

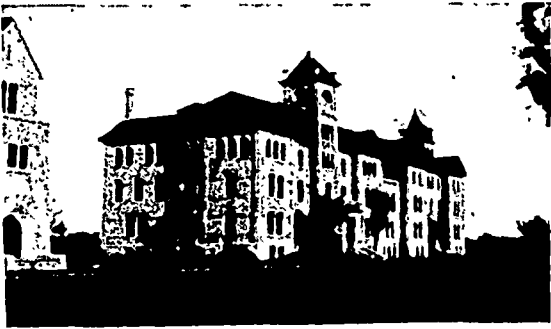


BRANDON COLLEGE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- May 18, 6.30 p.m.:** Alumni Dinner—Prince Edward Hotel
Guest Speaker—E. R. G. Gardiner,
Class of '37.
- May 19, 2.30 p.m.:** Class Day Exercises—College Chapel
3.00 p.m.: Class Dedication—Flag Raising Ceremony—College Chapel.
8.00 p.m.: Annual Commencement Exercises—St. Paul's United Church.



Letter To The Alumni

This year, which is the Golden Anniversary of the founding of our College, your Alumni Executive has made a special effort to commemorate the occasion. The response to the letters sent out a month ago has been most gratifying and has convinced us beyond doubt that interest is not lacking in our organization. Nevertheless, we feel that there are many who have overlooked mailing their fees and we would urge them to do so immediately in order that we may continue our programme.

Our first project was to establish the Alumni Scholarship about which you may read elsewhere in this issue. We could not think of a better way to commemorate our Fiftieth Anniversary than to offer to a deserving student the opportunities which we have all enjoyed. However, we would like to see this scholarship become an annual event and we feel sure that with your co-operation this will be possible.

It is also our intention to put out more than one news bulletin a year, finances permitting. Many Alumni have asked for more news and personal items, so we would ask your co-operation in this also by sending any pieces of information concerning your year to the Secretary.

On behalf of this year's executive may I again thank all of you who by your interest have made possible this bulletin and the Scholarship. With your continued interest and co-operation we hope once more to have an active organization.

Hugh J. Knowlton, '43, Pres.

Alumni Association Scholarship

As outlined in the letter sent to all Alumni recently, the Association has now presented to Brandon College, a Scholarship to the amount of One Hundred Dollars. This was made possible by the generous response received from the above mentioned letter.

This Scholarship will be open to any student desiring entrance to Brandon College in either first or second years. It will be awarded on the basis of scholastic standing and need, with particular emphasis on the financial need of the student. This is being done to insure that the scholarship will go to someone who has definite scholastic ability but is in need of financial assistance in order to go to College.

The executive of your association feel sure that you will all consider this a worthwhile contribution to the work of Brandon College and one in which the Alumni can take pride.

Prime Minister Visits College

History was made at Brandon College, when Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent took time out from his busy western tour to deliver a brief address in the college chapel on the morning of May 20. Despite the fact that final examinations were in progress a large body of students, faculty, and outside guests crowded the chapel to hear the Prime Minister speak.

Introduced briefly by Mr. J. E. Matthews, Liberal Member of Parliament for Brandon constituency,

Programme

Dr. J. R. Evans

the main theme of Mr. St. Laurent's talk was in reference to the added responsibility which will face college students as they take up positions in the larger world outside the college sphere. "All of us," said the Prime Minister "from the head of the nation to the most average citizen have responsibilities of some sort to fulfill." College students, however, he believed, because of the additional privilege of a higher education must meet the additional responsibility which that education placed upon them as the future leaders both of the community and the nation.

The prolonged applause that responded to Mr. St. Laurent's speech was but one indication of the good impression which the Prime Minister made on the student body. General comment afterward would seem to indicate that all were exceedingly pleased with everything which Mr. St. Laurent had done, — the interest he had shown in academic life, the faith he had placed upon education, and above all, by his chatty, informal style of speaking, which revealed the personality behind the statesman and made all students feel as if he were one of them.

For those students fortunate enough to be in chapel on that morning, the visit of the Prime Minister will be an event long to remember.

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● DON'T FORGET—

To send in your ballot.

Members of the Brandon Alumni Association and all former students of Brandon College will be interested in the plans for the expansion of the college now underway.

