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CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY OF CONSTITUTION IN FIRST ASSEMBLY.

PROGRAM BY HISTORY CLASS

Celebrating the one-hundred-fiftieth birthday of the Constitution of the United States, a short program was staged in Saint Bonaventure auditorium on Friday, September 17. The program opened with the flag salute and the singing of "America the Beautiful" by the student body. The following talks rendered by members of the class in American History, were most interesting and instructive.

What has America

Done for Us?--

Angela Moersen

Our System Under

the Constitution

Angela Bakey

The Constitution's

Birthday--

Doris Kohlund

State's Rights--

Lillian Johnson

Methods of Representation

Leander Morgan

Interstate Commerce--

Dean Lusienki

The Constitutional

Convention--

Mary Merz

The singing of "America" by the audience concluded the program.

INTERESTING LECTURE GIVEN STUDENTS

Tuesday, September 14, the student body of Saint Bonaventure grade and high school was privileged to hear a most interesting lecture delivered by Father Francis Borgia Steck, Ph. D., teacher of Spanish-American History at Catholic University, Washington, D. C., on the Texas Missions. Father Francis's lecture was

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accompanied by a beautiful and instructive movie which he himself had taken while visiting the Texas Centennial.

Father Francis is, we are proud to say, a brother of our pastor, Father Athanase. Father Francis, to quote from a leading magazine, "is not only a historian of international repute and a distinguished linguist, but also a poet of no mean ability.

Some of the interesting points which Father emphasized and which were new to most of us were:

That the famous "Alamo" was originally a church; Texas, the largest state in the Union, was exclusively Franciscan; that San Jose the first mission erected in that state, is the most beautiful.

The beauty of this ancient structure was fully brought out in the colored pictures shown during the lecture.

Another fact brought in was that the California missions, usually thought to be the greatest, were second to those of Texas in number, California having twenty-one to Texas'

We, the people of the United States in order to form a more perfect union.. do ordain and establish this Constitution.....

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof.....

All persons born or naturalized..... are citizens....

The right of the citizens of the United States to vote.

twenty-five. The difference was that the missions in Texas did not exist all at one time.

FORMER NEBRASKAN CONSECRATED BISHOP.

The September Franciscan Herald carries news of the consecration of Most Rev. Ambrose Pinger O. F. M., as Bishop of Chowtsun, Shantung, China.

Father Ambrose (Henry) Pinger was born August 16, 1897 in St. Bernard, about forty miles northwest of Columbus. Strange as it may seem, he was born in the very house in which Holy Mass had been offered for the first time in St. Bernard.

Father Ambrose has labored in China since 1926.

His appointment should fill the heart of all Nebraskans, especially those of Platte County, with joy.

The Staff of the Bonaventure extends congratulations to the newly-consecrated Bishop, and wishes him much success in his future undertakings.

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EDITORIALS

--BOOST YOUR SCHOOL--

"We will never bring disgrace to this, our city, by any act of dishonest or cowardice. We will fight for the ideals and sacred things of the city, both alone and with many. We will revere and obey the city's laws and do our best to incite a like respect and reverence to those above us who are prone to annul or set them at naught. We will strive unceasingly to quicken the public's sense of civic duty. Thus, in all these ways, we will make our beloved city not less, but greater, better and more beautiful than it was before us."---

The Oath Taken by Boys
of Ancient Athens.

Why not apply this same oath to your school? For years and years the cry "Boost Your School" has rung in your ears. So many times, in fact, have you heard it that it has become something to hear and pass over. But why not boost your school?

Saint Bonaventure has a scholastic standard on a par with any other high school. We do not have

OUR SAINTS

--DO YOU KNOW WHY--

St. Barbara is called the "Patron Saint of Artillery?"

Not because she led an army to victory, as did Joan of Arc; not because she had saved from death soldiers who were devoted to her. No, the gentle Saint Barbara, living in an age when cannon were unknown, has been adopted as the patroness of artillerymen all over the world, because she exemplified the serenity that faces danger without sacrifice of principle in order to avoid it; because she was one of the pure of heart who shall see God; because she first was chosen as the particular patroness of those in danger of sudden death and who wished to face it with soldierly spirit.

When Barbara, who had secretly become a Christian, enraged her father by expressing her faith in the Most Blessed Trinity, he dragged her by the hair and shut her up in a dungeon. Seeing no hope of her yielding, he carried her to a mountain near the city, drew his sword and cut off her head with his own hands but as he descended the mountain, there came a most frightful tempest; thunder and lightning, and fire fell upon this cruel father and consumed him so that not a vestige of him remained.

St. Barbara is usually represented in art by a tower, cannon at her feet, and with either a feather or palm in her hand. Some times she holds a chalice.

the equipment to teach some subjects, but what is taught is taught well.

In athletics we rank as first-class.

Only through the co-operation of the pupils can we hope to carry St. Bonaventure to a higher level of learning.

COMING!

DESOTO PLAYERS
TO PRESENT COMEDY

The cast of "Cyclone Sally", a comedy in three acts, by Eugene G. Hafer has been selected by the now well-known De Soto Players. Rehearsals are being conducted by Rev. Father Arthur, Director, and the play will be staged in the near future.

THE MOTHER OF THE KING

Oh, blest the Mother of
the King
That to the world this
day was given--
Free from the taint of
Adam's sin
And destined Queen of
Heaven.

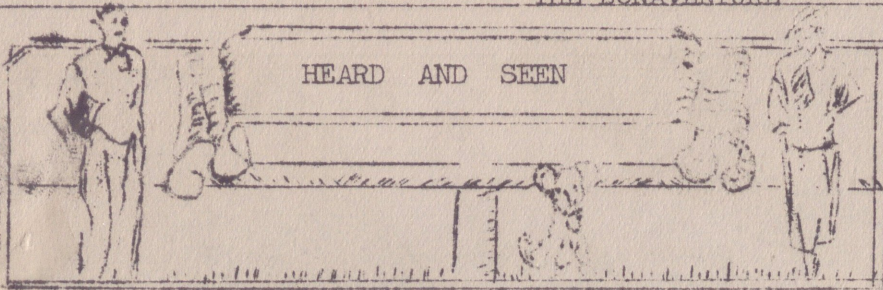
Oh, bright the day for
all mankind
And sweet the songs
we sing
In praise and gladsome
welcome to
The Mother of the King.

In Mary's pure and holy
birth
Our salvation began--
Oh, message of joy
and hope
For fallen, sinful man!

Happy Mother of the King!
Be glad, O sinful earth--
For Mary's opened
Heaven's gate
For us at her pure birth.
(Feast of the Nativity of
the Blessed Virgin Mary,
September 8.)

-A RECIPE FOR POPULARITY-

Everyone has a welcome for the person who has the good sense to take things quietly; the person who can go without her dinner and not advertise the fact; who can lose her purse and keep her temper; who makes light of a heavy weight and can wear a shoe that pinches without anyone being the wiser; who does not magnify the tiny splinter in her finger to a piece of timber.



SENIORS--

The Senior Class election was an outstanding success from the boys' point of view. Although outnumbered sixteen to six they managed to win three of the five executive positions. The results were:

President--Dean Lusinski
Vice-president--

Jack Mathieu
Secretary-Treasurer--
Doris Kohlund
Reporter--Angela Moersen
Historian---
Leander Morgan

Senior Typists are finding the "Golf Course" an interesting incentive to accuracy. Adeline Cockson and Mary Merz have succeeded in making two holes, and it looks as though Lorraine Bernt will be the winner, for she has reached the third and may be the first to reach "that ninth and final hole."

This will probably be the only issue printed before the Halloween party, so a word of warning to the Freshmen will not be amiss. They might show more respect to the Seniors who will preside at the initiation ceremonies.

Francis Savage vies with Herodotus for the title of "The Father of History." Francis explained in class that the reason seamen did not venture into open sea before the fifteenth century was that "their ships weren't large enough and the ships they had were too small."

The seniors miss the cheerful smile of Bob Patterson.

JUNIORS---

That mechanical bent that's supposed to be in all of us to some extent showed up when the juniors got their first

chance at the typewriters on the opening day of school. The sound might lead one to think they were expert typists, but it was all "fff space" and "jjj-space." But they are learning quickly and the Junior bulletin board is displaying several perfect or near-perfect test papers.

Who is the Junior who takes such an interest in his German that he starts for class two periods ahead of time?

In a spirited election the Junior class chose the following officers:

President..Arthur Johnson
Vice President---

Beverly Rich
Sectetary--Helen Hengglar
Treasurer---

Betty Mae Kemnitz
Class Reporter---
Wm. Gerhold, Jr.

Has any one an extra copy of the "Lives of the Saints?" If Fritzie Gerber had it, he would not be getting flowers on the altar on the feast of the Stigmata mixed up with Constitution Day.

SOPHOMORES---

The Freshies of last year can no longer be called "Green", for they are now our full-fledged sophomores, full of ambition and eager to delve into the realms of higher learning.

For president of the class they have elected Bennie Nosal, who says that he expects to bring the Sophomores "to the top of the school."

Rose Gonka is our vice president; Alice Johnson, secretary; Bob Frischolz treasurer; Ritajean Cady reporter, and Ellen McNair, class historian.

Most of the sophomores chose Biology as their

favorite subject. A number of girls and a few boys are taking Latin instead. The Biology class has enjoyed working with the microscopes and has many interesting surprises in store. The twelve boys and twenty-one girls in the class have things running smoothly, and anticipate a happy and profitable year.

FRESHMEN--

The first important event of the year for the freshmen was the election of officers.

President---

Bernard Fletcher
Vice President---
Lois Wade
Secretary-Treas.---
Louis Briggs
Reporter---
Carroll Melliger

St. Bonaventure's extends a hearty welcome to its fine group of Freshmen. We expect some big things from these "green but growing specimens."



PROFOUND ARE THOUGHTS
OF A SOPHOMORE!

WHAT SOME OF LAST YEAR'S
GRADUATES ARE DOING

George Hyatt: Medical student at Creighton U.
Willie Gonka: Soda-jerker at Welch's
Leo Wilgus: Driver of a Pawnee Grocery truck.
Madeline Jostes: Student in a Business School in California.
Rosalie Gattermeyer: Secretary to Mr. Thompson.
Lawrence and Marie Morfield Employed in Arizona.

AFTER HOURS IN THE JUNIOR ROOM

"Thank heaven, they're gone! I thought that bell would never ring, remarked a desk to the table as the last student passed out of Room Three. "The way they jump around would wear anyone out long before he is ready for the attic. Now, take one of the boys who sits near me; he does a heel and toe dance, then flops so hard it makes my timbers shiver."

"I certainly get a good view of the class from up here," speaks up the light fixture, "and I see those two boys in the back of the room taking naps once in a while. And some sophomore girl passed refreshments around during study period the other day. Oh, don't look do dhovkrf! It was only candy. But there, that's the sophomores for you."

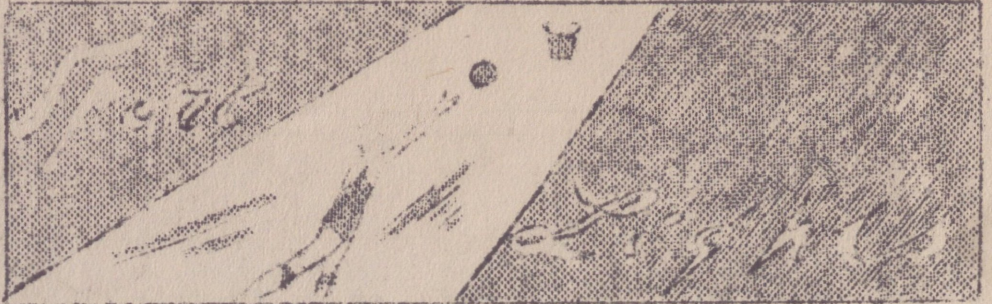
"And the typing periods are a scream. If you could only see those beginners doing their finger exercises; you'd think they were trying to choke some one."

"While you've been seeing the funny things," put in the clock, "I've noticed how some of those juniors study. The only time some of them take their nose out of a book is to come up for air." That one little girl on the right studies so much you'd think she wouldn't have room for it all."

"In English class I heard them talking about a 'Forget Me' Club. I hope they don't have meetings in here; that would mean overtime without pay for me," whined the clock again.

The door adjoining, not wishing to be overlooked, comes in with a, "And I thought I was going to get in on a German party after school. But it seems that refreshments weren't being served so everybody backed out."

"Oh, now, don't be too hard on the juniors,"



THE OUTLOOK

Despite heavy losses by graduation to last year's highly successful quintet the coming season may be awaited with a just feeling of optimism.

This season every member of the squad will be able to show some past experience, as was not the case last year.

The roster will probably be composed of Leander Morgan, Jack Mathieu, Bob Dietz, Clifford Mielak, Francis Savage, veterans of last year's wars, together with graduating members of last year's second team and new mem-

bers arriving from other institutions.

Of the latter, Sylvester Fletcher and John Shields appear the most promising. Last year a member of the second team at Sacred Heart High at Norfolk, Shields may be a valuable addition to the squad. From Miller, Nebraska, Fletcher exhibits two stripes which speak for themselves.

Although it is a trifle early, Coach Ernst said Wednesday that there are no contemplated changes in the schedule which in last year's tilts proved so successful.

STUDENTS ATTEND GAMES

With the opening of the football season we find many students journeying here and there to cheer for their favorite team.

Those attending the Creighton-Saint Benedict game Saturday night in Omaha were Dean Lusinski, Leander Morgan, Gerald Kolbush, Lester Morgan, Louis Briggs and Fritz Gerber.

When Kramer High opened its schedule on Friday night at Schuyler, M. McEnerny, L. Malloy, B. Kemnitz, M. Briggs, H. Craig, M. Shemek, Rita Chambers, B. Rich, Bill Gerhold, H. Hengger, A. Johnson, John Shields, J. McKown, B. Putnam, C. Wilcynski, and L. Briggs, were in attendance.

pleads the blackboard. I think they're the best in High. And after two years in their company, I think we can stand them a third year.

Rita Chambers-39



- 5th----- Sodality Meeting
- 12th----Assembly
- Columbus Day
- 15th----Lecture
- "Bits of Unwritten History," by Corporal Bob Ingleston.
- 22nd-----Initiation Party

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- Many Happy Returns of the Day to
- Loretta Joax 4th
- Orpha Deitering 8th
- Lorraine Bernt 23rd
- Clothilda Placzek 30th

A FRIEND

A poet once this sentence penned:
The man is rich who has a friend.
I read it and I thought,
"How true!
He must have had a friend like you."

--Edgar Guest

**GIRLS' SODALITY
 ELECTS OFFICERS
 FOR COMING YEAR**

**PLANS OUTLINED AND LEADERS
 OF VARIOUS BANDS
 SELECTED**

On Tuesday evening, October 5th, the Sodality Girls held their first meeting. The meeting was called to order by the former president, Miss Geraldine Moersen. Father Athanase gave the members an excellent address on "Spiritual Beauty Culture". In it he explained how a girl should strive to acquire spiritual beauty as well as physical beauty.

The main purpose of the gathering was to elect officers for the ensuing year. Mary Merz was selected to be president; Helen Hengler, vice president; Alice Johnson, secretary, and Marcella McEnerney, treasurer.

Chairmen of the various committees were appointed by Sister M. Lina and officers. They are as follows: Eucharistic Committee, Adeline Cockson; Good Literature, Beverly Rich; Our Lady's, Angela Bakey; Publicity, Anglea Moersen; Social, Rita Chambers; and Refreshment, Harriet Craig.

An original and extremely enjoyable program was presented by a group of Junior Girls:

Leila Hittner, Helen Hengler, and Harriett Craig formed a trio, singing two songs composed by the accompanist, Beverly Rich; Dolores Pokorski gave a guitar selection; and Harriet Craig pleased the audience with a vocal solo.



CHRIST, THE KING

One King alone!
 Let no one scorn
 The King who wore
 A crown of thorns!
 The King of Kings
 Of Mary born;
 The King of Kings
 On Calvary shorn
 Of kingly right
 And kingly praise;
 On high today
 His standard raise!
 For He is King
 To rule in might;
 By Love He won
 His kingly right!
 To His Kingdom
 All men shall draw,
 By love, by light,
 By grace. In awe
 Let men bow low
 Before their King,
 His Kingship own,
 His praises sing.

Refreshments served by the Senior Girls stamped them as capable and delightful hostesses and brought the pleasant evening to a close.

Guests included a number of last year's graduates, Father Athanase, and Sisters Theresa, Lina, and Friedebertha.

**HISTORICAL LECTURE
 FEATURES PROGRAM
 IN ASSEMBLY**

**"BITS OF UNWRITTEN HISTORY"
 REVELATION TO STUDENT
 AUDIENCE**

A war photographer, Corporal Robert Ingleston, in a lecture, "Bits of Unwritten History," gave an interested student audience some "inside facts" when he addressed them in Convocation Friday, October 15th. The Corporal, an offering of the Midwest Assemblies, Inc., was brought to Columbus thru the efforts of Rev. Father Athanase.

