

MACDONALD

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL'S VISIT

On June 14th, their Excellencies the Governor General and the Duchess of Devonshire, with their three daughters, visited the Ontario Agricultural College, and were entertained to luncheon in Macdonald Hall.

Two functions were combined on this occasion and the junior students of Macdonald prepared and served the luncheon, not only to the Ducal party and the senior members of the O. A. C. Faculty with their wives, but, in accordance with annual custom, to Dr. and Mrs. Creelman, the Macdonald staff and the graduating students. The Homemakers' and short course classes were also present.

The scheme of decoration in the dining hall was delightfully fresh and simple. Pink paeonies of moderate size in large bowls, stood in the centres of the tables, and small vases of clear glass holding field daisies completed the arrangement. The sideboard was adorned with masses of daisies. The waitresses clad in white fitted admirably into the picture.

After luncheon the junior students joined the assembly, the King's health was given, and all sang the National Anthem.

Dr. Creelman then welcomed their Excellencies and remarked that the Duke of Devonshire was a farmer, as

his father had been before him, and was therefore genuinely interested in the work of the College, while the dietetic training of the girls would doubtless appeal to the Duchess. He set forth the aims of the O. A. C. and Macdonald Institute which, in brief, were to make of Canada's sons and daughters, efficient farmers and housekeepers. He said, that students came not from the Dominion only, but from all parts of the world, conspicuously from South Africa. He also alluded to the large number of O. A. C. students who had early volunteered for service overseas. many of whom would return no more. He concluded by proposing a toast to the health of their Excellencies, which was received with hearty applause.

His Excellency the Governor General, in replying, expressed the pleasure that he and his family experienced in visiting the institution, and very graciously praised the entertainment which had been offered to them.

Dr. Creelman then invited the students to proceed with the traditional exchange of neckties, and the juniors gladly relinquished their white ties, and assumed the honourable badge of seniority. Cheers for seniors and juniors followed, and then the latter lined up to form an avenue to the door, waitresses in white on one side and cooks in blue on the other, and all the company sang "O Canada!" The guests then passed through this guard of