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## THE HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY

- Rev. J. R. Oliver, S.J.—Latin, Vocational Guidance.  
Rev. D. M. Hannin, S.J. — History, Dramatics, Athletics.  
Rev. J. McDonough, S.J.—Religion.  
Rev. E. McKenna, S.J.—Mathematics, French.  
Rev. P. Belyea, S. J.—Latin.  
Rev. E. O'Keefe, S.J.—Social Studies.  
Rev. G. Laflamme, S.J.—Electricity.  
Rev. N. Vandermoor, S.J.—Mechanics.  
Mr. J. Sammon, B.A., Chemistry, French  
Mr. W. Wheeler, B.A. — English, Music, Art, Public Speaking.  
Mr. W. McGrath—Mathematics.  
Mr. G. Murphy—English.  
Mr. D. Grisdale—Science.

## STUDENT APPOINTMENTS

- Canadiens—Basil Johnston.  
Red Wings—Alfred Cooper.  
Maple Leafs—Ernest Nadjiwan.  
Black Hawks—Julius Neganigijig.

Captain of the Senior Baseball Team—  
Basil Johnston.

Captain of the Senior Hockey Team —  
Julius Neganigijig.

Captain of the Senior Softball Team —  
Alfred Cooper.

President of the St. John Berchman's  
Society—Alphonse Trudeau.

Assistant Choir Directors — Frank  
Commanda and Alfred Cooper.

## FATHER DANIEL LORD, S.J.

In the past two year a number of distinguished visitors have come to Garnier — Mr. St. Laurent, Mr. Pearson, etc. There was one man whose fame has spread throughout Canada and the United States, a man we never expected would find the time to visit us. He is Father Daniel Lord, S.J., "The priest of the 'teen agers." Father Lord's pamphlets, his plays and sermons are well known. The successful staging of "A Salute to Canada" at the Martyrs' Shrine at Midland, was just another one of his great endeavours. At present he is touring Ontario, speaking in various cities in order to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. He has been for years the prime mover behind the Sodality of Our Lady. Father Lord is delivering a lecture in the Soo on the night of the 12th, and will spend a day with us before going to Sudbury. A programme has been arranged which includes several talks by Father Lord and a Sodality Rally and party in the afternoon.

## SOCIAL EVENTS

The first party of the 16teeners Club was held on Sept. 22nd. The Garnier hall was tastefully decorated by Julius and Cecil. Red and white were the dominant colours. Music was supplied by Bro. Vandermoor. Miss V. Dwyer, principal of St. Sebastian's school played fox trots during the intermission between square dances. Corn was the main item at lunch as the dance took the place of a corn roast. On Saturday of the next week the girls were our guests at a senior basketball game. Their cheering and encouraging words spurred the Maple Leafs on to victory.

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## EDITORIAL

September ushered in the fourth year of High School. There are now about ninety-five boys and girls following the regular Ontario High School programme. For the boys in their fourth year, 1949 and 1950 are important. The question they must answer is — What shall I be? What profession shall I adopt? — The right answer will come by study and prayer. The Vocational Guidance course will give the requirements, scholastically and physically, of the careers open to young men. Mastery of the High School subjects will lay the foundation for further study.

Co-operation with God's grace is necessary. Don't say, "I have a lot of natural talent," and then forget work and grace. Natural talent will take you a little way on the road to success but not all the way. Goliath had natural talent yet it did not take the prayerful, hard-working David long to reduce him to helplessness. We need God's help, his grace. Take it and combine it with your natural gifts, then you will have energy for the future. Grace comes principally through the sacraments. The sacraments are the channels of grace. Frequent reception of the sacraments keeps a man in tune with God. It gives him a pure mind and a pure body.

The best way to build for the future is to build a present. We judge the future ability of a man by his present power. — "I am a little careless now, but watch me next month, next year." Such resolutions are dreams. A strong determined "Now I will study, work and pray," is worth more than a thousand next month resolutions. The student who does his work day by day is the wise man. He is building for the future. Remember what Christ said about the man who built his house without the proper foundations and the man who started to build without having the necessary materials. Both types of men were classed among the fools.

