

# Joseph Van Ackeren Organizes First St. Bonaventure Band

Forty-Nine Musicians  
Comprise 12 Sections

"A credit to St. Bonnies is Joe Van Ackeren's band." These words of a school song aptly describe the S. B. H. Band, according to the remarks of many.

Forty-nine students of St. Bonaventure High and Grade School now form the newly organized S. B. H. Band, which is conducted by Mr. J. Van Ackeren.

The band is composed of twelve different sections. At present, it includes clarinets, coronets, trombones, baritones, flutes, E-flat horns, saxophones, sousaphone, field drums, bass drums, and cymbals. Ten girls are competing for majorette positions.

Members of the band are: Clarinets—Lorraine Herinck, Joan Gregorius, Sheila McGowan, Joan Syslo, Mary Lee Ebner, Mary Ann Micek, Allen Pensick, Sharon Messersmith, Dorothy Gladfelder, Phyllis Higgins, Arlene Pickhinke, Sally Ragatz, Betty Dineen, Mary Ann Feik, Yvonne Mitera, Nickolas Wheeler; Coronets—Betty Gregorius, Barbara Mitera, Rosemary Siemek, Martin Dunn, Leon Wemhoff, Leo Thiele, John Stevens, David Miller; Saxes—Helen Gahan, Billie Jean Coles, Evelyn



—Courtesy of R. Dodendorf

Joe Van Ackeren's band playing for the first time at the St. Bon's vs. Boys Town Reserve game at Pawnee Park, Columbus.

Pensick; Tenor Sax—Merlyn Keefer; Sousaphone—Tony Augustine; Field Drums—Barbara Markhofer, Donna Jarecki, Richard Lux; Bass Drum—Bernadette Holys; Cymbals—Margaret Hembd; Trombones—Bill Messing, Mary Ann Shuele, Paul Seimek, Bob Messersmith, Carol Wemhoff; Baritones—Mary Jo Tucek, Mary Alice Moersen; Flutes—Nancy Boettcher, Ruth Rambour, Lorraine Pickhinke, Mary Catherine Bothe; E-flat Horns—Mary Ann Podraza, DeLores Rupprecht, Lois German, Helen Ternes; Majorettes—Shirley Jiraneck, Joan Gregorius, Jo Ann Matya, Betty Gregorius, Sharon Bowe, Betty Dineen, Joyce Melcher, Sheila McGowan, Sylvia Nosal, and Elizabeth Kaminski.

Regular band uniforms will not be purchased this year, but the player will wear white pants and shirts, with green school sweaters as temporary uniforms.

Mary Ann Schuele, Tony Augustine, and Helen Ternes were elected officers of the band.

The band made its initial appearance at the bazaar and has played during the last two home games. A twenty-six piece pep band entertained at the pep rallies preceding the games.

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### S. B. H. School Enrollment Breaks Last Year's Record

Largest Freshmen Class  
Boosts Attendance to 207

The enrollment at St. Bonaventure High School for 1950-51 school year broke last year's record and hit an all time high of 207 students. The girls dominate the boys this year. The grades claim a total enrollment of 317 making a grand total of 524 for both schools.

Sixty-two freshmen comprise the largest class, while the juniors have 56, the sophomores 49, and the seniors, 40.

The new students of St. Bonaventure High are the following: seniors—Norma Jean Funk and Mary Ann Neurohr; juniors—Robert Feiling and Dennis Nosal; sophomores—Jim Jaworski, Martha Czuba, Martha Laska and Virginia Micek; freshmen—Dorothy Jarecki, Joan Cielocha, Kenneth Cielocha, Rosalie Burzynski, Francis Buzynski, Renee Alexander, Alfred Koziol, Armella Luethkenhaus, Mary Micek, Joseph Mostek, Eugene Nosal, Marilyn Baroviak, Stacia Bolin, Jerry Thalken, Rose Paprocki, Clarence Pensick, Donna Pensick, Paul Ryba, Patricia Wozny, Janet Placzek, Mary Ann Placzek, Patricia Vruble, Jim Stachura, and Dominic Zarek.

The faculty has gained three new members—Sister Bede, Cletus Fischer, and Joseph Van Ackeren.

The classes, their home rooms and sponsors are as follows: Seniors, room 6, Sister Gabriel; juniors, room 3, Sister Laurentine; sophomores, room 5, Sister Aureliana; freshmen I, room 4, Sister Colette; freshmen II, room 2, Sister Verona.

Other faculty members are: Father Roch, Father Martin, Father Timothy—Religion instructors; Sister Honoriana, Commerce; Sister Gerard, librarian; and Mrs. Faith Hurford, school nurse.

### Two School Dances Open Social Affairs

The Welcome-Back-to-School-Dance and the Autumn Dance were the two dances held the first six weeks of the 1950-51 scholastic year. These dances were sponsored by the Student Council and the Junior Class, respectively.

Ted Niedbalski, representing the Student Council, extended a tribute to the faculty and to the different classes.

The juniors, raising money for the Youth Center, held the Autumn dance, October 16.

### Band Director



J. J. VAN ACKEREN

### Teaching Staff Adds Musician

Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren has accepted the position of instructor of music at St. Bonaventure High school. He has organized a school band and is in charge of the Choir and Glee Clubs.

Mr. Van Ackeren is a native of Humphrey, Nebraska, where he attended St. Francis school. Majoring in violin, he studied at the University of Nebraska and the Minneapolis School of Music. While in Minneapolis, he took a course in Church Music under Rev. Francis Missia and John Beck.

He received his B.M.E. Degree at the University of Colorado where he served as assistant violin instructor. He has a short period of study left to complete his Master's Degree.

During the war Mr. Van Ackeren served in the army and played the trombone in the United States Army Band.

As a member of the Lincoln Nebraska Symphony Orchestra, he did considerable amount of radio work. More recently he played the violin in "Your American Program," over NBC, sponsored by the Union Pacific.

When asked about future plans, Mr. Van Ackeren said, "I hope to build a 75-piece high school band and a second band composed of grammar school students."

### Attention!

Come One, Come All, to the Hobo Ball!  
Prizes for the most original costumes!  
Free lunch! Games! Dancing!  
October 25  
YOUTH CENTER

### M. Hayes Becomes Youth Club President

Margaret Hayes was unanimously elected president of the Youth Center at the September meeting of the club.

Other officers elected were Mary Gerhold, social chairman; Shirley Sokol, secretary; and Joe Dineen, treasurer. Besides supervising the club, these officers will plan various social activities, such as a Halloween party, Christmas dance, and other activities.

The Center is designed especially for the Catholic youth people. Membership in the Youth Center is restricted to Catholic youth graduated from the eighth grade.

Included in the club room are such recreational features as ping pong, shuffle-board, pin ball machines and various other table games. There are facilities for card games, and a juke box provides music for dancing and listening pleasure. The club also includes a lunch counter.

The Center is opened every Tuesday and every Friday night and after the home games.

### Men Give Smoker Honoring P. Ernst

The men of St. Bonaventure Parish, under the sponsorship of Father Roch, gave a smoker in honor of retiring Coach Paul Ernst, September 11, in the Youth Center.

Those participating in this event were members of the present football team, alumni, Coach Cletus Fischer, Jim Thomson, and Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren. Bill Brock was Master of Ceremonies.

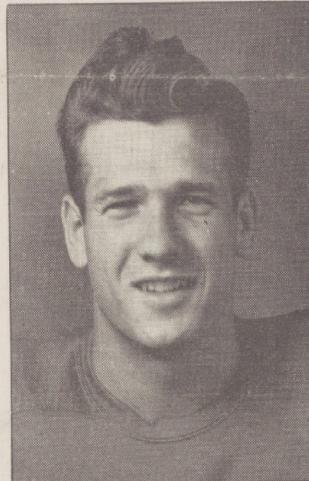
Father Timothy introduced Fischer, the new coach, who spoke about the team and grade school athletics. Fischer then introduced Jim Thomson, the line coach.

Van Ackeren told of his plans for the band and other musical organizations and then played two violin selections. Ernst told of past experiences at St. Bon's and concluded by saying, "If I had a chance I'd do it all over again."

Irene Wilczynski sang several selections while Isabelle Micek accompanied her at the piano.

### Our Lady's Sodality Observes Customary Installation Rites

#### Athletic Coach



CLETUS FISCHER

### C. Fischer Heads Athletic Program

"The boys are working hard and they learn fast," said Cletus Fischer, new athletic coach at St. Bonaventure, when he was interviewed.

Mr. Fischer, who is also mechanical drawing instructor, is the school's first full-time teacher-coach.

Fischer is a former sport's star of St. Edward High school, where he was acclaimed Nebraska's outstanding six-man player. He lettered as a halfback for the University of Nebraska. After graduation from the University he enjoyed a successful season with the New York Giants professional team.

"The prospect of a fairly good football team looks promising this year and we should win our share," remarked Coach Fischer.

He expressed pleasure because of the cooperation of all the high school students, and also of the grade school youngsters who are getting athletics for the first time.

Jim Thomson is assisting Coach Fischer as line coach. Mr. Fischer succeeds Paul Ernst, who served as first athletic coach during the last fourteen years.

### Helen Ternes Receives Powers of Prefect Office

Officers of Our Lady's Sodality received the powers of their offices at the Installation Ceremony held before a shrine of Our Lady in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on September 21, in the church.

New officers installed at this time were as follows. Helen Ternes, prefect; Mary Jo Tucek, vice prefect; Arlene Pickhinke, secretary; and Donna Rae Wheeler, treasurer.

All Sodalists, after entering the church in procession, sang the hymn, "Come Holy Ghost." Father Roch, director, gave a brief talk on the duties of the office and urged the Sodality to have great devotion to Our Lady in these "trying times."

The newly elected officers then answered, in unison, the promises to serve faithfully their respective offices. Father Roch administered the promises.

The retiring officers—Louise Ernst, Donna Rae Wheeler, Mary Jo Tucek, and Romayne Cerny, in the absence of Ina Claire Frischholz—presented the symbols of their offices to the new leaders. Following this, the newly installed officers knelt and took the solemn pledge of the Sodality. All Sodality members joined in singing, "On This Day O Beautiful Mother." Benediction with the most Blessed Sacrament followed.

After the Church services, the first Sodality meeting was held. Perpetual Adoration by the Sodality on First Saturdays was discussed and a magazine selling campaign was announced.

### S. B. H. Institutes Student Council

The Student Council officers and representatives were chosen by the student body on September 12.

The officers are as follows: Paul Melcher, president; Dennis Baumert, vice-president; and Helen Ternes, secretary.

The Student Council consists of the officers with two representatives from each home room. The representatives are: Seniors—Alfred Micek, Mary Ann Tworek; juniors—Mary Ellen Marsolek, Mary Alice Moersen; sophomores—Mary Ann Schuele, Larry Sanders; freshmen—Kenneth Cielocha, Patricia Vruble, and Dorothy Gladfelder. Sister Gabriel is sponsor.

## Shamrock Shenanigans

The freshies think that their green is wearing off, but we know different, for actions speak louder than words.

Speaking of actions, has Larry Sanders' ears been growing, or is there another explanation for his new name?

**HEROES OF THE MONTH.** Our football team for their string of victories. Let's hope they keep it up!

Several of the senior boys' class rings have disappeared lately. (The dime stores must be selling a lot of tape!)

Congratulations to the band for their splendid performance at the home games and pep rallies. Mr. Van Ackeren is doing a wonderful job.

What cute freshman boy has been bragging about the number of dances he had at the last school dance? (How did you do it, Mick?)

**ATTENTION ALL HOBOS:** Let's hop a freight and attend the Hobo Ball at the Youth Center, October 25, and show Father Roch that we are backing him. And by "All", we mean boys, too.

Is Alfred Micek trying to start a new fad by coming to school with one green sock and one pink sock? It was especially noticeable because they were the new "glowing" kind.

Congrats to the Pep Club's Publicity Committee for the clever posters they displayed throughout the school preceding the St. Joe and Newman Grove games.

Several members of the football team were privileged to have the French pronunciation applied to their names at the St. Mary's game. Some of the spectators wondered if they were at the right game when they heard the football lineup.

Well that's all for now, and so with a cheery "So long", we take our bow.

## Madonna of the Rosary



—Courtesy of Avenue Studio

### Let's Make It A MUST!

"Now is the time for all good students to say the ROSARY" click the St. Bon's typewriters. This isn't just a speed sentence but it's a real message—a MUST for all mankind, from Our Lady Herself. Haven't we heard it? Oh, yes, and it seems just like yesterday that our Blessed Lady pleaded and warned us in her latest message, "Wake up America! NOW . . . before it is too late! Pray, pray the Rosary daily."

Soon the month of October, which is dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary, will be over, and with it will our rosaries, those that we said so faithfully, be over too? It was easy during October to say the rosary because we were reminded at home, at school, in church, of the homage which we should pay to the Queen of the Rosary by recitation of the prayer—the rosary—so dear to Her heart. But now, from now on, what are our plans for the future! Are we going to be like the majority of the people, who at the beginning had good intentions, when they thronged to the places of our Lady's apparitions at Necedah, Fatima, Lipa, Lourdes and LaSalette, and then after the glamor and novelty wore off, they soon forgot about the request—the rosary—which she begged for so ardently! Are we going to lag behind until next October, like the crowd until they hear of another apparition?

Have you noticed the strange picture on the high school bulletin board—the one where a lady has her face in her hands and is weeping? Well, it's entitled, "She Who Weeps." Oh, yes, you've guessed it. Sure, it's Our Lady crying because more people, teen-agers especially, don't say the Rosary. That's the way she appeared to the little French Children—Melaine and Maximin—at LaSalette, where she pleaded with them to spread the message of the Rosary. Now, take another look at the picture—notice that around Her neck and shoulders are three garlands of roses, which symbolize the Joyful, the Sorrowful and the Glorious mysteries. That's what She wants us to think about each time we say the Rosary. As we keep on gazing at the touching picture, another question wells up in our mind—"Does she weep because She missed my gift, my daily Rosary?" The Rosary which will help to save not only America, but the world!

Although today, we are living in a time of unrest and insecurity, we are still blessed, and why? Because God, on account of Our Lady giving Him so many gifts of mankind's rosaries, is still being appeased for the tremendous weight of sins, which are crying to Him for vengeance. Since countless sins are committed daily there is only one thing for St. Bon's students to do to counteract it—heap the Blessed Mother with Rosaries!

Communism is terrifically strong! St. Bon's students can be stronger if they unite one hundred percent in a chain of endless Rosaries. Let's not wait until next October.

Let's make it a daily MUST—the DAILY ROSARY!

P. T.

### Are You A Loyal St. Bon's Booster?

Are you a loyal St. Bon's Booster? Do you realize what these words mean?

A loyal St. Bon's Booster has certain duties he must do and live up to! He should attend all home games. This is a MUST for every high school student! Everyone should show up at the home games and the members of the cheering section should all sit together. Why be different and sit by yourself?

Are you courteous to the visiting players and their cheering section? Do you make wise cracks about the losing or winning team? If you would say something nice about the losing or winning team such as, "You played a good game," or "See you next year," you will find this makes you feel much better than if you would say something rude! The other team will have more respect for you and your good sportsmanship. Win or lose you can still make a name for yourself and your school!

Your good sportsmanship will bring up the standards of your school and of your team. Outside of school act gentlemen-like and lady-like so the school can be proud to claim you. Outsiders don't consider you as an individual but as a school.

Let's show our team and school what we think of them by all showing up for the next game, and remembering our manners.

Remember, it isn't if you won or lost, it's HOW you played the game!

M. H.

## Six Thousand Hear Bishop's Message

The Most Rev. Gerald T. Bergan of Omaha, addressed an assembly of approximately 6,000 persons at the Holy Hour for World Peace, which was held September 17, at Frankfort Square, Columbus. This undertaking was under the sponsorship of the Lindsay Deanery Council of Holy Name Societies, with Father Clement Kubesh of Clarkston as head chairman.

His Excellency spoke on various subjects, such as Holy Year and temporary power without God.

After the flag raising ceremony, "The Star Spangled Banner" was sung by the entire congregation, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

His honor Mayor Lee L. Nauenberg of Columbus gave the words of welcome and suggested that the Holy Hour be made an annual affair.

The impressive ceremony culminated with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. St. Anthony's Choir sang for the occasion with Father John Francis accompanying on the organ, who also led in the recitation of the rosary. At the close of the Holy Hour, "Holy God, We Praise Thy Name," was sung by the public.

## 'Waving Hand Fever' Taints Senior Class

What's up, with the Senior Class? Didn't you notice how unusually quiet they were? And they seem to be pleased with themselves about something.

There are two seniors talking over there. Let's mosey by them and maybe we can pick up a clue. Did you hear what she said? Something about, "Can't wait till three o'clock." I bet I know that they're going to get out early. Oh, well, it's almost three now, so we might as well stick around and see what happens. Quick! Duck in here, someone's coming. Oh, it's a nun carrying a small little package and she's taking it into Room 6. Gee whiz! Listen to them now!

I can't stand it any longer. Let's peek through the keyhole and find out just what's going on. They're looking at their hands! Oh, I get it! The seniors just received their class rings. They are surely new and different!

So if you see the seniors waving around and waving their hands you know they are showing off their new class rings.

## Inquiring Reporters Report Inquiries

Being traditional, we asked the freshmen what they liked best about high school. Here are their replies:

Shirley Raemakers, Dean Soulliere, Joan Syslo and Donna Marie Pensick — The changing of classes. (That is surely traditional).

Clarence Pensick, Don Zarek, Bob Wemhoff, Shirley Sullivan, and Donald Sullivan—The study periods. (Who doesn't!).

Paul Ryba, Jim Stachura, Thomas Shemek, and Mike Tooley — The many sports. (Always a boy's view of school).

Patty Vruble, Dorothy Gladfelter, and Patricia Wozny—The different activities that high school offers. (Different and many, too).

Sally Ragatz and Davianne Powell—The opportunity to be able to meet more boys and girls. (We like friendly people, too).

Jerry Thalken — You learn so much that you didn't know before.

Bernard Petermann — Lessons are easily done. (Wonder if he will say that in two months?)

Rosie Paprocki, Dorothy Jarecki, Stacia Bolin — Running up and down the steps. (Oh, to be a young and energetic freshman again.)

Delores Rupprecht—Band period every day.

Kenneth Roddy — Changing of classes, but not changing from study period to a subject class. (The sentiments of 206 other students exactly.)

Mary Micek and Jane Luetkenhaus—The kids and fun at St. Bon's. (We think so, too).

Rosalie Burzynski—Physical Education.

Lillian Miller and Joyce Bures—The periods and school don't seem so long.

Mary Ann Feik—The 3:30 bell. (What about the 8:30 bell?)

Jeanette Fyfe—The wonderful help of the teachers.

Joseph Mostek—Being able to learn more about God. (A very fine reply.)

Joan DeLarme—You see each teacher and that doesn't make the classes so tiresome.

Donna Jarecki—You see more people than just freshmen. (Seniors???)

Rose Blahak—The change of atmosphere in every room.

Sheila McGowan—The glamor of high school. (And she's only a freshie!)

And so ends the story of the green freshies.

## Seniors Receive Class Rings



Upperclassmen display symbols of power.

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## Paper Staff Observes National Press Week

In connection with the observance of National Newspaper Week, Ray Gattermeyer, former editor-in-chief of "The Venture" and now a member of The Daily Telegram staff addressed the St. Bonaventure general assembly on October 5.

Speaking on various phases of journalism, Gattermeyer enlarged on the work of the local press. He gave advice to future journalists and urged them to participate in the betterment of their own high school newspaper.

Following the address by the guest speaker, Shirley Raemakers, freshman, received first prize in the "This Is Your American Press Contest," sponsored by the Venture Staff. Janet Placzek received second prize.

Selected members of The Venture Staff presented an original, humorous, one act playlet entitled, "That One Headline." Members of the cast were Mary Alice Moersue, Pat Tooley, Helen Ternes, Clifford Speicher, Paul Melcher, Mary Gerhold, and Margaret Hayes.

A movie explaining journalism as a vocation was shown by Father Martin Wolter.

Sister Honoriana, sponsor of The Venture, and Mary Gerhold, editor, were in charge of the assembly.



# Persuasive Green and White Humble Undefeated Bluejays

## Sophomore Keith Speicher Cinches Irish Victory

St. Bonaventure Shamrocks stopped previously-unbeaten Newman Grove October 13 by a 21-13 margin. The largest crowd of the season to-date, saw the Shamrocks explode with three last half touchdowns for the decision.

St. Bonaventure trailing 13-0 at the half, came back to hold the Bluejays from scoring, and scored three times themselves. But it wasn't until the last minute that the Irish fans could breathe easy.

With 63 seconds remaining and the score in favor of the Irish 14-13. Sophomore Keith Speicher broke loose and raced 49 yards to pay dirt and his brother Cliff sliced over for the extra point.

The Shamrocks threatened early in the first quarter. St. Bonaventure taking a Jay-punt and rolling up three first downs in a march from their 47 to Newman Groves 18 only to lose the ball on a fumble.

Then the Bluejays took their turn, and completed a 82-yard march to pay dirt. Sparked by Jim

Stanley, the invaders rolled up five consecutive first downs to put the ball on the Shamrocks two where Stanley plunged over for the score. The attempt for extra point failed.

Midway in the second quarter the Bluejays got their second tally. Taking the ball over on their own 31 began the march. A Stanley-Hinman pass put the ball on the Irish 20. Then Stanley tossed to Lloyd Shupe for a first down on the Shamrocks nine. Two plays later Lyle Mousel, 217-pound full-back, smashed over. Stanley ran for the extra point.

St. Bonaventure got its first score late in the third period. Dennis Baumert intercepted a Jay pass and scampered 20 yards around his right side for the score. Paul Melcher cracked over for the extra point.

The second Irish score came from a 87-yard touchdown march. Keith Speicher sparked the attack with a 40 yard scamper and first down on the Jays 20. Paul Melcher and Dick Tooley carried to the nine, and three plays later Paul Melcher smashed over. Cliff Speicher ran for the extra point.

With about 75 seconds remaining in the contest Paul Melcher set the stage for Keith Speicher's cinching touchdown, by intercepting a Stanley pass and running it back to the Shamrocks 18.

Dave Bowe, Dennis Baumert, John Kaminski, and Paul Melcher stood out on the Irish defense.

## Students Choose Class Officers

The election of class officers at St. Bonaventure High School climaxed the beginning of the new school year, when all the classes, except seniors, elected girls for their leaders.

The senior class chose as their leaders the following: Ted Niedbalski, president; Donald Korgor, vice president; Oriethia Wass, secretary; and Polly Speice, treasurer.

For the junior class, Pat Tooley was elected president; Ray Brezinski, vice president; Dick Tooley, secretary; and Frances Fischer, treasurer.

In the sophomore class Arlene Pickhinke will preside as president with David Bowe as vice president; Julene Pfeifer, secretary; and John Robb, treasurer.

The freshmen classes, which consist of two groups, have elected their own respective officers. Group I selected Sally Ragatz, president; Mike Tooley, vice president; Delores Rupprecht, secretary; and Joan Syslo, treasurer. Group II chose Joan Gregorius, president; Joan Cieloha, vice president; Helen Gahan, secretary; and Phyllis Higgins, treasurer.

# Shamrocks vs. Boys Town Reserves



Ronnie Melcher scampers along side lines for an Irish first down.

## Shamrocks Crush B. T. Reserves 25-0

Coach Cletus Fischer's St. Bonaventure Shamrocks rolled in high gear September 29 at Pawnee Park to defeat Boys Town Reserves 25-0.

The teams battled to 6-6 count in the opening quarter but the Irish came back to sew things up with a 19-point burst. The last half was a scoreless battle.

St. Bonaventure started scoring early in the first stanza with Boys Town, fumbling an Irish punt on their own two and Dave Bowe recovering for the Shamrocks. On the next play Cliff Speicher crashed over for the tally.

