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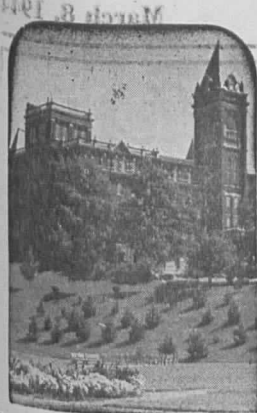
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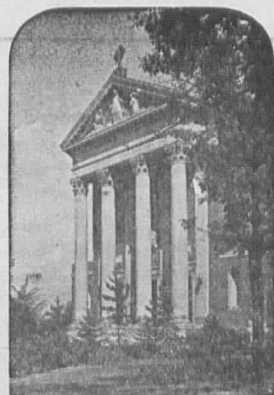
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# THE TOMAHAWK

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## Lt. POWERS, '41 DIES IN WAR

Parents Notified Of Son's Death on Namur In Marshalls Capture

According to 1st Lt. Richard J. Collins, of 377 Lovell Street, Worcester, in a letter to Patrolman and Mrs. George F. Power of 110 Austin Street, Worcester, their son, 1st Lt. John V. Power, U.C.M.C., 24, recently killed, "died in committing the bravest act shown in the entire battle for the Marshall Islands." Lt. Power, Holy Cross, '41, was killed on Feb. 1, 1944 on the island of Namur, Kwajalein atoll.

The details of his death were revealed in the letter, which was passed by the censor. After a successful landing, and after meeting very little opposition, Lt. Power's platoon moved inland until the advance was stymied by the cross-fire of a Japanese pillbox. First, he sent word back to rush up a demolition squad, but the delay in getting the squad and the increasing seriousness of their position caused him to forsake the idea of blasting and to rush the stronghold himself.

### Wounded But Fights On

"He emptied the carbine into the slaps of the box and received a stomach wound, not severe. He reloaded his weapon and was emptying the rifle the second time when he was shot in the chest near the throat, at which time he fell and died."

Lt. Collins continues: "I visited his grave on the west end of Namur Island. I have talked with several of his men, and his loss is a terrific shock"

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## "Ox" Dagrossa, Former Colgate All American, Succeeds Lud Wray

By PETER L. MATHIEU (VI)

Two big-town coaches—two former All-Americans—Lud Wray, center on the crack 1920 U. of Penn steamrollers, later head coach there, and John (OX) DaGrossa, former Colgate University star, made the headlines a few days ago when Head Coach Ank Scanlan notified the Holy Cross Athletic officials of a surprising shake-up in his staff. Wray has been replaced as chief assistant and line coach by John DaGrossa. Scanlan and Wray could not agree on terms for this year.

Wray, who came to Holy Cross with Scanlan two years ago, did most of the active coaching for the Crusaders last season inasmuch as Ank was busy with his duties as a Philadelphia war plant executive and able to devote few days to football. Last year's "Iron Men" won six games of an eight game schedule losing only to the powerful Dartmouth juggernaut 3-0 and to the crack mudders from Cornell.

### Never Gave Up

Wray played havoc with the great 1942 team which massacred B.C.

## Changes In Naval Unit Personnel

Lts. Fox and Sydlar Leave; Dollard and Hoffman Promoted

The Bureau of Naval Personnel has recently announced changes in the staff of the Naval Unit at Holy Cross College. Of prime importance among these changes is the transfer of Dr. F. E. Fox, Lt. (M.C.) U.S.N.R., under whose capable direction the sick bay on Mt. St. James has been operated for the past eight months, to the Naval Training Station at Farragut, Idaho. His position at the Cross will be filled by Dr. G. D. Krumbaahr, Lt. Commander (M.C.) U.S.N.R., a native of Boston, Mass.

Lt. Commander Krumbaahr is a graduate of Harvard Medical School, class of 1932, and has been practicing in Boston since his graduation. He was commissioned into the Navy on Feb. 1, 1944, and after indoctrination was assigned to the unit here.

Chief Specialist Sydlar, for the past year and a half a member of the physical training staff of the college has been commissioned Lt. (j.g.) U.S.N.R., and has been transferred to the Navy yard at Hampton Roads, Virginia. Lt. Sydlar, a former teacher and coach at Ware High School in Ware, Mass., is one of the oldest members of the physical training staff, in length of service, at the college, and has been a tireless worker in the physical training classes as well as an excellent swimming instructor. No replacement has as yet been appointed to take his place.