Corporal Ingleston has seen active service in the World War as an ace photographer and this fact accounts for his ability to describe so vividly scenes at Belleau Wood and Chateau Thierry. He has also been honored for bravery and is a forty percent disabled Veteran.

**FRIEND DONATES BOOKS
 TO LIBRARY**

Those students who have been making regular use of the library have, no doubt, noticed recent additions to the History and Literature cases.

For these they owe a debt of gratitude to Miss Marie Kyle, the donor.

The gift consisted of about thirty books, among them the following sets: Great Battles of History,

Five volumes
 Lives of the Queens of England, Six volumes
 Self Helps in History, Literature, Economics, Sociology, Six volumes.

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APPRECIATION

A word of appreciation to Father Athanase is in order for his untiring work for the welfare of our school.

EXHORTATION

Seventy-five to eighty percent of the High School students attend Mass every day. Good! But why can't we raise it? Wouldn't it be a splendid sight to see every one there every day to begin the day with the Holy Sacrifice? 'Twould be a sight to please the Heart of Christ and make the powers of hell tremble.

You who are keeping the percent down, can't you find a way?

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We hope the officers of the new German Club will not be attempting and of the antics being carried on by their friend across the sea.

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Three cheers for Saint Bonaventure High School and its students!

What a genial spirit pervades throughout our halls! It is an almost indescribably new and kindly air. What can it be? Faculty? Seniors? Ah, we have it! Freshmen! And we mean it, too!

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WORK! PRAY! SAVE!
FOR THE MISSIONS

AS WE SAW IT

Stirring and enlightening! How adequately that describes Corporal Ingleston's lecture in our school auditorium October fifteenth. Some of the students were surprised that history could be so intensely thrilling, so gripping in its human appeal. But there it was painted in vivid word pictures by a man who was a part of this history.

Corporal Ingleston described the unwritten story of the World War. As he is a veteran of active, overseas service, no one could be better qualified to tell about the true facts than he. Unbelieved-of heroism, horrifying slaughter, and pitiful breaking of young lives, comprised the theme of the lecture.

The student audience was held spell-bound by the human appeal and deep feeling expressed in the lecture and its purpose to drive home to the youth of America the futility and brutality of war.

This lecture was the second of a series of intensely interesting and well-chosen student features planned by Father Athanase.

A number of our students receive the Sacraments every week, knowing that if they wish to make their journey thru life a successful one, they must walk with Christ.

May their number increase!

THOSE OLD REPORT CARDS!

Why the melancholy faces on some of our students after reports were distributed last Tuesday? You ought to be thankful to receive such a forcible reminder that it is time to stop taking life as a joke; that it is time to pull yourself together for the serious business of taking advantage of opportunities which will not be offered you a second time. "Time lost is lost forever"--you have heard it before.

Swing into line, you who have been lagging! Keep up your end of this education business. You know your teachers are sparing no efforts to give you the best. Why not work with them?

RECOGNITION

The Staff of the Bonaventure congratulates the De Soto players and their moderator, Father Arthur, on the fine work shown in their recent offering, "Cyclone Sally."

THE \$TEADY \$UB\$CRIBER

How dear to my heart i\$ the \$teady \$ub\$criber;
Who pay\$ in advance at the fir\$t of each year,
Who \$ends in hi\$ money, and doe\$ it quite gladly
And ca\$t\$ 'round the office a halo of cheer:
He never \$ay\$, "\$top it, I cannot afford it,"
Nor, "I'm getting more paper\$ now than I read;"
But alway\$ \$ay\$, "\$end it, the family like\$ it;
In fact we all find it the thing that we need."
How welcome hi\$ letter whene'er it come\$ to u\$,
How it make\$ our heart throb,
how it make\$ our eye\$ dance.
We outwardly thank him, we inwardly ble\$\$ him,
The \$teady \$ub\$criber, who pay\$ in advance.

SODALITY NOTES

MEMBERS FORM LIVING ROSARY

There was a unanimous response to a suggestion made at the October Sodality meeting that we unite with all the Sodalists in the United States to comply with the wish of our Holy Father to make the Rosary part of our daily devotions, in an effort to combat the evils menacing the world. Each girl agreed to recite daily the decade assigned to her and to remember the intentions for each day. V. President Helen Hengler has posted them on the bulletin board.

GOOD LITERATURE SECTION.

Beverly Rich, Chairman, and Loretta Jaax during the past few days have been busy stamping and numbering the pamphlets which they will endeavor to induce our high school students to read. Father Athanase has contributed a splendid selection of the Encyclicals of our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI; there are several dealing with Communism; also a group of these "live-wire" ones on Character, Morals, Vocations, etc. by Father Lord.

A well-informed body of Catholic young men and women is their aim, and they anticipate the support of their fellow students in their endeavors.

RULES FOR EXEMPTIONS PUBLISHED

Students maintaining a scholastic average of ninety percent in a subject throughout the term will be exempted from examinations in that subject, provided he also maintains a high percent in conduct. Five days absence from school will nullify the exemption privilege.

* * * * *
JUST OUR SCHOOL
S ombreness is not in our line;
A mbition we know is here.
I ndustry plays a big part--
N o nonsense, no failure, no fear;
T o us life is something worthwhile.
B y smiles
O ur school is well known;
N o sourness walks in our halls;
A ntipathy was never e'en sown.
V im, vigor, vitality and sportsmanship
E nter into athletics each time.
N ull and void we consider all disloyalty
T o dampen the cheer and the clime.
U nless you're behind in the news, you'll know
R eports such as these
E xist, of
St. Bonaventure which heads every list.
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MISSION SUNDAY EXHIBIT IN JUNIOR ROOM

In an endeavor to arouse some interest in the missions, several sodalists have transformed a corner of the Junior Classroom into a Mission Exhibit. The Little Flower, Patroness of the Missions, looks approvingly upon it from her vantage point in the center.

There are posters calling attention to the necessity of cheerfully lending support, spiritual as well as physical and financial.

Pictures of missionary priests, sisters, and catechists at work in all lands complete the timely display.

WORK! PRAY! SAVE! FOR THE MISSIONS NOW!

NEUIGKEITEN VON DER DEUTSCHEN KLASSE

The German I Class of St. Bonaventure's is making history and it's a real history! The electric light flashed over the heads of two members of the class when they conceived the idea of a German Club. Yes, a real club, with pretzels, red-checked tablecloths and officers, too!

But seriously, these German students are planning to do great things in the way of putting book knowledge to use. The business half of the German Club meetings must be transacted in German or--silence, if the member's vocabulary is limited.

Election of officers resulted in the following: Beverly Rich, President; Rita Chambers, Ex. Sec. On to bigger and better things für die Deutschen Schüler!



Christ Loves The Missions Do You?

SODALITY EUCHARISTIC SECTION FORMED

Adeline Cockson heads the Eucharistic section of the Sodality. This group has been organized to promote devotion to the Holy Eucharist among the members. Each day two Sodalists receive Holy Communion and encourage others to do the same.

INITIATION PARTY

On Friday, October 22, the freshmen were initiated into high school life by the seniors.

The school hall was appropriately decorated by the seniors and sophomores who were the hosts of this party.

After the main feature of the program, Initiation, lunch and dancing brought an enjoyable evening to a close.

MOVIE, "THROUGH THE CENTURIES," SHOWN

On Monday, October 25, a thrilling and inspiring talking picture was presented in the school for high and grade students.

The picture presented a panorama of the majestic and vivid history of the Catholic Church, a Catholic picture for everyone.

The audience was fascinated by scenes of Rome under Nero, martyrs thrown to the lions, chariot races, the wonders of the Vatican, and by the most wonderful of all dramas; inspired by views of heroic missionaries in Darkest Africa, in Alaska, South America, China, and the dreaded leper colonies; and thrilled by eucharistic multitudes in America, Ireland, Africa and Australia.

This feature talking picture was written by Father Francis K. Talbot, narration by Pedro de Cordoba, supervised by Rita C. McGoldrick, LL.D.

WE DIDN'T MEAN TO!

The names of the Freshmen class who are members of the High School Choir are: Betty Clur, Eugene Kennitz, Vernetta Karm, Lois Wade, Marie Woerth, Evelyn Dietz, Eileen Tanke, Ruth Boettcher, Elizabeth Craig, Mary Ann Kusek, Irene Thiele, Orpha Dietering, Lucille Savage.

These names were unintentionally omitted from the news item on page 5.



Through dint of earnest effort the following students have succeeded in placing their names on the Honor Roll for the first six weeks of school.

FIVE A's

Beverly Rich, Rita Anne Burns, Adeline Cockson.

FOUR A's

Dean Lusianski, Loretta Jaax, Rose Gonka, Alice Johnson, Maryn Poloy, Ellen McNair, Lois Wade.

THREE A's

Helen Hengler, Florence Belford, Mary Noonan, Bernard Fletcher, Angela Bakey, Frances Holys, Marie Woerth, Virginia Kryzcki, Bob Frischolz, Ted Wozny.



INTENSITY! --THY NAME IS--?

COACH CALLS FIRST MEETING

The first basketball meeting of the season took place in the Sophomore room Wednesday. The session was a lively one; no introductions needed.

The discussion was centered mostly on the new schedule. It will be nearly the same as last year's, Spalding High being substituted in place of Norfolk, and two tentative games with Kraner High comprising the only variations.

GIRL ATHLETES HIKE

Oh! why doesn't that bell ring? What are you going to wear? I'm going to wear my ski clothes. ...No, we're not going skiing; we're going on a hike after school..That's the bell now; I'll meet you at my house!

O goodness! There they are already! Where's my hat?..Wait a minute! I forgot the lunch! O.K.go! Say, it didn't take long to get out here, did it?...Did anyone think to bring matches?...Umm, do these wienies taste good! Did anyone bring mustard? Yes, but how do we get it out? Use my fingers?... Sure, what's a little dirt more or less in your young life? Wasn't that a good lunch?. Let's give the trees a treat and sing!

Time for roll call! Hmph! these dignified seniors can't take it! There isn't one here. The Juniors are the best represented. There's Angelina, Mary Ann, Mary S., Barbara, Loretta, Rita, Marian, Betty Mae, Harriet. Of the Sophies, Florence Minick; and four Freshies, Elizabeth Craig, Eugene Kornitz, Lois Wade, and Marie Woerth....I surely am tired, but I had more fun than a picnic! And wasn't it great to have Helen Harris with us as chaperon!



Sodality meeting	9th
Thanksgiving	
Convocation	25rd

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS to

Mary Alice	
Tagwerker	7th
Clarence Minick	11th
Frances Holys	16th
Lawrence Kolbush	17th
Leonard Shenk	28th

"LOOKS LIKE A "SOMEBODY"
BUT WHEN SHE SPEAKS--



Everybody talks! But how do they talk?

Do they have lovely, pleasing voices, or are they so harsh that you want to run away from them?

Do they use good English, or do they cut off the ends of their words, such as "goin' and comin'," for "going and coming," and is there any slang expression they can not use to take the place of a good English phrase?

Correctness in grammar, and a growing and improving vocabulary are worth striving for. If you want to succeed in the business world when you grow up, you must be able to use good words. If you want to possess charm and poise out in the social world, you must be able to speak well.

One time, entering a room full of strangers, a young girl, particularly lovely, was noticed. She seemed to glisten, so beautiful and attractive did she look. But when she spoke, all the glisten seemed to fade. Her voice was harsh, loud and rasping, and her English was bad. It was hard to find any subject on which she was able to talk intelligently.

Try a game in your home, correcting each other's English. Even the older members in the family can join in this. It is good practice and will keep you on the alert. to improve your language.

LANDING DAY PROGRAM HONORS MEMORY OF FAMOUS DISCOVERER

SCHOOL CLUBS COMBINE AND PAY TRIBUTE IN SONG AND PROSE

The High School Orchestra, the Dramatic Club, the Boys' Glee Club, the Girls' Glee Club, and the German Club combined the talents of its various members and sponsored the Columbus Day Program given in Assembly on the 12th. Little did the students realize when they gathered in the Auditorium the treat that was in store for them, and if they had had any doubt as to the ability of the members to produce something interesting and worthwhile, their doubts were quickly dispelled. Incidentally, they were given an opportunity to find out why the members of these clubs are always happy when it is time to attend the meetings of their various organizations.

The following numbers were included:

Selection,
High School Orchestra
Song, The Danube River,
Girls' Glee Club
Address, Character
of Columbus, L. Jaax
Selection,
High School Orchestra
Skit, Experiences of
Columbus, Dramatic Club
Windmill Song,
Boys' Glee Club
Reading, Columbus,
Rita Ann Burns
German Dialogue,
Robert Dietz
William Gerhold
German Song,
German Club

PRIZE OFFERED TO BEST ENGLISH STUDENT

The Catholic Daughters of America will award a prize to the St. Bonaventure High Student who has the highest average in English at the end of the school year.

HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR REORGANIZED

Many of the graduating class of 1937 had been members of the High School Choir, and when classes were resumed in September, we missed the faithful alumni, and found it necessary to obtain other recruits. These consisted of Juniors and Sophomores, some of whom apparently were "diamonds in the rough," for after these weeks of intensive practice under the direction of Sister Theresa, the indications are that our choir will be one of which we can expect good results.

The members of the choir are:

Seniors

Mary Luis, Rosemary Glur

Juniors

Rita Chambers, Betty Mae Kemnitz, Harriet Craig, Marian Briggs, Beverly Rich, Mary Noonan, Helen Hengler, Leila Hittner.

Sophomores

Irene Reifenrath, Virginia Kryzcki, Veronica Malloy, Rita Loeffler, Dolores Pokorski, Ellen McNair, Maxine Kamm, Margaret Morgan, Irene Luis, Alice Johnson, Vernetta Schroeder.

THE ROSARY

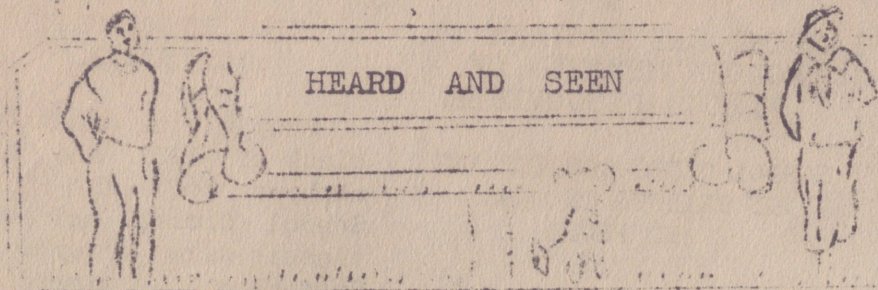
'Tis Mary's golden chain
To draw us to her Son;
In love she fain would
make
Prisoner of every one.

Clasp, then, this chain
with faith,
And tell thy beads with
love.

While Mary draws thy soul
Up to her Son above.

A prayer of prayer is this
Christ's victory, life
and death;
Say it while youth is strong
Say it with dying breath.

The Rosary in our hand
The battle half is won;
Whom Mary loves and leads
Will surely find her
Son.



SENIORS--

The Senior Bookkeeping Class has taken two of the Southwestern Publishing Company's standard tests. The graphs on the bulletin board show that the students are all in earnest about this subject. Two-thirds of the class scored in the 90's out of a possible 100, the boys' median is 96 and the girls', 97.

Lillian: Why doesn't this trial balance balance?
Adeline: Probably because it's out of balance.

Lorraine: When is a debit not a debit?

Mary: When it's a credit

We thought all the time it was Sal and Doris, but a little incident at an assembly lecture one bright afternoon rather confused things and stuff!

JUNIORS--

They're off! Who? The Flying Aces! Bound for the top of Mt. Everest! The scene of the take-off was the Typewriting Department with every Junior hoping to have his plane in the lead when the time comes to land. Scores move the flying ships up--and how they work for points!

Did you hear who won the ticket-selling contest for the De Soto Play "Cyclone Sally?" The Juniors, of course! We wonder what their wim, wiger, and witality recipe is! Mary Slavinski lead with the highest number sold.

Someone who ordinarily is not very timid has suddenly developed a "dimple inferiority complex."

Why? We don't know unless it could be the after effects of a certain religion class.

Bill G. enjoys the refrain, "Du, Du liegst mir im Herzen." Wonder who she is?

News Flash, 1945 Columbus Telegram: "Brilliant speech made in Congress by Loretta Jaax, first woman senator from state of Nebraska.

Warning: Take heed, ye chemists, and advance more stealthily toward the Lab.

We are still waiting--for that party whenever a certain Junior gets her English assignment.

Speedy recovery! Sick Thursday and Friday, but on hand for the Initiation party! How do you do it Terry?

"A man was digging a well with a Roman nose." New invention, Sister E.?

SOPHOMORES--

The Biology class has been having the time of its life. Between grasshoppers and butterflies, the room is "up in the air."

Verb endings and noun cases are mere trigles in the lives of our Second Year Latin class--eh,---- Florence?

