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## Inter-Scholastic Ice Meet A Wonderful Success

The recent Inter-scholastic Ice Meet the first of its kind in this city, was a remarkable success and a crowning achievement to the hard working executive in charge. From the first event to the last there was no lack of interest and inter-school feeling 'ran high'. The Collegiate won the meet from the College by a scant few points but considering the comparative sizes of the institutions and the strong calibre of competition, the loss of the pennant was no disgrace to our athletes. The College, however, were successful in the Queen election contest and amid the royal atmosphere of King Winter, Miss Eleanor McKinnon was crowned, with all due ceremony, as the Queen of the meet, and the least that can be said is that the choice was a royal one.

The first event of the program was a ladies' hockey match between the College and Collegiate. After three hectic periods, in which sticks, fists and angry words passed between the contestants on both sides, it was found that Peggy McDonald had scored two goals, assisted by Helen Vasey, Eleanor McKinnon, Mary Coutts and others, and that the College had won. Only the intervention of the militia, led by Jack Edmison, Chuck Campbell and Bert Fraser, saved a riot.

The Collegiate won the men's speed skating race with Bugg second for the College and the Technical School third, while Miss Smallshaw barely missed winning the girls' race by a narrow margin, capturing another second place for the College. A city champion, representing the Technical won the event, with the Collegiate finishing third. Harwood added another few points to the College score by taking third place in the backwards race and Kay Robertson and Bugg captured the mixed event after a thrilling race. The Collegiate evened up matters by winning both girls' and boys' obstacle races, with the College finishing second and third respectively.

The Normal trimmed the Tech in a broomball game, a game which took on the character of a naval encounter, scoring the only goal of the game just after the Tech goalie had been removed from the game with a double concussion of the skull. The strong, silent boys from the mechanical school vowed revenge and got it in the girls' relay race, the College finishing second and the B. C. I. 3rd. The final event, the men's relay, went to the Collegiate, with the College finishing third.

Then came the crowning of the Queen, who was driven into the rink on a royal coach driven by stately steeds. Hugh Kennedy officiated at the coronation, after which Her Majesty presented the ponderous shield to the Captain of the Guard for the Collegiate, blushing Bert Fraser.

A period of general skating brought an enjoyable and successful evening to a close.

### ARTS BANQUET WILL BE HELD ON MARCH 18th

On Friday, March 18th, students and faculty will gather at the Prince Edward Hotel to honor the graduates of Class '32.

The Arts Banquet Committee under the able direction of Mr. John Young is working very hard to make the banquet a success and everything points to one big evening.

The reception will begin at 6.30 p. m. and dinner will be at 7.15. A splendid dinner has been arranged and this will be followed by a program of musical numbers and toasts. Mr. Edgar Bailey '33 will act as toastmaster for the evening.

Altogether this function promises to be one of the most outstanding in recent years and one that no one can afford to miss.

### CLARK HALL GIRLS

#### TAKE CHAPEL.

On Thursday, Feb. 11th a very interesting chapel service was conducted by girls of Clark Hall. The occasion was the 25th Anniversary of the foundation of the residence by Mr. Clark. Miss Ella Barnecut, President of the Girls' Student Council, was in charge of the service.

The first number was a quartette by Clark Hall girls: Miss Bridges, Miss Smallshaw, Miss Molberg and Miss Lints. This number, a beautiful one chosen for the occasion, contained the very spirit of the institution.

Following the quartette, Miss Eleanor McKinnon read a very interesting history, in which she traced the development of Clark Hall from its founding up to the present time. Special mention was made of the various lady deans who have had charge of the hall and tribute was payed to Mrs. E. Whiteside the first lady dean.

The Clark Hall choir rendered a splendid number and the service was closed with a short prayer by Miss Phyllis Blandford.

### ARTS I FUNCTION.

Tuesday, February 23rd found class '35 out to spend the evening together. Everyone met in Clark Hall and then aided by a clear moon, proceeded with much pleasure to the slide. Here much pent-up energy that has no opportunity of giving vent in any Arts classes, was released and everyone prepared to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent. Sliding and tugging up toboggans was the order of the evening. After about two hours of fun, the party met at the home of Gordon Cumming where a delicious and much appreciated lunch was served by Mrs. Cumming. Various forms of amusement proved very popular for those who desired to take part in them.

