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Christmas Eve In Old Russia

By Pierre Oustinoff '35

The snow is falling continuously and its white flakes dance gracefully in the pure, frosty, December air. But the people inside Ivan's house do not seem to pay any attention to snow, but are all quite busy in preparation for the coming feast.

Their feeling would be easier to understand should the reader try to abstain for a period of six weeks from all food except tea, bread, and vegetables cooked in water. At the end of such a period called "Post", one generally feels a peculiar sensation in his mouth and nostrils when he smells culinary aromas escaping from a kitchen stuffed with fine foods. In the family the members have just finished a thorough cleaning of the house and now are decorating it for the big occasion tonight. Everyone is busy except the small children, who, for various valid reasons, are confined in a remote room where their grandfather tells them wonderful stories about the Birth of Christ and the big hearted Santa Claus ("Det Movoz"—"Uncle Frost"). The children listen with their eyes wide open, yes, dream in anticipation of Santa's presents. The grandfather tells them that the value of the presents depends upon their conduct and, consequently, today the children are unusually quiet and well-behaved.

In the meantime, the older brothers and sisters are decorating the big Christmas tree with colored glass bulbs, silver garlands, and home-made pointed figures of saints, cossocks, shepherds, and other objects of interest. It takes a long time to adorn a Christmas tree, but when finally the candles are put on the branches, and the presents bound with ribbons are placed down upon cotton representing snow, the sight is so attractive that it compensates for all the efforts.

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Goldstein Elected Captain of Soccer

Harriers Choose Mitchell
and Blackie

With the closing of fall sports, the attention of the letter men in soccer and cross country was turned last week to the elections of captains for next year's teams.

Martin Goldstein, goalie for three years, and a mainstay of the Scarlet's soccer team, was rewarded by his mates with the captaincy of next year's team. Goldstein, a member of the Class of 1935, is an honor student in history. Kirk MacNichol was appointed acting manager of soccer for next season. MacNichol, a sophomore, is a transfer from the University of Pennsylvania.

The Scarlet harriers chose Stuart Blackie and Bill Mitchell as co-captains for the 1934 campaign. Both Blackie and Mitchell have won two letters apiece in this sport. Blackie, although never a brilliant runner, has been always constant and garnered many points for St. Stephen's. Mitchell, in addition to his running, is also a member of the baseball and hockey teams, and is the president of the class of '36. Edmund Spillane, '35, was appointed to manage the 1934 team.

Drew Five Downed By Saints Quintet

Season's Opener Handily
Won By Leekmen, 54-26

A smooth working, but not too accurate a shooting, Scarlet quintet opened its season with a 54-26 victory over Drew University on the home floor, Friday evening, December 8.

The St. Stephen's quintet, by virtue of a fine passing attack consistently worked the ball under the Drew basket only to lose many points by wild and ineffectual shooting. On the other hand Drew found it practically impossible to penetrate the Saint's defense and resorted to long shots which seldom found their mark. After a rather ragged start, the St. Stephen's offense finally began to click and rang up baskets almost at will. After running up a comfortable lead Coach Leek further jarred the morale of the visiting quintet by withdrawing the entire Varsity and inserting an entire new team, consisting of members of the Junior Varsity squad. This team composed for the most part of Freshmen and Sophomores also held the visitors well in hand while they themselves further added to the team total. The score at half time stood 26-14 in favor of St. Stephen's.

With practically the same team which had ended the first period opening the second half, twelve more points were scored before the Varsity again entered the fray. From this time on it was just a matter of how high the final score would be. As the game wore on, Drew, in a desperate attempt to check the ever mounting score made several substitutions which had little effect in checking the tide. The St. Stephen's team seemed to improve as the game progressed. Their shooting became much more accurate and even their team work surpassed that of the first half.