After that debate on Feudalism in the World History class on the 15th Ted should develop an ambition to aspire to congress.

Who is that conservative chap who is almost

too pleasant at times? Hint: Red hair; five feet tall.

FRESHMEN--
Looking for a "Thinker?"
Page Bernard Fletcher!

Or the "Champion Smiler?"
See Louis Briggs--it does not come off even when--

We don't believe this, but someone said it happened. On the line reserved for name of parents on a registration paper, a bright Freshie--one of ours--wrote, "Papa & Mama."

Freshmen seats in the study hall have had to be changed. Could it be that Eileen Tanke and Louis Briggs couldn't agree

Evelyn Dietz wasn't initiated. Perhaps Senior boys forgot she was just a freshie.

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF

Helen Hengler and Veronica Malloy grew up? Everybody was on time for Mass in the morning? "Sal and Terry weren't tardy?"

The History class would use Webster more? Charlie W. would act his age? Eileen Smyth lost her temper? Arthur Johnson got noisy?

NEEDED! A NEW ST. FRANCIS

If the nations keep on fighting, it will be necessary to have another Francis of Assisi arise to bring the rulers to their senses. The Poverello appeared on the stage of life at a time when war was one of the chief pastimes. He refused to allow any of his followers to bear arms and, the rule had the effect of bringing hundreds of petty wars to a stop. It is common nowadays to read of armies of 30,000 to a million men active in war.

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EXTENSIVE PROGRAM PROMOTES THANKS- GIVING SPIRIT

High School Entertains Grades with Varied Features

The President of the United States proclaimed Thursday, November 25, as a National Day of Thanksgiving, so in keeping with the seasonal spirit the various high school organizations presented an extensive group of songs, readings and playlets as a prelude to the Thanksgiving holidays. The program was presented in the school auditorium with grade school boys and girls as guests.

Mary Merz, in a fitting delivery of President Roosevelt's Proclamation, opened the series of features:--

"Thanksgiving", song by Dramatic Class

"Freedom's Thanksgiving", address, L. Jaax.

"Country Aunt's Visit to the City"; Playlet, by Mary Placzek, A. Moersen, A. Bakey, M. McEnerney.

There were readings--- Harriet Craig as a darky told about Thanksgiving-- Herring Hill; Lillian J. "Caudelology"; R. Gonka, "Who's Afraid?"; Adeline Cockson, "That Hired Girl"; "Freckle-Faced Girl," by Rita Chambers.

Delzell Steufer and Marcella McEnerney gave a clever demonstration of "How Girls Study", while a spooky skit, "The Ghost" by members of the Dramatic Class had the audience in an uproar.

Excellent selections by the Girls' and Boys' Glee Clubs, and two German Dialogues sent the Juvenile audience happily on its way.

A much-improved High School Orchestra supplied the music.



DATES FOR ANNUAL RETREAT ANNOUNCED

The retreat of three days, which has become an annual event eagerly looked forward to by the students of St. Bonaventure, will be held this year on December 5-8, and will be conducted by the Rev. J. F. Neuberger of Omaha, a well known lecturer and retreat-master.

In addition to the regular retreat program for the day, there will also be lectures in the evening to which all young men and women of the parish are invited.

Students are reminded that this is an excellent opportunity to do some apostolic work, too, by encouraging non-Catholic friends to attend these evening exercises, thus becoming acquainted with the doctrines and practices of the Catholic Church.

SYMPATHY

The faculty and students of St. Bonaventure High extend their heartfelt sympathy to Sister M. Lina on the death of her mother, and to Rita Loeffler on the death of her father.

ST. BONAVENTURE STUDENT SUCCESSFUL IN EXAMINATION

Wins First Place in This District in a Young Citizenship Test

Dean Lusienki, President of the Senior Class, placed highest in the written examinations in the Young Citizenship Contest in Platte County.

He was also one of the two winners in the District Contest, which includes Platte, Boone, Madison, Antelope, Knox, Holt, Pierce, Stanton, and Boyd Counties, ranking highest among the nine boys who represented their schools from the various counties.

This Young Citizenship Contest is held every year under the auspices of the Omaha World Herald and the American Legion and is open to students from all schools in the state. Winners from the various districts are eligible for entry in the State Contest in Omaha.

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN EDUCATION WEEK WORK

After Education and its value had been thoroughly discussed in extemporaneous speeches in regular English class, a group of Junior students presented a series of addresses to the student body in Convocation.

Arthur Johnson, with "Does Education Pay?"; L. Jaax, "Getting the Most Out of a High School Education"; and F. Belford, "Specializing in Education," set forth some food for thought; Beverly Rich entertained with "Bits of American Scenery"; and William Gerhold outlined "Immigration & Education!"

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THANKSGIVING

Since the first Thanksgiving Day celebrated by our forefathers in 1621, it has been a tradition in our homeland to set one day aside to give thanks to God for the favors he has bestowed upon us. Today we have much to be thankful for. Casting our eyes upon the awful wars in China and Spain, the dictatorial and communistic menace sweeping through Europe, and the social conditions throughout the rest of the world, we come to realize that we have much to be thankful for. God has placed us in a country that gives us peace, social and religious freedom and a high standard of living. Let us, therefore, set aside this one day to give him what meager retribution that is possible to give through these frail minds and bodies.

Nothing great is lightly won;
Nothing won is lost;
Every good deed nobly done,
Well repays the cost.

CO-OPERATION FOR
PEACEFUL RELATIONS

Students of Saint Bonaventure, hearken to the call for more co-operation!! We need it and---we need it badly!!

You've all seen the harm that lack of cooperation has done to us, but not only us!! To the world in general. If a code of cooperation were working between World Powers, China would be "up and coming" and Japan minding her own business.

Cooperation serves to make us respectful of the ideas and principles of one another. If we work along with others we will find out that others also have ideas, and fine ones too.

"Yours truly" is submitting her code on cooperation. Here it is!

1. It's safer to be quiet than to offer too many suggestions.
2. If called upon to give even the slightest help---for anything---give it willingly and watch the "askers" eyes light up with appreciation.
3. Don't be afraid of menial tasks. It's little things that makes the machine work, you know.
4. Don't be too quick on the trigger of criticism.
5. Do anything fair and square to make Saint Bonaventures shine and forge ahead in scholastic standing, sportsmanship and school spirit.

COMMENTS ON THE
LAST DANCE

"The general spirit was fine, co-operative, and jolly.

"There was a certain minority who could have left their little green square cubes at home for one night."

"Wonder if some of the boys don't care to dance? That's what a dance is for, boys, to dance or to learn to dance."

"YOU, YOURSELF"

From little criticisms
and traitorisms
Your hearts e'er wince
and sicken,
But what of little kind
words left out in daily
"communism?"

After all, are the petty
cruelties so vast
That all good actions
should verily be passed
Over be the shrug and
word "little"?

Why worry over those who
have amassed on their
souls

The burden of envy,
For they are the only
accountants to the
Captain who stands o'er
the mast.

Throw off this burden of
self-worry!
And the waves of Life will
become smooth
Go forward with deaf ears
and hurry,
Hearken only to the
Captain, not His sailors,
And you and your ship
"Conscience" will be
Loose of all jailers.

"SALT," THE SPICE OF LIFE"

"Girls, I believe we are going to have the best lunch of the year for tonight, don't you?" asked a cute Junior of the Sodality Refreshment Committee.

"Sure do," they responded.

During their hustle and bustle, a calamity overtook these heroic workers.

This "cute" Junior was busily whipping the cream and at the same time crooning a tune as she said she was accustomed to do. In went the vanilla; in went--the---well how do you folks like salt instead of sugar in your whipped cream? Do we hear an unanimous "no"!

We thought so!

November has passed but a memento for the Holy Souls must never be omitted from our prayers and good works. May they rest in peace!

GAME WITH MONROE OPENS BASKETBALL SEASON



St. Bonaventure opens a long 19-game basketball season at Kramer High Gym Thursday, December 2, by engaging Monroe in what should be a spirited game. Monroe will be out for

revenge for a double defeat handed them last year by the Green and White.

The Shamrocks will be composed of new players in every position except forward. Leander Morgan and Cliff Mielak, the only remaining members of last year's squad, will fill that position. Shamrocks fans will see a greatly changed team. Bob and Joe O'Connor, and Sal Fletcher will perform here for the first time. If you are mourning the loss of some of last year's stars, come to the games this season and see their successors play. It will make you feel much better.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

NAMES OFFICERS FOR YEAR

The important task of choosing officers for their Society faced members as they gathered in the school auditorium for their first meeting of the year. After an inspiring address by their Moderator, Rev. Father Arthur, the boys selected as their leaders: Leander Morgan, President Jack Mathieu, Vice Pres. Dean Lusinski, Secretary Leo Malloy, Treasurer

When the second meeting was called to order the following week and current business attended to, members joined in a discussion begun by reading of a paper, "The Church in Mexico."

And what a splendid sight it was to see these young men take the "Holy Name Pledge" and receive Holy Communion in a body on the following Sunday!

Breakfast served by ladies of the parish in the Social Hall followed reception into the Society.

PURCHASE OF NEW EQUIPMENT DEMANDS GOOD TICKET SALE

Everyone is going to the game on Thursday, not only to see the Shamrocks play Monroe, but also to see the new suits, for we have heard so much about them. But how many are aware of the expense connected with them? They are only one item in the new equipment purchased for the team. Which means that we must have the whole-hearted support of every student in the sale of season tickets. Let's get busy!

girls a chance to exercise their vocal organs and we expect SOME RESONANCE!.

GOOD-BYE, LEILA!

The students of Saint Bonaventure's miss the cheerful smile of Leila Hittner, who left last week for Portland, Oregon where she will make her home.

Although Leila was a new student here this year, she holds a warm spot in the hearts of her many friends, who extend a sincere wish for happiness in her new home.

"signed up" so that there would be some members receiving Holy Communion daily to aid in the war on Atheistic Communism, Senior Girls entertained with humorous readings, and musical selections by Doris Kohlund, Rosemary Glur and Marian Briggs; a playlet, "On the Dotted Line", by Mary Placzek, Marcella McEnerney, and Angela Moersen.

Refreshments served by Juniors, and games and dancing brought a profitable evening to a close.

CHEER LEADERS CHOSEN AT PEP MEETING

In a spirited try-out the student body selected Angela Moersen and Doris Kohlund to fill Lawrence and Marie Morfield's good "Cheer-leading Shoes."

The demonstrations given by Rita Chambers with Virginia Kryzcki, and Angela Bakey with Marcell McEnerney made it difficult to come to a decision.

The first game on the 2nd will give all the

SODALITY HOLDS SUCCESSFUL MEETING

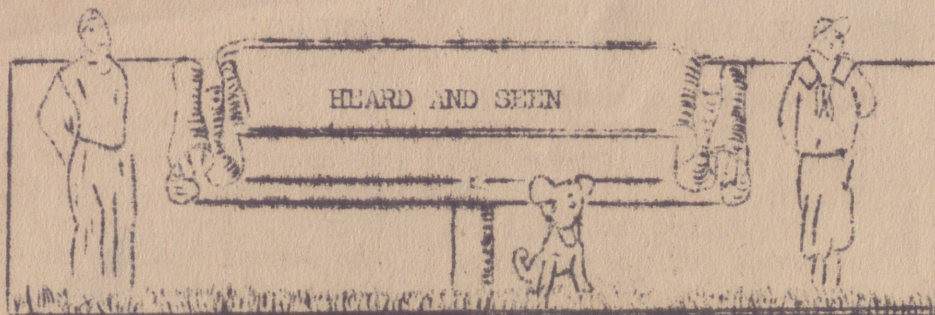
An address "Bum Sports in the Game of Life", by Doris Kohlund, began the series of instructive addresses given in the business division of the second Sodality Meeting.

Others were "The Character Builder--Charity," by Angela Bakey; "Work of the Good Literature Committee", Beverly Rich, "The Eucharistic Section" Adeline Cockson.

After the members had

GOLF GAME COMPLETED

After many weeks of playing, the senior typists have finally completed their golf game. Adeline Cockson "made that ninth hole" first. Mary Merz, Rita Burns, and Lorraine Bernt finished as close seconds.



SCHOOL DANCES BECOME POPULAR SCHOOL ACTIVITY

That wide-awake class of Juniors has again taken the lead in a new phase of St. Bonaventure Social Life--school dances!

So far they have been extremely successful, due no doubt, to the whole-hearted co-operation of the school.

These dances, two in number up to the present time, are held in the Church Social Hall, with Peter Donnelly's orchestra furnishing the music.

Chaperons for the first dance were:

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Gerhold
Mr. & Mrs. Ben McNair
Mr. & Mrs. Fred Gerber

For the second dance:

Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Rich
Mr. & Mrs. John Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. Phil. Kryzcki

The purpose of these dances is two-fold-- to increase school spirit, interest and loyalty by affording a time and place for the students to "get together", and to raise money for the Junior-Senior Prom and Banquet.

SOPHOMORES DEVELOP BIBLE KNOWLEDGE

Under the direction of their Instructor in Religion, Rev. Father Arthur, Sophomores are delving into this subject in real earnest.

Last week the following papers were read:

- Life of Father Pro,
Veronica Malloy
- The Truth about the Bible
Rose Gonka
- Facts about the Bible
Barbara Mimick
- The Bible in the
Middle Ages
Virginia Kryzcki
- Which is the True
Religion?
A. Tworek
- The Catholic Press
Ted Wozny

"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!"

The Freshmen are a few steps ahead of the other high school classes. They have a mayor--Dennis P., and a lawyer, Stephen W.

Help! After Marie W.-- had searched for her note book for fifteen minutes she discovered that she was writing in it. Is it the weather or the environment, Marie?

Hurrah for our studious Freshmen! They're getting so they stay after school now--just to get Latin!

Be careful, Dennis! You know what they say about wearing hats in the house. It might also be true about rubbers.

We are all glad to hear that Margaret Minick is recovering from a siege of polio.

In the World History Class:
Sal: Joan of Arc, she lived in a little shack.
Sister W. (who is particular about misplaced pronouns.) Why the "she"?
Sal: Because she was a lady.

Helen Hengler raced her plane to victory in a "High Flyers' Contest in Typing I; Harriet Craig in second, and Clifford Mielak, third, made excellent records.

When the chuckles in Religion class chuckled:
Father Athanase: One day Christ went out to the desert to pray. A great multitude of people followed Him."
Bright Junior: "Multitude of people" means a lot of people, you know, Father."

Seniors were reminded of Freshman days when they came to Study Hall one Monday and found Sister Egfrieda there. And how very pleasantly surprised she was to find her former "Green, Growing Specimens" developed into dignified, studious Seniors!

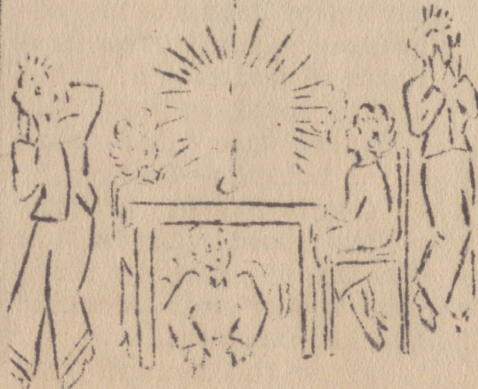
Dean is still our student manager, although he likes to tell us he's the assistant coach--Eh, Dean?

DEUTSCH FÜR DIE SCHULE

The meeting now come to order! All the Herren and Fräulein pulled in their bibs and tuckers and made ready for the first meeting of the "Deutsche Studenten Verein."

The meeting, of course followed the usual parliamentary procedure, but after the business meeting--well, ask any member of the club what sort of a time they had! Sister Theresa, the club sponsor, and Sister Lina joined in a German spelling contest. Later, refreshments, in the form of a marshmallow roast, were enjoyed on the campus.

The Brave-Weaker Sex? When Hydrogen Performs



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NEWLY CONSECRATED BISHOP VISITS SCHOOL

"The greatest difficulty faced by the missionary priest in any foreign land is not so much the language as it is the mental adjustment that must be made. In China our thirteen men have charge of a province comprising ten thousand square miles. The residences in which these Fathers live alone are necessarily so far apart that the nearest priest neighbor is twenty to twenty-five miles away. It is that alone-ness, that separation from his own, that lonesomeness at time that the life of the missionary is so difficult."

This thought, new to most of his audience, was presented by the Most Rev. Ambrose Pinger, O. F. M., in an address to the High School students in Convocation.

Methods used by the Fathers in learning the Chinese language, homes of the natives, and manners and customs of the country were vividly described by His Excellency, whose ten years' experience in the Franciscan mission fields of China make him an authority on the subject.

Bishop Pinger was a Platte county boy, coming from St. Bernard, and is now the "Bishop of the Capitolas," the titular see to which he was assigned when he was chosen to be vicar apostolic of Chowtsun, China.