The evening was brought to a close by a hearty vote of thanks to the host and hostess.

This function has proved a very successful one for the Arts I members

## League of Nations Club

The League of Nations Club held their regular meeting Thursday evening. The subject: "The Sino-Japanese Question" took the form of a debate with Miss E. Hudson taking the affirmative and Mr. Stanley Brenton the negative. In upholding China Miss Hudson reviewed the events taking place there from the time of the building of the Great Wall until today. During this time the Japanese have sought to secure more and more land and the Chinese to prevent it. There has been considerable friction between the two countries over railways, taxation and irrigation which have led to boycotts and minor disputes. In beginning a war with China, as they have done, the Japanese have flouted the covenant of The League, The Kellogg Pact and Nine Power's Treaty. They are apparently counting on the weakness of the League, and are upheld by the English papers which they take to be the foreign opinion.

In speaking for the negative Mr. Brenton said Japan was forced into this war. The Chinese built a competitive railway line parallel to the South Manchurian railway but the Japanese took no action. On July 2, 1931, some Korean peasants were killed in an uprising and Japan sent over troops to maintain peace. The Chinese were angered and imposed a boycott upon Japan. This was a very serious action for Japan because she could not stand the boycott and the League did nothing. Bandits attacked Japanese Nationals and the repair gang who were sent to repair the Manchurian railway. The Japanese seized the city of Mukden but saw that to strike a real blow at her enemies she must get control of Shanghai. The situation continued to grow worse and both countries have applied to the League but as yet no agreement has been reached.

The decision was given in favor of the affirmative and after a brief discussion the meeting adjourned.

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**CHAPEL ATTENDANCE**

Everyone that has attended Chapel in the last month has noticed the decided decrease in attendance at the daily gathering. It has been suggested that the service be held in the halls of the second floor of Brandon College or the basement of Clark Hall as those two places claim the majority of the students. Since this is an impossible solution we must seek the remedy elsewhere.

There seems to be an ever increasing attitude on the part of the student to think that he or she is putting something over by remaining away. How far this is from the actual truth. Some of the best talks that we have ever heard have been delivered from the Chapel pulpit. We all come to College professing to seek an education. However we cut off one of our best means to that end when we refuse to attend Chapel. There is an unending list of vitally interesting topics that do not come under discussion in the class room. If this is true are we not injuring ourselves by neglecting to learn them through our Chapel speakers?

It is indeed disheartening for the Chapel speaker, whether he be faculty, student, or outsider, to prepare a Chapel talk and then present it to a group representing 40-60% of the student body. Since they give their time and effort in preparing these thoughts it is our duty as well as to our own good to attend. Although the authorities could legislate and force us to attend, the fact remains that they have not and furthermore show no intention of doing so. Nor does anyone object to the occasional skip when circumstances demand our presence elsewhere. But there is no reason for a student staying away week after week, never even going to see just what does go on at this morning service.

Certainly we have occasionally a mediocre service and once in a while we have them lasting well over the allotted time. This is a difficult situation to overcome but steps have been taken to rectify it. However if we consider the whole term rather than one service we find that the average is extraordinarily high and that we have been well rewarded for faithful attendance.

Going to Chapel is largely habit and once you get it, it proves to be a beneficial one. The time we spend there is time well spent and so we suggest that all the students get this habit both for their own good and for the good of the institution.

**WHAT'S THE MATTER?**

A thing that strikes us most forcibly as we endeavour to fill the pages of this publication is the lack of interesting current events concerning College activities. Since the last edition our functions have indeed been limited. Glance over the Friday night entertainment for the last three weeks. The Inter-scholastic Carnival (truly a success) which is reported in this issue, the next week an open night and finally last week a party that cannot be

given a name. Though blame can be attached to no one the fact remains that there is a general decrease in interest in our student activities, a thing certainly to be deplored.

Brandon College has been noted for her spirit for the last twenty or more years. Are we going to lose that heritage that has been maintained by our predecessors for such a long period? The student activities should be looked back upon as the most pleasing parts of our College days. We cannot afford to give them up by adopting the attitude of indifference.

**ARE COLLEGE STUDENTS REALLY EDUCATED?**

There is a popular belief in the minds of many people that the average college student is educated. These kindly folk envisage education as an actual entity; something one necessarily "gets" at a university, in much the same way that one becomes wet if one is exposed to the rain. For them, attendance at college is synonymous with wisdom.

