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Mr. Jerome de Freitas  
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## FOREWORD

It is a pleasure to see the 1953 issue of the St. Stanislaus College Magazine. Within its page are to be found information on all College affairs interspersed with interesting articles.

The publication owes much to its advertisers for their co-operation and support; to the many contributors of the literary articles; and to the Daily Chronicle Ltd. for printing and producing the magazine.

One of the aims of the Association; is to stimulate interest in college affairs, and it is gratifying to note that several members have enrolled. It may be mentioned however, that while the attendance at meetings is good, it seems that that members are inclined to neglect the social side, as many of them do not attend. All should take full advantage of the privilege afforded them.

Good progress has been made in clear off the debt on the new wing, but it must not be forgotten that there is still a large amount owing, and therefore, I appeal to all to assist in every way possible to reduce the debt.

As the year draws to a close, we look back with gratitude for the blessings we have received, and pray to God for His further help and guidance.

In conclusion I would like to express sincere thanks to those who in every way assisted in the work of the magazine.

JEROME de FREITAS  
President.

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# **EDITORIAL**

## **CHRIST THE KING**

I am beginning the editorial on the Feast of Christ the King when the whole Catholic world from China to Peru is expressing its loyalty to the Christ King of Kings. This day is also the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost and the Gospel is most appropriate : render to Caesar the things which are Caesar's and to God the things which are God's".

### **HER MAJESTY, QUEEN ELIZABETH II.**

It is natural that our thoughts of loyalty and reverence to the Kings of Kings should turn once more to Her Majesty in this the year of the Coronation. During the celebrations in June there was no doubt of the genuineness and enthusiasm of the feelings of the whole College. With St. Joseph's and St. Roses we had a special Mass in the Cathedral to ask God's blessing on our new Queen. At this moment, a very vital and perplexing moment in the history of B.G., we reaffirm our loyalty to the Queen and to His Excellency the Governor, who is Her representative. May God bless and guide them.

### **THE QUEEN OF PEACE**

From Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth, our thoughts cannot but turn to Her Royal Majesty, the Queen of Heaven and Earth and the only true Queen of Peace. Significantly enough it was during her month of October, the month of the Holy Rosary, that our prayers were answered, even though not in the way we expected. His Lordship had asked for very special prayers during the month of October for the protection of our Catholic schools. To this appeal the Catholic community has responded very well. It was on Wednesday, 7th October, the Feast of the Holy Rosary, that it was on that deliverance had come. (Did Churchill knowingly select this day?) On the ninth day, the novena day of the public prayers, came the Proclamation of the suspension of the Constitution and the dismissal of the Ministers. Prayer is something vitally important and all-powerful in this the twentieth century, here in B. G. as elsewhere, just as it always is in the life of the Church in all ages.

### **PRAYER AND WORK**

But though our Catholic schools, and all Church Schools, are safe the time being, none of our problems in B. G. have been solved. There is need for more and more prayer and for more and more hard work to counteract the hatred and suspicion and unrest which have been systematically stirred up for many a long day.

In the work for the regeneration of B. G., the Catholic Schools, primary and secondary, have an important part to play. We need boys and girls, young men and young women, who are inspired with love and loyalty to Christ their King and to Mary their Queen, a love and loyalty which must be shown in their daily lives and actions.

### **BINGO AND RAFFLE**

It is clear that the importance of the College, and of all our schools, grows year by year; so too do the financial problems. We look confidently to the parents of our boys, to the College Association and to our many friends and helpers. In a circular sent to the parents with the School Reports in July, I wrote as follows: "Contributions to the Building Fund have almost stopped. There is still a debt of \$13,000 on the New Wing and the New Science Laboratories cannot be completed until more money is available. A few parents do give a regular small contribution. I feel sure many more could give a dollar every month or every second month. The building is for your children and for your children's children". The contributions to the Building Fund from January 1st to November 1st, 1953 amount to \$169.61. This must be supplemented by Bingos and Raffles.

I have held over the completion of this section until November 1st. The original Bingo had to be postponed because of the Emergency Order: it was to have taken place on 9th October, and that was the very day on which His Excellency made the Proclamation.