## Rev. JEAN BAPTISTE MANSEAU, S.J.

On Sunday, Sept. 11, Brother Manseau died. He had been a familiar figure around the school for over twenty years. Brother was a man of great energy and gave himself wholeheartedly to any task. He excelled as a teacher and achieved great success with the entrance classes in mathematics, grammar and spelling. Few realized the enormous amount of work which he undertook as a teacher. He religiously marked the homework of each pupil, kept a record of their mistakes and weaknesses in his subjects. He outlined special courses for those who were behind in class work and coached them privately. There was never in Brother Manseau's estimation a boy who could not learn. Brother was a rabid sport fan and his comments during the basketball games were known to every boy. He followed intramural games — basketball, baseball, softball and hockey. For several months Bro. Manseau had been in poor health. The funeral was held on Tuesday, September 13. Brother Vandermeer, Brother Voisin, Mr. McGrath, Mr. Sammon, Basil Johnston and Alfred Cooper were pallbearers. The Mass was celebrated by Father Superior. Beside the students and faculty of both schools the following were present — Fathers Benoit, Theriault, McDonald, Rushman, Moran, Falbor and Brother Skelly. Requiescat in pace.

## DRAMATICS

Grades One to Eight will stage their Play Night at the end of the month. Arrangements are being made for the High School students to present a Gilbert and Sullivan musical. Under the direction of Fr. Oliver practises have started. Grades XI and XII will hold their annual debate before Christmas.

## LANDSCAPING

The senior classes have undertaken two projects in the landscaping department. The first is the construction of a stone fence at the front of the school. This assignment involves considerable work. A foundation has to be laid for the fence, the proper type of stone chosen and the stones laid straight. Mr. Matthew Pitawanakat is supervising this venture. The second project is the enlarging of the back entrance to the school and the building of additional lawns. Both assignments will add to the beauty of the school grounds.

**S P O R T S**

**BASEBALL**

**SOFTBALL**

The intramural leagues went into action on the second day of school. Many of the youngsters in the Junior and Intermediate section show great promise.

**BASKETBALL**

The quick darkening nights made us abandon the after supper softball and swing into basketball. The games so far have featured fast passing and close guarding. Many of the younger and new players like Dominic Contin, Emile Hughes, John Nadjiwan, show good ball handling ability. The Senior Hawks with Julius Rudy and Eli have a strong offensive. The Maple Leafs with Ernest Nadjiwan, Frank Commanda and Dominic McComber have depth and power. The Wings, with Alfie Cooper, Adam and Maxie, are a continual threat. The Canadiens, under their hard-working captain, Basil, will soon be rounded into shape. The teams are all well balanced and the games should be close. The whistle chores are handled by Father Hannin and Father McKenna.

**SPORTS AWARDS**

School crests will be awarded at the hockey banquet in October. Crests will be given to those who played in the first team of the Varsity squad in hockey and also the players who were on the Varsity baseball team in June and September. The following hockey players will receive crests: Julius Neganigijig, Rudy Rice, Alphonse Trudeau, Eli Commanda, Maxie Simon, Alfred Cooper. The baseball players: Adam Roy, Basil Johnston, Clement Trudeau.

There has been a revival in this district of the famous American game of baseball. Few people realize that in the early 1890's and 1900, Canada was a great baseball country. Guelph Amateurs once defeated New York for the championship of the world. Baseball is one of the intramural sports of Garnier. This year we also engaged in a series with Cutler for the Spanish River championship. In June before school closed the score stood two games each. In September the rivalry was resumed. September 16 was the opening game for our Little World Series. Basil Johnston was on the mound for Garnier. He went the whole nine frames. Poor fielding gave Cutler an early lead. In the sixth Garnier managed to tie the score and in the seventh forged ahead by two runs. Cutler came back strong to tie the score in the eighth. Garnier entered the ninth determined to do or die for the old school. Basil exploded the game-. He picked out the second ball over the plate. It was a shoulder-high fast ball. He swung. The ball went over the centre-fielder's head and Basil completed the circuit of the bases to win his own game. The second game was played at Cutler on October 2nd. Garnier had practised. Alphonse Trudeau was in the box. He held Cutler scoreless for eight innings while Garnier amassed eleven runs. Cutler obtained two runs in the eighth and Basil Johnston relieved Alphonse. In the second game Garnier showed superior hitting power and excellent fielding.

