

Higher education is big business

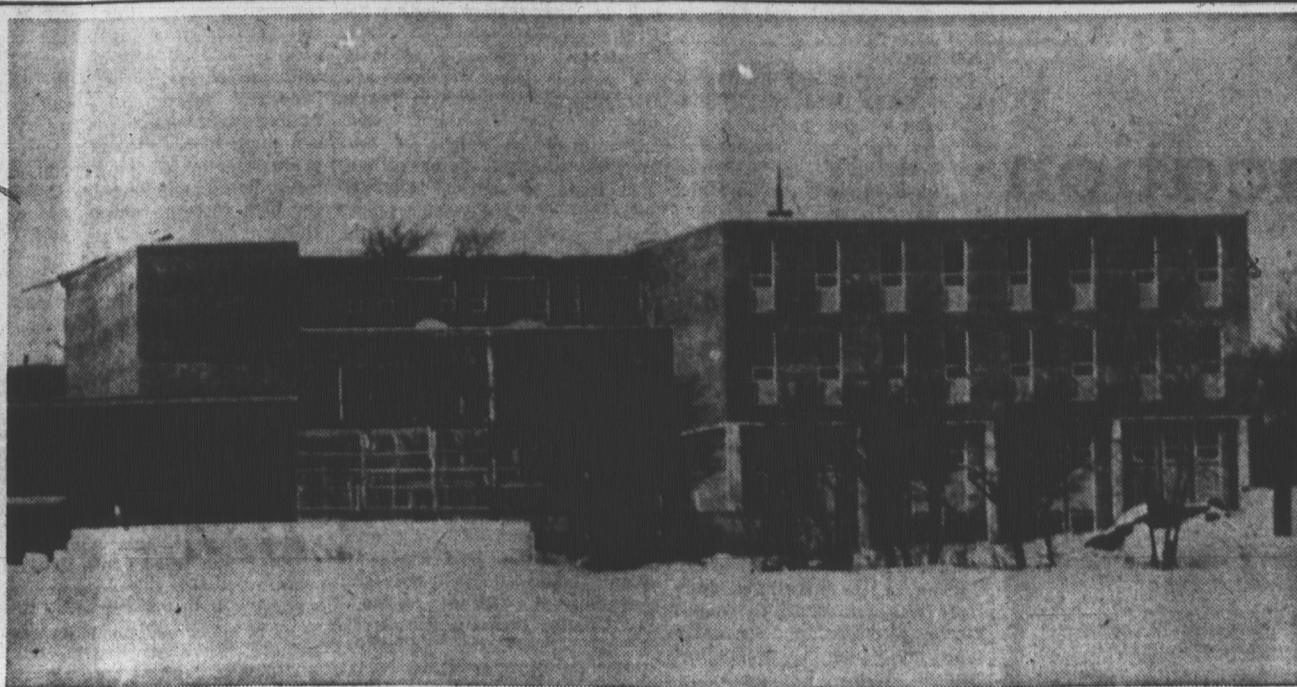
Figures released by St. Dunstan's University show an estimated annual expenditure in the city of Charlottetown of more than one and one-half million dollars for 1965-66, which points to the fact that SDU is probably one of the largest concerns doing business in the city.

The expenditure is based on four factors: student spending, building cost, payroll expenses, and food, supplies and services. According to figures arrived at from Dominion Bureau of Statistics estimates, SDU students will spend approximately \$300,000 this year in the city of Charlottetown over and above their university fees. This would include such items as clothing, entertainment and recreation and such services as taxis, laundry and dry cleaning.

university year entail an expenditure of \$370,000 for a total of 112 employees. This figure has increased by \$60,000,000 over last year and a further increase to \$450,000 is expected next year.

A further amount of \$130,000 is spent annually in Charlottetown for food, supplies and services such as fuel, light, power, water and telephone. This means the total revenue brought to the city for the current academic year is \$1,640,000 and confirms that higher education is big business in the city of Charlottetown a fact that is considered not generally known to the public.

DOCTOR APPEALS HAMILTON (CP)—A Hamilton surgeon, Dr. C. C. Hopmans, assessed \$29,000 damages in a medical malpractice lawsuit last December, has appealed the judgment to the Ontario Court of Appeal. The judgment was awarded to Derek Male, 35, of Burlington, who claimed he became totally deaf after receiving antibiotic treatment for an infection.



SCIENCE BUILDING NEARS COMPLETION

Ambitious building scheme moves ahead at university

RESCUE CLIMBER CACHE, Okla. (AP)—Ronnie Wathen, 17-year-old Lawton high school junior, was rescued Monday from a ledge on 2,293-foot Elk Mountain in southwestern Oklahoma where he was stranded since Sunday afternoon.

