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## REVEREND MOTHER OLIVETTE VISITS WEBSTER COLLEGE

Is Accompanied by Mother Genevieve

The College was honored by a visit from Reverend Mother Olivette and Mother Genevieve, the Procuratrix General of the Loretto Society. Mother Olivette was elected Mother General at the recent election, July 16, but she is no stranger to the students of Webster College, as she has visited the College often with the two former Reverend Mothers. She was Secretary General of the Society for many years.

The girls were delighted to have their distinguished guests with them for nearly a week. An informal reception was given in their honor Thursday afternoon, October 4th, and all the students hope that the visit will be repeated soon and often.

## MARGARET BREY CHOSEN FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE

Special Meeting Called To Fill Vacancy on Student Council

At a special meeting of the Faculty called on September 25, Margaret Brey was elected to take the place of Carmen Brown as Faculty Representative on the Student Council for this year.

According to the constitution, all elections are to be held in May for the following school term. But since then, a fellowship has been promised to Carmen Brown by the Iowa State University at which she is now attending classes.

Margaret Brey, a senior of this year, has attended Webster for her entire collegiate course, and has always been interested in student activities.

## MISSIONARY TO KOREA TALKS AT WEBSTER

Tells of Work of Maryknoll Priests and Nuns

One day a few weeks ago, a small poorly dressed old woman came to the door of the Maryknoll Fathers and asked to see Father Connors. She told him that she would like to send a sum of money to Korea with him. This incident is not unusual in the lives of foreign missionaries to whom many people give a dollar now and then. But Father was surprised, not to say startled, when he found that she had a thousand dollars, and was told that it was her life savings.

Rev. J. W. Connors, A. F. M., who has been teaching for several years at Maryknoll, gave the students a brief talk during the sodality meeting on Wednesday morning, October 10. He is now on his way to the foreign missions in Korea, and after spending a short time in Los Angeles will sail with Father Ryan of Chicago on a Japanese liner for Honolulu. Here they will visit the school conducted by the Maryknoll nuns.

After arriving in Korea, Father Connors said that he will spend an entire year in studying the language which has only one tone instead of the three found in southern China, and is therefore the simplest of Chinese languages—"if any Chinese is simple." Having put in the time needed he then expects to be able to preach to the people.

In Korea at present there are fifteen priests and twelve sisters, but because of the lack of enough of either, over one thousand were refused baptism last year. And yet, "it is worth while because the Lord wants it," said Father Connors. These people have as much right to faith as any one," and to show that the work is not hopeless, he cited the fact that during the seven years spent in Korea by

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To Address Club



REV. ALPHONSE M. SCHWITALLA

Eminent speakers are invited to address the clubs of Webster at various times during the scholastic year and there are few, if any, who can compare with the Dean of the Medical College of St. Louis University, Rev. Alphonse Schwitalla, S. J.

Father Schwitalla attended one of the S. S. S. meetings last year, and introduced Dr. Don. R. Joseph to the club. None of those present will forget the brief, interesting talk of the latter or his interest or work for the department.

Death's claim on Dr. Joseph has been a severe shock to all, especially to Father Schwitalla, who will address the club at its opening meeting of the coming year, on Thursday evening, at 7 p. m.

## NANCY HAVERN UNIT HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The usual weekly Sodality period at 10:40 o'clock was given over to the Nancy Havern Mission Unit for the purpose of electing the rest

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## NEW LORETTO HALL ATTRACTIVE IN MANY FEATURES

Home-Like Atmosphere Dominates Plan

Webster College opened its new dormitory to its resident students on September 20. The structure is called Loretto Hall, and stands east of the administration building. It is five stories high and can house 190 girls, besides ten or more of the Sisters of the faculty.

An airy colonade, with a long stretch of north and south windows, connects Loretto Hall with the college proper. The building is T-shaped and built of brick with stone trimmings.

Opening through a handsome front entrance from Lockwood avenue, the Hall has a lobby about 40 feet square, tastily furnished with dark wood tapestried davenport, chairs, and tables. On each side a circle of bay windows forms smaller parlors, half-enclosed. The hangings are in rose and gold, which plan in a different pattern is carried out in a large recreation hall on the same floor, also beautifully furnished, where the girls may dance.

Two features which appeal strongly to the student body, and which are repeated on every floor, are a kitchenette and dining room, and a solarium. The kitchen is large enough for two or three girls to make fudge and other dainties, while a sink, kitchen cabinet, gas stove, and table—all in the newest green—give the comforts of home. Each dining room is supplied with a darkwood table, chairs, and a sideboard.

The rooms for the students are equipped in suites with bathroom between, or double or single rooms with bath. Entrance doors to the rooms are fitted with full-length mirrors, and the furniture is of the Windsor style.

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## Echoes of the Halls

Miss Catherine Hummert spent last week-end at her home in Breeze, Illinois.

Juanita Abell and Edith Glossemeyer have been visiting friends at the college.

The Boarders again saw the V. P. parade from the Stix, Baer & Fuller windows. Transportation was by bus and the nuns opened the cafeteria for them when they returned.

Marta Brown visited at the college Sunday.

Eugenia Bock went to her home at Pierron, Illinois, for the week-end.

Emma Kohl spent the week-end at her home in Belleville, Illinois.

Mary Killiken met her parents in St. Louis and accompanied them to her home at Chester, Illinois, for an over-Sunday visit.

Essemena Weinacker enjoyed a visit from her mother Sunday.

Catherine Arrendale, Marie Reynolds, Neva Daily and Jane Burleigh went to Poplar, Bluff, Missouri, Friday.

Mrs. Gottlob visited her daughter Rosemary, Friday.

Lucyle Rappillard and Catherine Hazel spent the week-end with friends in the city.

Miss Margaret Bourke is visiting her sister, Julie Bourke.

Miss Louise Ritter is now married and living in Maplewood.

Another Webster student has married, Miss Matilda Wueller. She is now Mrs. Downs.

Miss Dorothy Walsh was the guest of Miss Thelma Pape over the week-end.

Miss Helen Graves had as her guest over the week-end Miss Louise Koepfer of Sedalia, Missouri.

Josephine Reddin's father was in the city last week and Miss Dorothy Fairall, Elizabeth O'Malley and 'Jo' had dinner with Mr. Reddin.

The Boarders enjoyed a most pleasant picnic supper at Nerinx Hall Wednesday, October 10. The new girls seemed thrilled not only with the good time but also with Nerinx.

Webster girls were guests of St. Louis U. at the football game Saturday, October 13, at the Public High School Stadium, St. Louis U. playing Nebraska State.

## Webster Vogues

Long hair seems to be in vogue at Webster. In truth it was quite puzzling for the first few days of school for one would wonder if so and so weren't back and after much embarrassment she would find that she had failed to recognize that certain girl because of the long tresses she had acquired during the summer months.

## ANNUAL 'RED MASS' OPENS ST. LOUIS U.

Very Rev. C. L. Souvay, C. M., Sings Mass at Webster

St. Louis University held its formal solemn opening on Friday, October 11, with the Solemn High Mass of the Holy Ghost sung at 8:30 in the College Church. Rev. Thomas S. Bowdern, S. J., of St. Louis University, preached the sermon.

"Are Catholic universities really different? Yes, they are. A Catholic university has a definite goal. Columba sailed for San Salvador, we sail for the Kingdom of God. Columbus had a mariner's compass. We have the compass of truth and faith. Apart altogether from religious considerations, no more efficient or trustworthy measure of truth has been perfected than Catholic philosophy."

The Corporate Colleges were invited to attend and Webster, as usual, answered 100 per cent.

Very Rev. C. L. Souvay, C. M., president of Kenrick Seminary, sang the High Mass which marked the solemn opening of Webster College on Wednesday, September 28, at 8 o'clock.

Father Souvay spoke briefly on Catholic education and encouraged the students to take advantage of the opportunities offered them in a Catholic institution such as Webster.

## Freshman Initiation Meets with Success

Once more a group of scared, rigid, green freshmen have gone through initiation, and have come out real honest-to-goodness collegians.

Thursday night, September 27, was the appointed time for trial. The "babies" of the college were blindfolded and ordered to make no noise. They were assigned one to every upperclassman who then proceeded to amuse herself and others at the freshman's expense.

After stumbling, jumping, dancing, and falling over to Idle Hour the new seekers of collegiate courses staged an evening of vaudeville—some voluntarily and some not. One of the remarkable feats presented was the living picture of the "first ocean hop." Other outstanding events were the Obstacle Race, and the History Questionnaire.

After the freshmen had pledged loyalty and service to their "superiors" and agreed to the traditional regulations for the newcomers, refreshments were served to all.

## CHANGES OCCUR IN FACULTY

Several changes have appeared in the faculty this year. Reverend M. J. O'Connell, C. M., is now head of the History Department, as Dr. J. W. Conroy, C. M., director, has been transferred from Kenrick Seminary, while Sister Mary Ambrose has succeeded Mother Ann Marita as instructor in shorthand and type-writing. The music department has been augmented by the addition of Sister Mary Justine who teaches violin; Sister Mary Paula, who has studied under Rema Traverna of New York, is now giving vocal lessons instead of Sister Marie Loretto, who has been transferred to the Visitation School in St. Louis. Mrs. Emily Barnicle Tinker is assisting the English Department as shortstory teacher and Miss Maximilienne Tetrault is head of the French Department. The new courses in Commercial Law and Accounting are being given by Mr. Hans Elmiger, C. P. A.

Not least among the additions to the faculty is that of Miss Katherine Hummert, a graduate of last year, who is now giving courses in Latin and Education. Miss Hummert, it will be remembered, was the third girl graduated from Webster with a Summa cum Lauda.

## Student Council Plans Freshman Week

On Thursday, September 20, Freshman Week began with an informal reception by the faculty and a get-together party in the Social Hall after which the girls were taken on a tour of the building and made familiar with the class rooms.

Friday was student activity day and the girls were acquainted with the workings of the school and organizations. Gertrude Jolley gave an informal talk on the spirit of Webster and Alice Widmer quite apropos spoke on athletics. Margaret Vollet gave a brief sketch of the social life of Webster.

Saturday the Seniors entertained the girls in various ways, each according to her own choice.

On Monday Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C. M., head of the Department of Philosophy, welcomed the girls and that evening the girls entered with a bridge.

Sister Edwarda and Sister Borgia told the freshmen of Webster life and a reception by the entire faculty followed.

Mass of the Holy Ghost on Wednesday was celebrated by Father Souvay, who addressed the students.

## WEBSTER OFFERS WIDER SCOPE OF COURSES

Erecting of New Dormitory  
Renders Additional Space  
Available

Opportunities and equipment for various departments of study at Webster College have been greatly increased by the release of many rooms in the main college building, made possible through the erection of the dormitory, Loretto Hall, adjacent to the main building.

The latter is now being used for administration purposes. Among the adjustments completed is the setting apart of the east wing of the second floor as a suite of laboratories and lecture room for the biological department. The suite comprises the lecture room, the professor's office, the main laboratory, private laboratories for students, an apparatus and supply room, and a specimen storage room. Included in the equipment that has been added are the latest model of microscopes and other apparatus necessary for bacteriological research.

In chemistry, in which a number of the students are majoring, the department also has new equipment, as has the Physics Department which has proved attractive to many students.

One important feature of the assistance in the study of science is the remodeling of the museum. This now occupies the room formerly used by the students as a den. The work of classification is now going on.

A new section for the art rooms has been opened on the third floor and commercial art is being included as one of the branches of study.

In the secretarial course, a number of innovations have been introduced for the sophomore year. This course was introduced last year for freshmen, and is now taken forward into commercial law, accounting and other practical features.

## OLD WEBSTER GIRL ENTERS MARYKNOLL

Dorothy Dahmus, who graduated from Nerinx Hall with some of the seniors of this year, is the first Loretto girl to enter the Order of Maryknoll Sisters. She became a postulant on October 15 at the Novitiate in New York.

This makes the second vocation in the Nerinx Hall class of 1925; the other girl now being Sister Louise Marie of the Society of Loretto.

## Alumnae News

By SUSANNE CORRIGAN

Mr. and Mrs. John Porter are now close to home plate. Will express it that way as long as fast-ball is quite the vogue. We welcome Harriet to Webster Groves and hope her every happiness possible in her beautiful new home.

Miss Margaret Reddin is again teaching at St. Mary's at Denver Heights, Colo.

Since September 20 many faculty members and also girls of Webster have heard a great deal of our four very studious members of last year's class who are now attending the social service school at Washington. From the last report Elizabeth Corrigan and Laura Archer are acting as true church members and taking care of the chapel. Jeannette Stiritz and Margaret Leonard are becoming efficient at keeping house. They are house reporters or engineers of all that goes right in the house.

We have added to our faculty this year Mrs. Emmy Lou Barnicle Tinker. We hope she will have as much influence over her class of short stories as did her predecessor.

A graduate of last year, Catherine Hummert, is also with us this year as a faculty member. We are surely glad to have Bill again in our midst.

Among recent visitors of our last year's class have been Juanita Abell, Marta Brown, Edith Glosemeyer, and Helen May Heisserer. We hope that these and others will come soon to see us and also our new home of which we are so proud.

Maude Jokerst is doing library work at the Stix Branch on Euclid avenue. Peggy Wegman is attending the library school at Central Library.

Helen McGuire is attending Rubicam Business School.

Anna Marie McDermott is teaching at the Dodson School of Tutoring. Lillian Woltering is teaching at Rosati-Kain High School.

Juanita Abell will teach expression in Wichita, Kan.

### NANCY HAVERN UNIT HOLDS FIRST MEETING

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of the officers. Marion Lane was elected President of the Unit last May. The newly elected officers are: Vice-President, Catherine Rohan; Secretary, Eugenia Back; Treasurer, Estella Cavanaugh; and Spiritual Treasurer, Frank Ward.

## COUNTESS FALKENHAYN PAYS VISIT TO WEBSTER

### French Supplement Given By Miss Belock

Webster College was honored on Thursday, October 11, by visitors from Austria, Countess Falkenhayn and her three companions, who belong to a religious order known as "The Sodality of St. Peter Claver."

In the course of her interesting talk the Countess spoke of their foundress, Marie Theresa Ledochowski, who was born in 1863, of Polish parents. Countess Falkenhayn was a very close companion of her foundress, and lived through a romantic period of Church history.

When Countess Ledochowski was twenty-one years of age she published a book on her first trip to Poland, besides a book for the African Missions. At twenty-two she entered the Austrian Court, however, she remained there only four years. Leaving the court she strove vigorously to promote the cause of anti-slavery, and in 1849 she founded the Sodality of St. Peter Claver for the African Missions. Nothing could be done without Christianity, so she had an audience with Pope Leo XIII, who lauded her idea to organize a band of missionaries.

The Countess labored under great difficulties and in spite of her poor health, she succeeded in establishing this order shortly before her death, which occurred in 1922. Countess Falkenhayn is the successor to Countess Ledochowski.

## DRAMATIC DEPARTMENT TO HAVE RECORD YEAR

### Organization of Club and Dances To Add To Interest of Work

At the first meeting of the Dramatic Classes under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, plans for the organization of a dramatic club were discussed and its first meeting will be held at one o'clock Tuesday, October 16, when its officers will be elected.

Webster has hoped each year to combine social life with its dramatic department, and everyone concerned is joyous at the realization of this desire.

The first event of the year will be an informal dance given by the club on October 19. Plans for the dance have not yet been completed.

### Rider Or?

Impatient Young Lady: "You told me this was an intelligent horse. Why, the stupid beast won't even let me get on him."

## REV. DANIEL A. LORD, S. J. SPEAKS TO STUDENTS

Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., gave a brief talk to the student body on Thursday morning in behalf of the Sodality Conference which was held on Sunday, October 14, at St. Frances Xavier Church.

In speaking of the marvelous cooperation which he received in response to a nation-wide call for a Convention of Catholic Students' Sodalities Father Lord said: "We live in a most interesting period of history. The biggest change that has come over our generation is the change that has come over our young people—I wanted to chance for the St. Louis schools to get together and let each other know what each is doing—it will be a stimulus to us to come back and work just a little bit harder."

The program is as follows:

- 8:15. Mass (at College Church), Holy Communion, brief talk.
- 9:15. Recess for breakfast. Morning session—Personal holiness.
- 10:00. Blessed Sacrament. Prayer.
- 11:00. Recess.
- 11:15. Blessed Virgin. Individual or collective devotional practices.
- 12:15. Lunch. Afternoon session—Active Catholicity.
- 1:15. Apostolic Committee and Its Work in Teaching Catechism. C. I. L. Mercier Club, etc.
- 2:15. Recess.
- 2:30. Catholic Literature Lecture, Club Work for Deaf Mutes, Blind, Etc.
- 3:30. Sodality Union's Plans for Coming Year.
- 4:00. Benediction and Dismissal.

### MISSIONARY TO KOREA TALKS AT WEBSTER

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Father McShane before his death over 2400 souls were saved.

"We've all got to save our souls through charity," Father continued, "and the work of the Maryknoll priests and sisters is being carried on by the sacrifice of Americans."

### NEW LORETTO HALL ATTRACTIVE IN MANY FEATURES

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Suites of rooms for guests have been handsomely furnished by friends of the college.

On the ground floor is to be found a thoroughly modern cafeteria provided for the day students. Besides this, there are also locker rooms and another recreation room, this latter being furnished in red wicker.

## CLUB CHAT

By ALICE CLARKE

Now that the rush of arranging schedules and beginning new classes is over, the various clubs and associations of Webster College are again claiming their measure of attention. These organizations play an important and interesting part in the school life, and there is a club to suit the taste of every student. Some of the clubs are already active and the others will soon be in full swing also.

In this column of the WEB, there will always be found accounts of meetings, new projects and any other news concerning, or of interest to the clubs of Webster College.

The first Mathematics Club meeting of the year has been called for Thursday afternoon, October 18, at 2 p. m.

The Biology Club has the honor of being the first to have an eminent speaker this year, for Father Schwitalla, S. J., will address the club at its opening meeting on Thursday evening, October 18, at 7 p. m.

The Classical Club has not yet resumed activities, but a meeting will be announced in the near future. The sponsors of the Classical Club are considering the admittance of first year classic students to membership in the club. Heretofore, only the upperclassmen studying the classics were eligible.

The Poetry Club, one of the most active at Webster, will hold a meeting this week to plan their work of the year, and it is probable that some new members will be asked to join.

Orient Weis was elected president of the Athletic Association at the first meeting of the year of the A. A. on Tuesday morning, October 9. A second meeting was held on Thursday morning, October 11, at which the remaining officers of the A. A. were elected. The other new officers are: Ellen Quirk, vice-president; Alice Widmer, secretary, and Kathleen Hamel, treasurer. The point system in athletics will be explained at the next meeting of the A. A., after the new officers have conferred with Miss Barthel, the physical director.

## FRESHMAN CLASS HOLDS ELECTION

The freshman class held a meeting, October 9, at which they elected the following officers for the first semester: President, Agnes Tancred; Vice President, Grace Strecker; Secretary, Lorna Rehangen; Treasurer, Dorothy Shuford.



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## CARD PARTY AT CHASE WILL BE GIVEN FOR BENEFIT OF WEBSTER

Will Be Preceded by a Luncheon

For the benefit of the new Loretto Hall, a large card party will be given at Hotel Chase on November 3. A luncheon will be served at 1 o'clock in the Crystal Room and will be followed by the card party. All the available space in the hotel has been reserved for the affair which is expected to surpass all others ever held there. The gifts will be crystal beads in pastel shades.

A souvenir program containing the names of patrons and pictures of the new building will be presented to all who attend.

Marie Murnane is general chairman, while Marjorie Hawkins heads the Card Party Committee. Blanche Corley is in charge of the Program Committee and the Candy Committee is under the direction of Rosamond Smith. The sale of tickets has been entrusted to a group of five captains: Veronica Feuerbacher, Thelma Coyne, Theresa Shea, Mary Elizabeth Newell and Thelma Pape. Two of the most active workers and regular attendants at the weekly meetings held in the girls' homes are Messrs. Walter Freund and Pat Rice.

## Dramatic Art Dance Meets with Success

At a meeting of the Dramatic Club, the officers were elected for the coming year: president, Catherine Cody; vice-president, J. Rabbit; secretary, Mary Frances Broeker; treasurer, Alice Widmer. Arrangements were made at this meeting for the dance given by the club on October 19.

Mrs. Sankey's novel method of having the boys and girls exchange introductions made the entire gathering appear like one large family.

## Crystal Room To Be Scene of Fall Dance

Chase Hotel Has Been Reserved for Nov. 9

To the strains of melody played by an orchestra under the direction of Earl Fleissner, the social season of Webster College will open on November 9, in the Crystal Ball Room of the Chase Hotel.

The Student Council will make its bow to Webster society at this function. Heretofore, the first dance of the season was sponsored by the senior class, but at a special meeting several weeks ago the class voted to allow the Student Council to manage the initial social event of the year.

## Plans for Vodvil Now Under Way

"Tryouts" Display Unexpected Talents

The senior class, which has charge of the annual vaudeville, has devised a new method of obtaining talent—students who can sing, dance, or play, are given a "try-out" in the auditorium on the days assigned to the different classes. Previously, the participants were invited while now every student is given the opportunity to display her talents.

At a meeting held October 19, Rosemary O'Reilly was chosen chairman, and Helen Eaves was elected business manager. Orient Weis was appointed assistant-chairman.

No definite date has been decided upon for the presentation.

Here's something new! A request—an urgent request—to save tooth paste tubes for the missions—no joking. The value of the lead in these "seemingly useless tubes" is surprising. It makes no difference what kind of tooth paste you use, for there will be no "blind fold tests." JUST SAVE.

## Freshmen Ideal Hostesses at Hallowe'en Party

Clever Costumes Worn By Guests

The freshman class entertained the Faculty and students of Webster College with a Hallowe'en costume party at Idle Hour, Monday evening.

The hall was cleverly decorated with corn stalks, autumn leaves and pumpkins. Old-fashioned games and dances, which included the "square dance" were the main features of the evening's entertainment. Refreshments were served at 9 o'clock.

This is the first time in several years that the freshmen have been permitted to take charge of the Hallowe'en party and their appreciation was shown in the way in which they planned the affair.

## PLANS ADOPTED BY SPIRITUAL COUNCIL AROUSE INTEREST

Meetings Outlined for Year at Last Meeting

The Students' Spiritual Council called a meeting on Monday night and decided that each committee, in turn, be held responsible for the program of future Sodality meetings. This plan was adopted to afford each of the various committees an opportunity to arouse interest in its particular work by introducing, each week, new subject matter and thus fostering a livelier enthusiasm.

Louise Hayes was appointed chairman of the Social and Membership Committees. Membership is voluntary, and candidates will be on probation for six weeks. The Sodality wants for its members girls who are keenly alive and interested and anxious to spread devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## RED FOX, CHIEF OF THE SIOUX, RELATES HISTORY OF THE 'NEW' COUNTRY

Students Learn Meaning of Many Indian Customs

"We are all united and working for the One God. It was He Who sent me across the ocean to fight in the World War; it was He Who taught me right from wrong; it is He to Whom I owe by being," said Red Fox, chief of the Dakotas, in a most interesting lecture at Webster College, October 18. Red Fox has played in the Chicago Grand Opera House, and directed and played in "The Vanishing American," as well as a number of other popular Indian pictures.

"No better man came to our lands nor worked for our interests than Christopher Columbus," said Red Fox. "Soon after, Marquette came to the Indians, he respected the Indians and they respected him, and as a consequence of their friendship each taught the other most interesting things. Then came the Hudson Bay Company who tried to commercialize the country and to keep the Word of God from the Indians. They pretended that the gold and silver, of which value the Indian knew nothing, were just materials for ornamentation and had no other value. Following this came the 'Gold Rush of California.'"

Red Fox said that commercialization was not necessary because "We had nature at our back door and she was taking care of us. We had one birds to make music for us; we did not have to go to the store for food because our fathers killed the game; our mothers instructed the children and made clothing. Trouble came," continued Red Fox, "only after the white man invaded our lands, brought about blood-shed and killed our buffaloes."

"We were called savage but we were not savage," he said. "When

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## ALL HALLOWS

All Hallows! All Hallows! The grey ghosts and black goblins and eerie spirits creep from their haunts and for one brief night live among mortals! Is it any wonder that they become a little wild? A little unmanageable? A little mad? Is it any wonder that old hags and witches scamper about like boys released from school? Nibbling at the stars, biting a piece out of the moon, upsetting staid and sedate elderly gentlemen out for their after-dinner stroll, pulling dignified old ladies' hats to rakish angles, pranking young people by peering into their charmed mirrors.

Back into the pages of time we go to find out about those queer folk who have given us the lovely old festival of All Hallows. Who were they? Why did they originate Hallowe'en? The pages of history turn back and we find an ancient pagan race called Druids—priests of the forest—who selected the last day of golden October for their great autumn feast day, when in thanksgiving for the harvest they gathered together 'round huge bonfires to sing and dance and feast. And in the country of present-day Ireland, there was the same festival, only it was called the "Vigil of Saman," but the lord of death who gathered to himself all those wicked souls that had been condemned to inhabit the bodies of animals. And because the feast day was a thanksgiving day it came on down to the time of the Christians and gathered from the Roman rites in honor of Pomona, the custom of distributing fruits and nuts—typical of nature's bounty—on down it has kept coming until today when it is only a fun-making, frolicsome time when care and sorrow are chucked away and Joy and Plenty masquerade with the witches and goblins!

## THE DANCING DEB

In the first issue of The Web we mentioned our Baby Student Council. She was then a gurgling little cherub, happy because Mother Student Body was smiling at her marvelous growth. But now, within two weeks, we must report a stupendous change. Our delightful baby is no longer. Over night she has become a charming, dancing debutante. She is inviting us to Webster's Fall Dance, the first important social function over which she will hold sway.

Of course all Webster is most anxious to see the youngster of several weeks ago acting, for the first time, in her new capacity. She was a perfect baby—she would not, she could not fail us in this, her latest guise. We had heard rumors of breath-taking plans for the dance. We are becoming intensely interested. There is need then of only one more thing. We must continue to heap coals on the fire of our enthusiasm until, on the night of the Fall Dance, we let all burst forth in one great ovation for our charming Mistress Student Council who is justly meriting the title "queen of all she surveys."

## ARE YOU?

What are you thinking of.  
Now I wonder  
Is it a shaded inland cove?  
What ARE you thinking of?  
Surely, 'tis not of love.  
Why I'll most throw a fit!  
What ARE YOU thinking of?  
Just me—a tiny bit?

—A. D., '29.



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

"Dogs and Cats registered in Atlantic City."—Headline.

The scene is a quiet luxurious corner on one of our most exclusive alleys.

Puppy Dog (conversation having lagged for the moment): "Nice day, isn't it?"

Tabby Cat: "Lovely."

Puppy Dog: "Ummmmm. Cloud over there. Think it will rain?"

Tabby Cat: "Not if it stays like this."

Puppy Dog (frowning slightly and abruptly changing the subject): "Everybody is surely talking about this presidential campaign this year. They had more registrations than ever. Yes, sir! It's going to be some race, but Smith will win He—"

Tabby Cat: "He will not. Hoover's the best man. He'll run all over Smith. Anybody could see that with half an eye."

Puppy Dog: "Yeh! but if you'd use both eyes, things would look different. Besides, what do you know about Hoover? What did he do that was much?"

Tabby Cat: "Why, he knows everything about governmental affairs. And my father says the very way he fed everybody during the war and immediately after was wonderful. That's more than you can say about Smith. He's all wet."

Puppy Dog: "Bunk! That food business is all bunk. Mother and dad were talking just the other night and they said the stuff he gave us for dog biscuit was a crime. Like sawdust—phooie!"

Tabby Cat: "Oh, well, dog biscuit! What can you expect from that? Nobody could make that taste good. Mother says we never had any trouble. We always had good milk."

Puppy Dog: "Yes—nice, fresh milk direct from condensed cans. Ugh!"

Tabby Cat: "Well, if Smith is elected, they'll have saloons on every corner and he'll have all kinds of foreigners running all over the country. I don't mind telling you that I don't mind some of them—but those old southern nations."

Puppy Dog: "You certainly don't know much about it, do you? You're just afraid they'll let down

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## AUTUMN

The harvest moon hangs low in the sky,  
And the first autumn breeze brushes lightly by,  
While summer falls like a golden sigh  
A lover's last lingering good-bye.

—A. D., '29.

## Loretto Hall

Large and fine and towering  
O'er the buildings tall;  
Best, and first and wonderful  
Is Loretto Hall.

Room all full of pleasure gay  
White and newest walls—  
Filled with hope of happy days  
Is Loretto Hall!

Part of Webster College fine,  
College best of all.  
First in our hearts and minds  
Is Loretto Hall.

T. P., '31.

## Dean Celebrates Her Feast Day

### Math. Club Pays Tribute to Honorary President

Recently, in honor of her Feast Day, the Mathematical Club presented Sister Mary Borgia, who is the honorary president of the club, with a spiritual bouquet. Moreover, as a gift of the club, Father Donovan offered the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for her intention.

## Sophomore Class Devises New Plans To Hold Meetings

The Class of '31 is testing a new way of handling class meetings. It has adopted a constitution in order that it might take care of more business at a single session. This plan is being carried out under the direction of the newly-elected officers: president, Bernice Wolff; vice-president, Thelma Pape; secretary, Ann Ryan; and treasurer, Dorothy Walsh.

Rose Phelan, Helen Catherine Sherman and Suzanne Corrigan attended the game between the Notre Dame and Navy teams.

## REVEREND MOTHER OLIVETTE VISITS WEBSTER COLLEGE

### Is Accompanied by Mother Genevieve

The College was honored by a visit from Reverend Mother Olivette and Mother Genevieve, the Procuratrix General of the Loretto Society. Mother Olivette was elected Mother General at the recent election, July 16, but she is no stranger to the students of Webster College, as she has visited the College often with the two former Reverend Mothers. She was Secretary General of the Society for many years.

The girls were delighted to have their distinguished guests with them for nearly a week. An informal reception was given in their honor, and all the students hope that the visit will be repeated soon and often.

Mother Ann Marita, for twelve years head of the commercial department of Webster College and former secretary to Mother Linus, has been elected Secretary General of the Society. She has been succeeded at Webster by Sister Mary Ambrose of Kansas City. The Sisters and girls miss her greatly and hope that her visits to Webster will be many and often.

Mother Edith, the sound of whose name thrills all old girls, was raised to this position of secretary to Mother General at the election at Loretto in July.

It was during her term that Webster was admitted to the North Central Association of Colleges. It is she who helped Webster during its most critical period, and who because of this and her winning personality is truly loved by all Websterites.

### AUNT SOPHIA SAYS

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the barriers and let some good Persian cats into the country. Well, personally—think it would be a good thing."

Tabby Cat:

But this was too much. Tabby Cat hunched her back and spit; Puppy Dog stuck out his ears and growled. Then, sad to relate and shameful to behold, she cast aside her maidenly reserve and he his gentle chivalry; and they fought like cats and dogs.

Every time Smith gives a speech in his candid, outspoken way, he gives them a pain—poor dears—but they just put more "Work" on the old political machine, add a little fresh oil to the joints, and try to "Doctor" it up for more service.

### ANOTHER CALLED

Another Websterite has entered the ranks of the Loretines. Anne Carr, who was graduated last June, left on Oct. 24, for the Loretto Mother House in Kentucky. Webster is proud of its nuns and justly so—for in the twelve years of its existence, seventeen of its children have been called to the higher life.

## FRESHMEN GIVEN CAPS AND GOWNS

### Investiture Is Solemnized in College Chapel

Seventy-one freshmen of Webster College went through the ceremony of solemn investiture with cap and gown on October 16. Assisted by the seniors, the freshmen donned the caps and gowns which are given them as a symbol of the four years that they will spend in classroom, chapel and campus activities.

Rev J. P. Donovan, C. M., of Kenrick Seminary, the College chaplain, addressed the students, urging them to work earnestly through their college years. He quoted from Philip Burke: "American parents have too naive a trust, too simple a faith in the word 'college.' Those many students in American colleges, those banner-waving idlers and frat-house cynics—who are drifting through college with the least possible effort and the most possible noise, would be receiving a far better education if they were honestly at work at something useful."

## SODALITY NEWS

At the regular weekly meeting of the Blessed Mother's Sodality, held on Oct. 17, the chairman of the Eucharistic Committee, Eugenia Bock, outlined the work of the Handmaids of the Blessed Sacrament. The Sodalists were told of the one requirement—that of promising (though not binding under sin) to receive Holy Communion weekly. The Prefect of the Sodality, Marie Reynolds, urged the girls to acquire the pious habit of bowing their heads and of saying "Behold the handmaid of the Lord" in passing before the Blessed Sacrament.

At the conclusion of the meeting the Sodalists assembled in the chapel for the recitation of the Rosary in honor of the Blessed Mother.

## WEBSTER GIRLS DANCE AGAIN TO AID OTHERS

### Eleven of the Students Take Part in the Parish Play

Community spirit is praised and recommended to us every day of our life. But in the long run, how many of us really practice it? How many citizens even stop long enough to wonder about their contribution to it? Few are they indeed. The modern idea is that everyone is too busy with his own affairs to worry about those of his neighbors; that there are too many other interests in this hurry-hurry life of ours—and so the story goes on.

But there are a few sparks of it left in some nooks of this blase world; a few, it is true, but enough to kindle the flame in other places. Webster can always be relied upon to do her share, if not more, in every cause so it is not surprising that she supplied some of the talent needed in the play, "Come to the Fair," presented by the Holy Redeemer parish last Friday and Saturday nights.

Josephine Reddin portrayed a most winsome Gypsy in her solo dance, while eight girls, Jean Evans, Dorothy Walsh, Helen O'Brien, Eleanora Haskins, Berenice Dailey, May Hellmeyer, Kathryn Haskins, and Josephine Reddin, were charming English maids. Elizabeth Dunne, Mary Rose Burke and Lucille Seifert played at being peasants for the two evenings.

## Card Party Given By Sophomores

### Championship Game To Be Held

The first of a series of card parties by the sophomore class was given in Loretto Hall on Thursday evening, October 25. A lovely compact was the gift. Later, refreshments were served to the guests.

The committee in charge consisted of Anita Bareis, Anne Boone, Mary Rose Burke, Ruth Bergfeld, Alice Clarke and Doris Condron.

It is said that the winners of each party will at length play for a championship.

"Nation's Prosperity Hinges on Hoover, Says Hughes." Headline.

And thereby hangs the tale. So a Hoover victory is the hinge to prosperity! How's Hughes to know whether the hinge will work after it gets on the door? Some hinges look so nice and shiny on the shelf or in the display case, but they get stuck when they are put into service.

## CLUB CHAT

By ALICE CLARKE

One of the most interesting of the recent club meetings was that of the Biology Club, held Thursday evening, October 18, at seven o'clock. After a short business meeting, Father Schwitalla, S. J., addressed the club on "The Relation of Biology to General Culture." "Culture," Father Schwitalla said, "is the harmonious development of all the faculties in their proper relation to their environment."

The Poetry Club was re-organized, and at a meeting held last week the following officers were elected: president, Frank Ward; vice-president, Adele Daniels; secretary, Marian Lane.

To the six members, remaining from last year, seven new members have been added. They are: Catherine Cody, Thelma Pape, Bernice Wolff, Helen Catherine Sherman, Suzanna Corrigan, Neva Daily and Josephine Rabbitt.

The Mathematics Club held its annual meeting on October 18. Its honorary president, Sister Mary Borgia, suggested a number of interesting subjects which were unanimously approved of by the club members and which will be discussed at future meetings.

Misses Marie Sheer, Neva Daily and Margaret Vollett were assigned papers for the next meeting, which will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 30, at half-past one o'clock.

The Spanish Club of St. Louis University and its corporate colleges was re-organized on Friday night, Oct. 19, at a meeting held at the University. Several of the Webster girls attended, but for the benefit of many who were unable to attend, Lillian Case has written to the secretary of the club and sent in the full membership of Webster.

It was decided that the club would hold meetings every Friday night.

The Glee Club of Webster College was re-organized on Oct. 15, under the direction of Sister Mary Paula. The primary purpose of the club is the promotion of interest in classical music.

At the meeting, the following officers were elected; president, Margaret Roesch; vice-president, Lillian Case; secretary-treasurer, Thelma Gesell. The members have elected to pay dues to defray the actual cost of music. They have also ruled that three unexcused absences automatically drop a member from the list. The club holds its meetings every Thursday in the Vocal Studio.

## Alumnae News

By SUSANNE CORRIGAN

An interesting visitor at Loretto Hall last week was Helen McGuire.

Pearl Farrel is visiting with friends in Atlanta, Georgia.

Mary Powers is tutoring at the Dodson School.

Two of last year's graduates are teaching expression in parochial schools in the city. Margaret Barthel is at St. Rose's School, and Jeanne Murphy, besides attending the Morse School of Expression, is in charge of the expression department of several parochial schools.

Marta Brown has a position in the Foreign Language Department of the Schaefer Pen Co., in Iowa.

Pearl Broderick is teaching in a high school in Sterling, Ill.

"Curly" Coyne is the assistant principal in an East St. Louis high school.

Juanita Abell has returned to her home in Wichita, Kansas, after a two weeks' visit with her friends at Webster.

## ATHLETICS

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Association, the officers for the year were elected. With Miss Orient Wise as president; Helen Quirk, vice-president; Alice Widmer, secretary, and Kathleen Hammel, treasurer, a very successful year is looked forward to.

There seems to be a great enthusiasm in Athletics this year and under the able direction of the coach, Miss Barthel, who is still in charge, great things are hoped for.

Volley ball seems to be the big game in play just now. A large number of our athletes have gone out for practice, and according to reports each class is having a record attendance. The girls are working hard to win the tournament which will be held early in November. The "Point System" which has been adopted has created much enthusiasm and pep, and the tournament promises to be most interesting. Immediately after this Miss Barthel will begin basket ball practice.

### Our Gift Shoppes

Burglar's Wife: "What good is all this junk? How are we ever going to get rid of it?"

Burglar: "Well, I thought you might start a gift shoppe.

## MEMBERSHIP IN STUDENT COUNCIL NOW COMPLETE

### Josephine Rabbitt Elected Treasurer; Dorothy Fairall Is Freshman Representative

The list of offices in the Student Council is now complete. Josephine Rabbitt was elected treasurer for the ensuing year, at a meeting held on October 24, and Dorothy Fairall was chosen by the freshmen to represent them in the council.

According to the constitution, the treasurer is to be elected in May; but because of a lack of sufficient time this election had to be postponed. The freshman representative will always be chosen in the Fall.

For the information of the new students, the following is the list of council members:

Faculty Representatives, Gertrude Jolley and Margaret Brey; Senior Representatives, Rose Malon, Julie Bourke, Marie Reynolds and Catherine Hazel; Junior Representatives, Margaret Vollet, Josephine Rabbitt and Neva Dailey; Sophomore Representatives, Alice Widmer and Anne Ryan; Freshman Representative, Dorothy Fairall.

### RED FOX, CHIEF OF THE SIOUX, RELATES HISTORY OF THE "NEW" COUNTRY

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Father De Smet came to bring us the Word of God, we buried our arrows in the ground and joined in a real true friendship. Father De Smet traveled miles and miles to bring us the Word of God and to him we are greatly indebted."

"I will never forget the kind words of Mother Catherine Drexall who came to our tribe after many of the Indians had been driven out of their homes. 'Let us take care of these Indians,' she said. 'The Indian Bureau is allowed eleven cents a day for the education of the Indian child. Most of the Indians are poor because their Deeds of Trust were taken away from them. 'They should be rich,' said Red Fox, 'because in 1868 the Government of the United States laid aside 148,000,000 acres of land for the Indians. The government added 'As long as the grass is green and the river flows, this land shall be yours.'

Red Fox holds little faith in the last statement because, he says, "The grass is still green and the river is flowing; our lands are gone; we are poor and we have a suit against the United States Government for \$17,000,000 because

## WEBSTER ENJOYS RADIO GIVEN BY UNKNOWN FRIEND

### Entertainment of All Types Is Furnished

A new R. S. A. Radiola, that's what it is!" "Isn't it pretty? This dark wood, and the flowers just fit in with the rose Social Hall." "But who gave it?" "That's just it—it was donated, by whom, we don't know. Listen! Why it's 'You're a Real Sweetheart!' "Station KMOX, the Voice of St. Louis," "Isn't that grand? Now they are palying "I Can't Give You Anything But Love—let's dance." This is heard from the followers of King Jazz as they gracefully glide across the Social Hall—when suddenly they hear—"Strike One." Some baseball lover is getting the "World Series."

The scene shift; again, and we hear, "Oh! Gov. Smith is going to speak. Let's hear his speech," and some of the Smith Club members give the dials a wrench, and the voice of Gov. Smith echoes and re-echoes throughout the halls. "Well, believe me, if anyone heard that speech and isn't for Smtih, well . . ." Did you konw that the Sisters have a new radio, too? Yes, Mr. John Quinn gave them a gorgeous new Majestic. Sh! what's that? Everyone sits speelbound listening to the rich tunes of the "Prelude" by Chopin.

"Oh, listen to the pipe-organ! Don't you just love the music—come oon, let's dance. Gee, I wish we knew who gave us this radio, but even if we did we couldn't begin to express our appreciation and thanks for it.

"Crowds Hail Governor Smith on Wherever the Governor goes, he is Tour of New England."—Headline. snowed under with cheers, applause, much enthusiasm, and brown derbies; and still the Republican party doesn't get the drift."

Catherine Cummins, Mary Daly and Mary Louise Rohan (a graduate of Nerinx Hall) have entered nurses' training school.

they drove us out of our lands in 1870.

The distinction in the number of feathers the Indian wears in his head-dress was explained: "six gold tip feathers" is the highest honor an Indian can attain. The honor is never bestowed on a young brave, but is always given to an old Indian who has served his tribe and the Indian people faithfully throughout his life. Red Fox concluded his interesting discourse with some Indian dances.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



By ESTELLA CAVANAUGH  
Bernice Daily had as her weekend guest, Miss Wilma Hermann.

Agnes Tancred was the guest of Mrs. A. E. Wade last week end.

Mgr. J. A. McFadden of Cleveland, Ohio, visited his cousin, Jane Poole on Monday.

Lucyle Rapillard was the guest of Margie Dickbrader over the week end. Margie is a former student of Webster.

Patricia McMullen enjoyed a visit from her parents last Sunday.

Mary Hickman's father paid her a visit on his reutrn trip from Atlantic City.

Helen Graves, Sally Ryan, Catherine Geary and Margaret DeLisle were visitors Sunday at the Convent of the Precious Blood, where Helen has friends who are in the novitiate.

Margaret Vollet served as maid of honor to her cousin, who was married at the Holy Cross Church in St. Louis on October 16.

Marie Walsh went home for the week end but because of her mother's illness has not yet returned.

Louise Hayes spent the week-end with Edith Glosemeyer of O'Fallon, Missouri.

Frank Ward has recovered from her recent illness, and is able to attend classes again.

Marie Reynolds was the guest of Jane Burleigh last weeke-nd.

Margaret Roesch, Rose Malon, Ruth Costello, Adele Daniels and Lavnia Schaefer entertained with a dinner at the Castilla in honor of Anne Carr, who left recently for the Loretto Novitiate.

Rose Malon visited Helen Walsh last week-end.



# The WEB



## EDUCATION WEEK OBSERVED AT WEBSTER COLLEGE

### Fr. J. O'Malley Outlines Value of Literature

#### Final Lecture of Education Week Given by Professor of Religion

"We need not be ourself," said Aristotle centuries ago; but today the modern expression of the adolescent is "Be yourself." Thus Rev. James O'Malley, C. M., expressed the different attitudes of mankind in his lecture, "The Influence of Reading on the Development of Character." This was the final talk given to the students during Education Week.

"The soul can become anything, and knowledge means the identity with self," said Father O'Malley; and he pointed out the fact that the mind of man can range through the past, present, and future ages—even into heaven itself.

"All our lives we are children," he continued, by saying that men have the power to idealize, but they look around and see commonplace things. They have a "want" of the ideal. Since they cannot find it in real life, they seek it in books. "the worker of creative genius." Here the day-dreams of the world are realized.

In the Middle Ages, personages and instances of actions were recorded; today writing is composed of the realistic story which deals with character, and of the romantic story which portrays actions and incidents. But "there is no power of selection, if man can depict only character."

"Reading is a substitute for living—we live life over again with the heroes." People are always seeking the ideal in the real, and this is found in books where the authors build new worlds with stories of happy endings.

"Learn to evaluate your reading; see what ideal there is. Seek intellectual and pure emotional experiences" for the "mind is that which it knows and that which it loves."

### Loretto Players Again Attract Large Audience

#### Senior and Freshman Dramatic Classes Present Four Plays

The first plays of the season were presented by the Senior and Freshman Dramatic Classes on Wednesday evening, November 7, in the College auditorium. There were four short plays in which the casts displayed excellent talent.

The casts were as follows:

The characters of the first play, "Baggage," were:

Mr. Evered Montgomery, Rose Malon  
Mrs. Brian Montgomery,

Bernadette Sturgess

"When Shakespeare Comes To Town."

Mrs. Weston (Queen of May),  
Catherine Geary

Mabel (Juliet) . . . . . Frances Ernst  
Grace (Romeo), Catherine Sullivan

Florence (Titiana) . . . . . Ann Ryan  
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### DEVELOPMENT OF WILL POWER STRESSED BY FR. WILLIAM RYAN

#### Jesuit Gives Second Lecture of Education Week

Rev. Wm. J. Ryan, S. J., one of the prominent speakers of Education Week addressed the student body on Tuesday, Nov. 6.

In defining the word "Education" Father said, "Education is the development of will power. It is learning to do things which we do not like to do. True education does not consist in a lot of words, but consists in rendering us more capable of perceiving our relations in this world, to God, to ourselves and to our fellow men."

Father concluded his talk by suggesting that we make this week "Will Power" Week, along with Education Week.

### Missouri Chapter of I. F. C. A. Meets at Forest Park Hotel

#### Faculty and Students of Webster Entertain with Tea

The Missouri Chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae held its annual meeting in St. Louis on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Nov. 10, 11 and 12, with headquarters at the Forest Park Hotel. Mrs. A. B. Harrington of St. Louis is Governor of the Chapter and Mrs. Jos. C. Weiler, an alumna of Webster, Recording Secretary.

The Senior Class of Webster College was present at the luncheons on Saturday and Monday, and at the Monday afternoon session, Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C. M., Ph. D., and Professor of Philosophy at Webster College, spoke on "Our Loyalties."

The Faculty of the College entertained the Chapter with a tea on Sunday from four to five-thirty, assisted by the members of the Senior Class. Following the tea, guests were shown Loretto Hall.

Dear Websterites:

To those girls who so generously responded to our request for candy for our recent card party I want to send a personal and special word of thanks. So to each one of you I wish to say that it was "deliciously" appreciated. A veritable candyland from the sweet Webster girls!

I want, too, to send a huge "thank you" to Gertrude Jolley and Erlene Strothkamp for their special assistance.

Very gratefully yours,

MARGARET SMITH,  
Chairman Candy Committees

### Catholic Girl Is Praised By Rev. E. Jennings

#### Students Are Told That Church Is Judged by Its Educated Members

"It gives me great pleasure to speak to this select audience of Catholic educated young ladies," said Father E. Jennings, C. SS. R., of St. Joseph's Seminary in Windsor Springs, Kirkwood.

"The principles of the Catholic Faith are deeper in the hearts of those girls with a Catholic education; there is a greater calling for good and ennobling actions in our Catholic educated young women of today," Father Jennings said. "The Church," Father continued, "is judged by its educated members. You are its educated Catholic women, and you should live as you are taught. The destiny of great emperors is nothing compared to life's destiny with regard to the educated Catholic youths. You represent the Catholic Faith. The Catholic girl of today should be willing to face the world and say, 'My Faith will stand or fall with my conduct.'

"The typical girl of today makes herself known by noisily telling the  
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### SODALITY NEWS

Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C. M., the college chaplain, gave an interesting talk on Charity at the Sodality meeting of October 24. A lively discussion of the duties binding under charity followed his talk.

A suggestion had been made to change the day of the general Communion from the third Wednesday to the first Friday. At the meeting on October 31, the question was brought up for discussion, and after short consideration it was decided to retain the original day. The reason for this was that the primary devotion on first Fridays is to the Sacred Heart.

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## A LADY AS IS

A lady, some contend, is born, not made; and yet I have been asked to answer "What makes a lady?" The word, lady, has various meanings. She is defined as a wife, a woman of title, or a woman of fine manners. And who am I to distinguish between these terms?

However, to me, a lady will always signify gentle breeding, and fine manners. She is the thoughtful child who softly shuts the door, who graciously smiles at older guests. She is the demure young Miss who enjoys action like an Indian, but who can enjoy music and good books as well. She is the high schoolgirl who yells lustily at basket-ball, and sings Cadman melodies in the drawing room. She is the collegian who in the laboratories learnedly discusses the "whys" of science, and who, across the tea table, marvels at the beauties of autumn.

