

Garnier School Spanish, Ontario

# THE CLUB STAR

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## Bienvenu



Father C. Rushman, S.J.

Father Rushman, S.J., is so well known to Garnier that he needs no introduction. We welcome him back to Garnier now as Superior and as one who will continue to advance Garnier along the paths of wisdom and the grace of God.

Father Rushman made many improve-

## Au Revoir

After eight years of devoted service at Garnier, Fr. R. Oliver, S.J., took over his new assignment as Superior at Wikwemikong on July 29th.

The school is deeply grateful to Father Oliver for his splendid contribution of inia-



tive, guidance and efforts on behalf of Garnier. As a result of his years at Garnier, the school has achieved an enviable record, academically and athletically, and has earned the respect and admiration of all who have seen Garnier grow.

We all know that Father's interest in the school and the boys remains keen. We wish him every success in his new appointment and we thank him for all he has done for

**Father** him for all he has done for **R. Oliver, S.J.** the boys and faculty of Garnier. Congratulations to Wikwemikong on its new superior.

ments during his three years as superior at Holy Cross Mission, Wikemikong. He will long be remembered there as one who had always at heart the betterment and welfare of his flock.

We are sure that under Father Rushman's guidance Garnier can look forward to years of progress.

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## School Song

We're all in the fight for the black and the white;

For the black and the white mean Victory.

- Let's all give a cheer for Garnier so dear, For the school that has ever been all to me.
- You can see our smoke signals lighting, As we go on the warpath fighting:
- Let's all sing and shout for the brave who are out-

For the braves who are out for Victory.

We'll all do or die for Garnier's our cry, For Garnier, we'll roll on to Victory.

From our wigwams we'll come racing And our enemies we'll go chasing.

- We're all in the fight for the black and the
  - white, For the black and the white means G-A-R-N-I-E-R.

## Notice

This first issue of the CLUB STAR for 1952-53 is, contrary to all hopes and desires, late in making its appearance. To satisfy the eager thirst for news about Garnier, we are expanding this edition beyond its usual length. If you wish to receive the next four copies, please send your sub-scription of one dollar to "The Editor— CLUB STAR.

## Survivals and Arrivals

Father J. Farrell, S.J., is now basking in the sunny south. We know that he carries many fond memories of good times at Gar-nier. Thank you for a year of devoted service to Garnier. We hope you come back soon. Father Farrell is making his last year of study as a Jesuit at Pass Christian, Miss., U.S.A.

FATHER WM. MAURICE, S.J.: returns to Garnier as prefect of studies and discipline.

FATHER R. JONCAS, S.J. comes to us from Montreal where he taught last year. Father is prefect and teacher.

The addition of two of our graduates, Messrs. H. Belleau and Cornelius McComber as teachers gives us a great deal of satisfaction. This is the first year that Garnier has seen its own graduates return to help the school form future graduates.

MR. JOHN HEALY, of Thessalon, is also a very welcome addition to the staff of Garnier.

Congratulations to MR. H. BELLEAU and MRS. BELLEAU (Rita Chiblow) on their lovely wedding in the school chapel on September 22nd. Father Rushman, S.J., was the celebrant of the Nuptial Mass, at which the high school boys and girls sang and Father Conlon, S.J., played the organ. Mr. and Mrs. H. Belleau have settled in Spanish. We think this is the first wedding of former pupils of both the boys' and girls' schools to be solemnized in the boys' chapel. We wish you great happiness all the years of your lives.

ALUMNI! Graduates all! We would be very glad to hear from you. If you want to hear about Garnier, let Garnier know where you are and what you are doing.

During the first term we had enjoyable visits from several of our former students.

ALFRED COOPER and BASIL JOHN-STON stopped in on their way to third year at Loyola College, Montreal.

JAMES WEMIGWAMS, now in the Air Force, was here at the time of our Fall Fair and Bazaar.

MAXIE SIMON took time out of his honeymoon to say hello to all the boys. Congratulations to you, Mr. and Mrs. Maxie Simon, and our best wishes for many years of happy married life.