Christmas Music Promises To Be Rare Treat

If Christmas without music would be no Christmas at all, then the excellent program being prepared by the High School Mixed Choir, which will be presented at the nine o'clock Mass, will be sure to add to your joy on that day. It will consist of carols, old and new, including "In Dulce Jubilo," "Merry Christmas, Holy Night," "O Holy Night," and others.

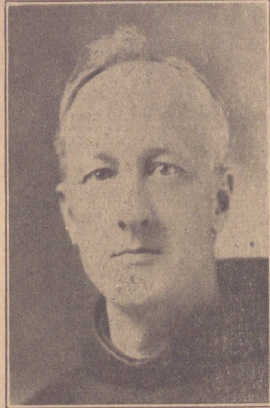
There have been some marked improvements made in the high school choir this year. First of all, the songs are being beautified by the addition of two-part singing. The boys are also new to the choir and will make their debut on Christmas Day.

Pep Club Holds Meeting

Noise, spirit, enthusiasm, were the keynotes of the Pep Rally held in the Auditorium on Tuesday, the 5th, before the Monroe game. "We're out to win this year, and we will if this Pep Club is any indication of the winning spirit," was the comment of Coach Ernst at the close of his talk to the assembled students. New cheers and an original game song were feature numbers on the "Yell Program."

The spotlight swung around to where Leander Morgan, Game Captain and Student Manager, Dean Lusinski, sat, and they said a few words on what could be expected of the team. Rev. Father Arthur, "thrilled at the demonstration," urged co-operation.

New arrivals in the Pep Club's ranks were Freshmen who, upon being enlightened as to what a "Pep Rally" is, fell in line, and the rest found out what "Pep" really is.



Rev. Athanase Steck, O.F.M.

DEDICATION

During the short space of time in which Rev. Athanase Steck O. F. M., has been in charge of St. Bonaventure parish, no effort has been spared on his part to build up and improve conditions in both the grade and high schools.

Through his untiring zeal to labor for the good of his people, and especially the school children, he has during the past year succeeded in completely remodeling the school building. In fact, nothing has been left undone to raise and maintain the standard of the school.

We dedicate this first issue of "The Venture" to our beloved pastor, and wish him many more years of success and happiness.

Historians Debate Crusade Question

Excitement reigned supreme in the World History Class as the debating team fought "eye to eye and tooth to tooth" as to the results of the Crusades.

The question, "Resolved that the Crusades Did More Harm Than Good," was handled effectively by Rose Gonka and RitaJean Cady (affirmative) and John Shields and Bob Frischholz (negative).

The negative arguments at last gained more weight as far as the judges were concerned and they decided that the Crusades resulted in greater benefit to the Church and to civilization.

This demonstration of ability on the part of the Sophomores prophecies a brilliant future for coming debating teams of the school.

Those who presided as judges were Ellen McNair, Billy Putnam, Alice Johnson, and Ted Wozny.

Ventures of the Future

Dec. 20—Christmas Pageant by Grade School.
Dec. 21—Leigh, there.
Dec. 25—MERRY CHRISTMAS!
Jan. 1—HAPPY NEW YEAR!
Jan. 2—Sodality Communion.
Jan. 3—School reopens after Holidays.
Jan. 4—Platte Center, here.

Feast of Our Lady Marked By Solemn Close of Student Retreat

LECTURER AROUSES SPIRIT OF ADVENTURE

"Wouldn't it be great to make a trip like that?" "That's one place I'm going some day!"

These and like remarks were heard from some of our travel-minded lads after the lecture given by Mr. Frank Douglas in Convocation of the student body recently. So vivid and picturesque were his descriptions that the audience needed little imagination to picture themselves in the "Ice-box" of the United States undergoing some of the perils that men experienced during the Klondike Gold Rush.

An exhibition of gold-mining equipment, including the "doodlebug" or gold-detector, and gold pans; also snowshoes, moccasins, a parka robe, gun garage, Alaskan dog-harness, and the skin of his "reception committee into this Land of Promise"—the hide of a gigantic timber wolf—brought on some speculation and plenty of discussion.

The recounting of a series of miner's superstitions and queer mining practices resulted in many skeptical remarks after the lecture, while his tale of the pest mosquitoes and the Alaskan plants would have made Ripley blush in shame.

In conclusion, Mr. Douglas related in rather humorous style, some of the harrowing experiences he was afforded while traveling on snowshoes, over a cold, mountainous, three-hundred-mile-stretch of land, to reach his home in the Klondike region.

Mr. Douglas is a writer of some renown and his lecture is another in the series of Educational offerings of the Midwest Assemblies, Inc., made possible by our Reverend Superintendent, Father Athanase.

Sodality Girls Play Santa Claus

Santa Claus is to have extra help this year so that none of his family will be forgotten.

The Sodalists are filling Christmas baskets, to be distributed on Christmas by the members of various committees, appointed by the officers of the Sodality.

The Officers' purpose in selecting these girls, in groups of five, is to make it easier for the girls to bear the financial part of the program and also to afford all the girls the pleasure of "the giving."

RECEPTION OF MEMBERS INTO SODALITY

The importance of living close to God, and the value of right living for the Catholic boy and girl, were the basic topics around which the lectures of the annual retreat centered. This series of exercises, given for the students of St. Bonaventure, who made a closed retreat, and for the young people of the parish, who attended the evening lectures, was conducted by Rev. Father N. J. Neuberger of Omaha, December 5-8.

The requisites for the ideal Catholic youth as set down by Father Neuberger, proved very enlightening as well as valuable to the students, who appreciate greatly the knowledge which will help them make the most of their lives.

The exercises during the day consisted of Holy Mass, lectures, Rosary, Way of the Cross, Visits to the Blessed Sacrament, and Spiritual Reading. A feature which proved intensely interesting was a Question Box; which enabled the retreatants to have many doubts cleared up and many difficulties settled.

The retreat, which was marked by a deeply religious attitude on the part of the students, was solemnly closed on the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, with the entire student body receiving Holy Communion. Papal Benediction and the singing of "Holy God" brought to a close an event never to be forgotten.

Large Increase Seen In Scholarship Rating

When the Honor Roll came out recently, the students experienced a real surprise, for the Freshmen were decidedly in the lead!

The conditions for attaining a place on the Honor Roll are the earning of an average of ninety percent or over in three or more scholastic subjects and the same for conduct.

These are the names:

Seniors

Adeline Cockson, Angela Moersen, Doris Kohlund, RitaAnne Burns, Angela Bakey, Dean Lusinski.

Juniors

Beverly Rich, Harriet Craig, Helen Hengger, Loretta Jaax, Mary Noonan, Barbara Podgurski.

Sophomores

Rose Gonka, Maryn Foley, Virginia Krzycki, Alice Johnson, Ellen McNair, Bob Frischholz, Ted Wozny.

Freshmen

Lois Wade, Bernard Fletcher, Vera Belford, Orpha Deitering, Marie Woerth, Carroll Melliger, Ruth Boettcher, Emogene Kennitz.

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Merry Christmas

A joyful Christmas and successful New Year to everyone and may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts!

"Loving and giving" are one and the same,
So on Christmas remember His name.

Love and give, and peace will beset the hearts of all who ne'er forget

Christ's Birthday.

SPIRITUALIZING HIS BIRTHDAY

What does Christmas mean to us anyway? Wait a minute! We can just hear the answers pouring in: "A lot"; "It means everything"; "It's just swell!"

Yes, I know it's "great", "wonderful", and a large number of other nice adjectives, but what significance does it bring to us spiritually?

For children, there's a Santa Claus; and there is really a Santa who presides as a king spirit over the unselfish, "giving, not receiving," that should prevail in the Yuletide Season.

But the greatest and most beautiful thing about the whole season of Christmas should not be forgotten!

We, as high school students, can now fully realize what it really is. Perhaps we haven't tried very hard to impress the full significance of it on our minds because we've just grown up on Christmas, but for the Christ Child, let's really try to remember that it is His birthday. Just the same as you have birthdays and want every one to remember it, likewise should we think of the sweetest Babe of all, Jesus!

Let's take up this slogan in earnest: "Not commercialize Christmas, but spiritualize it."

Some of the truly happy memories of childhood are of Christmas and it is a good nation that is made up of people who realize the magical power and worth of Christmas.

A person who celebrates Christmas as the birthday of Christ, doesn't need gifts to make it a happy day!

OUR NEW NAME

The "Venture" is not a newcomer in the school paper family. It's just the "Bonaventure" "grew-up" into a real newspaper. We hope you will like our Christmas gift of this first printed issue.

Our thanks to the business men of Columbus whose cooperation has made our "paper dream" come true.

OUR SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will." Once more we celebrate the anniversary of that memorable night when Christ was born. Once again Christendom centers its thoughts around the mystery of the Incarnation of the Son of God.

With sentiments of faith, love, joy and gratitude let us hasten to the crib. With eyes fixed on the Divine Infant the while your soul is wrapped in contemplation, let the greeting of the angels, announced on that blessed night, pass through your mind: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to men of good will."

"Peace" and "Good Will"! The Son of God became man that men might have peace. Peace with God, peace with themselves, peace with their fellowmen. Are you at peace with God, with yourself, with your fellowmen? Surely on this day you will come to the Savior with a pure heart.

You will satisfy the craving of your own heart for happiness, a happiness enjoyed only by those who are at peace with God!

You will banish from your heart all ill-will, rancor, enmity. You will forgive even as the Babe of Bethlehem came to forgive all who are of good will.

"Good will"! The price for peace! Have the will to serve God, to love your own soul, to love your neighbor, and the grace of God will strengthen your good will and make it fruitful. You will be at peace—your Christmas will be happy and merry.

That this Christmas gift of peace might be enjoyed by all—the Venerable Sisters, children, members of St. Bonaventure parish and citizens of Columbus is the sincere wish and fervent prayer of your Pastor.

CAROLS EVERYWHERE INCREASE CHRISTMAS JOY

The angel choir with its wondrous "Glory to God in the Highest" ushered in the first Christmas Day; throughout the centuries man has sung at Christmas festivals, and today we have a wealth of Yuletide songs, rejoicing the hearts of young and old in every land.

There is that incomparable song from the German, the text and melody of which has won the hearts of the world:

"Silent Night, Holy Night!

All is calm, all is bright.

Round yon Virgin Mother and Child
Holy Infant so tender and mild
Sleep in heavenly peace."

This quaint Norwegian carol is charming in its simplicity:

"The night was dark and dreary,

The wintry wind blew wild

A mother all a-weary,

Sought shelter for her Child.

The Babe, King of Heaven so fair,
In a manger with ox and ass He lay."

Who does not love our own Longfellow's "Christmas Bells?!"

"I heard the bells on Christmas Day,
Their old familiar carols play;

And wild and sweet

The words repeat

Of peace on earth, good will to men!"

The people of Haiti find this carol indispensable to their Christmas festival:

"Jesu! Little Babe so fair,

Jesu! In the manger there,

Angels guard Thy sleep,

And Thy mother o'er Thy crib

Tenderly her watch doth keep.

Jesu! Thou dear Babe Divine."

We never grow tired of Christmas carols and are always happy to hear those familiar ones: "While Shepherds Watch," "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," and "Joy to the World."

Ancient History

"St. Bonaventure's auditorium doors opened last night for the first commencement of the high school. Six graduates — Misses Lauretta Shea, Marie Bakey, Lorraine Fix, Fredora Janicek, Eunice Shields, and Clarence Speicher received awards for completing the course of the high school. Rev. Charles Schluer presented the diplomas.

"A gold medal was awarded to Eunice Shields and one to Lorraine Fix for typewriting. Fredora Janicek received a silver medal for typewriting.

"At the banquet-reception which followed the exercises, the principal address was given by Rev. Fr. George Spichen, principal of Creighton High school, Omaha. Rev. Father Athanase Steck gave the blessing."

The above was gleaned from a newspaper clipping dated June 1, 1926, from the memory book of Marie Bakey, now Mrs. C. A. DeVine of Los Angeles, Cal., and loaned to the Alumni Reporter in search of facts about the history of St. Bonaventure High.

She also says, "There were 44 students that first year. Sister Genevieve was my chemistry teacher; Sister Egfrieda, Latin; Sister Emanuel, commerce, and Sister Emma, English."

Of that famous first class of St. Bonaventure High, perhaps the best known to us today is Clarence Speicher, the sole male member (how he survives is a mystery to us), who has attained fame by his acting in many plays produced by the De Soto Club of which he is president.



Merry Christmas

Senior Wishes

For Dean, train, rubber doll or candy bar,
His tastes don't travel very far.

So far from school—at least a block,
A tricycle, and Mary at this would mock.

Adeline C. needs a larger car
So for space her friends need no longer spar.

Something to chew on to Marcella do bring;
We think it should be a teething ring.

For Adeline S. some blocks, you know,
With a, b, c, d, l, m, n, and o.

And Doris would welcome just a ting-a-ling
When that very best friend would give her a "ring."

Over a big box of crayons Delzell will coo
And she surely would like a color book, too.

And what for Lorraine? A new pair of skates?
Dear Santa, No! Just a big box of dates.

And now let us whisper this message to you:
For Rita, nothing but "Popeye" will do.

Mary Ann Luis a toy drum would prize,
For a Senior room desk O'Connor still cries.

A big pair of stilts, and Malloy would rejoice,
And tinker toys Flavian says are his choice.

To fill up spare time, just "Red Riding Hood"
Would do Morgan a favor—if you just could!

Angela B. and Angela M.?
Just oodles of gum drops, and you'll please them.

Mary Placzek, Lillian J.
Long for more books every day.

While Francis S. and Jack himself,
Need for for their books just a shelf.

Last, but not least, our Rosemary Glur
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SHAMROCKS WIN THREE OF FIRST FOUR GAMES

Defeat Monroe in Opener

St. Bonaventure got off to a good season start by turning in a 30-to-4 victory over Monroe, Dec. 2. The Shamrocks' man-to-man defense proved too tight for the visitors. They scored but one field goal, which was made from far out, in the closing minutes of play.

The game was played on the Kramer floor, which was an advantage to the Shamrocks, who were more accustomed to its spaciousness. Leander Morgan, senior game captain, was individual high scorer for St. Bonaventure, making five field goals for a total of 10 points. Bob O'Connor, another senior, was close behind with 9 points to his credit. Bruce Johnson, who scored the only field goal for the visitors, was high for Monroe. Although they made a high score, the Shamrocks' free-throw record was poor.

Shamrocks Succumb to St. Francis Attack

St. Bonaventure journeyed to Humphrey, Dec. 10, only to receive a rude 37-to-7 setback at the hands of a fast St. Francis quintet.

The game started fine, O'Connor scoring with a field goal on a pass from Morgan. Humphrey tied the score again, and again Bob put his team in the lead with another field goal. After this, Humphrey settled into a zone defense which the Shamrocks were unable to pierce, and no more scoring was done by the Green and White for the remainder of the first half. In the second half Francis Savage dropped in a field goal and Cliff Mielak counted a free toss which raised the score to 7 for St. Bona's, where it remained for the rest of the game.

St. Bonaventure Defeats Reserves

St. Bonaventure's Shamrocks eked out a 14-to-15 win over the Columbus Reserves on the Kramer floor, Dec. 14. It was a thrilling game in which four Shamrock field goals were nullified by the referee's whistle.

Late in the final period the Reserves rallied from a 13-to-9 deficit to tie the score. Captain Sal Fletcher made a free toss and brought his

team into the lead. Kaufman followed suit for the Reserves, and again the score was equal. With but little time to play, Cliff Mielak and Leroy Brandt were charged with a double foul. Cliff made good and won the game as Brandt failed to connect. Leander Morgan and Leroy Brandt tied for top honors with 6 points each.

Monroe Loses Return Game to Shamrocks

In their return engagement with Monroe, St. Bonaventure took the long end of a 25-to-16 score. Leander Morgan was the offensive star both in playing and scoring. Nine points were tops for the evening. Cliff Mielak, game captain, played a good defensive game.

This game completed our athletic relations with Monroe for this season.

Little Shamrocks Split Four Games

The Little Shamrocks won two games and lost two, for a present average of .500. In their first game they managed to beat out the Monroe Reserves, 19 to 17. Both teams were nervous at first, but settled down to a good game. Morgan, Fletcher and Jahn did the scoring for the Juniors.

In their second engagement, they met disaster in the form of an exceptionally fast St. Francis Reserve team, scoring but 10 points while their opponents rang up 32.

They counted their second win at the expense of the Kramer Frosh and squeezed out a 7-to-6 win, probably a record for low scoring. Because of his extra-period field goal which won the game, Bernie Fletcher became the hero of the encounter.

Their books were balanced by Monroe when they lost their return engagement, 11 to 6.

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Dear Boys:

Evidently "Emily Post" is not included in your personal assets. So, for convenience sake, another expert on the subject of proper etiquette at dances has obliged us with a set of rules:

1. It isn't just exactly pleasant for a girl to be left flat out on the dance floor.
2. After all, the girls like to dance, too, even those who stag it.
3. There's a time and place for everything—even dice.
4. Don't monopolize one girl's entire evening, even though she is your date. Other fellows like to dance with her, too.
5. Be a good sport about things—all fair and square things.
6. Remember the chaperons are guests and should be treated as such. There it is, boys, but understand it is meant only for "those whom it may concern."