The Prizes for the Bingo were staggeringly good, thanks to the hard work, energy and enthusiasm of the President of the Association and his Committee, helped by many friends: special mention must be made of Mrs. Netty Martins who did so much in the selecting and obtaining of prizes and in the organisation.

The three weeks delay was certainly a blessing in disguise. Before the night of 30th October 575 tickets had been sold, mostly by the boys, themselves. At the door on the night itself, 412 more tickets were sold. 500 stayed on for the first "Cover-all" and 176 for the second.

That afternoon instead of singing practice before Benediction, we had the recitation of the Rosary asking God's blessing on the school and that blessing certainly was showered on the Bingo of the same evening. We have cleared at least \$2,000 for the Building Fund.

Our heartfelt thanks to all who made this Bingo such an overwhelming success. The New Laboratories are less remote than they were a week ago. This morning I offered Mass in thanksgiving for those who helped so much.

We have just started the annual Christmas Raffle. Here too we look to the help and co-operation of the boys, their parents, the Association, and to many friends.

### **APOLOGIES**

The Association section of the Magazine is much thinner than it was last year, and we hope that it will never be quite so thin again.

Mr. John Fernandes was writing an article and was hoping to rope in a few more articles from others. But suddenly he had to dash off to England to help present to the Government and to the British Public the true state affairs in B.G. No doubt that will inspire an interesting article for next year.

Do not put off until next November the writing of an article for 1954. The Editor is ready to accept articles at any time and to treasure them until the time comes for going to Press. Get busy now.

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**Report of the Committee of Management of the  
St. Stanislaus College Association  
for the period  
1st January, 1952, to 31st December, 1952.**

MEMBERSHIP

At the close of 1952 the total membership of the Association was 247, comprising 5 Life Members, 168 Ordinary Members, 45 Honorary Members, 19 Country Members, 10 Overseas Members, and 49 Associate Members.

It is hoped that the Association's membership will increase, for this is necessary if the Association is to continue its important work of assisting the college,

ACTIVITIES

During the year the Activities Sub-committee made a determined effort to stimulate the interest of members and make them more aware of the work the Association was doing.

On June 13th a Stag Social was held on the top floor of the new wing. Through the kind courtesy of the British Council, there was a very interesting film show before the Social commenced. The attendance was excellent.

As a result of the poor attendance in previous years at the mixed Social and Dance, it was decided to discontinue this activity and have another Stag, Social in its place. This was held on August 29th, and once again there was a film show before the social, this time through the courtesy of the B.P.I. The good attendance again left no doubt as to the popularity which these film shows and socials enjoy.

On July 2nd, 1952, a football match was arranged by Mr. C. O. Vasconcellas between teams from the Association and the College. This resulted in a 3-2 win for the Association. We sincerely trust that there will be more matches of this nature, as it provided a great deal of interest.

The Tenth Annual Dinner of the Association was held on Friday the 14th. November, 1952, at the Catholic Parochial Hall. His Lordship Bishop G. Weld, S.J., presided and as usual it was a most enjoyable evening for those present. We are pleased to report that the attendance of members of this occasion was the highest ever at any of the Association Dinners.

## COLLEGE AID

The activities of the Association directed towards College Aid during 1952 were a Bingo Drive, Wonderland and the Xmas Raffle. The total amount realized from these activities was \$6,387.43.

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We are deeply indebted to our many kind friends who once again during 1952 so willingly gave us their wholehearted support, without which these three events could not possibly have been as highly successful as they were. To them all and especially to our own, the Hon. John Fernandes, who once again shouldered the full responsibility of all our endeavours, we say a heartfelt "thank you."

## LITERARY AND DEBATING GROUP

The Literary and Debating Group made a strenuous effort during year to revive the interest of members. On June 20th, there was a debate, the subject being "That a Bridge across the Demerara River will be advantageous to British Guiana". Hon. John Fernandes was the proposer, and Mr. C. C de Freitas Chairman of the Group, led the opposition. The attendance was good, and after a very lively debate, the motion was carried by one vote. Attempts were made during the year to have quizzes, but these were unsuccessful. The committee hopes that members will not stand back, and allow this group to die.

