

## Student Council

The third Student Council under the new St. Francis Student Constitution formally assumed supervision of student activities at its first meeting in September. The officers were:

DONAL MAHONEY ..... *President*  
 RAYMOND HERMIDA ..... *Vice President*  
 GEORGE HENDERSON ..... *Secretary*

Under the guidance of the new president, Donal Mahoney, it revived the use of the gymnasium as a recreation hall by the students during their free time. It brought back the interesting games of Ping Pong, Badminton and three man Basketball that were so sorely missed last year.

In order to increase the power of the council by discovering how the administration and faculty could cooperate in insuring the fullest use of student government, the Dean held an Election Dinner for the newly-elected student councilmen and class officers at the Hotel Granada. The dinner was a success and as a result the faculty approved the Council's proposal to have a student on the Attendance Committee with full voting powers. Joe Panzarella was named.

For the first time, the Student Council cooperated with the whole student body to run a dance at the Towers Hotel for the benefit of the Franciscan and Voice. Nobody made any money on the affair but everyone had a marvelous time and in this respect it was a great success.

*Senior members, Joseph Panzarella, President Donal Mahoney, Vice-President Ray Hermida, Leo Strofollino and George Henderson, examining the activities for the week.*







*Lower-classmen Art Lochhead, Al Kelly, Joe Lennon, Tom Lowery and Joe Murphy delve into the financial problems of the Council.*

When the Council resumed activities in February Donal Mahoney, the president, had left college for work in the laboratories of a defense plant. After a discussion as to the proper procedure in the face of this unprecedented situation, it was decided not to hold another election and Ray Hermida, the Vice President, assumed the leadership which Donal had relinquished.

With the new term, the council was also faced with the problem of keeping student activities alive despite the pressure of the telescoped term adopted by the administration to meet the student demands in the National Emergency. This they accomplished by closer supervision of all activities and constant urging of the clubs to greater activities and they also instituted a new system of interclub basketball games to supplement the regular Interclass Tournament.

Their next outstanding move was to assure that certain heretofore unrewarded activities were given proper recognition. A motion was passed stating that the Editors of all the college publications, the deserving members of their staffs, the Troupers and the Council members were to receive some material token in recognition of their work for the college.

The semester was closed with a Victory Dance in honor of the basketball team which had just closed its most successful season with a great victory over our traditional rival, St. John's.

The following are the members of the Student Council:

*Seniors:* Geo. Henderson, Ray Hermida, Joe Panzarella, Leo Stroppolino.

*Juniors:* Joe Lennon, Art Lochhead, Jim Campbell.

*Sophomores:* Tom Lowery, Joe Murphy.

*Freshman:* Al Kelly.