FRANCIS COMMANDA visited the school on his way to Southern Ontario to explore prospects of hockey down that way.

**CLEMENT TRUDEAU** dropped in on his return to Wawa from Wikwemikong where he spent a few days. How you have grown!

**RUDY RICE** paid us a pleasant surprise visit at the Hallowe'en Party held at the boys' school.

JOE COOCO, now in the army, and stationed at Petawawa, made a flying visit in company with his sisters. Sorry you had to rush away.

Any more Garnier Grads? Garnier is growing, so don't forget-when you make your first million, grads, your Alma Mater could use a few of those long green things with the short life. A few new buildings and up-to-date conveniences would help us a great deal.

## Enrolment

To date, there are one hundred and seventy-five boys in the school of whom sixty-five are high school students. There are thirty-five newcomers to Garnier and of these thirteen are high school students. We welcome them all and hope that this year will be the beginning of many, happy, profitable years at Garnier where they will be given every opportunity to develop into the outstanding, upright and capable men that their priests, parents and friends look for on their return home. As their own school, Garnier can give them something no other school is, at present, in a position to give. Garnier is the only Indian Residential School in Canada that has four complete years of high school courses. Besides providing a course leading to college en-trance, the school gives the boys a course in Mechanics and Manual Training which should be of great help in the practical part of their later years. Many schools still just dream of having the facilities for athletics that are available at Garnier. We keep on dreaming of further improvements.

## Sodality

In October, the high school elected their officers and chairmen for the five committees which have been formed. Results of the elections: President, Alan McGregor; Vice-President, Cecil King; Sec.-Treas., Emmett Chiblow.

Committee	Senior		Junior
Chairmen	Sodality		Sodality
	Wm. Kinoshameg		
Social	R. Sunday	Ρ.	Johnston
	D. Contin		
	Cecil King		
Dramatic	J. Pelletier	В.	McComber

With direction and some initiative on the part of the members, we hope that these committees will develop into the efficient instruments they should be in the spiritual, mental and physical well--being of all sodalists and students of Garnier.

## Forty Hours

The introduction of the Catholic Youth Adoration Holy Hour booklets by our Lady's Committee of the Sodality during the Forty Hours, held at the school in November, helped to make these devotions instructive and inspiring. The booklet fitted in very well with the theme of the three days adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, with the three holy hours on the Mass, the Blessed Eucharist and the Real Presence. This booklet, written by students for students, helps to unify the moral, and the social lives of the students by the spiritual light it throws on the everyday problems, needs and interests of modern youth which should be permeated with the true spirit of Christ, the Leader of Youth.

## The Value of Education

There comes a time in nearly every student's life when he feels he knows enough, and the gleam of continuing school appeals to him no more. The urge for adventure, money earning, and seeing the world are all he lives for.

On quitting school he ventures forth, proud, stalwart and learned, so he tells himself! When, finally, he lands his first big job, he gets by — but not exactly under the same conditions he had expected. He is put to work with other men of different standards in knowledge, some with a little more, some with a little less education than he has, but all are compelled to work under equal conditions and all are blocked under the same category. Our venturesome lad works hard, and as he looks into the future he sees nothing but toil, toil and more toil. He then realizes the bleak future he is heading for. It now dawns on him that there are many in the same position as himself, that he will have to slave and toil in order to earn a living. As he thinks back, each one has the same adage "Why didn't I keep on learning?"

He sees that he is not the only one who quit school because he thought he knew enough. He sees that his own chances for advancement are grim. Because there are so many, advancement comes only through seniority. He compares his ability with that of those who are promoted, and concludes that he too could easily attain such an advancement. With this self-built up esteem, he goes so far as to approach his employer to ask if he could be advanced. The employer shakes his head and says: "Son, if only you had stayed in school and finished your training, you certainly would have been in a position for advancement, but as it is now, we have to make our own selections from ones with higher standards. Maybe sometime you might be chosen if you work hard. I'm sorry." Our self-made lad now walks out of the office, dejected. No more does the bright shiny life appeal to him. He loses all heart in his job, just doing enough, if that, to get by. More often he quits and drifts. He holds different jobs for a short while, but each time the story is the same: "Why didn't I finish school?"

