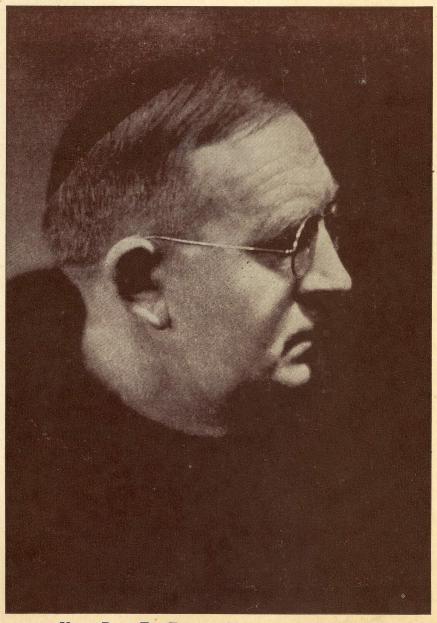
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VERY REV. FR. THOMAS PLASSMANN, President

Our First Member Speaks

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Greetings to all patrons and participants in the noble game of golf! Be it known to you that you are most welcome on the St. Bonaventure Golf Course. We hope and trust that you will have a happy and successful season. May your arms never weary; your greens never wither, and may the little balls keep whizzing through the air to the chargrin of the swift robin, nay the soaring lark herself.

Remember that, though separateed by two railroads and the highway, you are part and parcel of a great university, and that from our exalted seat of learning we shall raise our hands in solemn benediction upon your wholesome pastime. Your merry cheers from yonder heights will inspire us as we pour over ancient manuscripts, and your many futile attempts "to hit the ball" and still miss it without a frown will teach us the important lesson that courage, patience and perseverance are needed for ultimate success.

God bless you and keep you.

Sincerely,

Fr. Thomas Plassmann, President.

GOLF CLUB BULLETIN TO BE REGULAR FEATURE

As a means of keeping members in contact with each other and to make for unity of interest and desire, it has been decided to issue a periodical bulletin. In it there will be printed golfing news, social items, personal tidbits, and plans for new club projects.

Because it is quite impossible for one person to handle the coverage that such a job calls for, Father Anselm asks for contributions. Any news regarding members will be welcome. Golf matches, the stern and sturdy side mixed with the humorous side always make for good reading. News from our boys in the service, particularly those who were members at the outbreak of the war, will be most welcome. In fact, to the end that we may offer some home news for homesick members, it is proposed to run a regular column dedicated to our members in the service. It will be a means of supplying them with the freshness of the spirit that we are proud to call St. Bona's.

CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER ON PREMISES

Don Heintzelman, news cameraman from Olean was seen walking over our property last week. In the background were officials of the club. There is every reason to suppose that something is brewing and that we shall soon see the by-products of Don's photographic artistry in print. It is about time that we had some of the natural beauty of St. Bona's transferred from the course to developing paper.

STRAVINO RETURNS

Jimmy Stravino, club professional for several years until his induction in the armed forces, has returned to his former position as instructor, greenskeeper, and general clubhouse supervisor. Jimmy, whose military career was cut short by rheumatic fever, returned to the golf course with all the enthusiasm of past years.

Under his surveillance, it is expected that the greens and fairways will compare favorably with any in the area. Jimmy has the happy faculty of being able to diagnose green disorders, and those who are particularly concerned with putting surfaces may now cast all cares aside.

It is as a teacher likewise that our pro has won for himself a worthy reputation. Possessed of natural golf ability, he blends his ability with the happy faculty of being able to transfer his knowledge and golfing grace to his students.

Golfing equipment will be slim this year. However, there will be a sufficiently large quantity in Stravino's arsenal to

accomodate the desires of Bona golfers.

ALLEGANY HIGH SCHOOL REPRESENTED

Among our new members are several from the staff of the Allegany High School. Seen playing together last week after several short lessons from Jimmy Stravino were Marion Weis, Colleta Felt, Ida Mohr, and Dorothy and Evelyn Karls. It might not be out of order to suggest that our Allegany quintet of members arrange a match with their sisters-under-the-skin from Olean High.

CLUB SOCIAL SEASON LAUNCHED

Members of the St. Bonaventure Golf Club and their friends to the number of one hundred and twenty enjoyed an Open House Night at the Clubhouse on the evening of Friday, May 5th. It was the official opening of the club's social calendar

for the Spring and Summer months.

The evening's program opened with an address by Father Thomas, O. F. M., President of the College, in which he welcomed those gathered for the evening of entertainment. Briefly, but pointedly, Father Thomas reviewed the history of the club from its inception to the present time. He was followed by Club Prexy, Harold "Pat" Dawson, who thanked the members present for their enthusiastic turnout. expressed approval of the renovation of the clubhouse, and then predicted one of the finest years for Bona golfers.