## MAGAZINE

The St. Stanislaus Magazine made its customary appearance at the Annual Dinner. We would like to express special thanks to Rev. Fr. Scannell and Hon. John Fernandes, who were responsible for the high standard of the magazine. It was one of the most interesting issues ever produced and it is indeed gratifying to note the marked improvement in the number of article contributed by members of the Association. Mr. Jerome de Freitas must also be thanked for the very able manner in which he handled the Business section of the magazine, and we also thank the Daily Chronicle Ltd., for unfailing courtesy and cooperation.

## COLLEGE DEFICIT

As mentioned earlier in this report, during 1952 the entire efforts of the Association were devoted towards paying off the debt on the New wing.

The amount actually spent on the New Wing up to the 31st. December, 1952, was \$38,007.84. Up to the end of 1951 we had \$11,933.48 to our credit consisting of the old building fund of \$10,711.88 and \$1,221.60 proceeds from the 1951 Xmas Raffle.

We are pleased to report that during 1952 a total of \$12,888.68 towards paying off the debt on the New Wing, consisting of \$4,504 donations from Firms, \$1,474.75, donations from Parents, \$519.50 donation from Old Boys, \$1,260.27 from Bingo, \$3,830.98 from Wonderland, and \$1,296.18 from the 1952 Xmas Raffle. The debt remaining at the 31st. December, was therefore \$13,185.68.

The year's deficit on the running expenses of the College amounted to \$1,307.22. In view of the fact that all the money raised by the Association during the year was applied towards the debt on the New Wing, this deficit had to be met from the Reserve Funds of the College, which have now been exhausted.

### GENERAL

An event of great note during the year under review was the official opening of the New Wing of the College by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. John Gutch, C.M.G., O.B.E., on the 5<sup>th</sup> November, 1952. The building was blessed by His Lordship Bishop G. Weld, S.J., M.A.

During the year one of the three Association Scholarships at the College expired, but it was decided to award another Scholarship to replace this.

In 1952 the Association celebrated its tenth anniversary, and we feel that it can be justifiably said that throughout its 10 years of existence the Association has lived up to the objects for which it was formed, principal of which to further the interests of St. Stanislaus College and of its past and present members, and to keep former students in sympathy with their Alma Mater.

The Association is deeply grateful to all those who helped to make the year 1952 the very successful one it was.

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## THE OLD SCHOOL TIE

By GARIBALDI.

*"Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds."*

- *George Elliot.*

May I start with a personal appeal to all relatives and friends of old boys of St Stanislaus who are abroad, to let us know about them from time to time. Quite naturally we can hardly keep 'tab' on all of them all the time, and we would be so pleased if we could get additions from you to our treasured store of information concerning our beloved past alumni. So could you start now by sending in to Father Scannell any news you have. You'll help, won't you?

It appears to be simply a matter of course for St. Stanislaus to be well represented in the Colony Cricket II. In the recent tournament against Trinidad, we secured six of the eleven places in both matches. Our heartiest congratulations to that grand cricketer ROBERT CHRISTIANI who was elected to the captaincy of the colony side in this tourney—a fitting tribute to a fine sportsman. Besides Bob, St. Stanislaus was represented by GEORGE CAMACHO, CLIFFORD MCWATT, BRIAN PATOIR, NORMAN WIGHT, and NEVIL THOMAS. (DAVID MARTINS is of course still at school). Fine going fellows, You've done well by the old School.

On the question of cricket how fearfully bucked were we to hear of that; wonderful century of PETER WIGHT against the Aussies in England. This in some measure eases the pain to B.G. cricket of the departure of brother LESLIE for permanent residence in Canada. However, the very best to you, Les!

From the "Summer game" to soccer, and proud mention of the appointment; of MANNIE DE SOUZA as colony Football captain against Barbados earlier on, though "Man-Man" got himself injured in a club match, and couldn't take part in any of the test matches. But congrats just the same to you, and MICKEY DA SILVA, who skippered the colony in the first test, but unfortunately was kept out of further participation in the games through illness.