Through disgust, he often becomes a slave to social vices that finally render him almost useless, both to himself and his kin. Now he knows how different things would have been, had he kept on going to school or even at least finished his high schooling. But what's the use of him thinking about that now, it's too late, too late to return back to school. From now on, he will have to work, and work hard. Then maybe he will get a break. But that's only **maybe**, for his possibilities for advancement are just the same as the next Joe with whom he happens to be working.

Surely now, fellow students, this is not the future that will befall you. If you have the same impressions, take it from me, for I have walked that path.

You can realize the value of at least a whole high school education. To proceed further into professions though, is the highest one can attain. What worries would you have then if you became a doctor, a lawyer, teacher or whatever profession ap-peals to you now? You've all got a chance now. This is a big world, and the fields of professions are vast. Never mind, if, while you are in school, your financial enterprise is small, if the activities of different subjects don't interest you, if the studying interrupts the fun you would have otherwise. I know if you compare them with a person who is out of school, naturally you will think he is already enjoying life, but - believe me, if you knew what he really thinks, you'd consider all this.

There will come the time soon enough when you also will be through with school; maybe you'll have a professional degree behind your name, then you'll find the true enjoyment in life and benefit by it. Take advantage of this opportunity now, and I guarantee that you shall never regret it. Cecil King.

## SOCIALS School Coming Welcome

A few days after the return to school, the boys and girls had their school coming social at the boy's school. It was a grand evening where oldcomers and newcomers had a real get-together. It didn't take too long until the new students felt at home in the gay atmosphere of an enjoyable evening of dancing. Alan McGregor and Dominic Contin supplied the music with the help of Basil Johnston and his violin. The orchestra stage, a grand help for these social events, was christened in grand style.

## Hallowe'en Party

After the return from Thanksgiving week-end, the enthusiasm of all the senior boys centred on an all-out masquerade for Hallowe'en. Nearly everyone had a different idea on the kind of costume he would wear, as the big night proved. Really, it was some spectacle. There were boys from zoot-suiters to tramps, from pirates to modern sailors, with even an impersonation of the infamous bandits, MacDonald, Suchan and Boyd.

The girls from St. Joseph's made the recreation hall of the boy's school a real Hallowe'en scene. Dressed very prettily in white blouses, orange vests and hats with orange decorated black shirts, they made a wonderful colour scheme to fit in with the party room which was magnificently decorated by our Social Committee of the Sodality. Our Lady's Committee set off the true spirit of Hallowe'en with a statue of our Lady in a background of blue and white to symbolize the driving away of the evil spirits characterized by black witches, cats and owls.

The dance began with a grand march that perked up the spirits of all. The music was supplied by Wilfred Commanda and his violin, Dominic Contin and his guitar and Alan McGregor at the piano. There were also a few selections played on the piano by Father Conlon.

The dance went splendidly. To top the evening a wonderful lunch was served by the Junior Social Committee, and the dance came to an end when Father Maurice played the Hymn "Our Lady of Fatima" on the record player. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely.

Cecil King.

## Hard Time Social

On this chilly night, the boys and girls held their "Hard Time" dance. Many deressed and down-trodden bums came, but, strange to say, they were all fakes. Hardly anyone came with their tramp clothes. Most of the hoboes found some pretty natty clothes and just camouflaged them with an occasional patch to put on a hard time front. Some even put on their good work boots.

The girls came in their best work-dresses, seemingly the worse for wear, but they too managed to make it look as if they were really in the depression. The girls say they even had a hard time finding the patches. They did well with the great variety they managed to scare up!

Alan McGregor and his Stump-Stampers did a good job on the musical end of the programme.

Everybody had a grand time and all agreed it was a good dance. Lunch was served out by the Junior Hoboes. A wonder they did not eat it before it was passed out! After lunch a few more features in the ever popular Paul Jones, dreamy waltzes and the dizzy square dances topped off a grand party.

