

WHO'S WHO AT CANISIUS

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"A great asset in the further development of Canisius would be the formation of Canisius clubs in the suburbs and the different residential sections of Buffalo," declared Dr. James H. Crowdle, D. Sc., Professor of Chemistry and Graduate Manager of Athletics, in an exclusive interview with the *Griffin*. As a member of the



faculty for the past seventeen years, Doctor Crowdle has witnessed the growth of the student body from approximately one hundred - fifty students in 1919 to this year's record registration of over seven hundred.

According to Doctor Crowdle, these clubs, composed both of alumni and students, would have as their purpose the fostering of a more personal interest in Canisius and its welfare. They would aid in the support of Canisius activities and a gradual development of the campus. Dr. Crowdle's ideal campus of the future would include the Fr. Sindele Memorial Chapel, an auditorium to be used for assemblies, debates and plays, a student government building which would house offices of all student activities and a faculty-administrative building.

Dr. Crowdle ranks the present Griffin football team as one of the classiest small college elevens in the east and the best ever to wear the blue and gold jerseys. He attributes its success to the large number of formidable reserves which Hiker has on the bench. He classes Capt. Joe Szur, high scoring half-back in the east and a member of this year's mythical All-American squad, with Paul Haskell and Jack Collins, Canisius gridiron heroes of the past. His consistent and sensational punting he terms the best ever seen at the Villa.

Dr. Crowdle believes that the Little Three contests and especially the Bonaventure game have outgrown accommodations at the Villa and so it is probable that the new Roesch stadium which will have a seating capacity of approximately thirty thousand will be the scene of future Little Three battles.

Past experience has taught Dr. Crowdle never to consider a Little Three trophy won until it shines from out the trophy case. He pointed out that Niagara can still win the Little Three Football Championship by beating Canisius by fourteen points. Under its new coach, John J. "Taps" Gallagher, and with Bill Petitt leading his team, the Eagles are due to go to town.

Doctor Crowdle lauded the fine program of intramural athletics, undertaken this year. It will be recalled that he was instrumental in polling the student body on "Whether intramural athletics should be developed or the football program expanded." At that time, the student body voted overwhelmingly in favor of expansion of the football.

During his student days at Boston College, Dr. Crowdle was interested in journalism and was a staff writer of the *Boston Stylus*, campus newspaper. At Canisius, he served as co-moderator of the *Canisian* in the early days of its existence. He considers this year's *Griffin* the best newspaper ever published by Canisius students and thinks it a fine chronicle of Griffin activities.

Of special interest to the science students is Dr. Crowdle's announcement that a new general chemistry laboratory will probably be opened next year. The present general chemistry lab would then be devoted to a physical chemistry lab.

At Boston College, he was especially active in debating activities and athletics and received several medals in Philosophy and Chemistry. After graduation, he served as a war chemist, at Carney's Point, New Jersey, and was later transferred to Drummondville, Quebec.

He joined the faculty of Canisius in 1919 and during this time completed the work for his Master of Science degree. From 1920 to 1922 he studied at Fordham University and was awarded his Doctor of Science degree.