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Dr. H. L. MacNeill Celebrates Ninetieth Birthday Nov. 28th



A spirit of goodwill pervaded the Great Hall of Alumni House at McMaster University on November 28, 1961 when almost 250 guests gathered to honour Dr. Harry MacNeill on his ninetieth birthday. Handsome gift floral arrangements completed the setting, as old friends had a memorable visit and Dr. MacNeill, in good health, was a very active participant.

Brandon College Alumni will remember Dr. MacNeill as a leading figure at the College during twenty-seven years previous to 1930. His duties as Dean of Arts were made considerably heavier during the mid-twenties when Brandon College was without a president. Acting in the presidential capacity, Dr. MacNeill

provided strong and wise guidance during this interim period. Professor in New Testament and in Classics, he exerted a strong and positive influence which is reflected by the enthusiasm with which his former students and associates greet the mention of his name.

Dr. MacNeill is retired from professorship at McMaster University. He and Mrs. MacNeill (formerly Vera Leech, Brandon College graduate of 1912) live at 121 Dromore Crescent in Hamilton, Ontario.

Mark May 26th On Your Calendar

The Alumni Annual Meeting, Banquet and Dance are scheduled for Saturday, May 26th—the day after the Commencement Exercises.

In the May issue of this bulletin there will be notice of proposed constitutional amendments which will be voted on at the annual meeting. Also in that issue will be details regarding the banquet and dance. This 'advance notice' is to enable you to reserve the evening of Saturday, May 26th for Alumni 'doings'.

Summer School at Brandon College

Following last year's successful beginning, Brandon College anticipates offering summer courses for University credit in 1962. Provided that there is sufficient enrolment to justify offering of each course, the subjects available will be: English 201, French 201, History 203, Geography 201, Psychology 203 and Philosophy 301.

Advanced courses in Education are not offered this year, but if a sufficient number of teachers were to express an interest (by September of this year) in taking such courses in the summer of 1963, there is a strong possibility that they would be available then.

Ernestine R. Whiteside Loan Fund Established

A clause in the will of the late Miss Ernestine Whiteside, former Dean of Women at Brandon College, provides for the establishment of a \$2600 loan fund for women students at Brandon College. In expressing their gratitude for this generous bequest, the Board of Directors has recommended that it be administered by the same selection committee and office personnel as the J. R. C. Evans Memorial Student Loan Fund.

Steam Plant Officially Opened

An old friend to hundreds of former Brandon College students, Mr. John Kasiurak, turned the valve to officially open the new College steam plant on Wednesday, January 24. Mr. Kasiurak, more commonly known to Alumni as 'John', served as engineer for the College from 1916 to 1959.

The \$330,000 steam plant is located at the foot of Twentieth Street on Pacific Avenue. It is fed mechanically with coal from the railcars, and has potential capacity to handle all future development on the College campus two blocks to the south.

At a gathering of college authorities and Board members in Clark Hall, following the ceremony, John spoke of the memories which he associates with Brandon College and expressed hopes for continued and increased success of the College under the guidance of Dr. Robbins.

Event Planned For March 28

On Wednesday, March 28, the new men's residence and dining hall at Brandon College will be officially declared

open by the Hon. Errick F. Willis, Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba.

The men's residence has been occupied since late October, with final finishing work completed since that time. The first meals were served in the new dining room (shown to the right in the picture included in the Expansion Progress brochure) the third week in February. Facilities on the main floor provide for either cafeteria or formal style of serving. Present equipment will serve almost 500 people, and is administered by a national catering firm. The lower floor houses the canteen and a recreational area.

There will be an 'open house' on the afternoon of March 28, to provide an opportunity for the public to visit the new buildings. In a ceremony at 3:00 p.m. the Lieutenant-Governor will pronounce the buildings officially open. Coffee will be served in the lower hall of the dining area. In the evening, at a dinner to be attended by invited representatives of groups connected with the College expansion, the guest speaker will be Mr. G. C. Andrew, Secretary-Treasurer of the National Conference of Canadian Universities and Colleges.

In Answer To Your Question . . .

At the January meeting of the Alumni executive, it was decided to do a little 'searching' into the Brandon College Expansion Fund picture, and to furnish an informative report for our Alumni News.

Progress to date in the \$1,000,000 campaign for funds (to be matched \$2 for \$1 by the Manitoba Provincial Government) shows a total of \$757,327 realized since 1959. In order to qualify for the full government support, an additional \$242,673 must be raised before the five-year period has elapsed.