Many did not know how to dance, but to try and to have fun is one way to relax, and we don't mean sitting down, either. We hope hard times come-a-knocking at our door again.

Gordon Corbiere.

## SPORTS

## Rugby-Football

With only a little over a week before the first game with Espanola, the school team threw itself in earnest to hard practice, hard, solid stuff.

#### GARNIER 0-ESPANOLA 20

Perhaps it was football fright in the first game that caused the boys to lose decidedly to Espanola.

They did not seem to click the way we know they could. Injuries kept two of our good football players sidelined for a good part of the season, Wm. Kinoshameg and Terry Jac-

obs. They were anxious

to see action, but they

showed real spirit by their loyalty and interest in the team.

#### GARNIER 14—ESPANOLA 3

The team played the game they can always be proud of. While they still lacked football finesse which would have increased the score even more, yet they played bangup football. It was a great game to watch. Everyone felt that the boys gave everything they had and they were good. In one week, the playing, defence, running and passing had improved 100%. The crowd and especially the cheering section from the girls' school had a lot to cheer about. Dominic Contin scored all the points, yet the game was a real team victory. It is impossible to select some for mention and leave out others, so we just say — wonderful! team! The Espanola captain was heard to say in one huddle "What is the matter with you guys?" They are going through you like butter!"

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#### GARNIER 7—SUDBURY HIGH 6

Close! Yes, but it was mighty good to come out on top. The boys did not display all the qualities of the previous game, but they played well and deserved the victory. Probably the most beautiful play we shall see for some time was the interception by Tim McGrath. A finger-tip catch while he was at full speed, put Tim ahead of everyone and he increased his lead as he raced like a deer about forty yards for the touchdown. Every point counts. The convert by Dominic was perfect. So was his previous single punt. The game was in suspense till the last minute as our boys elected to pass instead of freezing the ball. It worked, but it was dangerous, eh, boys!

#### GARNIER 16-SUDBURY HIGH 10

Many spectators braved the cold day to see a good football game. They were not disappointed. Again the boys played headup football. It was a close game all the way through. Bob Sunday scored the three touchdowns for Garnier, opening the scoring with a beautiful, long end run with good interception that was lovely to watch. Sudbury came back strongly and kept the game in suspense until the very end. Dominic Contin and David Fox were also outstanding in kicking, passing and running. The lines and backfielders held up their ends of the game well.

These two games with Sudbury were exceptional for good clean, hard playing and sportsmanship. There were no serious injuries. Both teams benefitted from the fine display of manly give and take. Thanks, Sudbury!

## School Football Team

Left to Right — Front Row — C. King, S. Pittawanakwat, M. Toulouse, A. Ominika, G. Whiteduck, A. McGregor, T. Johnston, B. Boyer, M. Jacobs.

Second Row— Mr. J. Schnurr, coach, D. Fox, J. Bonaparte, P. Armstrong, L. Commanda, T. Jacobs, Bill Sunday, D. Contin, Father A. Conlon, S.J., coach.

Third Row — K. Nadjewan, R. Sunday, Wm. Kinoshameg, T. Daybutch, Emmett Chiblow, capt., G. Manitowabi, J. Pelletier.



#### GARNIER 6-ESPANOLA 16

We would have liked to end the season with a win but we were just not able to do it. Espanola played like real champions and showed great improvement after their league schedule. We congratulate them on winning the Junior N.O.S.S.A. championship in their first year in the league. However, we do think our boys were almost as good in this game. One fumble made the difference between a decisive loss and a close score.

A word of thanks to the girls of St. Joseph's School for their fine cheering at our home games.

## Intra-Mural Touch Football

Good weather made it possible to carry on a very successful season of touch football. The Juniors and Intermediates insist on combining touch and tackle football. There were few injuries and they all seemed to enjoy it. The playground has been enlarged to permit two regulation football fields. We hope to see a school campus Garnier can be proud to have.