And she is the young matron who corrects a butcher's error with a smile, and merely listens to a "bridge" crank in the evening. She is the mother who caresses away each tiny tot's troubles, and who hears with some show of interest of John's business worries. She is the woman who has a kind word for every one, and whom all respect.

## NOVEMBER 11

Another Armistice Day has been celebrated! Once more on Nov. 11 we raised our flags and recalled that joyous hour, now many years passed, when we received the news that the Great War of the Nations had ended!

We who are now at Webster were too young then to take any very active part in the great world struggle. But which of us does not remember those meatless days and those months of only dark bread and of very little sugar? Didn't we all stand in the streets and raise our childish voices to cheer the soldiers as they passed? We were not so young that we did not feel the hurt when some one dear to us sailed across the seas to fight for the country we loved. Even we, youngsters, made some of those sacrifices which patriotism demanded so that the world might be "safe for democracy."

The world war is a memory now. Years have passed since, in true little girl fashion, we celebrated the signing of the Armistice. We are no longer such little girls. Within the past week many of us cast our vote for president of the United States. The rest of us regretted that only several months or years kept us from performing that sacred rite of a full-fledged citizen. And, indeed, the great campaign keyed every one of us to the highest pitch of excitement. Then, on election day, as we waited and prayed, we awoke to the realization that we were really waiting again for the news which would tell us that "our" world was safe for democracy. We became conscious of our country's needs and of the power to aid in shaping her destiny. Perhaps in a fuller measure than ever before we felt the stir of patriotism within ourselves.

The excitement is dying down now. There is no longer need for great demonstrations. But, in the quiet months before us, we cannot lose our new-found depths of patriotism. Instead we must preserve and foster them so that, later on, as Catholic College graduates, we may give the best that is in us to the service of God and our country.

## Our Fall Dance

Hotel Chase, we're coming;  
Open wide your gate.  
We're bringing too, a jolly crowd  
To fill your hall 'till late.

We have a jazz band with us,  
And the music's keen;  
In a short time there can be  
Quite a fine dance seen.

Our girls have their new dresses,  
Their fur coats and their shoes—  
Watch their pep entertain you  
As they dance to "blues."

Our collegiate spirit will gladden  
you;

'Twill put you in a trance,  
And you'll wish that every night  
There'd be a Webster dance.

T. P., '31.

## Student Rooms

Beds piled high with pillows,  
Curtains pretty and sheer  
Don the rooms of students  
This, as every year.

Many touches added,  
Bright and cheery they seem.  
In short, the rooms are darling  
And varied the color scheme.

The faculty and students wish to express their most sincere sympathy to Sister Adaline in the death of her brother-in-law, Mr. Ponder, of El Paso, Texas, who died recently.

## ATHLETICS

Wednesday night was a big night for the Sophomores at Idle Hour. It was the night of the volley-ball championship games between the classes. And what games they were! The first contest was between the Freshmen and Juniors, the Freshmen winning two out of three: 15-3 and 15-8. They were close games and both sides worked hard.

The second game was played by the Seniors and Sophomores and this time the Sophs won. The scores were 15-6 and 15-5 in favor of the Sophomores.

The final and deciding match was between the two winning teams, the Freshmen and the Sophomores. The Freshmen fought hard and played a good game but the Sophs took the first game 21-15. The second game went to the Freshmen with a score of 21-13. Each team now had one game and both were determined to get the final one. The game was intensely interesting and resulted in a Sophomore victory.

This closed the volley-ball season and got us ready for basket-ball, the favorite sport of Webster.



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

Boo-hoo! The presidential election is past. The Democrats fell down in the race, and it's all over now but the hurt.

By a majority of the voters, an imported Herb has been prescribed as the cure for the ills of the country. However, there are a great, great many people who are just "peculiar" enough not to put much faith in these old-fashioned remedies.

Nevertheless, since the deed is done and most of the people showed that they wanted Hoover, there is nothing for the rest of us to do except to bury the hatchet—and then look for a nice big axe!

Anyhow, maybe it's better for Smith this way. (Acrimonious fruit of the vineyard as 'erbert might say). He can get a nice position where he won't have to work so hard as he would if he were president. It's a crime the way the old 104,999,999 Americans impose on one lone man. Imagine the hardships poor Cal had to go through—sitting in a boat on a lake somewhere in the backwoods, and spending the whole morning trying to coax a tall, husky, handsome fish to pose on the end of his hook for the photographer.

Clarence Terhune, the St. Louis stowaway on the Graf Zeppelin, certainly put his foot into it when he boarded the airship. He had high ideas and proceeded to carry them out, and, now that he has come back to earth, he finds he can be a movie star, a husband, a bank clerk, or what have you, just like that. The question now before the house is—would you call him a self-made man? At any rate no one can deny that this is the land of opportunity—"all men are born equal" but some, like Clarence, just naturally rise to greater heights.

Mary: "I met the cutest boy; he's just a honey and he belongs to the C. O. P.'s."

Margaret: "How darling; what fraternity is that?"

Mary: "Confraternity of Police."

## "EDUCATION AND THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS" SUBJECT OF LECTURE

Rev. Alphonse Schwitalla Shows Relation of the Two Branches

Education Week at Webster College was marked by a most interesting lecture, "Education and the Health Professions," given Thursday morning, November 8, by the Rev. A. M. Schwitalla, S. J., Dean of St. Louis University School of Medicine. Father Schwitalla, who has no mean reputation in the medical world, opened his talk with a reference to the "olden days" of the medical profession when a physician examined a patient's tongue, took his pulse, prescribed some medicine, then took his departure with the self-assurance characteristic of men who at that time believed they knew all there was to be known about medicine.

Then, in contrast to the old procedure, Father outlined the long and careful diagnosis of today. The physician of this age takes his patient to a hospital in order "to get a good look at him." And why? Because the modern doctor knows that he doesn't know! A physical diagnosis is so complicated a problem that a doctor will not hazard it. He must consider more than a mere symptom. For instance, Father stated, a person presents himself for medical attention, saying he is suffering with a headache. But one's head can't ache! Bone and skin do not ache. What then, is responsible for the patient's pain? Is it nerves? No, the ache comes from away back inside the head where those nerves end. The head seems to ache because the brain has sent those stimuli forward to warn the person that there is something wrong in him as an organism. Furthermore, it is the problem of the physician to ascertain whether or no, sinus, teeth, eyes, ears, spleen or stomach is responsible for this disarrangement in the physical make-up of the person; and unlike the old doctors, the modern physicians are not content to treat a symptom; they must effect a cure.

"What bearing has this on Education?" asked Father. "A tremendous one. The physician has a long course of training. Most young men have had two or even four years of college before entering medical school. They then spend four years in the study of medicine and the better class of internships before he hangs out his little gold lettered shingle."

Father Schwitalla then cited cases where women could prove their

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## DAME FASHION SENDS MANY STYLES TO THE CHASE HOTEL NOV. 9

Velvets and Taffetas Vie for First Place in a Rainbow of Colors

In a maze of colors and myriads of fabrics, Webster College attended its Fall Dance held in the Crystal room of the Chase Hotel on last Friday, November 9. Judging from the gowns seen, blue and black velvet trimmed in rhinestones, and pastel taffetas are "the thing" for formal attire.

A royal blue velvet was transformed into a fitted one-piece dress drawn tightly over the hips. A cascade of velvet caught in place with a rhinestone ornament adorned the left side, and a silver flower marked the circular neckline.

Rose taffeta lent itself admirably to the Period gown of a tall dark girl. The neck was outlined in a shawl collar which was caught at the natural waistline. "Cording" trimmed the collar as well as the bouffant skirt.

A dress made entirely of black tulle was worn by a small blonde. Not having a defined waistline, the tunic ended in two flounces with an irregular hemline. The frock was made over a foundation of black which also was finished in a ruffled flounce of tulle.

Silver and blue were the keynote of another costume. The girl appeared in a charming blue silk crepe frock made with a circular neckline and set off by a large silver bow with the ends reaching to the even hemline. Silver slippers completed the costume.

Another was gowned in deep rose velvet. A fitted waist terminated at the right hip in a cluster of roses of the same material. The skirt was extremely full and reached almost to the tops of her silver slippers. A velvet rose pinned behind her left ear carried out the effect.

Four wispy petals trailed below the hemline of another black dress.

### Card Party Returns

Reports up to date show that a sum of \$3500 was realized at the card party which was given to help defray the debt incurred by the erection of Loretto Hall. Approximately 1500 persons played cards, and luncheon was served to 275 guests. Besides the uniform gifts of crystal beads, there were 90 attendance gifts, all of which were donated. Webster is indeed grateful to its many friends who co-operated so generously in order to make this card party a success.

A long scarf of chiffon was crushed at the center-front of a semi-V neckline by a rhinestone pin and ended in two of the petals. A wide low belt of velvet fitted snugly above the short skirt and a second rhinestone ornament held it at the center of the front.

Royal purple velvet was used in the bodice of a gown of which the skirt was tulle in a lighter shade. A deep oval neckline in the back was set off by a large bow of tulle caught at the shoulder with a rhinestone ornament. The skirt was made in tiers with an irregular hemline. Rhinestone earrings and necklace, and steel colored slippers completed the ensemble.

Two cream gardenias and a rhinestone buckle at the left hip were the adornments of a charming little black velvet. It was made in two pieces, the blouse being scalloped at the low waistline. A Shirred set-in panel at the left side relieved the almost severely plain skirt, and a loosely caught ribbon of the velvet at the left shoulder flowed to the hemline.

The draped effect was again carried out in a light rose velvet frock. Fitting closely about the hips, the skirt was fastened at the left side with rhinestones and draped below the otherwise even hemline. A scalloped yoke of pink chiffon was outlined in rhinestones.

Turquoise blue taffeta was used in another Period gown. It was fashioned on simple lines, having a fitted bodice and long bouffant skirt. Long streamers of a flat bow at the back of the neck extended almost to the lowest point of the irregular hemline.

### CONSTITUTION DAY ADDRESS GIVEN BY FR. J. P. DONOVAN

First Talk of Week in Honor of Constitutional Genius

"The Constitution," the first of the lectures on the program for National Educational Week was given on Monday, Nov. 5, by Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M.

In his lecture, Father Donovan showed that, in the early years of America's history, the thirteen original colonies had had almost full domestic control by their charters. But when July 4, 1776, found them free of England's control there was

## CLUB CHAT

One of the most important events in the college club circles last year, was the establishment of the Chemistry Club. This, only the second year of its existence, finds it a firmly established unit among Webster organizations.

The first meeting of the Chemistry Club, this year, was held Thursday afternoon, Oct. 25, at 2:20, and the officers of the year were elected. The new officers are: Helen Eaves, president and Orient Weis, secretary-treasurer. After the election plans for the year were discussed.

The Spanish Club of St. Louis University, of which the Webster girls are members, met Friday evening, Nov. 2, at 8:00 o'clock, at St. Louis University. In the business portion of the meeting, which preceded the addresses, the matter of dues was brought up, but after a brief discussion it was decided to refer the matter to a committee of six. It was also decided to hold an election of officers in the near future. The club was then addressed by a priest from British Honduras, who is on a visit in the United States. The other speaker of the evening was Mr. Castanarez, vice-president of the Spanish Club, who spoke on "My Vacation in Mexico."

The regular meeting of the Mathematics Club was held Tuesday afternoon, Oct. 30, at 1:30, at which two interesting papers were read. Neva Dailey read a paper on "Slope: as Deprived from Trigonometry, Analytics, Calculus." The second paper, read by Marie Scheer, gave the new members some introductory side lights on calculus. Informal discussion followed the reading of each paper. Margaret Vollet, Marie Creigan, and Ellen Quirk will prepare papers for the next meeting of the club.

no power to regulate general affairs.

The Articles of Confederation were inadequate. Because of such conditions the Constitution was drafted.

From a discussion of the Constitution in general, Father passed on to the amendments of the Constitution. He said that to amend the Constitution did not mean to change it radically, but only to bring about some accidental change. The first seventeen amendments were only accidental changes but the eighteenth amendment entered the sphere of the states and embodied a radical change. He quoted from an address by Dr. Murray Butler that "a revolutionary amendment was added with the eight-

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## ALUMNAE NEWS Honor Students

An interesting engagement recently announced was that of Helen Simon, '27, and Francis J. Kane. The news was disclosed when the prospective bride entertained at her home with a bridge party on Oct. 27.

Mrs. Robert Rosenthal and Miss Theresa Shea will act as delegates and Mrs. John Riley and Miss Genevieve Bartnel will act as alternates for Webster Alumnae at the fourteenth annual convention of the Missouri Chapter of the I. F. C. A.

Pearl Farrell visited at the College recently.

A meeting of the Alumnae was held recently at the home of Mrs. Norman George for the purpose of discussing plans for the presentation of several plays which they will give.

Mary Cook has recovered from her recent illness.

Theo Fehlig was hostess at a bridge party on November 10, in honor of Marie Powers, whose marriage to Mr. Larry Dahmus will take place on January 3.

Margaret Peters, Edith Glosemeyer and Marta Brown will be guests of the College over the week-end since they are coming to St. Louis to attend the meeting of the National Honor Society of Catholic Women's Colleges.

### LORETTO PLAYERS AGAIN ATTRACT LARGE AUDIENCE

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Helen (First Lady Macbeth),  
Dorothy O'Keefe  
Mary (Second Lady Macbeth),  
Dorothy Walsh  
Mrs. Carey (Mrs. Weston's sister),  
Marie Cregan  
Martha (A Maid) ... Thelma Pape  
"Tuning In"  
Pa Spuffendeckle ... Helen McEvoy  
Ma Spuffendeckle ... Lucille Seifert  
Sis Spuffendeckle ... Mary Rose Burke  
Junior Spuffendeckle,  
Marie Wittrock  
Kid Spuffendeckle.

Margaret Mary Everoad  
Granny Spuffendeckle. Helen Denker  
Mr. Calabash ... Clarabelle Miller  
Whir, Announcer ... Ellen Neiman  
Whang, Announcer ... Emma Simon  
Beauty Lecturer ... Jane Burleigh  
Madame Doughstir,

Mary Caroline Fields  
Professor Knottymuscle,  
Elizabeth Dunne  
Fireman ... Anne Ryan  
"Things Are Not What They Seem."  
The Decision—

## Meet Again at Alma Mater

### Five Members of New Organization to Discuss Plans

The charter members of Webster College unit of the National Honor Society of Catholic Women's Colleges met at their Alma Mater last Sunday morning to discuss plans for the new organization. Those attending the meeting were Theresa Shea, Margaret Peters, Cathryn Hummert, Edith Glosemeyer and Marta Brown. Because of the distance, Dorothy Monarch was unable to be present.

This meeting is one of those planned for at the convention of the Catholic Educational Association last spring. Each college represented in the Honor Society will hold such a meeting this year, and the reports of the conferences will be sent to the moderator, Reverend F. V. Corcoran, C. M.

### "EDUCATION AND THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS" SUBJECT OF LECTURE

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worth in the medical world obstetrics and pediatrics; in the field of Social Service and the Hospital Social Service; and the three openings for women in the nursing profession. These latter were briefly sketched as the P. D., or private duty nurse working "per diem," the I. N., or institutional nurse, and third, the P. H., or public health nurse. And then by a graphic illustration Father showed that only one out of every fifteen applicants secure positions of the third type, and that in these successes four years college training proves the critical factor. And what is true of the nursing profession is true of any other life work.

In concluding his lecture, Father urged the students to make use of every minute of their college time to prepare themselves for their professions that they might stand before the world in the capacity of leadership and true Catholic womanhood. "All professions require a collegiate foundation. If your ambition is wide, a collegiate foundation is indispensable; the necessity of education grows with the growth of your ambition."

He ... Clarabelle Miller  
She ... Marie Gross  
Loaded—  
He ... Ellen Neiman  
She ... Susanne Corrigan  
Hold Up ... Susanne Corrigan

## CONSTITUTION DAY ADDRESS GIVEN BY FR. J. P. DONOVAN

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eent" and he then showed why this was so.

Finally, Father urged the students to resolve to study the genius of the Constitution, to pray for the welfare of the country and always to feel grateful that the drafting of the Constitution was entrusted to men who conscientiously provided that the unwritten and written Constitution should conform

### CATHOLIC GIRL IS PRAISED BY REV. E. JENNINGS

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public 'I'm not going to take anything from anyone.' There was a time when girls were kept in their respective homes. That day has passed. In its day, it was a good thing. The influence of an educated woman of that time did not reach outside her own home. In that day, to give way to passion was a disgrace; now it is the prerogative of youth.

"This generation is progressive. Not only priests and sisters are necessary, but also the Catholic educated young men and women. You understand the unprincipled youth—help them. You girls could be Joan of Arcs if you only would. In the history of the Catholic Church, the women have always shown more courage than the men. At the Crucifixion, the Apostles fled, leaving Mary, the Mother of God, Mary Magdalene, and Mary, the Mother of Salome to follow.

"You have placed yourselves under the banner of the Blessed Mother. Her principles are based upon truth. You, as her children, should base your conduct upon her principles. Spiritual principles are most necessary, and can only be secured at a Catholic College.

"There are three elements belonging to Catholic education. Two are commonly known and found in every college. The third, education of the will, is only found in Catholic Colleges.

"You are taught to believe that 'There is a God Who created me, and I am here to glorify that God. I have only one life by which I must be guided. I am a woman of principle, and will face the world as an educated Catholic woman.'

"In Holy Communion, the Divine Lord comes to you and a union of love takes place. St. Agnes once said: 'The blush on my cheek is the Blood of Christ in me.' His sentiments and thoughts become ours.

"With such light from the Savior, and under the banner of Mary, you should be able to face the girl of the world and conquer."

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



By ESTELLA CAVANAUGH

Eugenia Bock spent the week-end with her aunt in the city.

Dorothy Walsh enjoyed a visit with friends in the city last week-end.

Frances Sloan and Esther Kraft spent Sunday with friends in St. Louis.

Mary Rose Burke had as her week-end guest Catherine Geary.

Catherine Schmuke's mother spent Friday evening with her in Loretto Hall.

Margaret Reardon, Emma Kohl, Estella Cavanaugh and Marie Reis visited Marie Wittrock on Sunday.

Kit Arrendale and Neva Daily spent the week-end with Jane Burleigh.

Letita Hyslop was the guest of Helen Nesbitt over the week-end.

Anita Bareis had as her week-end guest, Sally Ryan.

Madeline Miller spent Sunday with friends at the College.

## Loretto Conservatory Presents Students in November Recital

On Thursday afternoon, Nov. 22, the students of the Conservatory of Music, which is under the direction of Sister Mary Adaline, will present a program of high order in honor of St. Cecilia.

The Glee Club and the College Orchestra, under the supervision of Sister Mary Paula and Sister Mary Justine, respectively, will make their initial appearances. The recital will be given in the College Auditorium at 3 o'clock.

"What's the matter with Hoover?"  
"Nothing, for he sure created a vacuum."



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## GROUP OF THREE PLAYS WILL BE GIVEN TONIGHT

### Third Appearance of Dramatic Students Promises Entertainments

An unusually interesting group of plays will be presented this evening by the Dramatic Department under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey.

Two very attractive features of this evening's entertainment will be the settings, and the music furnished by the College Orchestra.

The program is as follows:

#### When the Wind Blows

Josephine Rabbit  
Elizabeth Van Droyia  
Mary Frances Broeker  
Ann Miss Van Droyia's Maid  
Catherine Cody

#### Square Pegs

Alice Widmer  
Helen O'Brien  
When Shakespeare Comes to Town  
Mrs. Weston (Queen of May)

Catherine Geary  
Mrs. Carey (Mrs. Weston's Sister)  
Marie Cregan  
Frances Ernst  
Katherine Sullivan  
Ann Ryan  
Dorothy O'Keefe  
Dorothy Walsh  
Thelma Pape

## Another Visitor Comes to Webster

Mother Mary Thomas, formerly a member of the Council of the Sisters of Loretto and now Superior at Kankakee, Illinois, arrived at Webster College last week to spend a short time. This is the first visit that Mother Thomas has paid the College for some time, and it is sincerely hoped that she will favor us with another soon.

## Dr. James Walsh Gives Lecture on "Happiness" at Webster College

### Author of "Thirteenth, The Greatest of Centuries" Blames Lack of Creative Genius for Unrest of Today

Dr. James Walsh, Ph. D. Litt. D., the author of "The Thirteenth, the Greatest of Centuries" lectured at Webster College the evening of November 21, upon the subject, "Catholicity and Happiness. Dr. Walsh opened his talk with a definition of the word Catholicity which means universality. He then went on to give various instances to indicate the difficulty of defining the word "happiness," which like most of our familiar words has no real definition. "Take for example the word 'life'," said Dr. Walsh, "it is an Anglo-Saxon word, but WHAT IS IT? Fifteen hundred year ago, St. Augustine said, 'If you don't ask me what it is I know what it is—but if you do ask me I don't know.'" The more to impress upon his audience the vagueness of the word "happiness," the Doctor cited the seven most familiar words of mankind; matter, motion, life; law; sensation; mind; free will. "What is matter? We walk on it. It is scientifically defined, in terms of force, as 'negative ions of electricity,' by Millikan who received the Nobel prize for his definition. But what is matter? As George Eliot said, 'we map out our ignorance in long Greek names.'"

"Happiness is having something happen to you—that is, nice things. Joy comes from the consciousness of having done something for someone, and pleasure may have remorse because pleasure is selfish. An invalid of twenty years organized the Christ Child Society. She radiated happiness. It was a joy to talk to her, to be with her. This gives the distinction between joy and happiness; and further to enhance that distinction, Dr. Walsh gave the incident of the Ingersoll lecture at Harvard given by Oswald who had received the Nobel prize before he came over to this country for his great work in physics and chemistry. This speaker gave a mathematical formula for happiness, upon which subject he lectured at Harvard. According to him, H equals G divided by W; that is happiness equals what an individual has got divided by what he wants. Your fraction of H is, therefore, large if you haven't much and do not want much more; and small if you haven't much but want more.

Dr. Walsh then gave a series of statistics proving that, although the death rate has been considered lessened, and the average age of man lengthened by at least twenty years, still the suffering of mankind is being constantly added to instead of (Continued on Fourth Page)

## Schubert Honored with Musical Program By Webster Students

### College Girls Act in Accordance with Mayor's Proclamation

In accordance with the proclamation by the mayor of St. Louis that the city observe the centennial anniversary of the death of Franz Schubert, Webster College presented a recital in the "Little Theatre."

The program was as follows:

Ensemble: "Hungarian Overture," Karoly; "Intermezzo," Weigand.

Paper: Franz Schubert, Miss Clarabelle Mueller.

Impromptu, Schubert—Miss Kathleen Hamel.

Sweet Repose, Schubert—Liszt—Miss Helen O'Brien.

Voice: Serenade, Schubert—Miss Cate Sullivan; Miss Frank Ward accompanying.

Ballet Music, Schubert—Ganz—Miss Margaret Wilde.

Minuet from op. 78, Schubert—Miss Vernice Ryan.

Voice: Ave Maria, Schubert—Miss Helen McEvoy; Miss Frank Ward accompanying.

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## Seniors Entertained By Webster Alumnae at Forest Park Hotel

### Bridge Given on November 24 to Future Alumnae

Traditions are precious among girls of all ages and schools, and surely they are no more in any circumstances than at Webster and among her girls, both old and new. It seems that with the ever-apparent growth of the College, her traditions increase in proportion. Not least among these carefully-guarded treasures are those concerning the Alumnae.

On Saturday afternoon, November 24, the "Old Girls" entertained the "oldest girls" of the present scholastic year with a "bridge" at the Forest Park Hotel. Charming gifts for those holding the highest scores were given to members of the Class of '29.

The chairmen of the various committees were: Miss Mary Elizabeth Newell, Mrs. Lawrence Schatzman and Mrs. Joseph Barnicle.

## THE LORETTINE IS TRANSFORMED IN LAST ISSUE

### Cleverness Is Keynote of Alumnae Number

Congratulations! The girls certainly think that the first issue of this year's "Loretine" is the "best ever." The Alumnae have put their whole and undivided selves into the issue and deserve all the credit in the world. Their "Woman's Magazine" is a great success!

Not a little pleased were we to see Mother Edith's name at the end of the first article. It is certainly true that the great world spins on forever "down the ringing grooves of change," and things are not as they used to be. Whether we are, as Mother Edith asks, better off in our new freedom, with so much nervous haste, and anxiety to go forward—all this remains to be seen.

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## THE SPIRIT OF OUR SODALITY

During the past summer St. Louis was the scene of a mighty Sodality Convention. Boys and girls, college men and women from all parts of the country attended. And, of course, we were all quite impressed and stirred to do great things for our sodality. Then this fall, we attended another convention this time city wide. Again we listened to the work that others were doing and we told them of our accomplishments and of our plans. We were all intensely "sodality conscious." But it is one thing to attend stirring conventions and quite another to preserve our enthusiasm through the long trying months of routine school work. And this fact brings us face to face with a critical problem which we, as sodalists, must solve.

At our meetings we find out in just what way our sodality is functioning, we make new plans and we offer our help in materializing these plans. But what college student does not balk at the idea of a meeting? "What?" we say, "Another meeting?" We are too human to run with palpitating hearts to the scene of our sodality meetings. Honestly, isn't it an effort sometimes to make ourselves go? But when we think earnestly of just what our sodality meetings will do for us we cannot afford to neglect them. Even though it is hard we must attend these meetings—they will help so much to enkindle us with a truly Catholic spirit. We won't meet just to pray—we will meet also because our sodality serves to instill in our hearts this real Catholic spirit and to mould us into active and doing Catholics. Having learned at our sodality meetings how to serve our church in perhaps a small way, we will be prepared to go out, as Catholic college graduates and do great things for the Faith we have learned to love and promote.

It is true that women of other faiths were not retiring in furthering the interests of their faiths during the recent political campaign. And isn't it equally true that our Catholic womanhood fell below them in its service to the one, true Faith? Can't we, by our sodality work now, prepare to take our places as active Catholic women later on? Can't we understand the word "sodality" to mean more to us than just another chance for prayer meetings? Can't we, won't we, realize the need of a fair and unselfish outlook on the whole question? And I ask you, "Why not?"

## TUNE IN!

From "The Collegiate Press" of "The Varsity Breeze" we learned that "Professor T. V. Smith of the University of Chicago has instituted a very novel program by which he is now radiocasting his lectures on philosophy to members of his class who are good enough to tune in and listen." What a popular man that professor must be! As the horrid brrrrr of an alarm clock reminds us, on these cold, bleak mornings, that we are to have an 8:10 class and that the discouraging trip to Webster via the Public Service "yellow" is still before us—could any one blame us then, if we wished that all of our "profs" at Webster were advocates of Professor Smith's philosophy? But—ah—there is another argument! Did we hear somebody say that she would be a professor by-and-by? Imagine—just imagine—if the practice of broadcasting courses should grow popular! Where would we all be if they added a voice test—horrible thought—to the now popular blindfold test for teachers?

## Webster's Thanksgiving

As Thanksgiving comes around  
And pauses at our door,  
We girls at Webster College  
Wonder what we're thankful for.  
We've plenty here at school, it's true;  
At home there's ever more,  
But then the One in Heaven knows,  
He's heard of home before.  
We wish to thank the Motherhouse,  
They've given us the finest.  
We wish to thank them first and most  
For Mother Mary Linus.  
We thank them for the faculty  
And for the sisters all;  
We're mighty glad we have such nuns  
To fill our Webster's Hall.  
And speaking of our Webster's Hall,  
We must be thankful too  
To each and every one who helped us  
Get our fine hall new.  
In fact, we all should thankful be  
That we are all alive;  
In fact, we here at Webster  
Have an awful big Thanksgiving.  
T. P. '31

## THANKSGIVING

Thanksgiving and the turkey  
Crisp leaves all gold and brown.  
Thanksgiving with autumn winds.

That brush the acorns down.  
The music in the frost elves' feet  
That whistles as they pass;  
Crystal scenes of winter dreams  
Upon the window glass.  
M. DeL. '31

The faculty and students wish to express their most sincere sympathy to Sister Lillian Clare on the death of her sister who died recently.

## St. Louis Conference of C. S. M. C. Holds General Meeting

A meeting of the St. Louis Conference of the C. S. M. C. was held at St. Louis University on Sunday, November 18. Reverend J. P. Donovan, C. M., Chaplain of Webster College, presided as chairman. Plans for the coming year were discussed and it was decided that the election of officers would take place at the next meeting which will be held at Maryville College on Sunday afternoon, December 2.

Teacher: "Johnny, what are you sitting there all drawn up for; why don't you sit right?"

Johnny: "Well, teacher, didn't you say we should be interested in history?"

Teacher: "Yes, dear, I did."

Johnny: "Well, I was just trying to be like the Constitution."



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

It isn't often that we attempt to give advice, but, in this case, "Aunti" knows from experience, so kindly heed her well-meant words. By all means, hie yourself to see "The Singin' Fool," but BE PREPARED and then let your conscience be your guide.

A young and innocent maiden, we went the first night it played, before any warning cry had been sounded. More fun—more people almost drowned!

Eventually we hope to see it again, but in full damp-weather regalia—slicker, galoshes, and, at least, three sponges for dainty "hankies."

"Hoover Halts Voyage for Few Hours' Fishing"—Headline.

No doubt getting ready for his presidential duties.

"Plane Ride Upset Zeppelin Stow-away."—Headline.

After a \$3,000 transoceanic journey, maybe a plain ride WOULD upset him. Anyway, Clarence seems to be up in the air over it, for no good reason at all.

"Robbers Get \$300 In Drug Store Holdup."—Headline.

Um-m-m-m. These wild drug-store cow-boys! Give 'em enough rope and they'll hang themselves.

A type that's most annoying  
Is the girl—the little stiff—  
Who goes to see sad pictures  
And forgets her handkerchief.

"Dance For Disabled Veterans."—Headline.

How do they do it?

## French Play of DeMaistre to Be Given by Students

Six students of the French Department are rehearsing for a play, "La Testament de Madame Pat-ural," which will be presented early in December. Try-outs were given, and those selected for the cast are: Ann Ryan, Lillian Case, Margaret Roesch, Kathleen Hamel and Rosemary Hynes. The play is under the direction of Miss Maximilienne Tetrault, professor of French.

## SODALITY NEWS

Rev. D. A. Lord, S. J., addressed the members of the Sodality at a meeting on November 14 which was held for the purpose of creating interest and lively enthusiasm in the Sodality. The singing of parodies, written for the Sodality, opened the meeting and was followed by a short address in which Father stressed the vital importance of a Sodality in Catholic schools. "The C. S. M. C. must be the biggest and best organization in your school—the big thing to get out of your life at Webster here is spiritual leadership and spiritual responsibility" Father said. In conclusion Father told the Sodalists that he was planning to have a Mission Convention here this summer and said very forcibly "I want you to make this Sodality Year your biggest year."

A spirited meeting which was called to discuss the "Respect for Women" Crusade was held on Wednesday, November 21. This topic was chosen because of its importance and because it required immediate consideration.

The Prefect of the Sodality, Marie Reynolds, opened the meeting by explaining briefly why women are disrespected today. She attributed this lack of respect to the corruption of the stage to silly women who would do anything to win a cheap smile, and to the fact that women are going into the commercial world. Her final plea, which was made to the Sodalists at Webster, was that they keep up their own standards for their sakes and for the sakes of the future nuns wives and mothers.

Catherine Hazel, Marie Scheer, Catherine Cody and Rose Malon contributed interesting articles on this topic and the meeting adjourned until November 28, when the discussion will be continued.

### Willard MacGregor to Give Concert at Webster College

Willard MacGregor, a widely known pianist, will give a concert at Webster College on Monday evening, December 10. Mr. MacGregor, formerly of Maplewood, is now teaching at the Metropolitan School of Music of Indianapolis. He is also active in concert work and last summer he played in California with Percy Grainger in the Hollywood Bowl.

Personally, we long ago decided upon the most fitting course for a our entrance into the Hall of Fame. Since crossing the Atlantic any other way than by boat seems to

### Little Tots Cry to Webster for Santa Claus

#### Christmas Spirit Is Sought Among Students

Since Christmas means so much to everyone—not only to us but to those to whom, for some good reason of His Own, God has denied the blessing of a normally comfortable existence and the added gift of an education—is it fair that some are deprived of food and clothing while others enjoy the happiness that plentitude at Christmas time brings?

There are many families in settlements such as St. Elizabeth's School and within centers at the head of which are "The Little Helpers," that are shockingly in need of life's bare necessities. For these grown-ups, disheartened by the poverty which bars them from success and for the little boys and girls who have only wistful dreams of high-hung holly and the glow of Christmas Tree light, a direct appeal is made to Webster students.

Donations of food and clothing are very necessary, and it is most earnestly hoped that every girl at Webster will feel it an individual responsibility to contribute. Then, as life would be unbearable with only the essentials, toys and story books would be appreciated.

Such an appeal was sent out by the Apostolic Committee after its meeting held on November 20, and now it is up to each girl to show her Christmas spirit "because she wants to!"

### HIKING

The point system has done a great deal to encourage athletics at Webster. One of the most popular ways of obtaining points is by hiking. Last month twenty-six girls hiked for points. The Freshmen, in particular, have enthusiastically taken up the new sport only to be rivalled by the upper-classes.

Both boarders and day students are taking part. Alice Widmer, as head of the hiking department, has appointed two hike leaders besides herself. They are Margaret Ludden for the town girls and Helen Margaret O'Brien for the boarders. Margaret hikes into the city with the day scholars and Helen takes the boarders for long walks through the lovely country around Webster.

If this same enthusiasm keeps up it looks as though our Athletic Association is due to go into debt buying awards for all these anxious athletes.

be the fad, we are merely waiting for opportune weather conditions, and the construction of a nice new

The Student Council, in the name of the Student Association, wishes to extend its heartiest congratulations to the Conservatory of Music for the very splendid program last week. It also wishes to congratulate the Choral Club on its initial performance, and sincerely hopes that the new club will have continued success in the future.

### THANKSGIVING BRINGS JOY TO WEBSTERITES

#### Plans for the Holidays Are Numerous and Varied

Thanksgiving Vacation! Oooh! Thrills, thrills, thrills! Those words bring memories of home, and a big time at home with the folks. Girls are scurrying here there, everywhere—bags are being packed, yes packed for the grand occasion and the bags bulge, and simply won't hold another thing and some of the fair owners have to sit on the poor little bag just to get it to go shut. Shall I take this dress or the brown one? Shall I take this "formal"? How will I ever get this fur coat and my sport coat there? This is heard from a breathless young girl who isn't going HOME but is going to go home with someone else.

We hear about innumerable dances, bridges, parties, etc. which are being included in our Websterites' schedule while they are spending their Thanksgiving vacation. How are they going home? Why on the train, on the bus, and some of them are motoring home with their parents.

Even the girls who are staying at Webster are anxiously looking forward to the holidays, for aren't there just loads of nice things to enjoy here at Thanksgiving? So everyone is looking forward to the best time, especially because—Sh!, well because just a few days after Thanksgiving comes the Christmas vacation, the best of all!

### Second Sophomore Bridge Party Held

The second of a series of Bridge Parties given by the sophomore class was held on Thursday evening, November 22, and the gift for the highest score was a fountain pen. Those on the entertainment committee for the evening were: Dorothy Corley, Virginia Cooney, Suzanne Corrigan, Eleanore Claggett, and Bernice Dailey. The date for the next party will be announced soon.

bridge across the "babbling brook," when we shall make the trip in our latest, one-horse power, kiddy car.

## CLUB CHAT

The Classical Club is a little late in resuming activities this year but the Classics need no longer feel themselves neglected, for a get-together meeting was held at one o'clock Wednesday afternoon, November 21, and election of officers took place. Thelma Gesell was elected president; Margaret Mary Brey, vice-president; Marie Rice, secretary-treasurer. It was decided that meetings would be held at one o'clock, every first and third Monday of the month.

The Classical Club is another comparatively new organization in the club field, this being only the second year of its existence. This club has its own bulletin board and one of its chief interests is the posting of any interesting sidelights on the classics that might interest not only its own members but the entire student body as well.

At the next meeting of the Chemistry Club, papers will be read by Josephine Rabbit and Dorothy Fairall. The topics of these papers are not assigned, but the girls may select their own.

The Spanish Club met at St. Louis University Friday evening, November 16, at eight o'clock. The most important business of the meeting was the election of officers. The question of dues came up at the meeting before this was decided, and they were fixed at one dollar a semester. Plans for social affairs were further discussed.

The Poetry Club held its regular weekly meeting Wednesday evening, November 14, at seven o'clock. The entire meeting was devoted to the reading of original poems by all members of the club.

The last meeting of the Biology Club was held Monday evening, November 12, at seven o'clock and the following regulations for the admission of new members were decided upon. First, the applicant must have had General Biology or be taking it at the present time; secondly, request for membership must be made to one of the committee on membership, before the next meeting; thirdly, the unanimous vote of the club is necessary for the bestowal of membership in the club. The members of the membership committee are: Helen Sherman, Marion Lane and Rose Phelan.

The next regular meeting of the Biology Club will take place on Monday, December 3, and at this time the applications for membership will be voted on.

## ALUMNAE NEWS

O gee, O gosh, what a darling party the Alumnae gave the Seniors last Saturday at the Forest Park Hotel. All the Seniors were there in their best bibs and tuckers. And they looked too sweet for words. Two seniors and two of the "grads" played at a table so that they would all become acquainted. And such adorable prizes. Beautiful compacts, and one for each table. Just everyone under the sun was there for all the old girls know just how delightful these parties are and how much the honored guests enjoy them. The seniors wish to thank the Alumnae for the very, very lovely party.

Some of the members of the class of 1927 are certainly losing no time in affixing another degree to their names. And by this we mean, of course, Marie's, Helen's and Theo's approaching marriage. Not that we blame them for wanting to, for they certainly have chosen exceptionally fine men. And Larry, and Frank and Phil couldn't have found any one sweeter or more charming than these three girls. We know they will be very happy.

There is always something to spoil things, though, and in this case it is Theo's marriage will take her to New York to live for a while because Phil's business takes him to that metropolis. We are hoping though that it will be only for a very short while.

It is quite apropos for Marie to be the first bride as she was caught by D. Cupid's wiles first of all. She has decided upon January 3 and of course all social roads that morning will lead to St. Rose's where she will march to the strains of Lohengrin. Theo will probably be married at this attractive church, too, but not until sometime in February. Helen and Frank will say the "I do" the middle of January.

Methinks parties galore will be given for this trio. Already two have been given for Marie. Theo had a shower for her at which function she announced her engagement. Saturday Tuckie, Helen and Ruth Ward honored Marie with another shower which event was given at the Chase. Well, anon about these girls for this time.

There is great rejoicing at the new Porter home in Webster for a tiny, fluffy, white bundle was left there just a short while ago in the form of "une chere enfant." Guess Hallie isn't thrilled that it's a girl for now there won't be any worry about where to send her to school.

## SCHUBERT HONORED WITH MUSICAL PROGRAM AT WEBSTER COLLEGE

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Hark, Hark the Lark, Schubert—Miss Emma Kohl.

"Trees," Kilmer-Hahn — Choral Club.

Violin: Introductoin et Polonaise, Allen—Miss Anne Boone; Miss Frances Sloane accompanying.

Prelude No. 23, Chopin—Miss Eugenia Bock.

Waltz E minor, Chopin—Miss Josephine Thompson.

Etude op. No. 3, Chopin—Miss Grace Meyer.

Flower Girl Waltz from the Nutcracker Suite, Tschalkowski-Grainger—Miss Frank Ward.

## RECITAL GIVEN BY DRAMATIC "PRIVATE PUPILS"

### Luncheon Is Second Social Event of Dramatic Club

The second presentation of the Dramatic Department was made on Wednesday evening, November 14, by the private pupils. Those who took part were:

At the Bridge Party...Helen O'Brien  
His Last Request...Billy Surprise  
Lesson With the Fan...Billy Surprise  
Count to a Thousand, Slow...

..... Alice Widmer  
Their Only Child...Mary Hickman  
An Old Woman of the Roads...

..... Mary Hickman  
The Freshmans Spider and Fly..

..... Jane Poole  
Teaching They to Drive...Jane Poole  
One Little Turkey For Sale.....

..... Catherine Cody  
Reducing Genie...Clarabella Miller  
Concerning Exams.....

..... Bernadette Sturgess

The Dramatic Club, under the able direction of Mrs. Sankey, spent a most enjoyable time at Pine Tree Inn Saturday, November 24. After the luncheon, bridge was played at several tables and this, the second social event sponsored by the Dramatic Club, follows closely in the footsteps of the Dance as being a great success.

## DR. JAMES WALSH GIVES LECTURE AT WEBSTER COLLEGE

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being decreased. Why? Because, giving his example, the New York Times is a newspaper of sixty pages, of which forty pages are devoted to advertising, and for each page for a single issue the advertisers pay \$3,400! What is this doing? It is creating wants? And the more wants a person has, the less happy



JAMES J. WALSH

he is, especially if he has not the means of gratifying those wants.

Referring again to the remarkable progress made in the curing of diseases and the saving of babies' lives, Dr. Walsh stated that we have added to the list of what is known as "lingering diseases." Thus, heart disease, Bright's disease, and high blood pressure are all diseases that ultimately bring death, though a person may live three or four years or even longer, suffering intense pain. It is these latter who need consolation, who need faith to face the long hours of illness! As a proof of the lack of this faith, this consolation, the modern world is faced with the increased numbers of insane, the many suicides, especially of the young. And it is worthy of note these untimely deaths occur, not on the darkest days, but in the month of June and near the Christmas holiday season. The contrast between the joy around them, lives, is too much for them to bear.

In concluding his talk, Dr. Walsh referred to his book, "The Thirteenth, the Greatest of Centuries." "I choose the thirteenth century as the greatest because it was in that century that mankind was engaged in making beautiful things." In the Catholic Churches were beautiful paintings, beautiful frescoes, beautiful mosaics, beautiful statues, beautiful tapestries. Today, a workman is engaged in the monotonous task of making a single part of a single object, over, and over and over again. It has indeed been proven that the best workmen are those who have little intelligence, because they do not think about the monotonous task that is theirs all day long. In the thirteenth century, a man thought of his work, dreamed of it labored over it. Why? Because he was engaged in making something beautiful and as Keats has said, "A thing of beauty is a joy forever." Today, New York

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



By ESTELLA CAVANAUGH

Pearl Farrell and Helen Mae Heisserer visited at the College Sunday.

Lorna Rehagen spent the week-end with relatives in the city.

Eileen Fleming visited friends at the College last week.

Ellen Ora Haskens spent the week-end in the city.

Marie Reynolds visited Gertrude Jolley over Sunday.

Mary Mautino visited at the College last week.

Helen Sherman Anne Boone, Suzanne Corrigan spent the week-end with friends in the city.

Mary Beth Everett visited with friends at the College last week.

Frances Ward enjoyed a visit from her friend, Alice Walker, of Cairo, Illinois over the week-end.

Berniece Daily and Betty Sharpe spent the week-end in the city.

Frances Weber spent the week end with friends in the city.

Catherine Schmuke was the guest of Margaret Schaefer over the week-end.

Ellis Lee was the week-end visitor of her sister Mrs. Hopkins of Springfield, Illinois.

Jean Evans visited Mae Hillmeyer for the week-end.

boasts a wonderful museum the Metropolitan, which contains five million dollars worth of Spanish paintings alone! "How many people, who live within an hour and a half's ride, go there? One in ten! And three million go to see the movies every year!" And the reason? "You must think if you go to the Metropolitan, and the easiest way of not thinking is to go to the movies!"



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## Students Received in Sodality of B. V. M. at Impressive Ceremony

Rev. M. S. Ryan, C. M.,  
Speaker of the Occasion

The solemn reception of the new candidates into the Sodality took place Friday evening at 8 o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M., and the students were addressed by Rev. M. S. Ryan, C. M.

In his address, Father Ryan spoke of the reception of the candidates into the Sodality as being an important function of the academic year, since Our Blessed Lady—the patroness of the Sodality—is the great ideal of Christian education. "We welcome with loud acclaim the modern woman, but one who presents womanly beauty in character; one who presents the old humility, and the old charity" he said. The difficulty of analyzing the qualities of a sound education were pointed out by Father Ryan. Our education is characterized by actuality, thoroughness and discipline. "Without discipline, it is impossible to have formation of character." Thoroughness in education does not mean exhaustiveness, but it should prepare one for a career," Father continued. "It is a blessing to receive an education which derives its principles from the mystery of the Incarnation; principles which are not changeable with every pedagogical degree, and which show woman where her place is in the plan of creation. As children of Mary, we pledge ourselves to the practice of the old humility and the old charity."

After the ceremony, the students entertained their relatives and friends in Social Hall.

## SANTA ARRIVES AT WEBSTER DURING ANNUAL BANQUET

Juniors Entertain with Christmas Party Following Faculty Banquet



MARGARET VOLLET

Santa has come again to Webster! Very opportunely he arrived on December 18, during the party given by the Juniors in the Club Room. Down the chimney with many a thud and a bump, came the jolly old man with a bag full of gifts. He and the class sponsoring the affairs had arranged to have the Christmas Tree already set up and decorated, but the best and most important of all, the gifts, he brought with him.

When all the guests of Mother Linus and the faculty had been truly delighted by the pleasantly and "Christmassy" decorations, and had enjoyed a wonderful banquet, they were taken into the "Junior's Party," which was directed by Margaret Vollet as class president. Then it was that Santa came. All of the faculty were well remembered, as were also the college "Babies."

The evening ended pleasantly as the Choral Club sang several Christmas carols.

## Calendar of Coming Events

- Christmas Holidays—December 19-January 7.
- Dramatic Recital—January 10.
- Vaudeville—January 16, 17.
- Dramatic Recital—January 25.
- Examinations—January 28-February 4.
- Holiday—February 5.
- Retreat—February 6, 7, 8.
- Course in Parliamentary Law—February 14.

## WILLARD MACGREGOR DELIGHTS AUDIENCE WITH UNUSUAL PROGRAM

Willard MacGregor, concert pianist, played to an appreciative audience on Monday, December 10, in the "Little Theatre" of Webster College.

Mr. MacGregor, formerly of Maplewood, has had remarkable success in the field of piano recital and has concertized through the Middle West and in Paris, where he distinguished himself as a pianist of great ability.

After studying under Leo C. Miller, Charles Galloway, and Rudolph Ganz, there came two years of study abroad with Naida Boulanger and Isadore Philippe.

His program was as follows:

- I
- Prelude and Fugue in A minor... Bach-Liszt
- II
- Fantasy in F minor.....Chopin
- Nocturne in E major.....Chopin
- Etude in A minor Op. 25
- No. 11.....Chopin
- III
- Petrarch Sonnet No. 104 in E.....Liszt
- Polka de W. R.....Rachmaninoff
- Rhapsody in E flat.....Brahms
- Old Vienna.....Godowsky
- Fireflies.....Philippe
- Sonata No. 4 in F sharp...Scriabine

## Several Recitals and Plays Will Be Given During January

The Dramatic Department will present two recitals in January. The first one, on January 10, is to be given by Catherine Cody and Alice Widmer. On January 25, the other pupils taking private work will give their recital. Several plays will also be presented during the month, but the dates for these have not yet been set.

"The Fourteenth Guest," a play in which freshmen dramatic students will appear, was to have been last week. Because of unforeseen changes in the schedule, it had to be postponed indefinitely.

## REV. J. A. M'CLOREY, S. J. LECTURES AT WEBSTER ON 'RELIGION & CULTURE'

Culture Without Religion Is Insufficient To Sustain Man

Rev. J. A. McClorey, S. J., of the University of Detroit, lectured at Webster College, Tuesday evening, December 11. The subject of Father's talk was, "Religion and Culture."

Even if this life is the be-all and the end-all of existence, culture is well worth obtaining. And why? Because it comprises the intellectual and aesthetic accomplishments that make up the gentleman or lady. Culture is refinement of mind, keenness of intuition, saneness of judgment, splendour of imagination, nicety of taste, eloquence of speech. But culture is not the end or purpose of life; it is helpful but inadequate. Religion is necessary, and morality is better than culture. Culture is an insufficient means to an end, for there is no proportion between natural means and supernatural effects. Perhaps the one great mistake of the age is to clothe

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## Our Lauretanum Wins Prominent Place of Honor

Ranks Among Country's Eighteen Best Year Books

Webster College's 1928 year book, the Lauretanum, has recently been rated among the eighteen best in the nation. Of the seven books from girls' schools which received the all-American rating in the national contest conducted by the Scholastic Editor, the Lauretanum received a prominent place. In addition to this honor it has also been placed as one of the Pace Makers, which class includes the eighteen best books from the largest universities and colleges in the United States. The contest is conducted annually by the Department of Journalism at the University of Minnesota.

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## CHRISTMAS SPIRIT AT WEBSTER

I'm sure we can all remember how, when we were very little tots, we begged to be taken to the great stores downtown just before Christmas. How our eyes would shine with genuine excitement at the veritable fairylands we found there. Will we ever forget our keen delight in the beautiful toys, the red and green and tinsel, the lights, the hurrying crowds, and above all, the dear old Santa who shook hands with us and took our "lists?"