The field of Sport aside, recent news from the University College of the West Indies records DESMOND NEWMAN as having been successful at the Intermediate B.Sc. and grinding hard for next year's finals. JOHN SEARWAR deserves our proud congrats in like measure by getting fine grades in his Pre-Medical, Science.

The present writer would give much to be in the shoes of CLEMENT YHAP who formerly conducted this column ("The Personal Touch"- remember?) Yhappo up at Oxford is reported to have passed Honours Moderations in Mathematics.

We are extremely well-gratified to learn how well DAVID BUNBURY is doing at the University of Notre Dame in the U.S. Keep it up, David! Like your folks, we also are expecting you to graduate with your A.M.

My aerial will-o-the-wisp, gave me a buzz on MICHAEL and JOE Cox doing well in the R.A.F. Brother TONY is joining them in England, but he's keeping both feet on the ground with his studies in electrical engineering.

Like so many Guianese, ALFRED GOUVEIA has contracted the Canada-Itch, and has taken up residence "way up there" with his family. Battling the cold also, is MAURICE GONSALVES who is with T.V. Commercial Aeronautics.

Speed maniac DAVID FOO (ever saw him on a motor cycle or in a speed boat?!) who is a D.F.O. (That's Divisional Forest Officer, to you) stationed at Springlands is expected to leave early next year on a Forestry Scholarship;

Our Scouts report: JOHN JOAQUIN having completed his training in Barbados, is now with Cable and Wireless Ltd. ...,JOHN GUNBY who stayed in Surinam long enough to get himself married has gone on to Trinidad where he is employed by B.W.I. Tobacco Co ..... Rumour has it that BERNARD VIEIRA who has been in Trinidad for two years is showing results by an impending engagement. It's a grand life isn't it? (That's of course if you don't weaken).

And while on the Engaged and soon-to-leave-their-freedom list (poor guys! or does one sympathise with the girls? ... I wonder!) are JULIAN FISHER and JOHN HAWKINS. (If you MUST know, the girls are JEAN ABRAHAM and ERNESTINE MAHADEO.

Congratulations to MAURICE CAMACHO ("Brad" to you) and his wife (the former DESIREE RICHARDSON) on the birth of a daughter. You've forgotten to send me my peppermint, Brad. Can I hope for a cigar next time?

And again peppermint time, at the moment of writing, for the JOHN FERNANDES, Jnr.'s (EVELYN BETTENCOURT), That scores you two girls, John!

*Round-up of those, who took the "FATAL PLUNGE" recently:-* female. wiles have been working top gear; Mr. Moon has been defying Union regulations to work overtime; and, peculiarly, the much vaunted modern male resistance has been at low ebb (well-not so peculiarly in the circumstances ... have you been anaesthetized recently by any of that new *parfum francais?*), and like this writer who has promised to "love, honour

and obey" (did I say, obey?) BERNICE STAYERS of Mercy Hospital, the following gay lads capitulated:

NORMAN WIGHT	to	MARY GASPAR
KEITH BRASSINGTON	to	MARGARET EDDOWES (residing in England)
MAURICE CAMACHO	to	JOAN TULLOCH (now residing in Canada)
MALCOLM ANDRADE	to	MARGARET WIGHT (now residing in Canada)
GASTON FERNANDES	to	VERA D' ANDRADE
MICHAEL CORREIA	to	WINNIE DE FRANCE
CLAYTON FISHER	to	YVONNE ABRAHAM.

We end on a note of supreme pride as we record that another of the wonderful sons of St. Stanislaus has left the shores of B.G. with a view to pursuing studies leading to the priesthood. JOHN GOMES has gone to London to follow in the footsteps of Benedict Singh who is at Rome in the sixth year of his priestly studies, and LOUIS DA SILVA, ANDREW MORRISON and RAYMOND PANGHAM at various stages of their preparation in England.

God's blessing on you, and may He give His divine inspiration to more to more of our boys and "guide our steps in faith and hope and love."