St. Dunstan's University has been contributing to Prince Edward Island and Canadian education since 1855, and, in keeping with the theory that education cannot remain static, has continued to move ahead in the past year with a new building program, the addition of new staff members, the offering of additional courses and further presentations to the students in the cultural field.

Following the completion of Kelley Memorial Library and the Students' Union Coffee Shop, the university is at the present time constructing a new \$750,000 Science Building. The sod for the new building was turned on July 28, 1965 and it is expected to be completed in time for the incoming classes in September, 1966. Also in the planning stages is a new women's residence.

Eleven new members were added to the full-time staff at SDU this year, all but two of them at the PhD level or the Master's level.

Figures from the office of SDU registrar Michael Hennessy show that enrollment reached an all-time high last fall with the registration of 581 full-time students. In addition to this number, 165 are enrolled as part-time students, plus another 225 in St. Dunstan's High School. Last summer, 252 students followed university credit courses at SDU, thus bringing the total number of students served by SDU in the past year to 1,223.

Of the 581 full-time students, 417 or 71 per cent are from Prince Edward Island, with Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Quebec and Ontario being the other Canadian provinces represented.

Foreign students account for about 10 per cent of the student population with representation from Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania in the United States, and also from Hong Kong, India, British Guiana, South Africa, the West Indies, Lebanon, Jordan and Holland.

DEGREES AND DIPLOMAS
On May 11, 1965, 67 students received degrees and seven students received engineering diplomas. Of the 67, 39 received bachelor of Arts degrees, 18 Bachelor of Science degrees, four Bachelor of Commerce degrees, and six Bachelor of Education degrees.

Three honorary degrees were granted at May's convocation: to Prof. Joseph Henri Blanchard and Judge Mark R. MacGuigan, both of Charlottetown, and Dr. Colin Bridges MacKay, president of the University of New Brunswick.

The SDU Lecture Series was begun 13 years ago to stimulate scholarly interest among students by bringing in someone of international renown in some major field of study, and to contribute to public enlightenment by offering lectures by experts on some intellectual issue of particular interest or importance in any given year.

Last year's speaker was Rev. John J. Keating, staff lecturer at the Catholic Information Centre, Toronto, who spoke on "Modern Ecumenism: A Protestant Phenomenon," and on "The Contribution of the Council to Christian Unity."

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES
In drama, the SDU presentation of "A Man For All Seasons" captured three awards in the Regional Drama Festival. Rev. Adrian Arsenault won the award for best director, Kenneth Doiron for best actor, and the play itself topped all others for best visual presentation. The Drama Society also produced "Electra" last fall.

In other cultural activities, a French-Canadian Day was held at SDU during the past year, with folk-singer Claude Gauthier performing in an evening concert; a piano recital was held featuring Marcia Loynd; and the SDU auditorium was packed for the annual Foreign Students Night, featuring the customs, dress and music of students from other countries.

The SDU Alumni Association sponsored the St. Francis Xavier Players in their presentation of "The Fantasticks," and also a memorable performance by the piano duo of Nelson and Neal.

A Music Appreciation Club has also been formed on the campus under the direction of Music Director Hubert Tersteeg and has an enthusiastic membership.

WORLD OF SPORT
In sport, SDU captured the Maritime Intercollegiate Hockey



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Championship last year and went on to the Canadian playoffs in Winnipeg. The Saints advanced to the finals after defeating Sir George Williams University in the semi-finals, but were defeated by the University of Manitoba for the Canadian Intercollegiate title. The Saints lost only two games all season.

St. Dunstan's debaters ended the season in a first-place tie for the Maritime crown, but lost out in a debate-off. SDU debaters have won the Maritime title eight times, the Dominion of Canada crown twice and have been in the Canadian finals on six other occasions.

In national student organizations, SDU took part in the Canadian Union of Students Interregional Scholarship Exchange Plan for the first time and this year Daniel Murray of Campbellton, N.B., who completed his first two university years at SDU, is taking his junior year at the University of British Columbia.

St. Dunstan's also took an active part in the Canadian University Service Overseas program, enjoyed a very productive year on campus, and terminated it with Catherine Duffy, a senior arts student from Kinkora, travelling to Sarawak, North Borneo, where she will teach for two years.

A renewed interest in the World University Service of Canada took place this year when SDU junior arts student Douglas Richard of Montreal topped several students from other universities to become one of a number of Canadian students who will travel to Turkey this summer to take part in the WUSC seminar.

