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Frosh-Sophs Get Together For St. Patrick's Day Dance

**William Lynch and Edward
Routhier Are Named Co-
Chairmen of Joint Affair**

The Freshman and Sophomore classes of Providence College will jointly sponsor the Frosh-Soph Dance on March 19 in Harkins Hall.

The annual Freshman Dance, and the Sophomore Hop, which have always been great successes, are to be combined this year into the Frosh-Soph Dance. The affair will be informal, and the dancing will be from 8:30 until 12:00.

The theme of the dance will be in honor of St. Patrick, and the decorations as well as the tickets, will be in the appropriate color.

Tickets for the dance will be on sale at the desk, near the official bulletin board, every day until the 19th. The price is \$1.50 per bid, and all are urged to purchase tickets early, as a record attendance is expected.

A poster contest, open to all P.C. men, will be held, and two bids are offered as prizes. The posters must advertise the dance, and publicize the theme of the event. One bid will go to the originator of the best poster, and one to the second most imaginative artist.

The dance committee will consist of
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Alumni Association To Hold Breakfast

**Scheduled For March 21st
At Aquinas Hall**

The Providence College Alumni Association will hold its annual Communion Breakfast at Aquinas Hall, Providence College, on Sunday, March 21, Dr. James F. Colgan, president, announced today.

Chief Petty Officer Fred J. Murphy, U. S. N. R., '35, will be chairman of the committee in charge of arrangements. He will be assisted by: Thomas B. Sullivan, '23, Joseph F. Flynn, '24, Joseph F. Dowling, '25, Joseph A. Finegan, '26, Dr. Jeremiah F. Crowley, '27, Thomas E. Harding, '28, Dr. William P. Shields, '29, Dr. Francis M. Hackett, '30, Dr. Peter F. Harrington, '31, John R. Hackett, '32, Russell G. Burns, '33, Grank J. Reavey, '34, William J. Kutniewski, '35, Joseph F. McHenry, '36, Francis A. Kelleher, '37.

Also: Albert J. McAloon, '38, Anthony G. Pariseau, '39, James F. Gannon, '40, Joseph Brannon, '41, James E. Hackett, '42 (Spring) and Owen V. Sherry, '42 (Winter).

Grippe Downs Cowl Editors

Two prominent members of P.C.'s Fourth Estate were abed, laboring with attacks of the grippe, when this, their beloved journal, went to press.

When interviewed, both Jim Shiel, editor, and John Stafford, assistant editor, said they expect soon to be freed from the gargantuan like grasp of the grippe. They hope to return early next week to take up their scholastic labors.

NAVY ANNOUNCES SPECIAL CLASS

**Class SV-7, USNR is Open
To Junior and Senior
Physic Students**

Arrangements have been made for the voluntary induction into the Navy through Selective Service of a limited number of Junior and Senior science students from Providence College, the Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P., faculty advisor on the Naval Reserves, disclosed in a communication to the Cowl.

Those who enlist under this new plan upon satisfactory completion of the Reserve Midshipman course will receive commissions in the Naval Reserve. This new branch of the Navy Reserves is called SV-7, USNR.

To be eligible for SV-7 the prospective candidate must be pursuing a course leading to a baccalaureate degree with major in physics, mathematics, or electronics. Other majors may be added if it is determined that additional officer candidates trained in other fields are needed. A form letter must be secured by qualified students from the Office of Naval Officer Procurement, North Station Office Building, 150 Causeway Street, Boston, Massachusetts. The candidate must present this letter to his local Selective Service Board, and volunteer for induction. Before taking any steps all interested must talk to Fr. Dore.

Members of Class SV-7 may be placed on active duty in college at the discretion of the Navy Department. Failure to maintain a good standing in all subjects, or failure in the Reserve Midshipman's course will result in assignment to active duty in an enlisted status for general service in Class SV-6.

FR. BRENNAN EDITS "ESSAYS IN THOMISM"

**Scholars From All Over
Globe Contribute to Work
Published This Month**

"Essays in Thomism," a collection edited by the Rev. Robert E. Brennan, O.P., a professor in the Department of Philosophy, and at present a visiting instructor at the University of Montreal, will be released this coming Sunday, the Feast day of St. Thomas Aquinas.