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### QUALIFYING TESTS

The Army-Navy college qualifying test for the Army specialized training program and the Navy college program V-12 will be given at Holy Cross on March 15, 1944 at 9:00 A.M. The Rev. Leo A. Shea, S.J., dean of Freshmen and Sophomores, is interviewing all candidates for the examination. Recently President Roosevelt urged all young men who are properly qualified to take the examination.

## GILSON WAR CASUALTY

'42 IC4A Hurdle Titlist, Captain; Undefeated In Three Seasons

Word has been received of the death in the South Pacific of 1st Lt. George E. Gilson, '42, of the Marine Corps. According to the report, Lt. Gilson was killed in an accident.

Members of the present senior class and all Holy Cross track fans will remember Gilson as the captain of the track team of a few years back. While a member of the track team, he represented the college at most of the larger meets of the winter season. A star hurdler, he was acclaimed the champion of the 220-yard hurdles at the massive Millrose games of January of 1942. His fine efforts were recognized when Bart Sullivan named him the captain of the track team after his defeat of Walter Hall, Tufts' star hurdler.

Lt. Gilson entered the Marine (Turn to Page Three)

## FATHER CAHILL LEADS NOVENA

Annual Novena to St. Francis Began Monday

The annual novena of Grace to St. Francis Xavier, the Apostle of the Indies, began in the Students' chapel under the direction of the Rev. Raymond F.X. Cahill, S.J., of the faculty. The time of the services this year has been set at 5:25 P.M. in order to afford all the members of the student body the opportunity to attend. At each of the services a short talk on the life and the ideals of the great saint is given and then the service ends with benediction of the most Blessed Sacrament. In past years this novena has been well received by the students on the campus and this year should be no exception.

The Novena of Grace is made at this time of the year all over the world to commemorate the life of one of the most saintly of saints. After completing his studies in Paris, St. Francis undertook to convert the heathens of the East and the faith he planted there has survived to our own day. All should strive to be present at all the exercises of the novena and take the opportunity to ask St. Francis Xavier for the graces that are needed during these times.

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## Sodality Names New Officers

Sweeny Is Prefect; Truland, Conroy and Zewe Will Assist

At the closing meeting of the last semester, Rev. T. Lawrence Foran, S.J., director of the Resident Students' Sodality of Our Lady, announced the new list of officers who will comprise the central executive board of the Sodality during the next semester.

Robert S. Sweeny has been appointed prefect of the Sodality. As such, he will head the activities of the Sodality and preside over the Central Executive Board.

Vice Prefects are Daniel J. Truland, M. Donald Zewe, and Benjamin J. Conroy. As first assistants, Father Foran, S.J., has appointed Frank A. Hickey, Robert J. O'Connell, and Thomas W. Phelan. The second assistants are Arthur J. Bruno, who recently replaced Quintino Rollo who was originally appointed to this post but who, because of transfer from this station, could no longer hold the post, Richard P. Noonan, and Leo H. Lar-kin. The Secretary is John J. Cunha.

### Consultors Appointed

In order to follow out more carefully the Sodality plan, a board of Consultors has also been appointed. This board is made up of James F. Purcell, William A. Kerrigan, Joseph W. Kelley, Joseph A. Campanella, Emil J. Walcek, and John A. Christoforo.

The Sodality wishes to express its deep sense of gratitude to Capt. Guy (Turn to Page Three)

## COMMISSION SENIOR ROTC

Capt. Davis Awarded Honorary Degree At Kimball Ceremonies

The Honorary Degree of Doctor of Naval Science was conferred upon Captain Guy E. Davis, U.S.N., Commanding Officer of the Navy V-12

### ADDRESSES ENSIGNS



Senator David I. Walsh, '93

Unit, and forty-eight members of the Senior R.O.T.C. received their commissions as Ensigns in the United States Navy Reserve at a special convocation of the Faculties of the college held Sunday, Feb. 27. The exercises took place at 11:30 A. M. in Kimball Auditorium before an over-

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## Mulkern To Head New Tomahawk Staff; Tubbs In Naval News Post

Resumption of classes after the recent semester holiday found the TOMAHAWK staff deprived, and sadly so, of the services of many able men. Walter Egan, Paul Hopper and John Noone, were commissioned Ensigns in the Naval Reserve. Joe Deegan is off for further training with the V-12. Thus, you might say, with one fell swoop, the better balance of the organization was sent off to the wars post-haste. After the smoke and the fog curled away into the upper air, we found ourselves minus one Editor-in-Chief, in the person of Walt Egan, and with a room full of empty desks where his colleagues-of-the-press presided in all their gar-rulous glory.