This is a truly fanciful fallacy. It is partly due, no doubt, to the common confusion of two very different things, namely knowledge and education. Knowledge is merely accumulated information; its aim is to produce a flood of facts, a deluge of detail. Education on the other hand, is an attitude of mind. It is characterized by a spirit of individualism, of emancipation from herd opinion, of suspended judgment and capacity for self-criticism. Its aim is a deeper and fuller appreciation of truth and beauty. It is, in fact, a way of living.

To the modern collegian, such an attitude is absolutely alien. He (or she) possesses it is true, a moderate amount of knowledge, but no real education. For example, the average student does practically no independent thinking. His political, religious and social opinions differ little from those of the ordinary man on the street. He never examines his cherished beliefs, or seeks to discover their origin. The doctrines of his teachers he generally accepts implicitly. In short, he never shows that mildly sceptical attitude which indicates a healthy intellect. Besides, his acquaintance with good books is scant, and his appreciation of classical music or poetry is meagre. His outlook on life is altered very little by the years at college. Finally, he leaves to enter the world of business, settle down as an average citizen of an average community, where, if he ever chanced to mention Plato or Aristotle, people would think he was crazy.

It may seem to some that this estimation is unfairly exaggerated. And of course, generalizations are generally dangerous. Nevertheless, to anyone acquainted with undergraduate

life in a university, we believe it will appear essentially true. Perhaps the fault, if indeed there is any fault, lies as much with the methods of instruction as with those who are instructed. Perhaps the educational ideal outlined above is too utopian for these times. And yet, on any other ideal, can we honestly say that College students are really educated?

—Managra.

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**A TREATISE ON CHEMISTRY**

One day the Chapel service was in charge of the special chemistry students. Being big-hearted of course they didn't charge a cent. Mr. McLachlan, the speaker on the occasion, told us many heart rending and pathetic stories and facts about the universe in which we live.

First Mr. McLachlan told us why he was crazy enough to take Chemistry. He said that as a child he had loved to explore. His fields of exploration were mostly into the pantry and various rooms where he wanted. Other people couldn't understand why he worked in a laboratory in which a professor tried to exterminate his students by an extensive use of hydrogen sulphite, etc. However, being an explorer, Mr. McLachlan decided to take chemistry because there was nothing to discover. But in the Ch. Lab. the opportunities were unlimited. In a haze of chlorine fumes one could go exploring and perhaps discover some beautiful girl in his arms, but the real advantage offered by the Chem. Lab. for purposes of exploration are the windows from which one can see the surrounding countryside.

Now in this Chapel service Mr. McLachlan asked us a rhetorical question: "What are you sitting on?" This question was so unexpected and so mysterious that we were dumfounded. We didn't know what to say. Our mouths were open and displayed rows of glittering teeth ready to chew and pass to our voracious man any words of intellectual wisdom which Mr. McLachlan might deign to throw at us. Luckily it was not summer or a good many flies would have fallen victims to the numerous Homo-Sapiens present at the service. With our mouths still open and not breathing we listened to the next astounding statement of the suave Archie McLachlan. "You are sitting on your imaginations". This was whispered in a penetrating voice. A voice which vibrated with the pent-up emotions which are poured loose after a discovery such as this. You ask what discovery? Why the discovery that we were sitting on our imaginations and not our seats.

Before the noble speaker elucidated further he gave us time to close our mouths, breathe and then open them again to hear better the serene words of wisdom. Now, although I respect the intelligence of my dear and respected friend, Mr. McLachlan, I really believe that he was making an error when he proclaimed that we were sitting on our imagination. I believe that he was not drawing a fine enough distinction between imagination, an abstract quantity and the wooden seats, which are concrete, so concrete, in fact, that no one can sit in them for half an hour without an ache about the sacrumal vertebrae

Now I will endeavor to explain the above statement.

Imagination is a flexible thing. It can be bent, twisted, tormented and cajoled until it reaches a very limit of elasticity. I believe that the imagination of Mr. McLachlan had reached its limit of elasticity at this point. Now if Mr. McLachlan was really in doubt as to what we were sitting on, I am sure I could inform him on that subject. We were sitting on our old wooden benches.

