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# MEN of LASALLE

## FEBRUARY MEETING

FEBRUARY 21, 1947 — 7:30 P. M.

LaSalle College Auditorium & Gym

*Basketball Game*

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## MEETING NIGHT CHANGED M of L INVITED TO GAME

### MINSTREL PLANNED FOR MARCH MEETING

At the March meeting, March 20, a much discussed possibility will become a reality. The Entertainment Committee will present a minstrel show. The talent for this show is to be recruited from the membership; and, since it is to be the entertainment for our regular meeting, there will be no admission charged.

On the evening of January 28, a group from the Entertainment Committee held a dinner meeting at Kugler's Restaurant. At this meeting plans were laid and it was definitely decided to present the minstrel show on Thursday evening, March 20 at 8:45 P.M. After the show, the High School orchestra will play and the audience will have an opportunity to enjoy itself dancing. Of course, you would not want to dance with your fellow-members, that is why you are asked to take your wife—and the children too, if you wish—along for an evening of fun and entertainment. Every possible scheme will be exhausted in an effort to have at least five hundred present. It will be a great evening so make a date for March 20th now.

The coaching and staging of the show is under the direction of Messrs. William Madden and Ernest Hipple. The entire group present at the dinner meeting will co-operate with these gentlemen in securing talent, planning and participation. Those present at the meeting were Brother F. Joseph, Brother F. John, Messrs. Hipple, Gerngross, Ganley, Studholm, Moulon, Madden and Driscoll.

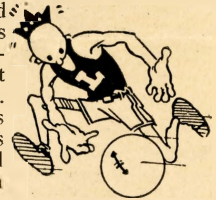
### CONDOLENCES

The Men of La Salle extend sincerest sympathy to Mrs. William Brennan and family on the occasion of the death of her husband. Bill had been in charge of maintenance at La Salle since 1936. He was suddenly taken with a heart attack and died a few weeks later on January 23. Condolences are also extended to our fellow-member, Mr. Charles Happ, on the death of his father. Mr. Happ was eighty years old and is survived by eight sons and five daughters. Sorrow is also felt at the death of Brother Gabriel Remegius. Brother died at Ammen-dale, Md. and is survived by his mother, Mrs. Ellen Hayes of Jersey City, and a brother.

### LA SALLE - ST. JAMES FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Our meeting night this month will be Friday, February 21. This change from the established "THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH" meeting night was agreed upon at the January meeting, when Brother E. Francis, Athletic Moderator, expressed a sincere desire that the Men of La Salle attend a High School basketball game as guests of the Athletic Department. For this game, admission will be by membership card. That the men and their friends may be seated together, approximately two hundred seats are being reserved.

It is planned to hold a very brief business meeting in the auditorium beginning at 7:30 P.M., if possible. If insufficient members are present at this time, the business will be postponed until a later meeting.



We are very grateful to Brother Francis for extending this generous invitation to us and would like to see a large number of men at the game. In the past, we have tried many and varied means to have a large attendance at our meetings and have not succeeded too well. Possibly, can we succeed this month? For those who come, we can assure them of an exciting and entertaining evening. At the time of this writing, the High School team has won 13 and lost 2. Although it is not mathematically certain to be in the league play-offs, it is reasonably certain to be. In addition to seeing a good game, you (those of you who haven't followed the team) will be surprised at the vast improvements made in the gymnasium. Recently, the gym has been brightened up by a paint job; the baskets are now suspended from the ceiling and the backboards are of glass; and to more completely utilize the floor space and afford greater facilities for the students, three sets of backboards have been mounted on the side walls. These backboards are of varied design so as to afford shooting experience against all different types of backboard now employed.

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### WE CAN HELP

It is fortunate that the implications of the ills which beset society today are understood by not a few who have applied the principles of the Catholic faith to an inquiry into modern trends. It is conceded that much of our present-day difficulties arise from the secularization of society, the abandonment of the teachings of the Christian dispensation, and attachment to subjective norms of conduct which permit almost any line of action, or to absolute norms which deny men their God-given rights in the name of false security.

The antidote to this deterioration, of course, will be found in a kind of Crusade for the recovery of humanity to God and His Church. And it is a fact that the instrument of this Crusade is the Catholic school. Here in Philadelphia our Catholic people have unstintingly provided for a complete system of primary and secondary schools.

But what has been done to provide for education at higher levels? It is true that we have six fine collegiate institutions for the education of our Catholic youth, but none of these has had the benefit of the organized support of our parochial-diocesan organization. The maintenance of our colleges has been left entirely to the religious orders, which, while they have had the blessing and cooperation of the hierarchy, have had to depend considerably on the voluntary but unorganized support of their friends.

