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Resistant granite ridges were polished. Ancient soft limestone deposits were gouged into the basins of Newboro and Charleston Lakes. As this, the Wisconsin glacier, stagnated and melted a mere minute or two to midnight, December 31st, (10,000 real years) its meltwater streams washed and sorted the gravels and sands of the Morton esker to provide our local resources of the most valuable mineral riches of any country, construction aggregates.

Local lakes such as the Big Rideau were brimming and their waves left a legacy of sandy beaches such as at Sheldon's, high above the level of the present lake. Fertile silts and clays filtered to the floors of these receding lakes such as Beverley and Newboro leaving the rich fields of Philipville to Delta and Portland to Crosby.

A mere minute to midnight in the almanac of the Earth; ancient Indians were moving northward into the newly-revealed landscape of Leeds. Twenty seconds to midnight; a man called Moses was leading his people across the waters of an expanding rift in the Earth's fragile shell. Fifteen seconds to midnight and the first Christmas occurred farther north along the same Red Sea rift. Two seconds to go and Champlain was bushwhacking the eastern Ontario forests and one second to midnight, New Year's Eve, and our pioneer ancestors were clearing the land and building the villages and canals of Foley's panorama. Man, an effect of

accelerated change in Nature, has become the effector of change; at least temporarily in his own conceit.

Having witnessed such a grand scheme of order in time, may Foley Mountain, our silent sentinel of granite, observe a Happy New Year. And may we live our fleeting seconds in the peace and security of its vista.

POINTSETTIA POINTERS

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The lovely poinsettia you received this Christmas needn't be given up for lost if it fades next spring. With proper care it will last for years, and if you are willing to do a little extra work, you may coax it into bloom again.

During the winter, when your poinsettia is blooming, keep the soil evenly moist by watering when the surface starts to dry out. Keep the plant in bright, indirect light but not full sun. When the plant starts to fade in spring, cut it back to four inches, repot in fresh soil, and begin fertilizing once a month to stimulate new growth. By fall your poinsettia should be green again, and you can stop fertilizing. Now's the time to try to persuade it to bloom. In late September, start giving the plant 14-hour nights by putting it in a dark closet or covering it with a box, from dinner time until breakfast the next morning. Do this every night without fail, and in three weeks the plant will start turning colour. Continue for seven or eight more weeks and your poinsettia should be in full bloom -- just in time for Christmas.

June Greenhorn.

ST. LAWRENCE COLLEGE BOARD
ELECTS OFFICERS

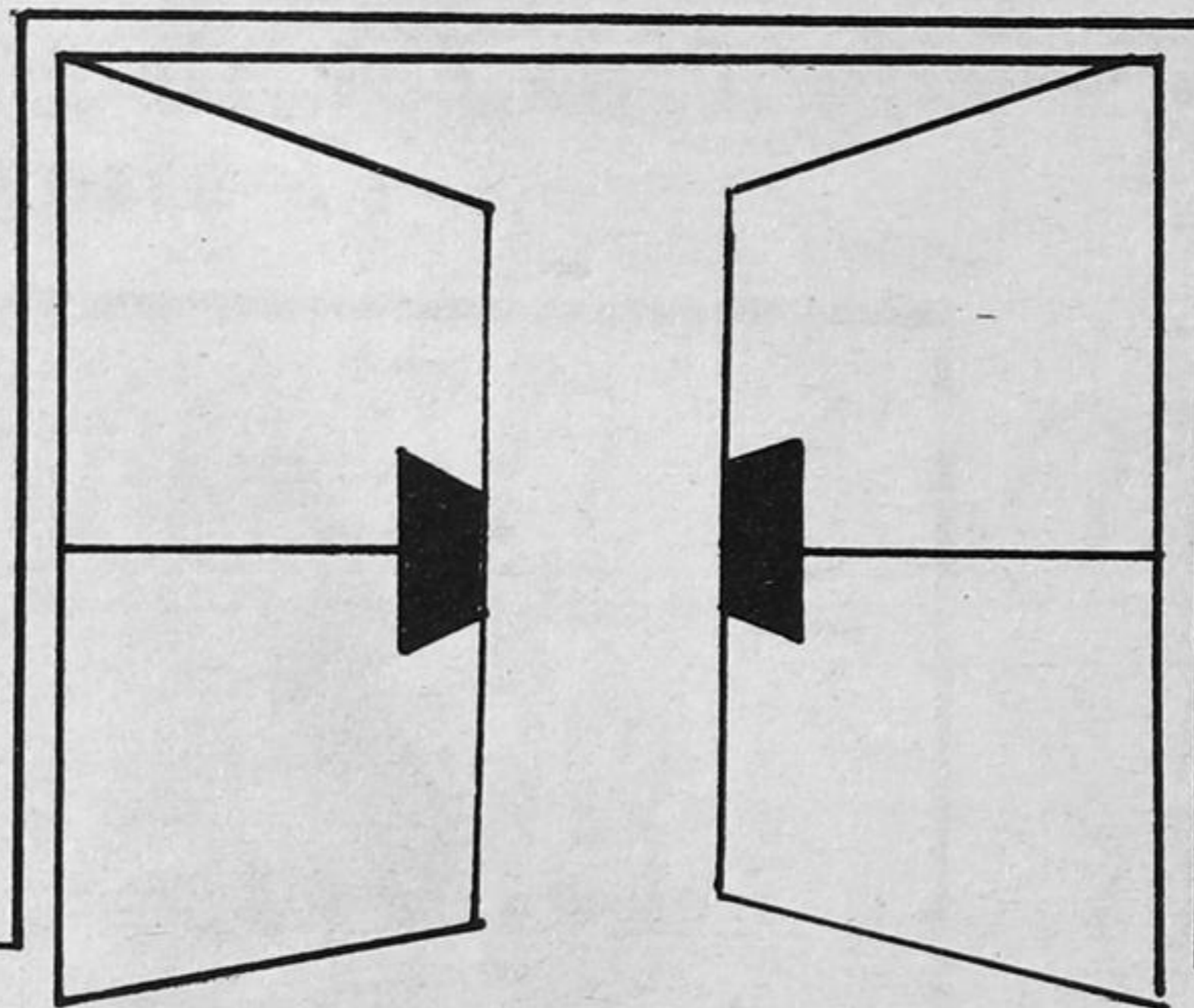
Father Rudolph Villeneuve of Cornwall has been re-elected chairman of St. Lawrence College's Board of Governors. This will be his second consecutive term as chairman.

Both vice-chairmen, Joan Wills of Brockville and Frank Quaife of Kingston, were also re-elected during the Board's regular January meeting in Brockville last week. It will be Miss Will's third consecutive year as an officer and Mr. Quaife's second period.

One new member was welcomed to the Board this year, Guy Legros. He replaces Donald Adams, who completed a four year term at the end of December. Both men are from Brockville.

Mr. Legros, who is a chartered accountant, is the the accounting manager at GTE Automatic Electric in Brockville. He is a member of the college's finance program advisory committee and is a member of the Board of St. Vincent's hospital. Mr. Legros is bilingual, married, and has three daughters, two of which attend Queen University in Kingston.

The Board of Governors is responsible to the provincial government for all college operations. Four members are appointed by the major municipalities in the college's area of responsibility: one each from Kingston and Brockville and two from Cornwall (one English - and one French-speaking). The other eight are appointed on a geographical basis from within the college's area by the Council of Regents of the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology.



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St. Lawrence College Brockville

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 8th

11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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