Boys Town lost no time in trying the score. Bob Villegas received the Irish kickoff on his own 35 and carried to the 39, then Ray Johnson scampered 56 yards before he was brought down on the Shamrocks five. Three plays later Villegas went over from the two for the Omahans' score.

Sparked by the music of the new St. Bonaventure School Band, the Shamrocks took the lead on a spectacular first play of the second quarter. With the ball on the St. Bonaventure 22, Quarterback Dick Tooley pitched a pass to Bowe in the invaders secondary and the small sophomore end outran the defenders to go all the way.

Later in the same quarter John Blahak returned a punt 10 yards to the Irish 45. Paul Melcher and Cliff Speicher carried to the Boys Town 35 for a first down and Blahak contributed another on the 21. Two plays later Tooley passed to Bowe, and after a nifty catch, he went over.

Two plays following the kickoff Boys Town fumbled and it was recovered by St. Bonaventure on the Reserves 35. Then Blahak flipped a screen pass to Speicher on the sidelines and with wonderful blocking, he went all the way. Speicher kicked the extra point to end the scoring for the evening.

Boys Town had a bad break in the second quarter when a 73-yard touchdown run was called back because of clipping.

The Reserves threatened twice in the third stanza. Once when they blocked a punt on the Irish 11, but the Shamrocks held four downs. Again when they made a first in ten on the Irish 16 but four plays later gave up the ball on the 18.

## Schedule

### HOME GAMES

Sept. 14—St. Cecilia's, Hastings.  
Sept. 29—Boys Town Reserves.  
Oct. 13—Newman Grove.  
Nov. 2—Omaha Cathedral.  
Nov. 10—Greeley.

### GAMES AWAY

Sept. 22—Loup City.  
Oct. 6—St. Joseph, Omaha.  
Oct. 20—St. Mary's, G. I.  
Oct. 27—Holy Name, Omaha.

## Gridsters Subdue Loup City Eleven

St. Bonaventure Shamrocks rallied to a 38 to 6 decision at Loup City on September 22.

The Shamrocks took advantage of a fumble on the opening kickoff on their own 45-yard line. Three plays later Johnny Blahak broke loose on a 49-yard scamper to pay dirt. Don Korgor's attempted placement was blocked.

Late in the quarter the Red Raiders took a Shamrock punt on their own 49 and carried it back to the Irish 38. Then big Meryl Diefenderfer, 195-pound back, broke loose to tie the score 6 to 6. The plunge for extra point was stopped.

End Dave Bowe, set up the next Irish T. D. by intercepting a pass on Loup City's 49. Clifford Speicher broke loose on a 51-yard jaunt score. The attempted kick failed.

A few minutes later Speicher again rambled to touchdown land on a 60-yard run. Korgor converted the extra point for a 19 to 6 lead. Shortly before the half Blahak raced to pay dirt on a 58-yard scamper.

In the third quarter the Irish took the ball on their own 35-yard line and began to roll. Passes to Bowe and Speicher plus a 17-yard scamper by Paul Melcher, took the ball to the Red Raiders 12-yard line. Blahak then sliced off end for 6 points, Korgor's kick was good.

In the fourth quarter the Shamrocks recovered a fumble on the opponents 29-yard line. Paul Melcher carried to the 21, and Korgor and Ron Melcher took it to the 12. Paul Melcher took it to the 3 and over on the next play. The kick was low.

# Bonnie Team Scores 3rd Straight Victory

St. Bonaventure was victorious for the third straight time by defeating St. Joseph of Omaha, October 7, at the Creighton Stadium, 32-0.

The Shamrocks won but also lost because in the victory the Irish suffered the loss of Johnny Blahak, star back, who broke his right collar bone and will be out for the season. Before the mishap occurred, Blahak scored once and passed to Larry Sanders for another touchdown.

Early in the first period Lawrence Miller recovered a fumble 37 yards from pay dirt. A few plays later with the ball resting on the 15 yard line, Blahak passed to Sanders for the score.

Late in the first quarter Don Korgor recovered a fumble for the Irish on the St. Joseph 24 yard line, the quarter ended and on the third play of the second period Blahak went untouched for the touchdown.

In the third quarter "Doc" Kaminski pounced on another Omaha fumble just 16 yards from the goal. After one play, Paul Melcher rambled to touchdown land.

Soon after, Dennis Baumert intercepted a pass and picked up 34 yards to St. Josephs 11, before being put down. Three plays later, Ted Mimick scored. Jim Lippstreu threw to Sanders for the extra point making the count 25-0 at the end of the unird period.

With 68 seconds left, Dave Bowe got behind the defense and took a pass from Dick Tooley to score. The play covered 76 yards. Ron Melcher pushed across for the extra point.

Throughout the game St. Joseph threatened twice, both threats coming in the last quarter. Ron Melcher halted one drive by recovering a fumble on the Irish one yard line. Mimick, booting with the wind, got the Irish out of trouble. The second threat came when, Crum, an outstanding back, intercepted a pass and ran 30 yards before being tackled.

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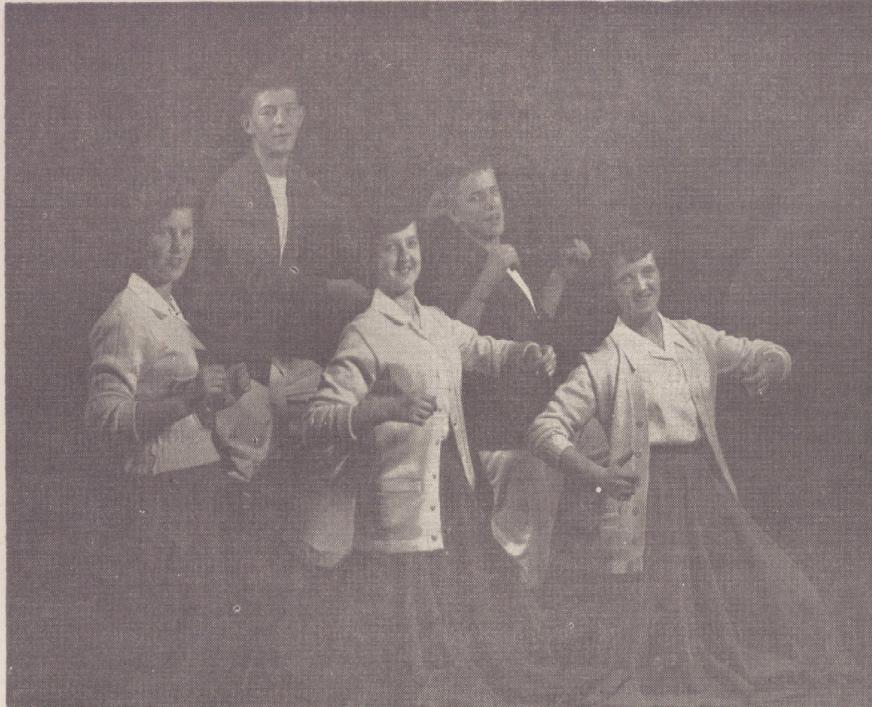
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### St. Bonaventure Cheerleading Squad



Left to right—Front row: Margaret Hayes, Rosalie Billesbach, and Helen Dunn; back row: Augie Warholoski, and Bill Jarvis.

### Students Choose Five New Cheerleaders

#### M. Hayes Retains Three-Year Honor

To the cry of "Yea, Team, Yea," St. Bonaventure High chose the new cheerleaders. From the nineteen peppy tryouts, Margaret Hayes, Augie Warholoski, Bill Jarvis, Helen Dunn, and Rosalie Billesbach, were chosen, amid a high-spirited enthusiasm, during the first week of September in the auditorium.

Others, who deserve credit for tryouts, were Donna Rae Wheeler, Pat Tooley, Ralph Pfeifer, Frances Fischer, Sylvia Nosal, Elaine Romanek, Shirley Sokol, Eleanor

Syslo, Rita Roman, Elizabeth Kaminski, Stacia Bolin, Sheila McGowan, Helen Gahan, and Jeanette Fyfe.

The cheerleaders, along with eighty-one other students comprise the Pep Club, under the direction of Sister Verona. The purpose of the organization is to promote more school spirit and better turnouts at the games.

#### O. Wass Heads Club

The Pep Club selected Orlethia Wass as its president at the first meeting. Others chosen were the following: Mary Ann Staroscik, vice-president; Julene Pfeifer, secretary; and Polly Speice, treasurer.

The organization chose "Bonnettes" as its name and selected uniforms consisting of green slacks, white sweatshirts, with a green "B" on the front, and green and white beanies.

#### Pep Club Has Committees

This year the Club has adopted a constitution and will carry on its activities on a committee plan.

The finance committee has sold concessions at two games. They netted a profit of \$33.00 and \$48.00 at the first and second games, respectively.

The Pep Rally Committee has already sponsored three rallies. At the first one, the new faculty

members—Joseph Van Ackeren and Cletus Fischer—were introduced by Father Timothy, athletic director. Following this, the assembly greeted the new bandmaster and new coach with two appropriate songs—"Joe Van Ackeren's Band" and "F-I-S-C-H-E-R"—composed by Barbara Markhofer, junior. The game captain, Clifford Speicher, spoke briefly, and then Van Ackeren directed the band in several selections. The cheerleaders terminated the assembly by leading a number of rousing yells.

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## Famous Pilgrim Virgin Statue Visits St. Bonaventure Church

Rev. Stringer Relates  
Vital Fatima Message

Over 2,000 people paid respect and veneration to the Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima during the evening devotions at St. Bonaventure Church on November 26.

Catholics from Columbus and surrounding territory heeded the invitation to adopt Mary's Peace Plan as they heard the Rev. D. E. Stringer of the Scarborough Foreign Mission Society, Canada, make eloquent pleas for an all-out acceptance of the message of Fatima.

Centering his speech around the words of Our Lady, "War is sent as a punishment for sin," Father Stringer told how the sins of men not only caused World War I and II, but are responsible for the present war in Korea. "America could have a fate similar to Europe," he continued, "when we stop to think of the apparition of July 13, 1917, to the three children. On that day the Fatima Virgin showed Lucy Jacinta, and Francis a momentary vision of hell, where the souls of poor sinners go. In October she further predicted: 'People must amend their lives, ask pardon for their sins, and not offend Our Lord any more for He is already too much offended.'"

"Man must come to realize that he must turn to God and fight sin. The good people must promote Mary's peace plan, given at Fatima," he concluded. "These she spoke: (1) The need for penance and reparation for sin and the conversion of sinners; (2) The daily and frequent recitation of the Rosary; (3) Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary; and (4) The devotion of the five first Saturdays."

The statue carved in Portugal by Mr. Thedim, sculptor, is a replica of the Virgin Mary, which was blessed at the internationally known shrine of Fatima in Portugal, on October 13, 1949. It is now entering its third year on

## Lakers Addresses Student Assembly

"The last two wars have been fought to preserve freedom and peace of democracy. Our peace, however, has not yet been won," were emphatic words stressed by P. W. Lakers, veteran of World War I, and guest speaker at the Armistice program held November 9, in the school auditorium.

Ted Niedbalski, senior class president, opened the program by giving the assembly call and explaining the purpose of Armistice. Leo Heibeler, veteran of World War II, then introduced Mr. Lakers, who delivered an inspiring talk on his adventures in World War I.

Mr. J. Van Ackeren and Delores Rupprecht played "America" on the violin and piano, respectively. Mary Ann Tworek presented an oration, "A Poppy Speaks of Peace." Father Roch then said, "The Prayer for Peace." William Ernst recited "In Flanders Field."

As the audience paused in deep silence, from the distance came the memorial taps of the bugle, played by Betty Gregorius and Barbara Mitera. After the last strains had died away, Father Roch said "The Prayer for the Dead."

This program took place in the setting of a large American flag which hung in the center of the stage. On either side of the flag stood August Warholoski and Myrle Haddock, attired in their National Guard uniforms, standing at parade-rest throughout the program.

The program terminated with the entire assembly saluting the Cross and the Flag, and then singing "Holy God" and "The Star Spangled Banner," accompanied by Delores Rupprecht and J. Van Ackeren on the piano and violin, respectively.

The patriotic activity was conducted by the Student Council, with Sister Gabriel as director.

## Pilgrim Virgin



The Pilgrim Statue was venerated by the children of St. Bonaventure and St. Anthony Schools at a special service on Nov. 27, in St. Bonaventure Church.

tour of the American Continent. It has brought forth tremendous displays of devotion from coast to coast in the United States.

Father Daniel Cooper, Luxembourg, led the mass recitation of the Rosary. Father Roch Hettlinger gave the welcome, and presided at the Solemn Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament, at the close of the service.

The service was preceded by a procession from the Rectory to the Church. In church, the Sodalis garbed in formals formed an honor guard through which four Sodalis carried the statue and two the crown.

## O. Wass Becomes Yearbook Editor

Orlethia Anne Wass has been named Editor-in-Chief of the 1950-'51 annual, the third yearbook, published by the seniors of St. Bonaventure High.

Assisting her is Paul Melcher as art editor and Rita Burzynski, Margaret Hayes, Sandra Mitera, and Mary Gerhold as assistant editors.

Others of the staff are as follows: Business Managers—Jim Lippstreu and Kenneth Schaefer; Circulation Managers—Mary Ann Tworek, Polly Speice, Ted Niedbalski, and Alfred Miecek; Sports—Clifford Speicher and Herman Blahak; Photography—Augie Warholoski and Ralph Pfeifer; Features—Carroll Ebner, Bob Johnson, Mary Ann Johnson, and Donna Rae Wheeler; Typists—Mildred Roddy Barbara DeLarme, and Norma Shonka.

Adopting the motto of "Quality Instead of Quantity," the annual will feature a new and unique make-up. As an added attraction, the seniors will be pictured in their caps and gowns.

The bulk of the photography and all of the printing is being handled by the State Journal Printing Company, Lincoln, Nebraska. Additional pictures are being taken by the school photographers.

Sister Aureliana is the sponsor.

## M. Gerhold Merits Extension Position

Mary Gerhold, senior, has been awarded an appointment to the Extension Teen Board for meritorious effort in the field of Catholic Journalism.

Mary submitted an essay, and a questionnaire on personal taste and opinions to the Extension, the National Catholic Monthly.

Extension is conducting talent contests for the encouragement of Catholic teen-age Journalism. These talent contests are open to the entire student body but must be submitted by the Extension Teen Board Representative.

The contests include art, literature, and cartoon awards.

## Jeanette Fyfe Heads Magazine Campaign

Jeanette Fyfe, freshman, headed the individual winners of the magazine campaign which totaled \$501. Freshmen Room 4 led the rooms with \$168. The girls netted \$387, while the boys reaped \$114.

Helen Ternes and Paul Melcher were team captains. Room captains were as follows: seniors—Sandra Mitera and Ted Niedbalski; juniors—Mary Lou Stuehmer and Dick Tooley; sophomores—Arlene Pickhinke and David Bowe; freshmen I—Joan Gregorius and Kenneth Cielocha; and freshmen II—Mike Tooley and Delores Rupprecht.

The Sodality, with Sister Colette, moderator, sponsored the drive through the Curtis Publishing Company to raise money for the School Building Fund.

## Music Department Presents Christmas Cantata, Dec. 3-4

Van Ackeren Directs  
Glee, Band Production

St. Bonaventure Glee Club and Band will present a Christmas Cantata on December 3 and 4, in the St. Bonaventure Auditorium.

Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren will produce and direct the production, assisted by Sister M. Laurentine as Tableau Director.

The Cantata will feature a well-rounded selection of Christmas carols and hymns. Tableaux, depicting the Christmas Story, are to be enacted on stage.

This is the first production of its kind at St. Bonaventure and a large crowd is expected. The program will include three band selections and two numbers by a sixty-four voice Glee Club. Three smaller groups, a selected Choral Group, the St. Bonaventure Triple Trio, and the Boys' Chorus, will sing during the tableaux.

The cast for the tableaux consists of Santa Claus, ? ? ; Madonna, Mary Lou Stuehmer; St. Joseph, Herbert Abts; Archangel Gabriel, Frances Fischer; Angels—Charlotte Jones and Delores Nekl; Shepherds—Richard Otterpohl, Gerry Speicher, and Leo Thiele; and Magi—Alfred Miecek, Ted Niedbalski, and Paul Melcher.

Those in the Triple Trio are Margaret Hayes, Mary Gerhold, Lois German, Mary Ann Podraza, Stachia Bolin, Joan Gregorius, Mary Jo Tucek, Connie Hittner, and Barbara Markhofer. The Boys' Chorus consists of the following: Charles Kaipust, Bill Messing, Bill Jarvis, Kenneth O'Kane, John Blahak, Bob Feiling, Eugene Nosal, Herman Blahak, Ralph Pfeifer, Jim Hosher, Myrle Haddock, and Kenneth Roddy.

The Student Production Staff lists Theresa Mostek as Stage Manager, assisted by Gennene Spidle; Jim Roberts, Stage Properties; Geraldine Pensick, and Bernice Maag, Ticket Managers; Paul Melcher, Publicity Manager; and Estella Wemhoff, Mary Paprocki, Mary Ann Euteneuer, and Betty Koch, Ushers.

## Prominent Banker Speaks to Seniors

"Banks and Their Functions," was the topic of Howard Burdick, vice president of the Central National Bank of Columbus, when he spoke to the Modern Problems Class on November 13, during their class period.

"Banks, like any other business, exist only to fulfill certain needs wanted by the public. These needs are safe place to keep money, the transfer of money by checks, and filling the credit needs of the public by making loans," said the speaker.

He then outlined a brief sketch of the origin of banks, the gradual progress which they have made through the ages, and the ways and means of overcoming various difficulties that arise in the normal function of any bank.

Mr. Burdick has been employed at the Central National Bank since 1934.

## Graduates of 1950 Pick Various Callings

Judging from a recent survey, the thirty-one graduates of 1950 are profiting from their education, in the various avocations of life.

The six who are continuing their education are the following: Ray Marsolek is attending Quincy College, Quincy, Illinois; Lois Dineen is enrolled at Wayne State Teachers College, Wayne; Ina Claire Frischholz attends Kearney State Teachers College, Kearney; David Pensick and Lester Savage are both attending Norfolk Junior College, Norfolk; and Agnes Pickhinke is at St. Mary's College, Omaha.

Seven members—Marlynn Diederich, Kenneth Euteneuer, Mary Ann Merrill, Mary Ellen Hoffman, Charlene Nickolite, Rosemary Raemakers, and Marianne Sock are helping their parents at home.

The graduates, who work in Columbus and their respective occupations, are as follows: Bookkeepers—Romayne Cerny, Cerny's Garage; Lorraine Hilbert, St. Mary's Hospital; and Mary McCloskey, Telephone Company. Clerks—Patty Dischner, Columbus Music Company; Ramona Messing, Modern Cleaners; Raphael Gladfeiler, Schweser's; and Gloria Nosal, Luschen's I. G. A. Grocery. Others are—Louise Ernst, cashier, Scott's Store; Patricia Kaminski and Rose Marie Jahn, waitress and ticket seller, respectively, Greyhound Bus Depot; Marcia Locher, employee Becton-Dickinson; Robert DeLarme, farming west of Columbus; Vincent Feik, trucker, Nash Dietz; Gerald Melcher, bridge builder, Union Pacific Railroad; John Syslo, lineman, Royal Electric Association; Richard Rice, deliverer, Bigg's Wholesale Company; and Virgil Nickolite, bartender, Nick's Bar.

Robert Brehm is a bell-hop at the Yancey Hotel in Grand Island.

## Attention Sodalis!

What: Reception Breakfast

When: December 8

Where: St. Bon's Gym

## Venture Editors Win High State Honors

Mary Gerhold, Mary Alice Moersen, and Patricia Tooley, all members of The Venture Staff, received high honors in the journalistic contests held at the Nebraska High School Press Association Convention November 17 and 18 in Lincoln.

Mary Gerhold won first place in news writing; Mary Alice Moersen, second in headline writing, and Patricia Tooley, third, in journalistic vocabulary.

Mary took part in a panel discussion, "Don't Forget Newspaper Advertising." This was the first time a member of The Venture Staff has partaken in the state panel discussions.

Over 700 high school students from all over Nebraska attended the Convention which went into full swing with a general convocation on Friday morning.

The assembly was welcomed by Dr. Carl Borgmann, dean of faculties, University of Nebraska; Barbara Schlecht, convention chairman of Theta Sigma Phi; and Kenneth McCormick, committee chairman of Sigma Delta Chi. An address was given by Kenneth Stratton, president of the National Association of Journalistic Directors.

On the agenda for the afternoon were the journalistic contests, panel discussions, and clinics.

Friday evening a banquet and dance were held.

Saturday's schedule consisted of a breakfast, addresses and three panel discussions. The Convention was adjourned at a luncheon Saturday noon. At this time certificates of merit were presented to the winners of the competitive contests. Trophies were also awarded for the top-rating newspaper and annual.

## S. B. Students Tour Local Press Office

The Venture and the Annual staffs, on November 7 and 14, visited The Daily Telegram Company office. Mr. Laird Loomis, member of The Telegram staff, conducted the tour.

The staffs were shown various offices and machines—two of which were the linotype and the typesetter.

Interesting was the press on which "The Telegram" and also "The Venture," our school paper, is printed. Besides there were files, in which are kept all past newspapers.

Mr. Loomis told the students many instructive things about the work of publishing "The Daily Telegram," the local paper.

## Chemistry Class Visits Water Plant

The chemistry class went on its first field trip to the city water plant on November 6. The group was met by Mr. Ed Sullivan who conducted them through the building. Mr. Whitaker, the city water commissioner, told the class about the problem of sewage disposal.

The water for the city is pumped from wells behind the plant and is purified in spirators and filter beds, which are made up of layers of gravel, sand, and charcoal. He explained all the many instruments and graphs. Mr. Sullivan demonstrated how the filter beds are cleaned by means of backwash and how they test for too much lime in the water. In this demonstration, the students saw chemicals and terms which they study in class put into a necessary, everyday use.

# Shamrock Shenanigans

Football games are now in the past, but just ahead lies another big task. On December 1, the basketball season is here, so let's all be at the game and give 'em a cheer!

Ted Niedbalski hinted that the initial R. in his name means "reckless." (Chief Nickolite seems to agree).

Congrats to the Homecoming Queen, King, and Honorary Football Captain (Mary Ann, Paul, and Jim).

Sr. in Speech Class: "Please be quiet, you're worse than the freshmen."

Sandra: "Well, Sister, we should be, we've had four years of experience."

Several of the boys gave sighs of relief when the girls started wearing lipstick again. It seems they rather like the "war paint" as they call it.

Ken Schaefer and Jim Lippstreu are still blushing from an embarrassing moment which they had at the Press Convention. Seems they walked into a classroom while trying to find a museum. The class happened to be the "Gym" class for girls. (Wonder if they found any old fossils or mummies???)

Some girls at the Press Convention tried having their pictures taken in a photo machine with a dime, and later, they discovered, when it didn't work, it was a quarter machine.

It's still a little early to write a letter to Santa Claus, but this girl is going to be sure that her letter gets in early, and so she gave us this letter to be forwarded to the North Pole.

Dear Sandy Claws, I am writing to you in reference to the coming Christmas. As you know I am a high and mighty senior this year and I just don't know what to ask for. In my freshman year the yo-yo you gave me was very nice, but I broke the string. And the pretty doll you brought me in my sophomore year was really very pretty, but I haven't any desire to play with dolls this year. The teddy bear I received last year was OK, but I think I have outgrown it this year.

This year I have something very special to ask for. It is some good grades. That's all I need, because I really need them and I'm not kidding either.

After all sandy, how can I plan on the future if I don't even graduate this year. So if it isn't too much trouble, could you please send me some good grades, for I could surely use them.

Sincerely yours,  
Sis Hayes  
P. S. If you have an extra dictionary, please send it also. My teacher told me in class that I need one, but I don't understand why.

# New Style Attracts Loyal Female Fans

Gee, there goes 28, and here comes 23 and get a load of 19—what a physique! Yes, sir, that is what all the fair ladies of St. Bonaventure were saying when they saw the new style in men's shirts as modeled by the football team.

