

PI ALPHA

One of the most frequent questions asked of Greek letter Fraternities is —"What does the name mean?" In most cases the question is ignored or passed over with a shrug of the shoulder or a feeble explanation of the Greek alphabet. This is not the case with Pi Alpha. At St. Francis, Pi Alpha means more than just letters. It means loyalty, devotion, service, support. It means that whoever labors under our banner labors for the best interest of St. Francis.

These qualities of leadership and devotion are constantly being exhibited by P.A. men. Ed Fleming did a fine job restoring to life some of the pre-war activity of the College, as fine an example as can be found. But, in addition, Pi Alpha men are doing a splendid job in all fields of College activity. There's Jim Cusack and Bob Maher, who influence greatly the path of the Voice, along with Jack McGrath, Business Manager of that publication; Ed Farrell, who besides representing the College at various inter-collegiate meetings, found time to guide the Junior Dance; Don Metz, who deserves a lot of credit for his work as Editor of the 1947 FRANCISCAN; and Robert Maher and Dick Droge, who fashioned the Soph-Frosh Hop. These and many others are Pi Alpha men, laboring to further the interests of St. Francis College and their Fraternity.

BURSCHENSCHAFT EDELWEISS

With the appointment of a new Professor of German by the administration the German Club acquired a new moderator. He was Dr. Otto Pfeiffenberger. Dr. Pfeiffenberger's task was a hard one, that of reorganizing a group with which has was not familiar.

The Burschenschaft Edelweiss, after its first two meetings, held a gala Christmas party which was a great success. The only other club which held as successful a Christmas party was Le Circle Francois.

The chief object of the Burschenschaft Edelweiss is to stimulate and develop an interest in the rich storehouse of culture and art which is the heritage of the German people. The club has been active in the college since 1936 and during the past year has taken its place among the important clubs at St. Francis.





VOCATION CLUB

Pius XI in his encyclical letter on the Catholic Priesthood, tells us, "All should do their utmost to increase the ranks of strong and zealous workers in the vine-yard of the Lord; the more so, as the moral needs of society are growing greater instead of less." As a response to this concerned counsel, the Vocation Club was initiated at the end of the Fall semester.

The program of this group, under the wise direction of Fathering Fleming, seeks two main ends: first, that those who have determined with some certitude that their path lies in the service of God's Church, either as priest or brother, might, through conference given, be fostered in that direction; second, that those who are as yet uncertain or desire to investigate this type of life might receive adequate information and be thereby aided to ascertain their call in life.