The downtown stores are just as dazzling, just as exciting this year as when we were kiddies. Now, just as then, mothers are introducing their babies to the Christmas fairyland. And now, too, there are hurrying crowds of grown-ups with eyes just a bit shinier and step just a bit lighter because Christmas is near. And there are times when all at Webster wish that we could more often become part of that bustling crowd, that we could have the spirit of Christmas all about us. But even though we have no holly or tinsel at every turn, still there is a real Christmas spirit at Webster.

From Freshman to Senior, every girl is absolutely happy at the thought of Christmas. Many girls are going home after months of separation from family and friends. And "home at Christmas time" is a magic phrase. It spells reunions, parties, old friends meeting again. Those girls have reason to be happy. Then again, the spirit of giving is surging high at Webster. Bundles of toys and clothes and food are piling up until the time when Webster's Santa will distribute them among those whose Christmas would not otherwise be so happy. Certainly this generous spirit is filling the hearts of Webster girls with Christmas joy. And finally there will be one night just before the holidays when none of the outward manifestations of Christmas will be lacking. At the Christmas party, almost as if produced by some fairy's wand, Webster will blaze forth with lights, with Christmas reds and greens, with shiny tinsel and holly wreaths. Then the halls of Webster will ring with Santa's jolly laugh, with the shouts of delight and mirth from the lips and hearts of serious collegians made children again. What a happy time it will be! And what a climax will be reached as, with such impressions in their minds, Webster's students leave their books for visions of sugar plums and the night before Christmas at home.

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

The members of the staff wish all of the Web readers a very happy and joyous Christmas. To the students they extend the hope that those holiday hours will be filled with everything that so delights the hearts of college girls. For the faculty there are hearty good wishes for a season of blessedness and joy. Finally, there is the hope that Christmas time will bring to all of those other readers of this college paper, to those staunch and loyal friends of Webster, a great measure of the same happiness which their kind thoughtfulness has helped to create at Webster College.

## Christmas

Into a world, hostile and strange  
An infant King was born.  
No room for Mary, Mother pure,  
In home or inn that morn.

A stable, old, neglected, cold,  
His humble birthplace then,  
But from that lowly cave there  
came  
Salvation for all men.

Salvation, do we realize,  
Can we understand its worth?  
This treasure unattainable  
Bought by a God-King's birth?

This gift of love so royally-priced  
The Infant King brought down;  
He minded not the lowly home,  
Nor the shepherd's humble gown.

The light of love was all He asked  
To heat His tender form;  
If hearts of men glowed with this  
love,  
The cave for Him was warm.

Each year the Infant comes again  
Renew'ng salvation's grace.  
Let our hearts be warm lest they  
turn to ice  
The tears upon His face.

For us the Church has set aside  
Scarce four weeks to prepare  
The sheltering warmth, the welcom-  
ing crib  
We give Him in our prayer.

So let us use this time, so short,  
Our sinful souls uplift  
That when His tiny hands are  
raised  
We, too, may share their gift.

L. C. '29

## Remembering

This time a year ago—we two  
Went hunting for a Christmas tree,  
And mistletoe and holly wreaths.  
I wonder, are you happy, free?

I can not help the tears that fall,  
Any more than I can stop the snow!  
It seems so strange that you should  
be  
Content with her. How could you  
go?  
A. D., '29.

## WANTED!

### A CATHOLIC NOVEL

The Stratford Company and the Extension Magazine are offering a prize of \$2,000 for the best Catholic novel, to be submitted on or before October 1, 1929. This contest is open to non-Catholic as well as to Catholic writers, and the novel need not be one necessarily dealing with religion. The judges in this contest are Dr. James J. Walsh, Kath-



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

The Christmas spirit, commercialized, is here, there, and everywhere. You can feel how strong it is the minute you get down town; bruises are being given away generously as souvenirs in all department stores. Everyone seems to be rushing around, taking infinite care to buy exactly the right thing for the wrong person. Children are confidently asking a remarkable Santa, who seems miraculously to be every place at once, for everything but the moon, and mothers are running here and there trying to get it for them. Ho-hum. It's a great life, if you don't weaken.

"Action on Kellogg Treaty Deferred."—Headline.

They should use a little "Pep" on this matter, and decide one way or another.

U. S. Dry Law Most Tragic Joke in History London Editor Writes."—Headline.

Everybody knows the dry law is all wet, and that the country is full of alcohol, but does he have to rub it in?

"Plot on Hoover's Life Discovered in Buenos Aires."—Headline.

He got a warm reception in Chile, and then some considerate person wanted to be certain he would get pretty flowers in Buenos Aires.

"\$55,000,000 Fund Asked by Coolidge for Refund in Taxes."—Headline.

Undoubtedly our Cal still believes in Santy. Probably nobody has ever told him the joke about there not being any Santa Claus. Won't he be surprised?

The "flu" is flying all around.  
Perhaps it's chasing me!  
It flew in there; it's flitting here;  
Oh, whither can I flee?

Ileen Norris and Mary Synon.

For further particulars, contestants may write to The Stratford Company, publishers, 289 Congress street, Boston, Mass.

Garage Mechanic: "The rear end of your car is very weak, sir. Shall we go ahead and fix it?"

Motorist: "Sure. I might back into a pedestrian some time."

REV. J. A. MCLOREY, S. J.,  
LECTURES AT WEBSTER  
ON 'RELIGION AND CULTURE'

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the virtuous in sackcloth and ashes; to clothe the sinful in shining silks and golden satins. "Beauty should go beautifully" and what is more beautiful than to serve God? The more cultured a man is, the better should he be. After all, culture is the "civilizer." Good breeding ought to result in good living. Poetry should be an aid to prayer, for culture lends itself to the moral improvement of a lady or gentleman. One may have the grace of God in abundance but unless he has the like grace of expression he will not appeal to man, for men pass first through the portals of nature and thence, through to the higher portal of God. Men do not embrace sin because of its ugliness; they embrace it for that which appears fair.

The cry today, "I do not need religion," is a false cry. Either the person who thus cries out is secretly assisted by the grace of God or if he is not and remains moral, it will not be for long. Culture and morality lie in two different faculties—the former in the imagination; the latter in the will. Culture refines; morality makes a man strong. A man may be "a paragon of refinement and a degenerate." Elegance is not purity, and yet in this era we find our literature, our theaters, our poets, making culture the sum total of things to be desired. "Intellectuality is no guarantee of spirituality," the immortal Newman has said, and his words will ring true through all time.

When disappointment and despair hurl themselves upon the individual, he is going to need something more than culture to sustain him. Many a young girl and many a youth has fallen because he or she trusted to culture and not to faith. The passions too often devastate one's will power, and unless there be a Faith to which the soul can cling the flesh will triumph. Frequently one finds culture pandering to voice. How many poets are without purity! Nature and humanity defined by literature! How many men who are not men!

In times that have passed, religion ruled the world. Men like St. Paul, St. Francis Xavier, St. Anthony—men of learning, men of science, men of character—these are the men who have given their lives for religion! They are men who have lived through the centuries because they are not stupid and convivial, but thinkers and lovers of liberty! Modernists are full of words, but how empty of action! A few sincere men hunger "for meat and are fed with insufficient breakfast foods!"

But before answering the ques-

## Webster Girls Attend Lecture at St. Louis U.

Members of the Biology Club, and of the junior and senior classes had the pleasure of attending a lecture given by Dr. E. P. Lyon in the auditorium of St. Louis University on December 6. Dr. Lyon, formerly of St. Louis U. Medical School, and now Dean of the Minnesota University School of Medicine, was introduced by Rev. Alphonse Schwittalla, S. J., the Dean of the St. Louis U. School of Medicine.

In his discourse on "Honor Societies: Complex Superiority, or Superiority Complex," Dr. Lyon showed that although the honor societies do much toward encouraging better scholarship, the man who does not win membership in one is by no means a failure. In fact, he may be even a better man than the one wearing the coveted key, but may have lost in the race because of illness or the like. And simply because one does happen to be fortunate enough to obtain this symbol of achievement, he has no cause to think himself superior to his less fortunate fellowworkers.

Dr. W. W. Root, the founder of the Alpha Omega Alpha, the honorary Medical Fraternity, was also a guest of the evening and gave an interesting history of the Fraternity which has at present fifty-five chapters in U. S.

Dr. C. H. Neilson, associate dean of the St. Louis U. School of Medicine told the students that in spite of the fact that it seemed to be the fashion for college men and women to do just enough to "get by," the old method was the better, and that the one who worked was the one who won success in the world.

tion, "Is religion a failure?" Father McClorey asked, "Is irreligion a failure?" Modern science laughed at religion—the Rationalists and French Encyclopaedists—men thought for themselves and acted according to their own sweet wills—men claimed that war was a relic of the superstitious past—and the result of all this? There came upon mankind the great World War. Did irreligion save them from that? Is not the economic chaos of today due to irreligion? Have not these unbelievers been shaken in their own unbelief? Did not irreligion remove the bonds of the ten commandments? Did it not erase Christ from the hearts of men? Did it not deny the hopes of immortality and place man but little higher than the beast?

Religion is a necessity for man. It is more than a necessity. Culture can not sanctify us, culture can but

## OUR LAURETANUM WINS PROMINENT PLACE OF HONOR

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HELEN MCGUIRE

Helen McGuire, '28, was Editor-in-Chief of the Annual last year. She was assisted by: Rosamond Smith, Associate Editor; Anna McDermott, Business Manager; Marguerite Barthel, Advertising Manager; Elizabeth Corrigan, Art Editor, and Marta Brown, Treasurer.

## Sister Marinus Suddenly Called To Her Reward

Sister M. Marinus Brennan who was a member of the Loretto Order for thirty-one years, died suddenly on Tuesday morning, December 11, of a heart attack. In poor health for over a year, Sister Marinus came to Webster College to recuperate after having been confined to a hospital for a period of months.

Death's claim on Sister came as a severe shock to her many friends and the loss will be felt keenly by all who were privileged to know her. To her brother, Mr. Charles Brennan, and the other relatives who survive, the Faculty and students extend their sincere sympathy, and assure them that they shall remember her in their prayers.

civilize us. The rulers before the war attempted to settle their disputes by natural means and failed for there is no peace without the Prince of Peace. And yet there are some people who dare outrageous acts by virtue of their position in life, and some poor wretches who are refined because they are sanctified! Why do not women who wish to become gentle contemplate Her? And men who wish to become gentlemen contemplate Him?

Even the grave and dignified civil service commissioners could not resist being amused at an answer given at a recent examination. The question was:

"Give for any one year the number of bales of cotton exported from the United States."

The applicant wrote: "1491. None."

## CLUB CHAT

Tuesday morning, December 11, group pictures were taken of all the clubs of Webster College. These pictures will be one of the features of the new Club Section of the Lauretanium, in which an entire page will be devoted to the interests of every club. In addition to the group pictures of the members, individual pictures of the club officers, and comments on the work of the various clubs will be seen on these new pages of the Year Book.

The Mathematics Club, at its regular meeting, Thursday afternoon, December 6, was honored by the presence of several guests, among them, Mother Linus, Sister Edwarda, Sister Aloyse and Sister Alonza. Two papers were read, one by Margaret Vollet on "Parametric Equations and Their Graphs," and another by Marie Cregan on "The Number 'E.'" General discussion followed, in which not only the members of the Club but the guests also, took part. Papers to be read at the next meeting were assigned to Bernice Wolff and Rose Malon.

The Classical Club held its regular bi-weekly meeting, Monday afternoon, December 3, at 1 o'clock. Restriction of membership was the only question discussed, but since the members of the committee appointed to draw up a constitution were unable to be present, the matter was deferred. It was taken up again in connection with the draft of a constitution which was submitted at the next regular meeting, Monday, December 17.

The regular monthly meeting of the Chemistry Club was held Thursday afternoon, December 13. Josephine Rabbitt and Dorothy Farrell read papers on "The Silk Worm" and "The X-Ray," respectively. Both papers were the subject of a brief discussion.

The Spanish Club was addressed on the subject of the Philippines at its regular meeting, Friday evening, December 7, at St. Louis University. The regular meeting which would have been held last Friday evening, December 14, was dispensed with for the members of the Spanish Club of St. Louis University attended the regular monthly meeting of the Spanish Club of Washington University.

The Biology Club held its last regular meeting before the Christmas holidays, Monday evening, Dec. 3. Orient Wise read a paper on  
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## ALUMNAE NEWS

On Sunday evening, December 2, the Alumnae entertained with a buffet supper and bridge to which the "men-folks" were invited. The affair was given in the new building and a very representative crowd was present. Everyone was delighted with the party and gave a vote of thanks to Mother Linus who so kindly offered the use of Loretto Hall. The "old girls" are looking toward just such another evening in the near future.

### Two More of Webster's Old Girls Make Solemn Profession of Religion

Two former students of Webster College who are now Sisters of Loretto made solemn profession of their vows during the ceremonies of profession at the motherhouse of the Loretto order in Nerinx, Kentucky, on Sunday, December 9. One of these, Miss Frances Kohl, Sister Emily Marie in religion, attended Webster College for three years. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kohl of Belleville, Ill. The other, Sister Agnes Cecilia, formerly Miss Rosalie Seifert of Webster Groves, received her A. B. degree from Webster College in 1926.

Policeman: "How did the accident happen?"

Motorist: "My wife fell asleep in the back seat."—Everybody's Weekly.

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"The Ductless Glands"; and Blanche Marshall, on "The Forest Problem in America. Several visitors were present at this meeting, among them Mother Linus, Sister Borgia and Sister Miriam. Papers were assigned for the next meeting which will be held in the early part of January.

The Poetry Club of Webster College held its weekly meeting at 7 o'clock Monday evening, December 17. The reading of the minutes, and the poems of the poets were dispensed with as Father D. A. Lord, S. J., gave the members a most interesting lecture on "Rhythm." Mother Linus and Sister Borgia were present as well as Sister Aloysia Marie, advisor of the club. Before the meeting adjourned, plans were discussed for a Francis Thompson social to be held January 9, 1929, with a program devoted to a discussion of the poet's life and works, particularly, his "Hound of Heaven."

## I. H. LIONBERGER, MEMBER OF ST. LOUIS BAR, SPEAKS ON PELITIAH WEBSTER

### Urges Students To Be Thankful for Their Nation Whose History Is So Glorious

"America was set aside by a Provident God for the people. He sent over the very best seed He could find in the old world," said Mr. Isaac H. Lionberger, who addressed the students Tuesday, November 27. This was in honor of the anniversary of Pelitiah Webster.

The people, upon their arrival on the shores of the New World, found a wilderness to be cultivated and they labored, prospered, and became "a hardy, independent, competent race." Their prosperity aroused the jealousy of England who began to levy obnoxious laws and to lay restrictions on the colonists. "These people whose fathers had been free, remonstrated, their objections being based on the theory: "Taxation without representation is tyranny." "Liberty," said Mr. Lionberger, "could never have been ours; we would gradually have become slaves had we submitted to taxation without representatoin." Their objections culminated in the Revolution, which secured the colonists their freedom.

The speaker cited some of the defects of the Articles of Confederation, which bound the colonies as a league of friendly nations.

The representatives at the Con-

stitutional Convention were well fitted to the task which lay before them. All had suffered the trials of the Revolution; all had lived under the Articles of Confederation; all had experience, not in the abstract, but in the reality. Because they knew about charters and they knew about grievances, we find today in the Constitution, grants of power and a series of prohibitions, the phrase "Thou shalt not" occurring again and again.

"The study of Constitutional law is one of the most delightful of studies," said Mr. Lionberger, "provided you get the clue."

Mr. Lionberger discussed the prerogative rights with which Congress is entrusted by the Constitution. He distinguished between proper and improper prerogatives, defining the latter as "hideous innovations which today are stealing away our rights."

Mr. Lionberger urged the students to be thankful especially during that current week, "for a nation which has a history such as no other's; which has had none but righteous wars; which has an ample government; and, finally, which is recognized today as the richest, most generous, and the most law-abiding of all the nations of the world."

## CLUB HAS NEW MEMBERS

At a special meeting of the Biology Club on Monday, December 3, thirteen new members were admitted to club. All had fulfilled the requirements for membership.

First, the applicant must have had General Biology or be taking it at the present time; secondly, request for membership must be made to one of the committee on membership, before the next meeting; thirdly, the unanimous vote of the club.

The following are the new members: Bernice Daily, Dorothy Walsh, Thelma Gesell, Dorothy O'Keefe, Helen O'Brien, Winifred Kane, Erlene Strothkamp, Valeria Garthoeffner, Sally Ryan, Ann Ryan, Mary Frances Broeker, Kathleen Hamel, Marie Wittrock.

They were dining in an expensive restaurant.

"Women mean nothing to me," proudly proclaimed the man.

"Tee-hee," the girl giggled. "You haven't looked at the check yet, have you?"—The American Legion Monthly.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Charlotta Haight of Burlington, Kansas, was the guest of Marion Lane during the Thanksgiving holidays, and the two girls were the dinner-guests on Thanksgiving of Mrs. T. O. O'Leary of St. Louis. Miss Haight is a student of St. Mary Of The Wood's College.

Suzanna Corrigan had as her house guests for the Thanksgiving holidays three of her classmates: Anne Boone, Rose Phelan, and Helen Sherman.

Many of the girls who did not go home for the holidays were entertained by the St. Louis girls. Genevieve McBride was the guest of Mae Hillmeyer; Agnes Tancred visited the A. S. Wade family of St. Louis, and Veronica Ryan spent Thanksgiving with Mary Rose Burke. Ruth Costello and Lavina Schaeffer were the guests of Marie Rice.

Catherine Geary has been called home because of the death of her grandfather who died recently. The girls wish to express their most sincere sympathy to her in this time of grief, and wish to see her in the near future.

### He Loves Us So!

A tiny Babe, so long ago,  
Came down from heaven one night  
To prove to all He loved us so,  
To bring us lasting life.

He knew that some would listen  
While others went their way;  
But in His heart, He hungered  
For love in its human way.

He knew that for each lover  
Enemies—many—would grow,  
And yet He came from heaven  
Because He loves us so!

—C. R., '29.

Visitor: "Is the boss in?"  
Office Boy: "I am ver' sorry to say that he is not in."

Visitor: "Why are you so sorry to say he is not in?"

Office Boy: "Because it's against my conscience to tell lies."

### Everybody's Christmas

One big day in each one's life  
Is December twenty-fifth

For then it is that Santa comes—  
The Santa who's not a myth.

On that great day, all life is joy,  
All desires are then fulfilled:  
Dot's darlingest doll is waiting,  
The tiny sock more than filled.

'Tis then Jackie finds his snare drum,  
And Sue a new ev'ning gown,  
While Bob who wished for new hip-boots  
Finds them there when he comes down.

Straight from "Paree" comes a lovely bag  
To delight and light up Mother's eyes,

While for Dad, Santa brings a new wrist-watch—  
And each one, Santa's gift satisfies.  
—C. R., '29.

Maud Muller on a Summer's day  
Was very busy raking hay,  
The judge gave Maud a passing glance  
He had hay fever—no romance.

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## DRAMATIC RECITALS ADD ZEST TO SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR MONTH

### Private Students Entertain Appreciative Audience

A dramatic recital under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey was given by the dramatic department Thursday evening, January 10.

Alice Widmer gave two readings and Catherine Cody, one. Both were very interesting. The first selection by Miss Widmer was a poem, "Jean De Pray," in which was narrated the touching story of a small child's bravery. The second, "Two Minutes to Play," was an entertaining short story redolent with interesting dialogue.

"The Florist Shop," a one-act comedy, brought many laughs from the audience who seemed to enjoy its many amusing passages immensely. In this selection Miss Cody impersonated a sentimental shop girl, a Jewish merchant and a "harem-scarem" errand boy. All of the characterizations were well handled in a most convincing manner.

On Thursday evening, January 24, the private pupils of the Dramatic Department will appear in a recital to which everyone is cordially invited.

A dramatic interpretation and three musical readings will be given by Helen O'Brien; Rainy Frock Story, by Bernadette Sturgess; The Highwayman, by Jane Poole; Inja, by Mary Hickman; A Real Lady and two other numbers by Billy Surprise and a lyric poem by Catherine Cody and Alice Widmer.

## Coming Events

- January 24—Expression Recital.
- January 28.—Examinations.
- February 1.—Prom.
- February 6.—Retreat.
- February 12.—A Night of One-act Plays.
- February 14. — Parliamentary Law.
- February 20.—Basketball Game with Harris Teachers' College.
- February 27.—Basketball Game with Warrenton.

"Why are you so pensive?" he asked.

"I'm not pensive," she replied.

"But you haven't said a word for twenty minutes."

"Well, I didn't have anything to say."

"Don't you ever say anything when you have nothing to say?"

"No."

"Well, then, will you be my wife?"

## HEAD OF JESUIT MISSIONS TALKS AT WEBSTER

### Thirty-two Fathers Are Endeavoring to Bring the Gospel to Twenty-five Million Pagans in Patna

"The enterprise of spreading Christianity throughout the world should be a duty, as sacred to every one of us as was the duty to our country during the World War," said Rev. M. J. O'Connor, S. J., in his lecture on "The Mission Spirit," Thursday afternoon, January 10. Father O'Connor, though not a missionary himself, has charge of all the Jesuit missions in foreign lands.

Father O'Connor referred to a modern author who has said that never before was there an age so superficial as that of the present day. Without reflection, the people of our generation skim the surface and are inclined to let serious responsibility go until they are faced by actual problems. One of the merits of Catholic education is the training it gives the mind to reason out and recognize responsibility.

"Everyone recognized his tremendous responsibility during the days of the Great War," said Father O'Connor. But today we have an enterprise that should be just as important to us as was our part during that war." A great part of the world is shrouded in darkness, and untold millions have never heard the name of Jesus. Our Lord came to redeem these souls as well as ours, but left to us the responsibility of carrying on His mission. The Christian world must realize and fulfill this sacred duty.

"Many, in a fuller realization of this duty, have heroically taken upon themselves the work of waging war against paganism; many have sacrificed themselves in this labor. These courageous men and women must have encouragement, aid, support, and especially, prayer. It is our duty to help them in every possible way. The various mission organizations offer many opportunities for us to aid the missionary for it is for that purpose that they have been formed.

"Furthermore, we in America should be motivated by gratitude to help the missions, for when the Church made its first feeble move in this country, help poured in from Europe to strengthen and nourish it. It was only with such noble support that we were able to rear the superb Church of which we are all so proud today. Now that we, in turn, are called upon for aid, we should respond to that call as Europe did to ours several decades ago."

To show the dire necessity of pagan lands, Father O'Connor referred to Patna, a section of India

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## AND NOW WHO WILL BE QUEEN AT ST. LOUIS U. PROM?

### Catherine Hazel Is To Represent Webster at Annual Social Event



Standing on the threshold of the Social Hall, a business-like pencil poised precariously behind a reporter's ear, we anxiously scanned the faces of the passing girls and felt that when "she" went by we should intuitively know that our quest was at an end. Elections for the Webster Maid to the Annual St. Louis University Prom had just taken place, but with our usual disregard of extra-curricular activities we arrived on the scene breathless and late as always. It was then that we made a small wager with ourselves. No one must tell us who had been elected Maid. There would be some mark, some shining seal that stamps a Webster girl as the logical, nay, the inevitable selection of the college for such an important, glamorous occasion, as the University Promenade. Each year is this rite performed, and lovely girls from the corporate colleges of the University attend in full splendour, conscious that the loyal eyes of their classmates are upon them, serene in knowledge that out of dozens of charming girls, they are the choice of their school. Truly it is a breath-taking, glorious experience.

Shifting, then, from one foot to the other, like a meditative stork, we peered into the crowd until a sudden glow of pride, a quick uprush of feeling, a swift conviction forced itself upon us that the laughing, gesticulating girl approaching in a crowd of other gay young things must be THE maid. And though it was not until weeks later that the announcement of the Maid was made, our sixth sense justified its existence that day, allowing us to crow gently to ourselves over our ability "to pick a winner." For the girl was, and is, Catherine Hazel. "Hank," affectionately known to her friends who are legion; "Hank" of the brilliant smile, the stately carriage, the dignified queenly ways, the regal lift to her shining head, the quick sweet glance to passing friends; "Hank" is the choice of a loyal student body, eager to show its loving admiration for

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## Sodalists Are Urged To Pray for Other Less Fortunate Souls

### Associate Editor of the Sodality Magazine Asks that Spirit of Sacrifice Be Developed During Lent

Rev. Gerald Donnelly, S. J., Associate Editor of the "Queen's Work," spoke to the Sodality of the College at the regular meeting on Wednesday morning, January 16. Father emphasized the responsibility resting on each individual sodalist to save other souls for God.

"There are souls today that depend on you! If you fall down on the job, these souls will perish. If you pray a little, God will probably get a few souls; if you pray a lot, He may get many; but if you don't pray at all—!

"The success of the sodality depends upon the spirit of sacrifice which, like your muscles, can be developed. And I should like to suggest the training of the will to the practice of sacrifice as an appropriate topic for Lenten thought." Father concluded.

## BITS OF FINE ART GIVE COLORING TO STORY OF LORETTO

### The Work of One of the Order Remains Forever as a Monument to Art

Romance dwells in the Museum and spacious rooms of Webster College where are stationed many interesting art objects vividly reminiscent of periods and people of those earlier days.

A dominating figure in the art history of the College was the late Sister Mary Martin whose name is linked with many of the treasured objects. In the College Museum, lovers of fine china will pause before an exquisite set designed by Sister Mary Martin, which took first prize at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893. The secret of her particular process of gilding china so that it would not fade was buried with her, but the exquisite set in the Museum stands as a testimony of Sister's unusual gift.

The painting of Father Van Asche, S. J., companion of Father Nerinx, and pastor for many years of St. Ferdinand's Church, Florissant, Mo., is also Sister Mary Martin's work. Many other oil paintings and tapestries in the Administration Building are the creations of this talented Sister.

Her pupils are represented also in the school's collection of paintings. Two pictures in the chapel hall, "The Winter Scene" and "The Sea,"

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## WEBSTER'S FIFTH ANNUAL VAUDEVILLE PRESENTED DURING PAST WEEK

The fifth annual vaudeville of Webster College was presented in the Little Theatre at a matinee on Wednesday afternoon, January 16, and Thursday and Friday evenings, January 17 and 18. The proceeds of "The Webster Tornado in Fifteen Gusts" are donated to the Senior fund for expenses incurred in the publication of the college annual, the Lauretanum.

Rosemary O'Reilly, who for two years has been a talented performer of St. Louis Muny-Opera, was in charge of the 1929 production, and the music for the various numbers was directed by Frank Ward and Josephine Thompson, talented young pianists of the Loretto Conservatory of Music.

The Formal Announcer was none other than our "Baby Freshie," Blackie Haskins, who, arrayed in courtier's costume, spent most of her time in back stage cogitation upon the most graceful manner of exit. Front stage, Blackie was a piquant and charming little page.

The opening number, "Blow," gave us "The Handy Girls" with Ruth Dockery, Helen Eaves, Marie Scheer, Virginia Cooney, Dorothy Walsh, Dorrit Barnicle, Rose Phelan, and Carolyn Fields. Needless to say, ALL were their usual handy selves. Warm Breeze surprised us with a "Drama in the Dark," featuring Ellen Quirk and Marie Gross; Suzanne Corrigan and Ellen Niemann; Suzanne Corrigan and Rose Phelan. The "Suzannas" have it! Ah, but sometimes the men DO get the worst end of things!

COLD WINDS breezed in our Nerinx Hall girls in "My Little Eskimo," with Mary Casey, Marylouisa Muldoon, Melinda Schwartz, Mary Kathryn O'Donnell, Olivia Diechmann, Jane Krutzsch, Grace Kelly, Girlie Schlueter and—a policeman, Bill Perea. The Eskimos had an awfully hard time keeping warm—you see, the Mercury pranked us all and joggled down the thermometer when nobody was looking!

GUSTA ZEPHRA wafted us the "Kollegiate Kittens"—none other than Josephine Reddin and Agnes Tancred. You can't fool us Jo, we'd know that tapping anywhere, even though we never expect to see your name emblazoned in electric lights on Broadway! You see, we're selfish damsels! And as for Tanc'—who'd uv that it of our "Stude?"

SPRING BREEZES brought us what Spring Breezes usually do; dreams, wistfulness, memories. Margaret Mary Everroad as Mitzi and Helen McAvoy as Schubert gave us that lovely, breath-taking Schubert's "Love-Song" with all the loveliness and breath-takingness of young artists.

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## DO "BIGGER" AND "BETTER" FIT WELL TOGETHER?

Here it is, the first issue of the Web for 1929. It is of course fitting that everyone, at the beginning of a new year, make firm resolutions for a bigger and better year. It is not for us to state whether or not it is equally fitting to straightway break those resolutions. However, as a herald of all things affecting our college and its periodicals, we now beseech ye, our gentle reader, hear ye and do ye notice the size which our school paper has developed with the advent of another year. Is it not assuming great proportions? The Web has resolved, in 1929, to be a bigger paper. A worthy resolution, we would say. But you ask, "Is it not to be a better Web? Bigger and better fit well together." Now there's the rub. What is your idea of a better Web? The editors have some ideas on this subject. But they are on one side of the fence, you on the other. How about breaking down the fence or scrambling over? Let them know what you like in your paper and what you do not. If you have discovered talent. Three flights up to the publication office and a note on the desk is sufficient. Could you afford to give the Web that attention? Consider well! Remember, a better as well as a bigger Web will be the result. Do you deem it worth your effort?

## COLLEGIATE SPIRIT!

Well, we have all gotten back to stern realities after the gorgeous weeks of Yuletide festivity and holiday gayety. Suddenly, like a great whirlwind, wreaking havoc as he swept along, the giant, Duty, tore us from the pretty play houses we had been inhabiting and landed us, on one fatal morning, within the four dismal walls of lecture room or laboratory. What a sudden drop that proved to be! It necessitates readjustment to routine and order. During the holidays we lived in a seventh heaven of ease and pleasure. Now we find ourselves suddenly facing nothing but dreary hours of work. Even the smallest assignment proves tiresome in comparison with the fun we have known. And what excitement is there in looking forward to exams? It is a pretty state of affairs, indeed. But, what shall we do to solve our problem? Shall we, to use a very recent phrase, simply let ourselves "faw down and go boomp"? Or shall we look up and search for something which will lift us out of the depths and create real interest within us? True collegians will have only one answer, "We shall look up of course"—but what shall supply that needed interest? May we, in this editorial column, assume the privilege of proposing a solution? We ask you, "Why not school activity?" We were all so proud of being collegians during the holiday season. Now let's get together and help to keep Webster really collegiate! Let's go out for athletics, put over our dramatic productions, boost our college publications. There is real excitement in such activities. No need to be down and out. Just put over your college! Just stand up and shout!

## DO YOU KNOW THAT—

Fifty volumes, with an index of Harvard Classics, edited by Charles W. Eliot, L. L. D., and William Allen Neilson, Ph. D., have been purchased by the library, according to Sister Felicitas, librarian.

In these volumes are found a series of lectures on history, poetry, science, religion and education.

Other books added to the library, recently, include: thirteen volumes of French Classics for the language department, two volumes of biology for the science department, and one book of "One Act Plays" for the dramatic department.

The junior class will meet in the near future to elect the staff of the Lauretanum for 1930. The election held at this time enables the new staff members to become familiar with the work under the guidance of their predecessors.

## Webster Before the Vaudeville

Come, let's practice! Now's the time!  
Everybody fall in line!  
First the opening; next the drill;  
Practice now for vaudeville!

Get together! Practice now!  
Help to make your act a wow!  
Use your lunch hour, needn't eat!  
Do your stunt and then repeat!

Get your costume! Get your "prop!"  
Never let rehearsals stop!  
People sure must get a thrill  
Out of Webster's Vaudeville!  
T. P., '31.

## We Read Text-books and—

Here is a question worth considering: What do college girls read when they lay text books aside and turn to literature of a lighter vein? Is the "College Humor" or the latest movie magazine their only quest, as many eye-brow raising reformists would have us believe? Or do they also turn to reading of another nature? To decide this question an enterprising Web reporter set out after statistics. She finds that, although there is the usual number of current magazines scattered about rooms, there is also keen interest in the better popular fiction. Here is her statement: "Many current novels are read, enjoyed, and widely discussed by residents of Loretto Hall. The most popular of these is Deeping's "Sorrel and Son." Others maintain that Edith Wharton's "Children" is THE book right now. Lincoln's "Silas Bradford's Boy" is held to be exceedingly interesting by another group. Temple Bailey also has a prominent place among the readers in the hall." This report, we believe, proves that the quest for romance is not on the wane even among the alleged blase young things at college. Let the reformists cease to lift their eyebrows. If college girls can enjoy a love story as sweet as Temple Bailey's "Silver Slippers" there is no need to fear that these same girls have become abject followers of the typical female collegian as sketched by "College Humor."

All joking aside, exams are silly things anyway. What in the world is the use of sitting and writing for about two hours, squandering precious time, golden moments that will never return, telling a professor a lot of things he's supposed to know? Most of them are old enough to know better, and, if they had applied themselves diligently at school, even as we (business of looking humble), they wouldn't have to ask all these questions.

"King, Queen and Prince are Reported Better."—Headline.

First it was only the King who was sick; then the King and Queen; and now the King, Queen and Prince. Is this a game? Or a deep, dark plot to get bigger and better fruit, flowers and candy?

"Hoover to Appoint Special Board for Prohibition Inquiry."—Headline.

Oh, he oughtn't to do that; no use rushing into anything drastic. It's a shame to put boards on such a "noble experiment." Why not try prohibition for a while and see if it won't work?

## The Southerners See Some Snow

S-N-O-W White, glistening, sparkling, and oh! so beautiful. It covers hills, trees, forest, house-tops, everything, and transforms them from dark, bleak outlines, into new objects all shiny and white, like a million diamonds when our sun comes beaming forth. Never until this year did we ever think so much about our snows. For in our college is a group of girls who only this year have seen their first snow—and they want to eat it, take pictures in it, and make snow-balls and throw them, as they have heard of so many people doing. Do you know that these girls actually do not know how a real snow-ball is made? Have you noted how thrilled they were over the small covering of snow we now have? If we think about this, and remember the days when the snow covered the earth, and was five or six feet deep—how we had to dig trenches in order to get out of the house how we went tobogganing, coasting and sleigh-riding, and always had a big snow-balling, and face-washing contest, after which some of us always made snow ice-cream—do you think we appreciate snow as much as those who have only a sparse covering of it, while we have seen actual snow drifts, etc? Which of us appreciates the snow more, those who have seen it before, or those who have seen it every winter pouring down to transform our ugly wintery days? I wonder!

## ATHLETICS

The basket-ball season is well under way and the race between classes is on; the Freshmen have one victory to their credit, the Sops one loss. The other two classes, as yet, have not played any games. The next game scheduled is the second one between the Sophomore and Freshman classes on January 23rd. According to the spirit of the two teams shown in the last game the second promises to be doubly interesting. Perhaps at this game our hard-working players may be shown a little more support by the presence of their classmates.

Miss Barthel, our coach, has been having basket-ball practice regularly and intends to choose the school team in a very short time.

The schedule, as far as completed, is as follows:

February 20—Harris Teachers' College.

February 27—Warrenton.

March—Return games and Alumnae Game.

"Liquor Plot Charged to 25 in Pittsburgh."—Headline.

That's what we call "splitting the bill."

Prof.: "What do you mean by saying that Benedict Arnold was a janitor?"

Stude: "The book says that after his exile he spent the rest of his life in abasement."

"Why is the third party like a volcano?"

"Because it keeps on interrupting?"



## Anti-Sophia Says

Now that Christmas has come and gone and the first glorious thrill (?) of being back at school and studies again, instead of wasting time on stupid holiday parties and what-not, is over, interest would undoubtedly grow lax and Time seem to have died a natural death were it not for that saving grace, the long-awaited and passionately desired week of Examinations, which now looms on the horizon. O joy! O bliss! O rapture unconfined! We love it—we just can't wait.

For sheer thrill of suspense, agony of ecstasy, tenderness of appeal and sublimity of pathos, there can be nothing that even remotely compares with taking of exam. It's such a wonderful adventure; so uncertain, and, therefore, so exciting. Nobody knows what might happen. Why, you might cross the sacred threshold of an Examination Assembly with a perfectly blank mind but with youth's boundless optimism bubbling in your heart, and—you never can tell—you might get a "break."

Let us take a "beootiful" example. Suppose it is you, who with said blank mind and said optimism rushes eagerly into the room. You sit down, stare about you more or less nonchalantly trying to recall how your face SHOULD look, according to Hoyle, when you're calm and cool and collected. And then, goody, goody, gum-drop—the questions! You place them carefully before you, ready for the fray. You look at them—blink your eyes—look at them again—shake your head. Can it be possible you're in the wrong room taking the wrong exam? Undoubtedly, it is the only possible solution. Otherwise, nobody could be that dumb and still living. Yet, that seems rather silly. You glance about you, nevertheless just to make sure you are in the right place. Yes, there they are, the same faces which have surrounded you all the semester during this class, but so changed as to be almost irreognizable in their expressions of horror, agony, or dumb despair. At last you see So-and-So, calmly and unconcernedly writing away, setting a new world's record for non-stop flight. She would!—The minutes go dragging tortuously by. There not only isn't any Justice, there isn't any Wisdom or Knowledge either. You look at the questions again—And then, marvelous, incredible, amazing accident! Knowledge suddenly rushes up to you; it doesn't tap you gently and shyly on the shoulder, it actually jumps on your back, in most unladylike fashion! Feverishly you grab your pen and scribble away "lest you forget." Your heart goes bump, bump, bumpety bump. Oh, "ain't it a grand and glorious feeling?"

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The Student Council in the name of the Student Association wishes to give most sincere thanks to Mother Linus and to the Sisters who entertained the student body and faculty with a Christmas banquet. The Council also extends to all its very best wishes for a happy and successful New Year!

### HEAD OF JESUIT MISSIONS TALKS AT WEBSTER

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about as large in area as our own state of Missouri. In this section there are over twenty-five million pagans. The Jesuits have complete charge of this district, and so far, have been able to send but thirty-two Fathers there—thirty-two to bring the message of Jesus to twenty-five million.

Father O'Connor then reiterated his plea that everyone recognize his responsibility to the missions, and shoulder his share of the burden. He closed with the striking words, "Don't let's be superficial."

"You will have to indorse this check," announced the business-like cashier to the young minister who had just received his first precious quarter's salary.

"Indorse it?" was the blank reply. "Yes. There—on the back!" After a moment of puzzled thought, the young minister wrote carefully upon the back of the check, "I heartily indorse the purpose for which this sum of money is intended. J. B. Perkins, D. D."

Some folks are willing to become cranks for the sake of a reputation.

### Wanted: Some One Who Is Hungry!

Does that piping hot chili taste good on January days? And at lunch are the hot muffins, fruit salad, sweet potatoes and soup just the answer to a hungry student's wish?

Then thank Mrs. O. R. Ojeman, directress of the Webster College Cafeteria, who after years of experience with hungry collegians, has learned the true way to "appease that gnawing feeling"

Mrs. Ojeman's interest in cafeterias dates back to the days when as a child she watched her father change the tanks of gas for the carbonated water of the first soda fountains in St. Louis.

As the directress of Webster Cafeteria she plans all the meals. Years of study, work and experience have taught her many interesting facts about appetites. Women prefer salads and other delectable dishes, she says, while boys like meat, and lots of it. Another housewifely observation which Mrs. Ojeman has made during her long career is that if potatoes are mashed, only half the usual quantity need be prepared. Milky ways, milk shakes and chili vie for popularity among the Webster students according to the directress.

Mrs. Ojeman came to Webster from the St. Louis U. cafeteria where she served as directress for twenty years.

Sandy: "What's the raison for th' price of gasoline?"

Gas Station Gus: "Why should that bother you—you haven't got a car?"

Sandy: "True, but I've got a cigar lighter!"

### CLUB CHAT

The Classical Club, which meets every first and third Sunday of the month, had its regular meeting on Monday afternoon, January 21, at one-thirty o'clock. This was purely a business meeting, the subjects for discussion being the new constitution and the question of dues.

The regular meeting of the Chemistry Club for this month has been postponed because the students had not yet returned on the first Thursday of the month, January 3.

The Choral Club is practicing a new song, "Sylvia," by Oley Speaks, which will probably be presented at a musical recital in March.

Most of the clubs have opened their 1929 program with meetings, held either last week or the week before; and those clubs that have not resumed activities as yet, will probably do so within the next week. However, there will undoubtedly be a lull in real club activity for the next few weeks, for semester examinations take so large a share of time that there is little opportunity for other interests to assert themselves.

On Tuesday, January 8, Father Case, S. J., addressed the Mathematics Club on the subject, "Graphs." All the students taking a course in science attended this lecture as well as the members of the Mathematics Club.

The regular meeting of the Biology Club which was to have been held Monday, January 14, has been postponed because of the illness of Sister Aloyse, the honorary president of this club.

The Coronado Hotel will be the scene of the dance to be given by the Spanish Club, Saturday, Jan. 26. The final arrangements for this dance were made at a meeting last Friday evening, Jan. 18.

The last meeting of the Poetry Club, held Wednesday evening, Jan. 16, was more of a social than a regular meeting. Poems of Francis Thompson, read at this meeting, formed the subject matter of the discussion.

### BITS OF ART GIVE COLORING TO STORY OF LORETTO

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were painted in 1889 and 1890, by Maime Heine, an old Loretto girl and a pupil of Sister Mary Martin's.

There is a fascinating story connected with the little, old log cabin in the Museum. A Mr. Cook, an engineer at Loretto Heights, spent many spare moments building and furnishing this little cabin which is an exact replica of the first Mother House in Kentucky. When completed, his work presented an exact duplicate of the first Loretto House. Time alone can tell where the miniature furnishings are as only the bare frame of the old cabin remains.

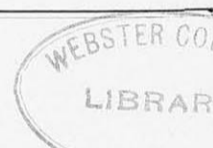
### AND NOW WHO WILL BE QUEEN AT ST. LOUIS U. PROM?

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## ALUMNAE NEWS

Of great interest to all Websterites was the marriage of Helen Simon, of the Class of '27, to Francis Kane last Wednesday morning, January 16. The ceremony was performed by Reverend John Kane at a 9:30 o'clock Mass in St. Luke's Church.

The bride was gowned in white georgette; the bouffant skirt made of many silver-tipped petals was of medium length in front but hung almost to the floor in the back. A cap-veil was caught to her head with pearls and orange blossoms, and she carried a shower-bouquet of bride's roses and lillies of the valley.

Rose was the keynote of the costumes of the bride's attendants: Agnes Tuschmidt, Ruth Ward, and Marie Scheer. They wore frocks of rose chiffon made with a long waist line, a wide crushed belt and a two-flounced skirt of irregular hemline. Large hats of hairbraid were of a deeper shade of rose to match the satin slippers, and the hose were of the same color as the dresses. The maids carried pink roses.

Agnes Tuschmidt and Ruth Ward entertained with a pre-nuptial party in honor of Helen Simon at the Coronado Hotel on January 5.

There was an Alumnae meeting at Webster on January 12. The executive meeting began at 2:30 p. m., and was followed by a regular business meeting session.

Margaret Leonard and Jeanette Stiritz, students at the Social Service School in Washington, D. C., spent the holidays with their parents in Webster Groves, Mo., and Alton, Ill., respectively.

The Alumnae of Webster College will meet the Webster College basketball team in a game in the near future. The Alumnae are organizing a team and all former students of Webster who are interested in basketball are urged to call Miss Genevieve Barthel, director of athletics at Webster College.

The Webster College Alumnae are also planning a play to be given shortly after Easter. Former dramatic students of Webster will be deeply interested in this event. Mrs. Norman George of 5408 Milentz Ave., is chairman of the committee which is planning the play.

## SORROWS AND JOYS ARE CAUSED AT WEBSTER BY INNOCENT PERSONS

"Is the mail out?" This is a question in which every student at Webster is interested. No! And disappointment clouds the face of the inquirer—then a few minutes later we hear again, "Is the mail out?" It is! There is a mad rush through the Administration Halls, through Loretto Hall to—the MAIL BOX.

If the all-important mail is being put out, those who have a class hurriedly scan their box and if no letter is there they call, "Be sure to bring my mail, Anne, will you?" Those who do not have a class are huddled in excited groups, waiting expectantly for some mail, eagerly

## WEBSTER'S FIFTH ANNUAL VAUDEVILLE PRESENTED DURING THE PAST WEEK

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SHARP BLASTS sounded a new key note for the Gusts. "A Review of 1894, presenting Thelma Pape, Bernadette Sturgiss, Alice Widmir, Dorothy O'Keefe, Dorothy Walsh, Betty Sharp, Kathleen Hamel, and Helen O'Brien. Thelma is to be congratulated for her "Comediana Complex." She's quite the "berries" when it comes to originality, and as for the "bush"—say, who's bothered? Bernadette suffered an acute attack of St. Vidas' dance, but "Give the Little Girl a Hand!" She certainly deserved it! And poor Alice—had an "orful" time maintaining her Sphinx-like gravity in the midst of so much toil and trouble. Dot O'Keefe almost wiggled her bonnet off on the bicycle, but then who could keep still in a costume of 1894 with 1929 nerve? As for Dorothy, Kathleen and Betty—"Boys, they're free!" And the organist Helen O'B-R-I-E-N, yes, an' how!

WHIRLWINDS revolutionized things gently. In the "Evolution of the Waltz," Elizabeth O'Malley and Rosemary O'Reilly danced the "Old-fashioned Waltz," and danced right into everyone's heart. Then Dorothy Farrell and Carol Emgy interpreted the "Merry Widow Waltz" and watching them one grew a little wistful for the lovely grace of a bygone day. Lateitia and Mary Hyslop whirled us into the lively tempo of Spain's matchless tango, and left us breathless but happy, gloriously happy! The last number of the group was an "Exhibition Waltz" presented by Orient Weis and Ellen Quirk, and which brought round after round of appreciative applause.

CYCLONES! What hemisphere is complete without invasion? Yet, Webster College for Women isn't a hemisphere though judging from the daily cyclonic elements hovering around that popular invention of the Bell Telephone Company, one would strongly suspect a storm brewing! Pity the unfortunate victim who hangs too long upon the "Deposit a nickel please." In "Outside the Phone Booth," Josephine Rabbit, Catherine Hazel, Lucyle Rapillard, Josephine Thompson, Frances Casey and Margaret Mary Brey gave a "howling" interpretation of a waitee's sentiments while the line is busy—oh how busy!—while So and So talks to Such and Such and "Tempus is fugiting," "Tempus has fugited!"

The enfant terrible, Time, seems determined to impress upon the entire populace of the 49th State, the nasty disposition of King Winter, but WINTER WINDS put the babe to shame for those of the "Tin Pan Parade" parade right on in regard-

peering over Sister's shoulder. Oh! here's a letter for you, and a long, white, thick envelope is handed back. With a squeal of delight the recipient of the letter bounds off with her highly prized possession! "Look, I got six letters, isn't that great?" Gradually the groups begin to disappear, some of the girls with bright faces rushing to a place to read their letters. Others are walking blindly—reading their mail, submerged from the outer world through their interest in the contents of their letters.

"Come on up girls and help me

less of snow and sleet, atmospheric pressure and weather man! Then spirits are so high that not only do the damsels parade but they even condescend to give a few gestures, a lil' son, and oh, raided was the kitchenette! for alack and alas, many a sundry cooking implement that had been missing was found "pour la stage."

Everybody knows what a typhoon is. Many a married man has more than once fought a losing struggle with the domestic element of his household, but does this phase Ann Ryan? Indeed, no! "A Mellow Miller Drammer" demonstrates that Anne is not floored by the enactment of several successive parts. A large picture hat adds to the pathos of the deserted wife; a high silk hat with bristling moustache glued to its hat-band give the villain the desired ferocious appearance; a jaunty, French derby (Broadway and Fourth or Biddle St., St. Louis) gives the finishing touch to the repentant husband and opportune hero!

AUTUMN SQUALLS rushed in "On Her Toes" with Jo' Reddin again in the charming role of "le petite danseuse." All the old girls remember Margie and it is with no little pleasure that we welcome her Sis and wish her the same successful and popular career. On with the dance!

HIGH PRESSURE deposited a flock of Red Heads. Clara Bow didn't have the chance of a lifetime! Sally Ryan was great with her Declaration of Independence for all those girlies whose hair boasts not the tints of "gentlemen prefer blondes," "but they marry brunettes." She was ably assisted by Suzanne Corrigan, Jane Burleigh, Margaret Schaefer, Ruth McKenna, Billy Surprise, and Margie Roesch.

HOT AIR was Hot Air, and how! The skit was acted by a few of our "beloved" Seniors with Lillian Case playing leading lady. Julie Bourke, Rose Malon, Margie Roesch, Marion Lane, Marie Reynolds, and Adele Daniel started the Van Ritz Reception off with a whow, but it took "A Simple Little Rag" worn by Miss Case to end it all! May Jehovah have pity upon all who attempt such in the future.