Yep, the football players, dressed in their flashy green and white football jerseys, paraded up and down the halls for a half day showing off their shirts. From the highest senior to the lowest freshman, each had his respective jersey.

Each and every girl in high school (what a thrill) had to feel of the material of the shirts, and each had a different idea of what the material was. Their versions ran like this—silk, rayon, nylon, cotton, Indian head, wool, and one senior girl even thought it was canvas. (We wish that they were water-proof.)

But all this admiration and attention didn't last long for the football players because they were ordered to turn in their jerseys at noon, to the football coach.

# Our Lady of Fatima



# Make It Her Date!

"Dear Lady, on first Saturdays we come on bended knee, to beg your intercession for peace and unity!" The message our Lady gave to the children in Fatima has spread over the whole world to all people whether they be Catholic or otherwise. As can be seen and heard, her message has been so loudly proclaimed in America that a song not an ecclesiastical one, but a jivy, popular hit tune has been written which proclaims her message.

The beautiful devotion of the Five First Saturdays was revealed to the children in Fatima in the third apparition in July, 1917. During this apparition She gave this GREAT PROMISE, "I promise to assist at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation, all those who on the first Saturdays of five consecutive months, go to confession and receive Holy Communion, say the Rosary and spend a quarter of an hour in meditating on one of the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary with the object of making reparation to me. With this great "bribe" so easy to receive, we surely should take advantage of the offer. Besides this promise, the Lady of Fatima included as a "must" in her "Peace Plan" from Heaven, the observance of the first Saturdays. The Points of the Peace Plan are (1) Avoid sin and amend our lives, (2) Say the Rosary every day, especially the family rosary, (3) Consecrate ourselves to her Immaculate Heart, (4) Practice the devotion of the Five First Saturdays, and (5) Pray for sinners.

In our parish we have an especially good opportunity to observe First Saturdays. The Sodality has introduced an all-day adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the First Saturdays for all the women and girls of the parish and at night the Holy Name men sponsor a Nocturnal Adoration Society in which they adore the exposed Blessed Sacrament all night.

So with all the chances we have now, try and try hard to pray especially on First Saturdays—begging Our Lady to be merciful to us poor sinners. Remember—the time of God's vengeance is at hand and the intercession of His Holy Mother can expiate our sins. Remember Her date—First Saturday.

M. A. M.

# No Charge Accounts, Please!

"Give me two candy bars and some peanuts." "Do you have change for a dollar?" These phrases are familiar sounds around the halls of our school. But when the Librarian asks for two cents on an overdue book the phrase is "But Sister, I don't have any money."

Do these students who have so much money for candy, shows, comics, and everything else ever stop to realize just where the two cents on an overdue book goes? Do they realize new reference books must be bought and old ones repaired?

So let's change these selfish phrases for those sayings such as—"Sorry, I owe two cents on an overdue book. I want to pay it right away." Not only will you feel better but you will be helping yourself, your fellow students, and your Librarian.

Everyone should shoulder a responsibility. Here's your chance!  
S. M.

# It's Up to You!

What has happened to our Youth Club? Where are the crowds of teen-agers who used to frequent the Center night after night? Why has student interest fallen down?

Nine months ago a long awaited dream came true. Under the endeavoring direction of Father Roch, the church basement was redecorated into a recreation center. It featured the best of entertainment and enjoyment which it still does. The Club was opened to all Catholic youth of the Parish graduated from the eighth grade. It operated on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week and after the home games.

Since then student interest has fallen, especially that of the boys. Membership has not been renewed. Attendance is generally poor and few attend the meetings.

You have dreamed about a Club, you've had one, and you are slowly losing one. To succeed, the Youth Center needs the complete cooperation of the ENTIRE STUDENT BODY. Whether or not it continues depends on the interest shown in the future. The Club can only be what YOU make it. Now is the last chance to do something about it.

You need the Club, the Club needs you. Join now!

M. G.

# Paleface Squaws Overtake School

Ugh! Paleface, why are all the squaws running around here with a look of "Me no well." How! Did you see that one? Looked as if she'd seen a "witch doctor", and right in Tepee III.

What matter? Squaws tryin' to be funny? Are you tryin' to look innocent? Or are you thinking that you are making an impression? Ugh! You make one look like a "Voo-doo" that just got outa bed.

What is it? A new fad! That's right, the girls are just trying to see what the reactions would be if they came to school without lipstick. They found out too. No, go! All said, "Ugh!—where's your "war paint"???"

# Old-Timer Narrates Hazardous Event

Gather near my grandchildren and I shall tell you of the peril I went through back in 1950, at St. Bon's High.

"I was walking past the skyscraper, which houses the Youth Center. Then it was only a paltry, one floor building. All of a sudden a terrific blast followed by a hail of sheet music issued from the door. This was caused by a monstrosity of tin hulk called a "Susiephone." I ducked behind a tree and waited. Suddenly I heard a thunderous boom and the roof flew off. This boom was caused by pounding on an ancient contraption called a drum. Thanks to my mental ability I was thoroughly buried in a trench hole when a bombardment of glass (the windows) fell on me. Later I learned some revengeful clarinetists and field drummers were trying to outplay each other.

Finally I faintly distinguished the sound of music, and so dear grandchildren, now you know how many calamities the new, much-exalted, world famous, St. Bonaventure High School Band witnessed, when it first attempted to make music.

# Keyhole Peeper Sees Shocking Exhibition

As I hurried up the steps, mysterious noises were heard during class in the Biology Lab.

Such to my surprise I found myself listening at the keyhole. Here's what I heard—"Oh, isn't he cute." "Come here, Jonathan." "Oh, come on, Larry, let him come here." Then there was a thump and every one was laughing.

My curiosity just couldn't wait to see who was in the Lab, (some young man, I thought) so I asked a sophomore what was going on in there and he said, "A turtle was brought to show the class. He had crawled down the center of the table over books and all. His name is Jonathan. He has now retired to the country for his health. He will return again soon!"

Can you imagine that? Jonathan a turtle.

# Sympathy

The faculty and students express their sincerest sympathy to Mary, Frances, and Rose Paprocki upon the death of their beloved mother, Mrs. Frank Paprocki.

# Census Sensor Reveals Scents

Looking through a popular magazine we noticed the different and peculiar names of perfumes. Here are the certain people, events, and places, which they brought to discovery:

- "Blue Grass"—Eugene Gates.
- "My Love"—Sports.
- "Black Satin"—Larry Sanders.
- "White Satin"—Robert Johnson.
- "Evening in Paris"—Jr.-Sr. prom
- "Breathless"—Barbara De Larme.
- "French Touch"—Dean Soulliere.
- "Frolic"—Mary Zarek.
- "Danger"—Report Cards.
- "New Horizons"—St. Bon's band.
- "Surrender"—Ninth Period.
- "Le Dandy"—Margaret Hayes.
- "Fabulous"—Dick Tooley.
- "Heaven Sent"—The Faculty.
- "White Flame"—Delores Rupprecht.
- "Old Spice"—Polly Speice.
- "Heartbeat"—Jerry Thalken.
- "Poetic Dream"—Charlotte Jones.
- "Miniature Pyramid"—Donna Jarecki.
- "Fragrance"—Chemistry Lab.
- "Country or Town"—Ted Mimick.
- "Desert Flower"—Charles Kaupt.
- "Command Perform"—Coach Cletus Fischer.
- "Irresistable"—St. Bon's Football Team.
- "Menace"—Tests.
- "Gay Diversion"—Free Day.
- "Ideal"—Senior Class.
- "Yanky Clover"—Jim Roberts.
- "Whisper"—Venture Staff
- "Tailspin"—Myrle Haddock.
- "Indiscrete"—Marvin and Myron Mayberger.
- "Sirocco"—John Kaminski.
- "Opening Night"—Christmas Cantata.
- "My Sin"—Skipping Classes.
- "Tweed"—Dennis Baumert.
- "Anticipation"—Graduation day.
- "Dark Brilliance"—Herbert Abts.
- "Star Trio"—Fr. Roch, Fr. Martin, Fr. Tim.
- "Revelry"—8:15 Bell.
- "Easter Lily"—Mary Ellen Marsolek.
- "Stradivare"—Mr. J. Van Ackeren.
- "Crown Jewel"—Mary Ann Tworek.
- "Sleeping"—Shorty Drum.

# Seniors Demand Undue Homage

"Oh, what a life! Here I am way up here and how cruelly I am treated. Oh, no, here comes one of those privileged characters again. Ouch, that hurts! Why do they have to put me down so hard. I wish I could be tucked in a pocket instead of suffering like this. My tassel is getting loose from being pulled off so many times.

"If this isn't crazy! How come, those big kids get so much respect? Oh, here comes five or six more of those dignified---er---seniors!

"Those upperclassmen surely do demand a lot of honor from these poor little freshies! Imagine making the freshies tip me every time they see me on top of a freshie's head.

"Who am I, you ask, who is registering this complaint?" Why I am just a little battered freshie beanie, who doesn't think that it will live out this semester.

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### (First Six Weeks)

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 Eugene Gates  
 Marvin Mayberger  
 Myron Mayberger  
 Sandra Mitera  
 Jim Roberts  
 Rita Schmid
- Juniors**  
 Herbert Abts  
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 Robert Felling  
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 Estelle Wemhoff  
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- Sophomores**  
 Anthony Augustine  
 Walter Gregorius  
 Mary Ann Micek  
 Anthony Pensick  
 Julene Pfeifer  
 Arlene Piekhinke  
 Arthur Roddy  
 Donald Schmid  
 Joan Slemek  
 Eugene Wennekamp
- Freshmen II**  
 Kenneth Cielocha  
 James Hoshor  
 Elaine Kneifel  
 Lillian Miller  
 Joseph Noonan
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## Cathedral Spanks Bonnie Gridders

St. Bonaventure Shamrocks lost their third game of the season by dropping a 20-0 verdict to Omaha Cathedral November 3, Pawnee Park.

The Omaha Cardinals dominated play throughout most of the contest. The Shamrocks could not hang-on to the ball long enough to get their offense rolling. They lost the ball three times on fumbles and once on a pass interception.

The Omahans got their first scoring opportunity midway in the first quarter when they took a punt on the Irish 22. With three running plays the Cardinals penetrated to the Irish 19, and Jim Ectermeyer—Ronnie Abraham pass gave Cathedral a first down on the 11. Three plays later, Durst crashed over and McNeil ran for the extra point.

The Shamrocks' powerful defense stopped Cathedral on three scoring opportunities in the second period to leave the score 7-0 at intermission.

Sophomore Don Schmid gave the Irish fans their biggest thrill of the evening when he broke loose on a 31-yard scamper around his own left end, only to be stopped on the Cathedral 44 by the last man left between him and pay dirt.

The second Omaha score came from an 80-yard drive. Sparked by Abraham and Durst, McNeil completed it by plunging over from the seven.

Cathedral took over the ball on the Irish 36 late in the final stanza to set up the third Cardinal T. D. Following three plays which took the ball to the 25, McNeil broke loose to go the remaining 25 yards for the touchdown. Abraham plunged for the point to end scoring for the evening.

## Irish Overwhelm Sacred Heart Team

St. Bonaventure ended its season with an overwhelming score of 61 to 6 over Sacred Heart of Greeley at Pawnee Park on November 10.

The seniors playing for the last time kept the Irish moving. The Shamrocks racked up 21 points in the first quarter and saw the score steadily rise. Sacred Heart's standout player was mighty Frank Barrett, who was all over the field.

The Irish rolled up tremendous yardage throughout the game. Several boys whose previous activities had been confined to line-play broke into the scoring column.

The Irish wasted no time in moving the ball over the goal on a 60-yard march with Paul Melcher driving over from the eight yard line for the first tally. Ted Mimick ran the extra point.

P. Melcher accounted for the second score with a twisting hard-hitting 41-yard run. Dick Tooley passed to Dave Bowe for the point. The Shamrocks racked up their third, when Mimick drove across from the 10, and Cliff Speicher ran the extra point.

Sacred Heart showed up best defensively in the second quarter when St. Bonaventure scored only once. Mimick rammed over from the 11-yard line, and C. Speicner ran the point.

The Irish tallied twice in the third quarter. Mimick set up the first by intercepting a pass and returning it 15 yards to the 28 of Sacred Heart, from where P. Melcher plunged to touchdown land. Mimick ran the extra point. About three minutes later Jim Lippstreu smashed across from the one-yard line, and Don Berger rammed for the point.

Don Schoon made possible the next T. D. by ranning on a blocked punt on the Sacred Heart 11, and Bill Ernst, a converted line-man rammed across three plays later and rumbled the ball, but it was ruled that he had crossed the goal line before losing possession. A pass for the extra point failed.

Cliff Speicher gave the Irish the biggest thrill of the evening when he intercepted a pass on the Shamrocks own 10 and went on a wonderful 80-yard scamper to pay dirt making the count 54 to 0. Berger ran the point.

Eugene Gates, another line-man by trade, made the final Irish marker by going over from the 10.

Sacred Heart got its only score in the last two minutes. Jack Smith tossed to Gerald Murphy and went 77 yards to pay dirt.

## Bonnie Shamrocks Subdue Islanders

Coach Cletus Fischer's St. Bonaventure Shamrocks marked up another victory October 20, by downing St. Mary's of Grand Island 20-6 in a hard-fought contest.

The Shamrocks pushed across 14 points to lead in the first quarter. St. Bons marked up another six points in the third and the Ramblers came back to score in the final quarter.

St. Bonaventure wasted no time in scoring. With five minutes gone, Bonnies blocked a punt on St. Mary's 30. Three running plays, a pass from Tooley to Dave Bowe took the ball to the 3. Ted Mimick drove to the one, and Paul Melcher plunged for the score. Cliff Speicher ran for the extra point.

Again the Irish took advantage of a poor punt landing on the 44-yard line of St. Marys. A pass from Tooley to Larry Sanders moved the ball to the 32, C. Speicher raced to the 6, Mimick pushed to the one-foot line and Tooley sneaked across. The point was added by a Tooley-Bowe pass.

Bowe, defensive right halfback, accounted for the third touchdown personally by intercepting a pass on his own 42-yard line and scampered 58 yards to pay dirt.

Midway in the final quarter the Ramblers staged a 47-yard march. Ed Foster bulled his way across from the one-foot line.

Tooley, P. Melcher, Mimick, Sanders, and Bowe turned in a good game for the Irish.

## BASKETBALL Schedule

### HOME GAMES

St. Patrick's	.....Dec. 11
Lincoln Cathedral	.....Dec. 20
Schuyler	.....Jan. 9
St. Mary's	.....Jan. 19
Leigh	.....Jan. 30
Spalding Academy	.....Feb. 5
Osceola	.....Feb. 14
St. Francis	.....Feb. 16

### GAMES AWAY

St. Edward	.....Dec. 1
Platte Center	.....Dec. 5
St. Francis	.....Dec. 8
Newman Grove	.....Jan. 5
Sacred Heart	.....Jan. 12
Holy Name	.....Feb. 9
West Point	.....Feb. 23

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 Theresa Mostek  
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 Patricia Tooley  
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 Anthony Augustine  
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 Marilyn Johnson  
 Lawrence Miller  
 Frances Paprocki  
 Julene Pfeifer  
 Arlene Piekhinke  
 John Robb  
 Mary Ann Schuele  
 Eugene Wennekamp
- Freshmen I**  
 Renee Alexander  
 Anastasia Bolin  
 Joyce Bures  
 Rosalie Burzynski  
 Robert Wafa  
 Helen Gahan  
 Vincent Galley  
 Joan Gregorius  
 Lorraine Herink  
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 Virginia Miller  
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- Freshmen II**  
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## Jim Lippstreu Gains Grid Capt. Honor

Jim Lippstreu, senior tackle, has been named honorary football captain of the St. Bonaventure Shamrocks.

Lippstreu, weighing 170, just completed his fourth year as a member of the Irish squad. He played end his frosh and soph years and was switched to tackle last year.

This year Lippstreu was a standout on the team—defensively and offensively—and probably saw more action than any other line-man.

He did the kicking off chores and in the final game here scored a touchdown on a line plunge.

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## Shamrocks Bow To Holy Name

The St. Bonaventure Shamrocks received their worst setback of the season at the hands of powerful Holy Name on the Omaha Benson field.

The Shamrocks couldn't muster enough strength to stop the Omahans. The Irish were able to gain eight first downs to Holy Name's 10. Holy Name rolled up 260 yards running, and 77 yards passing, to St. Bonaventure's 143 yards rushing and 31 yards in the air.

Jim Decker was the Holy Name standout for the evening out was just a headache as far as the Irish were concerned.

It took only seven plays in the opening quarter to start the Holy Name scoring spree with Decker going over and kicking the extra point. Later in the same quarter Dennis McGuire scampered 79 yards to pay dirt.

In the second stanza Bernard Miller went 30 yards for another T.D. Decker again scored in the closing minutes of the second quarter. A pass from Decker to Rudloff was good for the extra point giving Holy Name a 26-0 halftime lead.

The Shamrocks showed a little of their old spunk the second half, holding Holy Name to 12 points and making 6 themselves.

Decker on a 38-yard touchdown run and a pass from Decker to Lossek accounted for Holy Name's final 12 points.

Ted Mimick, Irish offensive standout, saved St. Bonaventure from a shutout with his four yard plunge to pay dirt midway in the last period.

Other standouts besides Mimick were John Kaminski, Paul Melcher, and Dave Bowe.

Score by quarters were:  
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 Holy Name ..... 13 13 6 6

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**S. B. H. 'Blondes Prefer Gentlemen'**

Do you wish to avoid "that embarrassing moment"? Your library has a few suggestions to offer in Maureen Daly's "Smarter and Smoother," Sheila Daly's "Blondes Prefer Gentlemen," and Betty Betz's "Your Manners are Showing."

How about your evenings of fun? Harbin's "Fun Encyclopedia" and "Gay Parties for All Occasions" as well as Mulac's "Game Book" have been added to the library's collection on amusements. You, sports fans, will enjoy Jackson's "Rose Bowl All American" and "Tournament Forward." Those who have been searching for information about their patron can now find it in the new "Dictionary of Saints."

Some other books added to the library recently are the following: "Reader's Encyclopedia," "Toaster's Handbook," "Pretty Please," "What Must I Do?" "God's Jester," "Saint Maria Goretti," "Saints for Home and School Patch," "Commodore Barry," "King Arthur and His Knights," "Tim's Place," "The Vatican," "One Moment, Please," "The World's Great Catholic Literature," "Wandering Osprey," "The Mexico We Found," "My God and My All," "Marvels of Grace," "Seven Story Mountain," and "Certainly I'm a Catholic."

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**Bonnie Briefs**

The Bonnettes Pep Club, at their regular meeting, added something new, a Constitution, to their organization. \* \* \*

The first two candy sales of the year were sponsored by the sophomores (half of the class) and the freshmen II. The sophomore's proceeds amounted to \$18.72. This sum was given to the Annual. The freshmen reaped \$31.63, and donated it to The Venture.

The chairmen of the winning tables were: Marilyn Johnson, sophomore, and Davianne Powell, freshman. \* \* \*

A recording on the Requiem from "The Hour of St. Francis" was heard by the junior and freshmen classes during their Religion periods. This was in connection with their study of the Requiem Mass. \* \* \*

The Hobo Ball, which was sponsored by the Youth Center, around Hallowe'en time, was enjoyed by the high school students.

Pat Vruble and Jo Ann Cielocha, dressed as the most unique couple, and Dennis Nosal as a single, received prizes. \* \* \*

"Banks and Their Functions," was the title of the panel presented by a group of the seniors to the members of the Modern Problems class on November 10, in Room 6.

Those participating in the discussion were Rita Burzynski, chairman, Herman Blahak, Dwayne Drum, Carroll Ebner, Bill Ernst, Eugene Gates, Barbara DeLarme, Mary Ann Johnson Margaret Hayes, and Don Korger. \* \* \*

"The Howards of Virginia," a spectacular historical photoplay on American freedom and democracy, was shown to the students, Nov. 17, in the auditorium.

The picture is a film full of historical and human interest. It takes place, for the most part, in Virginia. The Howards, an average family encounter many hardships but after the end of the Revolutionary War, the family is brought closer together and the hardships and trials are now solved, making everyone happy. \* \* \*

Among the three hundred sixty contestants, Margaret Hembd, junior, was placed as fourth best with one hundred eighty two points out of a possible two hundred, in the senior division of the Judging and Type Demonstration contest held November 13 at the Columbus Sales Pavilion. This was in conjunction with the Shorthorn and polled Shorthorn Breeders show and sale.

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The high school has received many new improvements made for the convenience of the faculty and students.

New pictures and chairs were purchased for almost every room and many desks and floor were re-finished.

The library has been re-arranged to make books and other materials more accessible to the students. Several sections of shelving were added and a handy new book truck was purchased to make work lighter and easier for the librarians. Also, a vertical file cabinet was donated by the juniors to make it easier to find pamphlets, pictures, and clippings.

The typing room received four new typing desks to make typing easier for the students.

Room 5 has purchased a large map and is getting a new globe for the geography classes.

**Thanks!**

The faculty and students express their sincerest thanks to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Johnson; Miss Catherine Moschenross; Miss Margaret Curry for their generous donations to the High School Library.

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## Press Association Awards 'The Venture' Top Honors

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"The Venture" has again received two top honors—the "All Catholic," which is the highest rating awarded by the Catholic School Press Association, and "First Honors" bestowed by the Quill and Scroll Society.

Since 1948 when "The Venture" joined the Nebraska High School Press Association, members of the staff have brought honor to St. Bona by meriting top prizes in the state competition in writing. This year Mary Gerhold, Patricia Tooley, and Mary Alice Moersen, won prizes in news, headlines, and journalistic vocabulary, respectively. Mary also had the privilege of participating in a panel discus-

sion, which she led. This was the first time that St. Bonaventure High received a state invitation.

The Catholic School Press Association, International Honorary Society for high school journalists, awarded the paper upon its achievements in news coverage, make-up, promotion of Catholic activities, features, and general writing ability.

The Quill and Scroll International Honorary Society awarded the publication for its substantial achievements.

Last year, under the editorship of Ina Claire Frischholz with Agnes Pickhinke as assistant, the paper became a member of the Commission of American Citizenship Organization sponsored by the Catholic University of America.

### Attention!

PARISH DANCE  
March 26 — 9:00 P. M.  
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## High School Band Prepares Concert

The St. Bona Band will give its First Annual Spring Concert, which will be held at the Kramer Auditorium, and will participate in the District Music Contest, which will take place at Fremont, Nebraska.

"Carnival of Roses" by Olivadote, a new band overture, will be the main piece played at both programs. The band is also preparing a waltz entitled "Norma's Dream" by Bennett and several marches and novelty numbers.

## Senior Class Produces First Hawaiian Drama

"Kamiano" Stars A. Micek  
In Title Role of Fr. Damien

St. Bonaventure senior class will stage "Kamiano," a three-act drama by Emmert Lavery and Grace Murphy, on March 4 and 5, in the school auditorium under the direction of Sister M. Laurentine, Dramatics instructor.

Alfred Micek will head the cast of thirty-one players in this story of the Hawaiian Islands during the eighteen hundreds. He will play the role of Father Damien de Veuster, who dedicated his life to work among the lepers on the Island of Molokai. A Belgian by birth, Damien forsook his homeland, his family, and his friends to make himself a servant to those uncared-for natives rejected by society.

### Plot

Gaining the confidence of the natives was not the only obstacle met by Damien. He had to employ both courage and wit to confront and defeat the opposition of the Board of Health and others who refused to help better the conditions of the lepers. He also had to conquer the fear of contracting and dying from the dread disease of his parishioners. It was his friendship with the native Nihue, played by Ted Niedbalski, that saw him through many difficulties.