### Problems Solved

The immediate problem was solved, however, with the selection for the all important post of Editor-in-Chief of a man of no mean ability. Alfred E. Mulkern, senior and lately News Editor under the Egan regime, is a key man in many campus activities, including the B.J.F., the Cercle Ozanam and the Purple Key. His assumption of the dignities and the du-

ties of the Editorial helm breathes a fire of new confidence into the faltering hacks who spirit the lower Carlin dungeon.

### Tubbs Naval Editor

One other slot but recently vacated has been filled by another man of no mean talents. The all-important position of Naval News Editor is being filled by Richard H. Tubbs (V-12), a native of Plymouth, Mass., whose sojourn on the Hill in recent months was preceded by a tour of duty with the Seabees in Iceland. Tubbs has contributed some really excellent feature articles to the TOMAHAWK during his time on the Hill to date, and his selection for the post of Naval News Editor promises to maintain the high tenor of his predecessor, Paul Hopper.

### Other Jobs Open

As for the other vacated positions, no decisions are on hand for publication, but it is probable that the present staff, along with the recent additions and promotions, will carry on the work of the paper for the next few issues. There is plenty of room on the staff for new men.



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## DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS

The regular seventh semester men of the Navy have left Holy Cross, some as midshipmen to prepare for the battles of the future, others as commissioned officers about to take up their posts of leadership on the seas. In addition, about twenty civilian students have left for the service of their country. To these departing men Holy Cross extends her heartiest wishes.

To the Navy men who have come to take their places in the N. R. O. T. C. and in the V-12 program, and to the civilian freshmen the TOMAHAWK staff extends a warm Holy Cross welcome. In ship jargon, "We're glad to have you aboard." Although each new class on the Hill has found the life here strange and new at first, it's surprising how quickly they have fitted into the Holy Cross scheme of living. As they grew to know it better, the better they came to like it. May the new classes that have come to train for war come to cherish all the Holy Cross traditions as deeply as those who have left to fight the war.

## DESTRUCTION OF CHURCHES

A major ethical question of the present war is the military destruction of places of historic, religious and cultural interest. Most people are familiar with the stories of the cathedrals of Coventry, Westminster, Cologne and Capua, and these are but a few of the monuments ruined or damaged thus far in the war. Considerable publicity has given lately to the destruction of the venerable Benedictine Abbey atop Monte Cassino which became a thorny problem for the Fifth Army as it marched toward Rome. General Eisenhower had issued strict orders to his officers that the Abbey, founded by St. Benedict in 529 and a landmark in the history of Western monasticism, was not to be harmed. However, it was stated that the wily Germans had taken advantage of the American policy and were using the monastery for military purposes. The General responded quickly to this situation. "If we have to choose between destroying a famous building and sacrificing our own men, then our own men's lives count infinitely more and the buildings must go."

The viewpoint of moralists on the comparative value of buildings and human lives is well expressed by the Dominican Jurist, Francisco de Vitoria, who, in his reading "On the Law of War" states: "It is not licit to demolish churches, that is, not unless the enemy are using the churches as citadels; or again, if we fear that the enemy may fortify the churches to be used as citadels, it is licit to seize these churches in anticipation, and to demolish them. I would point out that this should be understood as referring to cases of great necessity; if the necessity is not great, the churches should be preserved."

In substance, this was repeated by the Spanish Jesuit, Suarez, when he wrote: "... If an enemy use a church as a citadel or as a defensive camp, that church may be attacked and burned."

Holding to the opinion of these theologians will undoubtedly entail sad moments in the weeks to come. We can only hope and pray that the Germans will not be so treacherous or so barbaric as to make it gravely necessary for the Allies to level to the ground the monuments in the Eternal City which house the relics of the foundation of Christianity together with all that is fine and beautiful in man's cultural achievement.

## LIBRARY NEWS

Action This Day, Letters from the Fighting Fronts—by Spellman, Francis J. (D811.5.S74.1943). As the title suggests, this is a collection of the letters to his father by Archbishop Spellman, while on his recent trip to the battle-fronts of the war. From them we see a clear picture of the military life of our soldiers, sailors and marines who are scattered all over the world.

An Irish Journey—by O'Faolain, Sean. (DA977.03.1943). This is an ideal travel book on Ireland by a man who knows his country. We see Ireland as she is today, and the journey changes character as the towns and their regions alter.