The BLOWOUT, strange to relate, came last. Usually, blow outs come when least expected or desired. Everybody knows that it is inevitable for the big car to develop a flat when you just decided to take the boy friend (as the case may be) to a place of what-have-you. But the BLOW OUT blew in with Helen Nesbit, Gertrude Jolley, Essemena Weiacker, Marie Wibracht and Rosemary O'Reilly and it blew out the last number of the 1929 Senior vaudeville of Webster College!

open it," this is heard from one young Websterite who has just received a box from "Mother."

"I didn't get a thing except this old paper. Why doesn't Mother write?" comes from another lass, who, like some of the rest of the group received NO MAIL. This group looks rather downcast and forlorn at first, then comes the thought that the afternoon mail is yet to come, and it will bring what? Who knows? Boxes, pictures, packages, letters, papers, from home, from the folks, or from Bob or Jack, maybe!

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Valeria Garthoffner entertained twenty girls with a luncheon on January 3, during the course of which she announced her engagement to George Klein.

Thelma Pape was hostess at a bridge luncheon at Holly Inn on Manchester Road, on December 28. The party of girls who were present filled twelve tables. Bereneice Wolff, Marie Fritz and Alice Widmer were the winners of the three highest prizes. Consolation prizes were won by Anne Ryan and Marie Wittrock. Thelma's mother, Mrs. F. W. Pape, chaperoned the luncheon.

Ellise Lee visited her sister at Wichita Falls, Texas, during the holidays.

Louise Hayes, Neva Daly, Frank Ward, Dorothy O'Keefe and Elizabeth O'Malley were unable to return on the reopening date because of illness, but they are now attending classes again.

Nellie Mae McDonnell, a former student, became the bride of Robert Needham at Holy Redeemer Church, on January 5. They are living in Webster Groves.

Helen Graves entertained a group of friends at a bridge luncheon at the home of her aunt, Mrs. J. S. Kuhn of Webster Groves. Elizabeth O'Malley won first prize and Agnes Tancred, the second prize.

Among other girls who entertained during the holidays were: Frances Ernst, who gave a bridge luncheon for her classmates, December 31; Virginia Drummond, who was hostess at a bridge for some friends from Webster and Notre Dame Academy of Belleville; Janet Wimer, who was hostess at an informal dance at the Midland Country Club, December 28; and Marie Walsh who entertained with a bridge on December 5.

Clarabelle Mueller has recovered from her recent illness and intends to return to school soon.

Florine Blevins and Ruth Goodbody visited Mary Virginia Cummins during the holidays.

Miss Maude Logsdon, Shawneetown, Illinois, was a guest at the college Saturday.

Dietitian: "Yes, a few lettuce leaves, without oil, and a glass of orange juice. There, Madam, that completes your daily diet."

Mrs. Over-weight: "Thank you so much, doctor, but do I take this before or after meals?"—London Passing Show.

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## NEW RESIDENCE HALL IS TO BE FORMALLY OPENED ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

### Retreat Closed Saturday With Papal Blessing

Rev. Charles McCarthy, C. M., of Dallas Texas, Gives Retreat

Reverend Charles McCarthy, C. M., closed the annual 3-day Retreat for the students of Webster College last Saturday morning with the bestowal of the Papal Blessing at the end of the 8:00 o'clock Mass, at which the Sodality of Our Lady received Holy Communion in a body.

Father McCarthy last week paid his first visit to Webster although the professors of the College are members of the same religious order. He has spent the past twenty-one years "off and on" at the parish church in Dallas, Texas, where he now is pastor. To quote himself, he does not often have time to give retreats to girls as he is so busy with other matters pertaining to parish affairs and the like.

Many interesting stories can be told by this priest of the Great War during which he served as chaplain in the American Army for twenty-two months, the latter seven being after the Armistice. A great part of the time spent abroad was in the Rhine country and in Belgium.

Recently, Father returned from another trip abroad during which he attended the Eucharistic Congress in Sydney, Australia. On his way back, he stopped for a while in Naples and in Rome, where he had an audience with the Holy Father.

### TO YOU ALL—

Many years ago there lived in Rome, Saint Valentine. On his birthday he began the custom of giving small presents to everyone in the village in which he lived. The day became a joyous event and so deeply rooted in the hearts of the people that the pleasant old custom of this venerable saint has been handed down through the centuries to the present generation.

Since Saint Valentine's time a romantic angle has been added to the original custom and now February 14 is the day for sweethearts as well as friends. Bits of lacy paper, great red hearts and pretty verses of love are symbols of our modern acceptance of the ancient custom.

We have no bits of lacy paper or great red hearts to send, but our most earnest desire at present is to extend to all "Greetings for St. Valentine's Day."

The Staff.

### PLAYS AND SKETCHES GIVE GREAT PLEASURE TO APPRECIATIVE GUESTS

Many Charming Evenings in  
Near Future Promised by  
Dramatic Schedule

On Thursday evening, January 24, students of the Dramatic Department gave a delightful recital before a small but appreciative audience. Alice Widmer began the program with a lovely lyric by William Martin—although lyrics are a new "line" for her she managed it quite well. Mary Hickman and Bernadette Sturgess read two very interesting stories—the former, whose story was the sad one of a father disowned by his daughter, told *Inja* well and sympathetically, Bernadette handled her story very cleverly and enabled the audience almost to hear Billie Boy asking his father those Rainy Noah questions. Alfred Noyes' poem, "The Highwayman," which was Jane Poole's selection, was given very well and was well received. Billie Surprise entertained with that amusing monologue, "A Real Lady," and Catherine Cody read Browning's "The Last Duchess," preceded by a short introduction. "To like Browning one must be intellectual," Catherine said—the guests may pride themselves that they are intellectual for they apparently enjoyed "The Last Duchess" very much. Helen O'Brien gave two musical readings and a dramatic impersonation. The first two were very well done and the impersonation was, to say the least, exceptional. Jo Reddin and Mary Margaret Everroad ended the program with a pleasing "lyrical trifle," "Beau and Belle."

Mrs. Sankey will present three one-act comedies on the evening of February twelfth. Bernadette Sturgess and Alice Widmer will appear in "Cat's Claws." Helen O'Brien, Dorothy O'Keefe and Dorothy Walsh will have the parts in "Granny's Juliet," while a Freshman cast, Elizabeth O'Malley, Dorothy Fairall, Esther Kraft, Josephine Reddin and Helen McEvoy, plays in "Jazz and Minuet."

On February twenty-first, three other plays will be given. "Joint Owners in Spain," with Thelma Pape, Ann Ryan, Catherine Geary and Catherine Sullivan, and "Mrs. Oakley's Telephone," with Josephine Rabbitt, Mary Frances Broeker, Dorrit Barnicle and Frances Ernst, the upper classmen's contribution towards the evening's entertainment. The Freshmen will give "Convalescence of Bobby" with Billie Surprise, Mary Zilliken, Ellen Niemann, Letitia Hyslop, Essemena Weinacker, Marie Walsh, Ann Ward and Frances Sloan.

### LORETTO HALL



### \$35,000 Has Now Been Obtained By Foundation

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ready Proved Its  
Power

The Foundation Fund of Loretto is celebrating its first birthday this month. In February of last year, the Foundation was started to raise money for the improvement of the College and for an Endowment fund. The new Loretto Hall had been begun the previous November and it had yet to be furnished, while there were many necessary improvements to be made in the laboratories and in the library.

During the year of 1928, a Carnival was sponsored by the Student Body under the direction of the Social Committee of the Sodality, and a mammoth Card Party was held in September at the Hotel Chase. The latter event brought to the Foundation \$3,875.43, and thus the total amount taken in for the year became \$35,000.00.

The Biology department was re-

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### Hotel Jefferson Used for First Time by College

Gold Room Is Scene on Feb.  
1, of Annual Senior  
Prom

1929! The thirteenth year of Webster's learned existence! 1929! Webster's Prom! The annual promenade, sponsored by the Senior class, of which Rose Malon is President, was given in the Gold Room of the Jefferson Hotel, Friday evening, February first.

In keeping with the superstitious lore of the year, a scheme of charms and omens was effectively carried out, and the enormous ball room was the scene of much gaiety and color. Four tremendous chandeliers reflected jeweled patches of errie light upon the dancers; Jeun's orchestra was the quintessence of bewitched jazz; the girls were lovely in the frail, fragile creations of blues, pinks, greens and yellows. Chiffons, velvets, satins, laces, taffetas—all the glory of shining, iridescent evening gowns made the dance floor a fairy patchwork quilt.

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### Public Invited To Inspect the College Buildings

Students To Act As Guides  
—Noted Speaker To  
Attend

At 2 o'clock on next Sunday afternoon, February 17, the New Residence Hall of Webster College will be formally opened to the public. The students are to act as guides both in the Administration Building and in "Loretto Hall."

In the Residence Hall, the guests will be shown the parlors and living-rooms on the first floor, the cafeteria and Clubroom on the ground floor. The Administration Building will present an interesting tour of inspection by means of a "model class" on the first floor, the library on the second floor, and the Biology laboratory in operation.

Plays will be presented in the Little Theater at 3:30 p. m.; and here Mr. A. B. Chipman, Mayor of Webster Groves, will welcome the guests.

Most Reverend John J. Glennon, Archbishop of the diocese of St. Louis, will sing Solemn Benediction at 5:00 p. m. He will be assisted by Very Reverend Charles L. Souvay, C. M., as Deacon, and by Reverend Peter J. Dooley as Subdeacon. A brief talk will be given by Reverend William J. McGucken, S. J.

### 'DEAR WEBSTER' BOWS TO THE APPLAUD OF STUDENTS AND PUBLIC

School Song Written by  
Anne Carr, '28 and Frank  
Ward, '29, Is Published

To the Loretto Conservatory of Music goes the honor of the first published student composition, the school song made its bow the other day, profoundly flaunting Webster on its cover, a Webster of bending trees, close-winding paths, and loved twin towers. Within its pages, sound the brave notes of the undying love of Loretto girls for their chosen mother, taking form in simple heart-felt words and music that marches gallantly.

Right gladly is DEAR WEBSTER welcomed, for already it has filled a long-known deed. It sang the Class of '28 farewell, ushering reluctantly its faces from the sight, but not from the heart of Webster. Over flower-draped banquet boards has its chorus rung. Months ago, a shaken Freshman class, white from the terrors of initiation heard

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## Junior Class Holds Election of Officers for Year Book

**Staff for 1930 Lauretanum Chosen; Art Editor to Be Elected Later**

Orient Weis was elected Editor-in-Chief of the Lauretanum at a meeting of the Junior Class recently. Other members of the staff are: Associate Editor, Margaret Vollet; Business Manager, Elizabeth Coakley; Advertising Manager, Josephine Rabbitt; Circulation Manager, Mary Frances Broeker.

The Art Editor has not been chosen because there is some discussion as to whether she will be elected from the Junior Class or from the general student body.



ORIENT WEIS

Orient Weis, the Editor-in-Chief, has always been active in athletics and is President of the Webster Athletic Association. Besides the office of which Margaret Vollet has just been elected she is President of the Junior Class, Vice President of the Student Association, Editorial Editor of the Web and Assistant Treasurer of the Sodality. She is also associated with club and social work.

Elizabeth Coakley is vice-president of the Mathematics Club.

Jo Rabbitt is Secretary of the Junior Class, Advertising Manager of the Loretine, Treasurer of the Student Association, Treasurer of the Biology Club, and Vice President

Mary Frances Broeker is Vice President of the Junior Class, and is active in athletic and social activities. The new staff will begin work immediately with the present staff in order to learn the "tricks of the trade."

Teacher: "The sentence 'My father had money,' is in the past tense. Now, Mary, what tense would be speaking in if you said 'My father has money?'"

Mary: "Pretense."



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## Popularity at Webster

The most popular instrument to be found in Webster College is the telephone. It's popularity has been assured from the first year of Webster's existence, when it stood on a table in the main hall of the Administration Building.

The first students were told that this phone was for business, not for pleasure, but to no avail. There was something so magnetic about the instrument that when the presiding sister left, a landslide of girls made a grand rush for it.

The lucky one would then proceed to call a long list of friends. And to the dismay of visitors in the parlor, remarks on politics and the topics of the day would be punctuated by such phrases as "Oh, John, how thrilling!" or "Oh, Bill, you always say such clever things" that drifted in from the hall.

It was thought best to eliminate this so the following year the little instrument was enclosed in a booth. This privacy increased the demand for the telephone, so the faculty sought to remedy matters by installing another phone on the second floor.

All went well for a while, but Webster College continued to grow, so the next year it was necessary to put one on the third floor also.

Then with the addition of Loretto Hall came three more telephones. Surely that should be enough for any school, but just try to call in any time, especially around seven or eight o'clock in the evening! Webster girls are popular and the boys use this hour to call them. And if you don't believe the writer, ask Central.

The fellow who insists on keeping the end seat of the pew also believes that it is no longer fashionable for a man to give a woman his seat in a crowded street car.

## A HAVEN OF FLOWERING BEAUTY IS FOUND AT THE COLLEGE GATE

**The Botanical Garden of P. C. Thompson Attracts Many Visitors to View Its Treasures**

In the very shadow of Webster College is one of St. Louis' show-places—the botanical garden of P. C. Thompson. So identical to Shaw's Garden in its arrangement and in its wide variety of things botanical is Mr. Thompson's garden that it has often been referred to as "the miniature Shaw's Garden." Cultivated, of course, on a much smaller scale than the city's beauty spot, the garden, however, contains flowers, plants and trees of almost every species.

Gardening is a hobby of Mr. Thompson's; his home adjoins these exquisite gardens. Visitors are always welcomed by the owner who delights in conducting them personally through his forest of flowers. The registration book of his visitors is indicative of its popularity. From Europe and South America, as well as from all sections of the United States, visitors have signed the registration book which contains more than 500,000 names. And many Webster students have spent pleasant hours in Mr. Thompson's gardens.

Thick banks of moss and fern form the background for myriads of flowers and rare plants. There also are rubber, century and cactus plants. In the garden will be seen every variety of rose from the tea rose to the regal American Beauty. On a quaint little bridge is the greenest of holly with its brilliant berries. His tree walk is a duplicate of those which may be

seen in California, Florida or Hawaii. Then, too, there are snap dragons and white lilies, tulips and carnations. Four o'clocks, bluebells and golden daffodils abound. The perky little violets attract much attention as do the gorgeous baby-breath and lilies of the valley.

A stroll through Mr. Thompson's flowery retreat is a visit that will long be remembered.

## Quite Logical

An American said to an Irishman: "In America we have a hen that laid an egg six inches long."

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"How?" inquired the American. "With an egg beater," calmly answered the Irishman.

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ROSE MALON

offset by the somber black of the men's tuxedos.

Upon the stroke of twelve the Promenade brought the most brilliant social affair of the college to a happy end; and while Jeun's musicians played in quick, lively tempo, the college song, "Dear Webster," Miss Malon led the Grand March with her escort. The long line wound itself round and round into a maze of blending colors until each guest had received his favor; this year a set of book-ends cast of the new building, with the seal and year of the college stamped upon the facade of Loretto Hall.

Among the chaperons were Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Rosenthal, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Weiler, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Tinker, Mrs. I. McMenamy and Mrs. Anna McLain Sankey.

### \$35,000 HAS NOW BEEN OBTAINED BY FOUNDATION

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modeled last summer when it was moved from the two rooms on the first floor to the suite of eight rooms in the east wing of the second floor. The Chemistry and Physics departments are to be moved and remodeled in the near future. The library, too, is to share in the general improvement plan.

They brought the visitor along the river path and showed him the ruined church, with its tall defiant pillars, its ancient tombstones, its shadowfilled cloisters, and the wonderful stone tracery of its east window.

"Well," they said, at length, "what do you think of it?"

"It's a scandal," said the visitor, "especially in a rich parish like this. Why don't they get up a bazaar for it or something?"



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## ANOTHER MILESTONE

February 17 marks another milestone in the history of Webster College. On that day the students and faculty will throw wide open the doors of the new residence hall to the many friends of Loretto.

Several months have passed since Webster's school bell, imaginary of course, called students, both old and new, to begin a year of college training. The weeks have sped along since students stood aghast at the beauties which surrounded them in the halls of Webster. Gradually these students have grown accustomed to the enlarged lecture rooms and laboratories. They have created an atmosphere of home in their rooms in Loretto Hall. Many a pot of fudge has been prepared in the sunny kitchenettes, and social hall and the club room have often resounded with hearty laughter.

But on February 17, Loretto Hall and the remodeled administration building will take on new and added importance. At that time the students, who have been enjoying such pleasant surroundings, will welcome those other supporters of Webster who, while they do not daily enjoy her beauties, did so much to make Webster's beauties, realities. The friends of Loretto have been invited to attend the formal opening of Loretto Hall. They will come; they will necessarily admire; and, as they go away admiring, they will undoubtedly leave behind students awakened, by this admiration, to an even keener appreciation of their Alma Mater and incited to make always greater sacrifices for her so that she may be hailed for what she is—an institution for the higher education of tomorrow's Catholic women leaders!

## WHY GO TO COLLEGE?

What is the purpose of going to college? At the beginning of a new semester it is not amiss to stop for a minute to ask this question of ourselves and attempt an answer which will satisfy.

The annual retreat is just behind us. We have realized lately that, as Catholic college students, our education must lead us on toward our soul's salvation. It must teach us to become leaders, educated, broad-minded Catholic women. Our college training must and does point out the way to the Perfect Happiness—a major reason for going to college. But should not college training also bring closer the lesser happinesses along the way? What else should a student get out of college? We all know that success in our future vocations will undoubtedly be augmented by college training. There, then, we have one of the secondary purposes of college education. In the next place, a college student has the right to expect a reasonable amount of "good times" in social or athletic pursuits. What would college life be without its athletics and its proms? But vocational training, athletic and social things which a college education should afford, if we may judge from some notes of the late Charles William Eliot which have recently come to light. He has enumerated the things which he believes a student should get out of college if he is to live happily. And it is our purpose, from time to time, the notes which President Eliot jotted down on this subject.

In the first place, the college student, according to Charles Eliot, should acquire "an available body, not necessarily the muscles of an athlete but good circulation, digestion, power to sleep, and alert steady nerves." A noble aspiration, certainly, and one worthy of our consideration! Of course we do not presume, in this column, to make ourselves authorities on health nor to point out, in a few sentences, how our fellow students may acquire the available body. But we do urge a bit of reflection on the phrase "an available body." We ask if good health is not worth striving after. Certainly, a strong, healthy body and alert, steady nerves are the first essentials for happiness. How can we hope to find happiness in our future work, how can we be the leaders of tomorrow if we are physically unfit? Why not resolve, then, during our college years, to follow this suggestion of President Eliot so that we may set out in life fortified not only with the strong will to conquer but with a body equally strong and able to fight on?

## EXAMS

Half a year is gone, oh woe is me!  
What shall I ever do?  
Exams are here, oh goodness me!  
Exams sure make me blue.

My knowledge's flown! exam week!  
No matter how I plan—  
Examinations make me weak.  
Oh, lend a helping hand!

I pray to all the Saints above  
(I hope to some avail),  
For if I don't get saintly lore  
I'm sure that I shall fail.

No matter how I spend my year,  
If I study—if I play,  
I always get a complex  
On examination day.

—T. P., '31.

## PROPHECY

Catherine Arrendale

How shall I keep you,  
If you want to go?  
With bitter weeping,  
With a chain? No.  
I shall dance gaily,  
Laugh just a little;  
Sing in a gay voice,  
Songs, light and brittle.  
You'll wonder why I'm happy  
When you're away,  
You will come creeping  
Back someday.

## ALONE

Adele Daniel

I am alone. The wind slaps my face  
Then sweeps swiftly down the lark-ened lane  
There is no one here to take your place,  
No one to ease my pain;  
No fault of yours, my dear,  
I just could not, could not, understand  
And so I left. Came here  
To cry and bite my hand.

## SELFISH

Rose Malon

Others may wonder why  
We together trend the land  
If others only knew you  
Then they'd understand.

But then I'd lose you  
And that would never be  
So friend, you are a treasure  
And I'll keep you all for me.

## MUSIC CONSERVATORY OFFERS NEW COURSE IN PUBLIC SCHOOL MUSIC

The Conservatory of Music is offering a new course this semester. This course of public school music will be of great advantage to any one who wishes to teach and will be pursued two hours a week by candidates for the music degree, under the direction of Sister Mary Paula.

Mrs. O. R. Ojeman, directress of the Webster College cafeteria, was erroneously quoted in the last issue of the Web as having served as directress of the St. Louis University cafeteria for twenty years before coming to Webster. She served in this capacity at St. Louis University for eight years.

## An Old Friend Pays a Visit To Webster

Many are the visitors that come to Webster's Hall, but none is so warmly welcomed as Mother Edith, the former Superioress of the College. Mother Edith recently paid a visit to her former home and spent some weeks there. The girls enjoyed the company of their "old friend" and look forward to another visit in the near future.

## While Websterites Sleep

"Oh! D-o-r-o-t-h-e, don't step in that jar of sandwich spread! It's all we have, and that means about sixteen good sandwiches. And every sandwich counts!"

"S-h-sh—who is that coming down the hall?" No one, silly, you're just hearing things. "No, honest and truly, I sure enough heard those boards creak. Gee whiz! and here I have two campus marks behind my name, and one more means "catching up on my knitting" this week-end."

K-n-o-c-k—"Now, didn't I tell you I heard someone coming down the hall?" Come on everybody, lets stand up and face the music. C-o-n-i-e-i-n. Well, Mary, for heaven's sakes, why did you scare the daylights out of us?" "I just had to come down 'cause I'm so hungry I could die! You don't mind, do you?" "We should say not; what belongs to one Websterite belongs to all."

"Say, girls, do you all realize that the 'Prom' is so near? What are you going to wear, Lucille?" "Oh! you are, how lovely! I'm just destitute for a new formal, but you know how it is—I'm afraid Mother won't buy me a new spring dress if I ask her for a new formal. Such is the life of a poor girl!"—"Cheer up, Janet, cheer up, a hundred years from now you will never know the difference."

"Please pass the olives. Doesn't everything taste good? Bernice, did you bring those little cheese chips? They are the best I ever tasted; you know the clerks at 'Kroger's' always let us sample 'staples' in the bulk before we buy so we won't feel as though we have squandered our money on something which we know nothing about.

"Let's go now. Goodbye, Helen—what did you say? She is asleep; well, that just goes to prove that you never know what's going on behind your back. Well, we can tell her how much we enjoyed it in the morning. Take off your mules and go barefooted down the hall as we want to be as quiet as we possibly can. Goodnight everybody—Good-night—sh-sh-sh-sh."

The monthly sodality Mission Mass was held in the College Chapel on Tuesday, January 22. Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M., offered the Mass which was attended by sodalists from Nerinx Hall as well as day-students and boarders of the college.

"Home is where the heart is!" exclaimed the sentimentalist.

"Perhaps," answered Miss Cayenne, "my impression is that the average new home is somewhere between the delicatessen and the beauty parlor.—The Washington Star.



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

One upon a time, so the paper says, a certain freshman began his college career at Columbia. This was in 1868, and he died the other day, still going. After sixty years, believe it or not! This would seem to be a case of going through college by degrees. And it was, for at the time of his death, he had three B.B.'s, an M.D., A.B., A.M., L.L.B., Ph.D., C.E., E.E., Mech.E., E.M., and Phar. Chem. What a man! One wonders just how he survived all those initials, and wouldn't he be popular at the dances nowadays?

Nevertheless, if we meet him up in heaven and he starts bragging, or trying to "high-hat" us and our one lonesome A.B.—well, here's hoping we can remember we were brought up to be a "lady." After all, he wasn't so ambitious, because, while he was in college, a relative left him \$2,500 a year, as long as he remained there. Hence, the sixty years of studious application.

Now, then, ask yourselves, calmly and collectedly, what would you have done under the same circumstances? Stay in college for sixty years and get the \$2,500 a year, or would you have preferred to get out in the world and work for a change? (And after that last remark, they closed school for half a day and the girls cheered lustily, as Anti-Sophia was laid peacefully to rest.)

"Claims Human Status for Monkey Attached for Debt"—Headline.

The case is based on Darwin's theory, but the whole thing sounds like monkey-business.

"St. Louisan Appointed to Board of Church"—Headline.

That's not such a big honor. Many a St. Louisan has been appointed to the rocks in jail.

"15,000 Have Flu in Paris"—Headline.

Another non-stop flight from the United States to Paris.

A recent news item told how a young couple, unable to decide what to name their infant son, left the matter entirely in his hands, literally speaking. They put a number of names of famous men and other names on slips of paper and deposited them all in a hat. Then they passed the hat, and let the baby pick out his own name. In went his chubby fist, and out came "Gene Tunney." So now there is another Gene Tunney, who will probably grow up to be a fashion designer or beauty specialist. Life's little jokes!

Nevertheless, the method certainly has its advantages. The youngster may name himself "Percival So-and-So" and turn out to be a six-foot, two hundred pound battleship in the Navy football squad, but he can't blame his name on Mom or Pop. They can always turn around,

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## Diary of an English Literature Text

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Sept. 26.—En route over the I. C. Borne swiftly along but was unable to see anything. Now and then the roadbed over which we traveled seemed very rough, but we did not suffer any ill consequences due to the fact that we were supported on all sides by other texts.

Sept.—Someone picked up the box in which we were packed, threw us in a truck and sped out Big Bend Road.

Sept. 29.—Delivered at Webster College but not unpacked.

Sept. 30.—Saw light of day in "Assembly B." Students eyed me dubiously.

Oct. 1.—I became the property of one of the students who carries me back and forth from class on days preceding English periods. Being taken out of the locker occasionally seems good to me.

Nov. 10.—Constantly used for the last week because a test was approaching.

Nov. 16.—Owner became angry with me because she forgot what I told her concerning the first question of the test.

Nov. 25.—Praised by owner. Today's assignment was unusually easy.

Dec. 14.—Everything the same as usual. Overheard the girls talking about the Christmas vacation. That means a rest for me.

Jan. 7.—Used for first time in 1929.

Feb. 2.—Girl who should have given me to rightful owner before exams delivered me today.

## Anti-Sophia Says

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nonchalantly, and say, "Tut, Tut. Dunt esk. You did it with your little fist."

"Princeton Dean Urges More Work for College Men"—Headline.

For goodness' sake! Don't let anybody put a bug like that in our Dean's ear. The very thought leaves us in a weakened condition—"able to sit up and take nourishment," but Oh, so feeble!

"Pies in Street After Crash"—Headline.

Did that make them mince pies?

"Two Women Claim Same Man as Their Husband"—Headline.

And then the fun began!

## ALUMNAE NEWS

The marriage of Dorothy Monarch and Walter E. Gary was solemnized in Owensboro, Ky., which is the home of the bride, on Feb. 6. The bride, who is a talented musician, received her A.B. degree in 1927, and since her graduation has been teaching music. She has had charge of the music department of the public high school in Owensboro. Your Alma Mater wishes you all the happiness in the world, Dorothy.

"What makes you say she has everything necessary to make a woman happy?"

"Her husband owns a millinery store and an automobile."

## CLUB CHAT

Club activities for the present have been suspended because of the examinations which ended yesterday and the retreat which was concluded the end of the week. Consequently there are no current notices, but it might be interesting to view some of the club work this year.

Some of the clubs have been very fortunate this year in obtaining the splendid speakers they have had. The Biology Club started the year right with an address by Rev. Alphonse Schwitalla, S. J. The Poetry Club followed suit later on, and had as their speaker, Rev. D. A. Lord, S. J. A few weeks ago, Rev. J. E. Case, S. J., addressed the Mathematics Club.

In speaking of social affairs, the Dramatic and Spanish Clubs come to the fore, for each has sponsored a dance this year. It may also be noted that the last meeting of the Poetry Club was a social gathering instead of the regular business meeting.

That organization that adds so much to entertainment facilities of Webster College, the Choral Club, is a very live and hard-working group this year for the members are giving a great deal of time to practice.

Our two younger clubs, the Chemistry and Classical Clubs, have not been idle. The many papers that have been read at the meetings show the interest that the members of the Chemistry Club are taking in their work. The most notable achievement of the Classical Club has been the formulation of a constitution.

## ATHLETICS

The freshmen really seem to be earnest in going after the 1929 basketball championship. In this last game they played well and incidentally, took a second victory from the sophomores, this time the score being 29-19. The difference between the scores of the last game and the previous one shows that the Freshies are not the only ones working for the championship. 43-19 was the score of their first game. From this it would seem that the Freshies had better keep up their work of practicing lest they be overtaken in the race by the Upperclassmen. At any rate, the girls are glad to see such genuine interest in inter-class games. The attendance at the last game, too, was somewhat improved.

February 20, opens the outside basketball season at Webster! On that day, Harris Teachers' College team is coming to try to take another victory from us, but the team does not intend to allow it this time! In fact, from the reports of Miss Barthel, the coach, there is a REAL TEAM to be met by visitors this year, one that is all set for going "over the top" for Victory and then for Championship! Last year there was a great crowd that came with the Harris team; this year that crowd is going to be eclipsed by "OUR GIRLS!"

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of St. Alphonsus Church, Broad-  
way, New York, now serving on the  
Catholic Medical Mission Board  
and for 21 years a missionary in  
Porto Rico, addressed the students  
of Webster College on Jan. 24. His  
appeal, which he is carrying to  
every part of the U. S. and Canada,  
is for Catholic doctors and nurses  
in the mission field.

Medical attention is needed for  
the missionaries themselves, laboring  
as they do where disease is rampant  
and where doctors and nurses are  
hundreds of miles away. Also medi-  
cal aid is needed for the pagans  
who are easily won over by doctors  
and nurses who can cure their  
diseases. With that much achieved,  
it is an easy matter to convert  
them to the faith.

Father Lynch told of five Cath-  
olic priests who went from Chicago  
to China. They had some knowl-  
edge of dentistry and on their ar-  
rival in the back country of China  
they cured, in 14 days, the aches  
of 300 people who had never before  
heard of dentists. As a result of  
such kind attention, 300 pagans in  
14 days consented to receive the  
light of faith. This and many  
other interesting examples helped  
to impress the main object of the  
lecture, that in the missions today,  
more than anything else, the men  
and women who are serving must  
have health and the means of pre-  
serving health both for themselves  
and their people.

### A Good Start

Father: I am grieved to hear, my  
boy, that you have told your mother  
several falsehoods. Always tell the  
truth, even if it should mean  
trouble for you. Will you promise to  
do so, Tommy?

Tommy: Yes, father.

Father: That's a good boy. Who  
is that knocking at the door? If  
it's Smith' say I'm out.

### Surprise Is Right

Those who have not tasted lemon  
nog have a delightful surprise in  
store for them:

½ cup ice water.  
2 tablespoons sugar.  
1 or 2 shrdluhrdluhrdluhrdlu

Mabel: "Have you heard the latest  
about Daisy?"

Betty: "No, what is it?"

Mabel: "Well, she went to an as-  
trotoger to find out the best time to  
get married. He took one look at her  
and told her to take first chance."

Kindly Wife: "Still, I don't think  
you should be too discouraged about  
your driving, George. Look at all  
the telegraph poles you passed  
safely before you hit this one."

The two young matrons were dis-  
cussing the difficulties of keeping a  
budget straight.

"Why, my dear, it's simply ter-  
rible," said Mrs. Wiggins. "This  
month I had to put in four mis-  
takes to make my budget balance."



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'DEAR WEBSTER' BOWS  
TO THE APPLAUD OF  
STUDENTS AND PUBLIC

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FRANK RAYMOND WARD  
its welcome for the first time, and, perchance, imbibed a little of the loyal spirit of the halls. And—the Class of '29 to whom it is dedicated, and who shall presently sing it for the last time, thrilled to its beat at the Senior Promenade, accepting by this act the gift of a classmate, Frank Raymond Ward, to her sisters.

But not just the girls of '28 and '29 "flaunt Alma Mater's praises to the skies," instrumental though they are in the production of the school song; all Webster rises at the first chords. Which all is as it should be: Our College, Our Song! "May we be true to you!"

Mission Week To Be  
Celebrated Early in  
Lent by Conference

Depending on the arrival of Monsignor Francis A. Thill of the Crusade Castle, and National head of the C. S. M. C., the local Conference of that organization will devote a week early in Lent to the furtherance of Mission activities, both home and abroad. Each Unit is expected to participate in it; a Novena of Masses and Holy Communions has been suggested as a fitting preparation.

During that week, a public debate on the Home and Foreign Missions will be held at the auditorium of St. Louis University by the winners of the elimination contest held last Sunday at Fontbonne College.

Rev. Dr. Joseph P. Donovan, C. M., of Kenrick Seminary, head of this movement, presided Sunday. Those who won places were: For the colleges, Henry Hughes of St. Louis University; Miss Elinor Hickerson of the Sacred Heart College; Miss Agnes Ibbetson of Fountbonne College, and Miss Adele Daniel of Webster College.

Subject of Debate

The subject of the debate on March 3 for the collegians will be: "Resolved, That the foreign missions are being emphasized to the detriment of home missions at the present time in the United States." The high school debaters on the same platform will discuss: "Resolved, That the work among the Negroes affords the best home missionary opportunity."

The final plans for this event are in care of the Executive Committee which has decided that there shall be college men, college women, high school boys and high school girls on either side.

Each school was allowed to send a representative to the elimination contests; Adele Daniel spoke for Webster.

The debaters will endeavor to

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show what is being done and what CAN be done for the Missions.

At the various colleges and high schools, this week, playlets, sandwich and candy sales, and the like are also to be supported by the loyal members of the C. S. M. C.

Although they live in the heavens it would hardly be correct to refer to the angels as high fliers.

Somewhere Else

The wife of a famous English Bishop—who we shall call John Smith—was recently very ill, and required a serious operation. As she recovered from the anesthetic, she was heard to murmur: "Am I in Heaven? Am I in Heaven? No, there's John."

## June and Then---?

"Dare to Dream Beautiful Dreams and Then With Courage in Your Hand, Go Out and Make These Dreams Come True."

Some time ago it was brought to the attention of the staff that after all one year, or even two, is not long enough in which to really know girls. There are few who take identical courses and those pursuing them are rarely in the same class. For this reason, it has been decided to give interviews with the members of the class least known to the newcomers, the Seniors. In this way, the younger girls will become acquainted with the older ones more intimately and with their work in school.

### LILLIAN CASE

Lillian Case is somewhat of an optimist; she has no definite plans for her days "after June." Sometimes she thinks that she will continue her studies in her major and minor, French and Spanish and she would like to travel on the continent. Again, she thinks that maybe she will just stay at home with her mother. Her major and minor were chosen simply from a cultural viewpoint as she does not contemplate teaching.

The "pet hobby" of Lillian is music, especially voice which she is now studying under Sister Mary Paula at the Conservatory. Dramatics, too, hold a fascination for this girl and she "loves to putter around the stage."

Sports play a very small part in her life as she likes only skating and that not to any great extent.

### RUTH COSTELLO

Although rather short in stature, Ruth Costello is far from small in

her ambitions. Her "hobby" is aviation! To say the least, the fact that she is majoring in Greek because "it is so fascinating" and then takes her real pleasure "in the air" is rather startling. And next to aviation, Ruth likes to write—"oh, most anything," but especially has she liked her course in Drama.

Outdoor sports, too, have always attracted her. She is adept at the feats of riding horse-back, swimming, ice-skating, and tennis. But those inside pastimes, such as "bridge" do not hold much interest for her, although she does "like reading and music, and has studied 'voice' while here at College."

If she cannot pursue her favorite pleasure, then Ruth intends to travel a bit, but mostly "play lady."

### MARIE RICE

Marie Rice longs to write; short stories, poetry, essays are to her merely a pleasing pastime. Naturally, she is majoring in English; her minoring in Greek is for culture and smoothness of style. Marie has many "likes:" reading, poetry, art (she is Art Editor of the Lorette), tennis, swimming—all are her "pets!" As for music, she does not care much for it, but prefers the spoken drama to opera.

Sloan: "When you were staying down at Long Island did you ever meet a fellow with one leg named Sanders?"

Square (pondering): "What was the name of his other leg?"

First Sailor to depressed friend: "What's worrying you, Bill? Get it off your chest!"

Second Sailor: "I wish I could. I've got Marguerite tattooed there and the girl I've just got engaged to is called Helen."

## Another Club Comes to Grace Webster Halls

### The Sunshine Club Plans To Bring Happiness to Those Whose Lives Lack It

The "Sunshine Club" of Webster College sent its first ray forth on Saturday, February 2. This new club was founded by Mr. Pat Price of St. Louis, with the help of some of the collegians, and hopes to bring a ray of happiness now and then to others who are not so fortunate as its members. In fact, Mr. Price is to be a sort of Aladdin's Lamp for the club by furnishing it with the necessary means of spreading cheer.

The first trip of the club was to the City Infirmary of St. Louis where the girls passed around the genii's gifts of fruit, candy, and tobacco to the elderly inmates. The talented members of the group furnished entertainment in the way of dancing, singing, and ukelele playing to the delight of their audience.

The Infirmary is under the direction of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Bauer who have their apartments on the second floor of the main building, where they served a delightful luncheon to their visitors.

Besides the two internes and the attendants, there are approximately nine hundred patients, distributed throughout the many wards: mentally deficient, cancerous, blind, deformed, Jewish, Negro, etc.

Elderly and seemingly incapable, though they may be, these men and women take care of their own dormitories and the kitchen. Attention was called to the fact that last year, a woman died who was 105 years of age; another one has been there sixty-three years; and yet another who has had St. Vitus' dance can now take her place among her friends.

The girls belonging to the club are: Thelma Coyne, President; Patricia McMullen, Secretary; Julie Bourke, Katherine O'Flaherty, Agnes Tancred, Josephine Reddin, Dorothy Fairall, Elizabeth O'Malley, Carol Emge, Lillian Case, Veronica Ryan, Catherine Geary, Catherine Schmuke, Margaret Roesch, Lucille Appillard, and Catherine Hazel.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Miss Kathryn Hummert spent part of last week visiting at her home in Breese, Illinois.

Carol Emge visited her aunt, Mrs. R. G. Sanders, Wednesday night. Mrs. Sanders, whose home is in Biloxi, Miss., was on her way to St. Joseph, Missouri, and was stopping at the Coronado Hotel in the city.

Ruth Goodbody and Helen Graves were the guests of Mrs. Boir of St. Louis, Sunday. Mrs. Boir is Helen's grandmother.

Mrs. K. E. Barrett of Hugo, Okla., visited Jean Evans last week.

Miss Margaret Bourke of Kansas City, has returned to the College to assist in the work of furthering the Loretto Foundation.

Margaret Roesch and Marie Reynolds were the guests of Gertrude Jolley, Saturday.

Due to the illness of her sister, Ellen, Mary Lou Hogan spent last Sunday at her home in Monett, Mo.

Anna Marie Heinen has returned to Webster to continue her college career. Anna Marie was a freshman last year.

### Canine Climber

Mrs. Ladidah: "I'm going to enter Fido in the dog show next week."

Friend: "Do you think he will win?"

Mrs. Ladidah: "No, but he will meet some nice dogs."

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## Three "One Act Plays" Presented By Dramatic Students

### Talent of Students Displayed Before Large and Enthusiastic Gathering

"Cat's Claws," with Bernadette Sturgess, Alice Widmer and Marie Cregan in the cast, was the first of a delightful group of one-act plays presented in the Little Theatre of the College on February 14. As implied in the name, it was a "catty play"—different from most of the plays that are given by the Dramatic Department. Marie hovered in the background as Alice, the perfect maid, playing the part of the older woman engaged to "Bruce," and Bernadette, a young girl, were secretly married.

A truly English play, written for a famous English actress, was "Granny's Juliet." Helen O'Brien as Granny and Dorothy O'Keefe as the former's friend were enjoying their conversation on crumpets, tea and everything when Dorothy Walsh as "Granny's Juliet" a modern stage miss, burst in on them and the play proceeded in an enjoyable manner. All of the girls played their parts well and it is our hope that they will entertain us soon again.

A Freshman cast playing in "Jazz and Minuet" gave a delightful performance. Dorothy Fairall played the part of the fond mother of Elizabeth O'Malley, a spoiled child but a loving daughter. Essemena Weinacker's role was that of an Irish maid. Helen McAvoy appeared as the villain and Josephine Reddin as the lover—their duel was very realistic and was but one of the several fast moving scenes of the play. This play was enacted so well that it was the one that was chosen to be given on Sunday as part of the program of the formal opening of Loretto Hall.

## WEBSTER SODALITY AIDS MERCIER CLUB RETREAT HELD FEBRUARY 22-24

The din and excitement of merry voices, the odor of juicy ham, of tasty sandwiches, and the crinkling of waxed paper was evident as real, apostolic Sodalists made sandwiches and more sandwiches last Saturday morning in the Cafeteria. No, there wasn't a mission sale, or a hike, or a spread. Webster and Nerinx Hall were given the responsibility of preparing the sandwiches for the lunch, which was served Saturday to the girls and boys who made the Cardinal Mercier Retreat which was held at St. Pius' Church on Feb. 22, 23 and 24.

Every Webster Sodalist knows about the Cardinal Mercier Club, (Continued on Page 2)

## ONE OF MOST ROMANTIC SPOTS IN WEBSTER IS OWNED BY LORETTINES

### Home of Family Which Gave the Main Thoroughfare of City Its Name Is Used for Academy Classes.

Seven years ago the Sisters of Loretto purchased, from the last of the Lockwoods, the old Mansion. This mansion is about two blocks east of the college and faces on Lockwood avenue, which received its name from that family.

At the time of the purchase it was necessarily intended by the Loretto Sisters for a school but remained idle for two years. The rapid growth of the college necessitated more space and the Academy was moved from Webster to what is now Nerinx Hall, formerly the "Old Lockwood Mansion."

In the "Old days," years prior to the death of Mr. Lockwood, who was unmarried, many were the parties and entertainments that took place at his home. Stories are told of the famous stables, so popular with the guests of the mansion, who enjoyed riding and outdoor life. There were the dinners and indoor parties, of course, that lend a romantic touch to the place even today. Mr. Lockwood's home was noted for its hospitality, but there was one sacred spot—where no one dared tread—the Library—the first room to the right from the entrance of the hall. Mr. Lockwood was once quoted as saying his whole house, except his library, was open to his guests.

The house was furnished in the old fashioned manner throughout; even the servants, who had been

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## "WEB" LOSES TWO STAFF MEMBERS; POSITIONS OF FEATURE WRITERS OPEN

Two of the members of the "Web" staff have been forced to resign from their offices. Bernice Dailey, the feature writer and a sophomore, has returned to her home in Shawneetown, Ill., because of her father's serious illness. It is expected that she will take a position in her father's business in order to be capable of helping him later.

Veronica Ryan, also a sophomore and formerly the editor of the "Alumnae News," has returned to her home in Mount Horeb, Wis., because of her own illness. Veronica became ill last year and at that time was not expected to be allowed to continue her studies. However, what she could do once, it is sincerely hoped that she can do again.

## LORETTO HALL FORMALLY OPENED TO THE PUBLIC AT MAMMOTH RECEPTION

### Over 1,000 Inspect Residence Hall and Administration Building of the College

Loretto Hall, Webster College's new \$300,000 residence building, was formally opened Sunday afternoon when more than 1,000 persons attended a reception given by the Sisters of Loretto and the students of Webster College. The opening ceremonies included Solemn Benediction by Archbishop John J. Glennon, a sermon by Rev. William J. McGuchen, S. J., and a short address by the Archbishop. A one-act play, "Jazz and Minuet," was presented in the auditorium, where representatives of the Webster Groves Mayor spoke.

The new addition to Webster College was begun more than a year ago to allow the college to expand. The building contains quarters for 200 students, consisting principally of rooms for one or two students. In addition to the bedrooms Loretto Hall is amply supplied with small parlors, dining rooms and kitchens, as well as a large parlor on the first floor. Each of the rooms in the building is furnished in a different style, in contrast to the custom of many schools where each room is a replica of the next.

### Students as Guides

Guests of the afternoon were shown through the new Residence Hall and the Administration Building by students, and were given the opportunity of inspecting a model class, the library, the laboratory, the cafeteria, the club room and other points of interest. The guests were met at the door of the Administration Building by the following students: Miss Gertrude Jolly, Margaret M. Brey, Helen Eaves, Rosemary O'Reilly, Helen Rice, Marie Scheer, Julie Bourke, Louise Hayes, Lillian Case, Adele Daniel, Rose Malon, Margaret Roesch, Margaret Vollett, Elizabeth Coakley, Frances Ward, Celeste Fehlig, Josephine Thompson and Thelma Gesell.

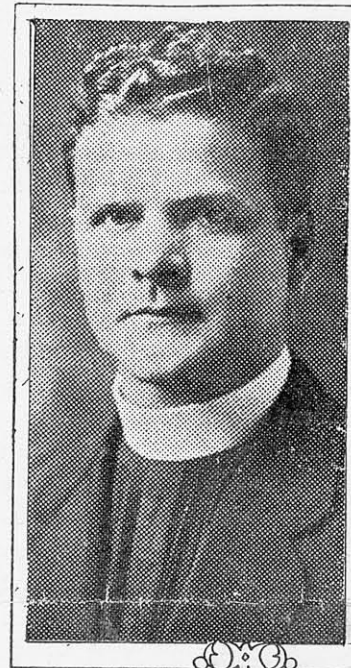
### Scientific Exhibits

The biology exhibits contained a variety of interesting specimens, ranging from Japanese fish to biological cultures. The laboratory was in full operation: the general biology class doing microscopic work, and the class of anatomy studying the external features of a group of vertebrae. Problem in genetics were demonstrated in the lecture rooms of the department.

### Play Given

The participants in the play, "Jazz and Minuet," were: Misses Essemina Weinacker, Josephine Redding, Elizabeth O'Malley, Helen McEvoy and Dorothy Fairall. The

### SPEAKER AT RECEPTION



REV. WILLIAM J. MCGUCKEN, S. J.  
GERMANS SISTERS PHOTO

play was given under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey.

E. Glion Curtis, representing the Mayor of Webster Groves, spoke to the audience in the auditorium, telling how he had watched the progress of Webster Groves since he was a boy. "Years ago my grandfather bought property out here when this place was a mere way-side village. At that time the only connection with St. Louis and the rest of the world was to be had through the morning and evening trains. During the last twenty years I have lived in Webster Groves, and one of the greatest developments has been that of education. Webster College is an institution we can be proud of. I fear that prior to today we did not fully realize the scope and thoroughness of Webster College."

Frank Beardsley of the Webster Groves Public Library and Rev. Peter J. Dooley, pastor of the Webster Groves Church, also spoke.

### Father McGuchen's Address

Rev. William McGuchen, S. J., who delivered the sermon in the chapel before the solemn Benediction, congratulated the Sisters of Loretto on the completion of their work, declaring the new building contained not only brick and mortar, but the spirit which animated the Sisters of Loretto, their love and self-sacrifice.

"The Catholic Church has anticipated the modern psychological discovery that much depends upon heredity and environment. The Catholic Church baptizes its chil-

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## First Basket-ball Game of Year Is with H. T. C. Team

### Helen Nesbit Most Successful As New Cheer Leader for Webster

In spite of beautiful playing on the part of our team, Webster went down in defeat to Harris Teachers' College at the short end of a 33-13 score. This is the third time Harris has won over a Webster team; but by the spirit shown in Thursday's game, it looks as though it may be the last. There was splendid playing on both sides with the score at the half at 14-7 in favor of Teachers' College. From that time on both the teams and the spectators were on edge—the ball going from one end of the floor to the other by skillful passing. But despite the hard work of Webster players, the final score was a victory for Harris.

Much credit is due the new cheerleader, Helen Nesbit. She gave an example of how cheers should really be led, and succeeded in making the crowd peppier than ever. After the first cheer there was no doubt as to whose side they lauded. There was a much larger crowd than usual and the game was successful financially as well as in every other way.

The Webster Alumnae game is to be played on March 18, and from all reports the college girls are not the only ones practicing. Monday night the alumnae team came out for a real work-out at Idle Hour; some of the boarders practiced with them and looked pretty tired when they went back to Loretto Hall. The college team is not really worried—but then the Alumnae looks pretty good so the younger team will not stop practicing.

## CONTEST TO DETERMINE SHAKESPERIAN CAST TO BE HELD SOON

A new plan for selecting the cast for the Shakesperian play has been adopted by the Dramatic Art Department. A preliminary contest will be staged before the single cast is selected and it is thought that this will be held in the early part of March. The judges will be authorities on Shakespeare. All of the Dramatic Art students are urged to compete for the honor of being one of the Shakesperian actresses of 1929. It will be nothing short of an honor to be chosen from among the Webster Dramatists to play in this year's production which will be "The Merchant of Venice."

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## CHARLES WILLIAM ELIOT AGAIN

This is the second of our series of editorials considering the views of the late Charles William Eliot on just what a student should get out of college. In the last Web we discussed "the available body," first aim on President Eliot's list. In this issue it is our purpose to take a look at the second aim. It reads: "Power of sustained mental labor."