According to Expansion Office figures, Alumni of Brandon College are responsible for the following totals:

131 Brandon Resident Alumni\$32,264
18 Alumni on Brandon College	
Faculty and Staff\$12,605

167 Non-Resident Alumni\$21,045

316 Total Alumni\$65,914

This would indicate that almost one-third of our membership has donated to the **Expansion Fund**.

For the information of the membership, a copy of a Progress Report to December, 1961, published by the Brandon College Expansion Office is enclosed with this issue of the 'News'. Plans are now being laid for a project which will be of special interest to Alumni members. In this regard, we commend to your attention the communication which will be sent to you directly from the **Expansion Office**.

Alfred Shaw Heads Research Program

Dr. Alfred Shaw '50 has been appointed research supervisor for the Shell Oil Company. A graduate from Brandon College and the University of Chicago, he will be in charge of Shell's research program in synthetic rubber, directing a staff of 15 scientists.

Plans Underway For New Buildings

The Board of Directors has announced plans for the next stage in the Brandon College building program. The architectural firm of Ward and MacDonald Associates is drawing up blueprints for a new ladies' residence and for a music building. Construction will begin as soon as possible this summer.

The ladies' residence will be located to the south of the new dining hall, and connected with it in the same way that the men's residence is connected from the west. It is anticipated that accommodation will be provided for about 150 girls.

The music building, a sketch of which is shown on page 6, will be built on the

corner of Eighteenth Street and Princess Avenue. It will provide instruction and practice facilities for piano, theory, orchestral instruments and voice. A much-needed office and waiting area and attractive display facilities will add to this new home for the Brandon College School of Music.

Personal Notes

We're a little short of news items this time. A few of the Christmas vacationers called in the College—Merv Brandon '59 of Bentley, Alberta; Cam Davreux '60 and Jim Donaghy '59 of the School of Business Administration, University of Western Ontario; and Craig Ferguson '50 of Kingston, Ontario.

Returned from a year in Rome, where he carried out post-doctoral research in Chemistry, Ken McNeely '52 is now a member of the teaching faculty of Royal Military College in Kingston.

Don Goodfellow '61, a student in the Law faculty of Dalhousie University, was one of two students to represent Dalhousie in a debating tourney at McGill last month. Included in the competition were representatives from 47 major Canadian and American universities, and Don and his partner were successful in placing 17th against stiff competition.

Prof. Clare Pentland '40 of the University of Manitoba was a visiting lecturer at Brandon College one afternoon in January.

Nettie Ross '16 has left by air on a three-week trip to Japan. Enroute home she will spend some time in Vancouver.

Births

We are pleased to pass along the following birth announcements:

—to Cam Finlay '52 and Mrs. Finlay (Joy Barton '54) a second son, Warren Hugh, September 21, 1961 in Edmonton.

—to V. Whittenburg and Mrs. Whittenburg (Marion Simmons '52) a son, Ivan Jay, in South Dartmouth, Massachusetts.

—to Carman Rust '58 and Mrs. Rust (Elaine Fraser '58) a daughter, Linda Maureen, December 10, in Winnipeg.

—to Ken Mitchell and Mrs. Mitchell (Helen Batho '55) a son, Donald George, January 14, at Harte, Manitoba.

—to Allan Murphy and Mrs. Murphy (Mary Jane McLachlan '53) a daughter, Simone Mary in Winnipeg (residing in Morden, Man.).

—to Gordon Sefton '50 and Mrs. Sefton (Barbara Bain) a son, Eric Michael, February 5, in Brandon.

—to Don Sumner '50 and Mrs. Sumner a daughter, Diane Elizabeth, February 10, in Brandon.

—to D. McIntosh and Mrs. McIntosh (Jean Hannah '56) a son, John Graham, March 4 in Winnipeg.

student in Winnipeg at the time of his death in January, 1962.

—Larry Phillips, Brandon protographer who was a good friend to College students past and present, February 17, 1962.

—Mrs. Harry Weiler (Orlow B. Smith '23), January, 1961 (not reported until now).

—N. D. Williams, February, 1962 in Brandon. Mr. Williams painted the portrait of the late Dr. J. C. R. Evans, and the Class '60 gift picture of the original Brandon College buildings.

Brandon College Provides Service For High School Students

In its third year of operation, the College's Pre-College Clinic and Seminar for students from Western Manitoba High schools is recording a new enrolment high this year. On March 16, almost 200 students from an area south of Number One Highway spent the day at Brandon College, writing psychological tests, touring the facilities and receiving counsel from professors in the various College faculties. On March 30, more than 200 students chosen by their principals from school districts on Highway One and North will follow the same pattern for a day.

In a period when career choice becomes increasingly complex for high school students, this unique opportunity offered by Brandon College provides much-needed assistance to young people in the surrounding communities.