The Navy at War. Paintings and Drawings by Combat Artists—by Baldwin, Hanson. (D743.2M3+B1.1943). Here are the stories of major naval actions at Guadalcanal, the Aleutians, North Africa and Sicily told in pictures which are a relief from the ordinary war photographs.

But Gently Day—by Nathan Robert. (PS3527.A86b.1943). If you are an ardent Nathan reader, you will enjoy this—Nathan's story of Corporal Henry Arkbester, U. S. Army Air Force, of America now, and of a younger America during the dark days of the Civil War.

Lend-Lease, Weapon for Victory—by Stettinius, Edward R. (D753.S8.1944). The story of lend-lease is one of the most thrilling to come out of the war—it concerns every fighting front, and to carry it out successfully is so vital to victory. Written by the man who knows all the facts about it, this book is indeed timely.

White Fire—by Edwards, Edward J. (PS3509.D98w.1943). The story of a leper colony in the Philippine Islands, and of an American Sister who dedicated her life to the care of the lepers. The author's delightful humor furnishes a certain amount of relief from scenes that would be inevitable in a book of this kind.

Baltic Riddle—by Meikins, Gregory. (DK511.B3.M5.1943). Finland, Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania and their importance on the stage of European and international politics. The first book published on the Baltic problem as a whole.

The Bayous of Louisiana—by Kane, Harnett T. (F380.B3.K1.1944). An idyllic picture of Louisiana's lazy bayous and the lively French people beside them. The book defines and describes the bayous, but the interest is really in the people—their pursuits, their homes and their way of life.

George M. Cohan—by Morehouse, Ward. (PN2287.C6.M8.1943). This is called the story of "the greatest little guy in the American theater, the only actor ever awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor. Not only is it a good story of the actor's life, but gives the reader a clear picture of the American theater from the 80's to 1942.

Mitchell, Pioneer of Air Power—by Levine, Isaac D. (UG633.M6.L6.1943). This is not only a good biography of Billy Mitchell, but an authoritative account of the struggle for air power in the United States and a story of the development of aviation in World War I.

## A Dash of Bitters

By CHARLES E. DAWSON (VII)

We are all just sitting around our banquettes, fondly coddling our absinthe and talking over the situation here and there these past few weeks. It seems that much has gone on and many have gone . . . The commissioning was a notable occasion, especially for those wily individuals who lingered longer and made a paying job out of getting the first salute from much new stripes . . . After the festivities, everyone abandoned ship fast, heading for Boston and New York. Reports filter back now and then of terrific parties held in various Bohemian settings, including Charlie Reardon's demise on the back porch of a Boston Brahmin maiden, and the falsetto "engagement" party for George McEcoy. Those who know George roared at that one—but interest is keen to see who is first—or if anyone has pulled a quick splicing.

Six of the new edition Ensigs, already feeling in places here and there as if they were one grade lower than a Jap prisoner, are looking forward to an overnight spree on the Dixie Creeper to Virginia.

We are walking along Tremont Street, just breathing in the breath of passing hordes, when Walt Egan presents himself with a flourish. He is on his way to a book store to get a copy of the Bluejacket's Manual . . . We wonder if this is a tacit confession of something or other . . . Walt, as departing editor, leaves the staff in the proverbial dither, since his capable hand was an able and ever-

ready guide for our rather miserable efforts . . .

Passing through the Copley, to buy a pack of butts, we ran into a jolly little throng of Crossmen-in-blue, who are all getting hysterical about one of those usual gags about the meaning of L.S.T. . . . Bob Davis reports that Red Harrington is studying at Harvard, and that his five roommates are all wondering where his wife is . . . So are we! Davis himself spent a recent afternoon inspecting the facilities and inmates at Danvers Hatchery . . . The whole thing was pathetic, but to hear Bob tell about it, you'd think everyone was pulling an Abbott and Costello.

We are just now picking the new editor, Mr. Mulkern, from the floor where he has been rolling for the last hour over an article in the B.C. "Heights" . . . It seems that those lovely little lads from that suburban menage have been but recently showing hordes of Regis girls how to print a newspaper. We can see the stripping Eagles now, strewn papers around the press office, and typing out the dictionary to lend an atmosphere of sincere endeavour . . . Sensibly enough, a copy of that rather sensibly feline tabloid, the Regis-Herald carries an almost pathetic cloying inference that the true Mecca of classical journalism is centered in that Gothic grandeur on the outskirts of Boston. Maybe we are all passing through a crisis or something?

## The Critic's Corner

By DRYDEN MCPHEARSON, '45

There are many bitter individuals who attest vehemently that the outrageous popularity of most motion pictures in due almost entirely to good publicity—and too much of it. And in the case of "The Lodger," it seems that this is an obvious, but rather effective and precise attitude to take.

