start, the Yaleies bowed to New Brunswick 7-3 in their tourney opener, and in the second night's showing bowed to host R.P.I. 64, but not before start- ing the highly considered En- gineers.

In their final day's work, the Blue tied Brown 44 after dis- playing devastating hockey in the first period.

Shining throughout for the Eli's was their standout Junior- galeur Gerry Jones, Jones, who has progressed well since his freshmen days, was an im- portant factor in last year's vic- tory over Providence.

The Friars' Tom Eccleston will probably employ once more a patched-up unit. Don Girard will hold down the cage slot with defensemen Bert Lajoie and Ray Blancheet set. Bob Fillon and either George Beu- dreau or Puppy Gignell will compose the other defense team. Up front Capt. Lou LaFontaine and Joe Barile will probably be teamed with Bert Ferrie. The second line of the Labbe twins and Al McMahon should be reunited. The third wave will most likely find Paul Sainato, who netted two goals in the A.I.C. win, Trimine and Turner.

Hockey Six Beasts A.I.C.; Bow To Bear
With a line-up harpooned by injuries and sickness, the P. C. hockeysquaddies were able to notch the season's third line win of the year against Ameri- can International last Thursday, by outscoring the Aces 8-2 in Springfield.

With a number of penal- ties, the game saw the winners surge to the convincing triumph with a four goal surge in the third quarter. Tallying in that P.C-dominated session were Ray Labbe, Jack Blair, and Paul Sainato twice. Labbe's shot came on passes from Bert Lajoie and Gil Domi- que. Soph John Turner assisted on the other two tallies for Blair and Sainato respectively. The Friars' man-up marker by Sainato was unassisted and was caged with just three seconds remaining in the fracas.

Goals by Joe Barile and Tur- nere gave the visitors an early first quarter edge, before Aces' Jack Bailey and Bill Mat- son scored Sainato's first goal of the night and a tally from Capt. Lou LaFontaine left the score at 4-2.

Neither crew was able to score in the middle period, but four penalties were doled out, including a roughing sentence to Dominic. The Providence College hockey team suffered its third setback of the season last Tues- day night as they were over- powered by a hard skating Brown University sextet by a score of 8-3. The Friars who had previously won seven games, were continually throttled in their attempts to break through the Bruins defense.

Ray Labbe got Tom Eccles- ton's charges off to a flying start in the opening period as he jammed in a rebound from about three feet out with his brother Bob and Ray Blancheet assisting. Ed Allard tied things up in less than two minutes as he scored at 6:06 from close up. Brian Molloy with assists from Allard and Capt. Rod Dashow put the Bruins ahead at 9:44 to round out the scoring for the period.

The second canto saw Allard again connecting, this time at 1:22 with Dashow again as (Continued on Page 6)

Basketballers Drub Worcester
By Posting Wide 64-47 Victory
The P. C. basketball team continued its victorious ways against an overmatched club from Worcester Polytechnic Institute at Alumni Hall last Thursday as Providence rolled to a 140 advantage at the ten-minute mark of their first half and extended the score to 19-0 before Worcester scored with 28-28 minutes remaining in the first period.

This early spurt was the re- sult of a perfect start by the Friars in the first half, particularly in the first 15 minutes, when they scored 19 of their 28 points with a 19-0 burst.

The second canto saw 64-47 victory, with a 14-0 advantage at the ten-minute mark of their first period, the Friars scoring 11 of their 28 points with a 14-0 burst.

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Early Burst Assures
Win Over Springfield

P. C.'s poised band of basketball shooters set a hectic scoring pace in the first ten minutes of play last Saturday to coast to a 75-46 victory over Springfield College in Alumni Hall. The win, probably the most impressive for the local club, marks a two tourney play, upset the Providence year mark to 11-1.

As was the case three nights earlier against W.P.I., the Friars' opposition was slow to get underway. But the winners' backs were exceptionally sharp at the outset and the tightest defense couldn't contain them.

Fifteen points in the first half by Jimmie Swartz was the highlight of the fray, and a basket in the final session by the ace New Yorker was enough to assure him game scoring honors. Besides Swartz, Len Wilkens, Wally DiMasi, and Johnny Wood—P. C.'s famed sophomore corps—all hit in the Providence burst was included in the P. C. burst was 135-1397.

The Friar Riflemen Oppose Northeastern Nimbords

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Varsity Squads To Face Boston Foes

Sports are scheduled to take their annual winter recess from the college scene as examinations strengthen their way into the campus limeight. Providence College basketball and hockey teams have two games apiece to play before this layoff.

The hockey squad strikes first, tonight at New Haven Auditorium, against Yale. The Bulldogs recently lost to a superior Dartmouth squad, 5-2. Jack Leamen has been a standout for coach Murray Murdock's team so far.

The Friars' 8 and 3 on the season, are at present in second place in the center offense and sell their defense. The most rugged part of the team is its attack. They will starve themselves against many of the eastern hockey powers, Harvard, St. Lawrence, Clarkson and Boston University are among the teams on the P. C. deck.
Johnny Woods and Len Wilkens are P.C.'s leading rebounders. Through the first ten games, Woods had a 9.7 percentage, while Wilkens had a 9.5 standing.

### Exam Schedule

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**NOTE:**
1. Examinations start promptly at 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:30 p.m.
2. Professors who wish proctors for their examination must consult the head of their department.
3. MARKS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR AT THE VERY EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE AFTER EXAMINATIONS.
4. Professors who students notify them that they have two examinations scheduled at the same hour must give a second examination at a convenient hour, or change the examination to an hour convenient to all students and so notify the Office of the Dean for approval.
5. THE TIME OR PLACE OF AN EXAMINATION MAY NOT BE CHANGED WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE DEAN.

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### Reaction!

**By Dave Heaney**

1. Are you nervous taking exams?
2. Did you ever crib during an exam?
3. Would you be in favor of an honor system?
4. More proctors?
5. Less exams?
6. No exams?
7. No marks?
Death and Taxes

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PIEYTON PLACE: According to reports, the long lines of droolers who wait to see the movie are being disappointed. "Ain't nothin' like the book," is the cry. Even G. M. herself is so disappointed that she's working on another masterpiece. Rumor has it that to spite Hollywood, she may stage the story in her back yard.

COWL: Can anyone write? The Cowl needs writers—no experience necessary. Perhaps those who have been scoffing at the Cowl would like to contribute to its improvement. And speaking of scoffing, if the Cowl is so bad, then why the mad rush every Wednesday afternoon? * * * *

SEN. KENNEDY: Senator Jack could well be the next Democratic presidential nominee. Of course, he'll first have to convince the illiterati that members of a certain religious sect do NOT have clubfeet and are NOT digging a secret tunnel to Rome.

Ayn Rand...