Psychologists tell us that the mind does not grow weary from prolonged use. It may be more alert and keen after hours of study than before. But we also learn from psychology that man's will is free. Unless he wishes, he need not use his mind extensively. And therein lies the rub. How frequently we sit down with some text or reference work. It must be prepared—the professor's assignment was definite. It does not promise to be as light reading as the latest novel but we set to work with a will. Difficult as it may seem, we are determined to master it. For a while there is the deepest concentration. Then comes that first temptation to put the horrid old book away. It is such uninteresting reading. What's the use of doing it now, anyway? Plenty of time tomorrow. And so there is the yielding—the putting off until tomorrow when perhaps the same scene will be enacted.

Here, then, we have it—the lack of power of sustained mental labor. The undisciplined mind finds it difficult, almost impossible, to concentrate for a long period of time—a deplorable condition, certainly, when we consider how much a person is handicapped by the lack of this power. There are times when difficult problems in life must be faced and solved. These do not permit a continual putting off until later, simply because the mind is unused to prolonged labor. In following any vocation there is need of the power of sustained mental labor. Possession of this faculty is one of the surest steps toward success. Did not one of the world's greatest scientists attribute only one-tenth of his success to genius and nine-tenths to hard work? Now, by hard work that scientist did not mean lifting pianos or hauling coal. He meant the power of sustained mental labor, if we may use Professor Eliot's phrase once more. Finally, even a successful college career depends largely upon the mind's ability for prolonged activity.

With these considerations before us, would it not be well to adopt this second aim proposed by Professor Eliot? Why not determine to develop during our college years, this power of sustained mental labor? It will not be an easy task. There may be many a struggle. But the actual help which will be derived and the keen satisfaction which will necessarily result from the attainment of our aim should be ample reward for any inconveniences which may be incurred.

## WOMEN AND COMMON SENSE

The eighth annual "Religious Survey," edited by the Rev. John F. O'Hara, C. S. C., prefect of religion at Notre Dame, has just been published. In this, the opinions of the men at Notre Dame on many important questions are stated and figures are tabulated showing the large number of communicants at the University. Now we admit that there is much which is edifying in the survey, but, being a woman, we must disagree with 287 collegians at Notre Dame who stated that boys have more common sense than girls. Imagine, branding girls with such inferiority when every woman knows—as does every man if he is absolutely honest—that women have always displayed more common sense than men. Those men are not satisfied with gloating over the fact—and every man is guilty of this—that many scientists claim man's intellect to be keener than woman's. They must also take away from woman that absolute prerogative of her's, her common sense. We could cite a dozen instances refuting their statements. But there is no need. Every girl at Webster, without a moment's hesitation, can do as much. However we are not able, in this column, to resist hinting that those 287 college men would have displayed much more common sense if they had recognized a greater measure of common sense in the modern girl.

## OUR CAFETERIA

Every day as lunch bell rings  
Quite a bit of joy it brings  
To each and every day hop here  
Because it means that dinner's near.

I say "to each and every day hop"  
here

And do not mention boarders dear  
Since they do not eat, glad and gay,  
In our clean, up-to-date cafe.

The food's delicious, plenty too—  
Every item pleases you:  
Chili, soup, and salads fine,  
Sandwiches for lunch we find.

In the afternoon at end of class  
We run in there, just for a glass  
Of coco-cola or some drink.  
My, it makes me sad to think

That I'm not the owner of more  
time

To spend in that long waiting line,  
That stands there at the cafe door  
Wanting, getting food galore.

—T. P., '31.

## WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY DECLARED A HOLIDAY FOR STUDENTS AT W. C.

George Washington was a great man, indeed a very great man in the history of our country. But how many of us fully understand and appreciate just what the first President of the great United States meant to our fore-fathers and their posterity? Do we ever try to learn more about this outstanding figure in American History?

Perhaps in answering this question some of us have reason to hang our heads in shame. Washington, that soldier and statesman, merits the praise of every American citizen. To his untiring efforts more than to those of any other man, are due the independence and liberty which we enjoy today. It is Washington whom we have to thank for our victory over England which took place towards the close of the eighteenth century; to him we owe all thanks for our great government; to him we owe all respect and honor. But there is still another reason why we should be thankful to the Father of our Country. Is it not he who has merited that holiday for us on the twenty-second of February? How then, can we ever be forgetful of this great patriot of America?

## WEBSTER SODALITY AIDS

### MERCIER CLUB RETREAT

HELD FEBRUARY 22-24

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an organization whose purpose is to give religious instruction to Catholic students in public high schools. Every student knows too, that she can aid in this splendid work, not only by her prayers, but also by handing in the names of prospective members to the Apostolic Committee.

The Retreat was a new project of the Club, and the Sodalists were asked to aid this good work by making sandwiches and by doing other little things which go with satisfying the appetites of hungry boys and girls. Saturday was Webster's and Nerinx Hall's day. Eugenia Bock and Estelle Cavanaugh were in charge of the "Sodality

Sandwich Makers." To them and to the other self-sacrificing missionaries of Webster and Nerinx, the Sodality is most grateful and justly proud.

Four other Websterites, Marie Cregan, Catherine Rohan, Thelma Pape and Bernice Wolff aided in making detailed plans and arrangements for the Retreat.

## ONE OF MOST ROMANTIC SPOTS IN WEBSTER IS OWNED BY LORETTINS

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there for years and years, added to the thorough quaintness of the home.

The exterior was "spotted" with its old fashioned gardens—the rose path that led from the back door to the street, fully a block beyond, the winding path that leads to the front, the huge trees that shade the sloping lawn—all these lend to the beauty and charm of the exterior and make the Lockwood Mansion an enticing treasure.

After the purchase of the place, the house was changed as little as possible. The furniture was, of course, moved out, most of it by the Lockwoods. However, two huge old fashioned mirrors, that once adorned the Lockwood parlor, now hang in Loretto Hall. The mirrors, even away from their surroundings of quaintness, seem to tell the entire story of the mansion.

The grounds are still much the same, the front a large sloping lawn and the back, spacious and thickly planted, making an ideal campus for the Academy students.

People are often told not to be envious but isn't it nice to be curious sometimes, curious and perhaps a bit dreamy, looking for the romance in life?

## LORETTO HALL FORMALLY OPENED TO THE PUBLIC AT MAMMOTH RECEPTION

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dren, but that is not enough. The Catholic child, the Catholic young man and young woman must have the Catholic environment if their proper end is to be attained. Education alone is not enough."

Father McGuchen showed how the Catholic training consisted not merely of a course in religion, but in a remembrance of Catholic principles and Catholic ethics when studying the other subjects, such as literature and history.

"How do the Sisters of Loretto manage?" asked Father McGuchen. "The answer is the world-old answer. They manage by Faith, and Prayer and Hope. They truly believe in Christ. With them religion is not a mere formality, not merely a code of ethics, not merely a creed. Above all, they see Christ. And with His aid they can do noble deeds. And it is their part to impart this love and confidence in Christ in the students. The students are urged to come here to the chapel. Here is their student councillor. Here the young women may come not only to discuss their program of studies, but their program of life, with Him who understands their difficulties, with Him in Whom are all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge in their fullness."

Archbishop Glennon congratulated the Sisters of Loretto on the completion of the new residence



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

Well, Loretto Hall is dedicated. The big event has come and gone, and so have all the people. How many visitors were there? Dunt esk. They came constantly, men, women, youths, and "youthesses," and children. Some may have wandered in rather aimlessly; all remained to stare and to stammer, to gape and to gasp, to smell the lovely flowers, to drink in delicious tea and delightful sights.

It was a huge success, ail right. There can be no doubt about that. Every Websterite was proud of the spick and span, "primped-up" new building, and its mother, the Administration Building. But, "after the ball was over," Oh, what a night for meditation! Feelings of pride and satisfaction, and pleasant memories, are wonderfully elating, but sore feet are somehow such a drawback to exaltation of the spirit. It probably never occurred to most of us that any two objects so more or less small as our feet could possibly ache so badly. Would that we had had wings and could have gone soaring through the air during the afternoon! Then, we shouldn't have had to go soaring homeward on weary feet. But, at least we can thank Heaven we're not thousand-leggers!

"Wife of Musician Seeking Divorce"  
—Headline.

Friend husband may have been a good musician, but evidently he couldn't get any harmony in his married life. He probably struck a false note a couple times and couldn't get back in tune with his wife.

"Reporter Called 'Squirrel Heads' by Heflin in a Rage"—Headline.

Now, if those "squirrel heads" would only go after the "nut" the way he deserves, they could crack him and pick him to pieces in some nice, juicy news articles and editorials.

"Miller Has Put City Hall to Work, Says Orthwein on Radio"—Headline.

Why doesn't he do something like that with the people in it?

"541 Buildings in Illinois Padlocked"  
—Headline.

Besides the bottle, cork, bottle-opener, keg, and various other manufacturers, prohibition has been a boost to the lock makers, also. And then, some people still persist in denying Republican prosperity and the value of the Eighteenth Amendment.

"Illinois Dentists Convene in Pana"  
—Headline.

Only a little more than a hun-  
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hall, but offered a prediction that the nuns would not stop. "They are possessed of a divine restlessness which will urge them on to new deeds. And they sustain us. They give worthy daughters to mothers. Let us remember them."

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dred dentists attended this convention. Maybe a special pull was needed to get in.

"Coffee Crop of Sao Paulo Reduced 25 per cent by Rain"—Headline.

That damp weather rather ruined things for the owner. Now, if it could only have been a hot spring or geyser gushing up, just think of all the hot coffee it would have made for him to sell.

"Canadian Beer Cargo, Labeled 'Ink,' Seized"—Headline.

And thereby more prohibition history was written.

"Would Place Palestine Under Great Britain"—Headline.

The country may be placed under Great Britain, but the people seem to have placed themselves under the United States. Iss dis a system?

Funny that the fellow who sleeps during Mass always wakens in time to rush out before the last Gospel!

SODALITY NEWS

The Catholic Literature Committee conducted the first Sodality meeting of the second semester, on Tuesday, Feb. 12. Margaret Roesch, the Chairman, explained the purpose of a Reading Club which will be organized in the near future, under the auspices of the Committee.

Bernice Wolff, head of the Apostolic Committee, announced that a retreat would be held on Feb. 22, 23, and 24, for the Catholic students attending the public high schools. The services of volunteers to make sandwiches for those making the retreat were requested.

Adele Daniel read an excellent article on "Neurosis" in connection with its influence on present day literature. A discussion of Lenten practices, especially that of daily Mass and Communion, followed the reading of the paper.

Mother—I really think you'd be happier if you married a man who has less money.

Daughter—Don't worry, mother; he will have less in a very short time.

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Now everyone knows that Webster has a museum and in it some unusual things, but how many girls realize that here in the very building wherein they attend classes there is an exceptional Zoo? Yes, right here in our very midst, as it were!

First, there is the tall domineering giraffe who attracts all kinds of attention as each visitor enters his view; and he seems to screw his long much-segmented neck around to be certain that none leaves without commenting upon his wonderful coloring, such as no giraffe in Forest Park ever dreamt of having, and his great powers of flexibility. Needless to say, he is inordinately proud of his glaringly red neck-tie which fairly screams at the vivid yellow of his body!

Then, there is the family of minute monkeys. They sit peacefully on their part of the shelf all day long; and contrary to belief, they do not clamor all over the furniture and pelt the visitors with rocks and paper-balls. In fact, these little animals clasp their toes and are forever bent over into a stooping position; it is whispered that at one time they did pelt people and that the fairies made them bend over as a lasting example to all the other monkeys who might be tempted to do as these did.

Not far from the trio of man-like creatures is found a queer-looking dog. Bonzo, for that is one of the many names by which he is known, can do most any kind of an antic; he stands on one paw with the other three extended into space, he can look at those behind him just as easily as he can wink at those before him—indeed, he can do everything that any other dog can, except bark, and can do many other things that the ordinary dog can merely dream.

Of course, no zoo is complete without a few odd cats. And there is an entire group of cats that inhabit a part of the College Zoo; there is a Papa, a Mamma, and a Baby Felix. They, too, are trained animals; one would almost think that he is visiting a circus and not a zoo, and the number of stunts that these kitty-cats perform is astounding.

While this is only a small number of the animals that could be accounted for at Webster, it may give some idea of how very cosmopolitan a college can be. The craze for animals is not limited for one person; it is found to some degree in almost every one of the girls, and peculiar-looking cats and dogs and other animals are to be found in many of the private rooms in the Residence Hall.

"John, I wish you would breakfast in the breakfast nook."

"Well, ain't I?"

"No, you've got one foot in the kitchenette." — Louisville Courier-Journal.

CLUB CHAT

It is rather early to think of graduation, but the Poetry Club has taken up two important issues, one directly, and the other indirectly, connected with graduation.

At the last regular meeting of the Poetry Club, Wednesday evening, February 3, plans were discussed for the admission of new members to take the place of members who will be graduated this spring. The candidates for membership will be submitted to the club and voted upon at the next meeting.

One of the features of graduation week is the planting of the ivy and on this occasion an original poem is read. The Poetry Club is now sponsoring a contest to determine which senior shall have the honor of writing the Ivy Poem. This contest is not limited to the members of the Poetry Club but is open to all the members of the Senior Class.

The regular meeting of the Biology Club took place Monday evening, February 18, at 7 o'clock. Four interesting papers were read and discussed: Mary Frances Broeker read a paper on "The Banding of Birds," discussion led by Dorothy Walsh; Suzanna Corrigan read a paper on "The Effect of High Altitude on Animal Life," discussion led by Rose Phelan; Marie Cregan read a paper on "Biology and Mathematics," discussion led by Thelma Gesell; Neva Dailey read a paper on "Gambusia and its Relation to Malaria," discussion led by Marie Reynolds.

The Biology Club entertained as its guests at this meeting Mother Linus, Sister Miriam, Sister Aloysia Marie, Sister Adeline, Sister Dorothy Marie, Sister Irma Michelle, and Sister Menadora.

Papers of the next meeting were assigned to Dorothy O'Keefe, Ann Ryan, and Kathleen Hamel.

The regular bi-weekly meeting of the Classical Club was held Monday afternoon, February 18, at 1 o'clock. The articles of the new constitution that had not yet been brought up for discussion and approved, were read and voted upon. Most of the articles were accepted; a few sent back to the committee for re-drafting.

Papers for the next meeting were assigned to Margaret Ludden and Alice Clarke.

At the next regular meeting of the Mathematics Club, Friday, March 1, papers will be read by Bernice Wolff and Rose Malon.

The Spanish Club met at St. Louis University, Friday evening, February 16. The meeting was featured by short talks by members. A student from Texas spoke on his native state; the president of Mexico, travels in Mexico, and a Spanish newspaper edited by Spanish students, furnished topics for several other brief addresses.

At the next meeting, several members will address the club in Spanish.

"There's only one job," said the stage humorist, "that's easier than being an actor."

"What is that?"  
"Being garbage collector in Scotland."

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### C. M. S. C. News

A meeting of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade was held Tuesday, February 19, in Mission Hall. Marian Lane, the Chairman, read a letter received from Rev. Father J. Lynch, C. SS. R., a recent speaker at the college, asking for aid in his missionary work. The subject of raising money was discussed, and it was mentioned by one of the members that money saved "when it hurts to save it" brings more merit than it would if simply given in a bulk. Each girl was asked to pledge herself to save a dollar, at least, for the missions, before June. The question of offering a prize to the one who contributed the largest sum of money, was brought before the house, but met with disapproval. The plan of distributing envelopes to each girl in order to collect the money saved during the week was adopted and Sister Nerinckx, Honorary President of the Webster College Mission Unit, asked for hearty support in this noble work.

The program for the students of the College during Mission Week is as follows: A novena of Masses said by Rev. J. P. Donovan, at which the boarders will assist. Day students are asked to attend Mass in their parish church at this time. The English Department on Monday, will sponsor a number of talks and papers on "Missions at Home and Abroad." Tuesday morning, Rev. R. C. Straub, who has been in charge of the C. S. M. C. work in this country while Monsignor F. A. Thill was in Europe, will address the members of the Crusade after the eight o'clock Mass when they will receive Holy Communion in a body. Monsignor Schurman has accepted an invitation to speak to the girls on a mission subject, on Wednesday, and there will be a short debate given by some of the members on another mission subject at 1:30 p. m. on Thursday.

### "Freshman Chatter As Overheard in W. C. Cafeteria

Many and Varied Are the  
Thoughts That Enter a  
Hungry Freshman's  
Head

"How many checks do you want?" "Get in line there and wait for your turn." "Gee, there isn't any chili left." "These might be minced ham sandwiches to some but they're bologna to me." "Chicken salad and crackers, O boy!" One of our athletically inclined students exclaimed, "Yes, we have no bananas today, what shall I eat for a body-builder?" "How can I stick to my diet when all we have to eat are these fattening foods?" "Cheese it, again." "Hello, Mrs. Ojeman, fine lunch you have today." "Yes, Sister, give me twenty-five cents worth, please." "Your turn to take the dishes." "Here Freshie, get these dishes." "May I use this chair?" "Look at those Sophs eating together again; they must believe in 'Together we stand; divided we fall.'" "Mrs. Ojeman, will you please make me tea and toast?" "I'm just recovering from an attack of appendicitis." "Did you do your Latin?" "Come on, we have our Biology to do." "Oh boy! What a grand and glorious feeling—I passed Math." "It won't be long, now, Gee! I'm starved, another milk-fed baby; well milk makes a difference." "Delicious, nutritious ice-cream. What flavor do you like?" "The plate dinner today reminds me of the time I fixed dinner for Dad and myself." "Want some candy," "Oh Henry, Leaping Lena, Chicken Dinner?" "Well, any of them will do but don't bring Lulu."

Even the kind-hearted pastor at times comes to the conclusion that there is no earthly hope for the choir.

### ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Emma Kohl was forced to return to her home in Belleville, Ill., because of illness.

Carol Emge and Helen Graves entertained a number of their friends at a "house warming," in honor of the opening of their new suite on the second floor.

Agnes O'Connor, Margaret McMeel, and Anna Marie Heinen are some of our old girls who have returned this semester to resume their studies at Webster.

Bernice Daily was called home to Shawneetown, Ill., by the ill-health of her father. She intends to assist her father in his business.

Mary Louise Carlin of Tulsa, Okla., was the guest of Ann Ward last week. Miss Carlin is a sophomore at St. Mary's of the Woods College.

Veronica Ryan, due to illness, has returned to her home in Mount Horeb, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wilde of Kansas City, Mo., visited their daughter, Margaret, the first of last week.

Among the girls who accompanied the Nerinx basketball team to Kansas City were Louise Hayes, Adelaide Murphy, Josephine Reddin, Dorothy Fairall, Elizabeth O'Malley, Carol Emge, Dorothy Walsh, Helen O'Brien, Betty Sharp, Bernadette Sturgess, Catherine Geary, Margaret Wilde, Catherine O'Flaherty, Pat McMullen, Agnes Tancred, Julie Bourke, and Kathleen Hamel.

The girls who took advantage of the holiday Friday to visit their parents were Essemina Weinacker, of Mobile, Ala., Esther Kraft of New Albany, Ind., and Mary Zilliken of Chester, Ill.

Jean Evans attended a fraternity dance at the University of Oklahoma last week.

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## FRANK RAYMOND WARD ELECTED IVY POET BY SENIOR CLASS FOR 1929

### Composer of School Song Adds More Glory To Her School Career

Frank Raymond Ward will be the Ivy Poet for the year 1929. This was decided in an election held by the senior class on Monday, March 4. Frank has been in the College for two years, having previously attended Washington University in St. Louis. For the past two years she has been an active member of the Poetry Club, and her verses have frequently appeared in the *Lorette*, the *Web* and the *Lauretatum*.

Frank will be graduated in June with a B. S. Degree in Music; she has selected piano and violin as her major and minor. It will be recalled that Frank composed the music for the School Song that was recently published by the Conservatory, and dedicated to her class.

## Group of Plays Increases Spirit of Mission Week

### Proceeds of Plays To Be Given To Missions

A group of three plays was presented by the Dramatic Department Wednesday evening, March 6, for the benefit of the Missions.

The two plays given by Webster were directed by Alice Widmer while the one by Nerinx was directed by Sister Marie Anthony. Much credit is due both the characters and directors for their splendid success.

Those taking part in the first play, "Her First Assignment," by Gladys Ruth Brigham were:

Mrs. Alice Sterling, A very young matron—Helen Denker.

Wilberta Gordan, "Billie," her sister—Jane Burleigh.

Mrs. Craig Winter—Ellen Nieman.

Mrs. Harrison Folinsbee—Clara Belle Mueller.

Mrs. Rosemary Stevens—Susanna Corrigan.

Frances Kidder—Marie Whittrock.

Jacintha Carlyle—Margaret McMeel.

Madge Hastings—Geraldine Heyburn.

Mary Stoddard—Mary Rose Burke.

Jessie, Mrs. Sterling's Maid—Marie Gross.

In the second, "The Silver Lining," by Constance D'Arcy Mackey:

Fanny—Mary Louise Muldoon.

Richard Burney—Jane Burke.

In the third, "Marrying Money," by Alice Tildesley:

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## Eminent Scientist Outlines History of His Own Career

### Urges Each Biology Student to Be a "Christopher Columbus" on a Voyage of Her Own

Dr. A. G. Pohlman, for 16 years head of the department of anatomy at St. Louis U. Medical School, spoke to the students of the biology department of Webster College, on Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 27. "Reminiscences of Some of the Master Scientists of Europe was the subject of his lecture.

Dr. Pohlman outlined his own life, stressing those points in which important scientists have figured. His father was curator of a museum and the fact that the doctor spent his early days in such environment played no small part in his leaning toward the sciences. He studied anatomy and in 1900 was assistant instructor of anatomy at Cornell. One year later he left America to study under the distinguished professors at the university of Freiburg. Here Dr. Pohlman lived in close intercourse with famous scientists and from personal experience he was able to relate anecdotes and incidents in the lives of such men as Weisman, Wiedersheim, Gruber, Goupp and Keibel, all of whom were famous in their particular line of work. Many of the stories were amusing as well as interesting and cast a new light on the personality of these men. He also brought out the underlying differences between university training in Europe and in America. Dr. Pohlman spoke of his work with Dr. Franklin P. Mall at John Hopkins and Moenkhaus at Indiana U. and in ending he referred to his present research work on deafness. Finally he urged the students of biology to continue real interest and enthusiasm in their work so that they might find it a fascinating game and have as good a time at it as he did during his years of scientific study and research.

## Conservatory of Music To Present Students in March Recital

The students of the Conservatory of Music are preparing to entertain their friends with a recital on Tuesday, March 19, at 8 p. m. This recital is an annual feature of the students who are studying music and they are making an earnest endeavor to present an enjoyable program. An added attraction will be the second appearance, this year, of the Choral Club, which is rehearsing to sing the famous song, "Sylvia," by Oley Speaks. The students cordially invite their friends to attend.

## ETHELYNDE SMITH, NOTED SOPRANO, IS HEARD IN UNUSUAL SONG RECITAL

### Artistry and Interpretation Win Plaudits of the Audience

On Monday evening, March 11, the students and friends of the College were privileged to hear Ethelynde Smith in an artistic program, with Mr. Arthur Lieber accompanying her. Miss Smith has concertized from coast to coast and her programs have been received with great enthusiasm everywhere. This was the artists first appearance at Webster College and it is the earnest wish of her listeners that she will return to us in the near future. Her program was as follows:

Songs of many nations—Old songs: (a) L'Eventail (French), Arr. by Massenet; (b) Ancient Buddhist Chant (Chinese), Anon; (c) The Long-Tail Blue, Arr. by Grant-Schaefer, (early American air).

Folk songs: (a) Spinnliedchen (German), Arr. by Reimann; (b) Tu Espera (Spanish Haberna), Sanchez Fuentes; (c) Oh, No, John (English), Arr. by Cecil Sharpe.

French Aria: Je Dis Que Rien Ne M'Epouvante, Bizet; (Michael's Aria from the Opera, "Carmen").

Songs of youth: (a) Little Brother's Lullaby, Jan Broeck, (Flemish Folk Song); (b) There Are Fairies at the Bottom of the Garden, Liza Lehman, (English); (c) The Icicle (American), Karolyn Wells Bassett; (d) The Goblins (Negro), Gertrude Ross, (dedicated to Miss Smith).

(a) Little Yaller Dog (American), James M. Gallatly; (b) The Bagpipe Man (Scotch), Howard W. McKinney; (c) Butterfly (from "Art Songs of Japan"), Arr. by Gertrude Ross; (d) Vespers (English), (From "When We Were Very Young"), R. Fraser Simson; (e) Mandy and The Spiders (American), Lorraine Trombo.

## Sunshine Club Will Raffle Dolls for Loretto Foundation

### Dolls Have Been Donated By Founder of Club, Mr. Pat Pice

The Sunshine Club of Webster College is sponsoring a raffle of boudoir dolls to obtain money for the Loretto Foundation, an organization formed for the purpose of raising money for the improvement of the College and for an Endowment Fund. The boudoir dolls have been donated by Mr. Pat Pice, the organizer of the Sunshine Club.

Chances are twenty-five cents apiece and the members of the club ask all the Websterites to support this undertaking.

## MISSIONARY TO HONDURAS TALKS AT WEBSTER

### Rt. Rev. Msgr. Schuermann Exhorts Students To Aid in Missionary Activities

"When you hear about missionary work your first thought is China but we never think about the country right next door, said Msgr. Schuermann of Honduras, Central America, in his address at Assembly, Wednesday, March 6.

In describing the conditions, Msgr. said that, due to lack of priests and money, the people in Central America were only baptized and that was the limit of their Christianity. Heathenish traditions are mixed with their religious beliefs. He told us that Central America was divided into six sections: Guatamala, with a million and a half Catholics, has only one Bishop and sixty-three priests. Conditions in San Salvador, with about the same number of Catholics, are a little better. Nicaragua has no seminary and conditions are unfavorable due to the constant turmoil. In speaking of the trouble, Msgr. said, "The United States did a good work though every action cannot be approved." Costa Rica has fairly good conditions; there is a seminary which can take care of about two hundred boys," he continued, and then he spoke of the deplorable state of affairs in Santa Rosa, San Pedro and his own diocese, Honduras. In his diocese each parish consists of from twenty to forty villages, and to every parish there is only one priest. There are no roads that can be traveled by machine, consequently when parishes are visited the priest travels on horseback, stays for four or five days, baptizes the people and leaves. Probably a year elapses before a return visit can be made because the priests are so much in demand. A pitiable picture was brought to the minds of those present when Msgr. Schuermann said: "Our Indian boys would like to become priests and there is no seminary," and he continued by telling how much could be accomplished with the aid of native priests. However, despite this, the Indians are good. "Poor fellows. Poor Indians, thousands of them die without the last sacraments and we are helpless."

The Monsignor spoke of his Cathedral parish, and of the State School which causes so many of the boys to lose their faith. A club was formed and by inviting the boys to join it, much of this was corrected.

Not least interesting among the phases of the lecture was the story of the Indian's way of celebrating Holy Week. Every action that took place when Christ suffered and died

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## MISSION WEEK PROGRAM CREATES ENTHUSIASM AMONG W. C. STUDENTS

### Lectures and Debates Arouse Zeal for Aiding Missions

Mission Week, recognized throughout the city in the Catholic High Schools and Colleges, was observed with great solemnity at Webster. It was formally opened Sunday, March 3, and closed Sunday, March 10.

On Sunday afternoon, March 3, two debates were held at the St. Louis U. auditorium. High School students were participants of the first debate. Eleanor Carroll, Nerinx Hall; Edward O'Brien, McBride; affirmative; and Betty McCarthy, Visitation; Frances Fahey, St. Louis U. High, negative, debated the question: "That the Negro Presents the Greatest Opportunity for Home Missions in the United States Today!" This debate was limited to six minutes for each speech, with a two-minute rebuttal. Mr. John S. Leahy was the chairman. The judges declared the affirmative the victor.

The College debating teams consisted of Adele Daniels, Webster; Agnes Ibbetson, Fontbonne; affirmative; and Eleanor Hickerson, Maryville; Henry Hughes, St. Louis U. the topic of the debate was: "Resolved, That Foreign Missions Are Being Furthered to the Detriment of the Home Missions." This debate was decided in favor of the negative.

At Webster the following program was carried out:

Every English student gave a two-minute speech on some phase of the missions, in her respective English class, Monday; and every student in the Essay class wrote mission essays.

Tuesday, the Nancy Havern Unit of the C. S. M. C. received Holy Communion in a body at the eight o'clock Mass, for the intention of the Missions. Rev. R. C. Straub of Cincinnati was the celebrant and gave a short talk immediately afterwards.

Right Reverend Monsignor Schuermann talked to the girls, Wednesday, in the auditorium, at the regular Assembly period. Wednesday evening, the Dramatic Art class presented a group of plays, the proceeds of which went to the missions.

At 1:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon Margaret Vollet and Neva Daily argued the affirmative side of the question: "Resolved, That the Foreign Missions Are Being Furthered to the Detriment of the Home Missions," while Mary Angella Roduit and Helen Marie O'Brien argued the negative side.

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## INDEPENDENT THINKING

In considering the notes of Charles William Eliot on what a student should get out of college, we have decided, in several recent editorials, that real college training must find the student, at the end of his course, fortified with an available body and also with the power of sustained mental labor. But in addition to these things, Dr. Eliot urges that the student develop, during his years at college, "the habit of independent thinking on books, prevailing customs, current events." We believe that this suggestion, along with the others advanced by Dr. Eliot, is well worth our consideration.

Which one of us has not at least a slight desire to possess this admirable trait of character suggested by Dr. Eliot? Which one of us would not be proud if it could be said of her that she had cultivated this habit of independent thinking? There is not one but realizes the value of being able to stand on her own feet, to have her own convictions. But we all know how easy it is to follow the crowd. If the crowd endorses a certain book it is mighty easy to join the crowd in endorsing that book. We find it difficult to oppose prevailing customs even though they be wrong. Moreover, the crowd's ideas on current events are so easily made our own. But what price do we pay for following this line of least resistance? A man who depends on the crowd for his every thought can have no respect for himself. Down deep in his heart he knows himself for what he is—a weakling, one of the common herd. But does such a man win the respect of the crowd whose every dictate he follows? Perhaps there he receives the deference he cannot pay himself. We know this is not the case. The crowd does not elevate a man who is an independent as it for his every thought. Instead it turns for a leader to the one, who, independent of any outside influence, can think his own thoughts and form his own judgments.

Here then we have an excellent ideal toward which we may aspire during our college years. We want to leave college prepared to be leaders, prepared to undertake those problems in life which demand the unusual character, the sort of character which college training should develop. But how can we measure up to this ideal if even in our thinking we allow ourselves to be swayed by the opinion of others? Let us develop, then, this habit of independent thinking, not of course, without some direction from competent authorities but nevertheless without that utter subjection to the mind of the majority which proves so fatal to those aspiring towards qualities of leadership.

Dr Eliot wins out again. With the clear vision of the sage he has suggested another most admirable trait which the college student should acquire. It is true, his suggestion is not new, but it is worth while and every collegian who follows it will be the better for having done so and he will leave his Alma Mater, a stronger character than when he entered, if during his years of college training he has developed this habit of independent thinking.

## WHY?

About this time of year we begin to notice that worried look on many a college student's face. We hear the words thesis, essay, assignment mentioned frequently and accompanied in every instance by an anxious wrinkling of the brow. Collegians begin to find their task growing actually irksome.

We have been attempting to solve this problem to answer the question, "Why?" We wonder if the reason for this condition does not lie, partially at least, in the fact that we students have not won ourselves over to such a state of mind that we can enjoy our work. "The road seems always long to those who do not wish to go. The task seems always hard to those who work against their will." If we could only keep this fact in mind and also remember that whether we grumble or whether we smile the task will be completed eventually and when the last bit of work is over we will laugh at the worry we have felt. Then all that seemed to matter will no longer have any weight. Then nothing will matter but the fact that we have been game sports, that we have tackled the job we dreaded, and we have seen it through.

## SHADOWS

Shadows softly stealing  
O'er the setting sun.  
Signs of night revealing  
Show that day is done.

E'en so shadows stealing  
O'er life's "setting sun,"  
Signs of death revealing  
Show that "life is done."  
L. S., '31.

## SOCIAL HALL

Every free time each day, hop  
Knows exactly where to stop.  
In the social hall goes she,  
Happy, smiling, full of glee.

Brightest colored furniture  
To each girl is quite a lure.  
The Hall has just the peacefulness  
That helps to give one's nerves a  
rest.

Until—at lunch hour or at night,  
When the hall is all a light  
With those charming melodies  
Coming from the ivory keys.

Frank, Celeste, or maybe Jo,  
Plays the pieces we all know.  
Dancing, singing—happy hours.  
Give to Social Hall new powers.  
T. P., '31.

## LOVE

Love is an echo from heaven  
That many are favored to hear.  
It is to the "bread of life"—leaven  
That lightens and makes life more  
dear.

And—if it brings with it sorrows  
As often and often it will,  
From love's mem'ries you may bor-  
row  
Some bit of joy to treasure still.  
L. S., '31.

## First Maryville- Web Game Played on Mar. 8

The first Webster-Maryville game, which was played in the Maryville gym, proved to be an exciting one in spite of the fact that the final result read 32-20 in favor of the Maryville team. Playing on a strange floor our girls got off to a poor start and did not seem up to their usual form. The score at the half stood 19-4 in Maryville's favor. It was after this rest that Webster got started and back into her stride. The third quarter opened with a quick basket by Genevieve McBride. This was followed by two more fast ones, due to the quick work of the centers and forwards. It was just such play as we expected, only the time was short and although they played fast the Webster girls could not pass the advantage Maryville held. They did, however, make 16 points in the last half to their opponents 12.

The return game will be played at Webster in a short time and after Friday's experience it looks as though Webster will be on top the next time.

"May I call you by your first name?" asked the persistent visitor "Certainly," said Miss Cayenne. "Begin as soon as you like, but only over the telephone."—Washington Star.

## A Page From a Scale's Diary

February 28—Awoke this a. m., feeling fit for the heavy grind of the day's work. It dos seem that they are coming up to see me more, lately. Why, I had just begun to feel awake when three girls came in. They didn't have the slightest consideration for me. The first wasn't bad at all—she weighed about 100 pounds and didn't tax my spring as some do, but the others just simply jumped on me. I thought my spring would break. It did creak dreadfully. One exclaimed that she didn't see how in heaven's name she could weigh so much. Then she began telling the girls how thin she had been in high school. I wanted to tell her that this was a day and age in which people lived fast and furious, and didn't have time to renew the past. I didn't though, of course. They left me when they heard the breakfast bell, and the last one out happened to be the heavy girl. She gave me a dirty look, but I get those all the time. During the course of the morning two girls came in. I felt stronger and not so grouchy and I tried to bear their weight as much as I could. They seemed pleased with my efforts, and said they believed I was a fair scale after all. Only a few came in this afternoon. They weren't pleased with me at all and called me the most unkind names—said I couldn't be trusted to tell the same story from one minute to the next. To prove their argument they re-weighed themselves, but I just showed them I could. They declared that they knew shoes didn't weight two pounds, and yet they always weighed two pounds less with them off. I was glad when they left. One of the Sisters came in late this evening and said she was going to hide me if the girls didn't stop that crazy idea of dieting. She said she wished I would weigh them light so they wouldn't diet so much. That gave me an idea. I shall make that my life work. I have felt today as if I have at last found something I can do for the betterment of humanity. I will try with all my power and strength to prevent dieting. I shall shoulder my burden cheerfully, and perhaps after all I can be of some true value here at Webster.

At a meeting of the Athletic Association on March 7, Miss Barthel, basket-ball coach, announced that awards will be given to six of the members of the team. The awards are to be in the form of silver basketballs and will be given to the six girls considered the most deserving. They will be presented at a banquet to be given by the Athletic Association at the end of the season.

## ALUMNAE NEWS

Ellen Casey is teaching at the Mark Twain elementary school in Webster.

Kit Arrendale spent a week-end with Jane Burleigh recently.

Mary Tancred, a former student, now has a secretarial position in Sullivan, Okla.



## Anti-Sophia Says

March 4 has come and gone, and President Hoover is in the White House. Judging from the length of the inauguration ceremonies, he certainly must have been "all in" at the end. Now he has four years and much space in which to acquire a lot of "excess baggage." This is a serious problem with which to be confronted at the opening of his presidential term. Of course, he must eventually (why not now?) leave the White House with more paraphernalia than Cal, or people will think he wasn't as popular. O dear, O dear! A President certainly has his difficulties. However, he probably will receive just as many gifts. Nice big ears of corn, cute little chickens and cunning cows, and other what-not from satisfied farmers, and a complete and valuable collection of bottles, cork-screws, etc., from equally satisfied bootleggers.

Cal, meantime, has retired with his truck-loads of Indian feathers, cowboy hats, fish hooks, and so forth to the quiet of his old home, rejoicing in the fact that he can, as he says, "defy the alarm clock" and sleep as late as he wants. It may be that he is planning to open a General Merchandise Store in Northampton—he surely has enough stock on hand—but, whatever his plan, it is a shame to learn that he has the "pillow complex." He can certainly never expect to be a success in life if he is going to sleep away the bright morning hours; the early bird catches the worm, but maybe he doesn't want the worm anyhow.

"Father, 100, Spanks Son, 69."—  
Headline.

It seems that sonny played a practical joke on Pop on his hundredth birthday, whereupon Pop laid him over his knee, and went spank, spank, spank! These youngsters have no respect for age at all, any more. What is the younger generation coming to?

"Iceland Volcano Erupting"—  
Headline.

There'll be a hot time in Iceland for a while.

"Kiel Backers Attack Miller for Charging Tennis Admissions"—  
Headline.

Having talked about everything else they could think of, they decided to raise a racket about the tennis fee.

"Hoover is willing to Join Missouri Fish Liars' Club"—Headline.

Behold, the first step in progress—for bigger and better fish. But is it nice to be so willing to deceive an eager, trusting, innocent public? There can be no "mental reservations" in this Liars' Club. Therefore every time Hoover catches a ten-pound something or other, we shall be forced to do some rapid calculation and come to the inevitable conclusion that it was either

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## BOOK CHAT

By Ellise Lee

The Webster College Library has been unusually fortunate in receiving donations of a number of interesting books. Among these are "James, the Second," by Hilaire Belloc; "Newman on Psychology of Faith," by Sylvester P. Juergens, S. M., donated by Father Donovan; "Towns and People of Modern Germany," by Robert Medill McBride, donated by Mother Linus; and "The Little Flower of Saint Francis," edited by Franciscan Father Zefirino Vanzetti and translated into English by Ianyell Tassinari, donated by Mother Wilfrid.

### REVIEWS

"James, the Second," by Hilaire Belloc, (Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, 1928).

This book affords a remarkable portrait of the English king who organized the British Navy, saw the first divorce made legal in England and was the last monarch to attempt to govern England without Parliament. The life of King James is outlined against a background dominated by the organized rich among whom were some of the cleverest intriguers of the ages. In his defense of James, Belloc has woven around the kingly character an atmosphere of adventure and high romance.

"Newman on the Psychology of Faith," by Sylvester P. Juergens, S. M. (Macmillan Co., New York, 1928).

In this book the author has brought to the foreground a very appealing piece of work. Brilliantly, it combats and overthrows the snap judgment that you can prove science but you must take religion on faith. It shows that assent in matters of religion rests on just as solid a foundation as assent on any other matter.

"Other Ways and Other Flesh," by Mrs. O'Shaughnessy (Harcourt, Brace and Co., New York, 1928).

Pathos and quiet beauty with a dash of humor are the qualities which dominate Mrs. O'Shaughnessy's charming and sympathetic book about other peoples. With sympathy and understanding she portrays the tragedies, loves and hopes of the men and women of the European town.

### "True Followers of Christ Must Acquire Simplicity," Priest Says

"If we are to be true followers of Christ and real Catholics, we must acquire simplicity," declared Rev. J. P. Donovan in speaking on "The Virtue that Makes Spiritually Bright Eyes," at the regular meeting of the Sodality, Tuesday, Feb. 26.

"Women are naturally more inclined to be more affected than men," Father Donovan asserted. "Consequently, it is more difficult for them to acquire simplicity. Let us all make a special effort during this holy season of Lent to be truly sincere and unaffected."

The meeting was in charge of Julie Bourke, vice-president of the Sodality, Mission Paradises on popular songs were sung by the sodalists and the office of the B. V. M. was recited by the entire body.

The meeting closed with the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

## Two Webster Girls Describe Their Picturesque Home in Mexico

Under a cluster of towering trees, which from a distance almost conceals it, a low rambling house, the Hacienda de Santiago spreads over an acre or so of ground.

Thirty-four rooms has the Hacienda de Santiago, a gorgeous structure of Spanish architecture. Of white stucco, the hacienda has a patio which is literally covered with one big blanket of flowers and ferns, with sparkling fountains here and there.

And in the picturesque dwelling there resides no moving picture star, no high lord of American finance, for it is the Parral, Chihuahua (Mexico) home of two Webster College students—Letitia and Mary Hyslop.

After being graduated from Loreto Academy at El Paso these sisters looked around for a college and from a mass of catalogues sent from all parts of the United States, they selected Webster.

Letitia and Mary form a striking contrast. Mary is the tall dark Spanish type, while Letitia, the elder, is a blue eyed and flaxen haired miss.

A commercial career appeals to Letitia, who says that when she finishes school she intends to seek employment as a secretary in the offices of the American Smelting

and Refining Company, whose properties are adjacent to the Hyslop's ranch.

Now Mary, who has gained quite a reputation as a basketball guard, has no business future planned. "I'll just play around a little, then I suppose I'll get married," she forecast her after college life.

Returning to the discussion of their beautiful home, the girls explained that their mother's father built the hacienda as a wedding gift to their parents.

The Hyslop home is not unknown to travelers in Mexico for nearby are the ruins of the church of Santiago, a monument to the early Spanish missionaries of centuries ago.

Conversation then drifted to Mexican customs. "Some of the young people are very Americanized," they said, "but others, the real Mexicans, still cling to the old customs. Young girls never go out alone. A crowd of young girls, with a chaperone, may go to a dance where the boys will meet them. After the dance the girls are accompanied home by the chaperone.

"When we arrive home in June for the vacation, about 20 peons, all of them musicians, will greet us with serenades. They will also serenade us when we leave in the fall."

## MANY TRYOUTS BEING HELD FOR ANNUAL PLAY

The Dramatic Department is making progress and attracting much interest in the preliminary contest for the Shakespearean play. The play, "The Merchant of Venice" has been read, and each student of the department has decided what part she would like to play. Those who are not in the play will probably be on some committee for the production.

Some of the roles are very popular; hence, the girls who finally obtain the parts desired will have to display real dramatic ability.

From this new course of events, it would seem that the Dramatic Department of the College has adopted a good motto: Bigger and Better Shakespearean Plays!

## Freshmen Hold Class Election for Second Semester Officers

### Card Party To Be Given Shortly After Easter

Contrary to the custom of the other classes, the Freshmen elect officers twice a year. The second semester officers were selected last Wednesday morning, March 6. Agnes Tancred will act as president again this semester. The other girls holding positions in the class for the remainder of the school year are: Grace Strecker, Vice-President; Lorna Rehagen, Secretary; Dorothy Shuford, Treasurer; and Dorothy Fairall, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Arrangements are being made for a card party to be given by the Freshmen shortly after Easter. No definite plans or date for the party have been made known.

## Webster Loses Game To Team Undeclared in the Last Six Years

### LINEUP

Wesleyan	Position	Webster
Anderson	Forward	McBride
Shaw	Forward	Meyer
Wessendorf	J. Center	Sloan
Kirkendale	S. Center	Rehagen
Bono	Guard	Hamel
Stherlaman	Guard	Hyslop

Webster College was defeated for the second time this season in the basketball game played against Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Mo., on February 27, in "Idle Hour." The final score was 59-13.

Wesleyan College took the lead from the beginning, and remained ahead during the entire game. The visiting team has been undefeated for the past six years, and the Webster team went down smilingly into defeat under the heavy onslaught that was waged.

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## CLUB CHAT

At the regular meeting of the Mathematics Club, Friday afternoon, March 1, two papers were read. Bernice Wolff read a paper on "Logarithms, Common and Natural," and Rose Malon read a paper on "Concepts of Infinity."

It was decided at this meeting that any of the members of the freshmen mathematics class who wished to join the Math Club, would be allowed to do so now.

At the April meeting, Rev. Francis Gerst, S. J., will address the Mathematics Club.

The exact time of the next Chemistry Club meeting has not been announced, but it will probably be held some time this week. The members of the club will bring any items of interest relating to chemistry, that they may find, to this meeting for discussion; and Catherine Hazel will read a paper.

The regular meeting of the Classical Club was held Monday afternoon, March 4, at one o'clock. This meeting was taken up with the discussion of some previous business, after which Alice Clarke read a paper on "Why Study Greek?"

At the next regular meeting, Monday, Margaret Ludden will read a paper on some Latin subject.

The Spanish Club was entertained by two addresses in Spanish at its last meeting, Friday evening, March 1. "Spain" and "Travels in Mexico" were the subject of these addresses which were given by members of the club. Another feature of the meeting was the recitation of a Spanish poem, "Dos Cartos," given by the president of the Spanish Club.

The Choral Club at present is concentrating its efforts on the rehearsal of Oley Speak's "Sylvia." The date of this presentation is March 19.

Eight members of the club will broadcast over station KMOX in the Webster College program to be given about the first part of April.

## MISSIONARY TO HONDURAS TALKS AT WEBSTER

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is repeated by them, either symbolically or actually, even the search for our Lord on Easter morning. The multicolored dress of the Indians and their love for display, as shown by the forty processions and eight high Masses was well told by Msgr. Schuermann in his description of Holy Week. As a token of appreciation for his services during that week, the Monsignor said that a collection was taken up which amounted to about two dollars. This serves as another proof that the missions are in dire poverty.

In conclusion Msgr. related the struggle for the new seminary which is being erected, and made an appeal to the Webster students as missionary workers. "You have mission week," he said, "but don't you think that the Indians who have the faith should keep it up—that is justice!" "It takes a lot of kindness and patience but you get them if you try it."

## Trip Thru Studio Reveals Webster's Dramatic History

To browse among the pictures of the dramatic studio is to read the history of Webster's dramatic art achievements and to acquaint oneself with the long line of talented students who have graced her halls. These pictures also tell the story of ten successful years of annual Shakespearean productions which testifies to the high intellectual taste of Webster's audience.

While looking over these pictures it is not difficult to acknowledge the fine reputation as actors built up by Florence Dooling and Margaret Hahley in the first production of "As You Like It."

No one would hesitate to buy a ticket if the present Mrs. Frances Probst Halloran and Rosalia Fehlig headed the bill as Petruchio and Catherine in the "Taming of the Shrew."

What could be more delightful than Mary Powers as Juliet and Thresa Shea as Romeo in "Romeo and Juliet."

But Shakespearean plays are not the only ones successfully produced by the dramatic department. "Ronald Castlemain's Romance" was a daring attempt and unique success in which six actors wore masks and carried on the action in pantomime, while speakers behind the stage read the parts. It is gratifying to hear that it was well done by an amateur cast.

These pictures furnish a delightful treat to the investigator especially if her tour is accompanied by the enthusiastic side-light remarks of Sister Marie Anthony and Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, head of the dramatic department.

## Anti-Sophia Says

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an obliging minnow which, seeing the President dangling his hook and asking "Where are my wandering fish today?" walked right up to said hook and nobly said, "I'll bite," or else a good fish from his private fish-bowl.

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## Watchman Has Missed Only One Night in Three Years

Thomas Corbitt, the nightwatchman at Webster College, whose protective eye keeps watch over the campus when evening's purple shadows fade into midnight blackness, has a splendid record for being on the job.

During the three years that Mr. Corbitt has been at Webster he has missed only one night. That was last Christmas eve. During the Word's Fair, Mr. Corbitt worked as a nightwatchman for the owner of the Blanke Tea and Coffee Co., who served his famous beverages in the Grant Log Cabin which is situated today on the Gravois Road.

Mr. Corbitt's duties bring him to Webster every evening a little after 7 o'clock where he remains until 4:30 o'clock in the morning. Then he calls Sam, the gardener, who takes care of the garden in the summer, and in the winter sees that the steam is sizzling through the radiators.

About 6 o'clock when Mr. Corbitt is safely home and Sam has the buildings toasting warm, footsteps trip lightly down the hall. There is a rap-rap-rap at each door. Then, "Girls, it's time to get up. Are you awake? Oh! girl's, it's time to get up. Are you awake..." "Yes, Sister, Thank you." So here we have Webster unveiled to us from seven p. m. to six a. m., in other words, "through the dark of night."

Not only does Mr. Corbitt act as night-watchman during the school season but also during the summer months.

Mr. Corbitt's services were obtained through chief-of-police MacDonald of Webster Groves, who referred him to Mother Linus.

When asked if his job brought any difficulties, Mr. Corbitt laughed and said, "No, I don't suppose you would call them difficulties exactly, but I have had a time in my day keeping the serenaders and the high-powered college Fords out of the drive."