#### STANDING

#### SENIORS

Team Black Hawks A Leafs D Red Wings E Canadians R	. Contin . Chiblow	10 6	Lost 3 5 6 7	20	
INTERMEDIATES					
Canadians L Red Wings T Leafs B Black Hawks T	. Mitchell . Jacobs	8	5 8 8 10	22 18 16 10	
JUNIORS					
Black Hawks J. CanadiansJ. Red WingsH LeafsG	King . Mitchell	14	4 7 16 16	40 28 12 8	
MIDGETS					
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## Basketball

The new arena is proving a real blessing for basketball as well as for other recreational activities. It has been in continual



use ever since it became too dark to play touch football after supper. The weather was very cooperative. At present, there are two courts in operation, one regulation size. and the other the width of the arena. Good work, boys, in setting up the new backboards and baskets. The recreation hall is still used by the smaller boys.

#### STANDING

Seniors—Leafs 24; Red Wings 20; Canadians 14; Black Hawks 2.

Intermediates—R. Wings 24; Leafs 22; Canadians 18; B. Hawks 8.

### Boxing

A great deal of discussion has been carried on in sport circles, including the Garnier sport minded athletes, on the merit and value of boxing. Waving all this aside, we can only say that it has proven a real asset to Garnier. While others carried on with their regular league basketball games in the arena, the left-overs who would otherwise be unoccupied, took over the recreation hall and turned it into a center of interest and a hive of activity.

On Friday, November 20th the first private card was presented for the entertainment of the boys and girls by the boxing enthusiasts. Under the guidance of Father Rushman and Brother Mara, the boys put on a very good show. We don't think the expression on Jimmy Bob's face after he was thrown for a loss to come back to do the same to his opponent was rehearsed. If so, he sure is a good actor. There were eleven bouts and most of them were quite good.

You never know how girls will react to this kind of sport. Their faces were a real study of mingled reactions, from pity to full-hearted and healthy cheering for their favourites and home-town products.

On Friday, December 5th, a public exhibition of bouts proved very successful and the spectators felt that they received a good evening of entertainment. Decisions of this boxing card:

John Kitchikeg and Eugene Neganegijig put up a very good bout. Both threw good, solid pay-dirt punches but John took the decision.

The second bout had a bit more life. 'Pickles' Tony Kitchikeg received a hard nose punch but after a short postponement came back to take the bout from Philip McKenzie.

The seventy pound mites, Joe Alec Trudeau and Jimmy Boyer was good for youngsters and quite even but the decision went to the former.

Jimmy King took the decision over Clyde Bannon. Both mixed it up very well with their solid punches.

Ralph Bannon did a lot of weaving and dodging from Wayne Delormier, but did not act the aggressor enough in the first two rounds to take the bout.

There was a good bit of nice foot work between Henry Jocko and Herbie Mitchell. It was nice to watch. Herbie's drive gave him the edge.

Jimmy Kitchikeg's terrific right counted quite often, but Julian Manitowabi's splendid take and give gave him a slight margin.

Jimmy Bob and Peter Abel put up pretty much of a tit-for-tat battle. Peter took the decision.

In the intermission bout, Arthur Cooco

and Gordon Corbiere put on a good clown act with the referee the winner. Or was he!

Beverley McCue and Bruce McComber put on quite a battle. It was real give and take all the way with the winner, Beverley.

In the 10th bout Jerry Mitchell and Lloyd Pheasant were very evenly matched. Lloyd seemed to land most of his punches and took the match.

Teddy Jacobs and Stanley Moses were all set for a good round but unfortunately, the bout had to be called because Teddy sprained his thumb.

Teddy Johnston's greater experience gave him the bout with Larry Lavalley but the latter deserves credit for his pluck.

In the last bout Ken Nadjewan and Alex David put on a nice display of boxing and the event ended in a draw.

Our thanks to all the officials. We know the audience enjoyed the evening as well as the boxers.