Then the illustrious speaker went on to talk about infinitesimal fractions in infinity, the place where atoms live go. My own theory is that infinity is the place where all old razor blades go. Another theory is to be sure is that all sinners must go to infinity before going to heaven. Of course they always get nearer and nearer, but they never get there and they end up by going to the well back home

By this time everyone was reduced to a state of voluntary inertia by the reaction of the diaphragm to the light and heat waves. The diaphragm is a marvellous piece of human mechanism that works continuously. If it stopped working you would be shovelling coal or cleaning golden streets.

The wonderful service came to a close with the singing of a hymn. Mr. McLachlan is to be commended for his knowledge of chemistry and Physics. He reminds me of the old village schoolmaster "Though vanquished he could argue still."

**EXCHANGE NOTES.**

The exchange editor of "The Johnian" congratulates "The Quill" on the group of fine looking girls pictured on the front page of a recent issue. He pronounces them second only to St. John's girls. St. Johns, you ain't seen nothing yet!

The U. B. C. finds itself in a difficult financial position. The provincial government has cut the grant to about one-half of the usual amount, thereby placing the institution in a precarious position. An extensive publicity campaign has been started and is meeting with a splendid response. We in Brandon College can sympathize with U. B. C. and wish her every success in her endeavors to continue.

"The Sheaf" the publication of "Sask" U. is in the middle of a great controversy over the proper humour to be printed in the College paper. But aren't we all?

The Acadia Athanaeam reveals the fact that "Chuck" Eaton is making a name for himself in athletics. 'Chuck' made the rugby team and at the present time is guarding the gas pipes for the Acadia hockey team.

**A SPRING MORNING.**

(As the view presents itself from the top story of Brandon College.)  
The morn is come, the day begun,  
And slowly climbs the rising sun  
Upon the eastern sky.

Each stack below its smoke doth show,  
Which wreathing curling up doth go,  
Till fading seems to die.

Each chirping bird is gladly heard,  
And heart of every man is stirred  
By herald of the Spring.

All steps are light, all eyes are bright  
With joy, like stars in deepest night  
The whole bleak sky enlightening.

The dark brown grass is of the past  
And life replaces it at last  
As far as can be seen.

And buds on trees by southern breeze

Are opened into flowering leaves  
Enfolding all in gorgeous green.

No whiff of air to stir the lair  
Or even move the crocus there,  
Which drinks the warm sun in,  
Whose bud is nursed thus from its thirst,

And slowly, gently open burst,  
And flower doth begin.

And listen! Hark! the meadow lark  
is singing gaily in the park  
His strains of melody.

And robins play their time away,  
By hundred on the lawn today,  
A bobbing red-breast sea.

Oh hail the spring; rise up and sing;  
Let every living mortal thing  
Gush forth with life once more.  
Forget all woe and onward go  
And let your joy now freely flow,  
Than e'er you've done before.

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**MOVIE REVIEWS FOR THE WEEK.**

The new sensation of the season! Prof. Robertson in 'Beloved Bachelor'

You saw him in "His Woman". Now a triumphant return. Better than ever, unfolding a love story never told before. Be sure to see C. V. Meyers in "Almost Married."

P. K. Klenman in "5 Star Final" A gripping story exposing the evils of the tabloids. Just see what you are in for next year folks.

Something new in entertainment. Clark Hall girls in "Our Dancing Daughters."

They laughed when we announced our intentions. Now look at us. Birkenshaw and Perdue in "Dance Team"

Coming soon, Geo. McGrogor that immortal star will make your heart beat faster in "Playboy of Paris."

**EXCHANGE HUMOUR.**

Bowering.—"Madam, this steak is like the weather, rather raw."

Landlady.—"Indeed? Your board bill is also like the weather—unsettled."

Sadler (arriving in Rapid City in rain).—"Really I'm almost too wet to preach."

Friend.—"Never mind, you'll be dry enough in the pulpit."

Eaton.—"Why do you put butter in your tea?"

Hunter. — "Because the strong should help the weak."

Rose.—"You must have had a good many chances to get a woman."

Young.—"Yeah, but I'm not taking any chances."

