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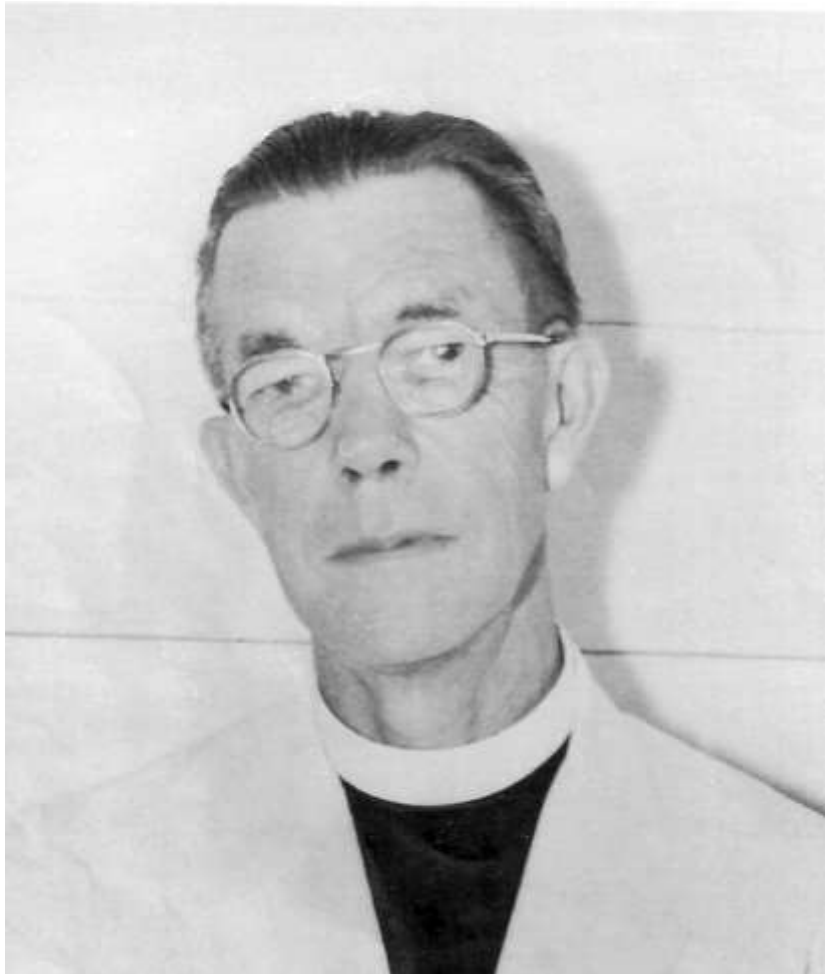
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EDITORIAL

It has not been a happy year for education. The political unrest, the insecurity and the general tensions have not provided an ideal climate for study, We must be very thankful then that the pages of this magazine show that there has been no substantial reduction in the activities of our boys, nor any falling off in the standard of success in the public examinations.

If we have been able to maintain our standards, we cannot look to the future with a sober confidence that we can improve them. The Ministry has announced plans which betray a lack of confidence in schools such as St. Stanislaus. More boys are to be helped to follow a grammar school course by the award of free places, but the Ministry against the long tradition of the country and the record of St. Stanislaus in particular, has barred the entry of free-place winners to aided-secondary schools. The direct effect of this move is to deprive the aided schools of the more able Children, and the present policy of government is an attempt to improve government's own schools at the expense of the aided schools. This is also seen in the treatment of the aided schools' staffs. Their salaries were already much inferior to those of the government schools, but with the addition of the substantial increases awarded by the Guillebaud recommendations, the difference of salaries is large enough to threaten the continued existence of aided secondary schools.

St. Stanislaus will continue to make sacrifices to provide an education which is academically sound, liberal, and most of all religious. We have at least the assurance that the majority of Guianese want this kind of education, and that gives us faith in the future.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the new Jesuit Superior and Chairman of the Board of Governors, Rev. Francis Fenn. He is no. stranger to the College and its interests, and we are pleased to have our affairs guided and promoted by him. We wish him many happy and successful years: in his new office.

