

The French-Canada Studies Programme held a reception recently at the Faculty Club on the occasion of the publication of the first in a series of volumes of its 4 O'Clock Lecture Series. Copies of the lecture series in 1964-65 on the topic "Some French-Canadian Thinkers of the 19th and 20th Centuries", at \$2.50 each, may be obtained from the McGill University Press. Above are five of the six authors whose works appear in the first volume. They are, left to right, J.-C. Bonenfant, George F. Stanley, Albert Faucher, Mason Wade and Pierre Savard.



BOARD EXTENDS FEE REMISSION

The privilege of remission of academic fees for dependents of the full-time staff of the University has been extended by a recent decision of the Board of Governors.

Under the revised regulation, which takes effect immediately, two additional categories of dependents who are regular students in a degree course in one of the faculties will be eligible for the remission, amounting to two-thirds of the regular academic fees. The two additional categories are:

- ■Wives of full-time members of the teaching staff of the rank of assistant professors and up; and
- ■Wives and children of members of the non-teaching staff with more than five years' continuous full-time service.

Up to now the privilege has been extended only to students who were children of full-time members of the teaching staff. In the case of non-academic staff, the privilege was granted only after applications were considered individually and special permission was extended at the discretion of the Board of Governors.

ROPER HEADS FACULTY CLUB

DR. P. D. L. ROPER, Psychiatry, was elected president of the Faculty Club for 1966-67 at the annual meeting held October 24. He succeeds PROF. H. H. YATES, Metallurgical Engineering.

PROF. J. W. BOYES, Genetics, was named vice-president of the Club, which has a total membership of 1,078. Members of the Council, whose term expires in 1968, were named as follows: PROF. VIRGINIA DOUGLAS, Psychology; PROF. JOHN CHERNA, Mechanical Engineering; PROF. P. R. EAKINS, Geology; and PROF. R. VOGEL, History.

Members of the Council whose term expires in 1967 are: PROF. T. F. MORRIS, Physics; PROF. R. N. MORRISON, Graduate School of Business; PROF. J. E. L. LAUNAY, French; and PROF. K. KEVAN, Entomology (Macdonald College).

PROF. J. C. OSLER, Civil Engineering' is Honorary Secretary and MR. A. B. C. SCHLICHTER, Budget Officer, is Honorary Treasurer.

WORKSHOP HELD ON FAILURES

Why do students fail in university who in high school have demonstrated sufficient ability and motivation to succeed?

Some forty-odd students of McGill who had academic difficulties last year in their first year, but whose high school records indicated they shouldn't have, participated in a workshop at the University on Oct. 29 and 30 to try and arrive at conclusions that shed additional light on this problem.

The workshop is the continuation of the one held at McGill from August 26 to September 2. At that workshop the seventy-odd students who participated worked out plans by which they hoped to be more successful this year.

The follow-up workshop investigated the hypothesis of the director, DR. EDWARD C. WEBSTER of Psychology, that students fail in university because they have failed to work out means of coping successfully with the university environment which is so different from that of high school.

"I suspect," stated Dr. Webster, "that since they couldn't cope successfully with their new environment, their frustrations took form in such unsatisfactory modes of adjustment as heightened extra-curricular activities, guitar-playing, undisciplined reading, day-dreaming and the like."

PROF. H. D. WOODS, Dean of Arts and Science, and PROF. E. J. STANS-BURY, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, also spoke to the students who attended the workshop.

POWELL ELECTED GOVERNOR EMERITUS

Ray Edwin Powell, Chancellor of McGill from 1958 to 1964, has been elected by the University's Board of Governors as Governor Emeritus.

In making the announcement Dr. H. Rocke Roberston said: "This honour was accorded Mr. Powell when it was learned that he wished to leave his seat on the Board after serving it for 16 years."

Mr. Powell's resignation was received at the last Board meeting in October.

The status of Governor Emeritus is bestowed on those members of the Board who have rendered distinguished and outstanding service to the University. Others who have been so honoured include the late John W. McConnell, Walter M. Stewart and B. C. Gardner, M.C.

In paying tribute to Mr. Powell's service, Dr. Robertson said he had led



the University through the period of its greatest expansion.

"The University is grateful to Mr. Powell for his far-seeing support in its programme of physical development, the first stage of which was recently completed. His interest in academic matters ensured the growth of teaching and research in a number of key departments and the creation of new areas of study. His determination to contribute to the education of labour leaders resulted in the creation of the Canadian Labour College, a unique venture involving the co-operation of the labour movement, I'Université de Montréal and McGill."

In December, 1964, the Senate of the University expressed gratitude to Mr. Powell at a unique ceremony and presented him with a resolution which read in part:

"Among the many achievements which marked the University's progress during his term of office, Senate particularly values the opportunities afforded for increasing co-operation with the Board of Governors."

Mr. Powell is Honorary Chairman and a Director of the Aluminium Company of Canada Limited.