PICKS

Four big Senior boys, running after turkey When they returned to school, found things rather murky. Let's pick to pieces all this "sluffing" in classes. Let's have a few more cheers at the basketball games.

PULLS

Don't let a few "forgotrns," "faer's," or "jhe's" in typing pull your spirits down! Try, try again! The "Venture" has a good start. Let's keep it going! The Honor Roll shows our freshies are not as fresh as we thought. Keep it up!

POSIES

A bunch of posies to the team for two recent victories! To Leander Morgan—Your high scoring makes you an outstanding asset to the team. To the Juniors—For some excellent typing records on five-minute Accuracy Tests this week. Speeds are net, with less than five errors: Rita Chambers, 42; Bob O'Connor, 37; Harriet Craig, 35; Loretta Jaax, 33; Beverly Rich, 32; Clifford Mielak, 31; Betty Mae Kemnitz, 30.

A Junior's Letter to Santa

Dear Santa: I thought I would write you a note and tell you what a good student I have been. I haven't chewed gum in school—except maybe once; and I always have my lessons, almost; then I'm present for Mass—whenever I

get there. Now, Santa, don't you think I have been good?

In case you want to reward me for my good behavior, you might see that we don't have any tests before Christmas—at least not in Chemistry. Also, I would really appreciate it if I would get a perfect O. A. T. test paper. It would be nice, too, if you could talk to the superintendent about dismissing school at noon on Wednesday—or even sooner. Sister Ethelfrieda would like it too, if you would leave a book or two of essays on the tree so we could ready a few more worth-while books.

Well, Santa, as you see I don't want much. I'll be seeing you Christmas—I hope.

Affectionally yours,
A JUNIOR OF SBH.

P. S.: If you can't find anything else to give the rest in the room you might give them typing paper so they won't always be borrowing from me.

WE DID LOVE IT ONCE

O sorrow upon sorrow! The "Venture" staff must part from its dearest friend! That great old fellow did his duty, though the hospital was the place for him! But heroically he went

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on and on, never stopping (much). Perhaps the staff of last year, Editor Rosalie Gattermeyer and Business Manager Hyatt had to doctor him often, but then it was a duty for Rosalie and good experience for future Doctor Hyatt. It just wrung our hearts to hear his groans and squeaks of agony when he was forced to work overtime—but then we'll miss him anyway.

It's queer how attached one can get to something, even a squeaky, creaky, leaky, mimeograph!

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SHAMROCKS' RECORD ABOVE PAR AS MID-WAY MARK IS REACHED

St. Bonaventure's basketball team has won 8 out of 12 games this far in the season of 1937-38, scoring 297 points to their opponents 241.

Two thrilling games were the ones with Platte Center, which was brought from the fire with a bare one-point lead, and the fracas at Leigh which kept the crowd on its feet the entire fourth quarter.

Two welcome late arrivals at St. Bonaventure, prominent cagesters, are Bob and Joe O'Connor. Together they have scored 137, making them valuable assets to the team.

The first game of 1938, played on the Junior High floor, resulted in a 25-12 victory over Duncan. Then, on January 11, St. Mary's of Grand Island, defeated the Shamrocks 33-26.

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NATIVES OF YUGO-SLAVIA VISIT ST. BONAVENTURE

Slavic rhythm and fascinating music, classic and popular, comprised the educational program of the Tambouritza Troupe, presented on Monday evening, Jan. 3, by the Elias Ensemble, a group of four musicians from Yugo-Slavia, to an interested audience of music lovers.

The ensemble is traveling throughout the United States, making personal appearances. The group consisted of Martha Elias, who plays the tambouritza, and is an excellent pianist; Anna, and Charlie Elias, brother and sister of Martha. The fourth member was Martha Filipovick. The musicians played tenor, bass and soprano tambouritzas respectively.

Included in their selections were many old American favorites as well as some of the current popular tunes. They also delighted the listeners with some of the Yugo-Slavian folk Melodies and selections from well-known operas.

In conclusion Charlie with his sister, Martha, demonstrated favorite dances of their native country.

The Tambouritza, which was of great interest to the audience, is a six-stringed instrument of the lute class. From it our guitar was made. Originally the tambouritza, which was invented by the peasants of Yugo-Slavia, had but two strings. Charlie's father added four more strings, and raised it to the standing of the most popular musical instrument of Yugo-Slavia.

MANY STUDENTS ENJOY THIRD SCHOOL DANCE

The third of a series of school dances for the students and alumni was held Jan. 15, in the Social Hall.

Approximately three-fourths of the students and a number of alumni attended.

Chaperons for the dance were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kohlund and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wade.

The Three Aces furnished the music.

Grotto's History Little Known

We wonder just how many St. Bonaventure High students realize the real significance of the beautiful, little Blessed Virgin grotto, which they pass daily on their way to classes?

An exceedingly interesting history is connected with this grotto and a miraculous cure also.

Twenty-seven years ago, a little girl, Clara Abts, who attended St. Francis Academy, became partially paralyzed from the shock of a sudden plunge into cold water. The paralysis extended from the hips down. Her family took her everywhere and tried many excellent doctors, but to no avail.

Sister Agnella, an instructor of St. Francis High, gave her a little bottle of Lourdes water.

Clara and her mother made a nine day novena, but no effect was noticed at the end of this novena. Nevertheless, another novena was begun in which thirty nuns also joined.

On the second day of this novena, just after Clara was finishing her Thanksgiving after Holy Communion, she suddenly arose and cried, "Mother, I can walk!"

The Doctors were amazed and didn't see how it could be possible, as her legs had been swollen, with no circulation.

There had been no treatments taken during the novena as they were awaiting the arrival of a Swedish Masseur.

Since this miraculous cure Clara has had no trouble.

In thanksgiving, Mrs. Abts had an exquisite grotto, dedicated to our Lady of Lourdes, placed in the St. Francis school.

Clara Abts is now Mrs. A. F. Offerman, wife of an Omaha physician.

SOPH GIRLS VANQUISH BOYS IN 3 DEBATES

The Sophomores are keeping up their splendid work in "Debate" as proved this last six weeks in the several peppy victories won.

Margaret Morgan and Vernetta Schroeder, affirmative, were awarded the victory over Bill Putnam and Cliff Zapla, negative, on the question, "Should Billboards Be Prohibited?"

In the second debate on the question, "Resolved, That the Exclusion of the Chinese From the United States is Unjustifiable," Rose Gonka, Maryn Foley and Marjorie Belford were victorious over Benny Nosal, Bob Frischholz and Lawrence Kolbush.

The girls again won a victory in the question, "War Should Be Declared Only by Popular Vote," with Virginia Krzycki, Ritajean Cady and Alice Johnson versus Ted Wozny, Joe O'Connor and John Shields.

VENTURES OF THE FUTURE

Jan. 26—Spalding—here.
Jan. 27—Duncan—there.
Feb. 1—Platte Center—there.
Feb. 3—Sodality—Holy Name Par-ty.
Feb. 4—Norfolk—there.
Feb. 5—Sodality Communion Sun-day.
Feb. 8—West Point—here.
Feb. 10—St. Ursula—there.
Feb. 15—Spalding—there.
Feb. 17—German Club Meeting.
Feb. 22—Washington Convocation.
Feb. 23—St. Mary's—here.
Feb. 25—School Dance.

INTERVIEWS ON CURRENT TOPICS CREATE INTEREST

The inquiring reporter discovered that certain students had done some real thinking about the troublesome bombing of the "Panay," American gun-boat.

It seems that the newsreel was the instigator for Doris Kohlund's realizing that the sinking was a reality close to the student's life. "I hadn't thought a great deal about the accident until after seeing the actual reproduction in the newsreel. I think this picture was very helpful because it impresses upon our minds the horrors of war."

It seems that Jack Mathieu has definite ideas as to what Japan should do in the way of rectifying this disaster. "Japan should be forced to replace the boat! I don't think we should sacrifice human lives, though, as a result of this unfortunate happening."

ARCHERY IS NEW SPORT IN GIRLS' ATHLETIC WORK

The Freshmen and Juniors had something different during their gym period Wednesday, the 5th. Mr. Ovington of the National Archery Association, of Lincoln, was present and gave the girls talks and demonstrations of the correct method for archery.

He gave the class such points as how to stand to insert the arrow, and how to get one's point of aim. The girls who cared to try it got a real thrill when their arrows hit the target, and, believe it or not, not one missed the target!

The girls were so interested that Mr. Ovington stayed longer than the regular period so that all those who wished might take a fling at it.

Although some of the girls went away with sore arms and fingers they all enjoyed it and were delighted to hear that archery is to be on their regular athletic program.

SENIORS RECEIVE NEW CLASS RINGS

A good decision the Seniors made! For the new class rings they are wearing are real beauties—with the school insignia on ruby for the boys and on white gold for the girls.

PENNY BINGO PARTY DRAWS HUGE CROWD

B-16! I-20! N-32! G-45! O-60! The din and clamor around the bingo stand made it the leading attraction at the Junior Bingo Party last Friday afternoon.

All bingo was a penny, and the guests, the grade and high school students, took advantage of this nominal fee, to try their hands at winning a prize.

Other features of the party were the side-show, which aroused intense interest with its "Marvelous Athletic Contest" and "8th Wonder of the World," and the refreshment counters, selling home-made candy and cool drinks.

This party was given to raise money for the Junior-Senior Prom and proved a very successful means.

All candy, labor and prizes, were donated by the high school teachers and junior students.

CERTIFICATES ISSUED TO TYPING STUDENTS

Last week five Juniors, having successfully passed the Accuracy Test issued by the Gregg Publishing Company, received the certificate admitting them into the Order of Artistic Typists.

They are: Helen Hengler, Cliff Mielak, Art Johnson, Harriet Craig, and Bob Dietz.

Harriet Craig is writing forty-sev-words per minute, and Beverly Rich, forty-four.

SODALITY COMMITTEES HAVE GOOD RECORD

The first Sodality meeting of the New Year brought to light many important and worthwhile facts of the Sodality committee work.

Highlighting the program were two special features—an inspirational talk by Rev. Fr. Athanase and the enumeration of rules and privileges of the Sodality by President Mary Merz.

Entertainment and refreshments were furnished by Freshmen and Sophomores respectively.

In a general resume of the committee work of 1937 the Eucharistic Committee is given special merit. The number of daily communicants has increased and short visits to the Church are being propagated.

The Good Literature Committee has spread the reading of Catholic pamphlets throughout the high school, thereby giving a valuable service in the fight against Communism.

The "Our Lady's" Committee has upheld a character builder to the Sodalists for each month.

The Refreshment and Entertainment Committees have added greatly to the spirit of good will and enjoyment at each meeting of the Sodality.

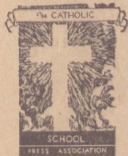
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THE HOLY FAMILY

'Mid Nazareth's sequested mountains
How lovely was the Household of the Three,
And in the desert's crystal fountains
What secret wonders did not angels see!

Sing to the Three with jubilation!
Husbands and wives, parents and children sing!
Sing to the House, from which salvation
Flows o'er your homes as from a hidden spring!

ANOTHER YEAR

Another year gone! So far, in fact, that no human will ever touch its pages again.
That is really food for thought, to use that old expression.
It's frightening when things left undone, unsaid are being considered, but it's relieving and encouraging to know all last year's faults, failures and troubles are out of reach.
If there's regret—put it aside! Regret can not make last year's record clean. If there's less self-confidence—put it out of your mind also, as a new year brings new chances.
There's one lesson though, prevalent in mind, from last year's experience. We can't be successful unless we are good Catholics!
This may sound a little exaggerated or narrow, for some of the greatest of the world's leaders were not especially religious.
Notice that emphasis is put on "world."
Their success is only one fold; a good Catholic's can be two fold. How? One rule will suffice: Be a good Catholic and work hard.
This will lead us to success and honest-to-goodness happiness in 1938.
Let's take up the torch of hope, honor and ambition, to light the unfathomable passages of the new years!

CONVERSATION AND CRITICISM

Conversation in itself is often much too critical, regardless of what it may concern. Criticism is most important in many of the present day discussed topics, but excess in such a thing is often very harmful.
We, as high school boys and girls, find many trivial things which we criticize too much and often unjustly. We may not be aware of it, but gradually we accustom ourselves to become more and more regardless of the results of our expressed opinions.
Most important of all, we must guard against unfair criticism of our religion, of the Church, and its institutions. If, we as Catholic boys and girls, expect to gain more friends and believers, we must use an influence free from criticism. Otherwise, what can we gain? There are so many outside influences that are constantly fighting against our principles and morals, that it makes it ever more difficult to hold our own. We can expect criticism and attack from outside sources; therefore we must avoid it ourselves.
If we are sincere and firm in our convictions concerning those things which we are taught are the best and highest in life, we will succeed in convincing others, whereas our "luke-warm" attitude will eventually spell failure, not only for ourselves but also for those with whom we come in contact.

SPORTSMANSHIP AGAIN

We're talking about sportsmanship again but not in the usual theme. We've just got to commend the various organizations on the spirit displayed the past month!
How could the Bingo Party have gone off as splendidly as it did, if the entire school—grade and high—hadn't lent their support?
The lack of booing and grumbling at the games certainly shouldn't be overlooked!
The willingness of the "Venture" ad and subscription workers shows the right kind of spirit.
The freshie girls deserve a comp on sportsmanship at the school dances. They certainly set an example.

Poets in the Making

The Sophomore reporter, in seeking for news, uncovered some hitherto unknown talent of her class—ability to write poetry.

Delphinium Blue

A beautiful delphinium blue,
Found in the border
Among the flowers of other hue
Stood out in stately order.

Oh! exquisite delphinium rare;
I like your star-like bloom
Swaying gently in the air
Near my pleasant sunny room.
Maryn Foley '40.

The New Year

'Tis the dawn of another year
Let's begin with a bit of cheer
Forget the past and look ahead
Since, after all, the past is dead.

Now let us strive the new to live
A life of good—a new reprieve
That when the end again has come
We'll hear the praise "Well Done."
Irene Reifenrath '40.

I like the lilies in the pond
The geese upon the lake;
But the nicest thing of all to me
Is a piece of chocolate cake.
Alice Johnson '40.

I hate to learn my Latin verbs
It seems so awful funny
But when it comes to English words
I really am no dummy.
Alice Johnson '40.

I think geometry is queer
With angles A and B
Although I try so very hard
It won't agree with me.

But when it comes to History
I really go to town,
Since I can get this subject well
Without a great big frown.
Bob Frischholz '40.

History in the Making

The following Alumni spent the Holidays in Columbus:

Theresa Cockson, who after attending the N. B. T. school at Sioux City, Iowa, is now the Assistant Advertising Manager of the Wind-charger Corporation, Sioux City.

George Hyatt, a medical student at Creighton University.

Roene Gumm, a student in the Commercial Teachers' Training Department at St. Theresa's College, Winona, Minnesota.

Lorraine Swolek, art student at Doane University, Crete, Nebraska.

George Jostes, Commercial Student at Creighton.

Margaret Wilczynski, Commercial Student at Van Sants Business College, Omaha.

Esther Briggs, Commercial Student at Barnes Business College, Denver, Colorado.

Madeline Joestes, Commercial Student at Munson's Business School, San Francisco, Calif.

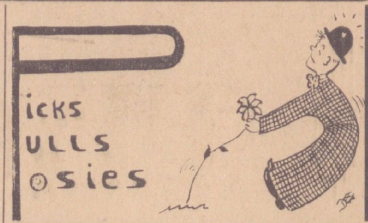
Arthur Gumm, who is attending National Radio and Television School at Los Angeles, Calif.

John Ebel, studying for the priesthood at the St. Thomas Seminary, Denver, Colorado.

Theresa Luis, taking the X-Ray Technical Course at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Lincoln, Nebraska.

GLEE CLUBS TO PRESENT OPERETTA

A venture of the future will be the operetta to be given by the Girls' and Boys' Glee Clubs. Several are under consideration, but a definite decision has not yet been made.



PICKS

Are all these headaches the result of a certain Senior's quick changes of scenery?
Exertion: When a freshman gal goes to see Joe play.

Name: Betty Glur
Trouble: Chubbiness
Cause: Eating.
Cure: Diet

Motive for the "Walk In and Not Pay" holdup staged at the last school dance is yet a big, dark secret.

The certificate was well worth it, Speck!

Call of the Green and White megaphones: NOISE is very cheap nowadays—in fact, free!

PULLS

Doris K.'s tooth.

In German Class: Give in German a sentence containing the name of an animal:

A tall blonde male: "Ich bin ein dummer Esel."

In Latin II; discussing customs of Greeks and Romans:

"Maybe it was alright for the Greek women to keep silence when their husbands commanded it, but American women have to talk to defend themselves!" (?)