Filled with all the romance of the islands, the plot features a variety of characters and nationalities, including an English woman writer, a famous artist, a Hawaiian princess, a Japanese doctor, a dancing girl, two American nuns, and a colony of natives. Hawaiian and Oriental background music brings out the Hawaiian setting throughout the entire play.

Highlighting the play is a gun battle with the Spanish police, and a struggle between Damien and Kapelo, the drunken leper. Humor is ever present in the antics of the native boy Niga; the troubles of Wanana, three times widowed; and the suspicions of Joe, the Hawaiian sailor.

### Cast of Characters

The cast of characters include the following: Captain Geerken, Donald Korger; Joe, August Warholoski; Halemano, Dwayne Drum; Maura, Helen Dunn; Laka, Myron Mayberger; Kiuki, Ralph Pfeifer; Laukapalili, Sandra Mitera; Sergeant, Marvin Mayberger; Soldiers—Jim Roberts and Robert Johnson; Bishop Maignet, Carroll Ebner; Missionary, Emil Jarecki; Superintendent, Kenneth Schaefer; Inspector Jameson, Jim Lippstreu; Wanana, Donna Rae Wheeler; Chairman of the Board of Health, Bill Ernst; Commissioners—Clifford Speicher and Eugene Gates; Niga, Helen Ternes; Princess Liliuokalani, Mary Ann Tworek; Mrs. Warren Stoddard, Orlethia Wass; Sister Antonella, Margaret Hayes; Mother Marianne, Mary Gerhold; Doctor Arning, Herman Blahak; and others.

### Production Staff

Members of the Student Production Staff are—Prompter, Sandra Mitera; Stage Manager, Donna Rae Wheeler, assisted by Mildred Roddy; Publicity Manager, Mary Gerhold, assisted by Helen Ternes; Hand Properties, Polly Speice; Sound—Mary Ann Tworek, Orlethia Wass, and Polly Speice; and Make-up and Scene Design, Paul Melcher, assisted by Bill Ernst.

The play is being produced by special arrangement with Langmans, Green and Company.

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Left to right: Standing — Mary Ann Tworek, news editor; Helen Dunn, feature editor; Helen Ternes, feature editor; Pat Tooley, headline editor. Seated—Polly Speice, news editor; Paul Melcher, sports editor; Mary Gerhold, editor-in-chief; Mary Alice Moersen, assistant editor; and Clifford Speicher, sports editor.



## Production Staff

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## Reorganized Club Adds Constitution

Forty-seven students comprise the newly reorganized St. Bonaventure Youth Club which held its first regular meeting on February 13 in the Youth Center. The members adopted a Constitution and by-laws at that time.

The Club, open to high school members on Tuesday and Friday of each week, meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Open house is held at the Center after each basketball home game. The members receive Holy Communion on the second Wednesday of each month.

Officers of the Youth Club are as follows: Father Roch Hettinger, spiritual director; Margaret Hayes, president; Mary Gerhold, social chairman; Shirley Sokol, secretary; and Joe Dineen, treasurer.

## Educational Films Entertain Students

Three movies—"Mickey," "The Footsteps of Our Lord," and "Abraham Lincoln"—were shown to the students on January 22, February 16, and February 19, respectively, in the school gym.

"Mickey," a full length technical movie, starring Lois Butler, was the story of a tomboy teenager. Her singing, laughing, and antics delighted everyone.

The life of Christ was the theme of the movie, "The Footsteps of Our Lord." It showed His miracles and various other things taking place during His thirty-three years on earth.

The last movie, "Abraham Lincoln," starring Walter Houston in the title role, told the life of our sixteenth president.

All three shows were presented through the courtesy of Father Martin.

### Attention!

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## Fr. Martin Heads Third Order Meet

"The Life of St. Francis, Patron of Youth" was the discussion for the February Third Order meeting, given by Father Martin.

The purpose of the Third Order is to give its members a Christian rule of life so that they may be better able to lead true Christian lives by following it. It is open to any practical Catholic over the age of fourteen.

Ted Niedbalski was appointed to give a short talk on the pamphlet, "St. Francis Challenges You."

## Sodality Sponsors February Projects

This semester Our Lady's Sodality has sponsored two projects during February.

The Catholic Truth and Finance Committee, whose chairmen are Mary Lou Stuehmer and co-chairman, Sandra Mitera, had an exhibit of Catholic magazines and papers during Catholic Press month. This project was to promote good Catholic reading in the home. Samples of these magazines and papers were sent from many publishers of the magazines and papers which were on exhibition in the Church, at the February P. T. A. meeting, and in the school library.

The Apostolic Committee, under the chairmanship of Charlotte Jones, collected used clothing for a family in Lumberton, New Mexico. At present this Committee is also collecting stamps for the missions.

## O. Wilk Addresses Student Assembly

Mr. Oscar Wilk of the Columbus Employment Bureau Agency addressed the student assembly, January 29, in the auditorium.

Speaking on various occupations, the guest speaker told of the expansion of industry, and the means of employment which have come into existence within the last eighty years. He used several charts to illustrate his points. At the close of his speech, he presented three volumes, entitled a "Dictionary of Occupations," to the school library.

Anthony Augustine and John Robb dramatized a short skit, "How to Apply for a Job." Expressing the importance of the Sign of the Cross, Lawrence Miller recited the poem, "The Countersign."

Martha Laska played three piano-accompaniment pieces — "Tennessee Waltz," "Barbara Polka," and "Good Morning Polka." The class, accompanied by Mary Ann Micek on the piano, sang a song called "Pep." Dave Bowe introduced the speaker and the various numbers on the program.

# Inquiring Reporters Report Inquiries

February 14 is Valentine's Day and we know that everyone has his idea of an ideal. So we took a survey of the junior class to find out what makes up an Ideal Boy and an Ideal Girl.

According to the following an Ideal is:

**Mary Ann Podraza**—is courteous, full of fun, clean cut, thoughtful, possess a good reputation, and kind to me and also to my girlfriends.

**Rosalie Billesbach**—has clean morals, strong character, and uses proper language.

**Mary Ann Staroscik**—is kind, good, honest, independent, and ambitious. He should be a good athlete and have a swell personality.

**Mary Paprocki**—is a gentleman. **Barbara Markhofer**—has good understanding, and a sense of humor.

**Diane Haney**—possess a high school education, an interest in sports, is thrifty and does not drink.

**Marylee Ebner**—is active in all school activities.

**Mary Ellen Marsolek**—is kind-hearted, and very sociable.

**Ruth Kluever**—displays industry, possess self-control, perseverance, promptness and self-respect.

**Betty Koch**—is generous, and has respect for girls.

**Jean Clark**—is not conceited, is considerate, and trustworthy.

**Mary Zarek**—he must be loaded with looks and personality.

**Estelle Wemhoff**—must have a mind of his own and an original personality.

**Frances Fischer**—one who is dependable, alert, intellectual, and has good morals.

**Bernice Maag**—has good posture and is honest.

**Geraldine Pensick**—is not conceited, and must be clean in mind and heart.

**Pat Tooley**—one who lives up to his religion, and one with spunk and love of fun.

**Margaret Hembd**—good school spirit, and is humorous.

**Mary Lou Stuehmer**—is polite and of the serious type.

**Theresa Mostek**—one who gives everyone an equal chance in whatever he is doing.

**Virginia Jarecki**—has respect for the religious, and one who does not drink.

**Mary Joe Tucek**—he should know when to work and play and is not a sissy.

**Bill Jarvis**—has a nice personality, is particular about her company and is nice in every respect.

**Leo Thiele**—possesses courtesy, and sweetness.

**Ted Mimick**—has a neat appearance, is well behaved, and clean in all words and actions.

**Ray Brezinski**—is feminine, above average student, and not a gold-digger.

**Gerry Spiecher**—is respectful to elders and is loyal.

**Leo Cynova**—one who gets along well with everyone and in general follows the ways of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**Richard Otterpohl**—displays good character and manners.

**Dennis Nosal**—is not a show-off, but has a keen sense of humor.

**Herbert Abts**—is honest and kind to others.

## Ghostly Silence Haunts Student

Coming into the room I was struck by the dreadful silence that greeted me. Everyone had their heads buried deep in their books, even before the second bell had rung.

Something very unusual was happening to St. Bons. I was sure I had never witnessed anything like this before. I coughed. No reply. I rattled the bench. Still no reply.

I looked behind me and a face popped up from a book only long enough to say a word that rang trouble to my ears. Of course, how could I forget a thing like that, and after worrying for two weeks about it. Soon I was just like the rest with my head buried in my books.

Yes, this was January 18. You guessed it—Exams! They came out okay after all the worry. How did you do? H—mm!

## SBH Counselors Stress Discipline

In order to stress the need of improvements in the school and to instruct the students on what improvements are needed mostly, the Student Council had a general assembly on February 13, in the auditorium.

Paul Melcher, president, announced the speakers and also reviewed the Rules and Regulations of the organization.

Alfred Micek, senior class representative, stressed the importance of order and cleanliness in the school.

Dennis Baumert, vice president, gave a few tips on attendance in school and enumerated the number of lessons that are missed for one day, according to the scholastic report.

Helen Ternes, secretary, presented a few pointers on how the students should study.

Ted Niedbalski, class president, emphasized the need of improvement in conduct and also made a complaint about the language used in the halls and classrooms.

Father Roch, concluding the assembly, enlarged on each topic and asked the students to try to do their best in bringing St. Bons up to the top.

## Celebrity Visits St. Bons School

"Help! Help!" Mary Z., white-faced and breathless, burst in Room III with, "Sister, am I all right? I mean have I been acting peculiar or sumpin'? Have I?? I've got to know! Please, hurry, tell me Sister!"

"Why no, child, but why are you so frightened? What's wrong?"

"Oh, Sister, out in the hall, (gulp) two of the girls are standing talking to a hat and coat, with no one in it, and the hat has two large holes in it!"

"Don't be alarmed! It's just another junior who hasn't met Harvey, the 'pooka,' who is six feet three and one half inches tall!"

What's a pooka? Look it up, my friend. That's what dictionaries are for!

## Sister Alice Urges College Work

"Everyone who has the opportunity should attend college," were emphatic words stressed by Sister Mary Alice, from the College of St. Mary's, Omaha, Nebraska, to the senior girls, on January 16, in Room 6. The College of St. Mary's is under the direction of the Sisters of Mercy.

Sister Mary Alice, accompanied by Sister Mary Luke, told the girls many things concerning college life and the courses offered at the college. Some of the courses are teaching, nursing, lab technician, secretarial work, and music. The college, also, offers a wide field of extra-curricular activities including dances, movies and lectures.

## Winning Box Brings \$6.00 At Social

Of the nineteen entries at the annual box social, a box bringing \$6.00 made Oriethia Wass and Helen Dunn the winners. The box was bought by Carrol Ebner and Marvin Mayberger.

Runners-up in the auctioning were Rosalie Billesbach and Pat Tooley's box which brought \$5.00, and Mary Alice Moersen and Frances Fischer's box which brought \$4.80. The boxes were bought by Ray Brezinski and Arnold Kryski and Bill Messing, respectively.

The winning box was a model house made of candy and frosting. The frosting house was "shingled" with alternating red and white coconut bon-bons. Around the house was a tiny peppermint stick fence.

Dennis Baumert and Bill Messing, auctioneers, got the evening underway by auctioning the boxes. The auction was followed with the supper and a school dance.

The festivities were sponsored by the Junior Class for the purpose of raising money for the Prom.

The profits of the box supper amounted to \$80.25 with the dance bringing in \$9.75, to make a total of \$90.00 for the entire evening.

## Support the Catholic Press!

In today's pagan world every Catholic has a duty to be a missionary. The only practical way for the layman to do this, to become sufficiently informed of current events and problems so that he may competently play his part as a good Catholic citizen and lay missionary, is by reading the Catholic press. The general secular press is inadequate for the needs of the Catholic since it plays down religion regarding it as a relatively unimportant aspect of life.

Its news is twisted by emphasis on firstness, on the novel and by the personal interests of the owners and pressure groups.

This does not mean that Catholics ought not to read secular newspapers; they should. At present, the Catholic press is limited largely to diocesan weekly newspapers and weekly and monthly magazines. It cannot supply all the news the layman needs and so he must partly rely on the seculars. In other words, he must supplement his reading of the secular press by reading Catholic newspapers, using the latter as a guide to discover what is true and what is false in the former.

It is just as important for the teenager to read Catholic literature as it is for his elders. It is at this age that he is making his objectives and steadying his convictions. He must know what is right in the world around him in order to think and do what is right. Also by his daily association with non-Catholic friends he has a chance to spread his faith. If he is thoroughly informed and able to meet the test put to him, his work will be easier.

By giving strong support to the present Catholic press, Catholics can show that a basis exists for its expansion to include daily and state-wide and regional newspapers, an expansion that is necessary if the Catholic press is to promote most effectively the return of men to Christ.

Therefore let us read more Catholic periodicals and encourage others to do so. Let's re-Christianize our secular press!

M. G.

## Try This Reducing Plan!

Suppose you were walking down the hall and saw a sign on the bulletin board saying "No Ninth Periods for the next six weeks." Wouldn't this be a surprise? Although it is unlikely to appear on the school bulletin board, we still have a perfect chance to see this on the "bulletin board" of our mind during the remaining weeks of Lent.

In a sense Lent may be termed a "spiritual reducing plan" in which we give up practices which we do not need, or that are harmful to our spiritual life. Just as some ladies give up rich foods and perform exercises, and just as these ladies lose excess weight, we too, can reduce the transient things of this earth to their true values, which all stem from God.

The forty days before Easter have been chosen as a time for special prayer, penance, and self-denial in atonement for sins committed.

The most inspiring impulse to do penance, should arise from the recollection of the passion and death of the Savior, who loved us unto death.

Now let's see what we can do about having that "bulletin board" of our soul, read "No Ninth Period for Easter?" We could give up candy, pop, gum—oh, but, surely even first graders do that, so a teenager—well, what could he do? Oh, yes, what about that "bad" day that comes around so often—mother has to almost drag us out of bed. Finally after grumping, slamming things around, we leave home, and carry our bad mood to church—no, we don't get there, but here we are in school and oh, with a "get-out-of-my-way or else" attitude. Sure enough here goes the teacher correcting again, and of course we've just got to defend ourselves.

Most assuredly all these actions deserve a "Ninth Period" but with a firm will, and a heart of love for our bleeding Savior, we could really overcome ourselves as we unite that broken-up sleep, that reprimand of the teacher, that impoliteness of our companions, in union with that same kind of suffering that Jesus, too, underwent. That's the way we can transform that terrible urge that's within us into something worthwhile.

How about the "reducing plan?" The best plan to do this is to try reducing our pet sin or fault. Just as people use pills to reduce, so we, too, can make use of the spiritual medicines—the sacraments, especially of Confession and Holy Communion. We could also reduce those movies, those dates, those parties, and instead why not make a date with our Savior and our Lady by attending Lenten devotions, going to the Thursday Holy Hour, making the Sorrowful Novena, and the First Saturdays.

Why not consider these two spiritual plans—"No Ninth Period," and The Reducing Plan!

M. A. M.

## Why Not Take the Lead!

Proper etiquette is as important in school as it is at home or in society. A student is known by the way he conducts himself in the classroom, in the halls, and in public and a school is known by its students. Therefore since they will make a name for their school, it rests upon them whether that name be a good or a bad one.

Students will be judged not only on what they know but on what they do, and what they do depends on their principles of conduct. The aim of St. Bonaventure's education is to produce Catholic ladies and gentlemen, who will be known by their good manners. A Bonaventure student would not be worth the name if he or she did not show the greatest courtesy to the faculty. Respecting the rights of their fellow students is also important. When a student wastes his time in study period and comes to class unprepared, he delays the whole class. Shouting in the halls only adds to chaos and confusion. The most courteous and respectful students are the most popular.

The appearance of the buildings and grounds reflect the attitude of the student body. Keeping the building, furniture, and equipment in good condition shows excellent school spirit and upbringing.

Let us examine ourselves and remember that it is the gentlemen and young ladies that are always ahead. Why not take the lead and make our future a happier and more profitable one.

T. N.

## Shamrock Shenanigans

On February 2, the Ground Hog saw his shadow and ran back into his cave.

But we don't have to be afraid, because about this column students rave.

We're not being conceited, although your criticism we don't mind.

But you see, rave and cave were the only good words that rhyme.

Be sure and fill your Mite Boxes so the school can buy a tumbling mat and a wrestling outfit. Then if you can't stand someone, make him sit down.

The senior class wants to thank Helen Dunn, Lee Wass, Carroll Ebner, and Marvin Mayberger for the candy they gave them from their box. But they could have told us that the roof of the candy house had been lacquered before.

Let's all support the YOUTH CLUB, for if YOU don't who will???

The class rings arrived for the juniors, so if you are blinded by a glare in the halls, it is probably a junior showing off his new ring.

You can show your school spirit by visiting "Butch" Bowe, and Arlene Pickhinke at St. Mary's Hospital, and at home respectively. P. S. You can take a malt with you, too.

The chemistry class is happy to learn that the students appreciated the new perfume invented by them. The initials H. S. don't mean "Heaven Sent," but Hydrogen Sulfide.

Three cheers for the Band which gave a good showing at the Catholic tournament. It was the only Pep Band present at the finals.

We hear that Tony A. almost fell through the susaphone on the way to the basketball game in Omaha. (It must be a new way of muting the tone).

The boys who make up the first team in basketball carry the initials of the school.

S.—Sokol  
T.—Tooley  
B.—Baumert  
H.—Herman K.  
S.—Sanders

It's now, "So Long" 'til our next issue.

But at the Class Play we hope to see you.

## Lost Chord Puzzle Overwhelms Band

Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren was walking around the band room with a puzzled look on his face. He would stop, look, shake his head, and then proceed to the next person. This process went on for about fifteen minutes.

During this time everyone was sitting very quiet with a questioning expression on their faces. They looked from one person to another, and then at Mr. Van Ackeren. Then all of a sudden the band members and their director began to laugh.

The mystery was solved. It seems that Mr. Van Ackeren was looking for a chord that was never written.

Mr. Van Ackeren finally discovered that it was an error in his director's manual.

Thus ended the episode of the Lost Chord.

## Marietta Pastor Addresses P. T. A.

"Where Do We Stand In the March of Life" was the topic of Father Daniel Cooper of Marietta at the regular P. T. A. February meeting. Father explained to the 200 members that they are the real teachers of the children and must lay the foundation for future instruction.

In observance of Catholic Week, Sister Gerard, Librarian, gave a talk on Catholic Literature, and an exhibit prepared by the Sodality was viewed by the audience.

The monthly attendance award was given to grade three. Leo Weidner introduced Boy and Cub Scout leaders and as entertainment the Mother Singers rendered two selections.

The Card Party held January 28, sponsored by the P. T. A. netted the organization \$116.00.

"Dads Night" was observed at the regular January meeting of the P. T. A. "Bing Crosby" prizes for having the most boys were awarded to Dick Tooley and Willard Reuss and an "Eddie Canton" prize was given to Anton Pickhinke who has eight daughters.



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## Shamrocks Tame Leigh Panthers

Cletus Fischer's St. Bonaventure Shamrocks outlasted the Leigh Panthers in a thrill packed game January 30, at Kramer High gym, 37-35.

After three see-saw quarters which saw each team take the lead two or three times, the Shamrocks went into the final period with the score deadlocked. With minutes left St. Bonaventure pulled into a five point lead, but had a time fighting off a last desperate rally that brought Leigh within two points.

The Shamrocks controlled the boards and showed fine passing in moving the ball around for close-in shots. Leigh offset this with some fine shooting from out court.

Larry Sanders paced the winners with 18 points, 15 coming before intermission. Center Herman Keefer spoiled the second half and wound up with 11 counters.

Glenn Loseke, who has been hitting regularly for Leigh, notched 15 points, mostly from long range.

Frank Reichenuth and R. Loseke had seven each for the invaders.

Leigh took a 12-8 margin in the first quarter, 10 points made by Loseke, the Shamrocks' points came on three fielders by Sanders and one by Tooley.

Glenn Loseke started things rolling for the Panthers in the second quarter with a free throw. The Irish started climbing, moving into ties at 16-16, 18-19 and 20-20. Don Sokol finally moved the Shamrocks into the lead 22-20, with a long swisher. But little R. Loseke dropped in a bouncer to tie it up 22 all at intermission.

A short basket by Dennis Baumert sent St. Bonaventure ahead early in the third period but Leigh pulled away to a 29-24 margin on baskets by Burger and Glenn Loseke and three points by R. Loseke.

The Irish came back with Keefer's bucket and three points by Sanders. Glenn Loseke picked up a gift toss and Herman Keefer tied it up 30-30 just before the period ended.

John Blahak and Reichuruth matched fielders in the first minutes of the last stanza and then the scoring pace slowed. Keefer finally hit two buckets midway in the quarter to send the Shamrocks ahead 36-32. Sanders converted on a free throw to make it 37 for St. Bonaventure. Reichuruth made a gift shot with fifty seconds left and hit one from the side ten seconds later. Loseke fouled out with half a minute of play left and the Panthers couldn't manage a tying bucket. The Irish Reserves, sparked by Don Schmid and Dave Bowe, took an easy decision.

## Hoopsters Trounce Sacred Heart Five

St. Bons climbed to the 500-mark on January 12 by trouncing Sacred Heart of Norfolk 50 to 35.

The Shamrocks turned in a smooth floor game on the large court. Missing numerous easy shots, Bonnies managed to keep the lead through the game.

John Blahak, hustling forward, making all of his six points in the first quarter, together with Keefer and Tooley pulled the Irish to a 15-10 lead when the first quarter ended.

Dennis Baumert turned in an excellent game controlling the boards, dropped in seven points to put the margin at the half 26-17.

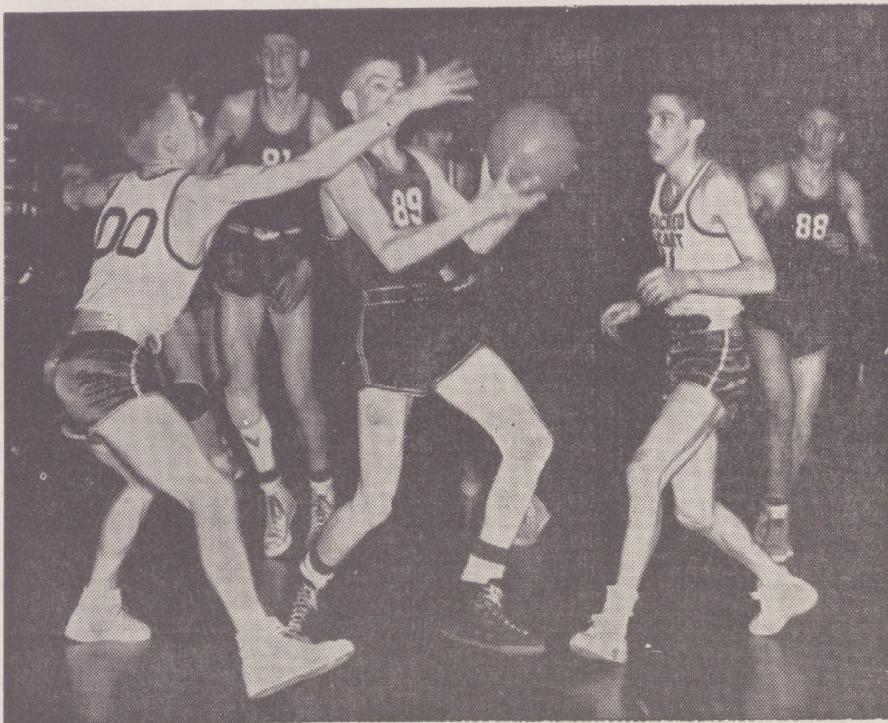
Turning on the steam the Knights, with Determan and Yochum leading the way, closed the Shamrocks edge to 32-36, Bonnies had only two fielders, both of which were by Keefer, but made good six of seven gratis shots.

All hopes of victory faded for Norfolk when in the fourth stanza the Irish got red hot. Sanders and Tooley teamed up to pour in 14 points, to only 3 for Sacred Heart.

