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MINNEAPOLIS HOLDS CADETS TO SCORELESS TIE

Soldiers End Season With .500 Per Cent of Games; Three Won, Three Lost and One Tied

A shot of the gun ended St. John's best chance to score just after Ripley nabbed a thirty-five yard pass from Holmes on Minneapolis' fourteen yard line. Both teams fought hard throughout the game. The Black and Orange aggregation out played the Blue Jays but the ball was in the middle of the field most of the time. Prather, Gordon, Cozian, Markley, and Holmes starred for St. John's while Bliss, Baker and Everly showed real football ability for the Blue Jays.

Capt. Holmes, Gordon, Biggs, Jones, Wallace and Cozian played their last game for old St. John's but seven experienced men should be back for next year. A real team should be developed next year from these men and also from several new boys this year that were unable to play because of the ten weeks eligibility rule.

Minneapolis won the toss and chose to defend the North goal and kicked off to the Cadets. The lineup is as follows:

Cadets		Blue Jays
Ripley	RE	McGavern
Prather	RT	Blades
Biggs	RG	Rotrock
Gordon	C	Sheibler
Cozian	LG	Everly
Holmes—Capt.	LT	Rumft
Mitchell	LE	Comfort
Jones R.	QB	Baker
Jeannin	LHB	Gardenier
Markley	RHB	Bliss
Morse	FB	Pitts

Subs: Cadets, Caldwell for Mitchell, Wallace for Biggs, Bivens for Morse.
Subs: Minn., Repert for Everly,

Everly for McGavern, Elliot for Belden, Woods for Blades.

Summary

Cadets—Average punts, 33 yards; yards from scrimmage, 153; passes complete, 1 out of 4 for 35 yards; first downs, 11 yards.

Minneapolis—Average punts, 24 yards; yards from scrimmage, 87; passes complete, 4 out of 7 for 27 yards; first downs, 7 yards.

NEW BOYS ENROLLED

The School year opened September 14th with quite a number of new boys enrolled. They hail from nine different states and one even coming from distant Ontario. The following are the names of the new boys:

Alfred	Duluth, Minn.
Ahrens	Long Beach, Calif.
Andrews	Pawhuska, Oklahoma
Brown	Denver, Colorado
Bingle	Del Norte, Colo.
Bolte I	Des Moines, Iowa
Bolte II	Des Moines, Iowa
Coyle	Denver, Colo.
Chamberlain	Eureka, Kansas
Dickinson	Yellowstone National Park
Eykyn	Denver, Colo.
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Halverstadt	Oxford, Kansas
Heath	Salina, Kansas
Johnson V	Denver, Colo.
Johnson M	Wichita, Kansas
Justus	Hill City, Kansas
Morse	Wichita, Kansas
Mitchem	Bucklin, Kansas
Phillips	Denver, Colo.
Stanley	Pawhuska, Okla.
Talbert	Columbus, Neb.
Volker	Stafford, Kansas
Vidler	Haileyburg, Ontario
Wilkeson	Gypsum, Kansas
Wildy	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Whitmore	Colorado Springs, Colo.

ANCIENT RIVALS WIN GAME

Cadets Take Small End of 32-0 Score After Hard Fought Contest, October 22.

The smoke cleared away and the Cadets found themselves losers of a hard fought game to their ancient rival, Salina High. Neither team played real football, the Maroon aggregation having its advantage in weight.

Both teams fought from the first whistle to the last, and several times during the game, the 2,500 spectators were held breathless when it seemed that the man carrying the ball could not be stopped.

Lack of experience and good interference has resulted in two defeats for St. John's. The team has been acquiring experience and their interference will be strengthened this week, and in all probability the team that represents St. John's in the next game should be a smooth running machine.

WORKING FOR THE MASONIC TEMPLE

On the afternoon of Monday, the 24th, about half the Cadet Corps turned out to work at the Masonic Temple. They were escorted to their destination by the school truck and the Colonel's car.

Upon their arrival they set to work upon the grounds and soon had everything cleared away.

By the time the day was over the ground had been dug up, hauled away, leveled off and raked.

In the middle of the afternoon, the Colonel came to the rescue with an eskimoe pie apiece for the overheated Cadets.