Stop Press:- JOCELYN D'OLIVIEIRA is arriving back in the middle of November - just too late for the Dinner. After his brilliant results as a student of Birmingham University he is returning to take up a post at Queen's College.

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## NEWS FROM UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF WEST INDIES

Much has been said for and against the residential type of University. It is argued that students in any university will create some pattern of a common university life and share the benefits of 'student inter-education'. True as this may be, it is obviously easier for such a pattern to be created under residential; conditions. Residence in common Colleges or Halls throws men of all types together-the poor and the rich; the native and the foreigner; the scholar and the athlete. Under these conditions there is an inevitable ; give and take and a mutual cross-fertilisation: men will go on discussing all subjects under heaven in their rooms till two or three in the morning and friendships may be formed which will endure through life and affect all life. The University College of the West Indies is fortunate in being a residential type like the old universities of Oxford and Cambridge and its undergraduates have done well so far in fostering this type of life amid the great difficulties that every institution must face in its beginning. A glimpse of the social side of this life during the past academic year is perhaps worth recording.

Freshmen entering the college in October, 1952, were greeted with what is known as Freshman's week. On every night of this first week there was a social function-a film show, a treasure hunt, an address by the President of the Guild of undergraduates, a concert and finally the Freshman's dance on the Saturday night, This Festivity might be regarded in the light of a welcome for the new -undergraduates. Many of these, however, have since come to think of it as a sort of 'Carnival'-a time of rejoicing before a period of austerity or hard work. In the next few matches in Cricket, Football and Table tennis between the Freshmen and the remaining undergraduates were played. During the rest of the term there were debates, lectures on various topics, the occasional film show on a Saturday night and a programme of classical music on Sunday night. About the middle of December the Intervarsity Christian Fellowship presented "Carol Sing"-a programme of Christmas carols and plays. This was followed by a concert featuring undergraduates and some of Jamaica's night club singers. The term concluded with the usual 'End of Term' dance on the last Friday of term, a few days before Christmas.

The Hilary term started about the middle of January. A group of undergraduates aided by the 'Union' who provided them with instruments had formed "swing' orchestra. A ready orchestra could thus be had and so a dance was arranged for the last Saturday in every month from 8 to 12 p.m. There were the usual lectures debates and film shows at night. Early in this term the College saw its first 'Graduation Ceremony'. This ceremony took place in the 'Arts Quadrangle' and was witnessed by hundreds of guests from all over Jamaica. The guest speaker was Sir Raymond Priestly, then Vice-Chancellor and Principal of Birmingham University and a former mountaineer. Shortly

after was the formal opening of the University Hospital at which the Jamaica militia band played. Undergraduates attended both occasions in academic dress-white bow and gowns.

During this term the Football season ended. The Medicals as usual won, inter-faculty match and what a match this was! The Medicals who at preset outnumber those in any other faculty turned up in laboratory coats, many carried skulls on sticks and a few stethoscopes in support of their side, and they yelled loud and long. Taylor Hall won the inter-hall cup and the match against the Medicals was drawn. This was a match arranged by the 'All Stars', the third year medical undergraduates between themselves and the women undergraduates in the Medical faculty. The boys kicked only with their left feet and the match as a whole provided much amusement and "spills."

Sir Winston Churchill visited the College on a Sunday early in January. As he left the library where he had signed the visitors' register, he was presented with a gift from the undergraduates. He then addressed them.

On "Commemoration Day" - the anniversary of the installation of the Chancellor, there was the usual half holiday. A cricket match between the College and a Jamaican XI was played. At night there was a lecture by Professor Parry and then a dance. The term ended as usual with a concert and dance.