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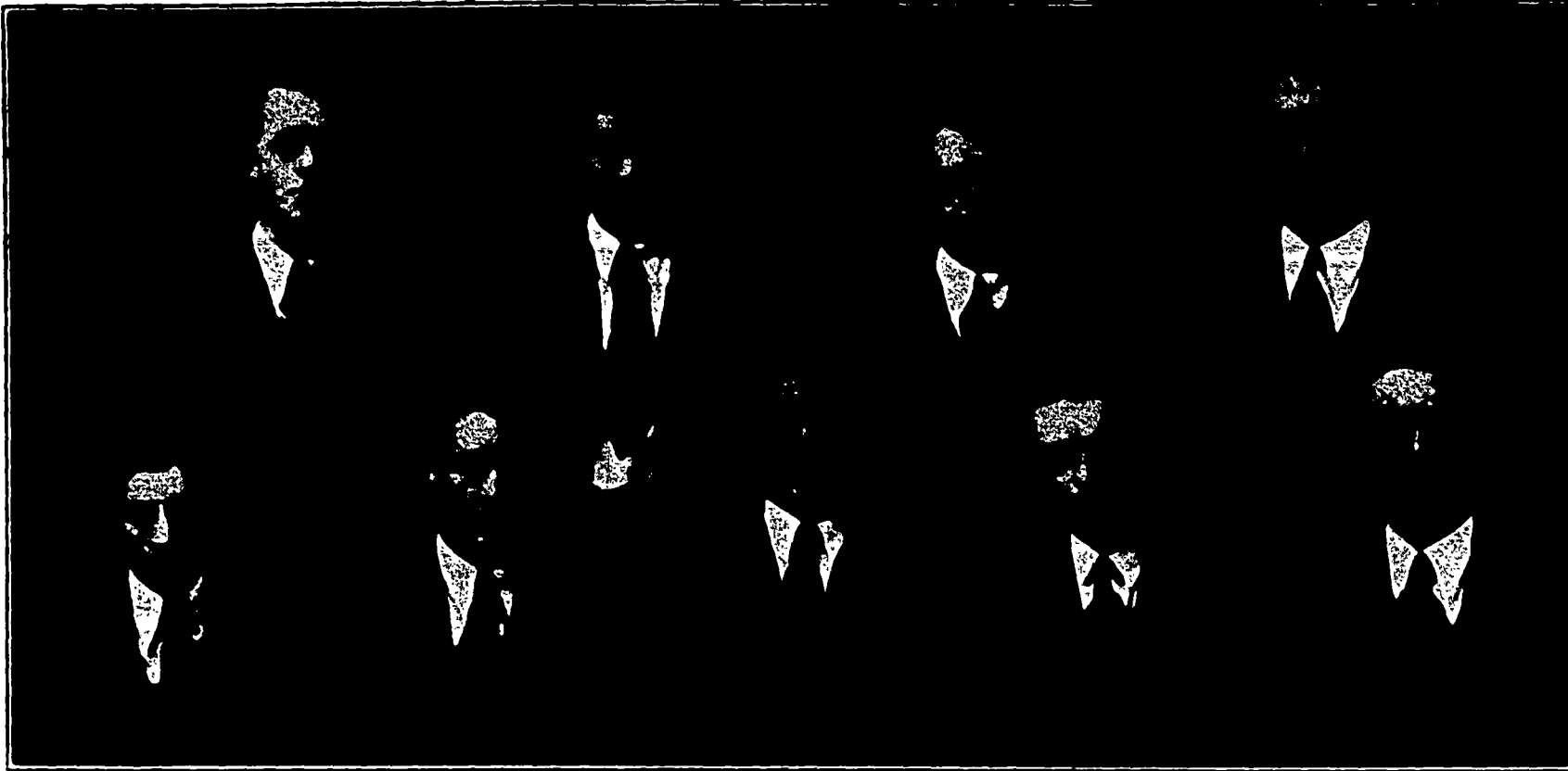
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### THE STUDENT ATTITUDE TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

(By W. L. Morton, Rhodes Scholar  
for Man. 1932.)

D. G. Rossetti has three great opening lines in three sonnets in the "House of Life": "Eat thou and drink; to-morrow thou shalt die"; "Watch thou and fear; to-morrow thou shalt die"; "Think thou and act; to-morrow thou shalt die"—which succinctly outline three possible attitudes of life. As in the inner moral life, the third is the only choice for a vigorous woman or man, so it is also in the large new international life that has come upon the world. To-day, if one may be permitted to re-word a platitude, we live no longer only in our village or city, but in a world community—we breathe with the Hindu and hear the heart throbs of the German. The possibilities of this life are so fraught, not only with an infinite millennial promise, but also a terror and menace almost unendurable. We are tempted to watch and fear; cynically to eat and drink for mere relief—we must think and act.