Rev. Walter McGuigan, one of St. Dunstan's most widely-known staff members, died on June 3, 1965. Father McGuigan had taught at SDU longer than any other faculty member and during his 37 years in the history department maintained contact with former students from all parts of the globe.

In addition to teaching, Fr. McGuigan was active in athletics and coached basketball and football at SDU for 25 years. An innovation this year was

TEACHERS SEMINARS
the institution of seminars for high school teachers in the fields of mathematics, biology and chemistry.

These consist of two-hour sessions on Saturday mornings for the purpose of assisting Island high school teachers in keeping abreast of the most recent developments in these areas of knowledge.

New courses have also been added to the SDU curriculum this year in the fields of biology chemistry, French and the social studies.

In addition to the regular scholarships as outlined in the university calendar, the Catholic Girls' Scholarship Association granted 52 scholarships to girls last fall, while SDU itself granted 21 scholarships and 31 burses to other students.

A further increase in the number of students continuing on to post-graduate work was revealed by the Dean of Studies, Rev. V. G. Murhaghan. Fr. Murhaghan said: "Of last year's graduating class of 67 students 20 went on to take post-graduate work. This is an average of about 30 per cent and represents an increase of eight per cent over the previous year's figure."

The Dean said that this figure is above average of other universities offering general degrees, and speaks well for the quality of work being done at SDU.

"As long as our students have the required marks," he said, "they have no difficulty in being accepted at the best post-

graduate schools in Canada and the United States."

Fr. Murhaghan mentioned the University of Toronto, McGill Dalhousie, Queens, Ottawa, McMaster, and the University of Alberta in Canada; Fordham, Notre Dame, Columbia, Manhattan, Boston College, Boston University, Springfield and the Catholic University of America in the United States; and Oxford University and Dublin University in Europe as a few of the places where St. Dunstan's graduates have taken and are now taking post-graduate work.

MUST KEEP MOVING

SDU president, Rt. Rev. G. A. MacDonald, who was elevated to the rank of Domestic Prelate with the title of Monsignor by Pope Paul VI on January 10, 1965, said in assessing the past year: "We have had a successful year, but we must keep moving ahead with the times. I mentioned it last year, and it is still the case, that there is some uncertainty regarding our future but we hope the recommendations of the Royal Commission will be implemented at an early date. We cannot wait too long - we expect 1,200 students on the campus by 1972 and we must plan for that number now."

Rev. Dr. Owen Sharkey, who is in charge of the student testing and counselling service on the campus, says of the incoming students: "In the year 1964-65, we reached a peak we had never attained before with our Freshmen. This was the best class we had since we began a regular testini program about 10 years ago. This year's class, however, is every bit as good judging by the aptitude test results and the results of the Christmas examinations."

"There is not too much difference between the two years in the top three quartiles," Dr. Sharkey said, "but there are fewer of this year's Freshmen in the lower quartile and these students have higher marks than last year's lower quartile Freshmen. It would appear that our improved counselling service has helped in this matter, plus the fact that all faculty members have become aware of the difficulties encountered by entering Freshmen students and have taken a greater interest in the problem."

Telephone calls at record level

More Islanders made more telephone calls during 1965 than ever before, the Island Telephone Company reported today, and company investment behind each telephone rose to a record \$435.

Walter Auld, company manager, said subscribers made an average of more than 144,000 telephone calls during the year up 7.8 per cent over 1964 - and, as well, they placed close to 4,800 long distance calls daily.

He said the number of telephones in service stood at 26,401 at year's end, the most in the company's history. The

company's construction program exceeded \$1,444,000 and this meant the investment per telephone rose from the previous year's record of \$410.

"We are particularly pleased with our progress in rural line relief," he said. "By mid-year, 1965, there were 61 overloaded multi-party lines, and by the end of the year a \$240,000 program of construction had reduced this to just eight."

"We hope to have them all eliminated by the end of 1966," he stated.

During the year, the Island company acquired the assets of

Newport - Launching Rural Line Letter Rural and Rustico Rural. Mr. Auld said the company's telephones are now close to 60 per cent dial, with just under 8,600 telephones still magneto. Of the total telephones in service, close to 20,000 are residential.

Comparing the Island company with the Canadian average Mr. Auld observed that there are 24.5 telephones per 100 Islanders, compared with the national average of 36.1.

HELP FIGHT DIPHTHERIA

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Red Cross reports it has airlifted 600,000 units of diphtheria antitoxin to the Dominican Republic to combat a threatened epidemic of the disease there. A spokesman said a recent labor strike, which disrupted garbage collection, may have contributed to the outbreak.

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