The Summer Term is mainly the Cricket term. The usual inter-faculty and inter-hall matches took place. Tennis ball cricket' became very popular on the lawns of Taylor Hall much to the annoyance of many who were working hard for their examinations, then just a few weeks away. Nevertheless before the Chairman of Taylor Hall banned such games from his lawns-matches between Taylor and Gibraltar Halls were played and one between the women undergraduates and a team of male undergraduates who had to play the game as if they were left handers. This match was attended by the Principal's wife and many lecturers

Elections for the post of the President of the Guild of undergraduates and various other posts took place early in the term. Voting was by secret ballot and was preceded by the usual meetings and addresses of the candidates. As the weeks went by social occasions were less well attended. There was the increasing talk of 'pressure of work' - a term very frequently used on 'Campus' from the very beginning of the year-and an increasing consumption of coffee at the 'Unions' canteen at night" More rooms had lights burning after midnight indeed there was always a light in some one's room at any hour of the night and morning. Alarm clocks too went off at the most incredible hours and 'Campus' seems to be gradually clouded. Preparations for examinations were interrupted or perhaps strengthened during the 'Coronation' when we were given two

holidays. There was a 'Coronation' dinner in each Hall, at which a toast to the Queen was drunk and then a dance at which free rum-punch was served.

At the beginning of June, examinations started-the 2nd M.B. first and with it a hush fell over 'Campus'. This examination is the most feared on 'Campus and some of the fear seems to be handed on from generation to generation. Desperate efforts were made, but as the days slipped by many became despondent and worried. A few bid their friends a last farewell anticipating their ejection on failing. At the end of the term one and all drowned their tears and fears at the 'End of Year Dance'.

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## THOUGHTS ON OUR EDUCATION

In keeping with the high tradition of the work done by the Jesuits all over the world, as all good Catholics know, the united decision of the Christian bodies in the colony to oppose the introduction of any educational system which aimed at curbing the dual control system, whereby Church and State snared the responsibility of educating the children of the colony, has been highly pleasing to those Catholics and others who feel that the essence of education is a sound religious training emphasizing the moral and religious aspect of our life. We who love our College cannot but feel strongly on this matter. We owe a debt of gratitude to the noble Jesuits whose sacrifice and unremitting toil have contributed, and still contribute so much to the welfare of the State.

However, there are some who feel that the vested interests of the colony and, particularly exploitation - a term which is frequently abused, if I may so - are encouraged by the religious training given to our youths. They feel that our subjugation to the upholders of law and order (when they are of the opposite party) is made tolerable by our love of, and respect for our lawful superiors. They reason that, even if they cannot influence adult thought, they can at least mould the adolescent's outlook so that his philosophy of life is centred more on the material side. His self-sufficiency, his love of property, his love of easy money - these and other thoughts they want him to feel. To breed discontent, to sow seeds of hate, prejudice, and distrust, is easy; to teach contentment with one's lot, to create the will to work hard; to dispel prejudice, hate, and distrust, is an untiring and hard task. Even if it means depriving parents of their right to send their children to good school, they claim that it is in the interest of the State. They who talk of freedom to vote do not agree that every citizen has a right to say some things about the education of his child. Alas! What can we do but pray for such men.

The Church does not take such an intolerable and unfair view. She insisted that her children should not be denied the food necessary for their soul: why should their minds and bodies be trained, and not their souls? she does not seek to assert her authority over those who are not of her faith; she claims the right in schools, to which her children have contributed. Why should the upkeep, to give them some religious instruction at limited periods. Should they be forced to instruct these children outside of school time, others claim the right to introduce other subjects in place of religion? Is materialism so much more important than religion? Freedom of thought is essential to the welfare of the State: controlled thought can never be in interest of the community.

When we look around us and see the leaders of our community, we cannot but admire the men who show that, by their high sense of duty, their integrity and unflagging enthusiasm for any good cause, they can be trusted and relied on. On examination we shall find that the moral content of their character; has been built on the soundness of their religious training in school. I am confident that I can say that St. Stanislaus College

has been contributing immensely to the welfare of our colony by the sound religious training given to the boys who attended and are attending it. But we are not alone in this task.

That we were saved from the havoc of the late political crisis we must; indeed be grateful. Nevertheless, I feel that there is much to be done by all Catholics and moral-minded men, if we want to progress as much as possible. Where we are asleep, others are vigilant; must we always wait to unite in times of crisis? We have the right principles in life; let us use them, help others to be good and active by our example. Let us continue to support our Church, our school and all that is good, today, tomorrow and every day.

- BY THE SMILING SCOTSMAN

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