There was no outstanding star among the players, but rather the entire team manifested a fine spirit of cooperation in contributing to a well earned victory. One of the most outstanding features of the game was the type of play shown by the Junior Varsity, when substituted in the closing minutes of the first half. This team, while

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College Marksmen

Form Rifle Club

The St. Stephen's College Rifle Club was organized Monday evening, December 11. The following men were incorporated as charter members: A. Hicks, Molyneux, Keppler, Haverbeck, Thomas, Castor, Kent, R. Jones, Easton, Stillman, Deinst and Meyer.

Everyone present pledged himself not to shoot on campus until a rifle range should be provided, and any one who discharges a gun on campus hereafter is subject to a fine by the student council. As a result of a consultation with Dean Tewksbury, there will be an outdoor range provided by the side of Faculty Hill and an indoor range in some available building. Allowance for those students outside of the club who wish to practice will be made by the rifle club so that for a small fee any man may have access to either range. Affiliation with the National Rifle Association is sought in order to enter St. Stephen's College in national telegraphic matches.

Christmas Greeting From the Dean

Mrs. Tewksbury and I are glad to take this opportunity of extending a cordial Christmas greeting to all members of the college community. We hope that this Christmas season will be a happy one for everyone.
Donald G. Tewksbury.

Alumni Pledge Support To Dean

50 Graduates Present At Meeting In New York

At an enthusiastic and well-attended meeting of the Alumni in the New York vicinity, with nearly fifty present, held at the General Theological Seminary, Chelsea Square, on Wednesday evening, November 8, 1933, cordial endorsement of the new regime of the College was evinced.

The gathering was held not to raise money but solely for the twofold purpose of learning how things are going at St. Stephen's and to meet Dean Tewksbury. The former objective was well described by the Rev. E. Russell Bourne of the Board of Trustees, and the latter by the Acting Dean, who spoke on various phases of the daily life at Annandale and of his plans and visions for the future welfare of the institution.

The Rev. Wallace J. Gardner, President of the Alumni Association, presided, and after the two speeches threw the meeting open to a general discussion. The following resolution, introduced by Mr. A. E. Everett, Vice-President of the Association, was unanimously passed: "Resolved, that this representative group of the Alumni of St. Stephen's College desires herewith to express to the authorities of Columbia University and to its Alma Mater its utmost cooperation with and confidence in the new administration, and pledges thereto its loyal and hearty support." Various suggestions for the greater effectiveness of the graduate body were brought forward, including formal advice on questions of curriculum policy, key men in different districts, committees to visit high and preparatory schools, provincial representatives of the Alumni in distant parts of the country, and forwarding of plans to be held in midwinter.

Dr. Taylor Lectures

On Audible Light

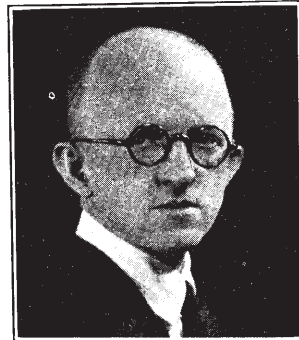
The "electric-eye," or photo-electric cell, was again demonstrated, on Monday evening, December eleventh, in a lecture on Audible Light, the fourth in a series of lectures presented before the college, by Dr. John Bellamy Taylor, research scientist of the General Electric Company.

Dr. Taylor's lecture showed what could be done with the photo-electric cell in the laboratory, and suggested industrial applications. The use of the "eye" in sound movies and private lines of communication were especially interesting phases of the demonstration.

Mr. Perrine of the Bell Telephone Research Laboratories had, several weeks previously, demonstrated the "eye" in its connection with television.

The lecture was sponsored by the student scientific club of the college.