The remainder of the evening was given over to movies. Father Eustace Smith, O. F. M., who studied in Palestine, gave an interesting commentary on beautifully colored slides which depicted interestingly and accurately places of stragegic military importance in the Holy Land. "The World at War," resume of the steps from the last World War to the present, concluded the movie program.

Upon the completion of the moving picture entertainment, a buffet luncheon was served to the assembled guests. Dancing featured the closing hours of the program.

OLD FAITHFULS RETURN

Among the first to pay an inspection visit to our club were some of the true blues of past years. Gert Tamutus Conabile, Dorothy Schott, Agnes Kennedy, Evelyn Carls, Jule Shay, Peg Dixon, Catherine Utetcht, and Lillian Mahoney comprised the group that has been steadfastly loyal over a period of years. Having made a most careful visitation, with an accent on investigating the domestic touches of the clubhouse, the feminine cavalcade expressed satisfaction.

PURRS REPLACE SNORTS

Those who in past years were accustomed to hearing rather than seeing our tractor go thru its weekly routine of dragging mowers, now find themselves bereft of cause for complaint. For fifteen years Old Unfaithful, a by-product of pre-technocracy days, accumulated a collection of snorth and snarls, which it put on exhibition every time it was called on to carry out its vocational task of cutting grass. This Spring Old Unfaithful was replaced with a newer and better product. No longer is the red monster to be seen mired in the soggy parts of three fairways. No longer are there workers to be seen cranking frantically in vain. On the day of deliverance, suitable requiem services were conducted as Old Unfaithful was placed in storage. Pat Dawson, George Driscoll, Jimmy Stravino, Frank Morton, and Vin Sutter were witnesses to the ceremony.

For those who like pictures of yesteryear, the old tractor is to be seen standing disconsolately outside the tool shed. Whereas in the past it breathed defiance, it now has a look of abject remorse on its steel hulk. Even inanimate things can be repenant, it seems, for trouble caused. So that it may not be tossed into the Limbo of Forgotten Things and suffer this particular type of ignominy, it has been suggested that it be relegated to the humble but practicable job of doing farm work. The Era of Hard Feeling has been replaced by the Era of Good Feeling in the tractor operator's world.

COMING EVENTS CAST THEIR SHADOWS

We would like to reveal our secret weapon insofar as our club is concerned, but circumstances demand a strict censorship. For the benefit of those whose curiosity becomes so strained that it pains, we might mention casually that plans are under way to present members with one of the finest souvenirs that it is within our power to give.

So that there may not be inconsistency between the article and the title, let it be said that the shadow cast consists of a feverish series of meetings between Pat Dawson and Father Anselm. The promise held out is that our new project will make for a glow of pleasure and pride in St. Bonaventure Golf Club.

PRESIDENTIAL DICTATORSHIP?

With political acriminations being hurled with reckless abandon, those with the flavor of dictatorship command attention despite the multiplicity of charges filling the air waves. It seems that the democratic tenor of our club might be in the process of change.

Not too long ago, Pat Dawson, duly elected, heartily approved by all, and a fervent booster of things St. Bonaventure, declared that one golfing rule must hold. "No one," averred Pat, "is given permission to beat the club president. Those who do are subject to expulsion." The loudest and most persistent objector to the dictum was Frank Morton, vice-president and rival extraordinary of Prexy Pat.

THE NEW THINGS IN LIFE

We have new bridges on the fourth and sixth fairways. We have new flags for the greens. We have new furniture and new decorations for the clubhouse. And we have more enthusiasm for our course than has prevailed in the past ten years.

Membership At New High

After a disappointing season last year, the list of members for this year is an imposing one. Close to one hundred names are on our lists. So ready and enthusiastic has been the response, that is has been deemed advisable to close our files.

SIMPLIFIED BOOKKEEPING

In order to make for order and less work in our secretarial department, it has been decided that in the future members must have their payments made at the appointed time. Women members must make their payment before the thirty-first of May. Men must make their payments in May and June, or the full and final payment by June 1st. If such payments are not made, a list of such members will be placed on the club bulletin board announcing the revocation of membership privileges.

DINNER PLANS BEING LAID

Plans for the annual subscription dinner are now under way. It will be recalled that last year's affair was one of the most successful ever held at the clubhouse. Father Conrad, who prepared last year's exceptionally fine menu, has graciously consented to lend his time and assistance again this year. Suffice it to say, those who like the finest food, as well as copious helpings, will find cause to cheer.