Sixteen well known Thomists of the United States, France, England, and Canada have contributed to the work. Among the more famous philosophers who are represented by writings are the following:

Jacques Maritain, Professor of Philosophy at Princeton University; Rudolph Allers, Professor of Psychology at the Catholic University of America; the Rev. Hilary Carpenter, O.P., formerly editor of the Black Friars Magazine at Oxford, England; Mortimer J. Adler, Professor of Jurisprudence at the University of Chicago; the Rt. Rev. Msgr. John A. Ryan, Professor of Economics at the Catholic University of America; Yves Simon, Professor of Philosophy at the University of Notre Dame; and the Rev. Walter Farrell, O.P., former Regent of Studies of the Dominican Province of St. Joseph.

Each essayist has written about his own field. Their writings cover all the aspects of St. Thomas' Philosophy from Political Science to Ontology.

The binding of "Essays in Thomism" was designed by Mr. James McDonald, a former instructor in mathematics and drafting at Providence College.

Fr. Brennan, the editor, has already written "General Psychology," and "Thomistic Psychology." At present he is working on a history of psychology, and is editing a Dominican symposium on the theodicy of peace.

College Selected As Testing Center For Navy V-12

**VERITAS READY
FOR PUBLICATION**

**Editor Paul Cavanaugh
Sets April 15th As
Delivery Date**

This year's Veritas will be the last one of any proportions for the duration, and for this reason 16 more pages of general student activities have been added over last year's number, Paul Cavanaugh, the Editor, announced yesterday.

"Friday is positively the last day subscriptions for the Veritas can be taken, and we feel that all undergraduates as well as Seniors should avail themselves of this opportunity to have a permanent record of the social and athletic events of the current academic year," Cavanaugh said yesterday noon at a meeting of the Freshmen and Sophomores. "Our tentative publication date has been set for April 15th, and, barring exceptional difficulties, you can reasonably expect to receive your Veritas at this time. We do not ask for the full purchase price now; a small deposit will reserve your copy, and the rest of the money can be paid anytime between now and the day of distribution."

A military theme will predominate throughout the pages of the book. There will be pictures of some of Providence College's more recent and more famous alumni serving in the armed forces of the United States. One of the outstanding items is a photograph of the college flag with an emblematic shield bordering.

**Fr. Dore and Riley Hughes
Will Supervise College
Exam Setup**

Providence College has been selected as one of the nation's testing centers for the new Navy V-12 class in the Navy, the Very Rev. John J. Dillion, O.P., President, announced this week. Father Dillon also announced the appointment of the Rev. Vincent C. Dore, O.P., as test supervisor, and Prof. Riley Hughes as test assistant.

The examination will be administered at Harkins Hall on April 2, from nine to eleven in the morning. This test will determine the preliminary selection of men who are to be given college training to prepare them to be Naval officers.

Providence College students, not now enlisted in any branch of the Reserves, who will have attained their 17th but not their 20th birthdays by July 1, 1943, may take the test. Freshmen who entered in January without receiving high school diplomas are also eligible. In addition, high school graduates in the vicinity not now in attendance at college who meet

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Frosh Elect Class Officers

**Two Presidents Elected By
Class**

After a week of vigorous and hectic campaigning the September and January Freshmen cast their ballots in the Pyramid room last Friday, and elected John Patrick Clifford, pre-med of New Haven, and Thomas J. Brady, pre-med of Pawtucket, presidents of their respective classes.

Also chosen as officers of the second semester Frosh were the following: John Mordente, pre-med of New Haven, vice-president; John Farley, pre-med of Providence, secretary; and Cosmo Franchetti, business of Providence, treasurer.

John Buckley, pre-med of New Bedford; William McKenney, Jr., pre-med of Providence; and John W. Baldwin, science of Pawtucket, were selected vice-president, secretary, and treasurer of the new Frosh.

The Rev. Leo Schnell, O.P., presided at the elections. He was assisted by a representative of each group.