Garnier 9, Cutler 8.

Garnier 12, Cutler 2.

**Softball**

**LEAGUE STANDINGS**

S-nior—	Intermediate—	Junior—	Midget—
Canadiens ..... 10	Leafs ..... 11	Hawks ..... 50	Hawks ..... 43
Red Wings ..... 9	Canadiens ..... 8	Leafs ..... 43	Canadiens ..... 37
Leafs ..... 8	Hawks ..... 8	Ped Wings ..... 17	Red Wings ..... 30
Hawks ..... 7	Red Wings ..... 7	Canadiens ..... 8	Leafs ..... 16

**BASKETBALL**

Leafs ..... 8	Canadiens ..... 8
Black Hawks .. 6	Leafs ..... 4
Red Wings ..... 4	Black Hawks .. 4
Canadiens ..... 4	Red Wings ..... 0

### FORTY HOURS ADORATION

The annual Forty Hours was held on October 2, 3 and 4. Father McDonough, the Spiritual Director of the boys, opened the devotion on Sunday morning. The choirs of both schools sang well and the Altar boys served with fitting decorum. The sermons were preached on the three evenings by Fr. Hannin, Fr. Superior and Fr. McDonough. The Forty Hours was a real community endeavour. The flowers were supplied by our expert horticulturist, Brother Westaway, and the Ladies of St. Joseph's School decorated the Altar.

### HOCKEY ADVENTURES.

In the next issue of the Club Star we shall have a special report on our aspirants to big-league hockey—Maxie Simon and Frank Commanda. In the game with the Sault Canadian All Stars, Maxie was the best player on the ice. Immediately a Red Wing scout signed him up for a try-out with the Detroit farm system. Frank was well known for his playing ability with the Garnier team of '48 and the Ravnor team of '49. Early in September both went to Detroit. They tried out and returned to Garnier to get more schooling and hockey coaching. Next year both will go to Windsor. It will be interesting to get their impressions on the Detroit set-up. Their report will be beneficial to the boys of tomorrow. Their trip to Detroit made history in the school. It was the first time that any Garnier player had been asked to try out with a major league farm team. Congratulations to both boys.

### COMING EVENTS.

- Oct. 14—Father Lord's Rally.
- Oct. 17-18—Senior Retreat.
- Oct. 22—Hockey Banquet.
- Oct. 28—Junior Ha'lowe'en Party.
- Oct. 29—Senior Masquerade Dance.
- Oct. 31—Intermediate Hallowe'en Party.

### PUBLICITY

(A Globe and Mail report)

The following item appeared in the Globe and Mail, Toronto, on April 19. We re-publish it now because hockey is once again in the air.

"National Hockey League scouts have been favourably impressed by the showing of the Garnier Residential School hockey squad, first all-Indian team organized in Ontario. The eager band played a dominant role in minor league action in the north country this season. The juvenile aggregation were the kingpins in the North Shore of of Algoma and put up a great battle against the stronger Sault Ste. Marie champions.

The success of the Garnier team just didn't happen overnight. It has been the hard work of the Fathers of the school and their faith in the lads that has led to the present high calibre of play. At the outset it was a hard struggle moulding the lads into smooth well-organized players. But the hard work has paid off. The squad chalked up a creditable record of 22 wins and four defeats.

One of the main reasons for the success of the Varsity squad is the stress laid on well-organized intra-mural competition. The youngest student is encouraged to take up sport and it is a great honour for the boys to make the top team. It has been this incentive to win the honour of a varsity letter that has made these Indian boys into coming stars.

Big league scouts are not missing any bets and have their eyes on four lads who showed outstanding ability this season. Julius Negarigijig has been a tower of strength all season. Maxie Simon has been the big point-getter this season. He played a brilliant game against the Soo when he scored four goals. Eli Commanda and Rudy Rvce are two boys who have impressed hockey fans."

There were two players not mentioned in the Globe and Mail. They are steady play-makers, not colourful but the type of player who hold a team together — Alfred Cooper and Alphonse Trudeau. Alfie is a great team player and feeds Maxie and Eli. Alphonse alternating between the second line and defence was a sixty minute man.