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Jesuit Centenary Scholarship Fund
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	Amount		Amount
M. G. Pereira	\$120.00	F. De Abrcu	\$10.00
M, Balluntyno .	\$20.00	Mrs. Kellawan	\$5.00
J. G. Barcellos	\$100.00	A. B. Correia	\$50.00
Noel Barcellos	\$100.00	John De Abreu	\$20.00
Derek Lyder	\$75.00	Cecil Carr	\$3.00
Vivian Lee	\$50.00	Herman De Freitas	\$100.00
Carlos Gomes	\$100.00	C. B. King	\$12.00
E. B. King	\$45.00	Gabriel Fernandes	\$300.00
Samuel Blair	\$25.00	John Fernandes	\$100.00
T. D. De Freitas	\$25.00	John I. Fernandes	\$100.00
Ulric Gouveia	\$50.00	M. G. Pereira	\$120.00
Malcolm Chan-a-Sue	\$20.00		
E. B. De Freitas	\$5.00	Interest	\$24.72
Nov. 1962, Present Balance			\$ 531.61

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Report of the Committee of Management of the Saint Stanislaus College Association for the year 1st January 1961, to 31st December 1961.

The Association held its Annual General Meeting on Friday 3rd March, 1961, at 8:30 p.m. at the College, when the following members were elected to office:-

President	Mr. R. C. Hill.
Vice-Presidents	Messrs, P.A. Thompson and A. De Freitas
Secretary	Mr. L. O. Campayne
Treasurer	Mr. John Fernandes, Jnr.
Asst. Secretary/ Treasurer	Mr. N. Bunbury
Members of the Committee	Messrs. S. A. Marques, L. Collins, J. E. Mahanger, P. A. Crum-Ewing, D. Jowahir and S. J. Blair.
Ex-Officio Members	Rev, Fr. J. Hopkinson S. J., and Rev. R. Pancham, S.J
Hony. Auditor	Mr. N. Barcellos

Sub-Committees

The following members were elected Chairmen of the various Sub-Committees by the Committee of Management:-

Entertainment	Mr. R. Hill
Magazine	Mr. J. Mahanger
Bingo	Mr. J. Fernandes, Jnr.
Dinner	Mr. J. Fernandes, Jnr.
Raffle	Mr. S. Marques

The Annual General Meeting was followed by a social but was not well attended. On the 12th May, 1961, there was a mixed Social preceded by a Film Show held at the College. This was followed by an Informal Concert on Friday, 23rd June, 1961, to which wives were invited and at which light refreshments were served. The Concert featured musical items and a sketch by boys of the College. Frs. Hopkinson and Cooney played a great part in making the evening an enjoyable one for all.

On the 28th July the Association held a Social to which the boys leaving College were invited. This function was very well attended. The last social for the year was one to which members' wives and the parents of new boys were invited. This was held at the College on the 29th September, 1961, and was also well attended. The Annual Bingo held at the Catholic Guild Club and the Parochial Hall on Friday, 27th October, 1961, realised a profit, of approximately \$1,700.00 and there were 96 subscribers to the Annual Dinner held on Friday, 10th November, 1961, at the Parochial Hall. Permission

to hold the Annual Christmas Raffle was refused the Association by the Ministry of Community Development.

In a year when interest seemed to be centred a great deal on politics and the General Elections, attendance at a few of the functions of the Association was not as good as the previous year.

Membership

The total membership at the close of 1961 was 386, comprising 8 Life Members, 193 Ordinary Members, 1 Country Members, 24 Overseas Members, 91 Associate Members, 52 Honorary Members

Magazine

The Magazine as is customary was released to Members on the night of the Annual Dinner and was of its usual high standard.

Jesuit Centenary Scholarship

The Association decided to sponsor another Scholar to the U.C.W.I. The Scholar chosen was Mr. Gerald Jekir, an Assistant Master of the College and a past Secretary. He is at present reading for a degree in Languages.

Parent Teachers' Group

The Committee was responsible for initiating the formation of a Parent Teachers' Group which though independent of the College Association will assist the latter in promoting the welfare of the College.