Hoban To Head Alumni Fund

William M. Hoban, '24, has been chosen Chairman of the drive which is held annually for Alumni Loyalty Fund, Dr. Daniel J. O'Neill, Treasurer of the Providence College Alumni Fund, announced last night.

The time during which the drive will be held has not yet been agreed upon. It is tentatively planned to hold a reunion supper for the members of the Alumni Committee at the completion of the drive.

A Letter To The Editor

March 3, 1943

Mr. James F. Shiel, Editor
Providence College Cowl
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In regard to the Cowl's story of the 26th pertaining to the Georgiaville Fire Co., I join with Charles Fogarty '43 of the Harmony Fire Department; Edwin Luther '43 and Henry Gilman '44 of the Moosup Valley Volunteer Fire Association; Peter Louthis '43 of the Cumberland Hill Volunteer Fire Co.; Vincent Treubig '43 of the North Cumberland Volunteer Fire Department; George Cesana '44 of the Marieville, Engine 5, No. Prov. Fire Department; and Arthur McDeed Jr., 543 of Geneva, Engine 3 of the No. Prov. Fire Department in stating that the Georgiaville Fire Fighting unit is not and shall never be one of the outstanding Volunteer Fire Companies in the State of Rhode Island.

I do not recollect how the Harmony Fire Dept., in which Fogarty is a member, compares with the Georgiaville Co., but he does say, "The Harmony firemen can throw water higher and further with a single back-napsack than can Georgiaville's new pumper truck. That's the reason

why they have to carry 950 gals. of water with them, and not because there's any scarcity of water in Georgiaville."

Arthur McDeed maintains that the Geneva Fire Co. is the best forest fire fighting unit in the State and that Georgiaville doesn't even approach them in ability.

I claim, and I have many backers in this assertion, that no volunteer fire company can or shall ever rate with the outstanding department in Rhode Island, which is the Marieville, Engine 5, of the No. Prov. Fire Department.

Of course each company claims that its company is outstanding. It is the same with any team, that believes it is the best until defeated. Marieville's claim is not a rash utterance but is backed by ample proof. Our trophy room has shelves bedecked with trophies bestowed upon us. If any other company does or can compare to this, then they can truthfully claim the honorable and distinguished title of being the outstanding company, but until that day, the Marieville Fire Company shall claim and hold that title.

It is true that the volunteer fire-

men have lost many active and expert firemen to the armed forces. I must admit that the Marieville Firemen Honor Roll now consists of 50 members. Amongst these is included our deputy chief, the only officer to leave us. The draft has had little effect, for Marieville has and shall have an outstanding fighting crew, through the capable leadership of the outstanding officers.

Also, I wish to point that the volunteer fireman is not just a person who gets to a fire and does now know what to do. On the contrary, many volunteers have training that surpasses that of many city firemen. As a matter of fact, the Marieville Fire from the cities in competition. This is due to our capable chief, Domenic Ceasana, who has received fame as Co. has defeated salaried companies an outstanding fire fighter throughout the State.

The Cowl stated, "about three minutes after the fire has been reported, Smithfield's fire truck is ready to go to the scene of the fire." Let it be understood that in three minutes a fire can make rapid headway and go out of control. Therefore

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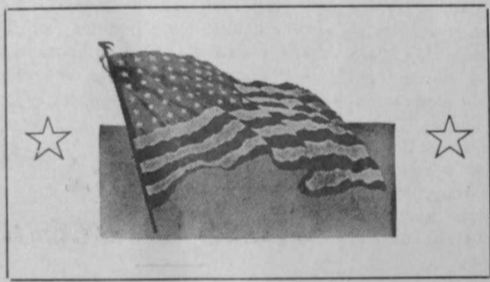
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INSPIRATION

As the war progresses, the little world that we have built around ourselves and our immediate associates seems to be collapsing. Sometimes we do not know where to turn. Everything that we were sure of—study, books, ideals—seem to be waning. We do not know where or to whom to turn. Life apparently is bogging us down. We all get that feeling.

An inspiration is needed, someone we could look up to and say "He was a student once just like myself. He had more difficulties than I had or ever will have. Yet, he overcame them." Yes, a Saint to whom we can look upon as a protector is a help. He is a guide not only in good works, but also to the Sacraments and to the Altar. If we were looking for such an inspiration, we would do well to call upon Thomas Aquinas.