The Shamrocks were greatly improved from the free throw line, making 16 of 21 chances. The win over Norfolk gave Bonnies a 4-4 record.

St. Bons reserves made it a double win when they nosed out the Sacred Heart reserves after leading 13-5 at half time. Don Sokol led the reserves with 12 points including the only field goal made by the Shamrocks in the second half.

## St. Bonaventure Versus Sacred Heart of Norfolk



Dick Tooley (89) puts the ball well out of reach of the Sacred Heart players as Herman Keefer (81) and Dennis Baumert (88) stand ready to aid him.

## S. B. Cagers Blast Spalding Academy

St. Bons cagers blasted an always-rugged Spalding Academy team 60-35 February 5, on the Columbus court.

Dominating play all of the way, Bonnies rolled to their highest scoring total of the season. Spalding, sticking close behind in the first stanza, saw a hot St. Bonnies' club pull gradually away.

Hustling Herman Keefer kept the Shamrocks rolling with his fifty 21 points and uniting with tall Dennis Baumert to control the boards.

Larry Sanders and Don Sokol, leading play in the second half with 11 points each, teamed up with Dick Tooley to turn in an excellent floor game.

The Academy was on top but once in the opening minutes when Tommy Galvin dropped in a lay up. A couple field goals by Keefer and a gratis shot by Baumert soon sent the Shamrocks on their way. Don Murphy's field goal pulled Spalding up to a 11-15 score, in the opening second stanza, but again Bonnies had a remedy, a couple goals by Keefer, one by Baumert and a free throw by Sanders spread the margin to 22-11. Coasting the rest of the way St. Bons had a comfortable lead of 28-16 count at half time.

But Spalding was not yet out, because early in the third period they pulled through with a 24-34 deficit. Again the Irish came up with Keefer and Sokol scoring the hoop, at which the invaders saw the score go 46-28. The fourth heat was St. Bons again by increasing the lead through the final eight minutes.

## St. Mary's Subdue Bonaventure Five

The St. Bonaventure Shamrocks aiming for their fifth win of the season, were humbled at the hands of the St. Mary's Ramblers, Jan. 19 on the Ramblers' home court.

Again missing numerous easy shots, Bonnies made only four free throws in the first quarter, and collected two field goals in the entire first half. St. Mary's capitalizing on his point led 24 to 11 at half time.

The second half showed an improved Bonnies club, but not enough improved to play on the Ramblers' terms. The third period drew to a close with St. Mary's still out in front, 38-21.

At the start of the fourth quarter the Shamrocks started clicking but St. Mary's soon remedied that. Time ran out showing the Ramblers to be a better club.

Larry Sanders sparked the Irish drive with 15 points but Jack McGowan took scoring laurels with his 16 points for the third city team.

## Guess Who?

A junior girl, who is a swell player in the E-flat section in the band, and likewise on the basketball court.

This sophie boy is the last of a family of five boys, all who participated in sports at St. Bons.

This senior boy went out for football in his last year and made the first team. He made a touchdown, too.

The top artist of the sophomore class is she, who is also tiny, quiet and cooperative.

Number 13 in football was no jinx for him. He was a freshman Homecoming attendant last year.

This junior boy is never quiet unless he's sleeping, and then he probably talks in his sleep. One of his many nicknames is "Shawny."

He is an employee of Swift's, who takes the part of Dr. Arning in the Senior Class play.

A brother and sister team of the twelfth grade, who like Explorer Scouting, and roller skating, respectively.

A student from Duncan, who is a sophomore and a splendid accordion player.

Perfect Mass attendance he possesses, and although he is small he is mighty. He is a junior.

An Irish lad from the tenth grade, who goes out for football and basketball. His sister is a cheerleader.

He likes country people, and now is known as "Father Damien."

He's never seen without a smile on his face, and always is ready to help a person in need. He's a sophie.

She's a junior, vice president of Pep Club, and is nicknamed "Tootie."

This sophomore girl is about five foot and was chosen Homecoming attendant this year.

She has long black hair, and an Honor Roll standing. She is a junior.

## Pep Club Sponsors Season's Last Rally

To "Listen to the Pep Band" the band and Pep Club joined together for the first time at the last pep rally of the year. This selection was followed by "The Clapping Song" and "Fite, Fite, Fite."

The cheerleaders then led the students in a number of cheers and to show the power of a cheer put Richard Otterpohl at the foot of a ladder and the louder the students cheered the faster he ascended. This stunt created much enthusiasm and they soon boosted Richard to the top.

After this Charles Kaipust introduced Coach Fischer, who thanked everyone for their cooperation during the year and asked that they keep up the good work. He also called on Dennis Baumert, game captain, for a few words.

To bring the rally to a close Father Tim, introduced by Dennis Nosal, urged the students to attend the Osceola game and also to follow the team to the Catholic Tournament finals with Holy Name.

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### Homeroom News

Seniors

During Lent, the seniors are receiving instructions on Courtship and Marriage every Wednesday and Friday from Father Martin. Helen Ternes, Orlethia Wass, and Mary Gerhold are participating in the Elks Scholarship Award.

Juniors

The juniors have received their Class rings which they selected last fall. They feature a special school crest. Juniors are also working on plans for the Junior-Senior Prom and have begun a Clean-up Campaign.

Sophomores

The Sophomore President, Dave Bowe, and Vice President, Arlene Pickhinke are both out of school because of football injury and a serious illness, respectively.

Sophomore Room  
Columbus, Nebraska  
February 21, 1951

Dear Bonnies:

January 15, I started in your school, and from that moment I have met some of the friendliest people there are. Thanks! You can't realize what a help it is to start in a new school where everybody is so helpful and friendly.

I wish especially to thank the Sisters and the Rev. Fathers, Mr. Van Ackeren and my classmates. I know that my next two years at St. Bons will be some of the happiest of my life.

A new student,  
CHARLES WIEDEL.

Freshmen I

In the freshman Group I candy sale, which netted \$27.50, the chairman of the winning table was Mary Ann Feik.

Those on Mary Ann's committee were Lorraine Herink, Patty Rose Johnson, Donna Jarecki, Jane Luetkenhaus, and Marilyn Boroviak.

Other chairmen were Sheila McGowan, Rosalie Burzynski, Bill Murphy, and Vincent Galley.

Freshmen II

Entering contests is the February project of Freshmen II, who have entered the Dollar-A-Word Contest, which is for freshmen only.

All the rooms are participating in The Bishop's Fund Drive, and in selling tickets for the Class Play. So far the juniors are in the lead.

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## M. Gerhold Earns Jr. Counselorship

Mary Gerhold, St. Bonaventure senior, has been elected a junior counselor for Cornhusker Girls' State of 1951 on the basis of ballots cast by the executive staff of 1950 Girls' State.

Mary is one of six girls chosen over 200 former Girl Staters for their outstanding qualities of leadership.

While at Girls' State last year, Mary was elected mayor of her "city" and associate editor of the Girls' State newspaper. She also served as campaign manager for the winning candidate for chief justice of the supreme court.

Girls' State will again be held on the University of Nebraska campus, June 5 to 11, inclusive.

Mary is an honor student and was one of the three seniors to compete for the Elks' scholarship. She is social chairman of the Youth Club; editor-in-chief of The Venture; assistant editor of the Annual; chairman of the social committee of Our Lady's Sodality and a member of various clubs and organizations.

## Junior Counselor



MARY GERHOLD

## Calendar

May 1—Assembly Program by P. E. Gills.  
 May 1—May Procession Crowning of the Blessed Mother.  
 May 3—Ascension of our Lord (Holy Day).  
 May 3—Outing by Youth Club.  
 May 4—First Friday.  
 May 5—First Saturday Adoration.  
 May 6—First Sunday—Sodality Communion.  
 May 6—First Holy Communion for Second Grade.  
 May 7—Prom.  
 May 8—Free Day.  
 May 11—Movie.  
 May 11—Freshman - Sophomore Hop.  
 May 13—Mother's Day.  
 May 15—P. T. A.  
 May 17—Concert—Mr. Van Ackeren—Kramer Auditorium.  
 May 22—Honor Convocation Day.  
 May 22—Sodality Meeting.  
 May ??—Senior Sneak Day.  
 May 24-25—Final Exams.  
 May 25—Close of School.  
 May 27—Graduation.

## Elks' Winner



ORLETHIA WASS

## O. Wass Merits Elks' Scholarship

Orlethia Wass, St. Bonaventure senior, has merited the Elks National Foundation \$100 "Most Valuable Student" Scholarship Award given by the local lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The Elks award this check in order to aid the student to further his education.

Orlethia, an honor student of St. Bonaventure, ranks first in her class. She is active in school and extra-curricular activities. She is editor-in-chief of the Annual, president of the Pep Club, secretary of the senior class, and typist on The Venture.

Two other students—Mary Gerhold and Helen Ternes—had been chosen to compete from St. Bonaventure. Each student then prepared a brochure, which told of awards that were won, school and church offices held, activities participated in, grades in school, character references, and other necessary information.

A committee of judges in Lincoln rated the brochures and selected the highest among the three.

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# THE VENTURE

Don't Miss!  
 S. B. H.  
 CONCERT  
 May 17, 1951  
 Kramer High

## Junior-Senior Prom Features 'Hawaiian Moonlight' Theme

Bobby Mills' Orchestra  
 Plays For Gala Festivity

The annual Junior-Senior Prom and Banquet, sponsored by the junior class, under the direction of Sister Laurentine, homeroom sponsor, will be held on May 7, this year.

The Bobby Mills' Orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion.

The juniors are carrying out the theme, "Hawaiian Moonlight." The colors of both the junior and senior classes are being used in the decorations.

The banquet tables will be decorated with the senior class colors—Old Rose and Silver, and the class flower, Lily of the Valley.

The decorating committees and their chairmen are as follows: Stage—Theresa Mostek, chairman, Margaret Hembd, Mary Ellen Marsolek; Ceiling—Mary Ann Staroscik, chairman, Rosalie Bil-

lesbach, Mary Alice Moersen, Pat Tooley; Radiators—Ruth Kluever, chairman, Lois German, Diane Haney, Estelle Wemhoff, Mary Lou Stuehmer, Mary Zarek, Virginia Jarecki, Marylee Ebner; Stars—Estelle Wemhoff, chairman, Mary Paprocki, Diane Haney, Barbara Markhofer, Connie Hittner, Gennene Spidle; Windows—Dick Tooley, chairman, Herman Keefer, Ted Mimick; Invitations—Mary Alice Moersen, chairman, Mary Ann Podraza, Rosalie Billesbach, and Table Decorations—Pat Tooley, chairman, Frances Fischer, Mary Lee Ebner, Charlotte Jones.

## Students Receive Musical Ratings

Charlotte Jones, Mary Gerhold, and Helen Ternes received high ratings at the Nebraska District Music Contest, which was held at Fremont, Nebraska.

Charlotte received a Superior rating for her vocal solo, "Hark! Hark! The Lark" by Schubert. Mary and Helen received ratings of Excellent in piano solos, playing the "First Movement of Beethoven Sonata Op. 14 No. 25" and the "First Movement of Mozart Sonata No. 2," respectively.

This is the first time St. Bonaventure High has been represented at the Fremont Contest.

## Attention, Students!

WHAT: St. Bonaventure's First Invitational Track Meet.  
 WHEN: Friday, May 4, starting at 12:45

WHERE: Municipal Stadium, Pawnee Park

WHO: St. Bonaventure's, St. Patrick's of Fremont, Palmer, Schuyler, Newman Grove, and Madison

WHY: Be there to show your school spirit!

## T. Niedbalski Gains State Essay Prize

Ted Niedbalski, senior, received second prize in the fifth Councilor District in an essay contest sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of the Nebraska State Medical Association. The topic of the contest was "Medicine's Role in Preserving the American Way of Life."

Ted is an honor student and is president of the senior class; business manager of The Venture; circulation manager of the Annual and a member of the Third Order.

Others who entered the contest were—Rose Ann Vaneck, Rita Burzynski, William Ernst, Barbara DeLarme and Sandra Mitera.

This district was composed of Platte, Boone, Colfax, Dodge, Burt, Washington, Merrick, and Nance counties.

## Band, Songsters Stage First Spring Concert

Selections Represent Various Music Periods

There's music in the air these spring days as the four St. Bonaventure musical organizations prepare for their first spring concert which will be held May 17, at Kramer High School Auditorium. The Band, Triple Trio, Modern Choral Club and the Mixed Glee Club will participate in this year's program. Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren, music director, is in charge of both the band and the vocal groups.

A perusal of the content of the

program reveals a variety of music chosen from the different art periods from the twelfth century to the present.

The Mixed Glee Club will sing a new motif arrangement of one of the first recorded secular songs entitled, "Summer Is a Cummin' In," originally a six-part round sung in the thirteenth century. Contrasting this the band will present a modern "jive" number called, "Time Out For a Jam Session," by Harmlon.

The band will also render such compositions as "The Carnival of Roses," an overture by Olvidati; two concert marches, "Homage to Youth," and "United Nations"; "The Beggar Student," a musical comedy selection; "Cossock Invitation and Dance," and several other selections.

The Triple Trio will feature, among other numbers, "Allah's Holiday," by Friml, from the comic opera, "Katinka." A twenty-four voiced Modern Choral Club will interpret Rodgers and Hart's, "With a Song in My Heart," from "Spring is Here" and "Louisiana Hayride," by Dietz-Schwartz. As a highlight in its part of the program, the Mixed Glee Club will sing "Cherubim Song," by Dimitri Bortniansky.

Tickets for the concert will be sold, starting May 1, by the students and also at Miessler's Book Store, Columbus Music Company, and Tooley Drug Company.

## New 'Bona Venture' Nears Completion

"The Annual is nearing completion and has gone to press," Annual editor, Orlethia Wass, announced recently. This is the third Annual to be published at St. Bons, and will be finished and ready for distribution before May 10.

Among the new features are the following: seniors will be pictured in their caps and gowns; more pages; many full-page pictures; the baby pictures of the class of '51 will highlight the feature page; and a new and unique way of picture arrangement will be employed.

The cover of the Annual features a white background of rough grain leatherette. The top is centered with a shamrock of green smooth leatherette. In the center of each of the shamrock leaves is a crucifix, a book, and a football. They symbolize the three activities of St. Bons—religion, study, and athletics. Green narrow bars running horizontally and vertically enclose the year and the name of the Annual.

## '50 Graduate Gains College Scholarship

Ina Claire Frischholz, a graduate of 1950, was one of six Kearney State Teachers College students who was awarded a \$50.00 scholarship from the Nebraska Congress of Parents and Teachers Association.

Among the requirements for a scholarship, applicants had to have high moral and social standards, a good scholastic record, a special aptitude for teaching and a pleasing personality.

Ina Claire, a freshman at the Kearney State Teachers College, proved to be scholastically outstanding at the end of the first semester. Her report showed 6-A's and 1-B, which ranks her among the top students of the college. Miss Alice M. Robinson, Dean of Women, wrote, "We are pleased to report to you the splendid academic record achieved by Ina Claire."

Besides taking a teacher's course, Ina Claire, last year's editor-in-chief of The Venture, and assistant editor of the Annual, works on the college paper, "The Antelope."

## Junior Cornhuskers Represent S. B. High

Fifteen juniors representing St. Bonaventure High School, joined with representatives from seven other schools in Platte County to learn about county government on April 18, at the Court House.

It was Platte's Participation day in Cornhusker Boys' and Girls' County Government, sponsored by the American Legion Posts and Auxiliaries of the county. The youthful "officials," elected by the student body at the general election held during March, joined with the regular county officials to study just how the government functions at that level.

The officers, with their office, elected were the following: Mary Ellen Marsolek, County Clerk; Pat Tooley, County Treasurer; Bernadette Holys, County Assessor; Dick Tooley, Superintendent of Schools; Ted Mimick, County Sheriff; Don Sokol, County Judge; Richard Otterpohl, Register of Deeds; John Blahak, County Attorney; Estelle Wemhoff, Clerk of the District Court; Mary Ann Podraza, County Supervisor; Dennis Baumert, Highway Engineer; Lois German, Assistance Director; Leo Thiele, Extension Agent; Rosalie Billesbach, Home Demonstration Agent; and Herman Keefer, Veterans Service Office.

A summary of the days activities given by representatives of each office at a general assembly closed the day. Five St. Bonaventure students, who gave reports at that time were Don Sokol, Estelle Wemhoff, Mary Ann Podraza, Lois German, and Herman Keefer.

## St. Bonaventure Cornhuskers



Left to right: First row—M. Marsolek, P. Tooley, M. Podraza, R. Otterpohl, Supt. R. Quick; Second row—E. Wemhoff, L. German, R. Billesbach, B. Holys; Third row—T. Mimick, J. Blahak, D. Baumert, L. Thiele; Last row—H. Keefer, R. Tooley, D. Sokol.

## S.B.H. Girls Attend Sodality Meeting

A delegation of twenty-seven students represented the Mystical Rose Sodality of St. Bonaventure High School at the Annual Sodality Convention held on April 14 at the Creighton University, Omaha. The Sodalists were accompanied by Sister M. Colette, Sodality moderator, and Sister M. Aureliana.

The convention was sponsored by the Omaha High School Sodality Union. Reverend Richard Rooney, S. J., directed the entire program.

Lectures and open forum discussions constituted the happenings of the day.

Students from Sioux City, Omaha, Fremont, and Columbus schools comprised the delegation numbering close to 500.

## Who Will Be Your Partner?

What! A partner for life? That's the question, which has been brought to the consideration of the teen-agers of St. Bon's High during Vocation month, week, and day.

What is a Religious Vocation? It is an inclination or attraction toward the Priesthood, Sisterhood, or Brotherhood made known to young folks; an invitation of Our Lord, directly or indirectly.

The big problem is—"How to know if one has a Religious vocation? No one really knows but there are distinct signs, which affect individuals differently. For example, just the thought or desire to have a priestly or religious vocation; a zeal for helping souls; a longing for assurance of saving one's soul; a feeling that worldly things are empty and insufficient to satisfy the strivings of a heart; an attraction for prayer and holy things; longing to be like certain priests or religious.

Many young folks drown their calling on account of uncertainty and discouragement. They would like to go away and try the life, but they are afraid that if it should not be their calling and they would return home, they would be branded.

No one should be afraid of trying—in fact, a boy or girl, who possessed so much courage to take that out-of-the-world step should be considered noble and heroic.

In order to overcome the big obstacles, which the devil, the flesh, and the world lure one with, God has given us a sure means of help—Prayer; Reception of the Sacraments; seeking the advice of confessors, instructors, or parents; and reading appropriate literature.

These, last few weeks of school, and with the Retreat still fresh in our hearts, should be an incentive to cherish that religious yen which is still aflame, and make all St. Bon's students think about their future!

Will HE be Your Partner?

R. K.

## Are You A Leader?

The great philosopher Cicero once said, "What one has one ought to use; and whatever he does he should do with all his might." Cicero was considered a leader in his day and, like other great men in the course of history, he became such by using his talents to the best advantage.

Every man is a creature of God who possesses certain gifts that were given to him alone. Co-operating with the grace of God and putting forth his greatest effort he can succeed as a leader in life. Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm for no one knows what he can do until he tries.

The president of the class, the most brilliant student, the quarterback on the football team, the girl with a fine voice, and the champion stamp collector—are all leaders in their field. They used the talents which they possessed and their greatness is determined by how well they used them.

Whether the student is a leader in his school, parish or city organization, or in other fields, he should realize that anything that is worth doing is worth doing well. He should also be willing to take responsibility upon his shoulders. When a man does only what he must do, he will remain all his life in the rank and file. He will always have to be ordered about. It is what a man does of his own accord that counts!

There is a need for real leaders today! How will you meet the challenge?

M. G.

## What's Modest?

"What's modest??" asked the teen-ager looking over the spring collection of formals, dresses, and playclothes. The answer to the question should be made by the girl herself, with regard to Catholic principles and standards.

If when buying that new formal or bathing suit, a girl feels that she will be dressed modest, then chances are that she is modest in picking that formal or suit.

While a girl may see no wrong in immodest dress, she must remember that although it may not cause her to sin, it may be an occasion of sin to some other person.

Modesty pertains not only to dress, but also to speech, actions, and thoughts. Any violation of the sixth and ninth commandments is a Mortal Sin which deprives the soul of Divine Life and makes one an enemy of God.

Modesty is a helper to chastity, the opposer of the evil, impurity. Modesty also applies to boys as well as girls. St. Paul tells that more souls are in hell because of impurity than any other sins.

A teen-ager who would not be afraid to have Jesus and Mary see his dress, hear his speech, view his actions, or sense his thoughts, is truly modest.

If you would not be embarrassed in front of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother in that new formal or bathing suit, then you can be assured that you really know the answer to—"What's Modest?"

H. T.

## Collect Heavenly Dividends!

The opportunity is here! The Holy Year Indulgence. Have you made use of the graces and blessings which this fountain of mercy extends to you?

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The conditions for gaining this indulgence in Columbus are as follows:

1. **FOUR VISITS TO CHURCH**—
  - a. In Columbus, two visits must be made to each church.
  - b. Religious women may make their visits in the chapel of the house to which they are assigned, or in the chapel of any other religious house, or in the parish church.
  - c. For invalids, and others unable to make the prescribed visits, confessors may substitute other works of piety, such as the recitation of the rosary, for the visits to the church.
2. **PRAYERS TO BE SAID DURING EACH VISIT**—
  - a. The Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be to the Father, five times;
  - b. The Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be to the Father, once for the intention of the Holy Father;
  - c. The Apostles Creed, once;
  - d. The Hail Mary, three times, adding each time the invocation, "Queen of Peace, pray for us."
  - e. The Hail Holy Queen, once.

It is recommended although not required that the Holy Year Prayer of the Holy Father be recited during each visit.

The prayers must be vocal, not merely mental which means that the words must be spoken at least to oneself, although they need not be said out loud.

If several persons make the visits together they may alternate in the recitation of the prayers.

3. **CONFESSION AND HOLY COMMUNION**—
 

- a. Confession and Holy Communion may precede, follow or occur during the time of the visits.
- b. It is necessary that the final work or condition for the gaining of the indulgence be performed while in the state of grace..
- c. The annual Confession and the Easter Communion required by law do not satisfy for the gaining of the indulgence.

Vacation will soon be here. Why not get your pal to go along with you to make these four visits to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, Who is longing and waiting for—just YOU!

T. M.

## 'No Prom' Decision Faces Students

The day loomed forward as a dark and dreary one. Inside the school the usual sound of gay and excited voices was not heard. Students' faces were pale and upper-classmen had a look of dismay and weariness.

On the second floor the sun began to shine through shades of gay colors as reds, blues, and greens. Silver stars danced from the ceiling while lofty palm trees swayed behind in the inland breeze.

The doors to this magnificent replica were locked and were not to be opened this evening. This fact would come as somewhat of a surprise to some people but not to the students of St. Bon's, for they knew the reason. This was to have been the night of the annual Junior-Senior Prom.

But this year was to be different, for this year there was to be No Prom! Why? Because there were so few dates, the prom was called off and no one would enjoy the beautiful setting of the "Moonlight Hawaiian Cruise."

But just then the clock struck four, and I had to hustle to be ready when my date called for me, for tonight was the Junior-Senior Prom. I hurriedly dressed, keeping in mind how thankful I should be that the unhappy Prom was just an awful nightmare from which I had awakened.

Within a short time all my dreadful thoughts had vanished and I was lost in a world of happiness and enchantment, among many other gay couples on a "Hawaiian Cruise."



By PAUL MELCHER, '51

## Bonnie Band Attends Mid-East Festival

Members of the St. Bonaventure Band attended the Fifth Annual Mid-East Instrumental Music Festival on March 29 at the Kramer Auditorium.

Mr. Hugh E. McMillen, director of bands at the University of Colorado and a former instructor of Mr. Van Ackeren, was the critic and guest conductor of the Festival.