Toast Masters' Club

The Committee regrets that although it has been agreed upon at the last Annual General Meeting that the Literary Debating Sub-Committee be converted into a Toast Masters' Club, it was not successful in effecting the transformation. Several attempts were made to find interested persons but without success.

Subscriptions

The financial position of the Association is sound but the arrears of subscriptions are at an alarmingly high level.

Appreciation

The Committee desires to thank all those who in any way contributed to the success of the year under review.

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1962 News of Old Boys

P. A. Thompson	has been appointed a Director in Bookers B.G. Industrial Holdings.
Andrew Joaquin	passed the M.B.R.S. with honours at U.W.I. and gained a distinction in surgery.
Patrick de Souza	who gained his B.Sc. in 1956, has now, we understand, secured a further degree.
Frederick Campayne	shared the Joseph Luckhoo Memorial Prize for the best performance in finals at the U.W.I.
Winston Campayne Malcolm Rodrigues	His brother Winston, together with Malcolm Rodrigues, took their vows as Jesuits on September 8th. They are now studying Philosophy at Heythrop College, Oxford.
George Moonsammy	has his B.Sc. from St. Louis University
Conrad Gorinsky	has his B.Sc. from London University, where he is now doing research in Chemistry.
Trevor Newman	has returned with his Higher National from Glasgow.
Clement Derrell	Did you see the photo in the local Press on April 18th of the U.W.I. Champion Athlete? C. Derrell, He later secured his B.Sc., and is now on the Staff at St. Stanislaus College.
Ronald Camacho	gained a B.Sc. Gen. (2nd Class Honours) at U.W.I.
Congratulations to all these, and to the others of whom we have not yet heard.	
Eustace Nedd	has entered Fordham University to study for his B. Comm.
Michael Rogers	has entered Howard University, for Chemistry.
J. Neill Gonsalves	is starting at Toronto University; Physics and Maths.
Stanislaus Marques(Jn.)	is at Manchester University; Engineering.
Michael da Costa	of course, is at Edinburgh doing Medicine.
Desmond Chaves	is doing very well in Engineering at London.
Mark McCowan	is studying for a B. Comm. degree at Sir George Williams University.
Ronald Persaud (Bhagwandatt)	has begun a two-year course in agriculture in Trinidad.

Terry Logan	is shaping towards an Agricultural Engineer and Specialist in Soil Science at Los Angeles.
Ian Campbell	is starting in on Medicine at London.
Patrick Hill	has gone to McGill.

Best of success to all of them!

MARRIAGES

Congratulations and best wishes to the following, and to others of whom we have not been told, on their recent weddings.

Name	Married to
Douglas Thompson	Christina Fernandes.
Desmond Pereira	Joan Dias.
Edward de Barros	Margaret Field.
Leslie Cummings	Coralie Wills.
Michael De Abreu	Elizabeth Orford.
Courtney Dennison	Shirley Hutson.

We wish them every blessing and happiness.

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Modern Science and Amerindian Herbal Knowledge

(Ed. C. Gorinsky was himself born in the Rupununi, and now that he has graduated in Science at London University, we hope that he will be given facilities to make the research of which he writes).

Science, as a word in everyday usage, invokes an image of material bounty in the mind of the layman. It is considered the basis on which all phenomena and knowledge can be procured, conditioned and controlled. This status, resulting from a too great preoccupation with Science, is highly undesirable and dangerous. The value of Science, as the study of natural phenomena, lies in the discipline it imposes on its advocates. Nature, in her infinite wisdom, is the sole judge as to whether our thinking is correct. The essence of Science is humility; the preparedness to admit one's ideas are incorrect; the constant process of revision of established ideas in the search for concepts of the absolute in material things. In no phase of Science can these absolute ideas be realised, but it is the laws, not absolute in themselves, that give us the uniformity characteristic of pure Science.

The pretensions of man's intellect as exemplified in the thinking of the ancients are very likely to be wrong since their thinking has not got even the guidance of natural laws - the expressions and interpretations of which constitute the study of Science.