During the return home, the ancient vehicle in which the Cadets were riding refused to run and so had to be pushed, to the disgust of all.

By Hays II.

NEW BOYS ARE INITIATED

Initiation Takes Place of Halloween Pranks. New Boys are Victims.

Whooley! Ouch! What the! Stop it! Boom! Bang! All right you Rat! Help! Splash! Eek! Have mercy! Were just a few of the expressions that oozed from the gym Halloween night, when all the new boys including some, who owing to illness at the initiation last year, were formally, also informally initiated.

Although it is a secret of what the initiation was, there are very few who will forget it in years to come. (The writer speaks from experience as he is a new-comer too.) One thing that is not secret was the oddness and quickness with which the new boys volunteered to donate at least \$3.00 to \$5.00 of their spending money for the benefit of the school because of the touch of an electric button.

After grouping together and singing famous songs with the final number being "How Dry I Am!" the rats were almost drowned and with the rush for shoes over, they were allowed (those able) to partake of hot dogs, buns, and marshmallows in front of a huge fire on the campus.

The instructors that were present to oversee and direct the initiation were Colonel Ganssle, Capt. John Barker, and Coach McLean. As the infirmary was not in use the next day, the new boys express their thanks to those men.

"Pec Wee" Johnson, Capt. Crooks, and Lieut. Kreipke put on a fake fight which was so realistic that some of those that planned it began to think whether or not it was the one that had been planned. It was put on to set an example for the new boys. Although this was the formal initiation all rats shall continue to bow to the sacred tree.

Verne L. McIntosh Johnson, Jr.

TWO NEW BOYS ARRIVE

There has been two late comers enrolled in our school this year. Cadet Kenneth G. Poore who hails from Meridian, Idaho. He has had some former military training at The Omarga Military School.

The other new comer is Cadet L. Gordon Robineau. He is another one added to our long list of Denverites. Robineau has received most of his education at Byers Junior High School in Denver.

PARTY GIVEN AT PARISH HOUSE

Old and young, big and little, all enjoyed themselves at a party given by the Church at the Parish House Friday, October 21. Autumn in all its splendor was reflected in the decorations of pumpkins, stalked in corn and big yellow moons which were shadowed by orange and black streamers.

The "Chamber of Horrors," the "Two Impersonators" and the Picture Show were the main attractions. "Sack Races," "Blindfold Games" and a "Felix Cat" Comedy furnished amusement for the children. A one act Play with only two characters was well given and the house was shaken by roars of laughter from the audience. The title of the play was, "He who laughs last, last laughs, laughs last, and laughs best." One of the most amusing things was the placing of tags on the backs of everyone. Each tag bore a name such as Goat, Monkey, Fossil, Butterfly, Sweet Papa, Poodle, etc. The comical part was in seeing the likeness these names had on the individuals.

After these events refreshments, consisting of coffee, candy, and delicious pumpkin pie covered with whipped cream, were served. Following this the large room was cleared and everyone, that wished, began to dance. Among the guests were Colonel Perkins, Mrs. Perkins, Colonel Ganssle and Mrs. Ganssle, Dorothy Perkins, Chaplain du Domaine, Captain John Barker, and several of the St. John's Cadets.

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"ROMEO" alias **"PETE,"** Horace Holmes has played for old St. John's for four years and has been Captain of the team and in every instance he has proved himself a good man and a very good asset for the team. He has been all-conference tackle for so long that they don't have to change the type from year to year. We all want to give him our thanks for his co-operation and hope for him the best of luck in college the coming year.

"TRINAPOP" Jeannin at last made the team and proved to others as well as to himself that although he may be small he has the fight and spirit that make good football teams and winning ones. This is Jeannin's second year out for football and he will be back with us next year and we know that he will make an even better showing.

"SCOTTY" Markley played his second year on the team and when it comes to giving the other team yards he certainly is "tight." He may not hail from Concord but he as well as Holmes and Gordon are all Minute Men of every game. Which is a very good record and one of which to be proud.