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## Happy Days!

Spring, the best time of the year, Comes forth to spread its cheer. No thoughts are turned toward school, And some even forget the Golden Rule.

The students start to fuss and pout,

Until the day that school lets out. But it's a time for fun and fancy free,

These days that are happy and carefree.

R. O.

## Sympathy

The faculty and students of St. Bonaventure High express their deepest sympathy to Sister Gabriel, on the death of her mother; Gennene Spidle, Marilyn Johnson, and Ted Mimick, on the deaths of their fathers; Mary, Francis, and Rose Paprocki, on the death of their mother.

## Father Mark Gives Teen-ager Retreat

"What are you?" was the opening question of the high school Retreat which Father Mark Hegener of Chicago, Retreat Master, put to the students on April 15 and 16.

The purpose of the retreat was to encourage everyone to become more spiritual-minded by prayer and silence. It was also to be a tracing back of the students' lives to see how well they have lived their Faith.

Four conferences were held each day, and the rosary and stations were also recited. Benediction terminated the devotions at the end of both Retreat Days.

Some of Father Mark's topics were: Sin, The Occasions of Sin, Confession, Pride, Humility, and the Devotion to Our Blessed Mother.

The last high school Retreat was held in 1948.

## Unusual Monday Startles Students

It all started with the usual blue-Monday rolling around, but there seemed to be something unusual about this one! Instead of the ordinary whisperings of the week-end happenings, the out-comes of the fights, and the murmuring or worrying comments of unprepared assignments, all the students were quiet and orderly and for some odd reason seemed to be deep in thought.

There had to be something stirring! Maybe they have been promised the afternoon off for good behavior, I thought to myself.

But, nevertheless, I was determined to find out what it was all about. So I followed closely behind the seniors (feeling sure that this all-of-sudden good-behavior act just couldn't hold out with them!) As they all entered their homeroom and walked to their respective seats, sat down, opened books and remained silent and studious.

This was getting the best of me, when I dazedly glanced at the Bulletin Board where huge letters were staring me in the face, "Retreat, Monday and Tuesday." At last a clue!

The mystery being solved, I, too, sat down and began some spiritual reading.

## Shamrock Shenanigans

Just six more weeks of school to go, And then we'll have time to play and so.

Although we are sad about the hours we spend, We will be unhappy when Commencement brings an end.

Congrats to the boys who made points for St. Bon's in the Columbus and Norfolk Invationals. We heard that the Norfolk Invite was strictly a day for the mudders.

We're wracking our wits and faculties beyond a doubt, When a wise guy questions when The Venture will be out. We raise our hand to our mouth and firmly count to ten, And wish that those like him would articles to us send.

If you notice certain people covering the floors and school grounds on their hands and knees, it's just the cheerleaders trying to find some more money to pay their bills.

Following another odorous experiment produced by the Chemistry Class, some of the students think that the Science Department should have a separate building for its classes! Don't you???

Congratulations to Estelle Wemhoff and Dick Tooley for being chosen to represent St. Bon's at Girls' and Boys' State.

We hear that several senior boys plan to drive to Denver on Senior Sneak Day. We also hope they make it and they claim they will. (Isn't that right, Augie?)

In Modern Problems class: Sister G.: "What is infant mortality?"

Myron M.: "It means that they will be small and scrubby."

The first casualty of the Chemistry class resulted in a sore finger. (Are we right, Dick?) The class enjoyed an excursion to the Fire Department, which resulted in a ride back to school on the fire truck.

That's all for now, but we'll see you at the prom.

## Paper Staff Gives Candy Sale, Dance

This month a grand total of \$62.00 was realized from two events—a candy sale and a dance—sponsored by The Venture Staff to help defray the expenses of publishing the paper.

The five tables, with the following chairmen: Helen Dunn, Mary Alice Moerssen, Polly Speice, Helen Ternes, and Ted Niedbalski, netted \$42.00.

At the school dance members of the staff served in the following capacity: Ted Niedbalski, master of ceremonies; Helen Dunn and Bernadette Holy, cashiers; Polly Speice and Frances Fischer, records; Rosalie Billesbach and Margaret Hayes, refreshments; and Buzz Gregorius and Eugene Wennekamp, arrangements.

The dance reaped \$20.00 for the publication. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gregorius were chaperons.

## Hurrying Femmes Hustle Hurriedly

Early one dark dreary morning several figures, all dressed up, were seen walking hurriedly toward the school. Upon coming closer, a larger group of girls were seen and excited voices could be heard—all trying to out-talk the other one. With the freshmen's outcries consisting of questions of—"What and where is it?" "Who's going to be there?" An enlightened senior, feeling it her duty to instruct these poor little "green creatures," was trying her utmost to answer all their questions with the information, which she had obtained in previous years.

A few were discussing their hopes of having time to shop for formals and other clothes.

A loud shrill cry was heard high above all the other chattering comments "Here it comes!" (It was the school bus.) The girls all scrambled to various seats and were set for a long trip to Omaha, where they were to attend the annual Sodality Convention.

## Senior Dramatists Perform 'Kamiano'

The senior class dramatists performed the three-act Hawaiian drama "Kamiano," before a capacity crowd, March 4 and 5, at the school auditorium.

Favorable comments list Alfred Micek as outstanding in the role of Father Damien, the Belgian priest, who campaigned relentlessly to improve the position of the lepers confined to the dread island of Molokai.

Also credited with top performances, together with Micek in the title role, were that of "Niga" by Helen Ternes, and "Nihue" portrayed by Ted Niedbalski, both who untiringly served the priest in his endeavors.

Because of the many roles in the production, several students had to fill more than one part. This number included August Warholoski, Donald Korger, Jim Lippstreu, Ken Schaefer, Herman Blahak, Carroll Ebner and Ralph Pfeifer.

Other members of the cast were Dwayne Drum, Helen Dunn, Mary Ann Tworek, Sandra Mitera, Myron Mayberger, Orlethia Wass, Margaret Hayes, Mary Gerhold, William Ernst, Marvin Mayberger, Donna Rae Wheeler, Clifford Speicher, Eugene Gates, Mary Ann Johnson, Mary Jane Schaefer, Robert Johnson, Jim Roberts, and Emil Jarecki.

The production, written by Ement Lavery and Grace Murphy, was directed by Sister Laurentine. Hawaiian and Oriental music and scenery furnished the background.

## Tracksters Take Triangular Meet

Coach Cletus Fischer's tracksters trampled St. Edward and Duncan in a Triangle Meet, April 9, at Pawnee Park, Columbus.

The Irish scored 83 points while St. Edward followed with 32 and Duncan collected 2. Points were given for first three places according to 5-3-1 fashions.

St. Bonaventure points came from the following: Larry Sanders, first in the 60-yd. high hurdles, half mile, and the high jump; Cliff Speicher, first in the 100, and third in the 220 and shotput; John Blahak's, first in the 440, 220, shot, and second in the 100; Lawrence Miller's, first in the 100-yd. lows; Jim Lippstreu's, first in the discus; Ted Mimick's, first in the broad jump, second in the shotput, and third in the discus; Paul Melcher's, second place in the high hurdles; Dave Bowe's, second in the mile; Alvin Chochon's, second in the discus; Herman Keefer's, second in the high jump.

## Shamrocks Report For Track Training

Twenty-five tracksters reported to Coach Cletus Fischer for the 1952 track season.

They are the following: Seniors—Paul Melcher, Cliff Speicher and Jim Lippstreu; juniors—Dennis Baumert, Ted Mimick, John Blahak, Alvin Chochon; sophomores—Larry Sanders, Martin Dunn, Dave Bowe, John Robb and Lawrence Miller; freshmen—Mike Tooley, Kenny Cielocha, Jim Hoshor, Jerry Thalke, Gene Nosal, Bernard Petermann.

Tom Zuroski, who is not eligible for track, is running to keep in shape for football next fall.

Because of the weather no track was held until the end of March.

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## Fischer's Team Wins State Qualifications

Coach Cletus Fischer's Shamrocks qualified in three events for the annual State Track Meet to be held May 11 and 12, in Lincoln.

The Irish participating in the District Class B Qualifying Meet held in David City scored a total of 13 points to finish eighth among the eleven-team race.

The individual qualifiers for the State Meet were the following: Larry Sanders, whose 10 ft. 8 in. pole vault was good for second place; Cliff Speicher, who placed third in the 100-yard dash with a time of 10.8 seconds; and the 880-yard relay team composed of Blahak, Bowe, Mimick, and Speicher, who ran the distance in 139.9. The relay time ties the school record set in 1948 by Cliff Speicher, Ed Zuroski, Bill Ragatz, and Bill Merrill.

John Blahak having the best qualifying time of 23.6 in the 220-yard dash was disqualified for getting into the wrong lane.

## Juniors Capture Intramural Title

St. Bonaventure classes finished their annual intramural tournament with the juniors taking top honors.

The junior five earned the championship by defeating the freshmen in the first round by a narrow margin of 44-36. Dean Soulliere and Mike Tooley were the highlights of the contest with their expert shooting from the center of the floor.

The juniors went on to dump the sophomores, 59-34, in the finals.

The sophomores reached the finals by defeating the seniors, 33-20.

In the consolation game the seniors battled to a 40-32 win over the freshmen.



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## Baseball Teams Represent Parish

St. Bonaventure's Parish and School are going to be well represented during the coming baseball season according to Father Timothy, Athletic Director.

St. Bonaventure's Parish is again sponsoring a team in the Mid-State League. Practice has already begun for the team.

St. Bonaventure High School is fielding a junior team, composed of boys from the eighth to the tenth grades. Any boy who is going to be sixteen before the first of January, 1952, is not eligible to participate.

The second team, sponsored by the school, is a midget team, which is composed of boys from the fourth to the seventh grades.

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## Lettermen Finish Basketball Season

After completing a fair basketball season at St. Bonaventure, ten of the Shamrocks received letters.

The lettermen were Dennis Baumert, Herman Keefer, Larry Sanders, Don Sokol and Dick Tooley, who played first string. The second five consisted of John Blahak, John Robb, Don Schmid, Eugene Savage, and John Kaminski. All these boys saw action in half or over half of all the games.

The Honorary Captain of the 1950-1951 cage season has yet to be chosen.

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# Inquiring Reporters Report Inquiries

The student survey taken after the Retreat resulted in numerous varied opinions. The results are gathered below:

"If you were blessed with a vocation, to what particular cause would you devote your life?"

**Donald Sokol**—I would be a teaching brother and devote my life in teaching the Catholic Faith to others.

**Mary Ann Euteneuer**—I would go directly to Korea and try to rebuild spiritually, bodily, and materially the people who deserve Catholicity after a war's destruction.

**Charlotte Jones**—I would like to nurse God's sick, remembering always that they are His beloved children.

**Arnold Krzyski**—Ask God to help me decide for sure and help me be a good priest.

**Pat Mahoney**—I would like to dedicate my life to Christ and His Mother.

**Bernadette Holys**—I would devote my life to spreading the Catholic Religion in foreign lands.

**Charles Klapust**—Become a priest and do my best to convert communists.

**Marilyn Noonan**—Ask Christ and His Mother's guidance to do the best I could for the love of Them.

**Alvin Chochon**—I would ask God to bless me in becoming a priest.

**Dolores Neki**—I would spread the name of God and His mother through missionary work.

**Lois German**—If I had a vocation I would devote my life to increasing devotion to Our Lady of Fatima by example and good works.

**Dick Tooley**—I would make Mary and Jesus the model of every home throughout the nation.

"What did you get out of the Retreat?"

**Connie Hittner**—I became closer to God and learned somethings about my religion that I did not know before.

**Bill Messing**—It got things straight in my mind that have been confusing.

**Gennene Spidle**—I found out that I must try harder to be like the Blessed Mother and Jesus as they want me to be; also, that it does one good to stop and think about oneself and God.

**Bob Fieling**—The interesting talks given by Father Mark gave me a better outlook on life.

**John Kaminski**—The general confession was the most important, because this was where one got the most help from the Retreat Master.

**Ruth Kluever**—I learned how to wear the label "Catholic" with honor and pride.

**Kenneth O'Kane**—I realized how very important it is to keep the Commandments of God and His Church.

**Tom Zuroski**—I learned that a retreat is a necessity for all teenagers.

## Privileged Students View Three Movies

A variety of religious, educational, and adventurous movies were presented to the students of St. Bonaventure High School, last month.

"You Can Change the World," the movie, which explained the Christopher Movement, was sponsored by The Venture staff. This picture included many outstanding movie stars, such as, Father Kelly, Jack Benny, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby, and many others.

"The Life of St. Francis" showed the entire life of the great saint from his birth until his death. The picture had a historical background and was made in the same surroundings as those in which St. Francis lived.

"Forced Landing," a combination of comedy and suspense, took place in Brazil. It portrayed the life of a pilot and an ex-general and their experiences in uncovering a fifth columnist.

All movies were presented through the courtesy of Father Martin.

## Sammy Kaye



## Sammy Kaye Visits Columbus, May 16

Sammy Kaye and his "Swing and Sway" orchestra will come to Columbus on May 16 to the city auditorium, under the sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce.

The proceeds from the popular novelty, "So You Want to Lead a Band," will be added to the 100th Columbus Anniversary fund.

Reservations for the show are being made as follows: first ten rows \$1.80, balance \$1.25; dance tickets, advance sale \$1.50, at the door \$1.80.

The show starts at 8:30 p. m. and the dance at 10 p. m.

## Vocation Program Inspires Students

Thirty-four girls of St. Bonaventure School attended a special program climaxing "Vocation Week" on April 22 at Holy Name School in Omaha.

Among the many Religious, representing their Order, were the following from St. Bonaventure: Sisters—Bede, Aureliana, Colette, Pius, Flora, and Johannella.

Rev. Archbishop G. T. Bergan gave the welcoming address. He stressed the need for religious as teachers, nurses, and other careers. The Sister-delegates, representing the different Orders, were then presented and each one gave a short summary of her Community and the location of her Motherhouse.

The Rev. Howard Ralenkotter, C. P., of Chicago, leader of the Program, spoke on "Vocations." Elaborate booths containing projects were arranged at the gymnasium explaining the different Orders and their duties.

After Benediction there was a tea for the girls. During this time the Religious attended a special session by the Rev. Howard Ralenkotter, C. P.

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## New Editor-in-Chief

Mary Alice Moersen now heads "The Venture," the school paper, as its new editor-in-chief.

She had been selected due to her efficient service and reliability on the school paper for the past three years.

Mary Alice is an honor student and served in various capacities on the paper. She was a reporter in her freshman and sophomore year. This year she served as assistant editor.

She attended the Journalism Convention at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln where she received a certificate of merit in headline writing for ranking second in a contest, and she also attended the Sodality Convention in Omaha this year.

She is a member of Our Lady's Sodality, Pep Club, Choir, Band, and a representative on the Student Council.

She participated in the C. D. A. Poem Contest and the Americanism Contest, and won awards in the Shorthand O. G. A. and the Typing Contests.

Mary Alice replaces Mary Gerhold as editor-in-chief.



Mary Alice Moersen edits the May issue of "The Venture."

# Thirty-Nine '51 Seniors Commence New Career

## Rev. Cecil Koop Gives Graduation Address

Thirty-nine seniors of St. Bonaventure High School will graduate Sunday, May 27 in St. Bonaventure Church. Rev. Cecil Koop, Humphrey, will be the guest speaker at the commencement exercises. Rev. Roch Hettinger, pastor, will give the baccalaureate sermon.

A reception will be held for the graduates in the Youth Center immediately following the commencement exercises.

Baccalaureate services at the eight o'clock Mass, Sunday morning will begin the ceremony. The seniors—girls attired in white caps and gowns and boys in black caps and gowns—will receive Holy Communion in a body. The choir will sing with Joseph Van Ackeren directing and Delores Rupprecht at the organ.

Following the Mass, a breakfast, prepared by the mothers of the graduates, will be served in the gymnasium.

The program will be as follows: March; grace by Father Roch; "On This Day O Beautiful Mother" by the graduates; welcome by Ted Niedbalski, class president; response by Donald Korger, vice-president; address by Father Roch; "We Are Grateful" by Polly Speice, class treasurer; and "God Be With You Until We Meet Again" sung by the class. Mary Alice Moersen will be pianist for the occasion.

At eight in the evening, the graduates, dressed in caps and gowns, will march to the church for the Graduation Exercises. Preceding the seniors will be an honor guard from the junior class—Theresa Mostek, Mary Ann Euteneuer, Jean Clark, Virginia Jarecki, Ted Mimick, John Blahak, Leo Cynova and Bill Jarvis. Father Koop will deliver the address and Father Roch will confer the diplomas to the class.

After a hymn to the Blessed Virgin, Solemn Benediction will be held, with Father Roch as celebrant, assisted by Father Martin as deacon, and Father Timothy as subdeacon. Assisting the clergy in the sanctuary will be Knights of the Altar, Dick Tooley and John Kaminski.

The singing of "Holy God We Praise Thy Name," followed by the recessional, will conclude the ceremony.

Sister Gabriel, senior sponsor, is directing the celebration.

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## Physical Ed. Class Exhibits Activities

The Physical Education Class demonstrated the various activities in which they have participated during the year, at the assembly on May 1.

The announcing was done by means of an original skit in which Theresa Mostek played the part of a physical education teacher, and Renee Alexander, the part of a prospective student.

Three folk dances were performed. To the tune of "Jingle Bells" four square dancers—Mary Ann Neurohr, La Verna Wemhoff, Mildred Roddy, and Margaret Hayes—do-sa-doed to the fiddle music of Bernadette Holys. Dancing the Swedish Folk dance, "Bleking" were Mary Ellen Marsolek, Jean Clark, Bernice Maag, Rosalie Burzynski, Mary Lou Kudron, Rosemary Irwin, Betty Kretz, Lucille Pensick, Donna Marie Pensick, Mary Micek and Jeanette Fyfe.

Elaine Boettcher introduced Julene Pfeifer, Elaine Romanek, Elizabeth Kaminski, Shirley Sokol, and Eleanor Syslo, who recited their assigned anatomy lesson in the form of the song, "Dry Bones."

The skaters—Ruth Kluever, Mary Lou Stuehmer, Barbara Markhofer, Lois German, Estelle Wemhoff and Diane Haney—danced to the "Congo," and the "Skater's Waltz." They also performed several other skating feats.

Showing volleyball skills, Mary Papprocki and Virginia Jarecki demonstrated the underhand serve. Frances Papprocki and Adolphine Euteneuer demonstrated the chest pass and underhand pass; and Martha Laska and Mary Jo Tucek spiked the ball.

Rita Roman, Jane Lietkenhaus, Sylvia Nosal, Virginia Micek and Joan Siemek demonstrated the game "How Do You Feel?"

For the finale, the 75 Physical Education girls sang their theme song, "Every Phys. Ed. Girl."

The entire assembly was under the direction of Sister Verona. Bernadette Holys, Rita Roman and Norman Shonka were stage managers.

## Fr. Viator Delivers Vocational Speech

"Do you strive for as near perfect happiness as is possible in this life?" This question opened the talk of Father Viator who addressed the High School students May 1, in the auditorium.

Father explained that since our goal in any state of life is happiness, it is surprising that more do not become religious because in this state true happiness can be found. He told what the requirements were to become a religious. After that an open discussion took place.

## Sophies Sponsor Traditional Hop

The traditional Freshman-Sophomore Hop was held on May 10, in St. Bonaventure gym.

The Hop was commenced by a grand march led by the freshmen. Another feature of the evening was a birthday solo by Joe Dineen and Elizabeth Kaminski.

Leaders, and their committees who helped on this occasion, were as follows: Chaperons—Mr. and Mrs. Pfeifer, Mr. and Mrs. Melliger, Mr. and Mrs. Buechter; Records and announcers—Jon Robb, Dave Bowe, Lawrence Miller and Buzz Gregorius; Refreshments—Doris Melliger, chairman, Elaine Buechter, co-chairman, Julene Pfeifer, Shirley Sokol, Martha Czuba and Eleanor Syslo.

## S. Moritz Wins Poster Award

Sophie Moritz has been announced as the state winner in a safety contest conducted by the United Commercial Travelers.

J. D. Grant, secretary of the local council of the United Commercial Travelers, said that Sophie's poster will now be entered in the Supreme Council contest in June against winners from other states.

Sophie's entry won first prize in the local contest to go on to take the top state championship at the state meeting held in Omaha.

Sophie is an active member of the Physical Education class. She recently participated in the poem contest sponsored by the C.D.A. Last year she won first place in the poster contest sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

## Parishoners Witness Cornerstone Laying

The cornerstone laying ceremony for the new St. Bonaventure grade school took place on May 20, immediately preceding the 10:30 Mass.

Father Roch Hettinger, O.F.M., pastor, aided by Father Martin Wolter and Father Timothy Healy, laid the stone. All trustees, parishoners, and other friends of the church were present.

The box enclosed in the cornerstone contained the parish reports of 1944 and 1950, The Telegram issue carrying the original story and pictures of the buildings, a copy of "The Venture" published when the building drive was launched and another recent issue,

holy medals, some parish bulletins, and other data and lists pertinent to St. Bonaventure's Parish.

This ceremony marked an important step toward completion of the \$400,000 building project, for which ground was broken on June 23, 1950. The project includes three units, all of the latest and most modern design and structure.

The school will be ready for occupancy by the 1951 term, at which time a formal dedicatory ceremony will take place. The Most Rev. Archbishop Gerald C. Bergan of the archdiocese of Omaha and other church dignitaries will be in attendance for the dedication.



The Cornerstone for the St. Bonaventure grade school is being laid on May 20. Pictured, left to right, are Father Timothy Healy; Father Roch Hettinger, who officiated and applied the first trowel; and Father Martin Wolter.

## 1951 Cornhusker Staters



## D. Tooley Merits Boys' State Honor

Dick Tooley has been selected to represent St. Bonaventure High School at Cornhusker Boys' State. He is being sent by the Lions Club. The eleventh annual session of Boys' State will be held on the University of Nebraska Campus, June 3-9.

Dick, an honor student, is secretary of the junior class, sports editor of "The Venture," and a member of St. Bonaventure's Youth Club.

Being active in sports, Dick plays the position of quarterback in football and guard in basketball. He lettered two years in both, scoring 96 points in the 1950-51 basketball season.

He was elected to the office of Superintendent of Schools in the Cornhusker County Government.

Bill Jarvis has been selected as alternate. Bill is active in all school activities. He is a member of the Third Order, Glee Club and the Youth Club. He has been cheerleader the past two years.

Boy Staters are chosen on the basis of scholastic ability, leadership, qualities of citizenship and general good health.

## R. Billesbach Gains Top Sodality Office

Rosalie Billesbach was elected the new Sodality prefect in the election held at the meeting on the evening of May 22.

Rosalie is a cheerleader, a member of the Pep Club, Youth Club, Glee and Choir. She is Assistant Advertising Manager on The Venture. She participated in the C. D. A. poetry contest.

Other officers are: Arlene Pickhinke, vice-prefect; Joan Gregorius, secretary; Mary Lou Stuehmer, treasurer. They will take over their newly appointed offices in September.



## E. Wemhoff Gains Girls' State Tribute

Estelle Wemhoff has been selected by the Catholic Daughters of America to represent Columbus at the 1951 session of the Cornhusker Girls' State, June 6-12, at the University of Nebraska Campus in Lincoln.

Estelle is a member of Our Lady's Sodality, Pep Club, Glee, Choir and 4-H.

She was elected Clerk of the District Court in the Annual Cornhusker County Government.

Mary Ann Starosciak, alternate, is a member of Our Lady's Sodality, Glee, Choir, Youth Club, and is vice president of the Pep Club.

Mary Gerhold was chosen Cornhusker Girls' Stater last year, and Helen Ternes was her alternate.

## C. D. A. Announces Contest Winners

Doris Melliger, Elaine Kneifel and Mary Ann Pickhinke were winners of the poem contest—senior, junior and elementary divisions, respectively. The contest was sponsored by the Court Little Flower (C.D.A.)