However, we owe much of our knowledge to the early investigations of the ancients and indeed many of the classical ideas were originally conceived in the minds of the ancient philosophers.

Central and South America have had their civilisations based on theocratic states. Of these, the Mayas have left us evidence that they had advanced considerably in the fields of Astronomy, Mathematics and Architecture. The hieroglyphs found in the ruins of their cities bear this out. Although they had a written culture, little of it has survived and so much of their knowledge has been lost. The majority of the American Indians have had only an oral culture and the surviving tribes have only the oral culture handed down through the generations.

Their culture is largely composed of legends and songs, etc., which they are too shy to relate - but more important - there is a substantial store of knowledge concerning therapeutic herbs, especially among the 'Piai-men'. Since the status and esteem of these men, within and without their own tribes, depends mainly upon this knowledge, they are naturally loathe to part with it. This knowledge is kept even from members of their own tribes and so it is more likely to be passed from father to son.

In British Guiana the tribes of Indians are in great danger of losing much of their knowledge as few records are being compiled. This responsibility lies on those of us in the position to undertake this task. The knowledge for their investigations lies in the minds of the Indians which are being forced into silence by the impact on them of modern technology. They are driven into this reserved condition by their natural shyness and mistaken belief in the inherent superiority of 'civilisation' as indicated by the material successes of applied Science.

It must be remembered that the ancient culture and amassed information of the Amerindians about natural remedies and therapeutically active herbs could be of great value to the modern world. They have a lot to teach us, but this can only be accomplished if we can release our own minds from the confines imposed by an arrogant intellectual disposition. In understanding them, we go further in understanding ourselves. The tragedy that so much has already been lost is borne out classically in the case of Curare.

Curare is a poison which was used widely by South American Indians to tip the arrows and darts of hunters. The alkaloid Curarine is a muscle relaxant acting through its effect on the nerves and resulting in a creeping paralysis which ultimately kills the animal by asphyxiation.

Curare was first reported by Raleigh, then Schomburgk, and since then has captivated the minds of Scientists and writers alike. Sir Conan Doyle used it in one of his Sherlock Holmes mysteries. Curare has achieved its most important use in surgery, and it is especially valuable in the delicate surgical operations of the heart. This has stimulated great research in Curare and Curare-like compounds, the chemistry of which is well developed. The Scientific literature describes the 'pot curares' under investigation as made by Macushi (or Macus) Indians.

However, these are different tribes with different languages and are widely separated geographically. The confusion arises from the fact that the investigated curare was made by the Macus Indians; whereas the curare, as first described by Raleigh and Schomburgk, was made by the Macushi, but no investigations were carried out on that material. The exact sources of the 'pot curares' that were investigated were never rigidly established. A record of the manufacture of Macushi curare was never compiled and the result is that now the old 'curare-makers' are dead and the knowledge of its manufacture has not been passed on, since they have no use for it; guns are more efficient for hunting. Curares are known to vary in potency, depending upon their source and it has also become evident that the Indian manufactured curare is more potent than chemically isolated 'curare-compounds', thereby indicating a chemical modification occurring during the manufacturing process, and this, in the case of Macushi curare, is not known.

There are many other such cases involving medicinally active herbs, all of which are overlooked and bypassed by the onrush of a pseudo-civilisation, which tends to distract the Indians by the attractions of its trinkets; but which lacks the depth of understanding that appreciates the value of a reciprocal exchange of knowledge.

By CONRAD GORINSKY, B.Sc.

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REWARDING YEARS

I cannot remember a more pleasant and rewarding period in my association with football than the four years I spent coaching the St. Stanislaus Football teams.

I have had my fair share of thrills in representing the College as a boy and proceeding to the G.F.C., where I had about twelve years of senior football. While I was playing for the G.F.C., I had the honour to captain both the G.F.C. and the Colony team. I believe no higher honour in football could be obtained in this Colony and I was, as can be imagined, extremely proud to attain these honours. I can only thank my past Games Master, Rev. Fr. Gill, S.J., for the strict sense of discipline he controlled us with and which served me so well in building a formidable G.F.C. team.