The student as a citizen in training obviously has chiefly to think, to think out a sound intellectual basis for the chance of future action. Here the attitude becomes of supreme importance. When statesmen struggle desparately with international affairs, a student may hardly hope to penetrate deeply into the toilsome labyrinth. But he may clear his mind of much error and prejudice; he may recognize that the world faces an unexampled situation; he may gather the facts of history and the elements of economics; he may slowly formulate principles that will direct his ballot and determine his speech among his fellows.

Brevity precludes greater length or vividness of statement, but the truth is indisputable. The need of such an attitude, that of the student, of the humanly principled man of science, grows daily. We have lived fourteen years in an armed peace, under the

night of the last war, and what man knows but that the lurid dawn is the first fires of a new conflagration? If we would have peace we must literally fight for it, in international affairs, in our countries, above all, in ourselves. The world situation is such that every man and woman must set their minds in preparation for the worst, learn or attempt to learn the dispassionate truth, and be ready to snatch victory from despair. For it may be that the fearful logic of armaments, tariffs and hatred must be worked out to completion before any better proposition can commend the attention of men.

### TAXPAYER'S LAMENT.

The following letter received by a business firm in the Old Country was recorded recently in the London Morning Post:

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"The government has governed my business until I don't know who owns it. I am inspected, suspected, examined, informed, required, and commanded; so that I don't know who I am, or why I am here at all.

"All that I know is that I am supposed to be an inexhaustible supply of money for every need, desire or hope of the human race; and because I will not go out and beg, borrow or steal money to give away, I am cussed, discussed, boycotted, talked to, talked about, lied to, lied about, held up, hung up, rung up, robbed and darn near ruined.

"The only reason why I am clinging to life at all is to see what the heck is going to happen next.

Yours faithfully,  
TAXPAYER."

### COLLEGE PLAY AGAIN ABANDONED.

Plans to put on a College play were abandoned again when it was learned that the royalty for the play "The Farmer's Wife" would be \$75.00, American money. This coupled with financial conditions, caused the play committee to give up the production and no further effort will be made to have a play this year.

The College has been unfortunate this year for it will be remembered that the play attempted during the first term had to be abandoned when the rights to produce it were withheld.

McKinnon. — "Officer, arrest that man! He just walked up and told me I was the most beautiful girl he had ever seen."

Officer.—"What shall I charge him with—insanity?"

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Prof. Richards (to Phil 2a Class): "In view of the depression all marks will receive a 10% cut."

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Van.—"Is the pleasure of the next dance mine?"

Frankie.—"Yes, all yours."

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1st student.—"Did the honor system work well in your College?"

2nd student.—"Yes until some darn sneak went and squealed on us."

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Prof. (in Sociology).—"Last week we began with the ignorant; today we shall begin with the insane. Mr. Bailey what was ———?"

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Condell.—"But professor, I don't think I deserved an absolute zero."

Prof Lucas.—"Neither did I but it's the lowest mark I am allowed to give"

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**COLLEGE DEFEAT CARBERRY  
IN FAST GAME.**

Brandon College payed a visit to Carberry on February 18th and succeeded in defeating the home team by a 6-4 count.

The game was one of the fastest played in Carberry this season and the crowd went home well satisfied with the evening's entertainment.

Play opened fast and before the college boys found themselves Carberry had slipped in the initial counter on a pretty combination play. Umphrey evened up the score in a back hand flip from close in a few minutes later. With one minute left to go in the first period Carberry again took the lead beating Rowe with a bullet drive.

The College had things pretty well their own way in the second period and outscored the blue and white 4 goals to zero.

Carberry came back strong in the final frame and flipped in two goals to the students one. However the damage had been done and the Blue and Gold skated off with a well earned victory.

To pick out individual stars is difficult though it must be said that Rowe, King and Kennedy took the lion's share of the honors. Every member turned in a good game however.

Scorers for the College were: King, Kennedy, Brown, Perdue, Cumming and Umphrey. The game was comparatively clean, there being few penalties handed out.

Geo. Whitlaw refereed and the College team lined up as follows:—Rowe, King, Harwood, Kennedy, Perdue, Cumming, Scott, Umphrey, Brown.