Boar's Head Dinner Tonight Celebrates Christmas Season



Dr. Carl A. Garabedian

Carol Service Sung By Choir

The annual Christmas Carol Service was held in the Chapel on Tuesday evening, December 19th. Dr. Garabedian conducted the choir in several numbers which he had arranged, with the assistance of Dr. Smith, for male voices. Mr. Thomas J. Riley, Jr. '31 sang three tenor solos, and Mr. Seymour Liebermann '37 two bass solos. The entire program was as follows: The prelude consisted of three organ numbers; the Pastoral Symphony and Choral from the "Christmas Oratorio" by Bach; Handel's Pastoral from the "Messiah," and the Brahms chorale-prelude, "Es ist ein' Ros' entsprungen." The service opened with Mr. Riley singing the "Cantique pour Noel" by Adolphe Adam. "O Little Town of Bethlehem" was then sung by the congregation. There followed next a Scripture reading, after which the choir sang the "Adeste Fideles" from J. F. Wade's "Cantus Diversi" and "O Glorious Rose", harmonized by Michael Praetorius. After the hymn "Of the Father's Love Begotten", the choir sang two chorales, "Break forth, O beauteous, heavenly light" and "Hallelujah", by Bach. Mr. Liebermann then sang a Bass Recitative, "Thus saith the Lord" and an Aria, "But who may abide". These two selections were from Handel's "Messiah." Everyone joined in singing the hymn, "The First Nowell", after which, the choir sang Leopold Stokovsk's "When Christ was born of Mary free" and an old traditional tune, "God rest you merry gentlemen". After the second Scripture reading, Mr. Riley sang, "Comfort ye" and "Every Valley" from Handel's "Messiah." An old French carol, "Shepherds watching o'er your flocks" was then sung by the choir after which prayers and the Blessing followed. The service was concluded by the singing of "Silent Night. The Postlude was "The Holy Night", by Dudley Buck.

Eating Club Holds

First Meeting

Twenty-four members of an eating club, as yet unnamed, held their first meeting in Preston Hall, Saturday evening, December 16, celebrating the occasion with a venison dinner.

The purpose of the club, organized by William Easton '37, is to gather together once a month, representatives of the four groups on campus. It is planned to have guest speakers at each dinner. Dr. Harry was guest of honor Saturday.

John Mulholland, Noted Magician, To Entertain Assembled Guests

Celebrating the Christmas season in the old English traditional manner, the St. Stephen's College community will gather this evening, following the Christmas Carol Service, in Preston Hall to partake of the annual Boar's Head Dinner.

An entertaining and novel program has been arranged for the event by the college administration. The hall will be appropriately decorated and a large Christmas tree will stand in a prominent position. As the central feature of the program, John Mulholland, President of the Society of American Magicians, and widely known both as an entertainer and as an authority on the art of prestidigitiation, will present for an hour after the dinner a performance of skillful conjuring accompanied with fascinating and authoritative comment on the art of wizardry. Known the world over, Mr. Mulholland is acknowledged to be one of the greatest practitioners of magic of this time and, as Alexander Woolcott once commented, "Pharaoh would have rejoiced in so good a trickster."

The dinner will be opened with the traditional boar's head procession. Two pages, bearing lighted candles, will lead, followed by a trumpeter and the boar's head, borne on the shoulders of Messrs. Leeke and Smith, the junior members of the faculty. Behind them will march C. Smyth, who as cantor sings the history of the boar's head, to which those assembled answer in chorus:

Caput apris defero
Reddens laudes domino.

A third page will wind up the procession.

The Christmas pudding will be brought into hall by the chef to whom a seasonal gift will be presented. Following the dinner, songs will be sung for ten minutes, after which Mr. Mulholland will present his unusual program.

Mr. Daniel Sanford

Joins College Staff

Mr. Daniel Sanford, formerly Secretary of Admissions at the International House in New York, has joined the Administration of St. Stephen's, filling the position of Acting Registrar and Secretary of Admissions.

Born in Redding Ridge, Conn., he remained in his native state after completing his elementary education, to attend Yale University. From this institution he received the Bachelor of Arts degree, having majored in psychology and minored in education. Mr. Sanford spent two years at the college of Yale-in-China, where he taught education. During the year 1926-1927, he was engaged as instructor at the Hampton Institute, Virginia. It was from 1927 until 1931 that he gained the experience at the International House in New York. In his fourth year in this vocation he received his Master of Arts degree from Teachers College of Columbia University. At present, in addition to his position at the college, he is continuing his work for the attainment of his doctor's degree in Higher Education.