"DUTCH" Gordon makes the wooden shoes rattle when he goes through that line on the defense. This is Dutch's first year on the gridiron and he has proved himself a very excellent center who has taken the place of our Captain Jordan, who could not be with us this year, as well as anyone could have done. He went out for end, wanted to play in the back field and made center so he can be classed as an all-around football player. We wish him luck in all his encounters after he leaves us this year, and hope he can make as good a record elsewhere.

"SKI" Prather didn't smoke this year and his feet didn't grow any more so he made the team and proved a very good man at right tackle. Ski is rather small, about six feet two, and he has a lot of old fight and spirit which helped to back up the line and made our team a success this season. "Ski" will ski on with us next year.

"BULLEN" Biggs, the pugelist, has made a very good record this year in football as right guard and has played all the time this season but the last minute and fifty seconds of the last game, so he can be termed as a minute and fifty second man, eh?

"STONEY" Morse, our dashing fullback, played his first year here and shows promises of being here to carry the Orange and Black colors on the field for several years to come. Stoney won his name at the first of the year from the fact that he never laughed and rarely spoke, but as time wore on he was rarely seen when he wasn't smiling or laughing, but he retained his name because he backed up the line like a stone wall.

"DAGO" Caldwell is a small fellow in appearance but when in action the other fellow thinks he is twins. Dag played in over half the quarters this season as left end and made a very good showing for himself. Especially when his girl friends were in the grandstand. The time between halves he spent wondering whether Marymount girls are allowed to wear sweaters after Christmas.

"TWO HAIR" Crooks was in the lineup in most of the games as end, but he has a particular longing to be fullback. The only trouble is that he was not allowed to get in a game as full to show his ability, which according to his own theory is marvelous. Two Hair will graduate this year, if he is lucky, but we expect to see him in the lineup of U. S. C. some day in the future.

"GRUMP" Mitchell has had a good all-around season, football included. He seems to have had quite a good time with some of his cronies but the results were disastrous. Grump was a flashy end all season, especially with a grandchild on the same team. Grump has just one more year to play for St. John's but will be an outstanding one in the football history of the school.

"BEAK" Bivens was one of St. John's red headed sons on the team during the past season. It seems that the red headed boys have exceptionally hard heads. This is

Beak's first year on the team but he did very well and it looks as if he will have a few more seasons to play wearing an Orange and Black jersey.

"GIMMIE" Jones a pupil of Archie has gone through another year with a good record. He was in the back field this year where he was able to give his originality a chance, much to the bewilderment of several of his team-mates. "Gimmie" has the knack of doing things in the approved Archie style and in using Knute Rockne like strategy. He has been known among the rank and file by the very appropriate nick-names such as "Original," "Archie" and "Knute."

"ED" Ripley is another first year man and everyone hopes it is not his last because of his ability to pull passes out of the air. Ed's beautiful mottled jersey was seen at practice every day most usually reclining under the shade of some nearby tree. A strengthened New England temperament and a bit more speed will make Ed. our star next year.

"WET" Smith is not as wet as you would think by the name when it comes to playing football. Only because of his size did he not get to earn his required number of quarters. But he is going to be with us next year and will make a very good quarterback for which position he has been trying this year.

"ROY" Wallace second in line for pugelistic honors hails from Salina and although he is one of Salina's so-called cakes he made a very good showing on the football team this year.

"GUS" Cozian, the baker's son, knows his doughnuts about playing football. He was an accommodation fullback and guard on the team and played an exceptionally good game all the time he was representing the Orange and Black, 1927.

"FRISBIE" played in the Salina game and showed proper stuff while in action and thereby deserves a place on our honor roll.

"ABIE" Morrow must end the list but his call to fame is faithfulness to practice, a sun-burned complexion and speaking of footballs—a contour not unlike the inflated pigskin itself.

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CONVOCATION

On Tuesday, October 11, the Board of Trustees met at St. John's and the faculty granted a holiday in their honor. Coach McLean held football practice for the squad in the morning and the afternoon was devoted to elections. The Army and Navy clubs held their annual election of their Captains who in turn choose from the new boys for the members of their respective clubs and the members of the Board of Control were chosen from the different classes.

In the Army Club Jeannin and Prather ran a close race for the office which Jeannin won by several votes. Mitchell and Gordon also ran a close race in the Navy which Gordon won by one vote.