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL TEAM  
TO TACKLE  
COLLEGIATE TONIGHT**

For the last time this season the College and Collegiate basketball teams will clash on the "Y" floor in what should be the basketball tid-bit of the year. The latter quintette has not been defeated in league play this year but have had their hardest battles from their arch-rivals, the College, who are at present resting in third place. There is no reason why the College cannot defeat them now as on paper at least, the College has a squad as strong as any junior team in the city. The team will be out at full strength tonight, with Chuck Campbell in centre, Art Brown and Kennedy flanking him on the wings, Parker and Cameron on guard and Smith and Thorman as alternates. A

good game is assured, so get out and cheer for your team tonight.

**BY THE WAY.**

The fans who were lucky enough to see the Girls' hockey team in action at the carnival and ice meet were amazed at the prowess displayed by a number of the so-called "weaker sex" on skates. The goaler was unbeatable, the defence was daring and rough and the forwards can skate and stick handle with many boys playing hockey today. They took their bumps like men and gave them, too!

In an effort to give the B. C. I. boys their first defeat of the current season, the College quintette will pit their best team possible against them tonight. This game is an important one in the league schedule and it is hoped the students will assemble en-masse to cheer them on.

Trying to arrange a hockey game in the College is as fruitful as selling magazine subscriptions to the "bread line". When there is ice, there are no players to play and when the ice wasn't in condition, grumblings were heard. Perhaps the rink should be given over to the group of "kids" that assemble there almost every day.

An interesting feature of the recent hockey game at Carberry was the one-minute no decision clash between "Peanut" and the big bruiser from Carberry. "It was all a mistake", Lorne declares, "we are the best of friends."

**McMASTER STUDENTS DISCUSS  
MID YEAR EXAMINATIONS.**

Are mid-year exams necessary? I think they are not. Not only are they joy-killers during the Christmas holidays, nerve-wreckers after holidays, but also a waste of time which could otherwise be used for taking up new work in the lecture room. If mid-year exams could be left out of the picture, and I see no reason why they could not be, what a wonderful improvement it would make on the picture. Would not our regular mid-year tests be enough without having our holiday spirits dampened and our nerves taxed to the uttermost twice a year? Is once a year not enough?

Mid-year exams give you an opportunity to 'take stock' as it were. You are afforded a chance to find out what you really know, and to get an idea

of how hard you have to work during the second term.

They are an incentive to work during the fall term in the subjects to be written. Knowing that I had an exam in certain subjects, I found that I had a clearer idea of these than of the others, even before studying for the exams.

Why should we want to abolish mid-year examinations when it would simply mean more cramming than even in the spring? Then, too, they enable us to know our standing in our work of the first term.

However, I think it would be better if we could have them completed before Christmas, as we could enjoy our holidays much more if we didn't have to think of the studying we should be doing.

There are only three months in the fall term. Who wants to break off at mid-year to study for exams? Why not put off the agony until the spring? One only takes books home at Xmas time to impress the family anyway.

Whether examinations are just or unjust in their estimation of the ability and the knowledge of the student is a debatable question. All students are not able to do justice to themselves during the stress of examinations. During the mental strain some of the individuals are more subject to confusion than others, but only what is registered on the paper at such a time is taken into consideration. Examinations, however, help to keep our minds focussed upon the object of our being here.

Some test for academic standing is essential and, although our present system may not be perfect, let us endorse it wholeheartedly until some more perfect system is found.

Mid-year examinations are, in my opinion, an indispensable and helpful evil. Many of us dread a major course which has only a spring examination; since it is an almost universal practice that, although reading may be done in a course, the work of assembling the material of it will be left till the last days before the exam. It cannot be expected that the assembling of a whole year's work in all subjects could be done thoroughly in the last few weeks of the college year. Therefore I consider such an examination as we have just gone through useful from the student's point of view.

It is indeed unfortunate that the number of examinations written by each student is not approximately the same, so that one student is not trying seven while others are only trying two.

—From McMaster Paper.

**EUTERPEAN SOCIETY**

The Euterpean Society held their function in the form of a toboggan party on Monday night, February 22. Nine couples left the College sharp at seven and hiked in a body to the slide. After a good two hours of tobogganning they set out for the Olympia where they later enjoyed a lunch suitable for the occasion. They came back to the college a few minutes after eleven and each member reported that the toboggan party had been a huge success.