In 1959 Rev. Fr. Lynch, S.J., accepted my offer to coach the College team for the Dias Cup. I had about six weeks to build and unite eleven boys with fairly good football ability, but who knew very little about playing as a team. I was very optimistic and felt fairly sure of beating Q.C., three days before the match. Past history, however, proved me wrong; we were soundly beaten 4-nil. However, with the Mount St. Benedict tour in sight, I continued, for I heard that they were being coached by the famous Alan Joseph. Again history proves that the team played superb football and won the cup by winning two and losing one of the games played. Words cannot express the feelings of a proud coach and I believe this gave me the incentive to continue,

In 1960 I was faced with the prospect of having to build an entirely new team for only three boys' remained of my proud 1959 team. After assessing their ability I was once more confident that I could produce yet another good team through hard work and complete co-operation by the boys, who now had complete confidence in me. I was once again proud of what I had achieved. They drew the first match two-all with Q.C. and came back to outplay and turn the tables on their old rivals by winning one-nil. What an afternoon of thrills they gave me and climaxing it by their win. What a reward for the many afternoons spent in hard work, coaxing, admonishing, pleading and practically doing everything not in the line of coaching.

Once again 1961 rolled around and I was asked once more to come and assist. Now with almost the entire team from 1960 still there and being assured of the complete confidence they had placed in me, I thought my work would have been nothing, but, I soon found that I had to push a little harder at the start and I got enormous support from the Captain. They were almost content to rest on their laurels until I broke them down. In the semi-final of the Dias Cup, Q.C. was no match for them; they completely outplayed them in every department and revenged the] 1959 result by winning 3-nil. Can anyone imagine my feelings that afternoon? Oh! how proud I was of my team, for besides winning I knew that here at last I had the complete team. No coach can be filled with more pride than to know that he has done a good job.

1962. What a year! Not being available for the early part of training I left suggestions as to what they should do at practice. I eventually took over five weeks

before the scheduled date of the match with Q.C., to find the awful and dreaded situation that faces many a coach. I found that the boys were suffering from an over-superiority complex and as a result they were not concentrating on anything. They no longer concentrated on the many things I had tried to teach them. I was forever grateful for the rumours that started to fly about as to how good the Q.C, team had become. The situation became desperate and I was forced to use desperate measures. However, with two weeks to go, I was very pessimistic and almost gave up. Fortunately I took an afternoon off to see Q.C. play against the G.F.C. Senior team. Q.C. was too good for the G.F.C. and beat them 3-1. I immediately formed a plan to beat this fast-moving team and with the determination to win or lose with it I decided to carry it out. The blackboard sessions started and the boys responded beautifully and I tried to inspire them with my enthusiasm. With three days to go I got the first shock. Our Captain took ill. With two days left, our inside-right on whom all my plans were formed took ill. What a shock! I knew a hurried change of plans was needed and with one day to go, back to the blackboard we went, and after pointing out what I wanted done and with the boys understanding, my spirits levelled off to one of hope.

The first of three matches against Q.C. was a: real shocker for the optimistic Q.C. supporters, for they we're completely outplayed and it was only because of bad finishing by our depleted forward line that the match ended in a nil-all draw. The replay was a repetition of the first and now I was very confident and my spirits rose to great heights, I felt very sure that Q.C. would either have to play extremely well or have the same or more luck to evade the inevitable. The third match was the thriller and although Q.C. played much better they had to bow to the predicted outcome and so once again we won, 1-nil.

My excitement was overshadowed by the pride I felt, knowing MY BOYS had done it again. For many minutes after I could not speak for fear of shedding tears of pride and humbleness for the final reward of my years associated with as fine a bunch of youngsters as anyone will be proud to coach.

I will forever be in debt to Rev. Fr. Lynch, S.J., Rev. R. Pancham, S.J., and Rev. Fr. Hopkinson, S.J., for giving me these memorable years of sweat, pleasure and tears,

Last, but by no means least, the boys, all of them, the Da Costas (2), Amos (2), Henson, Harrys (3), Mekdeci, Georges, Fernandes, Zitman, Martin, Mahangar, Perreira, Van Sluytman, Camacho, Hazlewood, Bobb-Semple, Black-man, da Silva, McDavid, Nurse, Young, Sheppard, Gomes, and all the others.