Wanted: More boys. Purpose: To provide partners at school dances.

POSIES

To the Bookkeeping Class for the excellent record in Standard Test No. 4. Dean Lusienski with a perfect score of 100, and Francis Savage with 99, led the two-thirds of the class who scored over 90.

To the Sophies for their good New Year's resolutions:

Joe O'Connor: Tracks to school the morning after basketball games—(rather heavy ones).

Ted W.: Bent on improving his looks with borrowed aids. How can he?

Ritajean: No more blushing World History blunders!

Veronica: Resolved to grow a few inches.

Virginia K.: More gum during 1938 for jaw-reducing purposes—but, she sweetly adds, "Not in school!"

Vernetta: No more History papers to Senior boys on which to write their punishments.

Billy P.: Resolved to study hard this year—(How unusual!)

Pressing Problems

How to find a—
Way of chewing gum in school without being seen.

Safe and sane method of carrying on conversations during study periods without being reprimanded.

Way to have fun in chemistry without the offensive odor of hydrogen sulfide.

Means of escaping final exams. (Other than study.)

Place to get book reports so we won't have to read the books.

Fairy wand to render errors in typing invisible.

ATHLETICS

SHAMROCKS' RECORD ABOVE PAR AS MID-WAY MARK IS REACHED

(Continued from Page 1)

The undefeated St. Francis team of Humphrey proved to be the chief worry. This accomplished quintet handed St. Bonaventure a double defeat, and the only home loss of the season, by a 38-21 count.

The Shamrocks made their highest scores in defeating St. Ursula, 41-15.

Other scores so far unpublished in the "Venture" are:

	We	They
Leigh	31	29
Reserves	29	25
Silver Creek	30	33
Platte Center	16	15

On January 4 the Shamrocks started using a zone defense and found it quite effective, especially on the small Junior High court. The previous man-to-man defense was not tight enough and wore the players out trying to get their man. This method also enables them to hold their own on a large floor.

Chief scorers for the Shamrocks are:

Bob O'Connor	83	points
Leander Morgan	74	"
Joe O'Connor	54	"
Francis Savage	40	"
Clifford Mielak	22	"
Sylvester Fletcher	15	"

JUNIOR SHAMROCKS SET GOOD RECORD IN LEAGUE

The Junior Shamrocks, contrary to their older brothers, are not establishing such a brilliant record. They have won only four games in nine starts. The teams they conquered represented Monroe, Kramer Frosh, Trinity Lutheran and ULB. Those to whom they succumbed were St. Francis, Silver Creek, Leigh, and Monroe in the return battle.

One of their most brilliant showings was against the St. Francis Seconds at Junior High. At the half time, they led by a score of 10-7, but all honors were lost when only two points were made in the last half by our team and St. Francis piled up 13, to end the game 20-12 in their favor.

Since the Senior Church League started, they have made themselves noticed, by being one of the only two teams to remain undefeated after two games, and one of three to have a percent of 1000. They are one of the favorites in the league, and will be rewarded with a trip if they are successful.

SIDELIGHTS

Leander Morgan had the fans worried for a while in the York game when he was injured and taken out. It was only a minor bruise and did not prevent his continuing in the game.

Jack Mathieu entered the lineup as a starting guard in the same game and came through with a thriller, taking care of two York players by himself and preventing their scoring, a very difficult thing to do.

The second St. Francis game was a thriller. The boys were promised a steak dinner if they should win.

The Shamrocks haven't done so well on their free throws, scoring but 39 out of 94 attempts.

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A Reminder

There is a certain someone in this school, who we think, deserves a little more attention. She seems somewhat neglected by our high-school students, who, we wonder, are ever aware of her presence.

We pass her in the halls at least five times a day, and yet—do we thing to cast a glance her way? We may be sure she gets mighty lonesome, waiting for a friendly look, a morning greeting, or a loving prayer.

Let's become better acquainted with this very beautiful and renowned Lady—our own dear Blessed Mother. Since she must stand in her private little grotto very much alone, wouldn't it be a proof of our love and devotion to whisper an ejaculation when passing her?

Try it! It will insure our happiness, her blessing and protection.

JUNIOR STUDENTS EARN BRONZE SHORTHAND PIN

The first Gregg awards of the season arrived last Friday, to calm the fears of ten beginning shorthand students and to disappoint two who had submitted the Junior O. G. A. Test. They were not the customary certificates, but lovely bronze pins, awarded on the basis of proportion, fluency and form.

The successful students are Barbara Podgurski, Mary Noonan, Eileen Smyth, Beverly Rich, Harriet Craig, Rita Chambers, Florence Belford, Helen Hengger, Betty Mae Kemnitz, and Francis Holys.

SCHOLARSHIP VOTED FOR SENIOR STUDENTS

The Catholic Daughters of America recently set aside a twenty-five dollar scholarship for the senior of St. Bonaventure High, who has attained the highest scholastic honors in his four years of high school which must have been spent at St. Bonaventure's.

The lucky senior will be known on commencement night.

QUEER INSTRUMENT AROUSES INTEREST

In a Yugo-Slavian program, given recently in the auditorium, a strange instrument was featured, which aroused the curiosity of the audience.

The Tamburitza is a six-stringed instrument of the lute class. From it our guitar was made. Originally the Tamburitza, which was invented by the peasants of Jugoslavia hundreds of years ago, was a two-stringed instrument—two G's! But Charles Elias' father—Charles was one of the performers—added four more strings and raised it to the standing of the most popular musical instrument of Yugo-Slavia.

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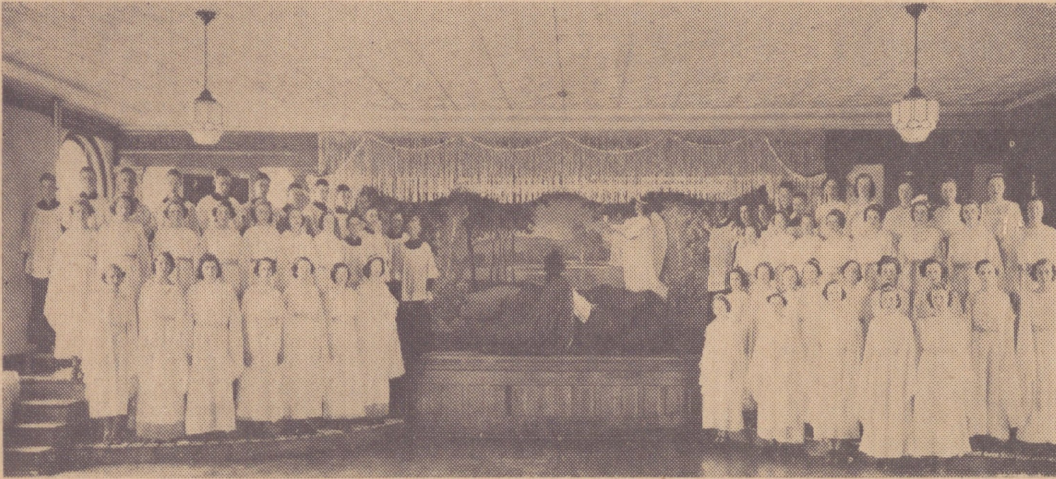
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"Victorious King" Highlights Joyous Easter Season



CHORUS AND TABLEAU IN "VICTORIOUS KING"

GLEE CLUBS REENACT "GREAT DRAMA"

The undying tragedy of the world with its widespread and large appeal will be repeated in "Victorious King," on Tuesday, April 19, at St. Bonaventure's auditorium.

It is a production of 1938, and tells the story of the Passion of Jesus Christ in a way that grips the imagination and warms the heart. The beautiful choruses and tableaux in which about 100 high school pupils take part, penetrate so thoroughly into the mind that every individual in the audience will leave with an enhanced appreciation of the power and significance of the events of our redemption.

An increased love for the Cross will be the fruit of witnessing this "Passion Play," and a better understanding of the mysteries of the redemption will result, which will effect a more ardent desire to follow in the footsteps of the Crucified.

The chief characters in the momentous events of the Passion will be shown in tableau—Our Lord, Judas, Pilate, Herod, the Apostles, and others.

The cantata is divided into two parts of which the first comprises the following songs: "Jesus Reigns," chorus; "A Savior Came," alto solo; "Blessed Is the King," baritone solo and chorus; "O City 'neath a Darkening Sky," soprano and alto duet; "Gethsemane," trio for men's voices; "Will Ye Crucify This Jesus," tenor solo and chorus; "The Crucifixion," bass solo and chorus; "This Was the Son of God," men's two-part chorus; "The Master Lies Asleep," chorus.

The second part comprises the following songs: "The Morning Sky Is Rifting," chorus; "Come, Seek the Living," soprano solo; "Ring, O Bells of Easter," chorus, soprano and alto duet; "Glad Day of Resurrection," chorus; "Lead On, O Mighty Savior," alto solo, duet and chorus; "Lift Up Your Heads," chorus; "All Hail the Risen King," finale.

WHY EASTER FINERY?

We've been wondering what reasons many of our little fashion plates consider important enough to break their Dad's pocketbooks around Easter.

Betty Mae believes in that old saying, "Do as the Romans do," which sums it up quite well. We think she means "Keep up with the Joneses."

"Familiarity breeds contempt" expresses Helen Henggeler's ideas. No doubt she means her winter outfits when she speaks of "contempt!"

Since Virginia K. has just budded out in a pretty green coat, she should prove an authority on the subject: "Boy, I'm always ready to throw away my winter duds after a good six or seven months of hard wear!"

Well, it would be rather warm in May or June in a plush coat!

SENIOR CLASS PLAY CHOSEN

"Miss Somebody Else," a Samuel French production, press-commented as "a strong comedy, with plenty of action, plenty of laughs, and plenty of sparkling humor," has been chosen by our seniors to give them a final opportunity for displaying their dramatic abilities.

Rehearsals are under way under the direction of Sister M. Ethelfrieda and the curtain is scheduled to rise early in May on this humorous glimpse of "high society."

The plot revolves around the brilliant daughter of the proprietor of the Darcyville Copper Mines who uses her father's millions wisely and incidentally plays the role of a detective in unmasking a clever society crook. She is supported by a cast which promises to supply the thrills, laughter, and tears necessary for a first-class entertainment.

JUNIOR RECEIVES "EXCELLENT" RATING

Harriet Craig and Marie Woerth represented St. Bonaventure's in the District No. 7 Music Contest held at Fullerton on Friday, April 1.

Harriet's "Souvenir," Drdla, on the tenor saxophone merited an "Excellent" rating from the judges. Marie played "Call of the Sea," Smith & Holmes, and was awarded "Good."

A rating of "Good" was also received by the Saxophone Quartette consisting of Emelia Donnelly, Irene Thiele, Carroll Melliger, and Harriet Craig.

Helen Thiele, '37, accompanied all the numbers. Music at St. Bonaventure's is under the direction of Prof. A. N. Barnes.

LATE FLASH! Gregg Shorthand Awards for Rita Anne Burns—120 words; Adeline Cockson and Angela Moersen, 100 words.

Sodalists Attend S. S. L. Convention

Four delegates from St. Bonaventure's were numbered among the 1,607 high school and college students from three states who attended the Students' Spiritual Leadership convention, held at Creighton university, Mar. 12 and 13.

The convention was in charge of Rev. Daniel J. Lord, S. J., who not only delivered addresses and led discussions, but directed the social periods, playing the piano and directing the various delegates who provided entertainment.

After much discussion and deliberation several important resolutions were adopted as a program of united Catholic action for youth. An outstanding resolution referred to the Legion of Decency for good literature. A pledge was taken by all delegates to avoid the buying and reading of indecent literature.

We quote the delegates—Helen Hengler, Angela Bakey, Loretta Jaax and Beverly Rich—as to the general impression:

"It was indeed inspiring to see the deep spirit of faith that brought so many together to find ways and means to further the cause of Christ, to witness the exemplary conduct, to note the earnestness and sincerity in the discussions, the firmness of Catholic principles in the resolutions, all of which showed that Catholic youth is ready to do its share."

VENTURES OF THE FUTURE

- April 13-19—Easter Vacation.
- April 5—Sodality Meeting.
- April 19—Easter Cantata.
- April 22—School Dance.
- April 27—Holy Name Party.
- May 6—Mother and Daughter Tea.

VOCATIONS FEATURE SODALITY PROGRAM

The demand for "something different" at Sodality meetings was charmingly complied with when the Sophomores took charge of affairs after the regular formalities of the March gathering.

With "Mother of Good Counsel" as the theme song, and Angela Bakey and Doris Kohlund of Our Lady's Committee giving appropriate readings, Part I of the program consisted of a series of tableaux placing before the Sodalists the various vocations that life offers.

Maxine Kamm portrayed the Nurse; Margaret Morgan, the Business Girl; Maryn Foley, the Teacher; Alice Johnson, the Mother; Veronetta Schroeder, the Religious.

In Part II Virginia Krzycki as St. Elizabeth of Hungary; Ellen McNair as St. Cecilia; Florence Mimick as St. Joan of Arc; Evelyn Schroeder as St. Bernadette; and Rita Loeffler as the "Little Flower" proved to the Sodalists that all stations and all vocations will lead to sainthood if the individual but desires it.

FRANCISCAN FATHER DESCRIBES MISSIONS

Another trip to China! And this time it was Rev. Giles Strub, O. F. M. who took us via his "Movie Machine" to the Franciscan Missions under the jurisdiction of Nebraska's own Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Pinger.

Reel after reel unfolded "real life" in this vast land with its poverty and oddities, its mission compounds, and the smiling faces of happy priests and sisters working there. Father Giles talked about the pictures as they appeared on the screen.

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Easter Greetings

THE VICTORIOUS KING

Victory was His! A wonderful, terrible victory.

If Christ can defeat even death we have nothing to worry about. He will defeat all death in life, too. The death of hopes, love, peace—especially peace.

How can anything so foreign to God, who is all love and peace, as unrest and strife reign supreme? It can not!

Wasn't it Tennyson who compared life to the four seasons? Youth, spring; maturity, summer; middle-age, fall; old age, winter; but the spring always rolls around again after the dark, stormy days of winter. It's this little example that often brings peace to the minds of men. So should the spring, marked by the greatest "Awakening," be to us.

Everything is new and fresh in spring—inside and out.

Our bodies are adorned in new spring clothes, why then should we not rejuvenate our brains.

It would be a good idea, and so easy to carry out.

So on to bigger and better things in spring housecleaning!

A GLORIOUS FEELING

With the six weeks of Lent just about gone, how do you feel now? Happy in the thought that by having given up those shows

and dances, candy, gum, etc., you have showed your love to the Crucified One, and surely pleased His Sacred Heart? Or . . . how must you feel, if you selfishly persisted in catering to your desire for pleasure and did little or nothing during Lent? We still have Holy Week. Are we going to let this chance slip?

TO THE TEAM

It is with a feeling of regret that we see St. Bonaventure's basketball season draw to a close. Throughout the year the boys on the

team have shown the good sportsmanship and do-or-die spirit for which Catholic teams are noted. The realization that the four senior members have donned the green and white for the last time causes an empty feeling inside. To Captain "Ick" Morgan, whose fighting spirit never lagged, to Bob O'Connor, whose dead-eye brought many points to the Shamrocks, and to Francis Savage and Jack Mathieu, whose steady playing won several games, we extend our praise and thanks, coupled with the hope that lessons learned while playing for St. Bonaventure may be of benefit in later life.

CAN THE SENIORS TELL US?

The other day a dusty, much-used word fell off the top shelf of our vocabularies, and clamored to be put in use again—Co-

operation!

We couldn't imagine what for but if any of the upper class drama critics know, let us in on the secret. We never take stock in just rumors.

He Was Only Five

It is a fragrant Sunday in early spring. Mother and Dad Hartsell, will Bill, age 5, and Don, age 16, are riding happily over the highway. Little Bill gleefully points out the robins and sparrows which are chirping contentedly on the telephone wires overhead. Don and his Dad are engaged in earnest conversation about the probabilities of the local high school winning the district basketball championship.

Suddenly, over the brow of the hill in front of them appears a big, black sedan, veering wildly from one side of the road to the other. Don frantically tries to avoid the impending crash by slamming on his brakes. The faulty brakes cause the

car to swing broadside in the road. The rear end of the light car receives the full impact of the crash.

All is still for a few moments. Then the birds resume their interrupted twittering; the drunk reels out of the sedan and watches uncomprehendingly as Don and his Dad lay the unconscious form of Mrs. Hartsell on the earth. Don, who is extricating little Bill, begins to sob uncontrollably as he sees the crushed and mangled form of his brother. Dad comes and sees the still and lifeless body of his younger son; his face works spasmodically and tears stream down his face. Mrs. Hartsell is revived and as she clambers to her feet, she sees the pitiful remnants of what was her baby.

A CALL TO YOUTH

What's in a name? Sometimes, nothing; many times a great deal.