## Group of Plays Increases Spirit of Mission Week

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Louise—Mary Hickman.  
Sally—Jane Poole.  
Georgiana—Catherine Marie Geary.  
Mrs. Prall—Cate Sullivan.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Mary Zillikan was the guest of her brother in the city, Sunday.

Catherine O'Flaherty recently enjoyed a visit from her father, Mr. V. S. O'Flaherty.

Florine Blevens accompanied Rosemary Gottlob to her home in the city last Friday for a visit over Sunday.

Lorna Rehagen visited a few days last week at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Vanarx of Herman, Missouri.

Eugenia Bock and Estella Cavenaugh spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Nagle of Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Geary of Chicago, Illinois, spent last Tuesday with their daughter, Catherine, who is a sophomore at the college.

## Mission Week Program Creates Enthusiasm Among W. C. Students

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Helen Catherine Scherman was the chairman, and Sister Aloysia Marie and Adele Daniels were the judges. The decision was in favor of the negative.

The Nancy Havern Unit, under the auspices of Eugenia Bock, raffled some silk lingerie, Friday, for the missions.

The Novena of Masses, which began March 2, and closed March 10, was the climax of Mission Week at Webster.

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## SPRING RECITAL PRESENTED BY CONSERVATORY

### Choral Club Makes Second Public Appearance at This Time

The Conservatory of Music presented its annual March recital on Tuesday evening, March 19. The program, which was charmingly varied, was presented to an enthusiastic audience.

The Webster Ensemble opened the program with "Caprice," by Ward, and was followed by a delightful number, "Etude Fantastique," played by Lorna Remagen. Frances Weber offered Chopin's Valse, Op. 64, No. 1, well known to all music lovers. A charming number of Engleman's "Russian Dance" was selected by Jane Poole.

Frances Weber again appeared, the second time as a vocalist, offering "A Gypsy Maiden," by Parker. She was accompanied by Eugenia Bock. Elizabeth Dunne delighted the audience with an appropriate number, "Herald of Spring," by Friml, and was followed by Frances Sloane who played Quigley's "Etude in A." A Nocturne by that great Norwegian composer, Gries, was played by Margaret Wilde. Helen McAvoy, who had previously established her reputation as a singer, offered "Cry of Rachael," with Frank Ward accompanying her. The next number was a violin solo, "Serenade," by Drdla, and was played by Anne Boone.

The Choral Club then sang "Sylvia," by Oley Speaks. Josephine Reddin, as Sylvia, in a shimmering silvery costume, toe-danced to a soft humming of the chorus. In the mystical blue light, she made a striking picture against the black back ground of the Choral Club in caps and gowns.

An artistic number of Schytle's, "The Spectres" was played by Helen O'Brien. A beautiful selection was presented by Eugenia Bock, Schumann's "Prophet Bird," "Gracovienne," by Paderewski was the number played by Kathleen Hamel and Erlene Strofhkamp closed the program with three "County Dancers," by Beethoven-Seis.

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## Second Convention Held March 17, By Sodalists of St. Louis

### Students From Public High Schools Stress Need of Co-operation with Car- dinal Mercier Club

At the close of the convention last Fall, the Sodalists agreed to meet again at St. Louis U. about the middle of Lent. Thus, on March 17, hundreds of Catholic high school and college students met at the College Church where they heard Mass and received Holy Communion in a body.

The first session was at 10 a. m. and was given over to a discussion of the Catholic Instruction League and the Boy Scout Movement. The need of Catholic scout leaders was particularly stressed; boys and girls in colleges were urged to give their time to the furtherance of this work. At this session, too, Father Markoe, S.J., of St. Elizabeth's Parish, spoke to the house and asked that the members attend the musical comedy to be presented at the Odeon on Tuesday, April 2, to raise funds for the building of a Catholic high school for the negroes in St. Louis. Several of the colored people to participate in the production, demonstrated their ability with songs and dances.

After a short recess, the Cardinal Mercier Club introduced the afternoon meeting. A number of the boys and girls of the public high schools attended the convention and two of them spoke; the president of the club told of their reliance on the advice of their moderator for guidance in religious matters, and of the general help of the club. A girl from Roosevelt high spoke of the retreat given for the club members at St. Pius' Church February 22-24, and extended thanks to the sodalities for their co-operation in the planning of it. The arrangements for the retreat had been under the direction of Webster students: Catherine Rohan, Marie Cregan, Bernice Wolff, and Thelma Pape; and the sodalists attending the convention were urged by Miss Rohan to continue the wonderful "active sodality" work started by them. A few miscellaneous talks were then given by various students present, and the meeting closed after an enthusiastic discussion of the Ideal Catholic Man and Catholic Woman.

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was the last event of the program of the day, and was sung in the College Church.

## Priest Appeals To Webster Girls For Missionary Aid

### "Mission Spirit Instinct of Faith To Promote Itself," Says Rev. Markoe

"Mission spirit is instinct of faith to promote itself," says Reverend W. Markoe.

"People think they know the negro, they say it is useless to educate him, but we want to show you what we are doing to aid them and what a fine class of negroes we have in our parish," said Rev. William M. Markoe of Saint Elizabeth's Parish, in introducing the Musical Comedy which is to be given at the Odeon Theater April 2, for the benefit of the St. Louis Home Missions. Father then told us that there were one hundred in the cast including a large chorus, tap dancers, black-face comedians, and a negro tenor. "It will be breezy and snappy," Father continued, "and I am appealing to your selfish motives first because I know you will enjoy the show." Father's talk was followed by an "act"—an exhibition of tap dancing, charleston, banjo playing and singing, all of which was greatly appreciated by the Webster girls, who clapped for more.

Father Markoe's talk and performance was followed by a slide illustrated talk by Mr. Pearl, S.J., a scholastic. Mr. Pearl took us, by motion pictures, along the route followed by the priests who are studying missionary work. Nothing was omitted from the great New York skyline to the heart of India. The most interesting stop along the route seemed to be Bombay, India, where we became acquainted with citizens as well as their manners

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## CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC PRESENTS TWO SENIORS IN PRIVATE RECITALS

### Two Majors in Music Will Give Recitals After Easter

Two private piano recitals will be given by Frank Ward and Josephine Thompson on the nights of April 8 and 15, respectively, in the Little Theater of Webster College. Both students are seniors and candidates for Bachelor of Science degrees in music. Frank and Josephine, talented musicians who have chosen to give private recitals instead of writing major thesis, have devoted much time to their program which include compositions of the classical, romantics and modern composers. They cordially invite their many friends to attend.

### GIRLS! GIRLS!

Do you realize that the LAURETANUM is to go to press on April 1? But if the ads do not come in, what about the book? Remember it is your Year Book, not ours! Surely you do not want to have it come out late! Show that you are behind the Book and behind the Staff which is working every day to make this year's annual outshine those of the past years. **SELL ADS for your Book, and send them to us THIS WEEK!** Only in this way can you be sure that when you come back the Book will be on the press!

The Staff.

## Knights of Columbus To Give Raffle For Benefit of Foundation

The Knights of Columbus of Webster Groves are sponsoring a raffle to be held May 8, on an Essex Coach, a Refrigerator and a Majestic Radio. The proceeds will be donated to Webster College to help defray the cost of the furnishings in Loretto Hall and the equipment in the laboratories. With the co-operation of students and their friends the backers of the raffle hope to reach their goal of \$10,000.

## CHAPLAIN URGES SODALISTS TO AC- QUIRE GRATITUDE

The last Sodality meeting was held on March 19, the feast of St. Joseph. Sister Frances Marie, moderator of the Sodality, announced that a Solemn High Mass would be celebrated at the opening of Forty Hours' Devotion which began on Wednesday morning and closed on Friday, the feast of the Seven Dolores. The girls were asked to form an unbroken chain of hours of adoration to the Eucharistic King.

Rev. J. P. Donovan gave a brief talk on the virtue of gratitude, reminding the Sodalists of the gratitude they owe their parents, the priests and their teachers. "It is not a personal gratitude that your teachers expect," Father said, "but they look for the acknowledgement of their efforts in the lives you lead, in the way you appreciate your religion. And the way in which you use the opportunities afforded you during the coming Forty Hours' Devotion will show them the fruits of their efforts."

Following Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, a number of Sodalists received the Miraculous Medal.

## BEAUTIFUL CEREMONIES IN WEBSTER COLLEGE CHAPEL

### Solemn Closing of Forty Hours' Adoration Is Part of Services for Feast of Seven Dolores

Solemn closing of the Forty Hours' Adoration and celebration of the feast of the Seven Dolores of the Blessed Virgin Mary was the occasion for solemn High Mass, procession and benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel of Webster College on Friday morning, March 22. His Grace, Archbishop J. J. Glennon, was present. Rev. J. J. Fisher of St. Rose's parish was celebrant at the Mass; Rev. W. C. Kunz of St. Paul's parish, Pine Lawn, was deacon, and Rev. B. D. Keaney of Visitation parish, sub-deacon. Rev. W. J. Tucker of Holy Redeemer parish, Webster Groves, delivered the sermon and Rev. Mark Carroll and Rev. J. S. Kane chanted the litany. Others of the clergy from St. Louis and its vicinity and also the student body of Webster College and Nerinx Hall, high school department of the college, were present for these ceremonies to honor the Sisters of Loretto, professors at Webster College, on this feast day of their order.

## Mother Praxedes, Founder of Webster, Visits the College

It was a happy privilege of both faculty and student body to have Mother Praxedes as their guest for several days this week. Mother Praxedes has been Reverend Mother General of the Sisters of Loretto for many years and it was she who built Webster College in 1915. She is Superior of Loretto Academy, El Paso, Texas, at present, but her old time interest in Webster is as great as ever. As the large group of students filled the halls, she smilingly recalled the little group of three that made the beginning.

The students gave Mother an informal reception in Social Hall on Monday evening. As so many of the parents and relatives of the girls are known to her, the kindly little personal word as she greeted each student will long be remembered. It was felt that an old friend was present.

Urgent business called Mother Praxedes to Louisville and it was her hope to return to spend the Sisters' Feast Day at Webster; unfortunately, she was unable to do so.

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## EASTER

Funny bunnies who laid pretty eggs for kiddies—that's what Easter meant to us when we were very young. How happy we were as we ran about gathering brightly colored eggs in our pretty baskets. Those were hilarious occasions, were they not? And we sometimes yearn to live them. But has the joy of Easter vanished with our childhood days? Aren't there any joys which we, as collegians, may experience? We can think of several.

For many Webster girls there is the thrill of going home at Easter, of seeing family and friends after months' separation. Easter will be a gala occasion for them. Then, for all of us, there is the thrill of the proverbial Easter "bonnet." Those latest creations never fail to cheer the hearts of womankind. Moreover, Easter holds for every one of us, that feeling of joy and gladness which is awakened by the first breath of spring, and which leaps high in our hearts as the bells ring out their glorious halleluiahs on Easter morning.

## BE REPRESENTATIVE

Every Webster girl has, on many occasions, thrilled with pride to hear someone speak admiringly of her college. She chose Webster as her Alma Mater and she is happy to hear people approve the school of her choice. But we wonder if every Webster girl realized that the greater part of people's estimation of Webster is based, not on the college buildings, but on the college products—the girls who go out representing Webster? If an appreciation of this fact were planted deep in the hearts of all Websterites they would have still another motive for acting an admirable way. Then they would do only what was fine because they realized that, if Webster is to be truly appreciated, her daughters must be truly representative.

## SPRING FEVER

For several weary months the world has been shrouded in the gloom of winter. We have endured the bitter cold and struggled against the winter wind. Now, suddenly, in the midst of our desolation, we hear birds singing. The heralds of spring are back from the South. Now little green blades shoot up through the barren earth and a bright and cheery sun beams down upon us with its warming smile. The enchantment of spring is upon us—we yield to its magic spell. We are suffering from our first attack of spring fever. There is no need to describe the symptoms. They are too generally known. As told that it is our duty to suggest one because editorials are intended to uplift the reader. But why should we attempt to uplift, or rather drag down, any one from the blissful height to which the first gentle breath of spring has wafted him? It would be cruel and besides we, of this column, have also yielded to the wiles of the gentle charmer, spring, and we find ourselves in no mood to think of plausible remedies for the spring malady.

## WHY AN ALUMNAE PLAY?

The Alumnae Association have planned the presentation of a play and the members of the cast and committee are working very hard to give everyone an enjoyable evening. The first purpose of the play is to make money so everyone is urged to sell as many tickets as they possibly can. Everyone is going to do this, of course. The second purpose of the play is to bring the old girls back to the college and the faculty again, to enable them to meet their old school mates and to show the present student body of the college just how active and talented Alumnae girls really are. The new girls perhaps are prone to believe that girls who have graduated several years ago are just as much interested, and sometimes more so, than they are.

The Alumnae play will be on April 10 and it is going to be "The Rivivals," that famous masterpiece by Sheridan. The cast is well selected and Mrs. Norman George, who is directing the play, is one of the most capable dramatic artists Webster has produced. Everything points toward an exception ally enjoyable and profitable evening.

## "ON MONDAY"

It happens every Monday of the school year, sure as fate  
That we don't have the ambition to resist that "being late."  
No matter if the classes be at nine, ten or eleven,  
The bed to us seems just as good as our idea of heaven.  
The mother calls—"Daughter, get up"  
And daughter says "All right, I'm up."  
And up you jump, but then, alas,  
You have no time for your breakfast.  
You slowly ride on the street car  
To that dear school which is so far.  
You stroll to class, you should make haste  
And not those precious moments waste.  
You find the only seat unused  
Is up in front (you feel abused).  
The teacher gives you such a look  
As you find you forgot your book.  
The five minutes that now remain—  
You must recite (this causes pain).  
The bell soon rings—the best of songs!  
A free time—sure to right your wrongs.  
You hope sincerely that you might  
That afternoon feel quite all right.  
But then, Oh dear, life's never gay  
On that old dreary "blue Monday."  
—T. P., '31.

The faculty and students extend their deepest sympathy to Mary Frances Broeker in the recent death of her father, also to Carrol Emge in the death of her grandmother. We assure you that we shall remember your loved ones in our prayers.

## IOWA

A train in Iowa was brought to a stop by striking a snowdrift. A farmer, carrying a long pole, showed up on the scene. He would walk a few steps and stick the pole down in the snow.

Finally he came close to the train and a passenger opened the window and asked, "How deep is the snow, out there?"

The farmer replied, "Search me, I'm hunting for my barn."

## AND YOU?

Why do you always see the bad  
Instead of looking for the good?  
O can it be you do not know—  
'Tis you who makes life twice as sad?

For, maybe ev'ryone does not  
Know yet what wrong this man hath done.  
And who are you—mere mortal, too—  
That you should judge while He forgot?

And why is mention never made  
Of any good thing that he does?  
Why do you only tell the bad  
E'en when the debt has all been paid?

And are you then so good? One who  
Could never do a sinful thing?  
If not—'twere best that you should change,  
For as you judge—He will Judge you!  
—L. S., '31.

## Nerinx Hall Students In Entertainment

The students of Nerinx Hall presented "An Evening's Entertainment" Friday, March 15, in Webster's Little Theater. The school orchestra, composed of Elizabeth Kiely and Rosemary Kruse, violins; Virginia Susanka, saxophone; and Dawn Marie Wiensburg, piano; offered "Return of the Volunteers," by Englemann, as the opening number.

The Senior class gave two one-act plays. The first play was "Carrie Lee Lumpit," by Elise West Quaife. Girlie Schlueter, as Mrs. Irving Mayfair, Margaret Brockland, as Aunt Dinah, and Mary Dooling as Carrie Lee Lumpit, were the main characters. Between scenes Leona Simma, accompanied by Dawn Marie Wienaburg, sang "Cradle Song." Other students presented musical selections between the plays. Frances Ravirina played "Mountain Stream" by Smith, and Eleanor Carroll the "Joy Dance," by Crowford.

Mary Casey and Malenda Schwartz impersonated colored women in the second play, "Hanging Out the Wash." The Glee Club, with Mae Guidry at the piano sang "Beautiful Moonlight" as the final number.

## Students Attend Monthly Social Dinner

Webster College's monthly social dinner where faculty and students get together for an evening of purely social entertainment, was held on the night of Thursday, March 14.

Dressed in their most attractive frocks the girls assembled in the decorated dining room and danced before dinner.

Cheers were given between courses for Sister Edwarda and Miss Ada K. Gannon, instructor in parliamentary law.

## STUDENTS SEE "MACBETH" AT THE SHUBERT-RIALTO

A trip to the city by bus to attend a performance of Gordon Craig's "Macbeth" at the Shubert-Rialto, Tuesday, March 12, was the pleasant experience of a group of Webster students. Designed by the master hand of the great director whose key to success is the simplicity to which he gives the expression of his emotions, this version of the Shakespearean tragedy was marked by breath-taking spectacles and gorgeous blending of colors.

The characters of Lady Macbeth, Macduff and Macbeth played by Florence Reed, William Farnum and Lyn Harding, respectfully, were powerfully portrayed and the audience was held spellbound in the many dramatic headlight effects.

The stage and lighting effects in the witch scenes created an atmosphere of bewilderment, terror and awe that has never been accomplished with so great an effectiveness.

Disturbed Dad: "You assured me you would live within your allowance and you haven't done it. That shows how weak you are.

Soothing Son: No, Dad, shows how weak the allowance is.

Any man will rush to pay his debt when he discovers he owes it to himself.



## Anti-Sophia Says

The latest news from Mexico, outside of the daily revolutions, assassinations, and other minor details, is that Miss Anne Morrow is sending her favorite picture of herself to be added to the Lindbergh collection. And so Miss Morrow takes her place among the Colonel's trophies.

Extry! Extry! The "Lone Eagle" will go soaring into matrimony tomorrow.

Now that Winter has removed its "grippe" on us and "flu" away, we can all get Spring fever. That's lots of fun. Having Spring fever is the quickest possible way of getting bounced out of class.

An elderly woman just arrived in New York from Europe, attempting to prove her claim to the title of "The World's Ugliest Woman." Chy all the excitement? Does she expect a lot of entries in the competition? Ho, Ho! Funny woman.

And after she wins the coveted title of ugliest lady, what will she do with it? It's an intriguing problem. Probably the best plan would be to go to a really good photographer, have a number of pictures made in various poses and expressions, and then sell them at a good profit to interested families. And who wouldn't be interested in such a value? A picture of the lady on the piano, and one in the kitchen on the ice box or some other vantage point, if you could afford it, would certainly be most effective in keeping the burglars out. Any man, no matter how brave or desperate, would take one look and run!

"Dog's Department Leads to Arrest of Burglar"—Headline.

That should give him an A in department on his report.

"Incendiary Bomb Thrown in Truck of Cleaning Firm"—Headline.

And the nice little bomb, bursting with enthusiasm, proceeded to clean up the whole truck.

"Real Estate Dealer Charged With Getting Lots by Fraud"—Headline.

Having secured lots of space by fraud, he will now get lots of time for it.

"Wife Wins \$1,650,000 From Jello Magnate"—Headline.

Evidently being a jello magnate's wife is a wobbly proposition. It seems the husband's suit was founded on clear but shaky grounds, so that his wife took advantage of the instability to the extent of \$1,650,000.

"Salesman Seriously Injured by Falling Brick in Windstorm"—Headline.

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FRANK R. WARD  
Who will give a recital April 8.

**PRIEST APPEALS TO  
WEBSTER GIRLS FOR  
MISSIONARY AID**

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and customs. The speaker introduced the street cleaner and then explained how there was a distinct social rank for every occupation in India. "There are over one hundred castes," he said. He pointed out the likeness of the Indian to the American people, explaining that the heat and climate of India made their skins brown and apparently unlike ours.

Mr. Pearl concluded his talk with a beautiful spiritual appeal. "Mission Spirit," he said, "is the instinct of the Faith to promote itself." He asked the Webster girls for their prayers, telling what a vast amount of good they could do.

**ALUMNAE NEWS**

The faculty and students wish to extend their heartfelt sympathy to Agnes Tuchsmidt and to the Tuchsmidt family upon the recent death of their father.

The Alumnae Association will present Richard Brinsley Sheridan's classic play, "The Rivals" on the evening of April 10. The production is being directed by Mrs. Norman George. The cast is as follows: Mrs. Malaprop, Genevieve Barthel; Lydia Languish, Adele Burkhardt McNulty; Julia, Mary Powers; Lucy, Emily Barnicle Tinker; Captain Absolute, Catherine Hoenni Barnicle; Anthony Absolute, Jeanette Hensgen Surkamp; Faulkland, Marie Haenni Rosenthal; Bob Acres, Mary Elizabeth Newell; Sir Lucius O'Trigger, Marguerite Barthel and David, Thelma Barnicle Schatzman.

Invitations have been received for the wedding of Theo Fehlig and Mr. Phillip Meagher, which will take place April 2, at St. Rose's Church. Many delightful pre-nuptial parties have been given for Theo. On March 9, Theresa Shea entertained with a handkerchief shower. Then on March 16, Alvera Fehlig complimented her cousin with a stocking shower and on March 17, Marie Powers gave a Saint Patrick's Day party and a lingerie shower for the bride-to-be.

Mary Powers, '28, is now a teacher at Loretto Academy. She has five English classes under her direction.

**"THE GENIUS OF SPAIN AND  
OTHER ESSAYS ON SPANISH  
CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE"**

By Salvador de Madariaga

Oxford University Press—Humphrey  
Milford—1923

A study cast in the form of literary portraits of living authors, such as Pio Baroja and Azorine Gabriel Miro is the purpose of the author to exhibit their character and genius.

**Antique Table of  
Genuine Mahogany,  
Webster Possession**

**Piece of Furniture in Ad-  
ministration Building Is  
63 Years Old**

One of the most interesting pieces of furniture in Webster College is the wing table of genuine mahogany that stands in the small reception room on the left side of the entrance to the Administration building. This table is almost 63 years old and like every genuine antique has a story to tell.

Many years ago it was given as a wedding present to the mother and father of one of the Sisters. The table served its purpose for a time, but when styles in furniture changed, it was relegated to the attic. There is stayed for many years, covered with dust and knocked about during Spring and Fall housecleaning, until it became broken and delapidated.

When the mother died the family decided to break up housekeeping; and preparations were made for the sale of the furniture. The table, it was decided, was too out-of-date and disreputable to be put on sale and was relegated to the ash heap. But a priest who recognized the real value of the broken down piece of furniture requested that the table, if it was to be abandoned, be given to him.

Nothing more was thought of the matter until quite some time had passed, and the daughter of the family was surprised to receive a telephone message from the same priest saying that he had had the table mended and would like to send it to her. The Sister was delighted with this remembrance of her family and since that time the table has occupied a prominent place in recompense for the neglect that was its lot for so many years.

So, you see, this story has a moral: look around in your own home and see if there are any pieces of furniture, old laces, books and glassware that have been overlooked. This is the way most antiques are found and, who knows, you may have stored away in your attic somewhere a work of Cellini, a manuscript of Dickens, or even an etching of some famous man.

**26 Students Journey  
To Warrenton in Bus**

The return game of Webster College with Central Wesleyan College, Warrenton, Mo., played Saturday, March 16, at Warrenton, resulted in a victory for Wesleyan. The final score was 44-17.

Twenty-six Webster students traveled to Warrenton in a bus. Chaperoned by Mrs. J. T. McNulty and Miss Genevieve Barthel, coach, they arrived at Warrenton at 3:30 p. m., having left the College at 1 o'clock. The game started at 4 o'clock with Wesleyan retaining its opening lead throughout.

After the game the Webster girls were the guests of their opponents in the Women's Dormitory where refreshments were served before the Websterites boarded the bus for the trip home.

They arrived at the College at 8 p. m.



JOSEPHINE THOMPSON  
Who will give her recital April 15.

**THREE NEW BOOKS DONATED  
TO THE COLLEGE LIBRARY**

Three new books which recently have been donated to the library are: "Law Observance," edited by W. C. Durant, donated by Mr. Durant. Two volumes of "The History of the Archdiocese of St. Louis," by the Rev. John Rothensteiner, donated by the Most Rev. John J. Glennon, D.D., Archbishop of St. Louis.

**MARYVILLE GAME**

The second Maryville game of the year, which was played here on Thursday proved to be the best of the season. With the winning score passing from one side to the other and both sides fighting their hardest the spectators were on their toes continually.

Webster scored the first point with a free throw by Genevieve McBride. From the first tip-off the game was a battle; points volleyed back and forth and the score at the half read 12-11 in favor of Maryville. The third quarter started the girls fresh and closed with a close score. The count was tied during much of the play and for a while it seemed a matter of breaks who would be on top at the whistle. But Maryville gained the advantage and held on to it long enough to claim the victory. Our girls lost in points but their play is deserving of much credit. Thursday's game evidenced hard practice and with the stars they have as a new team composed of sophomores and freshmen next year's forecast is an optimistic one.

**ALUMNAE GAME**

On Monday, March 18, Webster defeated the Alumnae 38-7, in a basketball game unusually full of friendly rivalry. In spite of the friendly relations of the girls, however, the game was well fought and some good playing was exhibited. The Webster girls worked some splendid passes and showed fine teamwork. The score at the half stood 26-1 in favor of the College. But after a rest and a change in the lineup the Alumnae freshened up and the game moved faster.

The game was played before a large crowd; the Alumnae having brought their friends and the College, as usual, was well represented. Between halves the girls formed a "W" on the floor and sang the Webster school song.

Mrs. Quiz: How long has your husband been out of work, Mandy?  
Mandy: Well, Mis', I ain't suah of the exact year we were married.

"I don't want to think that you are marrying me for my money."  
"That goes double," responded the young man. "I don't want you to think so either."—Portland Express.

New Wife: "Why! aren't you the same man I gave biscuits to the other day?"  
Hobo: "No ma'am, and the doctor says I never will be again."

**CLUB CHAT**

The regular meeting of the Classical Club was held Monday afternoon, 18, at 1 o'clock. Some business was transacted, after which Margaret Ludden read a paper on "The Relation Between Classical Learning and the Early Church."

The Poetry Club met Wednesday evening, March 20, at 7 o'clock. This meeting was devoted to the reading and discussion of the poetry of Edna St. Vincent Millay and other modern writers.

At the regular meeting of the Biology Club, Monday evening, March 25, at 7 o'clock, Mr. F. E. Thompson of Arbor Lodge, addressed the club on "The Evolution of Arbor Lodge." This meeting was open not only to members of the Biology Club, but to all the students of Webster College, who have so often enjoyed rambles through Arbor Lodge.

The Chemistry Club has not yet decided on the date of their next meeting, which will be held either this week, or immediately after the Easter holiday.

**SODALITY NEWS**

"Consistency as Applied to One's Spirituality," was the subject of Father Donovan's instruction given to Sodality members at their weekly meeting March 12.

Marie Reynolds, prefect, urged members to attend the Sodality convention which was held at St. Louis University, March 17.

Sister Frances Marie in explaining the benefits derived from the convention said she was especially desirous of a large attendance by members of freshmen and sophomore classes, who should take active part in the discussions.

The Office of Our Lady was recited and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament received.

Teacher: Can you give me an example of a paradox?  
Small Boy: A man walking a mile but only moving two feet.

"Isn't it hard," said the landlady, "to think this poor lamb was cut down in its youth to satisfy our appetites?"  
"Yes," replied the unhappy boarder at the end of the table, "it is tough."

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## BOOK CHAT

### "THE ENGLISH IN ENGLISH BIBLES"

By J. F. Shehan

Published by Columbus Institute, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Rhemes 1582  
Authorized 1611  
Revised 1881

This is one of Shehan's most interesting books. It gives a complete explanation of the English language as it is found in the Bible; it gives a better understanding of the Bible and sets forth the meaning of its many old and odd expressions.

### "TOWNS AND PEOPLE OF MODERN GERMANY"

By Robert Medill McBride

Published by Robert M. McBride & Co., New York City—1927

In this book McBride portrays the interesting and charming scenes of Germany of today. Entertaining throughout the book is replete with valuable information on modern German people. It is written in simple but cultured English.

### "EMINENT CHEMISTS OF OUR TIME"

By Benjamin Harrow, Ph.D.

Published by I. Von Norstrand Co., New York—1927

This book has all the interest of a work of fiction, the charm of a sparkling biography and the romance of expanding life overcoming obstacles. It is a complete record of achievement in contributions to the field of science.

### "LAW OBSERVANCE"

Edited By W. C. Durant

Durant Award Office, New York City—1929

An extensive collection of the best essays in the recent contest held by W. C. Durant to select the most practical plan to make the 18th Amendment effective, is this interesting book.

### "THE CRADLE SONG AND OTHER PLAYS"

By A. Martinez Sierra

E. P. Dutton & Co., Inc., New York—1923

A veritable fountain of information, these dramas may be taken as thesis for the portrayal of convent life. So thorough a picture does Sierra draw that the life of the convent even dominates the importance of actual characters. Comedy and seriousness are interwoven with the peaceful and charitable traits of the nuns.

A hypocrite is one who first determines what way you are thinking and then hastens to agree with you.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Lucyle Rappilard attended homecoming at the Rolla School of Mines over the week-end. Lucille reports that she had a very enjoyable time.

Mary Tancred was the guest of her sister, Agnes, last week. Mary spent several days visiting friends, both at the college and in the city.

Mrs. J. J. O'Donnell of Webster Groves, entertained Mildred Kennedy last Sunday afternoon with a surprise party in honor of her eighteenth birthday.

Catherine Schmuke visited Mary Carolyn Fields over the week-end.

Betty Sharpe was the guest of Alice Widmer last Monday night.

Jane Poole and Frances Sloan recently visited Agnes Louise Rupp over the week-end.

Dorothy Walsh spent Sunday night with Adelaide Murphy.

Mildred Kennedy is going to spend the Easter holidays with her brother at St. Mary's, Kansas.

Rose Phelan had as her guest for the week-end Susanne Corrigan.

Kathryn Haskins was the week-end guest of Catherine Steinlage.

Anna Marie Hienen was a week-end guest of Mae Hillemeier.

Genevieve McBride spent the week-end with her aunt in the city.

Esther Kraft is going to spend the Easter vacation at her home in

## FAMOUS NOVELISTS AMONG VISITORS TO BOOKSHOP

Fannie Hurst, Temple Bailey and Rex Beach Have Called at Mrs. Seifert's

Within the shadow of Webster College is a charming little bookshop where one may browse among books of romance and adventure—the kind of modern fiction that one turns to in order to forget that problem in math or next day's history quiz.

The proprietor of this little shop, almost buried beneath its load of books, is known to students as Miss Seifert and she relates many interesting anecdotes about her books and the people who wrote them.

Her sister, Miss Shirley Seifert, a short-story writer, is a personal acquaintance of Fannie Hurst, who once lived in St. Louis. Miss Hurst as well as other famous novelists, such as Temple Bailey and Rex Beach, have visited Miss Seifert's little store.

"It is so much more interesting to read a book once you have met the author," says Miss Seifert.

New Albany, Ind.; Ann Ward is planning to accompany her.

Many of the Websterites are planning to spend their Easter vacation at their homes, or to visit at the homes of their friends. Those who will remain at the College are also anticipating many good times.

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## ALUMNAE PLAY GIVES EVIDENCE OF TALENT AMONG FORMER STUDENTS

Popular Play Is Presented to Enthusiastic Audience

The Alumnae Association presented to a large audience on Wednesday evening, April 10, R. B. Sheridan's "The Rivals," under the direction of Anna Mae Barry George.

Jeanette Hensgen Surkamp was an ideal "Sir Anthony Absolute," the irate father of "Jack," and Catherine Haenni Barnicle was well cast in the latter role. Phrases of "Mrs. Malaprop," Genevieve Barthel, such as "pineapple of politeness," afforded humor throughout. Anna Mae Barry George deserved much credit for substituting as "Faulkland" for Marie Haenni Rosenthal who was suddenly taken ill. Others in the production were: Mary Elizabeth Newell, "Acres;" Marguerite Barthel, "Sir Lucius O'Trigger;" Emily Barnicle Tinker, "Lucy;" Teresa Shea, "Fag;" Thelma Barnicle Schatzman, "David;" Adel Burkhart McNulty, "Lydia Languish;" and Mary Powers, "Julia."

There was added interest for the students since three of the instructors at the College, Miss Mary Elizabeth Newell, Mrs. Emily Barnicle Tinker, and Miss Genevieve Barthel had parts. Chairman of the various committees in charge of the production were: Margaret Mowery Reilly, ticket committee; Ruth Weiler, arrangement committee; Ruth Loftus Weiler, finance committee; Mary Elizabeth Newell, Adel Burkhart McNulty, costumes; Katherine Hummert, programme.

## LORETTO HALL PORTRAIT FOUND TO BE A VAN DYKE

Owner Returns From Abroad and Identifies Old Master

The mystery surrounding the old portrait hanging in the lounge of Loretto Hall has been solved.

Contrary to all beliefs it is not one of the pictures brought over from Belgium by Father Nerinckx, founder of the Loretto order, but the property of a Mrs. Jennie Taylor who has recently returned from abroad and who now resides at Louisville, Ky.

It has been revealed that several years ago, when Mrs. Taylor was leaving on a trip to Europe, she was eager to find a safe place to leave two valuable paintings, one of which was a portrait of an old aristocrat by Van Dyke, a master painter of the seventeenth century.

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## Spring Dance and Treasure Hunt on the Social Calendar

"What shall we wear" and "whom shall we take" to the Spring Dance? are the prevailing popular discussions at Webster College these days.

The Spring Dance, an informal affair at Webster, is sponsored by the Junior Class. It will be given on the roof garden at the Chase Hotel May 10. Everyone concerned is working to make it a success.

Another highlight in the social activities of the Junior Class is the entertainment to be given the Seniors May 4—a Treasure Hunt Luncheon. Mystery seems to be the main theme of the day, for the Juniors refuse to talk—no plans whatsoever can be obtained from them—they are silent.

Only May 4 will disclose their secrets and surprises.

## MERCHANT OF VENICE TO BE STAGED MAY 14

Dramatic Club Will Offer Difficult Shakespearean Play

The next play which will be given by the Dramatic Art students will be the annual Shakespearean play, that ever popular production, "The Merchant of Venice," has been chosen this year and will be presented on the night of May 14, in the college auditorium. The cast has been selected and rehearsals are well under way. Alice Widmer and Catherine Cody have the leads of Shylock and Portia. Jo Rabbitt plays the part of Antonio and Clarabelle Mueller that of Bassanio, suitor to Portia. Mary Hickman supports Catherine Cody in the role of Nerissa, and Rose Malon takes the part of Tubal, Shylock's friend; Mary Rose Burke, Jessica; Josephine Reddin, Lorenzo; Helen McAvoy, Prince of Morocco; Helen Denker, Duke; and the parts of Salerio, Salarino, Salanio and Gratiano, friends of Antonio, are taken by Essemena Weinacker, Jane Burleigh, Frances Sloan and Jane Poole. Billy Surprise has one of the comedy leads as Launcelot Gobbo; Catherine Geary that of Old Gobbo and Anne Ward plays the part of Balthasar, servant to Portia. The Dramatic Department expects the support of the entire school in their undertaking. Don't forget the date—MAY 14.

An Expression Recital will be given by the private pupils of the Dramatic Department on Tuesday evening, April 23. The participants will be as follows: Helen O'Brien, Alice Widmer, Bernadette Sturgess, Mary Hickman, Billy Surprise, Jane Poole and Clarabelle Mueller. They invite their many friends to attend.

## LAURETANUM GOES TO PRESS WILL BE OUT EARLY IN MAY

The Lauretanum, year book of Webster College, has gone to print and it is promised that the book will be in the hands of the subscribers in the early part of May. The staff has devoted much time and energy to the planning of the Lauretanum and they promise an exceptional annual. Superstition is to be the theme of the book since this is the thirteenth year of the college. This theme will dictate the art decorations and the arrangement of the book.

Thelma Gesell is the editor-in-chief of the Lauretanum. The other members of the staff are Marie Cregan, assistant editor; Catherine Rohan, business manager; Marie Reynolds, advertising manager; Margaret Mary Brey, are editor; Helen Eaves, circulation manager.

## Margaret Vollet To Be Crowned Queen of May for 1929

Date of May Day Ceremonies Not Yet Announced

Once more has Webster departed from the beaten path, and with serene disregard for the conventions of other colleges has elected her May Queen on standards other than the time-honored ones of beauty queenliness, qualities once thought indispensable in the make-up of the gracious ruler of May Day festivities. Quietly but with indomitable firmness the student body cast around and from its midst produces a fit queen to conform to its newly imposed qualification. And that criterion is reposed in the simple, though pretentious word, WORTH. Enter, then, our new queen, wearing the invisible diadem of worthiness, a crown more precious in the eyes of Webster than the tangible one that the lovely mistress of 1928, Gertrude Jolley, will soon relinquish to the oncoming monarch.

Probably for the first time in college history has the question of ability and fitness been the most prominent characteristic of the May Queen, but certainly Webster could not have chosen a more capable ruler than Margaret Vollet, familiarly known to her friends as "Peg." Not a dignified nickname, but one echoing the trust and affection confided in her by loyal "subjects." From her first entrance into these halls as a shy retiring person of the genus Freshman to her present lofty position of "tried and true," Junior we have known the expression, "Ask Peg; she'll do it," a supreme test of efficiency and willingness that nuns and girls alike have re-

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THELMA GESELL



CATHERINE ROHAN

## Sophomore Bridge Party To Be Given on April 17

Hearty Co-operation Is Asked of Their Fellow Schoolmates

A giant bridge party will be given by the Sophs in the cafeteria, Wednesday evening, April 17, at 8:15, don't forget the date! This party promises to be "the best yet"; besides the usual features there will be many added attractions, namely, an attendance prize—so come on girls, for it's well worth the effort. Tickets are 25c—a quarter.

This one is a series of bridges which has been given each month by the Sophomore Class, a committee of girls being appointed each time by Thelma Pape, Social Chairman. The novel arrangement whereby the winners of each party, besides receiving a gift, are eligible to play for championship at the end of the series makes it doubly interesting.

The committee in charge consists of Adelaide Murphy, Chairman; Margaret De Lisle, Helen Denker, Elizabeth Dunne, Catherine Geary, Kathleen Hammel, Anna Marie Heinan, Rosemary Hynes, Margaret Ludden and Helen Marie O'Brien.

How Many Chances on the Raffle Have YOU Sold?



## DEAN OF MEN AT ST. L. U. ADDRESSES W. C. STUDENTS AT SODALITY MEETING

Catholic Leadership Subject of Father O'Regan's Lecture

"What shall I talk about?" asked Rev. Fr. J. J. O'Regan as he stepped to the platform in Mission Hall Wednesday, April 10. "I haven't talked to girls much, but I want to tell you a few things about Catholic Leadership," Father said, and then he asked the students if they had noticed that the world is really an ignorant world? As an example of this he related a story of a retreat in a girls' reform school—where, he said, "despite the fact that they were outcasts to the eyes of the world, they were good, but they didn't know what it was all about."

He then showed us our great opportunities, the good example set before us, the sacraments daily, the studies with professors, everything to enable us to fit ourselves for future life.

"Leaders must come from Catholic Colleges. They have to prepare themselves in the beginning. What ideal have you in life?" he asked. Leaders, he explained, are in demand and the fact that people do not think is one of the main reasons why leaders are scarce and therefore in demand.

Father brought home a strong point when he urged the students not to think that they were given

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## Lenten Discourses Brought to Close By Rev. J. P. Donovan

Rev. J. P. Donovan, at the Sodality meeting of March 26, chose Holy Week services and the attributes of a glorified body as his topics for discussion.

"Show that you are intelligent Catholics by knowing the Church liturgy. On Good Friday, the morning liturgical services are of much greater importance than the Tre Ore. Yet there were only about 300 people attending the Mass of the Presanctified on Good Friday morning at the Cathedral, while about 3,000 people gathered there for the "Tre Ore." He then described the attributes of a glorified body. "For every hour we meditate on hell we ought to meditate one hundred hours on heaven. Of course, we cannot conceive the primary joys of heaven; the Beatific Vision, but we can conceive the joys of the glorified body. Multiply the joys derived on this earth from art and literature a million times and you have an idea of the heavenly happiness of a glorified body."

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## THE MISSOURI U. SEX QUESTIONNAIRE

Have you ever considered the peculiar turn of mind of the vast majority of our newspaper reading public? In an edition of a paper filled with articles of real value—articles which vitally concern our country's well being, articles which will inform the reader of the world's progress along literary, scientific and economic lines—insert one story of a breath-taking scandal and invariably the majority of readers will pass by the articles of greater educational value to literally devour the scandal story. We are not finding fault with these people. They are quite naturally attracted to the scandal story which, with its human interest element, will draw attention where another story would fail. It is simply an unfortunate condition.

The stories of the Missouri U. Sex Questionnaire attracted just such attention. They were essentially human interest stories and besides they involved a phase of college life, one thing which never fails to interest the masses. However, not all who read about, and considered, the problem at Missouri took the right attitude toward it. In many cases they failed to realize—and all of the newspapers were not especially enlightened on this point—that the questionnaire was undeniably lacking in good morality that it opened for discussion questions of which St. Paul says "Let them not even be mentioned among us."

Consequently many were ready to criticize the board of curators at Missouri U. when they took the only laudable course of action against the offenders.

It was fortunate that the sympathy of so many people was with these offenders. Even more unfortunate was the attitude taken toward the whole affair by those most vitally concerned, the students themselves. Of course, their loyalty and determination to stand by their professors was admirable, but no sentiment of loyalty should have been able to swerve them from what their reason told them was the right stand on the question at issue. However, and this is the saddest part of all, their course under these very professors had made it impossible for them to view the matter in a sane and unbiased manner.

We, who are attending a Catholic college, are very fortunate to be in such an atmosphere. We are in no danger of becoming involved in any such conditions as arose at Missouri. Under the direction of competent professors we learn the only correct system of morality, the only system which is absolutely in accordance with the natural law. And, while our courses may lack the diversion and excitement afforded by sex questionnaire probes, they offer the only adequate preparation for a normal and happy life.

## THE LAST LAP

The last lap! A significant term, a term reminiscent of racing hours, of speeding autos, of charioteers urging their steeds on to the finish which spells victory in the race. The contestants are put to the test during every minute of a race but it is that last stretch just in sight of the goal which demands the supreme effort. It is the energy which the racer can summon for that famous last lap which spells defeat or victory.

Last fall we at Webster were off to a fine start in our efforts toward a college degree. We were determined to make this year at college an important milestone on that much lauded path toward success. The months have slipped away. Hours of work have been intermingled with happy, care-free hours of play. And now we find ourselves, with the end of the college year in sight, facing the last lap of our own all important race.

And for us also the last lap demands a mighty effort. We must struggle against the magic of the springtime which would feign entice us with its enchanting spell and carry us far from the sound of duty's call and from the thought of term papers and final exams. Who doesn't yearn to yield to its mad enchantment? Can we deny that a supreme effort is demanded to resist? Spring whispers that it is sweet to dream, to forget, beneath her spell, the demands of school activities. What does it matter if our college needs our help in its full spring calendar of school events? It is far more pleasant to pass them by, blinded by the dazzling rays of the warming sun, deafened to all save the songs of birds and the low murmur of the breezes.

But we must not yield to the wiles of the charmer spring. With the

## ARE THEY?

Little silver rain drops,  
Dancing up and down  
On the roofs and tree tops,  
While the great clouds frown!

Splashing in the gutters,  
In the puddles too,  
While the Storm King mutters  
And the winds howl "Who-o-o-o?"

On the windows tapping,  
Knocking at the door,  
Never find them napping  
'Til the storm is o'er.

Tiny fairy hammers,  
Striking rhythmic'ly,  
While the thunder stammers,  
Growling fitfully!

As I watch them falling,  
Right from out the sky,  
Seems some one is calling—  
Can't you hear a sigh?

And I often wonder—  
Are they angels' tears,  
Falling on the blunders  
Of unheeding years?  
—L. S., '31.

The faculty and students extend their heartfelt sympathy to Helen O'Brien in the late death of her father. We assure you that we shall remember him in our prayers, Helen.

## APRIL

April is here, and with it rain.  
Oh, won't we see the sun again?  
A gloomy sky, a cold, wet ground  
No wonder on this earth we frown.

A happy thought comes forward  
though  
"The spring has come" and then  
we know  
That with the Spring comes one  
more dance  
And to it we make plans to prance.

Oh, April days, now is your time  
But please remember: May's in our  
mind.  
So hurry on and do your best  
To give the rainy skies a rest.

And give to us at Webster here  
Some days quite full of sunshine  
dear.  
And on the tenth of May we plead  
For the moonlight, starlight night  
we need. —T. P., '31.

For more than ten minutes the  
diner had been picking at the fowl  
on his plate. At last, in despera-  
tion, he put down his knife and  
fork.

"Waiter!" he shouted.  
"Yes sir?" said the waiter, hurrying  
towards him.

"I believe it is considered improper  
to speak disrespectfully of one's  
elders."

"Yes sir, I believe it is."  
The diner pushed his plate away  
from him.

"Very well," he said, "I have al-  
ways behaved like a gentleman. I  
won't make any complaints about  
this fowl.

happiness of spring in our hearts we must still struggle on. We must remember our duties, we must realize that the supreme test of good sportsmanship, of love and loyalty to our college is facing us. We must understand that we are starting upon the last lap of our race, and with the spirit of the conqueror we must fight on toward victory and June.

## Easter Vacationists As Seen from "Behind the Curtain" at Webster

It was a sunny morning, early in April. The marble stairs of Loretto Hall glistened—a taxi was seen coming up the drive—and as it suddenly stopped three collegians alighted. It was evident that the trio was returning from a glorious Easter vacation. The first, a petite freshman, was dressed in a clever ensemble of black and green. A black georgette coat fitted gracefully over a green dress made of the same material, while a green felt hat and black swede pumps completed the outfit.

The next to alight was a tall brunette who was chic in a brightly figured silkdress, smartly caught up at one side, over which was a blue coat, lined with material like that of the dress. A snugly fitting blue hat and blue slippers gave the costume a modish appearance. The third wore an ensemble which formed a striking contrast with the first. Her outfit consisted of a two-piece dress of crepe de chine, the waist being made of white and the skirt of blue and white checked material. She wore a bright red hat, and carried a stone martin choker. The taxi slipped away and the girls, resuming their chatter, hastily ascended the stairs.

Another collegian was seen coming up the walk, wearing her newest outfit, from all appearances. She chose a black coat with a cape, and trimmed in fur, a purple visca hat and reptile skin shoes for her Easter finery.

And still they came, some in taxis, others in sport roadsters—a maze of bright colors and soft fabrics, carrying their baggage and laughing and chatting gaily, tired after a weary train ride—sad to have had to leave their dear ones, but happy to be back at dear old Webster.

## PIANO RECITAL GIVEN BY FRANK RAYMOND WARD

The Loretto Conservatory of Webster College presented Frank Raymond Ward in a piano concert on Monday evening, April 8, 1929. She was assisted by Catherine Cody, who gave two very clever readings.

Frank, a petite person, was attractive in a formal dress of rose taffeta made bouffant style, while peacock-blue satin slippers made the picture complete.

Frank's program, which enabled her to display excellent technique, interpretation and phrasing was as follows:

Beethoven Op. 81  
Les Adieux  
L' Absence  
Le Retour  
Chopin  
Prelude Op. 28 No. 17  
Etude Op. 25 No. 7  
Scherzo Op. 39 No. 3  
Reading  
Miss Catherine Cody  
Palmgren  
Isle of Shadows  
Coming of Spring  
May Night  
Tschaikowsky—Grainger  
Paraphrase on Flower Waltz.



## Anti-Sophia Says

Someone has felt it his duty to L. C. Davis in his column, "The Once Over," recently commented on a few of the tragic results of such a drastic measure. But he has overlooked one very important phase of the matter. It has been hard enough on the poor pathetic Americans, laughingly called "free," who have to carry a flask in their hip-pockets to get a fluttering swallow now and then, but think, think of the sad condition of affairs when you must smuggle your bananas on the hip. If you should faw down and go smear, imagine your embarrassment.

Of course, this being the land of opportunity and it being true that something good comes out of everything evil, this would give some enterprising youth a chance to make fame and fortune for himself by patenting a nice, compact banana-case.

Also, "Banana Oil," or Panana Ori" (it depends upon whether or not you have a cold in the head) that odious phrase which sometime ago signified disbelief and contempt for the remark to which it was applied, would become a reverend saying to be mentioned only in whispers and on Sundays, while the oil itself would undoubtedly become the rarest and most expensive of imported perfumes.

A special article recently told everything President Hoover does all day long, and when and why he does it. It was headed "President Hoover's Day from 7 a. m. to 10:30 p. m. Is Completely Filled." Maybe if he knew more about governmental affairs, it wouldn't take him so long. Tra-la-la!

The same article discloses that he likes to lie in bed and read defective—no, detective stories. Do you suppose he wants to be able to duck his head under the covers when he gets scared?

"Ryckoff Tore up More Dirt Than Bricks to Lay Cables"—Headline.

Now the city's tearing up some "dirt" about Ryckoff.