We celebrate his feast day on Sunday. But why restrict a celebration to one day. A saint so worthy of imitation, should not be a one day affair. Above all why let Aquinas' feast day be limited by one day, since by the decree of Pope Leo XIII he is our perpetual overseer as patron of all Catholic Schools throughout the world.

Aquinas was a student like ourselves. He was the kin of Norman kings and Italian princes, but gave up royal ambitions for the habit of Dominic. He had brothers and sisters who constantly quarreled with him because of his monastic vocation.

His brothers went so far as to rip the white robe from his back and to tempt the virtue of their own flesh and blood. Faith and prayer helped the young Count. A kind sister's basket was the material means of escape.

Thomas was a bit more studious than most of us. His brethren took him to Paris and Cologne because of his exceptional intellectual ability. He met Albert the Great and received the Doctor's cap at Paris in 1256 at the age of 33. Indeed, Thomas stood high above the heads of all the scholars of Christendom.

To attempt a complete biography of Thomas would take more than a whole Cowl. We know

most of the highlights of his career from our study of philosophy where we use his immortal Summae.

Once we know a man, we can evaluate him and appreciate him. When the man is a man, but yet more than a man, as is true in the case of Thomas, he merits more than appreciation. Invocation and imitation should be the procedure. St. Thomas will not let us down.

REVENGE? NO!

Wednesday's Journal editorial, "Arsenal of Violence," should have a very profound effect on popular opinion relative to the Nazis. We had always loathed, despised, detested, and hated the Nazi regime and the system of enslavement it has been attempting to foster with the utmost cruelty and with utter disregard for the moral and spiritual ideals of true Christianity. But this editorial, in pithy, pointed statements told us by the use of the Nazi government's own shocking statistics the none too often repeated tale of the despot's oppression of Europe.

We were especially impressed by the first nine lines:

In Luxembourg—129
 In Norway—140
 In Belgium—193
 In Holland—2200
 In Czechoslovakia—2463
 In Greece—18,000
 In France—24,000
 In Yugoslavia—744,000
 In Poland—2,500,000

These are the numbers who have been mercilessly slain—not soldiers, but non-combatants. They are the ones "who have been hanged from gibbets, or placed against the wall and shot to death, or slowly suffocated deliberately in freight cars, or slowly killed in prisons and concentration camps."

And there is reason to believe that the figures are far below the actual gory count. They were compiled by the Interallied Information Committee of the United Nations, chiefly on the basis of official Nazi communiqués. They cannot possibly tell the complete story. Vast numbers have been secretly killed by the Gestapo.

Yes, we want to put an end to this butchery. We want to see more heavy raids on German military objectives such as the past few days have witnessed. We want to bring the German forces to capitulation, and then to march into Germany. But what are we going to do when we march victorious into the Third Reich? Whom are we to punish? And how many? Will the infliction of penalties on millions of Germans be required?

Let us pause at this point and think as rational beings. . . Why should we kill on a grotesque scale? Are we not out to prevent mass murders? Do two wrongs make a right? Is our object in waging this great war sanguine revenge or is it something greater—something worthy of our united Christian effort?

Madame Chiang Kai-shek, the wife of the Generalissimo of the Chinese Armed Forces, answered our queries in her speech Tuesday night at Madison Square Garden:

"While it may be difficult for us not to feel bitterness for the injuries we have suffered at the hands of the aggressors, let us remember that recrimination and hatred will lead us nowhere.

"We should use our energy to better purpose so that every nation will be enabled to use its native genius and energy for the reconstruction of a permanently progressive world with all nations participating on an equitable and just basis.

"Let the United Nations, which have come together by choice, resolve to create a world resting on the pillars of justice, co-existence, cooperation and mutual respect."

These are not the words of a sonambulist idealist or a converted pre-war isolationist. They are the words of a representative of a country—China—that knows the ruthless heel of an invader. They need no comment.

SLAIN THE!

"There is no one with endurance like the man who sells insurance." So the song goes. The historian will add—and Mohandas K. Gandhi.