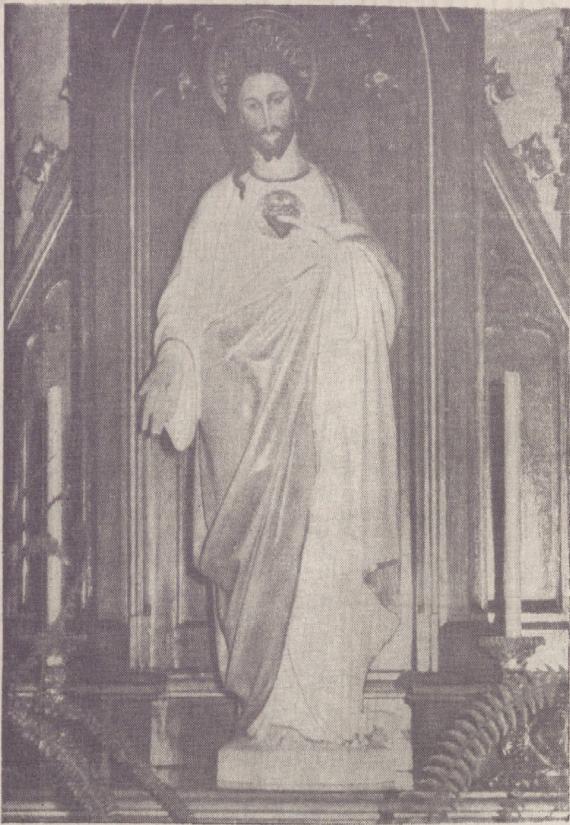
Doris, a sophomore, is an honor student and a member of Our Lady's Sodality, Youth Club and Glee Club.

Elaine, a freshman, is an honor student, has perfect school and Mass attendance, and is a member of Our Lady's Sodality.

Mary Ann Pickhinke is a sixth grader at St. Bonaventure grade school.

The judging is done in three divisions—senior, which consists of the tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades; junior, made up of seventh, eighth, and ninth grades; and elementary, which comprise the fifth, sixth and seventh grades.

### Sacred Heart of Jesus!



This is the Sacred Heart Statue, which is on the side altar in the chapel of St. Bonaventure School.

### Make the First Fridays!

"School is dismissed! We'll see you in September." These are the most welcomed words of the entire school year. Around this time every year, the students are dreaming of the swimming hole, the ball diamond, and sleeping late. But when they say, "No more of this getting up early for me"—do they remember the promises of Our Lord to St. Margaret Mary? The promises of the graces of final perseverance, and being our Refuge during life are only two of the wonderful promises, which Our Lord will give us if we make little sacrifices during vacation.

We are bound to forget some of the knowledge we have gained through our studies, but let's keep up the good habits we have formed through careful guidance, especially the First Fridays.

I'm sure we all agree that any boy or girl who makes a resolution that would tend to overlook the First Fridays is a mighty poor example of Catholic Youth and Catholic Action.

The Sacred Heart doesn't ask for too much in His request, that we keep the First Friday of every month by giving Him our best present, love, in receiving the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion.

Vacation from school doesn't mean vacation from religion. Let's all remember the First Friday and keep them all through the summer as well as the school year.

P. T.

### New Staff Expresses Thanks!

"The paper is out" echoes through the halls and for the first time the new staff members sense the thrill of seeing their paper, their own work in print. The smiles and laughs of the readers are the staff's only reward. However, the staff considers it a privilege to be the voice of the school.

Much effort and much sacrifice is made by the whole staff so that the students may enjoy a really good paper. Many hours are spent in writing and re-writing articles, typing, gathering ads, proof reading and making headlines. Anyone, who has worked on the paper, will assure one, that the hours spent on the paper were among the happiest and long-remembered ones of their high school days.

Our predecessors have built up a fine and honored paper which has a national top rating. We, the new staff, will try to uphold its high ideals and proficiency, and if possible, better it.

We wish to extend our sincerest thanks to Mary Gerhold, editor-in-chief; to all the other graduating staff members; to our patrons and advertisers; to Sister Honoriana without whose advice and patience the publication of The Venture would be impossible; and to all faculty and students for their support and cooperation.

Thanks, everyone! We'll need your help again next year.

M. A. M.

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### Future Freshmen Receive Diplomas

Forty-one St. Bonaventure eighth graders will receive diplomas in graduation exercises at the 9 o'clock mass May 27, at the church.

Father Martin Wolter will officiate and present the diplomas. The Knights of the Altar—Edward Kavanaugh, Donald Noonan, Leon Wemhoff and Bob Snell—will serve in the sanctuary.

Eighth Grade Class Night was observed by the future freshmen last week with a banquet, served by mothers of the class members.

Those, who will graduate, are as listed: Frank Blahak, Duane Clark, Thomas Dischner, Clinton Gates, Johnny Holys, Jack Johnson, Merlyn Keefer, Dean Kush, Tommy Kush, Robert Messersmith, Lawrence Mielak, David Miller, Dennis Minette, Leo Moschenross, Joseph Obal, John Peck, Robert Schmid, Paul Siemek, Kenneth Stracke, Joe Tooley, Fred Trofholz, David Vanek, Jack Welsh, John Woerth, Nancy Boettcher, Mary Catherine Bothe, Sharon Eowe, Imelda Euteneuer, Betty Gregorius, Janet Jaworski, Marjorie Kretz, Jo Ann Matya, Barbara Ann Mitera, Evelyn Pensick, Lorraine Pickhinke, Bridget Podraza, Sharon Robb, Mary Ann Simpson, Carole Thraen, Laura Mae Wemhoff, Lois Ann Zwiener.

Sister M. Pius is the eighth grade teacher.

### History Students Interview 'Peron'

"What is your wife's name?" "Is she going to run for any office this year?" "When did you become president?" These were a few of the questions being asked in history class the other day when I walked past the door.

At first I was shocked. I decided to stop and investigate. I then heard a distinguished speaker telling his life's history to the class, and also answering any questions which they asked.

Then I heard someone say, "Mr. Peron." Anxiously I opened the door a wee bit to see who this important person could be. To my amazement the only dignitary I saw was Jon Robb sitting at the teacher's desk and answering questions.

I later found out he was representing Juan Peron, the ruler of Argentina. Many topics were discussed by the class, especially why the free paper, La Prensa, had been closed, and why its editor had to flee from the country. Many facts were also learned about the country of Argentina itself.

### My Crucifix

(Winning Poem)

A little metal crucifix  
As plain as it can be,  
But only God in heaven knows,  
How dear it is to me.  
I have it with me to keep  
In every step I take,  
At evening when I sleep,  
At morning when I wake.  
So when the time approaches  
That I will have to die,  
I hope that little crucifix  
Will close beside me lie.

—Doris Melliger

Time has come to bid you, the class of '51, farewell,  
Having you in St. Bons has sure been swell.  
We will miss you all next year,  
But for your success we give a cheer!  
May God bless you with the best,  
So that your future will be blest.

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Flash! Butch Bowe claims trucks were entered in the State Track Meet! (Too fast for you, Butch?)

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Larry S. and Tommy Z. are beginning to think that it's cheaper to walk than to take care of a car—license plates, fines, blow-outs, etc. (Quite expensive, eh, boys???)

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The annuals have arrived—Hurry! Hurry! get yours now!

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The Junior-Senior Prom was a big success. Congrats, juniors!

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We also wish to congratulate all those taking part in the spring concert.

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School is almost out and Bob F. is still not used to staying awake in class.

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All taking part in the Youth Club outing agree that Boys' Town is quite a city. (Right, girls?)

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The Physical Education Assembly proved that we have much talent at St. Bons.

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Sister: "Late again? Don't you know when school begins?"

Pat M.: "None, it's always started when I get here."

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Shorty Drum drove his car into a garage and asked, "Do you do remanaging here?"

"Yes," was the answer, "but we don't do manufacturing."

### Typing Room Gets 'That Modern Look'

Did you hear the news? Yes, something new has been added to the typing room—all new chairs, and some tables have received new tops.

The chairs are of a light tan color and made of metal, with rubber caps on the legs; the tables have a dark, brown mat finishing.

The typing students are proud of the new additions, according to these exclamations heard, "Oh, aren't they keen?" "Aren't they good-looking!" "Boy, aren't they comfortable!"

### Mary, Our Help!

(Winning Poem)

Mary our Mother in Heaven above,  
Help us to honor Thy Son by our love.  
Help us to serve and worship Him,  
Help us to overcome temptation and sin.  
Help us to lead a good, holy life,  
Help us to win our battles in strife.  
Help us in every desire and need,  
Help us Thy warnings ever to heed.  
Help us, O Mary, when all things seem lost.  
Help us to remember Thy Son on the Cross.  
Help us to trust in the Good Lord above,  
Next to Him, ever to show You our love.

—Elaine Kneifel.

### Joseph Van Ackeren Directs St. Bonaventure Band



### Band, Glee Present First Spring Concert

The music department of St. Bonaventure presented its first Spring Concert on May 17, at Kramer Auditorium. The entire program was under the direction of Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren, musical director.

Favorable comments from both press and critics have listed the concert as very successful.

The band launched the program with five selections, prominent among which were Oliviodoti's "Homage to Youth" march, and his overture, "Carnival of Roses." Also included were the waltz, "Norma's Dream," the lilting "Summer Evening Serenade," and a section

of the stirring "United Nations March."

The girls' triple trio offered three numbers in the modern vein, "All the Things You Are" by Kern, Friml's "Allan's Holiday," and the lively "The Old Master Painter."

The 27-voice modern choral club next took the stage and presented "With a Song in My Heart" by Rodgers and Hart and "Louisiana Hayride."

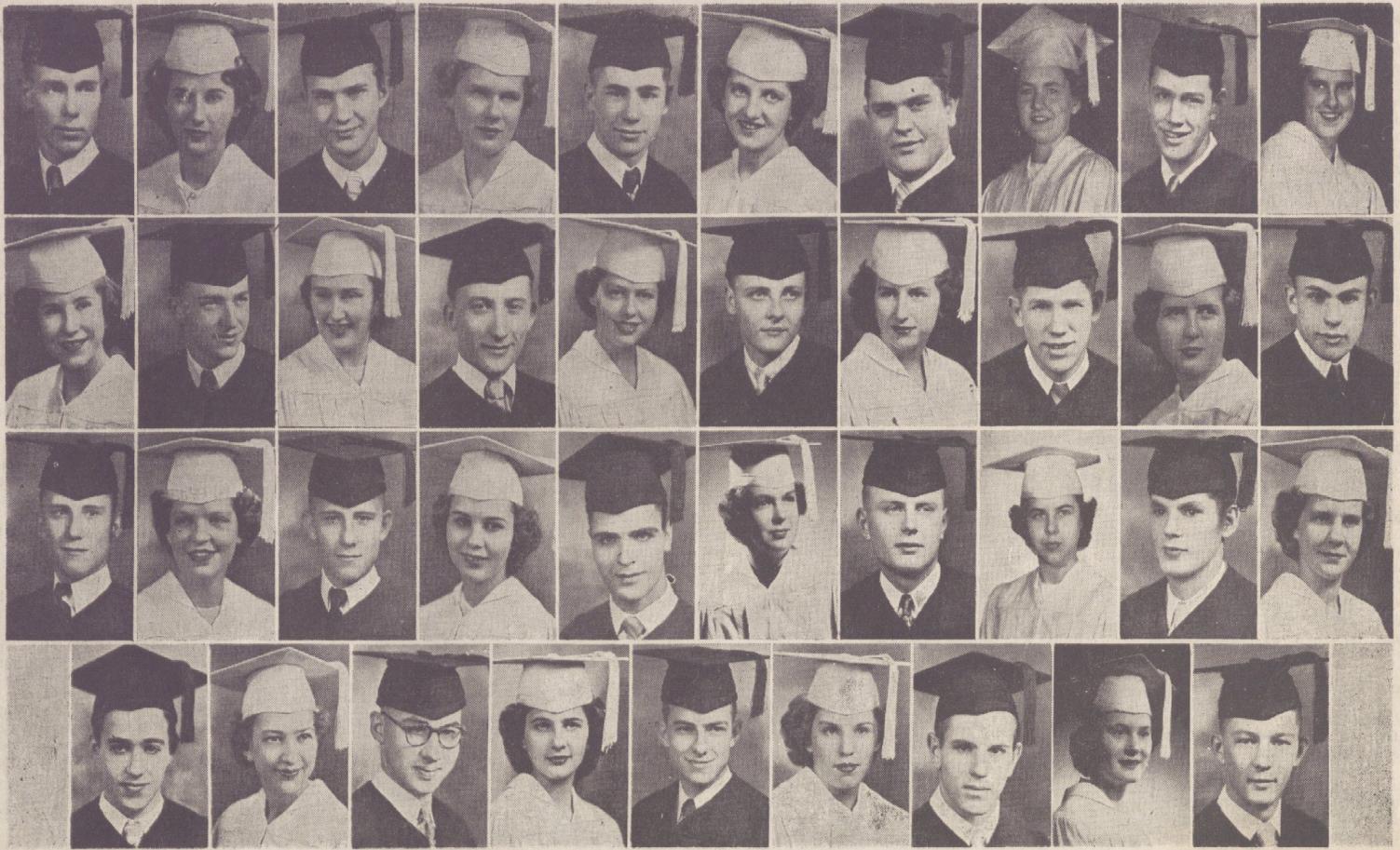
Reaching back into the past, the 64-voice mixed glee rendered "By the Moon's Pale Light" by Jean Baptiste de Lully, "Summer is A-Coming In," a 13th century air,

and Bortniansky's "Cherubim Song No. 7."

The 51-piece band returned for the final portion of the program, outstanding among which was Leroy Anderson's novelty, "Syncope Clock." The band responded to prolonged applause with a full encore of the number.

Rounding out the final group were Lenikov's "Cossack Invocation and Dance," the popular "Tennessee Waltz," and the lively "Time Out for a Jam Session" by Handlon.

Dolores Rupperecht, a student, was accompanist for all vocal presentations.



Top row, left to right—Herman Blahak, Rita Burzynski, Dwayne Drum, Barbara DeLarme, Carroll Ebner, Helen Dunn, William Ernst, Mary Gerhold, Eugene Gates, Margaret Hayes. Second row, left to right—Mary Ann Johnson, Myrle Hadcock, Sandra Mitera, Emil Jarecki, Mary Ann Neurohr, Robert Johnson, Mildred Roddy, Donald Korger, Mary Jane Schaefer, James Lippstreu. Third row, left to right—Marvin Mayberger, Rita Schmid, Myron Mayberger, Norma Shonka, Paul Melcher, Polly Speice, Alfred Micek, Helen Ternes, Theodore Niedbalski, Mary Ann Tworek. Bottom row, left to right—Ralph Pfeifer, Rose Ann Vanek, James Roberts, Oriethia Ann Wass, Kenneth Schaefer, La Verna Wemhoff, Clifford Speicher, Donna Rae Wheeler, August Warholoski.

**Herman Blahak**  
As a man of the world, he should succeed, because he's so willing to do a good deed.

**Rita Burzynski**  
With her stately walk and friendly smile, she has made living worthwhile.

**Dwayne Drum**  
His ways, to us, were so shy, he'll be remembered by all as a great guy.

**Barbara DeLarme**  
Her dashing personality is very striking, having much fun is to her liking.

**Carroll Ebner**  
A lad, with so many pleasing traits, will be missed by all his classmates.

**Helen Dunn**  
With her lovely hair and big blue eyes,

**William Ernst**  
Not very tall and not very small, but a gentleman and jiked by all.

### Suspense Proves Nerve-Wracking

The blessed day had finally come and I was thrilled and excited, but as I walked into school the sad faces that greeted me, made me change my tune. "They haven't arrived yet," came a cry from a disappointed student. "Oh! Won't they ever get here," howled another. "Don't give up!" I said, trying to comfort them, "maybe they will come this noon."

But noon came and the sad expressions of the students told me the sad tale. As I passed on through the hall I spied a group of girls huddled together with looks that read like this—"What will they look like?" "I wonder if they will be prettier than last year's?" "Do you suppose they will be thicker?" "I wonder how many times my picture's in."

I can't answer these questions but I can probably answer yours, that is, if you're wondering what the chattering was about. It's the new annuals, of course, which finally arrived about the middle of the afternoon.

**Mary Gerhold**  
Always ahead and never behind, she is so ambitious and kind.

**Margaret Hayes**  
An Irish gal with lots of wit, as cheerleader she never quit.

**Eugene Gates**  
The tallest in the class of '51, will be remembered by everyone.

**Mary Ann Johnson**  
Always laughing, always gay, "John" gets cuter every day.

**Myrle Hadcock**  
Flying is his ambition, plus a very winning disposition.

**Sandra Mitera**  
Never a worry, never a care, a sweet personality ever so rare.

**Emil Jarecki**  
A boy so very quiet, but really quite all right.

**Mary Ann Neurohr**  
Is always worth her while, with that sweet, gay smile.

**Robert Johnson**  
A cheery "Hello" when you meet, always gay and very neat.

**Mildred Roddy**  
Sweet, charming, full of life, will be a success in all her strife.

**Don Korger**  
Though he has a step very loud, really of him we are most proud.

**Alfred Micek**  
Tall and stately is this lad, the lead in the class play he had.

**Helen Ternes**  
Very cute and sprightly walk, spreading cheer with her talk.

**Marvin Mayberger**  
A nicer pal could not be found, always fun to have around.

**Rita Schmid**  
Though she's quiet in a pleasant way, there's something about her that is always gay.

**Myron Mayberger**  
A fine lad, though very shy, in school he was always quite spry.

**Norma Shonka**  
Very tiny, quiet, and petite, her ways are especially sweet.

**Paul Melcher**  
Our King of Sports, an athlete, a better sport you'll never meet.

**Rose Ann Vanek**  
A radiant smile and a sweet disposition, full of fun and ambition.

**James Roberts**  
Always joking, always gay, whether at work or at play.

**Oriethia Ann Wass**  
Fun-loving with curly hair, ever willing to take a dare.

**August Warholoski**  
A lad, neither short nor tall, but a fine chap and known by all.

**Clifford Speicher**  
Always ready for jest and sport, and to help with typing of any sort.

**La Verna Wemhoff**  
Although she says hardly a word, she's always as cheerful as a bird.

**Donna Rae Wheeler**  
Very gay and very fair, her hair especially shows good care.

**Theodore Niedbalski**  
The senior president, mighty and tall, in school he is liked by one and all.

**Mary Ann Tworek**  
Clever by nature, sweet and vivacious, as Homecoming Queen she was most gracious.

**Ralph Pfeifer**  
A dark lad, not very tall, who is always willing to call.

**James Roberts**  
Always joking, always gay, whether at work or at play.

**Oriethia Ann Wass**  
Fun-loving with curly hair, ever willing to take a dare.

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### Annual Breakfast Honors Mothers

Approximately 260 mothers and daughters attended the annual Mother-Daughter Banquet held on Mother's Day in the school gymnasium.

Father Martin led the group in grace after which all joined in singing "On This Day O Beautiful Mother." Lawrence Thiele, toastmaster, introduced the following: P. W. Lakers spoke on "What Mother Means To Us." Mildred Roddy gave "A Toast to Mother" and Mrs. Fred Gerber gave the response. Father Roch offered congratulations to the mothers, and Father Martin presented gifts to the honored mothers.

Entertainment was provided by the following: St. Bon's Triple Trio, accompanied by Delores Rupprecht; Mr. Joseph Van Ackeren, who played two violin solos, accompanied by Miss Isabelle Micek; and group singing of "God Bless America." The breakfast was served by the Holy Name men and followed the 8 o'clock Mass at which the Mothers and daughters received Holy Communion in a body.

# Prophetic Clouds Tell Seniors' Forecasts Graduates Bequeath Rare Possessions

It was a lazy day in May. One long, white, misty cloud stood like a great stage against the background of the darker heavens.

Gray curls of smoke rose out of the mist. They twisted around and formed themselves into figures like sky-writing and I saw the numbers 1-9-5-1. Gradually the 1 faded out and in a moment there was a 2, a 3, a 4, a 5 and a 6. As the figures were changing, I saw all the Class of 1951 marching along in groups across the stage of white clouds. They seemed to be changing and growing larger and stronger, more handsome and lovelier. Then there stood 1967 and 1968. "Hooray! We were all on the way." But the figures kept on changing, and the Class kept marching. There was 1969 and 1970.

"Wait a minute, wait a minute," I called. "It can't be 1970 yet." Just then it changed to 1971.

"At this rate we'll all be out of college, or married, or—." But the figures kept right on changing and the Class kept on marching along with the date till the thing stopped at 1972 with a pop, as if the machine had broken.

I felt as if I had been flying through space myself and suddenly stopped with a jolt. I was dizzy as a doodlebug, but I felt worse when I looked at my feet. They were at least two feet farther away than they had been. For a fact I was about six feet, four. I started to put my hand up to my face to rub my eyes—and zing! I stumbled into a mustache, one of those stiff, little do-funnies that look like a cross between a toothbrush and an eyebrow. 1972, and here we were, I, myself, and me, all set to watch that white cloud stage on which all my schoolmates were coming out one by one.

Suddenly as if the stage had been set for the performance of a play I saw a large circus tent. A cage with a lion in it was being moved into one of the rings. Then out came Mary Ann Johnson and got into the cage with the lion. It was a tense moment as the lion snarled and growled but Mary Ann soon had him under control. A scientist, Ralph Pfeifer, who was studying the effect of the human mind over animal behavior was there taking notes. In a moment another, whom they called "The Old Maid," came toward the cage. Mary Ann came out and "The Old Maid" went in. It was all very quiet until Polly Speice came out and then the audience roared and so did the lion. They all said, "Why is she, the Old Maid?" Polly always replies to this question, "All my sweethearts want me to give up my job. But I keep on calming this one lion." Then the lion began to swish his tail. A gust of wind blew through the tent, the clouds began to roll and in a moment all was tumbled into a heap.

Slowly the white stage settled down and a new scene was set. This was a beautiful winding country road. It went winding and turning through a fertile farming country. A little off the road stood a truck. It seemed that the driver, Myrle Hadcock, was in trouble. The engine sputtered and snorted and then stopped. Down the lane from the nearest farm house came a farmer, Dwayne Drum, to give his assistance. All they needed was a mechanic. The first one they thought of was Herman Blahak. They could not reach him as their telephone was out of order. Then the farmer called his wife and told her to get on the

## Three Seniors Pass Civil Service Tests

Mary Ann Johnson, Mary Ann Neurohr, and Augie Warholoski, seniors, qualified for jobs as clerk-typists in the Pentagon Building in Washington, D. C., in Civil Service tests. Mr. William J. Homan, a recruiting officer with the Department of Army, Washington, D. C., administered the tests on May 16.

The tests were taken in two parts. The clerical tests were taken at the Nebraska Employment Office, in Columbus, and the typing tests were taken at school.

Mr. Homan spoke to the Senior Secretarial Class previous to the test explaining the job and its future possibilities.

pony and go over to the Telephone Exchange and tell the operator they were trying to get her. Down the road in a few minutes galloped Donna Rae Wheeler on her way to get the message to Mary Ann Neurohr. Well, it was really 1972 in a new section of the Great Northwest. Again a gust of wind blew up suddenly and rolled the countryside into a heap of clouds.

It did not take long before the clouds stretched out again and the scene set was a room in a large hotel. A traveling salesman, Alfred Micek, had many of his samples on display. The bell-hop, Ted Niedbalski, was kept busy showing the visitors to his suite. Most of the samples he had were lovely creations designed and made by Mary Gerhold. The orders that were coming in kept the secretary, Jim Lippstreu, very nearly frantic. Mary Gerhold was calm acting as hostess. Then someone opened a window. The wind blew suddenly and away drifted the entire setting in a thin scattered cloud.