As a result, much remains to be done in expanding our educational facilities on a higher level. For this reason the La Salle College Endowment Fund, Inc. has been founded to give active and organized aid to an institution which has done a magnificent job in the educational field despite tremendous financial difficulties. The efforts of the organization are planned frankly along the financial line because, at the moment, the most pressing problems will be solved only by establishing a considerable fund, which will enable the college administration to plan an adequate program for the years to come. It is hoped that the Men of La Salle, in conjunction with the La Salle College Alumni, the Mothers' Club and other friends of the College, will subscribe to the aims of the Endowment Fund in its attempt to give substantial assistance to those who are on the fighting front of a real Christian effort.

## WHAT WE KNOW

by

PHIL HAUCK



Ed Rodig, Sr. of Audubon, N. J. called expressing his disappointment at not being able to hear the Glee Club at our January meeting. Seems that Ed, who is prominent in Knights of Columbus circles around Camden, is organizing a Glee Club from the K of C chapters in the environs of Camden. According to latest reports, progress is very gratifying.

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Dan McCauley, the lawyer for the La Salle Endowment Foundation, marched up the middle aisle of St. Lawrence's, Highland Park, February 8. The bride was Rita Francis. Congratulations and many years of happiness.

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Albert A. Mosser, a veteran of World War I, is convalescing at Unit 11, South Mountain, Franklin County, Penna. Al is a charter member and wrote recently reminding the Secretary to send him his membership card for the current year. Al would appreciate hearing from the men.

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At a general meeting of the La Salle College Alumni last month, Albert J. Crawford, Jr. of the class of '35 was elected President of the Association. Al has been very active in alumni affairs since his graduation. We are sure that under his guidance the Alumni Association will continue to go forward.

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Construction of the student-union center for the College has begun. The building, which houses a bookstore, offices, luncheonette, reading and lounge rooms, was formerly an officers club at Camp Patrick Henry, Va.

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We wonder if any family can boast of a longer record of attendance at La Salle than that of Robert Morrison, Sr. At the January meeting, we met Mr. Morrison for the first time and he informed us that his family has an attendance span at La Salle from 1936-1950. At present Dick is a senior, Joe is a sophomore, and Paul, a freshman. His two oldest boys, Robert and Francis, have graduated and at present are studying for the priesthood.

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Believe it or not. Bud Craven is confusedly explaining how he missed the last meeting. On the evening of January 16, Bud ensconced himself in an easy chair at home with his pipe and the newspaper and was so wrapped in contentment that he completely forgot the meeting.

## DIRECTORY AT PRINTER'S

The Directory is now in the hands of the printer and he promises a priority to us in the printing and preparation. It is planned to send each member a copy shortly.

The committee has done a really splendid job in compiling the information necessary to complete this Directory. Most of the work was done at the "Mansion" on Broad Street. It was all right working there on nights during the warm weather; but OH, the cold nights, trying to keep warm and get the job done. John Finley was home ill with a cold the last night and it is suspected that John McElvenny was likewise under the weather. The only survivors the last evening were George Hines and Jim Morro, who took turns running around the room in order to keep warm. Brother Godfrey John was there, too, and we fail to understand how he could laugh it off. Could it be that he had "longies" on? Or has the fact that he comes from the Scranton area inured him to temperatures of 42°? He sounded convincing on the healthfulness of cold; however, George and Jim were agreed to let him practice his own theories.

Due to the fact that only about half of the members sent in the requested information for the Directory, data regarding many members had to be culled from the application cards. Because of this fact it was not possible to publish as much about all of the members as desired.

The members of the committee were

John McElvenny	John J. Finley
James Morro	Jack Ehling
J. H. Hufnell	J. A. Granahan
Francis Garber	John Kerwin
Ray Kaelin	George Moylan
George Hines, Chairman	

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### DUES

Have you paid your dues for the present year? The dues are our only fixed source of income. To maintain the operation expenses of our association and to fulfill its objectives, it is essential that the members pay their dues of a minimum of two dollars a year. Even though your boy has graduated from La Salle, we are anxious to retain your membership and presence at our meetings.

## Our Patrons



Can you help us solve the difficult question of making the NEWS self supporting?

## LAST MEETING

Our January meeting was enlivened by a lengthy and sincere discussion on how to augment our membership and secure a greater attendance at the meetings. Brother E. Francis, High School Athletic Moderator, cordially invited us to attend a basketball game. In order to get notification to our members, it was decided to attend the game on February 21. This acceptance necessitated a change in our established "Third Thursday Meeting Night" to the following evening.

The High School Glee Club of thirty-two voices supplied the entertainment. During the course of the program, Joseph Cassiano, Robert Wurtz, Henry Houston, Humbert Sweeney and George Wolf rendered solos. As usual, after the adjourning of the meeting there were refreshments in the cafeteria.

### REMEMBER

The meeting, this month, is not the third Thursday. It is Friday, February 21. We are to be guests at a La Salle High School game. Admission is by your membership card.