After the Army and Navy elections, the Board of Control elections were in order. The Senior class selected as their representative Lieut. Otto Kreipke; the Junior class chose Lieut. Richard Mitchell; the Sophomores elected Lieut. Otis Jeannin; and the Junior School and Freshman class picked Sergeant Robert Bivins.

The new boys elected to the Army Club are: Morse, Whitmore, Evkyn, Brown, Coyle, Phillips, Bolte I, Johnson M. Talbert, Dickinson, Chamberlain, Mitcham, Hahn, Andrews, Gottschall, Hall and Poor.

The new boys elected to the Navy are: Stanley, Johnson V, Green, Volker, Alfred, Heath, Hansen, Vidler, Ahrens, Bingle, Halverstadt, Wildy, Wilkeson, Justus and Robeneau.

Hake: Capt. John what did Paul Revere say when he finished his ride?

Capt. J.: I'll bite.

Hake: Whoa.

DISEASE COMMON ONLY TO HOLLANDERS APPEARS

Colonel Perkins and Coach Completely Puzzled at Phenomenon.
Friends of Victims are Frightened.

An unusual trait of Dutch People was discovered early one Saturday evening when Bill "Dutch" Gordon was the victim of the dreaded disease commonly called "Puff Eye." It is only contracted by people of Dutch Nationality. Its scientific name is "Etink-tu-mush-candi."

William, unaware of the fact, was extremely red in the face at Retreat Formation. After eating a very large meal his eyes began to bulge until Mrs. McLean, frightened by his ghostly appearance, reported it to Coach McLean who, in turn, notified Colonel Perkins. (Gordon continued eating.)

Finally he was convinced of his condition and by this time everyone was worried. It seemed as though the worst was yet to come. After carefully diagnosing the case for an hour Colonel Perkins and Coach McLean had a conference and came to the conclusion that it was caused by the contagious disease commonly called "Silo." This disease is extraordinary contagious to football men. Its scientific name is "Paws-mi sumore." In most cases it develops into "Kwitcherbeliakini," but, as has been related, in the case of Dutch people it develops into "Puff Eye."

Although seriously ill, William recovered through natural efforts, executed by Colonel Perkins and was able to go to a "movie" later that evening. Colonel Perkins asserted that in the number of years that he has been in the service, in which he

has come in contact with all nationalities, that this was the queerest, most unusual thing he had ever witnessed.

The Skirmisher wishes to announce to its readers (of Dutch descent) that Gordon is still not immune and if anything like this happens again they should run for their lives to avoid the plague.

CHAPLAIN DU DOMAINE GIVES DINNER PARTY

Amidst the essence of flowers and the sweet strains of music several cadets and two young ladies ate to their heart's desire at a dinner party given by Chaplain du Domaine in the Music Room Friday, Oct. 21.

Those present were Miss Dorothy Perkins, Mrs. Raymond McLean, Cadets Otto Kreipke, Harold Barber, Thomas Davies, Kenneth Gottschall, Clifton Gilbert, John Myers, Robert Hays, and Sidney Hays. Near the last of the dinner Coach McLean and Colonel Ganssle entered and took part in consuming the vast amount of cake, pie, and sherbert.

Following the dinner Chaplain du Domaine took several of the Cadets to a party at the Parish House.



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ARMY AND NAVY FOOTBALL GAME

The gridiron warriors representing the land and sea forces clashed on the Cadet Stadium October 23. This was the first of the annual battles staged between the two clubs this year. Many are the bets between the members of the clubs on the outcome of the games which makes them more interesting.

The navy defended the shady goal and Capt. Stanley kicked off to the doughboys. The ball was kept in mid-field for the next few minutes when the Gobs blew up and the Army marched down the field for touchdown number one with Whitmore carrying the ball. The Gobs didn't even seem to realize that they were playing football. The Navy again kicked off and after futile attempts to stop the soldiers allowed Capt. Thamer to break through for a second touchdown for the Army. Again the Gobs kicked and held the Army in the middle of the field for several downs when a pass, Thamer to Bob Hays, was completed and Hays ran it for a touchdown. They failed in all of their attempts to make the extra points. The Army kicked to the Navy who returned it about 10 yards when the half ended with the score 18 to 0 in favor of the Army.