Obituaries

The death of the following is regretfully announced:

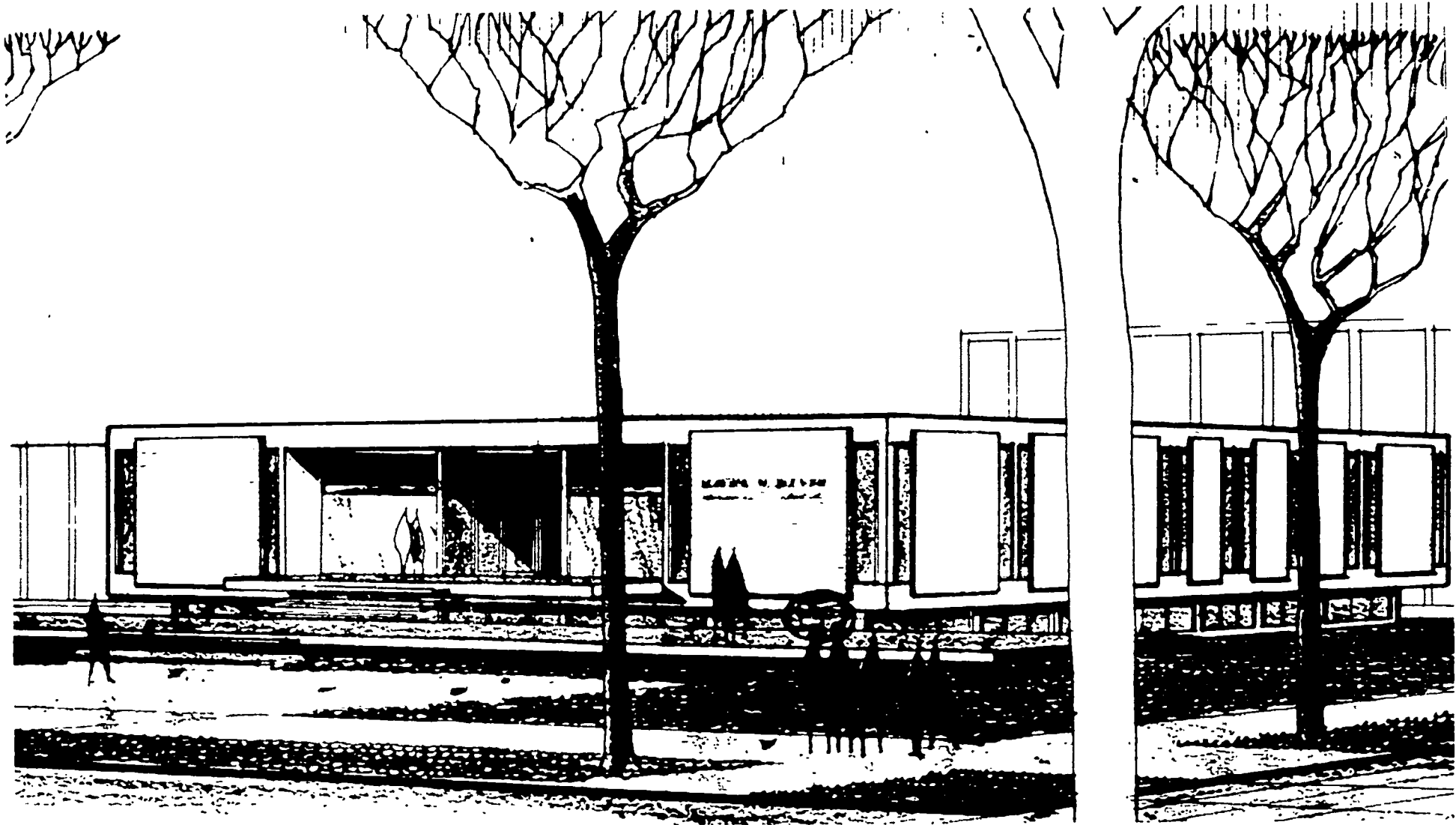
—Rev. E. J. Church '24 in Edmonton, November 26, 1961.

—James W. Dempsey '12 in Victoria.

—Mrs. Franklin Sweet (wife of the late Dr. F. W. Sweet who was president of Brandon College in 1923-24), in Cincinnati, Ohio, December 14.

—Dr. R. Fletcher Argue (English instructor at Brandon College 1923-24), January 4, 1962 in Winnipeg.

—Edgar Baxter, a student at Brandon College during 1958-59; a medical



ARCHITECT'S SKETCH OF MUSIC BUILDING TO BE CONSTRUCTED (See story Page 4).