Among those who don't know the novel of the same name, from the usually sentimental pen of Mrs. Belloc Lowndes, there is, of course, no comparative value by which to measure the cinema production. But if you have known the parallel in any other production of novels in celluloid, such as the monster mutation that was produced from "Gone with the Wind", you can well imagine the raw differences of the two mediums.

Laird Cregar and Merle Oberon

### CAN YOU WRITE?

The staff of the TOMAHAWK intimates coyly to their fellow students that things are waxing wanly in the reportorial department. As a matter of fact, the department consists of a lonely trio of hacks who come furtively into the offices now and then to ask for blood plasma and vitamin pills, only to wander off again with their Muse to wait for passing events to rouse their journalistic fervor.

In other words, dear friends, if in your course through our American educational system you have acquired a rudimentary acquaintance with the vagaries of pen and ink, then drop around and join up with the TOMAHAWK as a reporter. The life blood of any paper is the fertile novelty of new thoughts and new men.

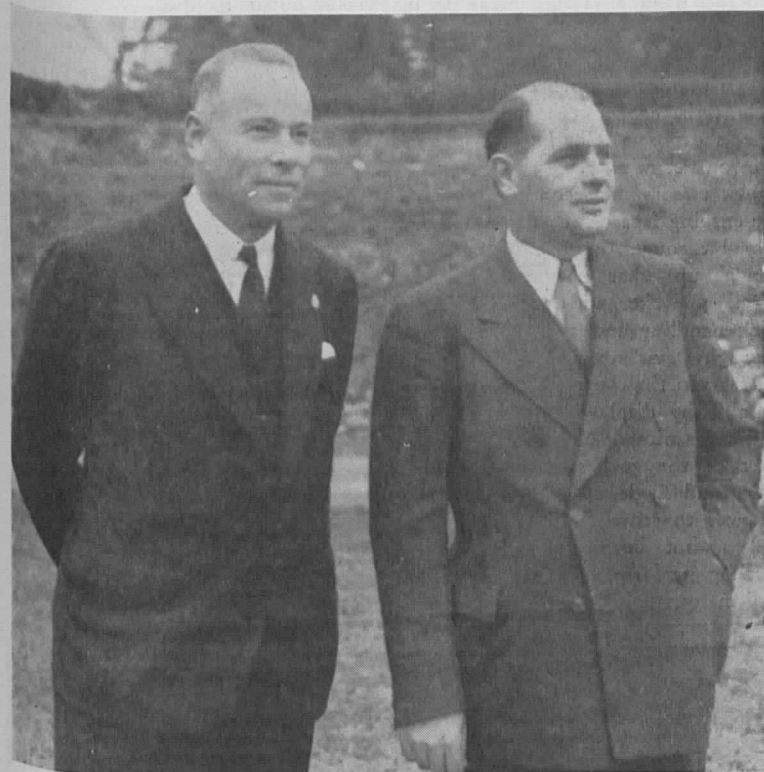
came through with portrayals that attest, at least, to their ability to maintain a cool conservatism when the plot, the play and the dialogue would otherwise lead to a strained and overplayed picture.

The psychological sequence of rising terror that is so brilliantly apparent in the fictionized version of this story of Jack the Ripper is entirely lost in the picture by making over almost every one of the major characters. The husband and wife who own the boarding house where the Ripper stays are originally a dull and terribly boring couple; they appear in the picture as individuals both eminently sane and keenly aware of the oddness of their boarder. Kitty, originally an insipid and slightly morose girl, has been glamorized with the usual Hollywood garishness, until her infatuation with Cregar's weird eccentricities throws the whole sequence of rising horror into the killing light of the obvious. George Sanders plays the agent from Scotland Yard with that keen perception and rather hang-dog reticence of a man who knows that the part he is playing is odious. Mrs. Belloc Lowndes makes her detective a weak and simpering suitor for the hand of Kitty. Poor Mr. Sanders is forced to gallop around with a blistering infatuation for Kitty which, despite its apparent normalcy, has nothing to do with the plot.

Why all the characterizations were turned into grotesque and warped misconstructions of the original people is beyond reason. There is no explanation for it, except that if the book was allowed to remain as it was in the character portrayals, the production would have lacked the Hollywood flavour.



FAMED COACHING PAIR PART COMPANY



Lud Wray, Former Assistant Coach, and "Ank" Scanlan, Head Coach.