At a dinner meeting of over one hundred representative citizens held in the lower auditorium of St. Paul's United Church on April 13th, a resolution was unanimously and enthusiastically passed authorizing a Five Hundred Thousand Dollar campaign and setting up an organization committee in connection with the same.

To be sure, this is a great undertaking; the greatest of its kind ever attempted in the history of Brandon College. The successful completion of it will require considerable time and much effort.

The objective is not only large; in addition it is most significant: in fact, it is because it is large that it is so significant, for when reached it will provide an auditorium and student centre, a library, a gymnasium, an addition to the Science Building and will make possible a renovation programme for our present buildings.

In the fall of 1949, Brandon College will enter upon her Fiftieth Anniversary year. You will be hearing more about this later, but in what way could we celebrate our Fiftieth Anniversary more effectively than by enthusiastically launching this campaign for expansion?

Education is creative — growth is essential — expansion is a necessity.

After fifty years of colorful history, persistent in effort, courageous in spirit, rich in tradition, and significant in contribution, Brandon College now stands at the gateway to a great future. She is worthy of our best support. Let us unite in our endeavour to make sure that her hopes in this regard are not frustrated nor her plans thwarted.

“Merge many efforts, small though each may be,
And who shall do the winning—
Every one,
You Sir, and I.”

Marriages

Bill Harwood, '43 to Miss Phyllis Finch of Brandon, on June 26, 1948. Bill is now studying Dentistry at McGill University.

Jim Nelson, '42 to Miss Molly Charon of Iroquois Falls, in September 1948.

Vic Warner, '21 was married recently in Moose Jaw, where Vic is Secretary of the School Board.

Jessie Venables Riddell, '21 was married recently in Regina to Mr. Jas. A. McCann.

Pat Rowan, '48 to Ron L. Scott of Hartney, Man. in April, 1949.

Births

George Ingham '42 and Mrs. Ingham of Elmira, Ont. announce the birth of a daughter in September.

Kathleen Heywood Finlay '35 and Dr. Finlay, of Brandon, have a new daughter, which makes two girls and a boy.

Eldon and Betty Bliss '41 (Betty Buckham) announce the birth of a son in April of this year.

Walter '37 and Lenore (Gusdal) '45 Dinsdale became the proud parents of a son in November 1948.

Deaths

Rev. A. J. Radley, '14 died January 1949 at Swan Lake Man.

Helen Hitchings Kennedy, '25, died in Winnipeg in April, 1949.

Personals

Rev. C. S. Eelsey, '07 (a student of Brandon College fifty years ago and of the Brandon Academy before that) will retire from his charge at Antler, Sask. in June.

Rev. John Sinclair, B.D., S.T.M. '13, now located in Northern Kansas has been in the U.S. since 1920. His children, five daughters and one son are all University graduates, one daughter an M.A. degree from Chicago, and the son, now in Venezuela as a missionary, is a Princeton Seminary Grad. Rev. and Mrs. Sinclair spent some weeks in Scotland and England last year and also attended the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam.

Mrs. R. J. Atkinson (Viola Olmstead) '33 is now living in Hartney, Man. where her husband is in the electrical business. She has

two children, one boy and one girl.

Jessie Warden, '32 is teaching school in Seaford, Delaware.

Rev. Ralph Easter '31 and Mrs. Easter (**Phyllis Blandford '32**) are now residing in Victoria, B.C. where Ralph is minister of the First Baptist Church.

Peggy Sharpe, '35 is planning to study this summer in the Juilliard School of Music, New York. Peg is at present on the Faculty of Music at Brandon College.

Arvid J. Nordlund, '15 is now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Gloucester, Mass.

Bill Potoroka, '39 is now preaching in Weyburn, Sask.

Les '40 and **Ena Roberts** and daughter are living in Baron, Alta., where Les is Assistant Principal of the High School.

Vic Sharpe '40 is now at Toronto General Hospital doing Post Graduate work in internal medicine. He expects to return to Brandon in July where he will take up residence.

Sheila Nixon '35 graduates this spring from the Toronto General Hospital.

Carl Bjarnason, '48 is now teaching Algebra and History at Brandon Collegiate.

Changes in the Faculty

Many of the grads have asked for information regarding the present faculty of Brandon College. We have prepared for you here brief sketches of some of the more recent

additions to the staff.