But in glided another cloud to take the place. It was a long low setting now—a building of unusual type. It was a sort of beauty clinic. In one of the large offices Dr. Rose Ann Vanek was explaining that with her health treatment all women and all men can be beautiful. As the first step, each patient was sent to Dr. Paul Melcher, the dentist, to have his teeth put into perfect condition. While the patients were being taken care of, the druggist, Robert Johnson, was putting up the prescription of Vitamins and Minerals, something I had never heard of before, to assure their good health. Next the women were sent to the beauty operator, Rita Schmid, and the men to the barber, Kenneth Schaefer, for special treatments. As they emerged from the opposite end of the building they all looked very lovely. I wished to make an appointment at this place but before I could get the number of the building, the approaching cloud floated right over the scene and I did not find out where it was located.

The screen cloud floated away and left another setting prepared. This was a large Banquet Hall. The year had been splendid for sports and all the Stars and Coaches were celebrating. As we entered through the front lobby, we passed the hat check stand. The charming girl who took the hats was no other than Mary Jane Schaefer. She spoke very friendly to the Coach of the victorious Notre Dame Team, who was an old schoolmate, Marvin Mayberger. She also knew William Ernst as he came through. She complimented him on the splendid showing he had made in the International Track competition. Then came Carroll Ebner, accompanied by a trainer, who was determined to see that proper food was served to the most promising boxer of the year. Just then a door slammed and shook the whole building. Then a little breeze gently bore it off into space.

Now as soon as the cloud stage was settled again, I could see the setting of a large stage in the Metropolitan Opera House. A performance was about to begin. This was a special show being given for charity and the best talent obtainable was being donated for the occasion. The opening number was to be a group of numbers played under the direction of the Bandmaster, Don Korger. The scenery was perfect for the occasion because it had been designed and the construction supervised by Rita Burzynski. The poet, Emil Jarecki, had written the story of the ballet and special music composed for the ballet dancer, Eugene Gates. Numbers to be given included operatic selections by Myron Mayberger. The dancing teacher, Sandra Mitera, was presenting her entire school with a specialty number by the hula-hula dancer, LaVerna Wemhoff. Guests had been arriving from all over the country. Among them was the miner's wife, Mary Ann Tworek. She had come by private plane with Cliff Speicher as pilot. Everything seemed ready and I was very eager to be there for it all. But a great gust of wind rolled and tumbled all the clouds into a heap and carried all the

stage and performers away just at that moment.

When everything was cleared up and the sky stage was settled again, I saw a street scene in a busy American town. It seemed very early in the morning, just at the time when the milkman comes rattling his bottles in the summer. Down the deserted street he came. It was Jim Roberts. He took his supply of milk into a very comfortable looking home. Then up drove a taxi. The driver was Margaret Hayes, and the rider was Helen Ternes. Helen was a waitress in a night club and was just getting home from work. She told the driver to wait while she got her another rider back to the city. Orlethia Wass was baby sitting and could leave now that Helen was home. Jim stopped to chat with them a few minutes before the morning breeze picked up the clouds and hurried them into the distance.

As the clouds settled down again a soft blue mist seemed to cover all the sky, and there upon the stage a lovely scene was set. It was the garden of a Franciscan Monastery. Friends had gathered to celebrate the anniversary of ordination of a dear old friend. This monk was none other than Augie Warholoski. Among the guests I caught sight of a very pretty nun, whom I had always known as Helen Dunn. She was talking over her work with Norma Shonka who also was a teacher. Even before everyone had an opportunity to offer his good wishes to the Jubilarian, the wind began to blow with a stiff gale. Away over the sky spread all the clouds drifting the lovely garden into space.

I smiled a little and lay back upon the grass. It was just a lazy day in May with sun shining in a cool blue sky and a long white cloud floating in the blue distance. I had been wondering what all the Class of 1951 would be doing in fifteen to twenty years and beyond. Now I had seen the answer in the sky pictures. This one thing I know that whatever they will be doing and wherever they will be, they will be loyal to the Class of 1951 and to our dear old St. Bonaventure High.

## H. Ternes Crowns Mary, May Queen

The crowning of Mary, Queen of May, by the Sodality prefect, Helen Ternes, highlighted the annual May Opening Devotion held May 1 at St. Bonaventure Church.

Miss Ternes, wearing a crown of assorted sweetpeas, was attired in a white ballerina length gown and a dark blue velvet cape with an Elizabeth collar. Jean Moresch and Kathryn Schier, clad in light blue gowns, carried the queen's train.

Preceding the queen was the court of honor, consisting of the following: Mary Jo Tucek, maid of honor; Madonna Bothe and Mary Messersmith, flower girls; Arlene Pickhinke, attendant; Dolores Pickhinke, flower girl; Mary Gerhold, Sandra Mitera, Marylee Ebner, and Mary Lou Stuehmer, statue bearers; Charlotte Jones and Mary Ann Schuele, attendants and Donna Rae Wheeler, crown-bearer.

The remaining procession comprised the following: girls in white dresses; Cub Scouts, boy and girl Scouts in uniforms, grade and high school girls in white blouses and dark skirts; Knights of the Altar and the clergy.

During the singing of "Bring Flowers of the Fairest," Helen crowned the statue of The Blessed Virgin with a crown made of fresh white sweetpeas. After the coronation the attendants presented their bouquets to the Blessed Virgin.

Following the coronation ceremonies, Father Roch led the Consecration to the Blessed Virgin and a short meditation for the first day of May.

The services closed with Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Father Roch was celebrant, with Father Timothy, deacon, and Father Viator of Westmont, III., as subdeacon.

Friends and heirs of the Class of 1951, I, Ted Niedbalski, have called you together on this occasion to listen to the formal reading of our Last Will and Testament.

We, the Class of 1951, of St. Bonaventure High School, having come to the end of our long life in a peaceful and undisturbed state of mind, and in accordance with the Laws of the State of Nebraska, do, hereby, give, bequeath, and devise all our earthly goods and possessions as it seems wise and fitting in our judgment, without taking counsel from anyone, and without being influenced in the least by favors or disfavor, past kindness or unkindness. We may say that in making these bequests, we have been said to possess, in a remarkable degree, common sense.

We, hereby, bequeath our rare possessions to the following: to the Rev. Fathers, our sincere gratitude for all their solicitude in our behalf; to the Sisters our sincerest thanks for the patience with which they guided us throughout the year; to Coach Cletus Fischer, our appreciation for his interest in the athletic program; to Mr. J. Van Ackeren, our appreciation for his interest in the music program.

The seniors will, to the juniors, the following:

Kenneth Schaefer, his typewriter to Dennis Nosal. He will be able to type at least 10 words per hour with it.

Emil Jarecki, his ambition to become a school teacher to Arnold Krzycki so that Arnold won't get a chance to go to sleep in class anymore.

Jim Roberts, his dancing skill to Richard Otterpohl, with one stipulation that he will begin to use it soon.

Rita Schmid, her stately height and ability to look over people to Richard Otterpohl, and her ability to spend money to Gennene Spidle.

Donald Korger, his front seat in the senior room and his job as door butler to Dick Tooley; to John Hentges the rest of his bank credit (if there is any left).

Alfred Micek, his piety and his conscientious school attendance to Frances Fischer.

Sandra Mitera, her ability to say the right thing at the wrong time to Mary Lou Stuehmer; her Big Blue Ford and driving skill to Betty Koch.

Carroll Ebner, his quiet ways to Leo Thiele so he will sit still and keep still at least during his senior year.

Augie Warholoski, his desk in room 6 to John Blahak and also all the empty candy wrappers he used to store there.

Bill Ernst, his Mechanical Drawing skill to Tom Zuroski, and when Tom becomes an architect of great skill Bill wants to be remembered in his will.

Polly Speice, her job as treasurer of the senior class and treasurer of the Pep Club to Rosalie Billesbach; her job as news editor to Mary Ellen Marsolek, she knows that Mary Ellen has quite a knack at getting first hand news.

Myrle Hadcock, his love for flying to Charles Kaipust.

Barbara DeLarme, to Connie Hittner and Barbara Markhofer, her place in the choir loft to lead the daily prayers because next to herself, they have the sweetest voices.

Bob Johnson, his little red horn to Leo Cynova; his two-wheeled hot-rod to Herbert Abts, to be used in the September races.

Mary Jane Schaefer, to Virginia Jarecki her high-pitched voice and her low-heeled shoes, and to Jean Clark, her ability to drive and to dodge all the trees and telephone poles on the way.

Helen Ternes, her position as feature editor to Bernadette Holys; her ability of playing the colored actress, that was billed to her by Rose John, last year, to Mary Jo Tucek.

Mary Ann Tworek, her 1937 Oldsmobile to Mary Paprocki.

Mildred Roddy, her position as typist on The Venture to Mary Zarek; to Mary Ann Euteneur, her librarianship because the salary is high and the work is not too hard.

Helen Dunn, her position as cheerleader to Pat Tooley; to Mary Ann Staroscik the job of feature editor on The Venture.

Laverna Wemhoff, her enormous appetite to Charlotte Jones so she will gain a little more.

Rose Ann Vanek, her treasured nickname of "Duke" to Geraldine Pensick.

Norma Shonka, to Estelle Wemhoff, her long distance to school. Myron Mayberger, his car to Jerry Speicher but for school use only.

Herman Blahak, a case of peroxide to Bob Feiling so he can keep his hair really red.

Margaret Hayes, a solitary warning to the entire junior class, "Don't play Hokey!"

Rita Burzynski, her place on the Honor Roll to Theresa Mostek; she leaves her desk in the home room to Margaret Hemmb.

Mary Gerhold, her valued position of editor-in-chief of The Venture to Mary Alice Moersen; her nearness to school to Diane Haney so she'll always be on time.

Mary Ann Neurohr, her sturdy Underwood Typewriter to Ruth Kluever; to Lois German, a booth at D. C.'s.

Clifford Speicher, his smooth chin and neat appearance to Dennis Baumert.

Paul Melcher, his ability to catch a football to John Kaminski.

Marvin Mayberger, wills all his books, pencils, paper, and so forth, to Ray Brezynski.

Jim Lippstreu, to Herman Keefer, his artistic ability to draw files.

Ralph Pfeifer, to Bill Jarvis, a strong rope so he can pull Ralph's car home when it is out of gas; his quiet, bashful manners to Kenneth O'Kane because he will need them to become a good senior.

Eugene Gates, his ability to argue, to Bill Messing because Bill has such a good start already.

Orlethia Anne Wass, her skill to make quick, undecided decisions to Mary Alice Moersen; her office as President of the Pep Club to Pat Tooley.

Dwayne Drum, his "flat-on-one-side" tires, carburetor troubles, vapor locks and all the other troubles a Ford owner must put up with to Ted Mimick.

Mary Ann Johnson, her goo-goo eyes to Marylee Ebner and her popularity to Bernice Maag.

And lastly, I, Ted Niedbalski, will my position as senior class president, with all the power and authority that goes with it, to Alvin Chochon. In witness whereof, the Class of 1951, the testators, have set to this their will, their hands and their seal this 7th day of May, in the year of Our Lord, 1951. They, hereby, constitute, and appoint Father Roch to be the executor of this, their Last Will and Testament.

## Alumni in Service

Sgt. Jack Miller (U. S. M. C.) is now stationed at Pohony, Korea, and should be home by June first.

Cpl. Maurice Melcher (U. S. M. C.) has been in Korea for seven months and is also expected home in the near future.

Fritz Loeffler (U. S. N.) has been on the battleship U. S. S. New Jersey, which recently landed in New York.

Pfc. Albert Tucek is now enroute to Japan.

Pfc. Bob Gutzmer is also enroute to Japan.

Pvt. Lavern O'Kane is stationed at San Antonio, Texas and is connected with the medics.

Cpl. Dick Hayes is now a full-fledged paratrooper and is stationed in Kentucky.

Cpl. Tom McKown, a paratrooper, is stationed in Central Korea.

Dale Hittner (U. S. N.) is now studying amphibious warfare at Little Creek, Virginia. His brother Don is at San Diego, California, studying Radar.

Cpl. Jerry Billesbach is in Weoner, South Dakota, at an Air Force Supply Base.

Serving aboard one of the navy's seagoing supermarkets is William E. Kolbush, electronics technician 3/c. He is a crew member of the refrigerated cargo vessel, U. S. S. Malabar.

Dick Kemnitz is in the Air Corp and is stationed at California.

Andrew Speicher (U. S. N.) is enroute to Korea.

Jim Johnson (U. S. N.) is stationed at California.

Don Vanek (U. S. N.) is in San Diego, California.



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# Sports In Retrospect

(By FATHER TIM)

The autumn dawn of August twenty-second brought a new day to the sporting picture at St. Bon's High School. It was the first day of football practice, the first day for the new Coach, Cletus Fischer. Camp Curtis atmosphere soon took over at Bonnie's new practice field. Divided into groups, linemen under Coach Thomson, backfield men under Head Coach Fischer, the boys were subjected to the fundamental A, B, C's of football. Each night the swelling sideline crowd of watchers went away realizing the long sought-for change which had come to St. Bon's. Each night the players felt sure that they'd never have another day as hard as their aching muscles told them they had been through. Thus fall practice passed; but each lad that lasted it out, pointed to those precious two weeks as the making of the team. The first game took our breath away but then we began to roll, till we had five victories in a row. The team set a new record at St. Bon's in the win column. The colorful Pep Club and Band witnessed the many beautiful runs, daring passes, ferocious run backs and the undying fighting spirit.

Basketball and the real cold weather found twenty eager men working for a spot on the team. As in football, it was a small green turnout that was to be formed into a playable Shamrock squad. Again Cletus made his cagers turn to the front of the book and begin with the very first fundamentals of the game. As the season went on, game after game, the line-up had to be torn down and reconstructed to cast strength in the needed weak spots. Even Sokol's return to the line-up could only give the Bonnies a weak fifty-fifty record for season play. Good basketball for one or two quarters—rarely an entire game was our Basketball Epithet.

Track found the same small numbers of candidates out to find a place on the team. Most material had to come from the sophomore class which as freshies packed such a wallop at the Annual Freshman Track Meet at Grand Island. Our veterans—Cliff Speicher and Paul Melcher—found golden minutes in the various Invitationals. Larry Sanders (our Hoppy) was an ever improving vaulter. Surprises such as Cielocha in the Century; Baumert in the Half Mile; Blahak, Mimick and Bowe in the two twenty dash makes the future in track, as in other sports, most promising.

1950-'51 was just a starter in Sports at St. Bon's. Next year, bigger turnouts for team berths will make for better teams. Let's have the "B" in Bonaventure stand for a real size "B" Athletic School. Finally, thanks to the seniors whose part in 1950-'51 sports picture helped to make it such a success.

# Worthy Shamrocks Receive Honors



J. Lippstreu, A. Chochon, L. Miller, J. Dineen, L. Sanders, P. Melcher, D. Bowe, D. Baumert, J. Robb, H. Keefer. Bottom—J. Thalken, M. Dunn, D. Soulliere, T. Mimick, K. Cielocha, J. Blahak, C. Speicher, and J. Hoshor.

Many St. Bon's Shamrocks have earned honors during the last semester of the scholastic year.

These are the fourteen who lettered in track: seniors—Paul Melcher, Jim Lippstreu and Cliff Speicher; juniors—John Blahak, Ted Mimick, Herman Keefer, Dennis Baumert, and Alvin Chochon; sophomores—Larry Sanders, Law-

rence Miller, Dave Bowe, Martin Dunn, and John Robb; and freshmen, Kenneth Cielocha.

These boys earned junior high numerals: freshmen—Jim Hoshor, Gerald Thalken, Dean Soulliere, Kenneth Cielocha; eighth grade—Clark and Siemek.

The boys have all worked hard and have earned the honors.

# Relay Team Breaks Four-Year Record

Although St. Bonaventure's 880 yard relay team, composed of John Blahak, Ted Mimick, Dave Bowe and Cliff Speicher failed to score in the annual State Track Meet held at Lincoln May 11 and 12, their time of 1:39.1 was a new school record. The old record of 1:39.9 was set in 1948 by Cliff Speicher, Bill Ragatz, Ed Zuroski and Bill Merrill.

Larry Sanders, who qualified for the State Meet in the pole vault, and Cliff Speicher in the 100 yd. dash, also failed to score.

# Youth Club Group Tours Boys' Town

Twenty-four members of the Youth Club with Father Roch, Father Viator, and Mr. and Mrs. Carol Marlor toured Boys Town on May 3.

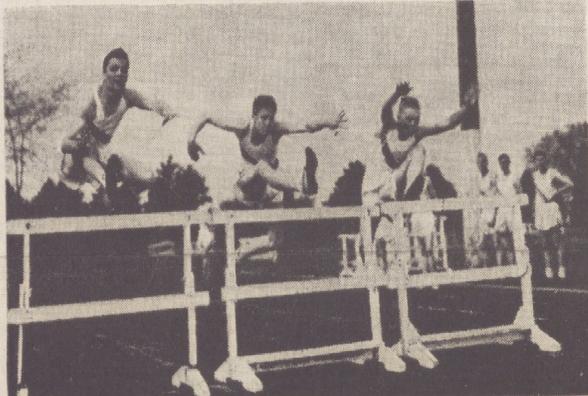
The tourists set out at 11:00 o'clock in the school bus.

By means of a map of the Town, a guide pointed out the general arrangement of Boys Town and the buildings the tourists would visit. He explained the aims of Boys Town and its history.

One of the boys then directed the group through the main buildings—the vocational training school, field house, indoor swimming pool, high school dining hall, grade school gymnasium, and Dowd Memorial Chapel where Father Flanagan's tomb is placed. The group started its return trip at 5:00 o'clock that evening.



# St. Bonaventure Track Team



P. Melcher, L. Sanders, and J. Thalken are practicing for S. B. H. First Invitational.

# Thinclads Capture Runner-up Laurels

Palmer nosed out St. Bonaventure, by a margin of 72½ points to 63, to win the Irish Invitational on May 4 at Memorial Stadium, Columbus, Nebraska.

The Shamrocks held a narrow lead through most of the meet but the well-balanced Palmer squad copped the last three events to win the meet. Bellwood was a distant third.

Knapp of Palmer and Johnny Blahak of St. Bon were the top performers of the day. Both boys captured a trio of blue ribbons.

Favorable weather produced some excellent clockings topped by Knapp's :10.5 in the 100-yd. dash.

The Shamrock thinclads scored in all events. Points were scored for St. Bonaventure by the following:

Speicher, second in 100-yd. dash; Sanders and P. Melcher, second and fourth in the 60-yd. highs; Dunn, third in mile; Blahak and Bowe, first and third in 440; Miller and Mimick, third and fourth, 100-yd. lows; Baumert, first in 880; Blahak and Speicher, first and second in 220; and the Irish relay teams scored second place in both the 880 and mile relay.

In the field events the Shamrocks showed up well. Blahak and Mimick placed first and third in the shot put. Lippstreu and Meyers of Bellwood tied for first in the discus while Chochon and Mimick followed with third and fourth. Sanders and Keefer tied for second place in the high jump. Sanders took first in the pole vault. Speicher was third in the broad jump.

# 'Cooperation!' Say Ex-Sports Editors

This article is about the good and bad side of sports at St. Bonaventure. It is good on the side of the coaching and equipment, but bad as far as participation is concerned.

When it comes to equipment, St. Bon's has the best in the state. Coaching! Well, Mr. Cletus Fischer may not be the best. We don't know, but we, who played under him, think he is and we learned more than we ever thought could be possible. Now we come to participation! Well, we'll take facts and see how we stand. First, football, the 1950 squad consisted of 30 boys. Thirty out of 92 is about 30 per cent. A little low, don't you think, but not bad when you consider basketball and track—there were 20 out for basketball and 18 for track—that's 21 per cent and 19 per cent respectively.

We gave you the facts, now judge for yourself and you will probably come to the same conclusion we did—"Not Good."

Some of the guys use as an excuse that they aren't any good, or they don't know the first thing about the game, but still they won't come out and try. However, they're the first to criticize.

Take a tip from some of the guys that know. It's the greatest feeling in the world to be part of a winning football or basketball team even if you are just sitting on the bench waiting your chance.

There isn't any reason why St. Bon's shouldn't have a winning team if everybody cooperates. We have a great coach and the best equipment. So what do you say, next year instead of 30 per cent, 21 per cent and 19 per cent out for sports, make it 100 per cent three ways.

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## Promsters Dance In Hawaiian Moonlight

### Elegant Banquet Opens Festivities

Beneath the twinkling stars of a tropical sky, featuring the Hawaiian Moonlight theme, the juniors of St. Bonaventure bade farewell to the seniors of 1951, at the Junior-Senior banquet and prom, in the school gymnasium and auditorium, respectively.

At 6:30 the junior class president, Mary Pat Tooley and her escort, Dennis Baumert, led the gaily attired couples from the school to the monastery premises, where they were joined by the guests of honor—Rev. Roch Hettinger, Rev. Martin Wolter, Rev. Timothy Healy, Rev. John Schneigenberg, Coach Cletus Fischer and his wife, and Joseph Van Ackeren. The happy carefree scene was then transformed into a most inspirational and somber one when the whole cortege assembled for a brief visit to its King in the church, after which the procession wended its way to the

festively decorated banquet hall, where the couples entered to the march, "Pomp and Circumstance," played by Mr. Van Ackeren on the violin, and accompanied by Miss Isabelle Micek at the piano.

After being led in grace by Father Roch, the party was seated at the tables, which were situated in the formation of a Hawaiian setting. Then Ray Brezinski, junior vice president, who was toastmaster, introduced the class president, who welcomed the assembly, after which Orlethia Wass, senior class secretary, gave the response.

### Violin Solos Highlight Banquet

During the course of the banquet, the musical program was as follows: "With A Song in My Heart" and "Aloha" sung by a select group of juniors and seniors and violin solos by Mr. Van Ackeren.

The highlights of the entertainment were the class wills given by Ted Niedbalski, senior class president, and the class prophecy orated by Richard Otterpohl. Culminating the program, the following guests—Coach Cletus Fischer, Mr. Van Ackeren, Fathers Timothy, Martin, John Francis, and Roch, delivered speeches.

The artistically ornamented tables, with miniature palm trees and lighted silver candles placed on fluted runners of old rose crepe paper, brought out the Hawaiian theme and the senior class colors of old rose and silver. Pink and white daisies interspersed with fern sprays peered from the unique crystal vases. The tall lighted silver tapers with verdant sprays of fern entwined around their bases alternated with the palm tree centers at various points on the tables.

Artistic old rose nut cups, featuring a rose enhanced the picturesque Hawaiian setting. Place cards, memory booklets, and napkins, depicted the tropical moonlight scene. Each memory book was attached with an old rose tassel and silver pencil.

### Hall Depicts Tropical Beach

At 8 o'clock the couples, led by the class officers and their dates, entered the artistically decorated auditorium to the Hawaiian strains of the Bobby Mills' Orchestra.

The decorations carried out the senior class colors—old rose and silver, and the juniors colors—blue and silver. Above the entrance a glittering star hung and on either side a large white roseate held back the draped blue streamers.

To emphasize the Hawaiian beach scene, the ceiling and walls were covered with azure blue crepe paper to represent the sky. Delicately fringed streamers alternated with twisted streamers covered the firmament; on every second twisted streamer bright silver stars danced towards the center of the room. Myriads of dainty scalloped chandeliers in azure hues intermingled with twinkling stars. From the center of the ceiling and other appropriate locations a cluster of Hawaiian lanterns added color to the tropical scenery.

The walls covered with twisted blue streamers, concealing the many large arched windows, gave the hall the appearance of a Hawaiian beach. The radiators were transformed into tropical rose beds, adding beauty to the setting.

ces Paprocki, Doris Melliger, and Julene Pfeifer.

The ushers were as follows: Checkers—Elaine Romanek and Eleanor Syslo; Ushers—Adolphine Euteneuer and Martha Lassek; Pop—Betty Kretz and Shirley Sokol.

The banquet was prepared by the St. Anne's Society of St. Bonaventure Parish. Sister Laurentine, junior homeroom sponsor, directed the entire activity.

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