The 73-year-old Mohandas has been enduring hunger strikes for years. The 21 day old fast concluded by sipping a glass of orange juice at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday, was the ninth for the Indian Nationalist leader.

Gandhi stands for something more than the will to secure independence and self-rule for India. Here we have a man with a strong faith in his cause. We have the conviction, belief, and tenacity of one man pitted against the strength of a dying, but still a much alive Empire. And that Empire fears the wispy little Hindu ascetic.

You have something that other peoples with a greater cause lack, Mohandas. Your faith has enabled you to persevere despite overwhelming odds. Your hope of independence will be achieved someday through the charity of your non-violence movement. Your faith will in the not too distant future move a Mountain.

Here is good health to you, Mohandas Gandhi!

AD REM

By JOHN H. DAVITT

Today the "Thin Man" of India had something to eat, consummating 21 days of fasting, which apparently succeeded only in reducing his already slim waist-line. The Indian people will celebrate the end of the fast and thank Buddha for bringing their leader safely through this ordeal. They might well thank the "squatting God," for it took all of his powers of oriental magis to bring Ghandi through. Twice Ghandi's attending physicians gave up all hope for his life. However, Mohandas K. Ghandi pulled through. Now, let's see what he accomplished.

The British still hold complete control of India. Chances of Indian independence now seem farther away than at any time since Cripps' visit. Fasting had been Ghandi's most powerful political weapon. This one was quite unexpected, and like the "bolt in the blue," it made itself felt, missed its mark, and disappeared.

One must again admire the characteristic British "doggedness" that brought the Indian leader's efforts to naught. But we think some pretty anxious nights must have been put in by the British leaders there. At two or three points it appeared that they would weaken and the bespec-

tailed thin man would win his case. Fortunately they did not.

Many Americans are wont to agree with anyone opposing the British. Many times their prejudices overrule their logic. They still fail to distinguish that this is no longer "Britain's war" but our war. Complete Indian independence at the present time would imperil our whole war effort. Without the stability of British arms at the present time, a "free India" would fall wide open to Jap conquest. India is made up of a number of powerful factions and militant minorities that are forever fighting among themselves. We do not propose here to analyze the complex Indian political situation. It is almost incapable of analysis. But we do know that it lacks the stability necessary to put up a successful fight now against Japanese encroachment.

We hope that time will give it that stability. We look forward to, and demand a free India at war's end. We promise John Bull that we mean to carry out point three of the Atlantic Charter, "the right of all peoples to choose the form of government under which they wish to live."

The question is dormant for the time being, but it is not forgotten.

FOLLOW COPY

By JOHN STAFFORD

The War is having a profound effect upon the books in our era. Of the many changes, the most noticeable is the vast increase in narratives by journalists and fighting men. Several of the latter, such as Antoine de Saint Exupery in his "Flight to Arras" and Richard Hillary in his "Falling Through Space," have attained the status of literary writers. Many journalists in personal accounts of their battle experience have produced much more than mere ephemeral news stories. Thus the struggle of fighting men in combat has, and will continue to have, an effect on contemporary writing.

This struggle of the modern soldier contains all the elements necessary for literature. In modern war, however, participation in the struggle between nations is not limited to the man in uniform. Many civilians have shared the soldier's fate of death. Many civilians have known the soldier's boredom, depression, and anxiety. This condition, with all its drama, the unique situation it creates, the forces it lets loose, and the characters it brings to light has inspired a great many books describing civilians at war. With the exception of isolated chapters in journalistic studies and Strachey's "Digging for Mrs. Miller," these books have been almost all cast in the form of the novel.

After reading some of these war novels, one might easily find himself considering such questions as: What novelist has recreated the war time mentality of the people with the greatest accuracy? What novelist has created characters bearing the closest resemblance to people today? In other words, of all these novelists who presents the truest picture of people under the impact of twentieth century warfare?