To all of them I say thank you with all my heart.

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IN GRATITUDE TO ONE I OWE SO MUCH

Many years ago my first son John Jnr. entered St. Stanislaus as a student in Prep form and worked his way through college. He very early came under the guidance and good influence of Stannie Marques. A good influence which played an important part in moulding his character. For this alone I would have been very grateful to him. But since then five other sons had the privilege of following in Johnny's footsteps, and in everyone of these you will see the same good influence of this one man showing itself.

I say without fear of contradiction that all six of my boys not only respected Stannie Marques but also loved him and were grateful to him for all he had done for them throughout the early days of their school career. This gratitude was shown publicly and on every occasion possible. They were always at his service whenever he needed them, whether it was helping with the preparation for Sports or running a Bingo. or in any way he needed help. As father of these six boys who owed so much to him I am indeed grateful to him and will always be grateful to him for helping me to such a great extent in the moulding of the characters of these youngsters who are passing through it at the present time. For many years he has been one of the pillars of this wonderful institution, and to be truthful I could not foresee his ever leaving the college. He did not leave when he was having difficulty to make two ends meet in the early days before the formation of The College Association when finances were so difficult. I remember his being tempted by an offer of more money to leave his teaching job and go into commerce.

He resisted the temptation because to him teaching was more than a job - it was a vocation. He stood the financial hardship until such time as the College found itself in a position to pay him a salary which was a little nearer what he deserved.

Teachers like Stannie Marques could hardly ever be paid in cash their true worth to the community. There are some things in this world which money could never pay for. The service rendered to the parents of the boys who passed through Stannie Marques' hands is one of those things.

It must have caused terrific grief to have to tear himself away from St. Stanislaus. We will never know what a great heartache it must have been to him. But there comes a time in every man's life when he has to sacrifice himself to the wishes of his family. After God, a man's family comes next. I am sure that Stannie Marques decided to leave in order to keep his family together. I am sure if he had decided against his family's wishes to remain here, he would never have forgiven himself if things turned out the wrong way.

He is gone but not forgotten. As a matter of fact, he will be remembered for a long time to come as it is obvious that he will be affectionately remembered until the last boy who passed through his hands reaches the end of his life here on earth. What is Guiana's loss is England's gain - as with teaching in his soul, Stannie would never have

been happy doing anything else. He is continuing to help mould the characters of youngsters in England.

He will be sadly missed and always remembered, particularly when Sports day comes around. But I daresay that someone will be found to fill his place in time but nevertheless his departure was a distinct loss to the College and British Guiana as a whole. Those of us who for one reason or another have cause to be grateful to him can show our gratitude by saying a little prayer sometimes for his continued welfare. May he live for a long time to keep moulding the characters of many more boys in the country of his adoption. May I suggest that we show our appreciation of Stannie Marques in a tangible way by donating to the college the sum necessary for a scholarship called The Stannie Marques Scholarship. My sons and myself will contribute half the cost if other parents and students will contribute the other half. Fr. Hopkinson will be pleased to hear from you on this.

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MOUNT ST. BENEDICT 1912 - 1962

Fifty years ago three monks came across from Brazil to the shores of Trinidad. The great difference between their coming and that of other religious Orders was that these men had come to settle - to found a Benedictine monastery. A spot was chosen on a spur 800 feet above sea-level jutting out-from the Northern Range of Hills - a vantage-ground for scanning the verdant forests of the higher hills of the Northern Range and the diminutive appearance of everything in the panoramic view of the southern plain.

The development of this foundation was to progress beyond the wildest dreams of those pioneer monks whose first dwelling was a primitive tapia abode. Who could foresee that in fifty years there would be sixty monks - of whom four are Guianese, including myself -, the Archdiocesan Seminary, two colleges caring for the education of over a thousand boys. the cure of over 20,000 souls: that in this "city set on a hill" would be exercised crafts as varied as building, poultry-keeping, bee-keeping, shoe-making, tailoring, and that this "city of God" would be the spiritual Jerusalem of thousands of pilgrims and retreatants?