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**ENGLISH CLUB MEETS  
AT MRS. WHITMORE'S.**

The English Club met at the home of Mrs. Whitmore for their meeting on Saturday, February 15th. The study of contemporary drama was continued with an examination of the life and works of John Galsworthy. The life and appreciation of John Galsworthy was given by Del Dunkin. George Thorman briefly outlined one of Galsworthy's famous plays "Loyalties". An open discussion was then held and lunch was served by Miss Laycock and Miss Metcalfe. Thus ended another of those delightful gatherings of appreciative English students.

**ARTS III HOLD FUNCTION**

On Tuesday, February 16th, the members of Class '33 gathered at Clark Hall and from there journeyed to the Arena Rink where a very enjoyable skating party took place. After two hours of skating the entire group wended its way to the home of Miss Ruth Thornton where a very pleasant hour and a half was spent. A substantial lunch was served after which games and songs were the order of the evening.

As usual, Mr. Klenman, our opera singer, was the life of the party and contributed many hair-raising numbers.

Mr. E. A. Birkenshaw, the Honorary President, accompanied the class as chaperon.

**WILL BE THIRD IN COMPETITION FOR LITERARY SHIELD**

Tomorrow night Arts II will present their "Lit" in competition for the Literary Shield. Judging by the amount of hard work that this class has put on their program it should be a thriller from beginning to end.

Arts II have been inspired by the programs of Arts III and IV and are making a determined effort to get the judges' decision in this famous contest. It will be remembered that third and fourth year, especially the former, gave sterling performances and it is with this thought in mind that Arts II have attacked their task so vigorously.

Though '34 have kept their plans decidedly under cover it is rumored that George McGregor and Lila Van Dine are taking leading roles. A slip in the part of one of the class members revealed the fact that there will choruses, plays, magic performances, readings and tap dancing before the entertainment is finished. Mac and George have something up their sleeve and when these two get together nothing good can come of it. On the whole the program looks splendid and all those who wend their way to the chapel on Friday will be amply rewarded.

There remains but one "Lit" after Arts II and that is the Freshman Class. Their "Lit" will take place on

April 1st and with that particular date they should be able to produce a "Lit" filled with originality.

**POL. ECON. STUDENTS  
HOLD ENJOYABLE DINNER.**

The senior Political Economy students were hosts at a very successful dinner party at the Prince Edward Hotel on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24th. The guests of the evening were Prof. and Mrs. Hurd and Prof. and Mrs. Westcott. Mr. Frank Rose acted as Master of Ceremonies and those present were: Prof. and Mrs. Hurd, Prof. and Mrs. Westcott, Laurence Skeoch, Gordon West, Frank Rose, James Harwood, Philip Klenman, Harry Shaw, John Young, Paul Hogglin, Lorne Umphrey and Herbert McDawel.

**"RICKETY RICKETY RUSS  
WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH US?"**

It is agreed, even by the most zealous that keeping company with a Clark Hall girl is a very difficult problem. Restrictions are so placed on these girls that the only outside amusement allowed is that of our local show, and a restaurant. This meagre program, stretched over a period of four years, must be in the end, at least faintly tiresome.

Now for just a few detailed considerations. Why would the couple who assayed to pass the evening in the Clark Hall Reception Room be regarded as oddities, while to so entertain at one's home would be quite in order? I suggest two reasons. One never feels quite welcome to the authorities at Clark Hall, and, secondly, there is a very decided lack of privacy. A limit to calling there should be but it might be left to the girl's intelligence to decide the particular hour when such time be taken. A further reason for turning thumbs down on the reception room occurs to me. The fact is that young people get hungry. The pantry is awfully bare although the larder across in the Dean's office seems to be in working order if anything can be inferred from the odor of coffee.

Parties which are a common form of amusement for young people are denied to our girls for at least two further reasons. The first is that Clark Hall girls have to be in an hour earlier than that at which the usual kiddies party breaks up. The second reason is that there are no arrangements by which entertainment can be given in return, and the acceptance of continued hospitality puts one in a position of indebtedness which is not pleasant.

The period in college should be looked upon as a time of genuine happiness with memories of many pleasant times. Unless the students of our College have facility in remembering the names of indifferently good picture shows (which they have gone to see because there was nothing else to do) their memories of college life will be scant indeed.

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