Novelists who have written such books as "The Conspirators," "Memo to a Firing Squad," and "Tunnel from Calais" have created exotic adventure stories and not serious portrayals of people at war. In "Happy Land" by Kantor, and "The Time Between" by Wilhelm, the emphasis on unabashed sentimentalism shows these authors had no serious literary purpose. Both authors have created characters found

in most movies—not in real life. Eric Knight in his "This Above All," the time of which is the Battle of Britain, presents such unique main characters in such unusual circumstances that he excludes the possibility of reconstructing the mentality of the majority of the people. This also holds true for Nevil Shute, author of "Pied Piper."

It is evident, then, that not many novelists have recreated the picture of people struggling for life in total war. This task has been undertaken by a small group of writers who have turned out many excellent novels. The best of such novels have come from Philip Gibbs.

His novels are the best, not necessarily because of unusual plots, character development, or artistic treatment, but rather because of accurate interpretation and presentation. He writes with a true feeling for reality.

In "Amazing Summer," the story of the Battle of Britain, Philip Gibbs presents his main characters as fighting bravely, but still wondering why it all had to happen. They fight with all their energy, but still they do not hate the enemy. Every day, watching their loved ones die, they become stronger. From Henry Morton to Anatole Carriere, hope not hate is the driving force.

When Polit Guy Morton, forced down in France, meets a German officer, the enemy allows him to escape. In this way Gibbs nicely reflects the sentiments shared by thoughtful people that all Germans are not madmen. However, when it comes to describing a blitz, the author forcefully pictures the brutality of the Nazi war machine.

When the Luftwaffe strikes, this novel moves with especial force. Gibbs shows what his characters are thinking. Their thoughts are not grand, emotional, or even particularly expressive; they are the same as most men's would be under similar circumstances. The average man, like the personages of this novel, speaks of impatience with the old methods of maintaining peace—of hatred of force and all international stupidity. In

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DORM DIARY

Joe Anlauf

Never let it be said that Guzman Hall can be outdone by the boys from Aquinas. Just to prove this point the fellows have named Vinny Vasilioukas as their man to meet Les Condon in a contest to see who's the big "Mr. Big" of Smith Hill. The Woonsocket club really has the last laugh on Chippo and things are really going to open up over the weekend. Moe Timlin is currently taking over Lieut. Murphy's place as head of the dining hall.

The Charley Fallowell birthday tune is still going strong and before long Charley will be an old man. The ferocious four have initiated a new member into their organization at the expense of a few lost hairs. Word comes from Notre Dame that Ben Rizzuto, Chet Zabek, Joe Vaghi, and Joe Pliska are all midshipmen and are stationed at Abbot Hall in Chicago. Frank Trotta has organized a waiters union of which he is head man, sole proprietor, and chief.

Al Vitello got a new hat and donated his old derby to the home town museum as a relic of pre-war days. Lou Sibbio paid the boys a visit this week and spent the night as guest on the "Rock." The infirmary is becoming like Grand Central Station with so many people pulling in and out. The news of the week wouldn't be complete without telling you about Ed Foley's foot and the latest is that it's O. K.

The boys better get to bed early in order to rise and shine at eight in the morning or else they'll be singing the blues in search of some blue slips. The freshmen dormsters really ran away with their class elections this year and garnered the top two spots on the list. The men in the dorm have been very careful lately about taking cough medicine for one never knows, does one.

The All-American porter on the second floor has left to sow his wild oats. With that away goes the diary for another long week.

BROWN TICKETS ON SALE MONDAY

Tickets for the P.C.-Brown basketball game will go on sale at the Athletic Office on Monday. The game is scheduled for March 10.

COLLEGE SELECTED AS TESTING CENTER FOR NAVY V-12

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the qualifications may also take the test.

Admission-Identification blanks will be available in the near future. All applicants must have the following requirements: 1—Be a male citizen of the United States and be morally and physically qualified; 2—Have a visual acuity of at least 18/20 (uncorrected) in each eye; 3—Be unmarried and agree to remain unmarried until commissioned, unless sooner released; 4—evidence potential officer qualifications including appearance and scholarship record.

All men accepted for the V-12 program will go on active duty in uniform under military discipline about July 1. Students to be prepared under the Navy's college training program for general duties will receive one and one-third years of instruction at colleges and universities under contract to the Navy.

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these things Gibbs' connections with actuality are close.