LORNE WATSON, B.A., L.T.C.M.

Director of Music and Instructor in Theory and Senior Piano at Brandon College. Mr. Watson graduated from the University of Toronto with an Honours B.A. in Music. He studied Music at the Toronto Conservatory of Music on a scholarship and holds a first-class standing in the L.T.C.M. and the Toronto Conservatory Gold Medal. He has studied under Ernest Seitz, the eminent Canadian pianist, Healy Wilan, and Muriel Gidley of the Toronto Conservatory and was awarded a piano scholarship in New York with Rosalyn Tureck, the distinguished Bach authority. He has appeared as soloist with the Conservatory Symphony Orchestra in Massey Hall and he represented the Conservatory at the annual Bach Festival in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Last winter he appeared in recital at the Eaton Auditorium in Toronto and in two other recitals in Ontario. He served with the R.C.A.F. as a Radar Officer.

RICHARD H. HANNAH, B.A.

Mr. Hannah is a graduate in Biology of McMaster University and joined the staff of Brandon College as Instructor in Biology and Resident Master. He served for three and a half years with the R.C.A.F. as an Instructor. Mr. Hannah has had considerable teaching experience in Saskatchewan and has done extensive boys' work.

WILLIAM DAVID SMITH, B.A.

Instructor in History at Brandon College. Mr. Smith is a graduate of the University of Manitoba and prior to his coming to Brandon he

was doing graduate work in History at the University. He served four years with the Canadian Army.

In addition to his academic experience, Mr. Smith has worked with the Y.M.C.A. in Winnipeg.

MISS E. JEAN GOODWIN, B.A.

An honours graduate in Latin and French of the University of Manitoba, who was appointed Instructor in Junior Division Latin and French in the fall of 1948. Miss Goodwin also holds the A.M.M. and the A.R. C.T. degrees in Piano.

MISS GLORANA H. MACNEILL

(B.A. (Acadia), M.A. (McGill) is a native of Sussex, New Brunswick in which province she took her B.A. (Magna cum laude). Following graduation she taught French in the high schools of New Brunswick for a period of thirteen years. This teaching experience was interspersed with post graduate studies at McGill University and teaching experience at the McGill summer school. Miss MacNeill came to Brandon directly from the Sorbonne in Paris where she had been doing further advanced studies in French.

WALTER G. DINSDALE, D.F.C.,

B.A. is also a native of Brandon. He graduated from Brandon College (McMaster University) in 1937. Following graduation he took up prison work in Montreal and Toronto with the Salvation Army. At the outbreak of war he joined the R.C.A.F. and served overseas as a Flight Lieutenant and was awarded the D.F.C. for distinguished service. Upon his return to Canada Mr. Dinsdale did graduate work in Soci-

ology at the University of Toronto and at the University of Chicago.

In Memoriam

TO PROF. A. H. FOSTER

The many graduates of Brandon College who have been associated with Professor A. H. Foster through the years since 1930 will learn with regret of his death on May 29, 1948.

Professor Foster was born in Pictou, N.S. in 1871. He attended Pictou Academy. He held the Munro Bursary for two years at Dalhousie University from which institution he received his Master's Degree. He then attended Pine Hill Theological College where he received the B.D. Degree. In 1902 he married Elizabeth McDonald of Pictou, N.S. and moved to St. John, N.B. where they resided for the next nine years.

Rev. Foster came to Manitoba in 1918 and held congregations and taught school in this province for some time. He joined the staff of Brandon College in the fall of 1930 and since that time had served faithfully and well as Professor of Classics and Religious Studies.

B. C. Students Win Medals at Convocation

It will be of general interest to the Alumni to know that the students of the Graduating Class of 1948 brought honor to our Alma Mater by winning top honors in their several fields not only in Brandon College, but in the University of Mani-

toba as a whole. The General Proficiency Medal was won by Garth Hollis Markle Thomas, who also won the highest honors offered by the University in Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics. Lois Anne Lamont won the University Gold Medal in French and the Brandon

College Medal in Latin and Philosophy. Other Brandon College Medals were won by Gordon Harvey MacLeod in History and Political Economy, by Mary Catherine Terrell in Religious Studies, and by Norman William MacLeod in Sociology.