When the last half started, the sailors appeared to have come out of their trance. They started to play good football on the first down and Stanley carried the ball around the end several times for good gains but later lost the ball on account of the awakening of the Army. The Navy was outplaying the Army this half and the soldiers tried end runs but the enlightened Navy ends nipped them at the start so that the soldiers tried to pass but were penalized 25 yards. They lost the ball on the next down and Stanley carried the ball over after a series of end runs and line bucks. They also failed to make the extra point. The Army received the ball from Tiny Johnson's small foot and attempted to add to their end of the score but the Navy had found its "land legs" and the soldiers were unable to do anything. The ball was exchanged in the middle of the field until the end of the game. The score then stood: Army 18, Navy 6.

Capt. John: What is the Anglo Saxon for veal, Caldwell?

Caldwell: Mutton.

MRS. GANSSLE RETURNS FROM VACATION

Spent Three Pleasant Months In Racine, Wisconsin, With Relatives. Visited by Several of the St. John's Ex-Instructors.

Mrs. Ganssle returned home, Oct. 6, after having spent three months with her relatives in Racine, Wisconsin. Some of the persons who visited Mrs. Mrs. Ganssle, on her vacation, who are of interest to the school, are: Major and Mrs. Weir, who live at Lake Forest, Capt. Small, who had been teaching summer school near Racine; and Major Davies who lives at Madison, Wisconsin.

Margaret Anne, Catherine Joyce and Mrs. Ganssle left Salina, July 2, and reached Racine on the fourth. Mrs. Ganssle's mother's birthday is also the fourth of July. Joyce and Margaret Anne enjoyed the trip very much but are glad to be home again.

Lieutenant C. W. Davies, Mrs. Ganssle's brother, an aviation instructor, flew to Racine to visit Mrs. Ganssle while he was being transferred from Brooks Field (San Antonio, Texas), to March Field (Riverside, California.)

Although a quiet trip, everybody wanted to stay longer but Joyce could not be persuaded to miss any more school, so they returned. Colonel Ganssle met them at Kansas City and returned with them.

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Johnson V could get some shoes to fit him?

Hall wasn't limping?

Morse sang in chapel?

Mitchell didn't make wise cracks?

Markley wasn't scotch?

Parcell could blow a bugle?

Cozian quit thinking he was good looking?

Jeannin quit wearing his green hat?

Bivins got his Algebra?

Morrow quit curling his hair?

Crooks caught a pass?—(A touchdown on Herington.)

Gordon —————?

GLEE CLUB HAS TRY OUT

Carusos, McCormicks, Baramores, and Circus Announcers gathered to sing a few "trying songs" for the first time this year, last Tuesday, Nov. 1st. This group although a little out of practice, also tune, is a very favorable turnout. Under the supervision of Capt. Shideler, these thirty-five song birds varying from A flat Bass to Z sharp Soprano, will be weeded out; and in a few weeks a melodious glee club will take the stage as the curtain rises for 1927-28 tonsil exercising. (Note—The Author apologizes to Shakespeare.)

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Hot Fox Trots and Moonlight Waltzes were featured by the Collegians Orchestra which was secured after much difficulty. Circle dances being called by Colonel Perkins put pep into everyone and from the first piece to the strains of Home Sweet Home seemed only a moment.

A contest dance for the couple that could Fox Trot the best was given and owing to disputes among the Judges everyone was awarded first prize the favors being candied Black Cats and Pumpkins. Refreshments of punch and delicious layer cake were served.

The guests were: Misses Elizabeth Battersby, Vivian Cochrane, Pauline Wakenhut, Alice Williams, Theresa Florell, Jo Peyton Mitchell, Bernice Clark, Helen Greening, Loretto Cooper, Fern Hederstedt, Dorothy Perkins, Virginia Kistler, Martha Dodge, Jane Clark, Katherine Edmunds, Louise Paxton, Margaret Utt, Mary Swartz, Irma Green, Helen Dillingham, June Smith, Della Dean Dodge, Marjorie Haggart, Bernice Eaton, Natalie Cochrane, Ernestine Putman, Ruth Clark, Dortha Harris, and Margaret Geis.