WOMEN OFFICERS?

It has been suggested that the ladies in our club have their own officers and their own committees. By organizing, it seems that much could be accomplished by such a move. With an entertainment committee, a house committee, and a membership committee, there is every reason to suppose that much could be accomplished.

We wonder if, as a means of maintaining the humble splendor of our club, those interested could not carry out projects to insure finer touches for the different rooms. Certainly if the group became actively interested, the redecorating problem would be solved very easily. Such a movement would tend to facilitate the upkeep and preservation of the nice things which we have.

THANK YOU, EVELYN

Evelyn Carls Engstrom has donated a fifty dollar napkin set to the club with the specification that it be raffled off for the purpose of creating a fund with which to buy new carpeting for the social room. Books have been printed and will be distributed. New carpeting would make for an enchantment of our already beautiful social room. Members are asked to help out in this very worthwhile project.

FLAG POLE DONATED

An agreeable surprise awaited our golfers on opening Sunday, May 7th, in the form of a new flag pole with a beautiful six by ten Old Glory fluttering proudly and beautifully in the Allegany breeze. The pole, forty-eight feet in height, is painted an aluminum color. It fills a long wanted need.

George Carls, one of our new members, was kind and thoughtful enough to present the club with the pole and its accompanying emblem. President Pat Dawson expressed both his pleasure and gratitude at George's thoughtful generosity.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

At the first meeting of the club members, held in the Olean House, on April fifth, Harold J. Dawson was elected president of St. Bonaventure Golf Club. Mr. Dawson succeeds John Heenan, who for several years did such outstanding work for the club. Mr. Heenan, in a resignation speech, declared that he felt a new member should be given the honor of leading the club through the years 1944-45. Despite the protests of the members present, Mr. Heenan adamantly held that such should be the course of action.

The next popular choice was Pat Dawson. Unanimously chosen, the new president immediately made enthusiasm the keynote of the current program. Thanking Mr. Heenan in the name of the members for many generosities, sacrifices and sterling examples of faithfulness, the new prexy ordered that ballots be cast for vice-president and secretary.

Frank V. Morton, elongated possessor of the most vicious slice in the Lake Erie region, was chosen to fill the vicepresident's chair. Benjamin Lunz was selected for the secretary's post. Members present agreed that the staff was one of the best ever and that signs argued for a successful year.

CLUBHOUSE ATTRACTIVELY REDECORATED

Visitors to our course in the early part of the Spring were amazed to see a corps of workers, directed and assisted by Father Anselm, busily engaged in changing the face of what once was St. Bonaventure's Clubhouse. Repainting every room with pretty pastel shades, renovating the furniture, and carrying the enthusiasm out to a natural conclusion by painting the exterior, sightseers expressed approval of what had been done.

Skillfully blending exceptionally good taste in interior decorating with a burst of enthusiasm, it was not long before members were presented with an entirely remade social and recreational spot. The main room was enhanced by the recovering of the furniture and the application of a two-tone panneling effect on the walls. Pale Jonquil and Midland Green were the alternating panels. The adjoining room was done in Light Blue. The dance floor was refinished and waxed, ready for use. Plans are under way for the building of a new bar. It is expected that this latest improvement will be in use shortly.

Prettily situated, the club needed but a coating of paint to attract attention from passers-by. Gleaming white paint with trimmings of green soon drew many favorable comments from visitors. The natural beauty of picturesque Bonas plus the latest remodeling touches have done much to attract one of the largest memberships in recent years.

JOHN HEENAN RETIRES AS PRESIDENT

As the former club president, Mr. John Heenan, lays aside his duties of club director, he carries with him the countless good wishes and sincerest thanks of all the members of the golf club. His untiring zeal and self-sacrificing devotion are worthy of the highest praise.

Mr. Heenan directed the activities of the St. Bonaventure Golf Club through several years. His determination to make the club outstanding is evidenced by the fact that today the course with its property, equipment, and facilities is in wonderful condition. All thanks to our good friend John for

his cooperation in the past which serves as our inspiration for the future.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

The officers of the club wish to extend a most cordial welcome to each of the eighty-nine new members of the St. Bonaventure Golf Club. Nothing will please the club more than to see our new members enjoy themselves by taking advantage of all the facilities of the club. With pleasant surroundings and genial friends, goodfellowship reigns supreme at St. Bonas.

Every effort is pledged by the officers to make this season a most pleasant one. There is every reason to believe that this year will be a banner one in the history of the St. Bona Club. With the social and recreational features of the club entirely at the disposal of the new members a hearty welcome is given them to enjoy these advantages to the full.