Gibbs' skill is not something that he has used only in this crisis. Since World War I, he has told in fictional form of man's hope for international peace. "Great Argument," his story of a Labor M. P.'s doubts concerning the Spanish Civil War, reflects with great veracity the questions honest men faced during that struggle. "Cross of Peace," "This Nettle Danger" and a score of other novels deal similarly with other periods.

In one of his most interesting works, "The Middle of the Road," Gibbs relates the adventures of Bertran Polard as he travels over post war Europe. This book contains exceptional chapters on Ireland, Russia, and Germany. Those on the latter show a great sympathy for the real Germans. Perhaps after this war Gibbs will be one of the first writers to enter Germany and one of the first to present a good study of the defeated people. The world will have to be made to realize that these people were bombed out of their homes. The person who does this will do a great service for the peace of the world.

ALBERTUS MAGNUS

The annual banquet sponsored by the Albertus Magnus Club of Providence College will be held at Oates' Tavern at 8:00 p. m., Tuesday, February 9, 1943, the secretary, Sabino J. Sinesi, announced yesterday. This event marks the highlight of the science club's social activities for the season.

There will be a meeting of this science organization, devoted to the study and discussion of problems of medical interest, today at 1:00 p. m. in room 17 in Harkins Hall.

All juniors in the club who have any talent are requested to register with John D. Lopes who heads the junior entertainment program committee. Likewise, all senior members are asked to register with Alfred Handler who is in charge of the program to be presented by the seniors.

All members are strongly urged to attend since final plans for the coming banquet will be decided. Those who plan to be present at the banquet must be present at this meeting.

College Gossip

By JACK BRADY

Final plans are being made in regards to the coming Soph-Frosh Hop. The date has definitely been set for the night of March 19th. A combined committee of both classes will select the band, plan decorations, and promote interest in the dance.

Father Doyle and Father Schnell are planning to have a poster contest to advertise the dance. Tradition usually makes the Frosh wear sandwich signs to all classes a few days before the dance. Rumor has it that the Sophs will try to enforce this tradition. (How about it, Frosh?)

IN THE SERVICE:

Joe Cassidy, junior; James Cruise, junior, and John Kelley, soph, have been inducted by the Army during the past week. . . Joe Mulhearn, senior, has enlisted in the Air Force. . . Francis Stadnicki also was ordered to report for active duty with the Army Air Force. . . Vin Horlbogen and Dan Nooney are now roommates at the Navy R.C.A. Radio Training School. Vin received the most popular award at Great Lakes Training Station. He was the writer of most of the songs of last year's musical comedy. . . Bernard McLaughlin has been commissioned a Second Lieutenant. Bernie returned to the campus during the week. He attended a few classes just for old times sake. . . Maurice Coyle is now an Aviation Cadet at Perrin Field, Texas.

HERE AND THERE:

It really looks like a big week-end for four of our prominent Juniors, for they will attend the Regis College Junior Prom at the Statler Hotel in Boston Saturday night. The prom trotters are Bob Fisher, Dave Tracy, Fred Ferber, and John Marshall. They promise to make it an interesting week-end for the Regis girls.

Joe Bagaglia challenges Francis Rus-

sell to a contest in regards to fire fighting. Joe claims his company has the best record of any fire fighting unit in the State.

Ray Van De Walle is reported to be making the rounds in Woonsocket. Ray was seen in the company of a shapely blond.

Bill McKenna claims the free cigars he handed out during the Freshman election were the cause of his downfall. (Must have been too strong, Bill.)

Ray Crawford returned to school after a recent sickness. Dan Donovan is still trying to sell two tickets to the Ice Follies. Seems his date gave him a shut eye. Fred Mulcahy is still feuding with Al Micheletti over Pawtucket basketball. (Fred still owes Al a quarter on their last bet.)

The Albertus Magnus will have their annual banquet next week. Greg Carter and Al Handler are planning to furnish the entertainment for the Seniors. John Lopes will represent the Juniors. Johnny will perform in his usual (laughable) fashion. John Kenney hit his all time high in bowling recently. (It must be wonderful to go over a hundred.)

Father Doyle's health will be breaking down soon due to his anxiety over subscriptions to the Veritas.