## Wray's Departure Surprises Fans

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Successful Author

DaGrossa has also written several books on football, conducted grid clinics and directed the football clinic at the New York World's Fair as well as others throughout the country. His "Bibliography of Football," "Five-Man Defense," "An Analysis of the 'T' Formation" and sundry other publications have had wide circulation.

He is the originator of the five man defensive lines and an authority on shifting defenses. During the past four years he has collaborated with Bob Hall as co-author of the review and preview for the Intercollegiate Football Guide.

## LT. GEORGE GILSON REPORTED DEAD IN SO. PACIFIC AREA

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Corps upon graduation in May of '42 and received his commission at Parris Island on November 18 of the same year. After services in this country for a short while he was sent to the South Pacific. He was promoted to first lieutenant on April 30 of last year.

## LT. POWERS DIES ON NAMUR ISLE

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to them, as I knew that no other officer was loved or respected more highly."

Both men were graduated from Holy Cross, and received their training together at Quantico and New River. The death of Lt. Power brings the number of Holy Cross men who have died for their country in World War II to a total of twenty-six.

## Sweeny Succeeds Egan As Prefect

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E. Davis, U.S.N., Commanding Officer of the Navy V-12 Unit, for his very encouraging letter which was sent in reply to a letter of congratulation which the Sodalists sent to the Captain on the occasion of the reception of his honorary degree as Doctor of Naval Science. This letter is a written testimony of Capt. Davis' interest in the Sodality.

New trainees are urged to come to the next meeting of the Sodality which will be held on next Monday evening in the Student's Chapel at 1845.

At last Monday's meeting of the Sodality, the first since the semester began, an address was given by the director Father Foran. Father Foran spoke of the necessity of the consideration of God in the formulation of an equal and a lasting peace after the present conflict has ended. He told of the value of prayer and urged the sodalists to ask that God be merciful to the world leaders when the time for the peace comes. Many of the new naval recruits were in attendance at the meeting and an extensive campaign has been outlined by the executive committee to seek new members.

## Lts. Sydla and Fox Are Replaced

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Other members of the Naval staff who have received promotions, though remaining at the school are Vincent E. Dollard, head of the physical training staff, who has been promoted from the rank of Ensign to Lieutenant (j.g.) U.S.N.R., and Dr. Hoffman, ship's dentist, who has been raised from Lieutenant (j.g.) to Lieutenant (D.C.) U.S.N.R.

## NAVAL RESERVE NOTES

By RICHARD H. TUBBS, V-12

With its new complement already aboard and squared away, the U.S.S. Holy Cross has embarked on its second year of conditioning Navy men for commissions as Ensigns in the United States Naval Reserve. The new men reported aboard on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week, and under the competent system already set up at Holy Cross have already been issued uniforms, formed into companies and, on Friday, started their new classes. The new trainees have taken quickly to the Navy life, and the commanding officer has expressed the belief that the unit will continue to carry on in the excellent manner established last year on Mt. St. James. The Holy Cross unit has been commended as one of the finest units of its kind in the country, and all indications point to the conclusion that this high standard will continue to be met in the ensuing months.

Lt. John G. Mahler, U.S.N.R., Executive Officer of the V-12 Unit, has issued a suggestion to all new trainees that they acquaint themselves immediately and thoroughly with the Regulations of the Navy unit, to save themselves from embarrassing and unpleasant situations in the near future. "Ignorance of the law is no excuse," to quote the ancient saying, and as demerits bring a resulting loss of privileges, it is suggested that the regulations be read until they become second nature for all trainees.

With the list of transferees from the unit not yet complete, and the possibility of replacements yet to arrive, all arrangements for living quarters are not yet established. The new muster list, complete and containing approximately 600 names, should be issued some time next week, at which time, it has been announced, the following quartering arrangements will

be made: Wheeler Hall will house the R.O.T.C. and the pre-medical students, with the overflow from the pre-meds occupying the first deck of Beaven Hall. The upper class deck candidates will be residing on the second and third decks of Beaven, and the Basic students will occupy Carlin Hall.

The editors of this column wish to take the opportunity of welcoming all new trainees to their stay on Mt. St. James, and to admonish them to watch this column for all important and official announcements concerning Naval activities on the campus. One can hear anything via the "scuttlebutt," but if it's in this space its certain to be official.