To most people in the world, a little institution like St. Bonaventure's "Blue Ribbon Brigade" means nothing—they've never heard of it. But to everyone who lives in the world—really lives—Communism, Nazism, and Fascism mean volumes. All three of these institutions are worn out in structure, but, believe you me, not in substance! To a high school student who keeps his eyes and ears open, political affairs in general are rather frightening today in their corruptness and anti-spirituality. Our forefathers worked hard to make the world safe for us, but that work seems to be slowly crumbling about their and our ears. Are we going to stand by and let it crumble? Are we willing to let enemies of democracy stamp with contemptuous feet all that America stands for or ever will stand for? If we let indifference conquer us, we may find ourselves lodged under the debris of what was democracy.

This is not meant to be an alarmist or pessimistic message, but facts should be faced as they really are, and corrected thereby. We, the future men and women of America, are the ones who should be studying and analyzing this dangerous situation. It is we who are going to reap the effects of this great strife, not our Mothers and Dads! It should put us on our mettle when we see how many of our co-fighters are deserting the ranks and heeding the call of the enemy of Youth, slowly, stealthily creeping up on them. But it seems we can only pity those deserters; we can only tighten our belts, shoulder our guns loaded with sure death to the Enemy—common sense, loyalty to America—and God!

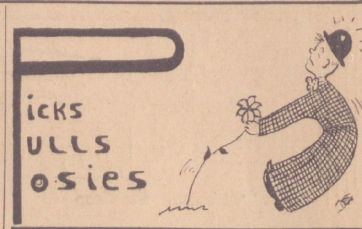
Easter Cantata—April 19.

WHAT'S IN SPRING?

O Season of joy and bliss
Yea, spirit of happy cheer
Why do you, when all's amiss
Waft our hearts on the road of cheer?

Perhaps it's because the birds you bring
Or better still, of the flowers of May
But the best of all, of everything,
Is the news of that glad, holy Day!

How could you fail to breathe of sweetness
When 'twas at your door the greatest victory,
This Sacrifice of Excess—
The salvation by Christ, of me?



The "Class Prophecy Fever" has again made its appearance and this time it's the Sophomores determined to get into print. Hence the following:

Sophomores in 1955

Lawrence—Wireless Operator.
Lambert—Owner of Grocery.
Billy—Pharmacist—Rexall.
Clement—Engineer—Streamlined.
Clifford—Editor, "The Gazette."
Bennie—Ostrich Farm Manager.
Bob F.—Ambassador to China.
Ted—Radio Crooner.
Frank P.—Ballet Dancer.
James—Greyhound Bus Driver.
John—Criminal Lawyer.
Reynold—Proprietor of Dairy Farm.
Joe—Senator from Nebraska.
Jack—Professor at Creighton.
Frank M.—Athletic Coach.
Elizabeth—Music Teacher.
Veronica—Cashier at Swift's.
Evelyn—Proprietor of Beauty Shop.
Irene L.—Dressmaker-Designer.
Margaret—Girls' Athletic Instructor.
Rose—Dietitian at St. Mary's.
Angeline—Artist in Paris.
Virginia—Model in Style Shows.
Florence—Celebrated Bicyclist.
Virginia—Secretary to President.
Alice—Sister M. John of the Chinese Missions.
Marjorie—Proprietor of Tea Room.
Vernetta—Head Nurse in Mercy Hospital, Denver.
Barbara Mimick—Bookkeeper.
Irene—Commercial Teacher.
Dolores—Noted Pianist.
Ellen Marie—Teacher in University of Buenos Aires.
Maryn—Switchboard Operator at Marshall Fields.
Rita—Office Assistant in Hollywood.
Maxine—Waitress at Evans Hotel.
Ritajeane—In the Movies.

It's the Gypsy in Them

It's just as Granny says, "Mercy me! it just keeps me jumping to keep up with the different fads of today. Why I was just getting used to the girls wearing skull caps and they've changed to wearing bandannas."

Yes Granny, most people will agree with you—unless you ask the opinion of the young moderns. When the girls arrive down town from school in the evenings, everyone is at first positive that there are gypsies in town, what with those different colored hankies tied around their heads. Oh yes, some of them vary it a little and tie them in a knot on top of their head, but the majority of them tie them under the chin. Everyone thought the skull caps were rather cute, but now they look at the bandannas and with a sigh and a shake of their head ask; "What next?"

TRIBUTE

To the memory of Ven. Sister Jacoba, O. S. F., who labored for forty-three years here in our school, we students pay our deepest respects. May she rest in peace!

—George Hyatt '37.

Sulphur and Molasses

Spring is here!
Spring is here!

We know it from the signs
of Spring, for

We have noticed

That our feathered friends
have returned and are
again making the
campus gay; that Doris
and Art have put
their ear muffs back
in moth balls; and
that Rita Chambers was seen
with a tennis
racquet. (We almost
said "racket.")

We are also aware

That certain
students (pairs) prefer
strolling home
from school; that new ro-
mances are taking the
place of
the old romances;
that Harriet has shed
her snow suit; and
that Mary and Helen have
donned
bright green coats.

We know, too,

That the Freshie
girls have dug out their
trusty roller skates;
that the seniors are
working hard at their
class play,
while

the Juniors are getting
grey hairs
over the prom and banquet.

We have heard, furthermore,

Junior and Senior
girls discussing clothes,
both for Easter and
for the prom.

Incidentally, we have seen

Far-off looks,
especially during
German class period;
Charlie with a fishing pole;
the "men" begging the
little boys to lend them
their "migs";
Florence, Bobby and
Polly bicycling to
school;
a number of
spiritual-minded
students at Mass and
Holy Communion
at 7:00; Sal
winging his way north
after his long stay
in the south.

And last, but not least,

Basketball is
passe', and
they're talking about
home runs . . .

Wherefore

We conclude that
Spring is here.

SENIORS AGAIN WIN INTRA-MURAL CROWN

The Seniors won the intra-murals
for the second consecutive year in
the tournament at Junior High,
which made the following surprising
class standings:

Seniors, 1st; Sophs, 2nd; Freshmen,
3rd; Juniors, 4th.

JUNIOR CHURCH CAGERS WIN TITLE

St. Bonaventure's Junior Church
Leaguers won the city crown by de-
feating Immanuel Lutheran, 28-21.

The Juniors had exhibited most of
the power all season and were favor-
ites in the past season playoff.
They will be rewarded with a trip
to Fremont for the inter-city tour-
ney there.

The senior team lost out in the
post season playoff after remaining
near the top all season.

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Alumni Notes

St. Teresa College, Winona, Min-
nesota, tells us that Roene Gumn,
'36, now a Sophomore there, rates
amonga the honor students in se-
mester test results.

Geraldine Moersen, '37, has ac-
cepted a position as secretary to
Horatio Adams.

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VENTURETTES

St. Bonaventure's recently welcomed three new students. Betty Bradley of Shickley, Nebraska, increased the population of the Freshman class, while Jack Cady and Francis Murphy are the additions to the Sophomore ranks.

More pins and certificates for the Junior typists! Gregg has awarded the Competent Typist Pin for 54 words to Harriet Craig; the 40-50 word certificate to Rita Chambers; the 30-40 word certificate to Beverly Rich, Loretta Jaax, Frances Holys, Helen Hengler; Arthur Johnson, Clifford Mielak, Robert Dietz, and Betty Mae Kemnitz. Frances Holys also received the Junior O. A. T. Certificate, and Loretta Jaax the Junior O. G. A. pin. Rita Ann Burns, Senior, reached the 100-word short-hand goal.

Diphtheria can't keep our Sal down; and right now we want him to know that we're glad he's back.

The tableaux of the Easter Cantata "Victorious King," owe their gorgeous costumes to Sister Theresa, who made a special trip to Lafayette and Chicago to get them.

Standard Bookkeeping Test No. 6 resulted in a very high general rating. Dean Lusinski scored 150 points—a perfect paper—while Francis Savage followed closely with a score of 149. The class median was 137, against the standard median of 112. These amateur bookkeepers have reason to rejoice.

Rita Chamber was one of the winners in the Fire Prevention Contest.

Seventeenth Century newspapers, the "Gazette" and "Town Talk," published by Sophomore boys and girls respectively, furnish evidence of future "Venture" staff material.

If anyone is looking for zest and enthusiasm, let him visit the Chemistry Laboratory where students, after setting up apparatus, etc., demonstrate individual experiments. Bright hopes for Science, we say!

HOLY WEEK

HOLY THURSDAY

Blessed Day, you brought to us That Gift of Love Divine, His Flesh and Blood To be our strength— Great Day of Love!

GOOD FRIDAY

Grief—you saw the depths of it, You saw the Savior die Give all in darkest agony, To make us live anew. Dear Day of Pain!

HOLY SATURDAY

'Tis finished!" The grief and sorrow o'er, The tomb now brings repose And calm and still, awaiting morn The Master lies. Sweet Day of Rest!

HER VERSION OF IT

Spring! That ideal season, spring, is here, the time of year that is most lovely. Poems and songs have been written about it — the balmy days, the cool, refreshing rains. But every thing has a drawback and to find out what the drawback to spring is, just ask the girls. They will tell you that it just those cool, refreshing rains. A girl's version of a rainy day is summed up something like this:

After a hectic night of sleeping on those terrible curlers you arise to find the day dark and you just know that by the time you are ready to leave for school, it will be raining. You comb out your hair and are

really pleased with yourself. These two curls up on top are just the thing for a face shaped like yours (not for an instant as you look in the mirror do you realize how much larger your face really looks with those curls). You hurry down and eat half a grapefruit and look longingly at the rolls but thank heavens! you do have will power. Ten minutes to go on! You'll have to rush! As mother calls and tells you to be sure and wear a hat for its going to rain this morning, you grab the hired man's red handkerchief and tie it around your head praying that he won't be looking for it this morning. Half a block and the drops begin to fall! Soon you feel something hitting you in the eye. Upon investigating you find that it is nothing more than those two curls of which you were so proud. Oh Dear! you would just have to step in that mud puddle and your beautiful socks are no longer beautiful.

We warn you—don't ask any of the girls if they like spring if its on a rainy day that you decide to inquire.

Yes, that's the date, Apr. 19.

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BANQUET - PROM HONORS SENIORS

Juniors Preside at Climax of Year's Social Events

In a galaxy of color and atmosphere of festivity the Junior-Senior banquet and prom was held on May 17, at 6:30 p. m. The guests were invited to assemble in the freshman class home room, where they were received by their hosts—the members of the junior class.

From there the seniors were led to the parish hall where they were greeted by an impressive sight. The room was softly illuminated by tall white tapers, on the perfectly arranged tables. Two streamers of coral and silver, the senior class colors, were tied to each taper, and arose gracefully to meet other ceiling decorations of streamers and soft lights.

After the 60 guests had been seated, Rev. Fr. Athanase Steck, pastor, led the group in prayer. Beverly Rich, toastmistress, then took charge of the banquet program, which consisted of the following numbers: "Welcome to Seniors," by Beverly Rich; response, by Dean Lusinski, senior class president; vocal selection, "Voices of the Woods," by five members of the girls' glee club, including Betty Mae Kemnitz, Harriet Craig, Helen Henggeler, Marian Briggs and Beverly Rich; "The Senior Class Will," by Delzell Stuefer; "Tribute to Faculty," by Frances Holys; "Senior Class Prophecy," by Marcelle McEnerney; a saxophone solo, "Souvenir," by Harriet Craig; an address by Father Athanase; "Toast to the Juniors' Mothers," led by Bill Gerhold, Terrence Lachnit, Sal Fletcher and Bob Dietz, and the concluding prayer by Father Athanase.

Immediately following the dinner, the guests and their hosts left the banquet hall for the school auditorium, where the prom was held. The grand march was led by Dean Lusinski, president of the senior class, his partner, and following were the other senior class officers.

The auditorium had been transformed into an entrancing "Old English Garden," canopied in the senior class colors of coral and silver. Climbing roses and carnations entwined a quaint, white picket fence, which entirely surrounded the beautifully gowned ladies and their escorts. Placed at the sides and around the fence were comfortable lawn and modernistic garden furniture, and the lighting was provided by colored lanterns and floor lamps. A profusion of fresh spring flowers on the stage, tables and in the windows also carried out the garden motif.

The music for the dancing was furnished by Ed Mueller and his orchestra.

Year's Honor Students Listed

Thirty-five students have been successful in retaining a standing on the Permanent Roll of Honor throughout the year, having maintained a grade of "A" or better in conduct and application.

The students who merited honors every time are the following:

Seniors—Mary Slawinski, Lillian Johnson, Mary Merz, Lorraine Bernt, Angela Bakey, Angela Moersen, Adeline Cockson, Adeline Smolen, Frances Holys.

Juniors—Clifford Mielak, William Gerhold, Beverly Rich, Stephanica Slusarski, Betty Mae Kemnitz, Florence Belford, Helen Henggeler, Eileen Smyth, Mary Noonan, Loretta Jaax.

Sophomores—Virginia Kryzcki, Evelyn Schroeder, Ellen McNair, Marjorie Belford, Rose Gonka, Barbara Mimick, Ritajeane Cady, Margaret Morgan, Maxine Kamm, Virginia Kluck, Dolores Pokorski, Maryn Foley, Irene Reifenrath, Bob Frischholz.

Freshmen—Vera Belford, Irene Thiele.

SCHOOL HONORS FATHER ATHANASE

With song and dance, play and pantomime, students of St. Bonaventure grade school, gathered in the school auditorium on May 2nd, his NAMEDAY, entertained their beloved pastor, Rev. Father Athanase. There was not a dull moment in the delightful presentation of the varied program, from the first greetings lisped by the minims, through the spirited dialogues, rhythmic dance, gay songs, and well-delivered readings of the intermediates and high school students, down to the finale by the High School Orchestra.

It was a happy occasion for both Father Athanase and the students—especially the latter, when the rest of the day was declared free.

Meets Approval of Student Critics

"MISS SOMEBODY ELSE"

"Didn't Angela B. make a splendid Irish colleen and how cleverly she trapped Leander just as he was about to make his get-a-way with Marcella's diamond necklace, after tricking Angella M. into an elopement. 'Young fool!' he called her."

"The G-men have nothing on her, getting back her dad's stolen bonds."

"Jack was a fine co-conspirator alright, including Mary P. to lead the rest of the Four Hundred to Tuxedorbrook for the Charity Ball and helping Angela capture Leander. My, but weren't they the dressed-up ladies—Adeline, Rita Anne, and Rosemary! Leo and Bob acted as if

Very Rev. Bernard C. Connelly to Give Commencement Address May 30

FINAL SCHOLASTIC HONORS AWARDED

Honor awards on Commencement night will include the "President's Scholarship" by Creighton university to Dean Lusinski, Senior class president, twice District winner of the Young Citizens' contest, and Student Manager of the Shamrocks this year.

Adeline Cockson will receive a four years' scholarship of \$600 from Duchesne College, Omaha. Miss Cockson has maintained not only a high scholastic standing but has been active in all school activities especially Sodalist work. She is also the possessor of the Gregg 120-word Transcription pin and the Competent Typist Pin.

The name of the recipient of the \$25 award by Catholic Daughters of America will be announced at the exercises on Commencement night. This is to be awarded to the senior student who has attended St. Bonaventure High for the full four years, has the highest scholastic average for the four years, and has merited the highest standing in citizenship. The latter includes service to school, leadership, character, and conduct. The award will be presented by the Grand Regent of the C. D. A. This is the first time this award has been made, but it will be an annual event in the future.

In addition to these awards, sixty Commercial Department certificates and pins will be given to members of the Shorthand and Typewriting classes.

These will include the 120-word Shorthand pin to Angela Moersen and Adeline Cockson, and the 140-word pin to Rita Anne Burns. These awards are evidence of unusual proficiency in Shorthand Transcription.

Twenty-Two Graduates Receive Diplomas at Exercises

The Very Reverend Bernard C. Connelly, pastor of Holy Name Church, Omaha, Nebraska, will deliver the address at the Commencement exercises, held in St. Bonaventure Auditorium on May 30, at 8 P. M. Rev. Father Athanase Steck, O. F. M., Superintendent of St. Bonaventure's, will present the diplomas and make the awards.

Twenty-two high school graduates—seven boys and fifteen girls—in gray caps and gowns, and thirty-eight eighth grade graduates will enter from the rear of the auditorium while St. Bonaventure's Orchestra, under the direction of Prof. A. N. Barnes, will play the processional, "Romola"—E. Hazel.

The program, in addition to Rev. Father Connelly's address, will include a song, "The Water Lily," Karl Linders, by Eighth Grade Graduates; "Forget-Me-Not," Theo. Giese, and "Perfect Day," Jacobs-Bond, by the class of '38.

The orchestra will also play "Little Corporal Overture," Laurendreau; and "Our Boys and Girls," Emil Ascher.

Baccalaureate services preceding commencement will be held on Sunday, May 29, in St. Bonaventure Church at the 7:30 Holy Mass. Rev. Father Arthur Piontkowski, O. F. M., will deliver the Baccalaureate address.