CLOSE MEMREBSHIP DRIVE WITH PARTY

Members are invited to attend an informal party Saturday, May 27th, at nine p. m. at the clubhouse. The night, President's Night, will witness the official closing of the membership drive. A light luncheon will be served the assembled guests. With the active side of our social program now in full swing, members should avail themselves of our informal get-to-gether.

MEET OUR WORKERS

Under the direction of Father Anselm and Jimmy Stravino a willing corps of workers assisted in the redecorating and painting of the clubhouse. Special thanks are due to Fathers Peter Anthony, Owen, Sebastain, and Peter Regulatus for the masterful way in which they graced the exterior parts of the clubhouse. The renovation of the interior rooms required the skillful and gracious taste of the hands of the ladies. Mrs. George Carls, Mrs. John Durkin, and Elizabeth and Anita Kramfaf, put the finishing touches on the social rooms. Others who rendered valuable assistance were the collegians Bob Kirwan, Joe Forti, Joe Sullivan and John Honan, and Gene Zsaley, Nick Russo, Clem Ilmberger, and Tom Pleviac, members of the Seminary.

MEET THE NEW MEMBERS OF OUR CLUB

Mrs. Ambrose J. Baker Mrs. E. R. Bardenett Mrs. E. R. Barry Miss Mercedes Barry Mrs. Ruth Geary Blair Miss Jane Bochoven Mrs. Paul Brundage Mrs. Alice Bruner Mr. George Butchello Mr. George Carls Mrs. George Carls Mrs. June Butler Cipot Mr. Charles Clark Miss Mary Ann Clemonds Mrs. Catherine Crockett Miss June Curry Miss Gertrude Conable Ravnaldo Daluiso Mrs. Revnaldo Daluiso Harold J. Dawson Mrs. Harold J. Dawson Miss Dorothy Donnelly Mr. John Durkin Miss June Durkin Mrs. John Durkin Miss Ruth Eaton Miss Mildred Fehrenback Miss Colletta Felt Robert Finlay and Family Mrs. Edward Fitzgerald Mrs. Jessie Forbes Joseph Forti Miss Catherine Gill Hugh A. Grant Miss Leone Griffith Miss Betty Hannigan Miss Aletha Johnson Mrs. John Kane Miss Dorothy Karl Miss Catherine Kaves Mr. Joseph Welch

Miss Agnes Kehoe Miss Laura Kehoe Joseph A. Kelly and Family G. Robert Kirwan Mrs. Sophia Kienig Miss Elizabeth Krampf Miss Doris Leary Mrs Elizabeth Lee Miss Fay Lincoln Miss Hazel McCaffery Miss Dorothy M. Merkt Mrs. George L. Morgan Mrs. George L. Morgan Mr. Al. Montgomery Mrs. Al. Montgomery Miss Katherine Nolen Miss Catherine Palumbo Burdette K. Perry Miss Eileen Quinlan Miss Mary C. Quinlan Miss Sue Reazs Mrs. L. J. Russell Mrs. L. J. Russell Mrs. Harry Shannon Mrs. Lou Shannon Mrs. Wilmont Miss Ann Steele Miss Ada R. Sue Mrs. W. L. Sullivan Mrs. Alton Swanson Miss Bernice Sweitzer T. N. Tarantine Mrs. Fay R. Upthegrove Mrs. C. B. Wacheter Miss Margaret Waldeck Mrs. Catherine Watson Mrs. T. C. Webb Miss Marion Weis Mr. John Welch

Mrs. Veronica I. Dougherty Mrs. Alfred E. Wichrowski Mrs. W. McCafferty Miss Betty Wintermantel Mrs. Lois Richard Miss Rita Witz Miss Ella Healey Mrs. James Woodcock Mrs. Dorothy Atkins Miss Pauline Turock Norman Furness Miss Marjorie J. Rodie Miss Regina Cappalletti Miss Ida Mohr Mrs. and Mrs. M. Hart Miss Virginia Watkins Mrs. Helen Campbell

MEN IN THE SERVICE

Eleven men, former members of the St. Bonaventure Golf Club are now serving our nation in the armed forces. The Club has reason to be proud of these fine young men of sterling character now defending our country on the far-flung battlefields of the world. The officers and members anxiously await the day when once again they may benefit by the companionship and society of their heroes.

Of the eleven former members now in the service, six are in the Army and five are in the Navy.

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Jim Beal	Frank Dexter
Jim Broks	Ed Jontas
Carl Engstrom	Bob Smith
Jim Kent	
Bill McAdam	John Sweeney
Chuch Morton	Norm Utecht