## Classroom Notes

We are glad to be able to give the parents and friends of the boys pictures of our junior grades. We hope to publish the pictures of the other grades in the suc-



#### **GRADES 1 and 2**

#### Mr. Cornelius McComber, Teacher

Left to Right—Front Row—V. Odjick, M. Debossige, L. Twain, Joe R. Trudeau, C. Debossige; 2nd row—J. Shawanabin, H. Nadjewan, E. Boiseneau, J. B. Wawatis, M. Boyer; 3rd row—V. Neganegijig, E. Trudeau, W. Waboose, A. Syrette, J. L. Lavalley; 4th row—M. Wawatis, R. Cayer, J. B. Wawatis, T. Debossige, M. Abel; 5th row— R. Shawana, W. Wibokamigad, R. Cooco, G. Manitowabi; 6th row—J. Debossige, J. P. Trudeau, S. Debossige, R. Waboose, L. Bennett, B. Odjick. ceeding issues of the Club Star so that you will have a complete set of pictures of the boys as they progress through Garnier.



#### GRADES 3, 4 and 5 Mr. John Healy, Teacher

Left to right—Front row—L. Southwind, H. Day, C. Bannon, J. Bob, W. Shawanda, R. Cabiosse; 2nd row—J. A. Trudeau, P. Abel, M. Corbiere, A. Ashawassige, A. Toulouse, G. Belleau; 3rd row—C. Southwind, J. Boyer, T. Kitchikeg, G. Nadjewan, C. Beam; 4th row—S. Shawanda, R. Shinos, B. Boyer, P. McKenzie, A. Southwind; 5th row—E. Stoneypoint, J. Boyer, C. Shawana, I. Neganobe; 6th row—F. Shawana, E. Neganegijig, B. Fineday, C. Daybutch; 7th row —H. Odjick, F. Stacey, J. Recollect, J. Manitowabi, R. Wabigan, J. Penasse, F. Atchitawens, J. Kitchikeg, J. P. Wawatis, H. Jocko, V. Lavalley, L. Pheasant.

## Playground Talk

Jimmy Bob-Hey! I'm going to pass for sure this year. Harry Day-Yeah? Who told you?

Jimmy Bob-All the guys tell me I'm gettin 'smart'.

**Please Speak Clearly** 

Byron Boyer-Father, what is the movie tonight?

Father Maurice-It's about Bing Crosby.

Byron-The fellas say it is called "Canadian Donkey".

Father-No! It's 'Connecticut Yankee."

RIDDLES

The prefects would like to know why it is always the other guy' who starts it.

Why did the little moron take two slices of bread and a knife out into the street?

When is a doctor like an angry man? Why shouldn't a boy throw dust in his teacher's eyes?

What kind of ears does an engine possess?

Why is life the greatest riddle?

## The Roving Reporter

The new arena was the scene of two successful community gatherings. We thank all who accepted the invitation to become acquainted in this familiar way at our Bazaar and Fall Fair.

On Nov. 20th, work began on the Boy's verandah. We were all glad to see it torn down, not that we just like to tear things down, but it means another im-provement for the boys. The boys them-selves realized this and often volunteered to help even when not asked. After steady work and a bit of inclement weather, that side of the school soon took on a new look. The new verandah will be entirely enclosed and will have washroom and smoker facilities for the seniors. No more tramping up and down stairs. Won't the prefects be pleased!

A great deal of interest was shown by the boys in the development of snapshots. Let's hope the Camera Club composed of our Publicity Committee of the Sodality develop into real press agents.



Merry Christmas TO All Our Readers

As this Club Star goes to print, the spirit of Christmas is all about us. It is something more than just the eagerness of boys with their eyes on two weeks' vacation from classes. Boys look forward also to summer holidays, but not with the same feeling and knowledge that something special awaits them.

Christmas is the center of all the joy and happiness associated with this time of the year. Everyone hopes to share in the joy that came into the world through the birth of the Babe who was born for us at Bethlehem. Many will share very fully in that true spirit of Christmas by the spirit of helping others and giving to others because Christ first gave the great gift of Himself to all men.

To those who remain with us at Christmas, we hope you have a very wonderful Christmas.

To those who will spend Christmas at home or with others who want you with them because they have the true spirit of Christmas, we wish you all the joy that the Christ Child can give you.

To all our readers and friends may Christ, in the arms of His Blessed Mother, be your lasting source of true happiness.