Captain Crooks, First Lieut Holmes, First Lieut. Kreipke, Second Lieut. Mitchell, Second Lieut. Caldwell, Second Lieut. Markley, Second Lieut. Wallace, Sergeant Biggs, Sergeant Morrow, Sergt. Hake, Sergt. Jones, Sergt. Ripley, Sergt. King, Cadet Gordon, Cadet Dickenson, Cadet Hubanks, Cadet Vidler, Cadet Gilbert, Cadet Brown, Cadet Barber, Cadet Whitmore, Cadet Morse, Cadet Stanley, Cadet V. Johnson, Cadet Eykyn, Cadet Coyle, Cadet M. Johnson, Cadet Davies, and Cadet Shipherd.

Instructors and their guests were: Colonel Ganssle, Mrs. Ganssle, Col.

and Mrs. Perkins, Capt. John Barker, Miss Virginia White, Mr. Dodge, Mrs. Dodge, Miss Margaret Wilson, Chaplain du Domaine, Capt. McLean, Mrs. McLean, and Capt. Poggeman.

JOKES

By Smith

Frisbie:—How do you play hookie from correspondence school, Crooks?

Crooks:—Oh, I just send them an empty envelope.

Gordon:—“Why are your socks on wrong side out, Mitchell?”

Mitchell:—“My feet were hot and I turned the hose on them.”

Bird cage and parrot offered by refined young lady having green feathers and yellow beak.

Our own “Jock” Markley after being shown to his room in a hotel, looked from the window and noticed a large illuminated clock in a tower across the street. He stopped his watch.

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The whole story is this.

It seems the night was dark and dreary, also spooky because of being Halloween, and a mist was falling; a new boy crept down the hall, the boards squeaked at his every step, there came a dull thud and a light flashed on. No, there were no aeroplanes, no aviator, but what should he see. There was the paper on the wall to teach flying, which happened to be tanglefoot.

Aviation—yes or no?

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10. Honor the game thou playest for he who playeth the game wins even when he loses.—Exchange.

IT AIN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE

According to the heading there is some change in something and that something is the Gymnasium. It has been all fixed up so now even Moffat won't be ashamed to go in it for a few minutes of recreation. The floor has been all leveled up and the inside is to be painted as soon as the different members of the faculty can all agree, for once, on a suitable color, which we hope will be in the near future. Anyway the Gym may be finished some day and will look like a million dollars compared with the old one, and will be used not only for the different indoor sports but also for the school dances which are more enjoyable in our own campus.

CADETS LOSE TO HERINGTON

The Cadets met defeat at the hands of the Herington eleven Wednesday, Nov. 2, by a 27 to 7 score. The two teams were evenly matched as to weight but as for experience Herington held the upper hand. The Herington aggregation played football during the whole game but until the last quarter the Cadets played a poor game. The score at the end of the first half was 19 to 0. In the last few minutes a pass, Holmes to Jones R., was completed with Jones running the rest of the field for a touchdown. The extra point was gained by a fake place kick, Jones passing to Crooks.

BISHOP MIZE RETURNS FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Bishop Mize has just returned to Salina from a meeting in San Antonio, Tex., of the Western District of the House of Bishops where that body discussed various business matters. The Bishop reports that Texas is very dry and needs rain badly.

By Herbert King.

RIFLES ARE DISTRIBUTED

The rifles were distributed to the cadets during the drill period last Thursday. Colonel R. W. Perkins is having the cadets thoroughly cleaning them, and in turn he will give them the once over twice.

This will be very beneficial to all the cadets (especially the new ones.) This will teach them to handle their rifles carefully, also the mechanism and parts which is very important.

Smith: Say is George Washington an honest man?

Mitchell: Sure he was, he's the bird who never told a lie.

Smith: Then why do they close the banks on his birthday?

NUTCRACKERS

Mitchell—Jones R., how are you coming along in your studies?

Jones R.—I'm about to flunk out.

Mitchell—Why don't you get a private tutor?

Jones R.—What do you think I'm doing, studying a musical instrument?

We have with us today the so-called "educated fool." It is to be hoped that St. John's will keep up the standard of turning out graduates which are educated enough to realize that they know very little.

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