The "tallest building in the world," 840 feet high with more than sixty-three stories, is to be erected in New York. The Chrysler Building, under construction, is 809 feet and the Woolworth is 792 feet. Evidently New York likes 'em tall and slender.

A recent estimate made by the Federal Bureau of Education indicates that there are approximately 1,000,000 college students in the United States and 950,000 in the rest of the world. After a blow like that, we probably won't feel "such a much" when we walk out of here with our degree. But then, again, why not?

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Alumnae News

We were delighted to hear that Marie Haenni Rosenthal is rapidly recovering from an operation for appendicitis. Mrs. Rosenthal is the president of the Webster College Alumnae Association.

Two members of the Alumnae, Jeanette Hensgen Surkamp and Rosalia Fehlig, visited the College a few weeks ago in an official capacity. They were judges at the tryout for the cast of the coming Shakespearean production, "The Merchant of Venice." It is interesting to note that when "The Merchant of Venice" was given a few years ago at Webster, Mrs. Surkamp was "Shylock" and Miss Fehlig played the part of "Portia."

Among the prominent personages seen at the St. Louis University Prom, April 4, was Helen Simon Kane, a member of the Alumnae and the Billiken Queen of 1927-28.

An event of great interest to the "old girls" was the wedding of Theo Fehlig and Philip Meagher which took place at St. Rose's Church on April 2. Rev. Father Clement Fehlig, an uncle of the bride, officiated at the ceremony.

Theo, who was gowned in white satin trimmed in orange blossoms, was preceded to the altar by her sister, Celeste Fehlig, as maid of honor, and Alvira Fehlig and Helen Loughman as bridesmaids. The maids were dressed alike in apple green lace gowns and poke-shaped purple hats.

Anthony Meagher served his brother as best man; Richard Hering and Paul Fehlig were groomsmen.

The young couple have departed for New York City where they will reside for some time.

MOTHER ANN MARITA  
PAYS VISIT TO OLD  
FRIENDS AT WEBSTER

Mother Ann Marita, secretary-general to the Sisters of Loretto, paid a short visit to Webster College this week. Mother was warmly welcomed by her many friends and former pupils. She had been instructor in secretarial work at the College for many years, and has always had a very great interest in the Commercial department especially.

FRIENDS AND COINCIDENCES

An amusing and interesting coincidence came to light recently when two Webster College girls, Helen Catherine Sherman and Jo Rabbitt discovered that they both kept "Poetry Scrap-Books" which showed a singular similarity in taste.

Both Helen Catherine and Jo have been keeping these scrap-books for the past few years and accidentally stumbled on the fact that all except a few of their poems were identically alike. The poems have been clipped from "Scribners," from "Good Housekeeping" and other current magazines. One poem clipped by Jo from "College Humor" three years ago, was cut by Helen Catherine at the same time.

Rupert Brooks is a favorite of Jo who does not care so much for Swinbourne as does Helen Catherine.

HOW A STUDENT TURNED  
A HOBBY INTO BUSINESS

Mary Margaret Everroad  
Tells of Her Flower  
Shop

How she converted a hobby—her love for flowers—into a growing business has been revealed by Margaret Mary Everroad, Webster College student and proprietor of "The Little Flower Shop" at 950 Goodfellow avenue. She will attend a floral school this summer and take a course in designing which she intends to make her specialty.

"It's small, but it is growing all the time," she declared and then explained that with the assistance of her mother and a designer she operates the shop and attends school. She plans to enlarge her shop so that it will include a stock of bridge prizes and greeting cards. In relating the interesting incidents found in operating a flower shop, Mary Margaret told how many small children spend their "pin" money in the shop for small bouquets for their mothers.

The young proprietor is a lover of music as well as of flowers and is studying voice. She says that she intends to go as far with it as possible and that her shop will assist her in furthering her studies.

LORETTO HALL PORTRAIT  
FOUND TO BE A VAN DYKE

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This portrait is painted against a dark background which brings the flesh tints and commanding features into prominence. The other picture is a painting of St. Agnes, by Tommaso Guidi, an Italian artist.

A friend of Mother Edith, who at that time was president of Webster College, Mrs. Taylor obtained permission to leave the pictures here where she was assured they would receive proper care. A record was made of the transaction but it was not made public, consequently a few weeks ago when H. F. Brey, a St. Louis art dealer was inspecting the picture gallery at Webster College he found these two and recognized them as possible works of masters. He tried to trace their history but no one knew their origin or how they came into the College's possession.

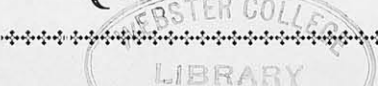
Last week while Mrs. Taylor was in St. Louis she visited the College and asked to see the pictures that had been left in Mother Edith's charge. No one knew anything of them, but on looking through the files they found a record of the transaction.

That the pictures are works of Van Dyke and Guidi can be easily proved as Mrs. Taylor has papers in her vault that can establish their authenticity beyond doubt.

At present the pictures need some attention and they are to be worked on. They will be returned to Webster College where they will remain until Mrs. Taylor calls for them.

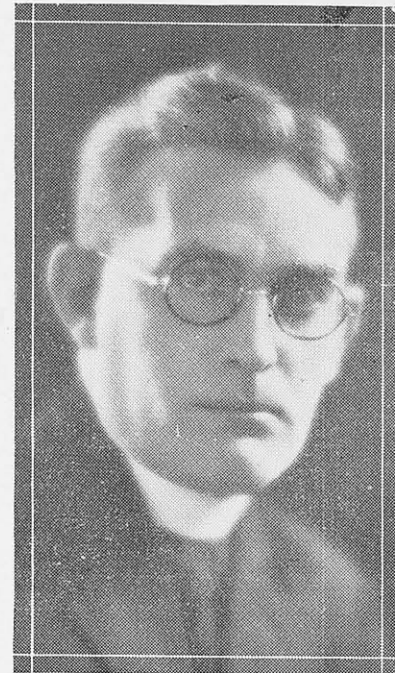
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DEAN OF MEN AT ST. L. U.  
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REV. FATHER J. J. O'REGAN

too much spirituality, but to take advantage of all religious things and learn fully the Catholic religion, so that at any time religion comes up, whether it be at a party, dance or bridge, they can defend their faith and not be "dumb."

Father listed the first and foremost quality of leadership as "Self-respect." "To be leader, self-respect must be our main ideal," he said, and as an illustration he used St. Louis, which must have Catholic leaders. These must come from the Catholic Colleges of St. Louis, therefore everyone's gaze is on the student of a Catholic institution, and what they do reflects not on them but on their college.

Father begged us to keep the right tone and standard of morality. He told of the lack of it in public universities. "God is driven out of his own creation," he said. "University men and women have no high ideals of morality. Can't we check this?"

THOSE FRESHMEN!

"Having my ups and downs all day long," the elevator in Loretto Hall was heard to grumble one April morning. "An elevator's life is bad enough, but if those four Freshmen come near me today, I think we'll all 'faw down.' I might have known it—here they come. Just listen to them."

"Come on, Grace. There's nothing to be afraid of. It's simple and even if we do get stuck we can always ring the alarm."

The four of them piled in, pulling a somewhat reluctant Grace with them.

"Poor Grace is scared," laughed one.

"Oh," sighed the elevator, "I'm tired of going from the first to the fourth floor. I believe I'll stop for a little rest. Just as I thought! All of them are frightened and the bell is ringing for class. Well, I won't take them up or down."

"I told you I didn't want to come in the first place," said Grace, "I prefer riding in an aeroplane, for I think it's safer. Never again for me."

"Thank goodness, they're gone. It's bad enough to ride them but when they ridicule my name that's final."

Can't we follow the standard of morality given to us by Christ?

"The world tends toward being run by human respect. The younger crowd need liquor to have a good time and ninety-nine out of a hundred lose self-respect through drinking in public." After a brief discussion on smoking, Father said: "There is no moral wrong whatsoever, but is it proper?"

Father concluded with a plea to all sodalists that they have a high spiritual self-respect and that they imitate the virtues of prudence, purity and prayer that made Christ's Mother so dear to Him. "Was the Blessed Virgin a leader on this earth? Ask yourselves that question sometimes and I am sure you will answer 'Yes.'"

CLUB CHAT

The regular meeting of the Chemistry Club was held on Thursday, April 4. At this meeting, Elizabeth O'Malley read a paper on "Ammonia as a Solvent," and Josephine Reddin, one on "Parlor Chemistry." Discussion of both the papers followed. No papers were assigned for the next meeting for the directors of the club are endeavoring to have an outside speaker for that occasion.

The Mathematics Club met Tuesday afternoon, April 9, at 4 o'clock. This meeting was open to all the students in order to give them an opportunity to hear the speaker of the afternoon, Rev. F. J. Gerst, S. J., who spoke on "The Mathematical Continuum."

The Poetry Club continued their discussion of modern poets and their work at their last meeting Wednesday evening, April 10, at 7 o'clock. The poetry of Rupert Brooks and Sarah Teasdale furnished the subject matter of the discussions.

On Monday afternoon, April 15, at 1 o'clock, the regular meeting of the Classical Club was held. Lucille Rapillard read a paper on the "Advantages of Studying Latin and Greek." Neva Dailey led the subsequent discussion.

## College Chapel Most Loved Spot at Webster

The chapel, with its beautiful white altars, tall lighted candles, exquisite gold vases of flowers and calm peace and quiet is one place at Webster College held dear to the heart of every student and alumna of the school.

The altars deserve special mention—made of white marble and beautifully proportioned, they readily incite devotion in the worshipper. The main altar was donated by Mr. and Mrs. Oscar C. Lamy, wealthy St. Louisans. The one side altar was given by the pupils who attended the school during the first ten years of its existence. A man who does not wish his identity known, gave the other side altar in honor of his daughter. One of these seen alone is indeed a work of beauty, but with the other two they form a perfect setting.

The windows now are frosted glass, and it is thought that they will not be changed for stained glass, since they would so greatly detract from the brightness of the Chapel. Many articles have been contributed for the Chapel by various classes and individuals, and they all add to its attractiveness.

The Chapel has watched the growth of the school too, for in the early years the College pupils occupied only one row of pews, but now most of the pews are occupied by them.

Nearly every kind of religious ceremony has taken place in the Chapel except a wedding. That was not because it was not desired. Several of the former pupils at various times have expressed their desires to be married in the Chapel of their Alma Mater, although they have never been able to obtain permission from His Grace, the Archbishop. Perhaps, though, in some future year Webster will have the privilege of having a bride walk down the aisle of the Chapel to the strains of Lohengrin, since it has witnessed almost every other ceremony.

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## Margaret Vollet To Be Crowned Queen of May for 1929

Date of May Day Ceremonies Not Yet Announced

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MARGARET VOLLET lied upon in the hour of pressing need.

A modest queen, too, we find, content to more than do her share of ever-clamoring work yet depreciating her welcome services with a disarming smile when taxed with her labors. We do admire her, and no one shall dispute that May Day will be the most efficiently presided over by that choice of the kingdom of Webster, Queen Vollet. Long live the Queen!

## BOOK REVIEW

"ABBIE PIERRE'S PEOPLE"

By Jay William Hudson  
Appleton & Company, New York  
- City—1928

Mr. Hudson has brought out the simple and peaceful life of the Jascon villagers with an understanding that will reach every reader. It is a beautiful story of the gentle Abbe whose humanity, courage, grace of character will long be remembered. Mr. Hudson's style is distinct and entertaining.

"BY THE KING'S COMMAND"

By Mary Brabson Littleton  
P. J. Kenedy and Sons, New York  
City—1928

The background of this story of Ferdinand DeSoto and Ysabel de Bobadilla is romantic Spain of the 16th century. This exciting tale, well handled, vividly describes people and manners of a colorful period. The novel recreates the spirit of Spanish chivalry that won land and ladies.

"SURRENDER"

By J. C. Snaith,  
D. Appleton & Company, New York  
City—1928

A thrilling story woven around two faithful friends, both in love with the same woman. The story retains its interest until the last page.

Leaving an extremely homely woman in a touring car, a small, timid man entered a store and said to a clerk:

"I want some powder for my wife."

After glancing out the window at the woman, the clerk innocently inquired:

"And would you like to look at some guns?"—Youngstown Telegram.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Bernice Daily recently spent several days visiting friends at the college. Bernice is hoping that she will be able to return next fall and finish her course.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Rosemary Gottlob had Florine Blevens as her guest during the holidays.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Helen O'Brien was called home Sunday by the sudden death of her father.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Miss Roxie Beare of Ellis Grove, Ill., spent Sunday with Mary Zilliken.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Catherine Geary has returned to school. Due to illness, she was unable to return on the re-opening date.

Mrs. McMullen motored up from Kansas City, and brought her daughter and the other Kansas City girls back to school after the Easter vacation.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Mary Virginia Cummins who has been ill for two weeks will return to school next week.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Agnes Tancred was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wade of St. Louis.

A group of sophomores and freshmen celebrated Mary Zilliken's nineteenth birthday last Thursday evening in the third floor dining room.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Genevieve McBride visited her aunt, Mrs. B. F. Thomas, recently.

Don't forget the Sophomore Card Party, April 17.

Ellise Lee and Rebecca Duley received visitors last week-end from New Madrid, Mo.

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## REV. R. C. MCCARTHY, S. J., TALKS TO STUDENTS OF EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Says Strain and Stress of "Rush Age" Is Psychologically Dangerous

"Mental Hygiene" was the subject of a talk to the students of the Education Department by Rev. Raphael C. McCarthy, S. J., on Thursday, April 25.

In opening his lecture the speaker briefly discussed physical, social and mental diseases and their recommended mental hygiene as the means of preventing neurosis, which has no physical cause.

"The mental hygiene movement," according to Father McCarthy, "is a comparatively recent one, having its origin in 1905. At first the movement slight headway, as a result, no doubt, of the then prevalent idea that mental disease is always due to some physical cause. If this were so, there would be no reason for mental hygiene."

However, the world was afforded a conclusive argument that there are mental diseases among people who are physically perfect. Many of the victims of shell shock during the war had never fought at the front in reach of the shells. Indeed, some of them had never crossed the seas and on Armistice Day, when the cause of their disease was removed, many of these same men were perfectly cured. If they had been physically unhealthy, this apparently miraculous cure would not have been effected. Theirs were simply cases of mental disease, or neurosis.

"Mental Hygiene," the speaker continued, "aims to prevent neurosis by training children to respond to the difficulties which they will

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## SENIOR CLASS ENTERTAINED BY FRESHMEN

Sparkling Crystal Necklaces Given to Each Senior

The Senior Class was charmingly entertained on Saturday, April 27, at a "bridge tea," given by the Freshman Class in the Social Hall. Twenty-three tables were arranged for the bridge after which a dainty luncheon was served.

The decorations were carried out in the class colors of red and white with the use of carnations and tulips. The favors presented to each of the graduating class were crystal necklaces on fine silver chains.

Six beautiful prizes were won by Catherine Hazel, Marie Scheer, Thelma Gesell, Margaret Roesch, Margaret Brey and Catherine Rohan.

## Neva Dailey Elected New Prefect of Sodality

Other Officers of Sodality Have Not Yet Been Elected

A meeting of the sodalists of the Blessed Virgin Mary was held on Tuesday morning, April 23, for the purpose of electing a Prefect for the year 1929-1930. Before the election took place, a brief discussion was held, during which the sodalists were told that their choice should be a girl who is devoted to



NEVA DAILEY

Our Blessed Lady and one who is worthy of such a great honor.

As a result of the election, Neva Dailey of Kankakee, Ill., and a member of the class of '30, was elected Prefect and will succeed Marie Reynolds, who will be graduated in June. As a loyal child of Mary and a student who has been active in furthering the interests of her school, Neva was chosen by her fellow classmates to be the leader of that great society of Webster College, the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The other officers of the Sodality will be elected in the near future.

## STUDENT BODY CHOOSES MAIDS TO ASSIST MAY QUEEN FOR 1929-30

According to tradition, six lovely maids accompany the Queen when she is crowned "Queen of May." In a graceful semi-circle, they stand as Ladies-in-Waiting to Her Majesty.

The honor of being a maid is secretly coveted by each girl as she goes to the Student Association meeting, to cast her ballot. Falteringly, she wonders if she will be among the six lucky girls. If she is a senior or a junior, she has a better chance of being among the "select few," for it is also according to tradition that the maids are to be chosen, two seniors, two juniors, one sophomore and one freshman. Those thus honored this year at the election and selected to proceed the Queen "Peg" to her throne of spring blossoms are: Catherine Hazel, Marie Reynolds, Catherine Cody, Dorrit Barnicle, Adelaide Murphy and Carol Emge.

## Delegates Chosen to Represent Webster at C. S. M. C. Meeting

Josephine Rabbitt and Margaret McMeel to Go to Washington This Summer

Josephine Rabbitt, '30, and Margaret McMeel, '31, were elected to be representatives of Webster College at the National C. S. M. C. convention to be held in Washington, D. C., this summer, at a meeting of the C. S. M. C., held in the Mission Hall, Thursday afternoon.

The privilege of voting will go to Josephine. Both of the students generously offered to pay their own traveling expenses.

In order to raise money for the missions, a tacky party was given on Monday evening, April 29.

A spiritual bouquet is being gathered for Anne Carr, president of the Mission unit last year, who received the white veil April 2. All girls are requested to report their offerings to the chairman of the Spiritual Treasury.

Catherine Hummert, last year's Sodality prefect and now a member of Webster's Faculty, gave a very appealing talk on Mission work. She traced the C. S. M. C. from its organization in Techny, Ill., in 1918., through the various conventions, pageants and activities. "It is a strictly student organization, whose purpose is to acquaint students with, and to secure their financial aid for the Catholic Missions," Miss Hummert said. "The Church defines Mission activity as 'that work of the Church which is of itself, non-supporting.'" Miss Hummert continued, "and we have a real Mission right here at home—Webster College. The biggest thing that you can do will be to stand by your college all four years," she concluded.

## Alumnae Players Entertain with Tea in Social Hall

Members of "The Rivals" cast entertained with a tea last Tuesday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock in Social Hall. The guests included the orchestra members, the Senior Class and others who helped to make the play a success.

The decorations were attractively carried out in pink with roses and snapdragons embellishing the tea tables which were daintily arrayed with snowy linens and silver service.

The guests drew for prizes which were offered to each of three groups—the cast, the assistants and the seniors. Each award was a piece of beautiful silk lingerie. The winners were Catherine Haenni Barnicle, Dorothy Fairall and Blanche Marshall.

## Catherine Cody Will Give Graduate Recital

Program Will Be Widely Varied

On Friday evening, May 3, the Dramatic Art Department will present Catherine Cody in her graduate recital. She will be assisted at the piano by Grace Meyer. Catherine has been interested in expression for a number of years and has studied under Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, and at one time



CATHERINE CODY

attended the Morse School of Expression in St. Louis. Her program is as follows:

- Piano Solo.
- A Lyric—Day Break from "Pippa Passes," By Robert Browning.
- A Poem—The Hound of Heaven—By Frank Thompson.
- A Monologue—Thirty Years Ago—By Allen Evans.
- Piano Solo.
- A One-Act Play—Two Crooks and a Lady—By Eugene Pillot.
- A Monologue—Isn't Art Absorbing—By Mary Moncure Parker.
- A Group of Musical Readings.
- Pipes of Gorden's Men—By William Hammond.
- There Are Fairies at the Bottom of Our Garden—By Liza Lehmann.
- The Snowball Bush—By Katherine Hazzard.
- Assisted at the piano by Miss Edith Grace Meyer.

## Conservatory to Broadcast Over KMOX, May 1

Students of the Loretto Conservatory of Webster College will broadcast a program over Station KMOX, Wednesday evening, May 1, between 6:30 and 7 o'clock.

The Choral Club will sing Edward McDowell's "To a Wild Rose," and there will be piano and violin numbers.

The students selected to represent the Choral Club on the program are: Catherine Rohan, Dorothy Fairall, Catherine O'Flaherty and Rosemary Gottlob, sopranos; Helen McAvoy and Mildred Kennedy, altos; and Thelma Gesell and Frances Weber, contraltos.

The piano solos will be given by Frank Ward, Josephine Thompson, Erlene Strothkamp, Eugenia Bock and Grace Meyer. The violin solo by Ann Boone will be "Serenade," by Drdla.

## VERY REV. C. L. SOUVAY, C. M., TELLS OF HIS TRIP THROUGH THE HOLY LAND

Pictures of Historical Places Add Interest to Lecture

Very Rev. C. L. Souvay, C. M., gave an illustrated lecture to Webster College students on his trip to the Holy Land.

Father explained the many pictures he had taken during his travels. He began with pictures of Father Ryan, his traveling companion, and himself, on the boat. Next he told of the Mediterranean cruise and of the landing on the shore of Palestine.

The first scenic picture was that of a valley where many inscriptions are found. Some dated back as far as 2500 B. C. Some were Assyrian and others Egyptian. Father said that now traveling through the valley by machine was commonly done, that the roads were good and occasionally an oil station could be seen.

A map was flashed on the screen and Father traced his journey from the northern part of Palestine, along the coast to Joppa, and from Joppa by machine to Jerusalem. There is a railroad from Joppa to Jerusalem, Father said, but third class tickets, fit only for cattle, were all that were obtainable and they were more expensive than a machine. The auto route took them through the hills of Jerusalem, which are 28,000 feet above sea level. Father explained that Jericho was between these hills and the Dead Sea, which is 13,000 below sea level. "So you see," he said, "you really go down from Jerusalem to Jericho." Father pointed out Sicheim, Nazareth, and Tiberius as stopping points along the coast and on the way into the desert the tombs of Abraham, Isaac and Sarah were visited.

Father touched on the customs of the people and gave an edifying example of piety. He said that Catholics made the stations in the streets carrying heavy wooden crosses, and at the same time, the Mohammedans bowed down in worship according to their laws. "They never bother each other as long as they are left alone," he said.

Of the places of special interest Father showed pictures of the Holy Sepulchre—around which a marble monument has been built—Solomon's Temple, a Mohammedan pulpit, several views of the mosque on the site of the old Jewish Temple, the "Wailing wall" of the Jews, the Chapel of Mater Dolorosa, the Chapel of St. Ann where the Blessed Virgin was born, and the Arch where Christ was supposed to have been shown to the people.

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## THOUGHTS FOR VOTERS

Spring! Spring, a season of never ending activity at Webster! A season of rehearsals for Shakespeare, of plans for May Day, of practice for track, of dreams of a beautiful night and an enchanting spring dance beneath a blanket of stars! Quite a perfect picture—is it not?

But we have forgotten one point. Spring is also the political season at Webster. Then college students cast their ballots to decide upon whose head shall rest the laurels and upon whose shoulders the burden of the coming year's activities. Consequently, the season must involve, also, a certain amount of serious speculation and consideration.

Elections are very often peculiar things. We have had evidence of this fact in our national elections. Votes seem to be cast by men, blinded intellectually to every point which the rational voter should consider. And it is so easy to take this same attitude toward elections in our college life. "After all," one might argue, "they involve such minor issues." But do they really?

The college campus is our world for four important years of our life. The college activities are our activities. It is, then, of no importance to have in control of these activities, girls who are competent in handling the situations which concern us so vitally? Elections are a matter of minutes but the results extend over a year of minutes. Our choice, if it has been wise, will assure us a year of activities, well ordered, well planned, of activities which will hold our interest and afford real diversion from hours of study and research in classroom and laboratory. Is it not essential, then, that we consider well before conferring on any one individual both the honor and the responsibility of an office? Why not reflect for a few minutes, now, on the relative merits of the candidates whom we are considering, rather than complain later when complaints are useless?

If only every collegiate voter would fully appreciate the importance of elections! If only there would always be the firm conviction that the only wise choice is the one which is dictated, not by loyalty to friends, but by the capabilities of the various candidates! After all, these are the things which make our elections, instead of little girl affairs, admirable proceedings—proceedings indicative of college women and future leaders.

## WHERE TALKING REALLY COUNTS

"The play's the thing! As we quote these famous words we have in mind, not some vague and distant work, but THE play, OUR play. Webster's outstanding dramatic production of the year, "The Merchant of Venice," which will be presented a few weeks from now.

During the months just passed, the expression department has afforded many an evening of excellent entertainment; but now, in accordance with the traditions of Webster, the dramatic students are centering their undivided and untiring efforts upon the annual Shakesperian production, so that, with it, they may furnish a fitting climax for a year of unusual dramatic work.

Every play at Webster is well worth attending and the many friends of the college dramatic department never fail to support its work; but no other production of the college year deserves more support than the Shakesperian play. This last is not just another play. Webster's Shakesperian production is an outstanding activity. By it, Webster has, in many cases, made herself known beyond her walls. To many outside, the name of Webster calls to mind one thing, especially—an excellent annual Shakesperian play. An enviable record, certainly, and one which every loyal Websterite must strive earnestly to preserve.

The players themselves will supply an excellent entertainment. There is no doubt that, caught beneath the spell of the "Merchant of Venice," the audience will thrill to the undying words of the master, Shakespeare. Summoned by the art of dramatic expression, the gentle Portia, the wily Shylock will live again.

But what of the audience we have been mentioning? Will the wave of a fairy's magic word produce it? Our pretty day dreams would have it so, but stern reality must answer, "Nay!" To secure an audience of a size on a par with the "bigness" of the production itself, requires real support and backing on the part of every Webster student. The "Merchant of Venice" needs advertisement. It needs us, Websterites, to be its advertisers. Why not go out, then, today, to help put over an unsurpassed Shakesperian production at Webster College?

## AMBITIONS

I often wonder dreamingly  
If an ambition pays.  
'Tis truly written it meant death  
In Julius Caesar's days.

But modes and customs have  
changed since then  
And honestly I hope,  
Ambitions, too, have changed a  
bit—  
For I've an ambitious note.

I want to write real poetry  
With good rhythm and rime,  
With metre and with best of style.  
Make readers feel my time.

I write a verse. Then pause to  
think  
As we're told old Virgil did.  
The more I try to change my  
verse—  
The better things—are hid.

If practice sure makes perfect,  
Success, then, I might see.  
For every one at Webster knows  
That I write verses constantly.  
T. P., '31.

## MY LADY DAWN

Pale grey chiffon carelessly  
splashed  
With red gold from the Master's  
brush;  
Streaks here and there where winds  
have lashed  
The red into a purple flush.

In wondrous beauty so appears  
Shy sister of the silent night,  
And blushing as the Sun King  
nears—  
My Lovely Lady, Dawn—in flight.  
—L. S., '31.

## IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO BEGIN

In spite of the fact that there are only four more weeks of school, a new club has been organized. It is the "Dancing Club." The first meeting was held Friday, April 19, at 1 o'clock. Twenty-nine girls were present and it was decided upon they would meet every Monday at four o'clock. Different types of dancing will be taught by different girls. This club has been organized mostly for the exercise; it is just another one of the many advocations in the school. Everyone is welcome to come to anying. It is a very promising club and many things have been planned for future meetings.

## Web Green Doll Tells Who Is in Love

If you want to know if you are in love just go down to the "Red Room" and consult the green doll holding in its mouth a long glass tube, partly filled with a red fluid. The green doll will tell you. When someone tightly holds the tube with two fingers, the liquid races through the tube swiftly or slowly, thereby telling whether or not the person is in love.

How does it work? Well, that could be explained by going into a chemical analysis of its workings, but that would be taking away all the thrills and excitements.

## SCHOOL'S FIRST NEWS SHEET WAS "LISTEN"

### Initial Edition of Web Was Mimeographed

"Big Oaks from Little Acorns Grow."

Our "Web" cannot boast of a renowned family, or a "literary" tree, nor of a long line of successful predecessors, for it is only the second paper to be published by the students of Webster College. But, from a humble origin it is expanding.

The first literary venture was a little mimeographed sheet edited weekly by each class in turn. It was breezily written and gave account of all social and scholastic happenings at Webster College. In the beginning the paper was fairly successful. It "came out" at the breakfast table every week and each girl brought a nickel for her copy. This money defrayed expenses but was not enough to make any headway. After a time the girls thought that the appearance of the paper would be much improved if it were printed. As the treasury was not able to advance the money one of the students, a Madeline McShane, volunteered to raise the necessary funds. She went to the different business concerns in Webster and Old Orchard and there sold sufficient advertising space in the paper to finance the publishing of the next issue of "Listen."

This paper was in existence about two years when it was found that it was a losing proposition. Interest had waned and consequently the treasury suffered to such an extent that the paper was abandoned.

After a period of time the students again wished to have some kind of school publication—one that would be creditable as well as entertaining. Miss Betty Johnson, now Mrs. Francis Douglas, wife of the city editor of the Globe-Democrat, who was at that time the teacher of Journalism, agreed to help them with the work. The editor and her assistants were chosen from the Journalism class and it was decided that the paper was to be edited strictly along journalism lines. Not wishing to continue under the old title, they endeavored to find a name that would be more indicative of their work. They finally decided upon the "Web" first, because it was the abbreviation of the name of the college; second, because the spider with his web was symbolic of the staff with its news lines reaching up to gather all news connected with the school.

At first it too, was only a mimeographed publication, but the style of writing was changed. Accounts were written in approved newspaper style and many interesting feature stories were published. The "Web" has been fortunate in regard to its staffs and today finds the treasury financially able to have all editions printed. It is still a small paper but it is a well established one, and just as great oaks are natural results of acorns, so will the "Web" develop if given whole-hearted assistance from the entire student body during the coming years. Not only will financial support be needed but also assistance in obtaining good news and feature "tips."



## Anti-Sophia Says

A certain man, after having been "dead" for ten hours and finally having been given up by the doctors who had been trying to revive him, suddenly woke up to find the undertakers, instruments in hand, ready to embalm him.—  
"When a fellow needs a friend."

A jeweler in town advertises a "new and beautiful sensation, "Self-winding Wrist Watches." Will the next model be able to wash its own face and hands?

"Byrd's Camp Swept by Another Storm."—Headline.

This must be a new system, doing away with the old-fashioned vacuum sweepers.

Another dispatch from the Antarctic expedition says that ice-cream is served to the men, who are on the ice barrier, at thirty degrees below zero. Shiver me timbers! (Be still, O my chattering teeth and knocking knees!) However, maybe they don't mind it; they may be getting accustomed to the cold like the rest of "God's frozen people," as someone has called the Eskimos.

Among their other delicacies, whale meat is quite prominent. They may like it now, but they probably set up a wail the first time it was served.

"Bill for Whipping Post Passes Michigan House."—Headline.

It's about time that somebody's looking at the matter sanely. There are entirely too many posts getting in the way of innocent, passing motorists these days. They should be whipped occasionally.

"Reparations Group Prepares to Disband and Draws Its Will."—Headline.

R. I. P.—but if they forget the "poor relations," they'll come away minus their good-will.

"Canton Breathes Sigh of Relief as Flood Waters Begin to Fall."—Headline.

Just so they don't cry of joy and start it all over again.

\$200,000,000 Power Concern Is Formed."—Headline.  
More power to them!

## OPERA CHAIRS TO BE INSTALLED BEFORE PRO- DUCTION OF "THE MERCHANT OF VENICE

The long hoped for Opera chairs are at last to be an actual realization for "The Merchant of Venice" and it is hoped an added attraction so that every one of the new chairs will have its proper use during all performances. Ever since Webster has been in existence the Dramatic Department has hoped each year that the Little Theatre would merit new chairs and the news is received with gratitude.

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encounter, in a healthy, normal way. It also trains adults to remain normal under difficult situations. But, principally, it has to do with the training of the young, since, by wrong training, the seeds of mental diseases are frequently planted in childhood." To wrong early training we may trace many cases of men losing their nerve and confidence in themselves to a degree which borders on insanity. This, Father McCarthy proved by several examples. Hence it is a first essential that, "teachers be trained to recognize in their pupils the danger signals of future neurosis and protect children against themselves."

Father McCarthy also urged his listeners to practice mental hygiene. "The number of nervous diseases, today," he said, "far exceeds that of any other period. The danger of insanity becomes more acute every day. This is a rush age, an age of nervous strain and stress. We want to move and we want to move fast. Amusements, plays, books, everything must make for excitement." "This," the speaker concluded, is psychologically dangerous, and, for the constant strain on our nervous system, the only antidote is mental hygiene."

Very Rev. C. L. Souvay,  
C. M., Tells of His Trip  
Through the Holy Land  
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A very interesting incident was the tunnel Father told about, which was dug before tools or compasses existed as a means of measuring. Father said the workmen started on both sides of the tunnel and made it in the shape of an "S." When they met they were only four and one-half feet off their mark.

The last few pictures and explanations were of scenes around the desert and various towns about Jerusalem.

W. C. Students Take Part  
in "April Showers" at  
Holy Redeemer Hall

A number of the Webster students took part in another vaudeville entitled: "April Showers," which was presented at the Holy Redeemer Hall on April 26. Marie Wittrock, who directed the play, was ably assisted by Orient Weis who directed the dancing.

The stage was transformed into a perfect spring garden, with flowers twining about the latticed archways. A bright rainbow formed an appropriate background for the girls in formal dresses of various shades.

Other Websterites who took part were Ellen Quirk, Jane Burleigh, May Hillmeyer, Lucille Seifert and Helen Denker. Rose Malon and

ALUMNAE NEWS

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Anderson in the recent loss of their four-months-old baby. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Margaret O'Mara.

The cast of "The Rivals" entertained the Senior Class at tea on Tuesday, April 16, in Social Hall. The tea table was presided over by Mrs. Catherine Haenni Barnicle.

Marguerite Barthel directed a group of one-act plays given at Loretto Academy on April 12, and also the play, "Under the Sugar Plum Trees," which was presented at St. Rose's School recently.

Father: "Your mother never dressed to catch a husband the way you girls do today."

Daughters (in union): "No, and look what she got."

Grumpy: "Well, my wife has divorced me."

Old Timer: "And I remember the time when she used to wave her hand to you every morning when you left the house."

Grumpy: "Well, you see, it wasn't a permanent wave."

Co-ed: "Stop that man; he wanted to kiss me!"

Cop: "That's all right, Miss, there'll be another along in a minute."

DRAMATIC ART DEPT.  
AGAIN DISPLAYS TALENT  
BEFORE LARGE AUDIENCE

Five Private Pupils of Mrs.  
Anne McClain Sankey Entertain  
April 23

A dramatic recital, under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, was given on Tuesday evening, April 23, in the Little Theatre, of Webster College, by five of the students who are taking private lessons in expression.

The first selection was "Who Says a Woman's Place Is Not in the Home," and was given by Bernadette Sturgess, in which she took the part of a "home woman" out in the business world. The second number was "The Martyr," which was presented by Clarabelle Mueller. "Chalk Marks on the Gate" by Mary Hickman, and "A Hurried Call" by Alice Widmer were short comedies and were balanced by "The Lost Chord" and "King Robert of Sicily" presented by Jane Poole and Helen O'Brien, respectively. The program was brought to a close with "The Boy That Was Scared o' Dying" given by Billie Surprise.

Margaret McMeel assisted with the lighting effects and the make-up.

Many Take Advantage  
and Enjoy Thrills  
of Administration Roof

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Other Places Seen to Better  
Advantage

That "high up in the clouds feeling" can easily be obtained on Webster's "roof garden" on top of the Administration Building.

It is necessary to climb four flights of stairs to gain this retreat, and although alone when up on the roof, activities down below can be seen.

One can see cars swiftly or slowly rolling by and such excitement as the calling out of the fire department and its wild dash down the street. Eden Seminary and Thompson's Gardens also can be seen, and looking down from above upon the beautiful grounds of the garden is something one can never tire of. But that is not all in your line of vision. The busy little town of Webster with its numerous stores is visible, and Old Orchard can be looked down upon with that superior air one gets upon the roof.

It is also a place where many go for picture taking. Some of the best "shots" have been taken up on this roof, to recall school-days and points of interest about Webster College.

Is the Passe Bob  
Coming Back Again?

Where is the long hair? Remember last fall the rage that took Webster by storm? Things are different now.

Spring has brought about a decided change in the fashion of hair dressing. Many of the girls are cutting their hair. And after Easter vacation many of the girls came back to school with bobs. The wind blown bob seems to be the most popular hair cut among the collegians.

C. S. M. C. MONTHLY  
MEETING HELD AT  
LORETTO ACADEMY

The monthly meeting of the Catholic Students' Mission Crusade, called to order by Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C. M., was held at Loretto Academy on Sunday, April 21.

Plans for the national convention which will be held at Washington, D. C., June 20-22, were discussed by the representatives of the various units. A committee was appointed to offer to the convention a resolution to adopt "debate" as a means of furthering mission education.

Rev. J. A. Luther, S. J., introduced two students from the St. Louis University School of Medicine who gave brief talks on the Medical Missions.

How Many Chances

on the Raffle Have  
YOU Sold?

"NERINX HALL"  
NAME OF HUT  
IN ANTARTIC

Commander Byrd's expedition to the South Pole which has evoked nation-wide recognition holds an important place on the Nerinx Hall Calendar of interesting events. Every Nerinx girl is proud to boast that her Alma Mater has a name-sake in Little America—the only school to have such an honor conferred upon it.

Last November Olivia Deichman sent a copy of the Nerinx Key, the school paper, to her friend, Lieut. Thomas Mulroy, the chief engineer of the expedition. He and his friends enjoyed the paper and as a proof of this they painted a sign over their hut, reading "Nerinx Hall."

In his last letter to Miss Deichmann, he enclosed the Nerinx Key bearing the autographs of all prominent men of the expedition. The letter described the hut as "nothing like the Nerinx Hall of Webster Groves. 'Life in the Antarctic,' as told by Lieut. Mulroy, sounds thrilling enough, but, he says 'the states will sure look good to us; it will be like coming to life again after being buried for two years.'"

This letter was received aboard the City of New York February 22. It was mailed on the last ship leaving for New Zealand until after the winter months, which last from March until October, and during which the temperature drops to 80 degrees below zero. This letter bears a special cancellation stamp designed for the expedition, which portrays a dog team, a sailing vessel and a camp in the Antarctic wastes.

Quaint Ivy Custom  
Attributed to  
Sr. Louise Wise

More than a decade ago when Webster College was known as Loretto College, the shrubs, and leafy adornments of its buildings were few. Then Sister Louise Wise, former Dean, to whom we are grateful for many a pretty custom, conceived the idea of planting ivy each spring at the time of graduation. It has since become a tradition, and a very lovely ceremony that is eagerly looked forward to.

At present, the Administration Building is nearly covered with the fast growing ivy. Each division, a trifle higher than the others, marks the various graduating classes. A special little shovel is kept for the ceremony. The President, the Dean and each member of the Senior Class dig a shovelful.

Sister Louise started this practice a few years after the founding of the College, and the lovely custom that she started has continued—and we hope—will continue throughout the life time of Webster College.

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## CLUB CHAT

The regular meeting of the Classical Club was held on Monday afternoon, April 29, at one o'clock. After the regular business of the club was transacted, two papers were read: one by Mary Frances Perry, concerning Latin, and another by Frances Weber on Greek subject matter.

The date of the May meeting of the Mathematics Club has not yet been announced.

The regular meeting of the Poetry Club was held last Wednesday evening, April 17, at seven o'clock, and was featured by a discussion of the work of Rupert Brooks. At the next regular meeting, the works of Joyce and Aline Kilmer will be read and discussed.

An important meeting of the Spanish Club was held Friday evening, April 26, at St. Louis University. Pictures for the Archive were taken and plans for the close of this year's work and the work to be done next year were taken up.

### Coming Events

- May 1.—Radio Programme by Conservatory.
- May 10.—Spring Dance at the Chase.
- May 16.—High School Tea.
- May 19.—Meeting of C. S. M. C.—Local Conference at Webster.
- May 20.—Shakespearian Play, "The Merchant of Venice."
- May 21.—May Day (Sodality).
- May 22.—Conservatory Closing.
- May 23.—Field Day.

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## SPRING IS WELCOMED BY WEBSTER GIRLS

Spring! The very word seems to thrill every Webster girl who has been eagerly awaiting its arrival for six long months. No more snow or gloomy weather to confine her to her room, but, instead, the out-doors with its colorful surroundings, suggesting many delightful activities.

At 3 o'clock groups of girls may be seen walking to Old Orchard or Webster, while others enjoy themselves. Some dressed in gym clothes eagerly try their utmost to improve their skill as ball players. The fact that the tennis courts have not been rolled or marked as yet doesn't hinder lovers of this sport. In brightly colored sport outfits they fling their rackets in the driveways.

Childhood days are again enjoyed by the upperclassmen as well as the freshies. Several of them are seen playing "Statue" or "Tug of War" on the side of the campus. Another group divided into couples is seated on the lower step of the side entrance to Loretto Hall. Each takes her turn throwing a rubber ball into the air and at the same time she picks up particles and throws them into her lap. Just what can they be doing? Upon closer observation it is revealed that these college girls are actually playing "jacks" and are deriving more fun from it than ever before.

Besides the invigorating weather we attribute all the happiness which is surrounding Webster to something else—the thought that everyone will soon be home again.

He who hesitates about preparing for the hereafter may experience difficulty finding parking space when his day arrives.

## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Mr. and Mrs. A. Bock of Pierron, Illinois, spent Sunday afternoon at the College visiting their daughter, Eugenia. They were accompanied by Eugenia's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pierron of St. Louis.

Margaret Reardon entertained several friends at a birthday party Monday night in the third floor solarium. The guests spent the evening playing bridge.

Mrs. H. C. Emge visited her daughter, Carol, last week and spent several days in the city.

Anna Marie Hienen spent the week-end with May Hillmeyer.

Billy Surprise was a guest of Virginia Ellis of Wichita over the week-end.

Bernadette Sturgess, Kathleen Hamel, Dorothy Walsh and Betty Sharpe were the guests of Adelaide Murphy last Saturday.

Catherine Hazel and Lucille Rapillard spent the week-end at the home of Mayor Jacobmeyer of Kirkwood.

Jane Burleigh entertained Frances Sloan at her home over the week-end.

Veronica Ryan was the guest of Frances Ernst Thursday evening.

Mildred Kennedy visited friends of Webster Groves last Sunday.

Emma Simon spent the week-end with Ellise Lee.

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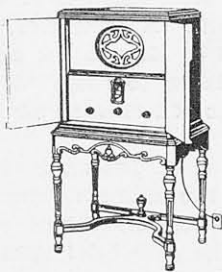
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## Student Council Representatives Chosen For 1929

### Peg Vollet Is Elected President to Succeed Gertrude Jolley

Peg Vollet, "Our Peg," was elected to the presidency of the Student Council for the year 1929-1930. She will be assisted in her office by Ann Ryan, as vice-president; Orient Weis, secretary; and Berenice Wolff, treasurer.

The Faculty Representatives are Peg Vollet and Berenice Wolff; the Seniors of '30 have chosen Mary Frances Broeker, Elizabeth Coakley, Catherine Cody and Orient Weis. Those representing the next Junior Class are Dorothy O'Keefe, Ann Ryan, and Alice Widmer, while those of the Sophomores are Dorothy Fairall and Mary Hickman.

## WEBSTER COLLEGE GIRL CHOSEN QUEEN OF SODALITY MAY CELEBRATION

### Three Other Students of Webster Also Take Prominent Parts in Festival

A Webster student, Julie Bourke, was Queen of the Sodality May celebration held at Visitation Academy on Sunday, May 12. The tall stately Queen in a white moire gown and carrying white roses was attended by two other Webster girls as Maids of Honor: Helen Margaruite O'Brien wore a dainty pink, and Essimena Weinacker wore light blue chiffon. The representative of the College was Lucille Rapillard, who wore light blue and carried a bouquet of spring flowers tied with the College colors.

On the rim of a circle of shrubbery were placed the altar and the statue of the Blessed Virgin, and opposite to these was the throne of the Queen.

Following a Maypole dance in honor of the Queen, the two maids placed the coveted crown upon

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## Important Days

May 22.—Conservatory Closing  
May 23.—Field Day.  
May 25.—Soph-Senior Party at Westborough Club.  
May 27.—Exams.  
June 1.—Alumnae Day.  
June 2.—Senior Mass.  
June 3.—Spring Banquet.  
June 4.—Senior Reception.  
June 5.—Graduation Day.

## DRAMATIC RECITAL GIVEN BY CATHERINE CODY

### Appreciative Audience Enjoys Entire Program

The Dramatic Art Department, under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, presented Catherine Cody in her graduating recital Friday evening, May 3, in the Little Theatre. She was assisted at the piano by Grace Meyer.

"Thirty Years Ago," "Two Crooks and a Lady" and "Isn't Art Absorbing," furnished the comic element, while more scenes offered "Day Break" from "Pippa Passes" and "Hound of Heaven." Then followed a group of musical readings, "Pipes of Gorden's Man," "There are Fairies at the Bottom of Our Garden" and "The Snowball Bush."

The religious poem, the "Hound of Heaven," by Francis Thompson, seemed to appeal to the large appreciative audience more than the other selections.

The one act play of "Two Crooks and a Lady" was an amusing comedy which brought many laughs from the audience.

Catherine's program enabled her to display her excellent ability in portraying various types of persons as well as giving interpretations of poems.

## Sodalists Celebrate May Day with Pretty Ceremonies

### Campus Affords Fine Setting For Fete

The velvet green lawns of the campus formed a charming background for the Sodality May fete held yesterday. The Sodalists in cap and gown circled around the Administration Building singing hymns of the Blessed Virgin.

Then they formed a semi-circle around the shrine erected in front of the colonade and each girl offered a white rose to the Blessed Mother. At this juncture in the proceedings coronation ceremonies took place.

Another feature of the program was the reading of the best original poem submitted by a student in honor of Our Lady. Later the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament was given in the Colcele chapel and Father Corcoran delivered a sermon.

This was also the last Sodality Communion Day.

Plans for the May Day festivities were formulated at the last meeting of the Sodalists of the current scholastic year on May 14. In the absence of Julie Bourke, chairman of Our Lady's committee, Agnes O'Connor presided.

## High School Tea Given on May 4 By Student Assn.

### Students in Catholic Schools in St. Louis and Vicinity Guests of College

The annual high school tea was given by the Students Association of Webster College last Tuesday. The Seniors of all the Catholic High Schools in St. Louis, Belleville and East St. Louis were invited.

The Seniors and Juniors were in the receiving line, while the Sophomores escorted the guests through Loretto Hall and the Administration building. The Freshmen assisted the presiding Seniors in serving tea in the Social Hall.

Rev. Daniel A. Lord, S. J., gave a brief talk on why girls should go to College, and "above all to a Catholic Women's College." He pointed out the fact that although to some college might seem too much of a detour in life's road to success, it really was the shortest and most certain path to achievement. Contrary to geometric rules, Father said that the straight road to business was, in this case, not the shortest distance between two points: high school and success in the world. A few books, some dancing slippers, a tennis racket, and golf clubs are to be picked up in the detour in College, and all these go into the making of an ideal business woman.

The scene of Prince Morocco's Choice of the Golden Casket was presented by the Loretto Players in order to show the quality of Webster's dramatic department.

## CHANGE OCCURS IN STAFF OF LAURETANUM

### Both Junior and Senior Classes Will Publish Next Annual

A change has been made in regard to the staff of the year book. Instead of only Seniors, the Seniors and Juniors will publish the annual for the year 1930. It was decided that for the next publication, the head of the Editorial Staff should be chosen from the Seniors, and that the head of the Business Staff should be a Junior. Orient Weis, who was elected Editor some time ago, will remain in that office for the next publication. Thelma Pape, '31, will act as Business

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## ERLINE STROTHKAMP ELECTED WEB EDITOR

### Assistant Editor of Current Year to Publish School Newspaper



ERLINE STROTHKAMP

Erline Strothkamp, assistant editor of The Web, was elected editor at a meeting, Wednesday, May 1. Erline has always gone to school under the Sisters of Loretto. In 1922 she was graduated from St. Rose's parochial school and in 1926 she received her diploma from high school and in music from Loretto Academy.

Music is the one and important element in Erline's career. When she came to Webster in 1926 it was with the intention of getting her degree in music, and she will receive that degree next year. Erline also plays the organ.

Notwithstanding that art takes up much of her time, Erline is also prominent in social life at Webster. She is reliable and capable and under her guidance THE WEB is certain to continue on the road to success.

## Seniors Entertained at Treasure Hunt By Junior Class

### Party Patterned After the Byrd Expedition

The Senior class was entertained by the Junior Class, Saturday, May 4, by a unique treasure hunt, patterned after the Byrd expedition. Clues were posted between the College and Westborough Country Club, the destination of the treasure seekers. The first clue was on the campus written in an aeronautical language. Hidden on the grounds of the Country Club was the precious treasure pack. In a big, bright, red handkerchief were wrapped five hundred bright, shining copperheads, fresh from the bank. After many moments of anxiety and careful scrutiny the treasure was found by Agnes O'Connor, who was proclaimed the best hunter at Webster.

The luncheon was served in the club. In the center of the table was a huge airplane. The aeronautical design was carried throughout the table decorations. The sou-

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## Myriads of Colors Make Spring Dance Pretty Spectacle

### Seniors of Nerinx Hall Are Guests of the College at Annual Dance

Amid the tropical splendor of the Palm Room in the Hotel Chase, gay Websterites and their escorts danced to the strains of Feldman's Orchestra at the annual spring dance on May 10.