## CHALICE IS SENIOR GIFT

As a parting and lasting gift of the class of 1945, a Chalice was presented to the college by Bill Kellick at the commissioning exercises. Kellick, president of the class, gave it to the Very Rev. Joseph R. N. Maxwell, S.J., president of the college, and expressed the desire of his fellow classmates that the Chalice be intended for use in St. Joseph's Chapel. The Chalice is of gold and is inscribed simply "From the Class of 1945." Father Maxwell, in accepting the Chalice, thanked the class for their generosity.

## N.R.O.T.C. SENIORS ARE MADE ENSIGNS

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flow group of relatives, friends, faculty and alumni.

Prior to the commissioning exercises a Solemn Military Mass was celebrated by the Very Rev. Joseph R. N. Maxwell, S.J., president of the college, in the campus chapel. Lt. Harold V. Stockman, S.J., a naval chaplain and a former professor of Ethics, delivered the sermon. The V-12 band and the college choir provided the music for the solemn occasion.

### Senator Walsh Speaks

After the reading of the degree by the Rev. Joseph D. FitzGerald, S.J., dean, Father Maxwell conferred the honorary degree upon Captain Davis. Captain Davis then commissioned the N.R.O.T.C. trainees as Ensigns. Lt. Commander Herbert C. Knowles, U.S.N.R., Executive Officer of the R.O.T.C., read the names of the trainees.

The Hon. David I. Walsh '93, Chairman of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, gave the commissioning address. The senator urged the new ensigns to go forth and carry on the great traditions of the navy and of the college in which they were instructed. After the ceremonies the new ensigns left for a short leave before reporting to their new assignments.

According to reports coming back to the campus, the new officers have been ordered to duty at many places. Some have been sent to Destroyer Escort school at Miami, Fla., and others have been assigned to schools at Harvard and Little Creek, Virginia.

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By J. G. Murray, '45

**SORRY LOSS, NOTABLE GAIN . . .** Most of us were considerably shocked on learning that the rasping voice, checkered coat and darn good football sense we came to associate with "Lud" Wray will not be with us when spring training rolls around again. The popular assistant coach was always so much more than just an assistant or merely a coach. Witness his phenomenal feats of last year as proof of this. Although Purple sports are going to feel a deep gap in mentor ability, at least we have the consolation that the type of coaching Wray exhibited in his short but successful stay on the Hill undoubtedly ushered in a new era of Crusader triumphs in the great national pastime of the Fall. To his successor, "Ox" DaGrossa who comes to us with a brilliant record behind him, we wish him the best of luck. He'll need it — but not too much, considering the sweet coaching jobs he too has turned in down Pennsy way.

**ICING THE EAGLES . . .** Well, what do you know about that? Is it possible that during the last vacation we saw mention of Holy Cross defeating B. C. at the Boston Garden, in a hockey game no less? As far as we knew the so-called Purple sextet were of necessity a very informal group which practiced in a gym and used football pants in place of even rudimentary equipment. It just goes to prove that when several Crusaders get together on any kind of a sporting field they play to win.

**CROSS FIRE . . .** You incoming Frosh who aren't committed to any previous athletic engagement shouldn't fail to take advantage of the many facilities offered by the college for your sporting pleasure. The Intramural Office can take care of you . . . There's still snow on the ground but the first hint of warmer days blew in today in the manner of a rumor that baseball is soon to be with us. As a matter of fact, it wouldn't surprise us at all if the pitchers and catchers weren't soon working out in the cage . . .

**INDIANS ON THE HORIZON . . .** Announcement that the Crusaders will take on Dartmouth in a basketball game at Hanover was very gladly received. Twice this year, first in football by a small score, then in track by an overwhelming margin, the star-packed servicemen from the North made the Purple eat dust. There are plenty of old scores to settle but Connor and Co. can do it, but well.

## INTRAMURALITES

By BILL NEELON, IV

With the influx of newcomers and the departing of old and familiar faces, intramural activities have for a time been halted. As soon as the rookies become settled, however, and once things get back to normal, the second half of the basketball season will start, and before long should be in full swing.

To those who are not acquainted with doings here on the hill, intramurals have always been, and we hope, will continue to be an integral part of student activity. In their season, football, baseball and basketball games are conducted by the intramural office and are a high point of campus interest.

The teams are formed from the individual halls or companies, be you a civilian or a V-12er, and these teams are subdivided into leagues. At the end of the season, the league leaders go into a playoff series for the campus championship.

The basketball season currently in vogue will probably start sometime within the next week, and will be composed of the teams appearing elsewhere on this page.

The games themselves are divided into two twenty minute halves and otherwise follow the rules of collegiate basketball. One of the Navy specialists will be on hand to referee the

contests and a time keeper and a score keeper will also be provided. The schedules will appear on the stairway bulletin board in Kimball Hall, and will appear well in advance of the games, that is, if yours truly lives up to his commission.