This year the monks of the Abbey of Mount St. Benedict in Trinidad are celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the foundation of their Abbey, This year they pay tribute to that line of zealous priests and brothers who helped in the establishment of the monastery in October, 1912, and made it the success it is today. It has been fifty years of living with Christ, of suffering with Christ, but also of rejoicing with Christ.

At the Jubilee Mass celebrated by the Apostolic Delegate last July, His Grace the Archbishop of Port-of-Spain preached. He remarked that it struck him as providential that in the same year when Trinidad was to take her place in the ranks of new nations, the Benedictine monks of Trinidad should be celebrating their Abbey's Golden Jubilee.

Benedictines have christlanized and civilized the northern nations of Europe by rooting themselves among the people. By preaching the Gospel more by their example than by their activities, more by their corporate family spirit than by the individual effort of anyone of their members: they worked and prayed - *Ora et Labora* - as the imperceptible leaven penetrating and transforming the whole mass of dough,

The Benedictine monastery is an enigma to the modern world. This is perhaps, I believe, because its existence is a paradox. It lies apart from the bustle of the world and yet strives to relieve it. It is established away from the city, but is open to the visits of its citizens. It seeks no recognition in this world and yet is all the more recognised for its spiritual presence and the achievements of its members. As Dom Bede Griffith, an English monk, was to write: "A monastery can never be merely an escape from the world. Its very purpose is to enable us to face the problems of the world at their deepest level, that is to say, in relation to God and eternal life" .

That, then, is the spirit of our Holy Founder, St. Benedict, handed down through the fifteen centuries of Benedictine existence, permeating the life of society, educating the people, giving them the right perspective in their temporal affairs and national aspirations, and most of all - giving them the gift of faith and the love of things eternal.

This is the work of his 20th century sons especially in these West Indies so varied and diversified in its' peoples and cultural imports. Here is need of that right kind of experience, of a stabilising balance, of the wisdom in things temporal and eternal that has always characterized the Benedictines and which they have retained through the centuries and are distilling in their own unhurried pacific manner in this twentieth century,

The monks of the Abbey of Mount St. Benedict are confident that God will give them a numerous progeny of monks from the boys of the West Indies who, set on fire with an intense love of Jesus Christ, would become beacons of light to the people, and who would be eager to establish countless monasteries in these parts where they would dwell as "men rich in virtue, studying beautifulness, living at peace in their houses".

DOM HILDERRAND GREEN, D.S_B.

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FARM SHORT COURSE

PETER FERNANDES has distinguished himself in the Farm Short Course at Wisconsin University. In the- University Magazine *Campus View* under an article entitled "FSC PICKS FOREIGN CLASS SPEAKER", we read -

"Farm Short Course chalked up two records this year. Enrollment hit a 12-year high – 217 students - with 165 in the graduating class."

And for the first time in its 76-year history, the graduates elected a foreign student as class speaker. Peter Fernandes came nearly 1,000 miles from Georgetown, capital of British Guiana in South America, to enroll in Wisconsin's Short Course. He learned of the agricultural classes through the International Co-operation Administration, a branch of our State Department promoting rural development abroad.

In his graduation address. Peter urged his fellow students to familiarize the rest of the world with their country and to help raise living standards in less fortunate countries.

He turned in a nearly straight-A performance in Short Course. With, a record thus impressive, Peter has decided to stay and enroll in Meat and Animal Science in long course this fall. His classmates seconded this move with enthusiasm. The South American's quick smile and ready wave have won him many friends. He's active in Newman Club and the University's International group.

Peter arrived in Madison well before Short Course last year in order to enroll in a summer meat processing course at a local packing plant.

Would he recommend Short Course to other foreign students? By all means. Peter suggests that Short Course scholarships be offered to foreign students. Trained here, these boys could help introduce improved farming techniques into their own less well-developed countries.

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