Webster's daughters made a charming appearance in their dainty organdies, georgettes and taffetas. Rose, pale blue, orchid and delicate pinks held away the myriads of colors on the dance floor.

The class of '30, of which Margaret Vollet is president, arranged the dance. All four years of the college department were represented and the Seniors of Nerinx Hall were invited as guests of the Student Association. The programs were in the shape of little fans and were delicately tinted in orchid and rose.

The chaperons for the dance were: Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Rohan, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Weiler, Mr. and Mrs. Barnicle, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Tinker, Mrs. and Mrs. John Kelly.

## NANCY HAVERN UNIT ENTERTAINS WITH TACKY PARTY

The Nancy Havern Unit of the C. S. M. C. sponsored a tacky party on Monday evening, April 29, for the benefit of the Missions. Estella Cavanaugh was chairman of the committee on arrangements.

The party gave ample proof that one can have a jolly time and simultaneously aid the missions. The evening was spent in playing games, dancing and fortune-telling. Mary Hyslop won honors at "bridge," and Ann Ryan was awarded the prize for the tackiest costume. Margaret Reardon was the winner of the cake that was raffled.

## Webster Conservatory to Give Final Program

The Webster Conservatory of Music will present its final program Wednesday, May 23, in the Little Theatre. The school orchestra will give the opening number. Frank Ward and Josephine Thompson, who will be graduated in music this year, will be the principal performers. The Choral Club and several soloists will present vocal selections.

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## WEBSTER—THE COLLEGE

The summer vacation is only a few weeks away. What a glorious thought! Months of freedom from the exacting responsibilities of school life lie just ahead of us; months, too, of greater social activity. During the summer we will undoubtedly renew many old friendships and also form some new connections. It is in this greater intercourse with the world outside of Webster that we may serve our college during the summer months.

We shall meet many people who do not know about Webster and her ideals. We should, then, above all, be representative of our college, even when we are miles away from it. Moreover, when any one seems interested in our college, we should be both prepared and eager to state why Webster is outstanding among Catholic women's colleges, and to explain why we are proud to claim her as our Alma Mater.

How few people realize the advantages of a smaller college in preference to a great institution with an enrollment of several thousand. We should show these people how, instead of being just one among a great mass of students, every girl is a real personality at Webster. She receives individual attention in her classes and is assisted by professors who are in a position to have a genuine interest in her progress. The Webster girl is able, after several months of contact, to know, not a limited number, but every student in her college. This develops a real spirit of comradeship and friendliness and overcomes that feeling of strangeness and, in the resident students, that consciousness of being far from home.

Therefore, since the smaller college has these points in its favor and also offers all of the advantages and affiliations of a much larger institution, it is only natural that, if people were well informed of these things, they would have a very high regard for the school we have chosen as our Alma Mater.

Catholic training is Webster's strongest claim to respect and admiration from everyone. We who have had Catholic college training must be prepared to explain its benefits to those who are interested. A greater realization, among our Catholic people, of these benefits will bring always-increasing numbers to Catholic colleges and thus greater numbers will always be going out from our colleges as real Catholic leaders.

There are many other reasons why Webster is outstanding. Every Webster student is instinctively aware of them. But awareness is not sufficient. Loyalty should inspire every student to make people outside aware to make people outside aware of Webster's worth. Such loyalty is priceless because we shall find that, after all, it is not so much beautiful buildings and an extensive campus which make a college great, but rather, it is this fine spirit of loyalty and co-operation among the students of the college which will eventually make it, even in the eyes of the world, a mighty institution.

## A DIFFERENT EDUCATION

The modern ideas concerning education are very different than those of some years ago. Today we do not aim to learn everything from one or even a dozen text books. Many of the lessons learned are found in no printed book. Modern educational science considers the world a text book and the student draws his lessons from endless sources.

Perhaps no finer opportunity to study unselfishness was offered to the students of Webster than the recent activity of the Webster Council of the Knights of Columbus in behalf of Webster College. These men came to Webster and offered to raise funds for the Loretto Foundation. They offered to give up evening hours, which they might have spent leisurely in their own homes, to plan a festival of gigantic proportions. They went far out of their way to interest other people in the event, to bring a huge crowd to the festival. And on the night itself they and their families exhausted themselves to make the occasion a great financial success.

But what benefit did these people receive from their work? Will they, at some time, be able to enjoy the educational advantages of Webster? Of course not! Webster can offer them nothing more than her heartfelt thanks. Of material remuneration they will receive none. Could there, then, have been any more unselfish act than that of these men who promoted the Spring Festival? With nothing to gain and many

## DAY-BREAK

All the sky in leaden shroud  
Of a past eve's crystal veil,  
The throne of a crimson sunset  
cloud,  
A shattered remnant pale.

Quick uplift of a fallen light,  
A word to break our slumber;  
A golden streak of sunrise bright  
To shades of night encumber.  
—M. DeL., '31.

## SNOW IN MAY

Madame Earth went calling on Mother Nature one day  
And asked her just the reason why she acted queer in May.  
"It seems," said Madame Earth, "that every other year  
You always sent me weather which to me is very dear.  
'Tis truly said you change your mind, but kindly pause awhile  
And think of the embarrassment of any mortal child  
Who wins the title 'Queen of May' and never has the chance  
To get her crown and witness her pretty May-pole dance."

But Mother Nature laughs and says: "Be not sad, my friend,  
This weather bad I'm sending you is almost at an end.  
I promise you a summer fine with flowers bright and gay.  
I promise you the summer night—the lovely summer day."  
So Madame Earth bid her adieu, resumed her worldly ways,  
And settled down, once more content, to wait for promised days.  
And so we too, like Madame Earth must be not sad but gay  
For we, with her, will soon witness the lovely summer day.  
—T. P., '31.

## WEBSTER COLLEGE GIRL CHOSEN QUEEN OF SODALITY MAY CELEBRATION

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her head. Kneeling before the altar, the Queen and her court renewed the Act of Consecration. At the end of the prayer, she placed her crown upon the head of the Blessed Virgin and each girl then placed an offering of flowers at the feet of Our Lady's statue.

## SENIORS ENTERTAINED AT TREASURE HUNT BY JUNIOR CLASS

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venirs, attractive bracelets, were at each senior's place. After much handling and many "ohs!" and "ahs!" the favors finally rested on the arm of "Sweet Girl Graduates." The Juniors were hostesses to twenty-three Seniors.

"Do you suffer from neuritis?"  
"No!"  
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a spare moment to surrender, they carried on in behalf of Webster, thus offering the finest example of real unselfishness.

With their noble activities, then, in mind, we feel that we may justly hold that, even though there may be students at Webster who feel that they have neglected the learning found in text books, they will, nevertheless, have gained much if they have learned from these self-sacrificing Knights that beautiful spirit of unselfishness because every Webster student, fired by this spirit, will find that her life will be nobler than the learning of even a thousand books could make it.

## ALUMNAE NEWS

Elizabeth Corrigan and Laura Archer, who are attending the Catholic School of Social Service in Washington, D. C., now are in Baltimore doing field work among the poor of that city. Margaret Leonard and Jeanette Stirtz completed their field activities in Baltimore last semester.

Mrs. Richard Buchanan, formerly Elizabeth Dauwalter, is in the hospital recuperating from an operation for appendicitis.

"Curley" Coyne, who is teaching in the Junior High School in East meet, May 18.  
ster for the Nerinx Hall track St. Louis, is coming back to Web-

Carmen Brown, a student of Ames University, is planning on visiting Webster at Home-coming. Peggy Wright, of Columbia U., also intends to be present.

Virginia Walsh passed through St. Louis on her way to New York City, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. P. Walsh, of Kansas City.

On Saturday, May 11, Mrs. John Halloran of Holly Hills, entertained a group of old Webster girls with a luncheon and bridge.

The following Saturday, May 18, Mrs. Norman George gave a luncheon and bridge at the Coronado Hotel, at which time some old Webster girls had the great pleasure of seeing Mary Burke again, who is now Mrs. Patrick Mullaly of Chicago. Mrs. Mullaly and her two small children will visit in St. Louis en route to her home in Farmington, Mo.

Mrs. and Mrs. C. Weiler have returned from a delightful visit to New York. They were gone about two weeks.

Mrs. H. Burknam Tinker of Berthold avenue will entertain a bridge club composed of Webster Alumnae during this week.

## CHANGE OCCURS IN STAFF OF LAURETANUM

(Continued from Page 1)  
ness Manager; Alice Clarke, '31 is Associate Editor; Neva Daily, '30, was elected as Advertising Manager; Josephine Rabbitt, '30, will be Circulation Manager; and Dorothy O'Keefe, '31, is Art Editor.

It is thought that in time the entire management of the year book will be turned over to the Juniors since the Seniors have so many other calls on their time.

## JEROME WALSH A GUEST

Jerome Walsh, attorney of Kansas City, was a guest at Webster College, Sunday, May 5. He came to visit his sister, a member of the Loretto order, and his cousin, Catherine O'Flaherty, who is a student at the College.



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

Now that May days and May bugs are here, the Seniors are in the last stages of this graduation business. The last few weeks have become "worse and worse" each day, what with—major theses, elections, delightful parties, the Spring Dance, chapter by chapter summaries of nice, big books, and various other "games of endurance and skill." It's a great life if you don't weaken. But in a short time the survivors will go tripping (!) down the aisle to receive their diplomas, and then, on the sixth of June, be prepared, world, for a pleasant surprise—twenty Webster College graduates. Undoubtedly, said world will throw up its hands, mutter, "Well, look who's here!" and promptly turn over the management of all the really important affairs to us—Yeh! It's funny that way.

"Shoots Goldfish in Bowl."—Headline.

Could this have been the result of a suppressed desire to go elephant hunting in Africa, or just a new favorite indoor sport?

"Children a Feature in Local Horse Show."—Headline.

Now, I ask you, is that nice? Or, if they mean "colts," why don't they say so?

Don't be discouraged, girls; there's still plenty of really original humor left in the masculine element of society. At the Spring Dance we overheard one modest, unassuming young man address his partner, "I heard someone say I'm hard to follow. Am I?"

Now, what did he expect the poor girl to say? But maybe he was just getting in trim for the summer's fishing. Funny people, these men.

"Proposed Tariff on Hides and Skins Held Economic Evil."—Headline.

We take it there is no objection to the hides and seeks.

Madame Rubinstein, a famous beauty expert of New York, has been in St. Louis telling the women "How to be Beautiful." She may be able to help matters along a little, but the best method still remains to have been made that way to begin with.

"Reporters Barred at Jail During Sinclair's Term."—Headline.

Sinclair's barred there, too, for the same eperiod.

"Trio Beaten, Clubbed and Riddled with Machine Guns."—Headline.

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ESTELLA CAVANAUGH

At a meeting of the Nancy Havern Unit the following officers were elected for the coming year: Estella Cavanaugh, president; Eugenia Bock, vice-president; Josephine Rabbit, secretary; and Lorna Rehagen, treasurer.

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CLUB CHAT

The regular meeting of the Classical Club that was to have been held Monday afternoon, May 6, was postponed. This meeting will probably be held this week.

The constitution of the Classical Club is yet to be voted upon and this, as well as the election of the officers for next year, will probably furnish the busiest of the remaining meetings.

John Mansfield and his work furnished the topic of discussion at the last regular Poetry Club meeting, Wednesday evening, May 8. The members also brought in original poems of their own.

The Choral Club broadcast over Station KMOX Thursday evening, May 2. On this program McDowell's "To a Wild Rose" was sung. This number will be repeated in the formal closing recital of the Conservatory.

Spring Day  
Held at Meramec  
Quarry, May 16

A new kind of holiday has been started at Webster. Since it was impossible to have a Fall Day this year, the Dean and Faculty gave permission to the students for a Spring Day. Although the skies frowned terrifyingly early on the morning of May 16, the sun graciously smiled a little later.

Before 12 o'clock, an enormous fire was blazing in a bed of rocks, and coffee was sending forth a delicious aroma as a luncheon call to one hundred and fifty girls. Sandwiches, salad, pickles and other "goodies" that girls so love were ravenously eaten.

The sun was ready to bid goodbye before the last group started back to Webster. Many peered ruefully into mirrors to inspect their first sunburn of the season, but declared they were willing to go again to the next day if permission were granted.

The self-styled liberal who attacks the church insists on being odd even though he is funny.

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SODALISTS OF B. V. M.  
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May Queen Also Elected at  
Sodality Meeting on  
April 30

The Crown-Bearer for May Day, the vice-Prefect, Secretary and Treasurer of the Sodality next year were elected at the Sodality meeting on Tuesday, April 30.

Estelle Cavanaugh was unanimously elected to crown the statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the May Day ceremonies. Mary Frances Broeker was elected vice-Prefect, and Ann Ryan and Eugenia Bock, Secretary and Treasurer, respectively.

During the meeting the activities for the month of May were described, and students were urged to attend daily Mass in honor of the Blessed Mother. Every day at one-fifteen the Rosary is recited in the Chapel and in the evening devotions are held before the newly-erected altar of Our Lady in Social Hall.

Music Conservatory  
Broadcasts Over  
KMOX, May 2

Students of the Loretto Conservatory of Webster College broadcast a program Thursday, May 2, from 6:30 to 7 o'clock over Station KMOX.

Catherine Rohan, Dorothy Fairall, Catherine O'Flaherty and Rosemary Gottlob, sopranos; Helen McAvoy and Mildred Kennedy, contraltos; and Thelma Gesell and Frances Weber, altos, who are members of the Choral Club, sang Edward McDowell's "To a Wild Rose."

The piano solos were given by Frank Ward, Josephine Thompson, Erlene Strothkamp, Eugenia Bock and Grace Meyer. A violin solo was played by Anna Boone, and Helen McAvoy sang a vocal selection.

Congratulatory telegrams were received from parents of several of the girls.

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## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Eleanor Fairall spent several days at the college visiting her sister, Dorothy, and the other girls from Denver.

Mary Louise Hogan spent the week at her home in Monett, Mo.

Agnes Louise Rupp has decided to stay at Loretto Hall as a boarder for the rest of the semester. We are all very glad to have her and know that she will like it.

Eugenia Bock and Lura Loring accompanied Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Pierron of St. Louis on a motor trip to Eugenia's home in Pierron, Ill.

Marie Wittrock entertained a number of class-mates and friends Saturday afternoon at her home in Webster.

Edith Glosemeyer and Helen McGuire visited friends at the college Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmuke of Jackson, Mo., called upon their daughter, Catherine.

Erline Strothkamp entertained with a bridge luncheon and shower on Saturday, May 18, complimenting Valerie Garthoeffner, whose marriage to Mr. George Kleine took place on May 4.

Jean Evans was the week-end guest of Jane Burreigh.

Genevieve McBride spent Saturday and Sunday with her aunt, Mrs. B. F. Thomas, in the city.

Billie Surprise spent the week-end with Virginia Ellis in the city.

Virginia Drummond spent the week-end at her home.

Anna Marie Heinen was the guest of Mae Hillemeier over the week-end.

Dorothy Walsh spent the week-end with Kitty Kelley of St. Louis.

Mary Zilliken spent the past week-end at her home in Chester, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmuke of Jackson, Mo., visited their daughter, Catherine, last week.

Among the resident students who spent the night with day students after the dance Friday were: Kathleen Hamil and Dorothy Walsh, who were guests of Thelma Pape; and Betty Sharpe, Bernadette Sturgess and Anna Marie Heinen, who stayed with Adelaide Murphy.

Kathryn Haskin was the guest of

## A NEW QUEEN WILL BE CROWNED ON ALUMNAE DAY

### Queen Gert Will Relinquish Her Throne to Queen Peg

A change has been made in a Webster tradition. For several years,



QUEEN PEG

a May Queen has been crowned during her special month, but this year, because of so many other events coming at the same time, there will be no May Queen.

Instead, there is to be a College Queen chosen from the Junior Class, crowned on Alumnae Day. The crowning will take place on



QUEEN GERT

Saturday, June 1, on the campus. The last May Queen, Gertrude Jolley, will place the crown on the first College Queen, Margaret Vollet, at four o'clock on that afternoon.

Previous to the crowning the "Turning of the Tassel" and "Ivy Planting" ceremonies will be held.

## A FEW SMILES

Parson Tenthly: "In order to be happy in married life, there must be no boss, my dear brother."

Deacon Duttons: "Yes, that's what I keep telling my wife, parson."—New Bedford, Standard.

"He was considered the most expert parachute jumper in the country," remarked one of the friends standing beside the open coffin.

"Yes," said the other, "he was good till the last drop."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Bill (handing same nickel): "Have you seen the new nickel with Lindbergh on it?"

Sam (looking at coin): "I don't see Lindy on here."

Bill: "Well, I guess he must have hopped off."

Aunt: "Oh, Bobby, how cruel! Why did you cut that worm in two?"

Bobby: "He seemed so lonesome."

"My druggist has an apothecary's scale that will weigh the pencil mark on a piece of paper."

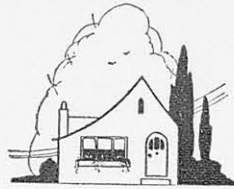
"Well, I suppose he needs a delicate instrument like that to weigh the sandwiches."

Mrs. Byrne's only lodger, an actor, gave her two tickets, for herself and daughter, to see him play the

Catherine Steinlage last week-end.

Mrs. E. O'Brien of Little Rock, Ark., visited her daughter, Helen, last Saturday.

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villian in the drama, "All for Love."

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## COMMENCEMENT WEEK TO CLOSE WITH CONFERRING OF DEGREES

### CLASS OF NINETEEN TWENTY-NINE

### Archbishop To Bestow Degrees On Graduates

### Ceremony To Climax Week of Farewell Activities

Commencement Week was formally opened at Webster College Saturday, June 1, with the annual Alumnae Day. This is a "get together" of the old girls and the Seniors and is "climaxed" with a banquet. This year the banquet, which was carried out in the school colors, gold and white, was held in the college dining room at 1:30 p. m. There were about seventy members of the Senior Class and the Alumnae present.

At 3:30, Solemn Benediction was given and was followed by the Planting of the Ivy, the Turning of the Tassel and the Crowning of the College Queen. The Planting of the Ivy was originated by Sister Louise and is part of the ceremony of every Webster graduation, as is the turning of the tassel, which shows that the Seniors have gone and the classes have each advanced a step. The College Queen was crowned Saturday instead of on Field Day. This is the first time that this program has been included in Commencement Week.

The program was re-opened Sunday, June 2, with Solemn Mass, celebrated by Rev. J. A. McMahon, with Rev. J. P. Murray and Rev. J. I. Douglas as Deacons and Rev. Joseph P. Donovan, C. M., J. C. D. Master of Ceremonies. The sermon was given by Rev. Gerald B. Donnelly, S. J. A. M. The Seniors went to St. Louis University Sunday night at 7:45 p. m. for the Baccalaureate (Continued on Page 3)



1st Row—Gertrude Jolley, Margaret Brey, Thelma Gesell, Marie Cregan, Louise Hayes, Rosemary O'Reilly, Blanche Marshall.  
2nd Row—Ruth Dockery, Frank Ward, Lillian Case, Julie Bourke, Marian Lane, Catherine Rohan, Helen Eaves, Agnes O'Connor.  
3rd Row—Josephine Thompson, Catherine Hazel, Rose Malon, Marie Scheer, Celeste Fehlig, Marie Reynolds, Margaret Roesch.

### 'MERCHANT OF VENICE' PRESENTED BY STUDENTS OF DRAMATIC DEPARTMENT

### Shakespearean Play Given on May 19 and 20

"The Merchant of Venice," under the direction of Mrs. Anna McClain Sankey, was presented by the Dramatic Club of Webster College in the auditorium, May 19 and 20. All of the characters were uniformly good.

Alice Widmer as Shylock, rose to dramatic heights in the fourth act, where Shylock pleads his case with Bassanio.

Catherine Cody was splendid as Portia. Gratiano, portrayed by Jane Poole, was another well-acted role.

Lorenzo and Jessica, Josephine Reddin and Mary Rose Burke, respectively, were exceptionally enjoyable in the last scene which was made rather unusual with beautiful lighting effects.

Catherine Geary played her part as Old Gobbo remarkably well. Her (Continued on Page 3)

### Athletic Banquet Brings Climax To Glorious Field Day

### Trophies Awarded To Individuals and Also Big Six

On May 23, after the track meet the members of the Athletic Association were invited to a banquet in the cafeteria in Loretto Hall. This banquet, which is to be an annual affair, was the first of its kind at Webster and that it is favorable was proved by the presence of so many members. Orieth Weis, president of the W. A. A., acted as toastmistress. Toasts were given to the various teams and the track day trophies were awarded, the Sophomores getting a shied as the reward for once more winning high score towards the class trophy. Rewards for the point system were evident. Orieth Weis and Alice Widmer received their second awards for 400 points and those receiving first awards were: Ruth Bergfeld, Kathleen Hamel, Margaret Ludden, Adelaide Murphy, Ann (Continued on Page 3)

### WEBSTER'S HOMECOMING TO BE HELD JUNE, 7, 8 AND 8

### Many Acceptances Received From Former Students. Undergraduates Plan Elaborate Entertainment For Them

This has been an unusually eventful year at Webster College and it is believed that Webster's homecoming on June 7, 8 and 9, will be the crowning event of the year. Acceptances have been received from former students in every part of the country and from the large number of these acceptances and also from the interesting plans that have been made, the homecoming promises to be another outstanding Webster achievement.

On Friday, June 7, registration will take place in Loretto Hall. The program for Saturday will begin with Mass in the chapel of All Saints. The Rev. J. P. Donovan, C. M., will give the sermon. After breakfast there will be an informal get-together and a tour through old familiar haunts. Luncheon will be served at 1:00 p. m., followed by bridge in the pink room. After dinner there will be an informal reception by professors and sisters of the faculty. At 10:00 p. m., there will be a revue of the classes in the Little Theatre, followed by a midnight feast.

The Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C. M., will deliver the sermon at the Mass on Sunday. After breakfast the former students will meet to pay a fitting tribute to Sister Louise, first dean of Webster College. The present Webster students will hold a reception for the visitors in the afternoon and at 5:00 p. m. supper will be served on the lawn of Nerinx Hall, completing the program.

Certainly no program could be more complete, or promise more enjoyment. It is of such a nature that the undergraduates cannot but wish that they were among those coming home. The former students, on the other hand, will undoubtedly leave, after the completion of the program, feeling that Webster is still outstanding in her ability to do things well and wishing that instead of being just former students, they might still be privileged to be active Websterites

### Annual Spring Banquet Held June Third

### Cafeteria Scene of Lovely Fashion Display

The annual spring banquet was given this year in the cafeteria on June 3. Each table was set for ten and was beautifully decorated with various spring flowers. Many of the faculty were present, and the Sisters, as usual, went around seeing that each and everyone was having a good time and enjoying herself. It was a beautiful sight. Everyone was dressed in her "springiest" and laughing and chatting gayly. This was the last banquet of the entire school for the current year.

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## FAREWELL!

After this edition comes off the press, the Web will have a new editor, and next year a new staff will take up the work where we have stopped. The publishing of the Web has been a wonderful experience to everyone on this year's staff, and it is to be regretted that all cannot be part of those behind the paper.

Fourteen issues have been printed during the year now so soon to close. The first ones of these, it is true, were small and rather amateurish; but since Christmas the Web has been "different." Sometimes it has not been so very easy to find enough news to fill the necessary columns but with a willing staff the apparently impossible can be accomplished.

Although June 5 officially marks the closing of OUR school days at Webster, it will not close our interest in the College and all of her events. Nor will it close our interest in the Web. Rather it will increase it for, after then, the Web will form the strongest link in our connection with College news. In it, we shall find the stories of happenings that become so endeared to a student during four years and are still enjoyed in later years. We shall look forward to the publication of next year's issues and we feel certain that we shall not be disappointed. Good luck and success to our Web!

## CONGRATULATIONS

After a year of struggles with editorials and would-be editorials we find ourselves now taking our last contribution to the "good old Web." We admit that because of these editorials we have had bad moments at intervals throughout the year. But never before have we found any editorial quite so difficult to write as this. Because, unfortunately, fate demands that, at this time, in our column, we voice the farewells of the undergraduates to the seniors who will be leaving us soon. We cannot find flowery phrases to express our feelings. All of them sound so shallow, so trite. We have decided instead, to write quite simply. The seniors will understand how sincerely we write.

Above all, we congratulate the seniors. They have persevered through four years of work which was often most trying. They have served their Alma Mater loyally. And now they are leaving her with their degrees and with training in leadership which, we hope, will never fail them.

We are sorry, though, that the success of Webster's seniors must necessarily involve their leaving their college halls and the undergraduates to whom they have grown so dear. Their gain is undeniably our loss. They must realize how we shall miss them. But we wish that they could also realize that we do not selfishly want them back next year. They will be started on their way to do big things, next year, and we would not change that if we could. We want them to succeed, to accomplish much, to be outstanding in their different fields. And next year, in the midst of our work at Webster, we shall stop often to think of them, to breathe a tiny prayer for their success and happiness. We hope that they will realize that they have left staunch friends behind them at Webster, former fellow students who will never forget to remember the class of '29.

## Adieu, Seniors

June is here. And well we know  
That when we say June's here  
We must now voice our sad regret—  
Your final parting's near.  
We have enjoyed your loving smiles.  
We'll miss your sunny ways,  
We owe to you a debt quite large.  
You brought our happy days.  
We came as freshies, very green.  
We did not know a soul.

But our sad days grew more ideal  
As soon as we were told  
That the Juniors were our friends,  
They were our sister class.  
And we grew to love you all  
As the school days passed.  
We left school in the summer,  
Returned again in fall.  
We hope our sister Seniors  
Grew to love us all.  
This year has passed too quickly  
And now the end is near.  
We surely hate the parting  
Of our Seniors dear.

But life's a hard, hard teacher,  
She's hard to me and you.  
So, now our dearest Seniors,  
We, Sophs, bid you adieu.

T. P., '31.

## A Senior's Lament

(To Webster)

Spring shall come again to you  
Across the fragrant stretches of the  
grass,

Where joyous print of feet has  
pressed

Deep in the shining sod. She'll pass  
Triumphant thru the curving sweep  
of drive

That leads to friendly, wide-flung  
doors

And brooding towers of a peaceful  
world,

To touch with muted finger tips  
these pulsing halls of yours.  
Outside my window still shall bloom  
That trusting place of gleeful fairy  
folk,

A pear tree slender. (Last night I  
watched them

Deck it round with stars that broke  
Into white clusters of filmy, poi-  
gnant beauty!)

The groping ivy rope with tender  
seeking mind

Again shall clasp the cross above  
the chapel wall.

But to these beauties must my  
eyes be blind

Who bids thee now farewell.  
Frank Ward, '29.

## CONTEST BRINGS OLD ROMANS BACK TO LIFE

### Latin Meet Held May 19

The Latin contest held Saturday, May 19, proved very successful. All in Latin 2 and 3, were eligible for entrance. The audience consisted of Sister Mariam, Latin teacher, and the contestants. The subjects of the contest were Missal, syntax, reading, conversation and a three-minute talk on the appreciation of the Aeneid. The contestants could enter for all of the subjects. It was not an elimination contest, but each entree was asked one question on each topic for which she entered. Each girl who answered a question on each of the five subjects satisfactorily was exempted from the final exam.



## ANTI-SOPHIA SAYS

Greetings:

For the last time, my dear "children." The day has finally arrived when your "old Auntie" must say good-bye and relinquish her place in your midst to another Auntie who will visit you every two weeks and tell you stories, just as I have done. And when your new Auntie brings you your customary "bag of candy" on each visit, perhaps you will not find as many lemon drops and peppermints as I have brought, but then you know, too much sweet candy and too rich chocolates are not good for anyone. And maybe, who knows, you have even preferred the tart bits and the spicy flavor to the sweeter and richer pieces I might have given you. I hope this is so, and that you have had a hearty laugh, a chuckle, or even a little tee-hee out of some of "Auntie's" remarks. This might have occurred, you never can tell—accidents happen in the best regulated families!

Nevertheless and howsoever, since the time for parting has come (isn't this sad? I write with tears in my pencil), I bid you one and all a fond farewell. If I weren't afraid it might become slightly inconvenient, I'd hold my breath during the vacation months, hoping your new Auntie gives you bigger and better laughs next year.

Since it is customary for all Aunties to give a bit of well-meant advice before they leave, which the adorable children never heed of course, I shall do my "dooty noble": button up your overcoat, look both ways before you cross the street, if you MUST speed on your kiddie-car be careful not to faw down, etc., don't play with fire, don't get into the forbidden cookie or jam jar, and above all, have a perfectly "scrumluscious" time during your vacation.

Now that I have all of that off of my mind, I retire, more or less gracefully, with "Good-bye and Good Luck," from

Your Auntie Sophia.

\$300,000,000 Added to Mellon Fortune."—Headline.

Wouldn't we all like to have a slice of THAT melon?

"Peanut Pusher Has to Fight Squirrels."—Headline.

Is it the peanut or the pusher the squirrels are after? The news item says it the peanuts and indicates the pusher isn't as "cracked" as one would at first think. However, we still wonder.

The price of gasoline has gone up a cent a gallon in the Standard Oil Company. Poor John D.! The high cost of living is just too hard on him.

"Belgian Girls Import Supply of Bachelors."—Headline.

Tired of "single-blessedness" and out-numbering the men in their town, these young women advertised

## Spring Brings With It Green Grass Hopper For the "Red Room"

Large Green Hopper Entertains Many Visitors  
with its Jumping

Spring is here! Of course it is! The "Red Room" has added a new member to its menagerie. What is a surer sign of spring than a big green shiny grasshopper? This grasshopper who has come to make its home in the "Red Room" is very unusual. It is perhaps a foot long, counting its hind legs, of course, and about a third of a foot wide. It is very large and life-like, and appears ready to jump at any moment. But it cannot jump without the aid of a human hand because it is only a mechanical toy after all. It is tied by a heavy cord to a small floor lamp. One would think it might really hop away if it were not tied so securely. As this "Hopper" looks at its visitors with its large eyes it seems to say, "Hello! How are you?" "This green creature is just the last thing for such a room as the interesting 'Red Room,'" said one girl after she has made the poor "hopper" hop about for half an hour. "I hope it will always remain there to greet me," she ended, looking back once more at the bright green object sitting defectedly by the floor lamp.

for bachelors to marry them. It just goes to show that some people are always looking for trouble.

"Bandits Stage Hold-up of a Bus on Highway."—Headline.

This has gotten to the stage where it ceases to be funny.

"Airplane Speaking Tour on Behalf of Barge Line."—Headline.

Phonographs, radios, movie-talkies, and now airplane "speakers." What next? Pretty soon we won't even be able to trust our old standby, the four walls. Alas and alack.

"Floor Collapses at Bakery."—Headline.

And there probably wasn't a soul around who wanted to sink through it. What luck! When a feller wants a "break" like that he can never get it.

Hooray! The Cardinals are in first place now and they only have a hundred and twenty-four more games to play. Better get your tickets for the World Series.

"Buys Rhinoceros for Zo."—Headline.

Please, mama, buy me one of those.

"Japanese Beetle Found in White House Grounds."—Headline.

"Where is my wandering boy tonight?"

The Department of Agriculture is going to "run him out," so they say, but when interviewed Mr. J. Beetle turned up his nose haughtily and remarked, "Humph. I should worry. My deah, I've been thrown out of better places than this."

## YEAR BOOK IS FINE ACHIEVEMENT ON PART OF TALENTED STAFF

### "Lauretanum" Contains Novel Features Including Spotlight Section

"The Lauretanum is out! Hurry!" Thus shout the students in their enthusiasm over the new year book which has just been released from press. Another success for the Seniors of 1929 it proves to be. The book is only one of their many achievements, but it does credit to them as no other has. It is not only the most interesting and different of books, but it is the most beautifully bound and perfectly constructed. In it have been covered the organization, the activities and happenings of the "Campus World" in general.

This year the Lauretanum is dedicated to "The Spirit of Webster," which has made possible the growth and success of the college.

Among the novel features this year is the Senior Section, which appears with the girls' pictures run in a dark brown with a faint flesh cast and each picture is set inside a dainty panel border. This border is entirely distinct from the general border and is in a creamy pink, which is the key color of the entire book. The "Spotlight" section features girls prominent in the various fields of activity for school, athletics, intellectuality, originality, popularity, and wit. These six girls were elected by the student body by general ballot and their identities are now disclosed with the publication of the "Lauretanum."

The theme carried out this year is based on popular and well-known superstitions, this being the thirteenth year of the college.

The book is bound in a dark wine-red cover, linking it with the class colors, red and white. In addition to these features, there are many other new points in the construction of the theme, which add to the interest and originality of the book.

The 1929 Lauretanum staff was composed of Thelma Gesell, editor; Marie Cregan, associate editor; Catherine Rohan, business manager; Helen Eaves, circulation manager and Margaret Mary Brey, art editor.

## Commencement Week To Close With the Conferring of Degrees

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Sermon, delivered by Rev. John McClorey, S. J. A. M. of the University of Detroit. As a Corporate College of St. Louis University the Webster Seniors take part in their graduation exercises.

Tuesday, June 3, will be spent at the St. Louis University, where the one hundred and eleventh commencement is to be held in the gymnasium. The address will be made by George F. Zook, Ph. D., President of the University of Akron. At 8 o'clock in the evening the Senior reception will be held at Webster.

The program Wednesday opens at 3:00 p. m. with the Overture. The graduation address will be given by the Honorable John S. Leahy, A. M., LL.D., after which Rev. F. V. Corcoran, C. M., Ph. D., will present the graduates with degrees which the Most Reverend J. J. Glennon, D. D., will confer. He will be assisted by Rev. J. P. O'Rourke and Rev. J. A. Collins. Graduation will be held in the college auditorium. After the exercises, Solemn Benediction will be sung in the Chapel. Those receiving degrees are: Bachelor of Arts, Celeste Fehlig, Margaret Mary Brey, Margaret Roesch, Catherine Stanton Hazel, Marion Lane, Ruth Margaret Dockery, Marie Reynolds, Marie Rice, Rosemary O'Reilly, Thelma Gesell, cum laude; Gertrude Jolly, cum laude; Catherine Rohan, cum laude; Bachelor of Science, Marie Cregan, Marie Scheer, Blanche Marshall, Rose Malon, Helen Eaves; Bachelor of Science in Music, Alice Josephine Thompson, Frances Raymond Ward; Bachelor of Literature, Catherine Arrendale.

## Seniors Entertained By Sophomores at Westborough Club

### Luncheon Followed By Bridge and Swimming

On Saturday, May 25, the Seniors of Webster College were entertained by the Sophomore Class at Westborough Country Club.

They were served with a luncheon at 1:30 o'clock and afterwards played bridge or swam.

For gifts in remembrance of this entertainment, the Seniors were presented with silver filigree pins.

## Athletic Banquet Brings Climax To Glorious Field Day

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Ryan, Catherine Sullivan and Dorothy Walsh.

The final toast of the evening was that given by Odie to Miss Barthel. Expressing the feelings of all she thanked the coach for all she has done with the Association this year. When she was finished the girls rose and gave fifteen big one for Gen.

## Kansas City Track Team Wins Meet From Nerinx Hall

Because of rain, the Nerinx Hall-Loretto Academy of Kansas City track meet, which to have been held outdoors on Saturday, May 18, was held in the gymnasium of Webster College.

This made it impossible to include on the program the baseball throw and the 50 and 75 yard dashes, the latter being reduced to 50 yards. The final victory was 53-20 in Kansas City's favor. The winners were awarded a silver loving cup. Nerinx Hall won the relay trophies. Individual trophies were awarded to Jean Wilson, Loretto, with 10 points; Elizabeth Wilde and Eva Marie Perkins, both of Loretto, with 8 points each; and Helen Cahill, Nerinx, and Mae Grafton, Loretto, who tied with 6 points each.

The results follow:

Basket-ball throw—Devine, Loretto, first; Grafton, Loretto, second; Smith, Nerinx, third. Distance 71 feet, 7 inches.

Running Broad Jump—Perkins, Loretto, first; Burke, Loretto, second; Muldoon, Nerinx, third. Distance, 13 feet, 8 inches.

Standing Broad Jump—Wilde, Loretto, first; Dahl, Loretto, second; Susanka, Nerinx, third. Distance, 6 feet 11 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches.

Shot Put—Hogan, Loretto, first; Grafton, Loretto, second; Mertz, Nerinx, third. Distance, 27 feet 2 inches.

Running High Jump—Perkins, Loretto, first; Wilson, second; Schlueter and Bernsden, Nerinx, third. Height, 4 feet 7 inches.

50-yard Dash—Wilson, Loretto, first; Wilde, Loretto, second; Cahill, Nerinx, third.

50-yard Dash (instead of 75)—Hamilton, Loretto, first; Cahill, Nerinx, second; Muldoon, Nerinx, third.

Relay—Nerinx (Muldoon, Brockland, Cahill, Casey, Hanlon, Christman), first; Loretto (Perkins, Burke, Wilde, Kellar, Hamilton), second.

## Agnes Louis Rupp Tells of Her Sandwich Shop

A very attractive hobby has been revealed by Agnes Louise Rupp, Webster College student and proprietor of "King's Mar," a shop on South Kingshighway. It is a sandwich shop with candy as a specialty.

Agnes Louise explained that with the assistance of her mother and two helpers she operates the shop and attends school.

The young proprietor is a lover of music as well as art. She intends to pursue a career of art and music after she has received her A. B. degree. The hour after dinner, when almost all the girls dance, Agnes Louise is an orchestra in herself with her piano playing.

## "Merchant of Venice" Presented By Students of Dramatic Department

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portrayal of a blind old father was very good.

The costumes, as well as the stage settings, were very attractive.

The performance Sunday afternoon was largely attended by Religious from various parishes in St. Louis. Monday evening the per-

## Track Meet

Thursday, May 23, was a big day for the Athletic Association as well as for the entire school. It was the day of the annual track meet and, strange as it may seem, the sun was shining. It was a beautiful day all the way around. Before a large and eager crowd of spectators, the sophomores marched off with the honors. Ruth Bergfeld, a sophomore, took first place with 28 points; Ann Ryan, also a soph, was second with 19. To top this the sophomores won the relay to insure their victory. Al lthis sounds as though there was not much competition but you're wrong if you have that idea. Orient Weis was the only Junior representative, but the Freshmen had a fine turnout, and, although they didn't win a trophy, their sportsmanship was fine. They tried hard and the upper classes may be warned against their skill next year. Dorothy Meyer was in a close race for second place with 16 points.

50-yard Dash—(1) A. Ryan, Sophomore; (2) R. Bergfeld, Sophomore; (3) A. Murphy, Sophomore.

Shot Put—(1) R. Bergfeld, Sophomore; (2) C. Sullivan, Sophomore; (3) D. Meyer, Freshman.

Basket-ball Throw—(1) D. Meyer, Freshman; (2) R. Bergfeld, Sophomore; (3) A. Ryan, Sophomore.

75-yard Dash—(1) R. Bergfeld, Sophomore; (2) A. Ryan, Sophomore; (3) A. Murphy, Sophomore.

Baseball Throw—(1) D. Meyer, Freshman; (2) M. Ludden, Sophomore; (3) A. Widmer, Sophomore.

Running Broad—(1) C. Sullivan, Sophomore; (2) A. Ryan, Sophomore; (3) D. Meyer, Freshman.

Standing Broad—(1) R. Bergfeld, Sophomore; (2) D. Meyer, Freshman; (3) C. Sullivan, Sophomore.

High Jump—(1) A. Ryan and R. Bergfeld, Sophomores; (2) O. Weis, Junior; (3) C. Sullivan, A. Murphy, Sophomores, and J. Reddin and D. Meyer, Freshmen.

## Poetry Club Meeting Held at Nerinx Hall

The final meeting of the Poetry Club was in the nature of a picnic supper held on the lawn of Nerinx Hall, May 21. Among the guests were Mother Linus, Sister Mary Borgia, Sister Aloysius Marie, Mrs. Emily Barnicle Tinker, Mrs. Ruth Loftus Weiler and Mrs. Robert Niedman. The supper was served on tables decked with roses and ferns, and while desert was being served members of the Club read original poems.

Following the picnic the meeting was adjourned to the hall where elections for the following year were held. Those elected were: President, Helen Catherine Sherman; Vice-President, Josephine Rabbit; and Secretary-Treasurer, Thelma Pape.

The meeting was closed with the singing of the school song, which, it will be remembered, was sponsored by the poetry club last year and was first heard at the last meeting of the club in 1928. Two members of the club, Anne Carr and Frank Ward, composed the words and the music, respectively.

formance was repeated and the cast played to an exceptionally crowded house.

## Music Conservatory Closed Wednesday, May Twenty-Second

### Large Crowd Present at Last Musical Recital

The Loretto Conservatory of Music at Webster College held its closing concert Wednesday evening, May 22, at 8 o'clock in the College auditorium.

Noel Poepping, a singer and composer, attended the concert. He recently composed a song entitled: "Missouri," and desires that the Choral Club at Webster be the first to sing it.

The following program was given: one number by the Webster College Ensemble; Eugenia Bock, Helen O'Brien, Kathleen Hamel, Erlene Strothkamp, Josephine Thompson, Frank Ward, and Grace Meyer gave piano solos; vocal numbers were sung by Catherine O'Flaherty, Catherine Sullivan and Helen McEvoy; and one violin number was played by Anne Boone.

## The Decision

There she sat, as if a reigning queen beset with trials and tribulations. Her delicately-carved features were drawn taut. Her eyes sparkled like the glowing embers of a log-fire—after it is out. Her dainty hands were transformed into tightly clenched fists, the rings biting cruelly into the flesh. Great Heavens! If only some kind fairy would come to her assistance.

From her position she looked down upon the masculine figure kneeling before her. The bowed head raised slightly—expectantly. She must decide at once.

Yet as she began to speak, she hesitated. What if her decision should be wrong? Across her mind flashed forgotten pages of history. Did Caesar hesitate at the Rubicon? Did Cleopatra flirt with the adder? Did Nero hesitate while Rome burned? No. She was sure on the last point at least. History said he fiddled.

She would decide; yes, her mind was made up. But, as her faintly rouged lips parted, thoughts of home, of her parents, of all that was her very own entered confusedly into her troubled brain. She was powerless to banish them. If she decided wrongly, what then? Would she dare again to face her friends? Would she be able to pick up once more the strings of life where they had been broken off? Impossible. She would be a leper, an outcast, shunned by society. She twitched convulsively at the thought.

Oh, why was she acting so rashly? Her mother had warned her again and again. Yes; if only she could remember. Was there no loop-hole for escape? She looked down distractedly at the bent figure; a ripple of fear ran over her body. She had gone too far. She must face the consequences. The die was cast, let fate take its course. She drew a deep breath.

"Try the shoe on the left foot, please."

A delicately-shaped foot was thrust forward. A sigh of relief escaped her. She had decided correctly. The hole was in the right stocking.

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## ECHOES OF THE HALLS



Jane Poole and Francis Sloan spent Friday night with Jane Burleigh.

Dorothy Fairall and Carol Emge spent Friday night with Mary Virginia Cummins.

Elizabeth O'Malley and Josephine Reddin spent the week-end at Mrs. D. C. O'Malley's.

Mrs. H. J. Wilde of Kansas City visited her daughter, Margaret.

Rosemary Gottlob spent the week-end at her home.

The marriage of Valerie Garthoffner, daughter of Mrs. Frank Garthoffner of 4129 Cleveland avenue and Mr. George Raymond Kleine will take place Tuesday morning, June 4, at St. Margaret's Church, with Rev. Father Louis Bruns officiating.

Marian Garthoffner will be her sister's maid of honor and Erlene Strothkamp and Grace Strecker will act as bridesmaids.

Mr. Robert Kleine, Jr., will be his brother's best man, with the following as groomsmen: Mr. Harry Bockrath and Mr. Walter Gantner.

The bride is a graduate of Loretto Academy and attended Webster College.

### Altar Erected in Social Hall During May

### Vigil Lights and Flowers Were Donated By Students

A beautiful ivory colored statue of the Blessed Virgin was erected in Social Hall to further devotions to our Mother during her month of May. Red and blue vigil lights were lighted around the statue, by the girls, who made the little sacrifices to gain their requests and at the same time to add to the beauty of the May altar. Likewise, delicate shades of roses, snapdragons and gladiolas were donated and placed in graceful baskets at the foot of the statue.

Every evening at 7 o'clock the resident students assembled here to ask the intercession of this greatly honored one. Following the recital of the Litany of the Blessed Virgin the devotions were closed with the singing of an appropriate hymn.

### Alumnae News

Agnes O'Connor acted as hostess to a bridge tea in Social Hall for some of her alumnae friends. Virginia Stephens, who has announced her engagement, was the honored guest.

## Once There Was a Webster College For Men

### Mr. F. C. Thompson Tells of Early History of Webster and Its First College

Did you ever stop to think that not so very many years ago there was no Webster College—in fact, no Webster Groves? Where did it come from? The nucleus of this thickly populated suburb was a school, Webster College for Men on Gore avenue, which has been disorganized for many years.

People often wonder why a school was built in what at that time was considered a remote community. Webster College for Men was named for Daniel Webster and Webster Groves in turn, received its name from this pioneer institution.

Now the site of Webster Grove's first educational institution is occupied by an orphan's home, according to Mr. F. C. Thompson, one of the oldest and most prominent citizens of Webster.

With the years a town started growing and several homes appeared, one of which was the B. F. Webster homestead. Mr. Webster had a frame house on the land that later became the location of our own College. Where our back drive is there was a green house.

"This green house," said Mr. Thompson, "was one of the most marvelous affairs on earth to me. In reality it was very crude when compared to the modern green houses but it was the only greenhouse here at that time and it became one of my greatest ambitions to possess one just like it."

"Huge lilac bushes grew on either side of the Webster house, and along Big Bend road there were tall poplar trees, but the lilacs and trees have gone, and even the house was destroyed by a fire.

When the place was first bought by the Sisters one story buildings were erected and these served as a school; later the brick buildings were erected and "last but surely not least," came Loretto Hall, the crowning glory of Webster College.

Webster College for Men—then, later, Webster College for Women! Both names and purposes came from such different sources, but they are related in that Webster College for Men started the city that attracted another school long after the latter College had been disorganized.

And now in this city, just across the street from Webster College is the miniature Shaw's garden, which is owned by Mr. F. C. Thompson. It is an estate of about eight acres and one that had attracted of much attention because of the experiments that take place there along botanical lines. Its owner has been working many years improving and enlarging his gardens until they stand now in their present state of perfection, the fulfillment of his boyhood plans and dreams.

"Even when I was a little boy," said Mr. Thompson, "there were few things that interested me as much as the care and growth of flowers. Where we lived there was not much ground, but I was given a small plot in which to plant flowers. I tended these regularly and when the blooms came I cut

and arranged them into what I considered beautiful bouquets. These I sold for one cent each."

"Of course," he laughed, "a penny doesn't seem anything now, but in those days, especially to me, it seemed a large amount indeed."

"After I was married, I lived in the city. I still loved to experiment with flowers, and had a small garden behind by house. I worked during the day, but in the evening I tended my flowers. When it grew too late to see, I went into the house and there I studied the various books of Botany and anything else I found that pertained to flowers."

"It had always been my ambition to have a home in the country and enough ground to experiment in growing a variety of plants. I looked for a suitable place but failed to find one that really pleased me until one day, while I was showing a prospective customer a site in Webster Groves, it came to me that this was the very place I had always wanted."

"I sold my customer another piece of property and as soon as possible I bought this site. This was the beginning of Arbor Lodge, and the task of beautifying it became my favorite work and pastime. At first the place was not attractive. The owner had neglected the house, had planted very few trees and little or no shrubbery. I immediately set out a number of trees and for the first time had the opportunity of planting a large number of shrubs and plants. In a few years the house had taken on a new aspect. The trees had grown, the shrubbery hid all unattractiveness angles and the flowers were all I had hoped for.

"Several years later I bought the house adjoining my property and had it moved farther down the street. By the time I had finished enlarging my grounds it was necessary to move four houses and about a dozen barns and other buildings. One of these houses is the present Episcopalian Rector's home, another, my first house which I had replaced with my present home, belongs to C. H. Hasner, the third is the property of A. Zott, and the last was torn down.

"As each house was being moved, traffic on Big Bend road was blocked. Of course, I wouldn't be allowed to do that now, but the traffic in those days was as nothing compared to that of today. In comparison there is more traffic in a half hour now, than there was in a week at that time.

"By this time I had built a green house also. It was a great thrill when I first stepped inside and realized that the last of my plans had matured. And when I was finally successful in raising some unusual flower, well, it seemed too good to be true!"

There are about four thousand trees and shrubs in Arbor Lodge and practically all of the shrubs, and almost all of the trees, have been planted by Mr. Thompson in the past thirty-seven years. He has worked continually among his flowers and has perhaps one of the most beautiful and complete private gardens in this part of the state. Some of his plants have received recognition and he is experimenting now with a plant, the trailing arbutus. If it grows he will be one of the first persons to succeed in raising the plant in this section of the country.

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