All the games, with the exception of a few Saturday games, will be played in the Recreation Room, adjoining Fr. Hart's office in the O'Kane building. There will be two games each afternoon, one starting at 3:30 and the other at 4:30. All competing teams are asked to be present on time, if not beforehand.

Now seems as good a time as any to doff the chapeau to Co. I for their fine work in gaining the top award during the first half of the season. Unexpected was their defeating Co. F and R.O.T.C. II, but all the more credit is due for their conquests.

### THE LEAGUES

League A	League B
R.O.T.C. I	R.O.T.C. II
Co. A	Co. B
Co. C	Co. D
Co. E	Co. F
Co. G	Co. H
Co. I	Alumni I
Alumni II	Alumni III
Worcester Day Students—	
Drum and Bugle Corps	

## Cross Tops B. C. In Boston Garden

The crowd was skimpy and the uniforms were ragged, yet the old Holy Cross spirit was present and this, combined with their never say die will to win, enabled our pucksters to eke out a close 2 to 1 victory over Boston College's aggressive hockeyists during the term vacation.

The game itself was a close one from the opening whistle to the final gun, and was characterized by the friendly arch rivalry that is so omnipresent whenever these two teams meet. The victory was considered as a surprising upset by many authorities, but this seems to be Holy Cross' way of doing things.

Boston College was the first to score, however, and they did this shortly after the opening face off. Defenseman Bill Dolan caught the initial center and without any exchange of pucks, skated down his left lane and passed through the defense to pivotman John Driscoll who shot past goalie Martin in the Purple nets.

Ferris, Kerrivan Star

Ten minutes later the tide changed.

## Reserves Shine In Cage Win, 59-35

By MIKE REAGAN (III)

Thanks to a refreshing vacation and more to a second string that outplayed the varsity, the Crusader basketball team was able to rack up a 59 to 35 victory over the outclassed Southbridge K. of C. club on the latter's home court. The Crossmen seemed to have returned a new and again a high scoring outfit and the second half of the present season should find them playing a much better brand of ball, if Saturday's game is any criterion.

### McGinnis High

Bob McGinnis regained the limelight as leading scorer with 13 markers while George Connor, star center, caged one less. One Lou Cataldo, big, rangy and very fast, led the home team with eleven. The Knights' ability to stay in the game at all was due in a large part to the successful tossing of 14 out of 20 free tries. Only 10 floor shots were scored by them against 26 for the Crusaders, thus definitely showing that the reserves can guard as well as shoot.

### Reserves Shine

The Purple regulars led 11 to 8 at the completion of the opening period but the reservists quickly garnered 16 more, giving Holy Cross a 27 to 12 half time lead. In the third period Southbridge staged a partial comeback, by netting five field goals and five fouls to the Crusaders' 12-point total. But it took an ex-Purple baseball luminary, Jim Canty, to make the game as close as it came with several beautiful tosses.

But the final period, due to the exceptional work of the little known but obviously slick Jim Cassidy, saw the Cross tally 20 more with apparent ease.

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Crusader Don Kerrivan, breaking up an Eagle rush, stick handled his way up to the B.C. blue line and after a couple of nice passes between himself and Ferris, evened the count with a rifle shot past Charlie Davis, the Maroon net minder.

Just twenty-six seconds later, after the ensuing face off, center Bob Ferris soloed through the B.C. defense and racked up what proved to be the winning marker with a clever bit of stick handling and a well timed shot through Davis' open legs.

Henceforth, the game was reduced to a flashy display of stick handling and some nice defensive work on the part of the goalies. Both the Crusader and Eagle offense had multiple chances to score, especially the Crusaders, but both goalies turned in sterling performances in the gaspipes and many would-be scores were either

kicked out or stopped.

For the Cross, Don Kerrivan and Jerry Gleason were tremendous on defense and Jim Martin turned in a swell job in the nets. Forwards Guthrie, Ferris and Mulcahy were also impressive and played an important part in the game's outcome.

### Re-Match Seen

Rumor has it that these two teams will meet again before the season is over. This was the fourth game in a 15-year-old series and since it was our initial victory, we are anxious to even the count. Among the outgoing V-12ers, however, were several hard to replace puck chasers and unless some recruits turn up mid the new Navy and Civilian students, hope for a replay will be nil. Especially needed are defensemen to replace Kerrivan and Gleason, but forwards would be also welcomed.

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