SCIENCE CLASS MAKES VALUABLE FIELD TRIP

Usually a trip to the hospital isn't such an agreeable venture, but St. Bonaventure biologists found it not only a pleasant but a most profitable one as well. Sister M. Alcantara, x-ray technician and Miss Dorothy Clements, laboratory technician at St. Mary's hospital were their guides through the mysteries of x-raying, operating, blood testing, and metabolism. Seeing one's own bones, one's heart beat, and one's red and white corpuscles with the why's and wherefore's explained, was a thrilling experience (too thrilling for one Sophie.) They also visited the "Tool Room," operating, and sterilizing rooms.

No Rain—No School—Big Day—Much Fun!

Pupils and Faculty of St. Bonaventure grade and high school were guests of Rev. Father Athanase at an all-day picnic on Thursday, at Pawnee Park.

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YOUR LIFE.

Where the roads that lead you onward
Into many ways divide
Stands the Saviour ever asking
That you follow at His side!
Other roads may look more pleasant
Other roads seem far more free—
But if His Voice you fail to follow
Your life will ne'er successful be.



When your life seems full of trouble
And your plans all go awry
And the future looks all muddled
And you feel inclined to sigh,
When you toil, and pray, and struggle,
And life seems but a losing game,
Turn to Mary—she's your Mother,
Be true to her, and you she'll claim.

TO OUR TEACHERS.

Just as the painter shades in the last colors of his picture, and the sculptor chips the last piece out of the stone to finish the image, so too have we, the Seniors of '38, finished the last steps in our high school career.

Yes, we are about to leave St. Bonaventure's, together with its teachers, Fathers, and schoolmates; some to take up their most desired profession in life; others, to advance farther into study—to acquire a still finer course in education.

We have reached a goal, but let us not forget that it was not through our efforts alone. Through the extraordinary co-operation, the numerous sacrifices, and untiring efforts of the teachers and Fathers of this outstanding Catholic school, who have tried to make our school days pleasant as well as profitable, have we been able to accomplish much of which we can be proud. Through them we have acquired an education—not only a mental training, but a moral and spiritual one.

We sincerely appreciate all that you have done for us during these short years. Then, may we Seniors extend to you sincerest thanks. We are leaving you with a feeling of regret. And, if ever the path of our life becomes dark and difficult, we know that we shall always be welcome to return for encouragement and enthusiasm to the dearest of all our friends, the forever-giving and faithful teachers and Fathers of St. Bonaventure High.

—Frances Holys, '38.

IMPORTANT ESSENTIALS FOR SUCCESS.

If you would be successful, remember this: You will do nothing, you will accomplish nothing, by yourself. You will not be alone, no matter where you go or what you do. There will always be people. People to please, people to pacify, people to interest, different types, but always fundamentally the same. And if you have the ability to please people you will go a long way on the road to success.

If you have this important asset, do everything you can to improve on it. If you don't have this asset, do everything you can to cultivate it. Lose no opportunity to meet people, and be sure you talk with them, not to them. More opportunities are lost by talking too much, than by talking too little. Listen carefully, be interested and you will look interested, learn to discuss intelligently many matters so that you can keep the conversation interesting to others, and people will call you a brilliant conversationalist.

When you meet people, greet them with a smile and call them by name, for nothing improves the face more than a happy, beaming smile, and nothing pleases the other fellow more than the sound of his own name. We are all human beings, always more interested in ourselves than in anyone else, even if he be the President of the United States, or the King of England.

You know how you like to be praised when you do a difficult task well. Alright then, praise the other fellow when he accomplishes something. Remember, his feelings in such a case run parallel to yours.

Since all business and social life involves and centers around people, I believe one of the most necessary of the essentials for success is the ability to meet people gracefully.

Rosalie Gattermeyer, '37.

FAREWELL

The faculty of St. Bonaventure's extends to the graduating class congratulations and good wish for success—the success that comes not from an effort to please the world and proving false to conscience and the principles which we have tried to inculcate, but the success which results from constant fidelity to duty. Our best wish is "God bless you."

Dear Graduates:

Your goal has been reached. Twelve years of school life have passed. You are now to go out into the world. During twelve years your minds and hearts have been trained and moulded, by self-sacrificing and devoted teachers, to meet the problems of life.

It is our hope and prayer that you will be found equal to the task that lies before you. May you never forget your Alma Mater.

May your life exemplify in action the Christian and Catholic training you have received. Always be a credit to your school and your teachers. We bid you farewell—may you always fare well.

—FATHER ATHANASE.

Dear Seenjurs:

We weel be vurry vurry sad when you beed us adieu. Of a course, you maka da lotta da noise, and you picka on us a lot, but we haf forgiveen you.

Weeth all of a da tall wans and short wans and fat wans, it maka da funny-looking class. And also we weesh you all ada happiness und success in da worl.

The Sophomores

Does Everybody Agree?

We, the Sophomores, think the Seniors could become world-famous by forming a circus, with these in leading roles:

Gigolo—Flavian T.
Trapeze Performer—Adeline C.
Bareback Rider—Doris K.
Fire Eater—Dean L.
Clown—Leo M.
Snake-Charmer—Angela B.
High Diver—Angela M.
Tallest Man in Dorld—Francis S.
Fat Lady—Mary P.
Thin Lady—Frances H.
Rubber Man—Bob O'Connor.
Acrobat—Marcella McE.
Featherweight Boxer—Leander M.
Knock-Em-Out Wrestler—Jack M.
World's Tallest Lady—Lorraine B.
Hawaiian Dancer—Delzell S.
Lion Trainer—Adeline S.
Magician—Mary M.
Comedienne—Mary L.
Fortune Tellers—Rita Anne B.
Rosemary G.
Giraffe Girl—Lillian J.

Sensible we could be if we wanted to,
Energetic for play and hard work;
Nothing escaped our keen interest,
In lessons we never did shirk.
Ordinary—that we'll not be—
Resolute, determined to lead in the
fight,
Secure in the training which will
lead us aright.
Seniors of '38.

An end-of-the-year poll in the Freshmen and Sophomore classes resulted in the following:

Most studious Freshman—Carroll Melliger.
Most Popular—Evelyn Dietz.
Best-natured—Betty Glur.

Class Will

We, the Seniors of 1938, presumably being of sound mind and in the full possession of all our faculties, individually and severally make the following bequests:

I, Bob O'Connor, will the love-lorn looks that I received from the girls to Gerald Kolbush.

I, Angela Moersen, bestow upon Stephanie Slusarski my talent for continually talking about nothing.

I, Angela Bakey, the Senior Vamp, bequeath my ability to any Freshman scamp.

I, Francis Savage, donate the use of my book, "How to Grow" to Fritzie Gerber that he may follow in my footsteps.

I, Doris Kohlund, leave all my labor-saving devices to Harriet Craig.

I, Marcella McEnerney, give to Sister Lina my enthusiasm for chewing gum, so that she may be more in sympathy with the modern stenog.

I, Leander Morgan, bequeath my accomplishment of sleeping anywhere at any time to Beverly Rich.

I, Adeline Cockson, leave to Genevieve Tworek my experience in sneaking out at night.

I, Adeline Smolen, leave my salesmanship to Marian Briggs, that she may sell everything from nails to tractors.

I, Dean Lusinski, leave my air of superiority to Leonard Shemek.

I, Frances Holys, give my lady-like habits to Mary Shemek so she may be the teacher's pet.

I, Rosemary Glur, give almost anything to the entire Freshman class so that it may profit from it as much as the donor.

I, Jack Mathieu, will my permanent to Charlie Wilczynski; long may it wave.

I, Delzell Steufer, leave to the Sophomore class one dime as a fund to help finance their banquet next year.

I, Rita Anne Burns, will my ability to talk rapidly to Florence Bedford who aspires to be an auctioneer.

I, Flavian Tworek, leave the speed and comfort of my Ford to Betty Mae Kemnitz.

I, Mary Ann Luis, leave my proficiency in chemistry to Lester Morgan.

I, Mary Merz, bequeath my giggle with which to disrupt play practice, to Mary Ann Noonan.

I, Leo Malloy, leave my reporting ability to Robert Dietz for future basketball games.

I, Lorraine Bernt will my agility in covering up typing errors to Helen Hengler. May she get by as I did.

I, Lillian Johnson, leave my sweet and artless ways to Barbara Podgurski, but—may she still crack jokes for Father Athanase.

I, Mary Placzek, leave my desk in the Senior room to Eileen Smyth.

We, the Senior Class of '38, leave to all coming Senior Classes, our dignity and knowledge. May they rule as well as we have.

Annual Sneak Day Plans Complete

Knowing looks, lifted eyebrows, much whispering, many consultations, giggles—juniors look askance at usually dignified seniors and wonder, and then—Oh, we know! Sneak Day! When? Where? How? We're just not telling. Take us along? Well, of all things! You'll just have to wait until next year. Yes, guess we'll have to.

❖ Here They Are ❖

MARY MERZ
 "Her friendly smile comes first of all
 In keeping friends within her call."
 German Club 1, 2; Dramatics 3, 4; Venture Staff 3, 4; Sodality Prefect 4; Class Play 4.

JACK MATHIEU
 "He dreams in an aeronautic way,
 He'll be flying high some day."
 Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Venture Staff 3; Basketball 3, 4; Civics Club 3; Holy Name Pres. 4; Class Play 4.

ANGELA MOERSEN
 "Full of pep and full of fun,
 She's a true friend to everyone."
 Class Secretary 2; Latin Club 1, 2; Orchestra 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Venture Staff 3, 4; Dramatic Club 3, 4; Cheer Leader 4; Secretary Sodality 2.

LEO MALLOY
 "A friendly, smiling Irish lad,
 Whose face betokens he's never sad."
 Glee Club 1, 2; Acolyte 1, 2, 3, 4; Civics Club 4; Holy Name Secretary 4; Venture Staff 4; Basketball 3; Latin Club 1, 2; German Club 3; Class Play 4.

MARCELLA McENERNEY
 "Always happy, always gay,
 And we like her just that way."
 Sodality Treasurer 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Dramatics Club 3, 4; Class Play 4; Latin Club 1, 2.

LEANDER MORGAN
 "Dislikes publicity and is rather quiet,
 But in basketball he's quite a riot."
 Holy Name Treasurer 4; Venture Staff 3; Civics Club 4; Class Play 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Acolytes 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3.

MARY LUIS
 "The quality of friendliness
 Will bring this girl much happiness."
 Orchestra 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 3, 4.

BOB O'CONNOR
 "A quiet sort of fellow is he,
 And just as nice as he can be."
 St. Joseph's, Neola, Iowa, 1, 2, 3; Latin Club, 1, 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Acolytes 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Pres. 2, 3; Editor 3; Class Vice Pres. 1.

ADELINE SMOLEN
 "Silence is golden, so Adeline thinks,
 For she is as quiet as a sphinx."
 Monroe High 1, 2; Central High 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Dramatics 1; Citizenship Club 2; Pep Club 1, 2; Sodality 4.

FLAVIAN TWOREK
 "Like all great men one thing he does best;
 That is to go to study hall and rest."
 Holy Name 2, 3, 4; Civics Club 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

MARY PLACZEK
 "Kindness and goodness combined,
 With a quiet, steadfast mind."
 Dramatics 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Latin Club 1, 2; Class Play 4; Sodality 3, 4.

DELZELL STUEFER
 "By drawing she'll govern the ways of fate,
 And her artistic talent will make her great."
 Glee Club 2, 3; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Venture Staff 3, 4.

DEAN LUSIENSKI
 "Plenty of gray matter and of brawn—
 Sure of success if these does not pawn."
 Venture Staff 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Acolytes 1, 2, 3, 4; Holy Name 2; Civics Club 4; Basketball 3, 4; Class Play 4; Latin Club 1, 2; German Club 3; Debating Team 3; Class President 2, 4.

LILLIAN JOHNSON
 "Sweet, likable, fair, a friend,
 Were we to go on, there'd be no end."
 Latin Club 1, 2; German Club 3; Dramatics 3, 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Play 4.

FRANCES HOLYS
 "Not quiet, nor loud, nor short, nor too tall,
 But a pleasant mingling of them all."
 Sacred Heart High, Greeley, 1, 2, 3; Latin Club 1, 2, 3; Mission Crusade Pres. 3; Staff 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Orchestra 1, 2, 3; Debating Team 1, 3; Sodality 4.

FRANCIS SAVAGE, JR.
 "Likes to argue and question all things,
 For to remain silent no knowledge brings."
 Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Acolytes 1, 2, 3, 4; Holy Name Vice Pres 4; Basketball 3, 4; Class Play 4; Latin Club 1, 2.

RITA ANNE BURNS
 "Her smile is happy and gay,
 Her wit will chase your cares away."
 St. Joseph's, Platte Center, 1, 2; Venture Staff 3, 4; Dramatics 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club 1, 2; German Club 3; Class Play 4.

ADELINE COCKSON
 "By her sweet, gentle disposition
 She'll readily fill any position."
 Dramatics 2, 3, 4; German Club 1, 2; Venture Staff 3, 4; Class Play 4; Glee Club 2, 3; Sodality 4.

ANGELA BAKEY
 "This girl, happy, friendly, gay,
 Into our hearts has made her way."
 Venture Staff 4; Sodality 4; Glee Club 3; Class Play 4; Latin Club 1, 2; Dramatics 3, 4; German Club 3.

DORIS KOHLUND
 "A lot of fun, personality plus,
 She's liked by every one of us."
 Venture Staff 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4; German Club 1, 2; Cheer Leader 4; Glee Club 3; Sodality 4.

LORRAINE BERNT
 "Tall, reserved, and shy,
 On these words to describe her, we rely."
 Dramatics 3, 4; German Club 1, 2; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

ROSEMARY GLUR
 "She travel's life's highways at a slow gait,
 The highways she chooses are narrow but straight."
 Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; German Club 1, 2; Class Play 4; Sodality 1, 2, 3, 4.

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Tree Unit On Display

The class is now proudly displaying its Tre Unit. Many have completed tree bokks, filled with information and pictures. Different specimens of wood and forest by-products make interesting displays. Conservation is another topic which has held the interest of the class.—Emelia Donnelly in The "Broadcaster."

Song Dedications

Hi Ho—Roberta Carter.
You're an Education—Emelia Donnelly.
I Can Dream, Can't I—John Patch.
Sunshine of Your Smile—Gloria Gerber.
Home on the Range—Myron Novicki.
Between the Book Ends—Robert Walsh.
Tippy Tippy Tim—Tony Zabawa.
Whistle While You Work—Eighth Grade—Leone Smyth in the "Bulletin."

Urges Study of Missal

Ven. Sister Laurentina urges her pupils to study the Mass. The Holy Father calls for Catholic Action, and that's exactly what we are doing—this is our part of Catholic Action.—Anna Duracinski in the "Shamrock."

Eighth Graders to Graduate

The students of the Eighth Grade at St. Bonaventure's will graduate the latter part of May. It is expected to be a big occasion. There are thirty-eight in the class.—Myron Novicki in "Star Reporter."

Rosalie

Snow White and her Seven Dwarfs went to see Rosalie, who was living at the home of her sister, Blue Beard's Eighth Wife, in old Chicago. Rosalie was Born to Dance and was Mad About Music. She was a true Girl of the Golden West and loved to ride through that dangerous valley, the Forbidden Valley. She tells interesting stories of the Rangers' Round-up and Storm in a Teacup. She starred in the Big Broadcast of 1938, and the Goldwyn Follies.—Roberta Carter in "KnowItAll."

Congratulations to the Eighth Graders on their fine work in journalism.—Editor.

**HOLY NAME PARTY
GAY SOCIAL AFFAIR**

It was the Holy Name Boys' turn to give the party—and give it they did—and the night of May 6 will long remain a pleasant memory for the Sodality Girls who were their guests.

There were decorations in the school colors of green and white, clever skits by Lester Morgan and Fritz Gerber; Ted Wozny and Bennie Nosal; another by Marvin Jahn, Leonard Shemek, and Fritz Gerber; also a song number by a group of the boys. A delicious luncheon made its welcome appearance—and a fast disappearance—and then there was still time for dancing, which everyone, including Freshman boys (?) thoroughly enjoyed.

Most Popular Sophomore—Joe O'Connor.
Most Studious—Bennie Nosal.
Best Natured—Bill Putnam.

**"VICTORIOUS KING"
THRILLS AUDIENCE**

"The finest piece of musical work ever staged at St. Bonaventure's" was the criticism passed on our Easter Cantata, "Victorious King." Nearly a hundred students, under the direction of Sister M. Theresa, took part.

Students were enthusiastic and happy about it. "Long will the echoes of the strains of the beautiful songs ring in our ears." "It's going to be many a day before the memory of the intensely dramatic tableaux fade from our minds." "Victorious King" will remain one of the happiest memories of our high school days."

**S. B. H. Students Enter
C. D. A. Essay Contest**

Those who submitted essays in the contest sponsored by the Catholic Daughters of America are eagerly awaiting announcement of names of the winners of the prizes—\$25, first and \$15, second.

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