A PROVIDENCE MAN:

One of the better known freshmen—John Francis McBurney—was bragging to his girl that he was on the Dean's list. The Dean's list turned out to be those who flunked Physical Ed. So, until next week, keep listening!

A Letter To The Editor

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three minutes, plus the time getting to the fire, would degrade any company. The Marieville Co., on the other hand, moves out in approximately 30 seconds after the alarm has been sounded and has that much more advantage in controlling the fire.

Georgiaville does possess a beautiful station and three trucks. Of course the town of Smithfield possesses only two fire stations, whereas North Providence has five fire companies and has that much more equipment to provide. But stations do not determine the companies. For example Marieville and Georgiaville are members of the Woonasquatucket Valley Firemen's League of which I am one of the Marieville delegates.

It seems to me that fires bring great excitement to Georgiaville. The firemen's code states that he should be calm at all times. What would they do if they were called to twenty, thirty thousand dollar mill, dairies, and church fires? Just last week, Marieville brought under control a fire which three local companies that were there before us, failed to overcome. Marieville, alone, won ad-

miration for its distinguished work. The companies at that fire said it would have resulted into a total loss, were it not for Marieville. This was not the J. & P. Coats Co. Warehouse fire in Pawtucket where Marieville miration for its distinguished work, for pumping water on the fire.

But, I cannot while away precious moments trying to prove the Marieville Fire Company is superior. Therefore, our trophy room which is located in the Vincent avenue station, Marieville, No. Prov., shall be open from 7:00 A. M. to 10:30 P. M. to all that seek further proof that the Marieville Fire Co. is the best volunteer fire fighting force in the State.

Respectfully,
MARIEVILLE VOLUNTEER
FIRE ASS'N
Joseph A. Bagaglia, '43.
Secretary

Editor's note: Glad to hear that Rhode Island has so much fire protection. Three cheers for Geneva, Harmony, Moosup Valley, Cumberland Hill, North Cumberland Hill, North Providence, Geneva, Marieville and Georgiaville fire departments.

Debaters Plan For Intramurals

Stressing the importance of maintaining the remarkably successful record of the Providence College Debating Union in intercollegiate debates during the past eight years, the Rev. Ambrose P. Regan, O.P., debating moderator, spoke to the members of the Junior Varsity Debating Teams at a meeting yesterday noon in the large parlor at Harkins Hall.

Father Regan made it clear that he expected all going out for debating to put in a reasonable amount of time and effort. "Only by so doing," he said, "can we continue to enjoy such a splendid reputation for debating skill as we have for the last eight years, during which time out of over 100 debating contests our team has lost but five."

Arrangements were made by Fr. Regan and John Davitt, president of the Debating Union, to hold intramural debates during the forthcoming weeks in order that the Jayvee members may secure the training requisite before they can attach themselves to the Varsity Team.

At present the members of the Varsity Team are James F. Shiel, Senior, of Providence; John Davitt, Senior, of Burlington, Vt. Thomas E. Carroll, Freshman, of Providence, is manager. Jayvee members are Edward Casey, John Crook, James Holland,

25 Students Give Blood To Bank

Already more than 25 Providence College students have donated blood to the St. Joseph's Hospital bank, but more donors are still sought, the Rev. Frederick C. Foley, O.P., Assistant Dean, announced last night.

Forms may be secured from Prof. Riley Hughes at the News Bureau Office or from Fr. Foley at his office. When they have been properly filled, an appointment is made for the volunteer.

A student who recently gave blood was interviewed and disclosed the following facts:

The procedure is very simple. The donor first has his arm painted with an iodine and alcohol solution. Novocaine is then injected at the elbow. Donating the blood is painless and requires about 15 minutes. After effects are very slight. The blood donor is then given coffee, toast, and fruit juice, if he so desires.

"The donation of blood is the least contribution a civilian can make to our present day war effort," Professor Riley Hughes emphasized in an appeal for more donors.

Leo Conti, Sanford Kroll, John McLaughlin, Thomas Carroll, and Andre Mandeville.

Membership on the Jayvee team is still open to interested students.

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"I'VE BEEN LONGING FOR THIS MOMENT."

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